



**Environmental Board  
July 20, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.  
City Hall Council Chambers  
301 West Second Street  
Austin, Texas 78701**

## **AGENDA**

Bob Anderson  
Place 1 Appointee

Eva Hernandez  
Place 2 Appointee

Jon Beall  
Place 3 Appointee

Dr. Mary Gay Maxwell, Chair  
Place 4 Appointee

Robin Gary, Vice Chair  
Place 5 Appointee

James Schissler, P. E., Secretary  
Place 6 Appointee

Mary Ann Neely  
Mayor's Appointee

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### **1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL**

Speaker should sign up to speak prior to the meeting called to order; you will receive a three-minute allotment  
To address to your concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

#### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS**

- a. Approve the minutes of the Environmental Board Regular held on June 15, 2011.  
Approve the minutes of the Environmental Board Retreat held on June 22, 2011.  
Approve the minutes of the Special Called Meeting held on June 29, 2011.

#### **3. 10 MINUTES OF CONTINUING EDUCATION**

The Lundelius-McDaniels Water Quality Pond Retrofit –  
Mike Kelly, Watershed Protection Department

#### **4. PUBLIC HEARINGS POSTPONED FROM THE JUNE 15, 2011 REGULAR MEETING**

**a. Name: Block at 26th SP-2011-0032C.SH**

**Applicant:** Lynn Ann Carley, P. E. Armbrust and Brown, PLLC

**Location:** 900 West 26th Street

**City Arborist:** Keith Mars, Planning and Development Review Department

**Ordinance:** Heritage Tree Ordinance

**Request:** The variance request is as follows:

The applicant is requesting to remove a heritage tree with a stem greater than 30 inches as allowed under Land Development Code 25-8-643.

**Recommendation:** The request does not meet City Arborist approval criteria set forth in LDC 25-8-624(A).

#### **5. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**a. Name: Judge's Overlook – SP-2011-0051D**

**Applicant:** ATS Engineers, Inspectors, and Surveyors (Marc Dickey).

**Location:** 6916 FM 2244 Rd. (Bee Caves Rd)

**Staff Person:** Brad Jackson, Planning and Development Review Department

**Request:** Variance request is as follows:

1. To allow cut up to a maximum of 8 feet for driveway construction. (LDC Section 25-8-341).
2. To allow fill up to a maximum of 8 feet for driveway construction. (LDC Section 25-8-342).
3. To allow up to 21% impervious cover for the site. [LDC Section 25-8-454(D)(1)(a)]

**Watershed:** Bee Creek Watershed, Water Supply Rural, Drinking Water Protection Zone

**Recommendation:** Recommended with conditions.

**b.**

**Applicant:** Will Marsh, Cerco Development, Inc.

**Location:** 311, 313, and 315 Bowie Streets.

**City Arborist:** Keith Mars, Planning and Development Review Department

**Ordinance:** Heritage Tree Ordinance

**Request:** The variance request is as follows:

The applicant is requesting to remove a heritage tree with a stem greater than 30 inches in diameter.

**Recommendation:** The request does not meet City Arborist approval criteria set forth in LDC 25-8-624(A).

#### **6. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- a. Briefing on WTP4 Jollyville Transmission Main environmental monitoring, adaptive management, and contingency planning. Chuck Lesniak and Thais Perkins, Watershed Protection Department, Jason Bybel, Public Works Department.
- b. Briefing on recent cooperative studies with the USGS on sources of nitrate in Barton Springs- Chris Herrington, P.E, Watershed Protection Department

## **7. OLD BUSINESS AND REPORTS**

- 1) Update on the Joint Environmental/Parks Board Subcommittee – Mary Gay Maxwell, Jon Beall & Mary Ann Neely.
- 2) Urban Growth Policy Committee – Mary Gay Maxwell, James Schissler, P. E., Jon Beall & Eva Hernandez.
- 3) Water Treatment Plant #4 Committee – Mary Gay Maxwell, Chair, Bob Anderson, Jon Beall, & Mary Ann Neely.
- 4) Development Committee – Bob Anderson, Chair, Mary Gay Maxwell & James Schissler.
- 5) Water Quality Regulations Committee – Mary Ann Neely, Chair, and Robin Gary.
- 6) Watershed Protection Budget Committee – Mary Gay Maxwell, Jon Beall and Bob Anderson.
- 7) Reports from Board representative to other committees.

## **8. NEW BUSINESS - Future agenda items**

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

The Board may take items in any order, and may take action on any item except citizen's communication. The City of Austin is committed to compliance with the American with Disabilities ACT. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. Meeting locations are planned with wheelchair access. If requiring Sign Language Interpreters or alternative formats, please give notice at least 4 days before the meeting date. Please call Marilla Shepherd at the Watershed Protection Department, 512-974-3443 for additional information. TTY users route through Relay Texas at 711. Link to Meetings of the Environmental Board and more: [http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/cityclerk/boards\\_commissions/meetings/28\\_1.htm](http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/cityclerk/boards_commissions/meetings/28_1.htm)

## APPENDICES:

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Request Date	Request from Environmental Board to COA Staff & staff to EB	Requestor	Staff	Agency	EB Meeting Date
					<b>7/15/11</b>
4/21/10	The difference in impervious cover regulations in different watersheds.	10 Min. Snippet	Matt Hollon	WPD	pending
3/2/11	Tree Preservation	James Schissler	Michael Embesi	PDRD	pending
5/18/11	Request for staff overview of the City of Austin Bike System. How the trails connect to the bike system? How can we improve air quality by increasing bike use. Prev sched. 7/20/11	Bob Anderson	Greg Griffin, Annick Beaudeau Keri Juarez	PWS	pending
7/11/11	Briefing on the City of Austin timeline for renewing the 10(a)(1)(b) permit for incidental take of the Barton Springs Salamander.	Mike Personett	Chris Herrington	WPD	8/3/11
4/21/10	Operation Permit regulatory terms and their meaning -	10 Min. Snippet	Matt Hollon	WPD	pending
7/7/11	Green Infrastructure, Rio Grande Rain Gardens/ "State of Austin's Green Infrastructure" staff report.	Bob Anderson	Mike Kelly	WPD	pending