

Environmental Board August 17, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. City Hall Council Chambers 301 West Second Street Austin, Texas 78701

# **AGENDA**

Bob Anderson Place 1 Appointee Vacant Place 2 Appointee Jennifer Walker 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

#### **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 Environment Board regular meeting on August 3, 2011.

#### 3. 10 MINUTES OF CONTINUING EDUCATION

None.

#### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS POSTPONED FROM THE July 20, 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).

b. Name: 311, 313, and 315 Bowie Streets Permit #10617196

**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).

#### 5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. Name: Texas Custom Choppers – SP-2010-0335D
Applicant: Urban Design Group - Don Sampson

**Location:** 15602-1/2 Storm Dr.

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

Request: Variance requests are as follows:

1. To allow up to 53% impervious cover for the site. [LDC Section 25-8-454(D) (1) (a)]

2. To eliminate the requirement that 40% of the site be restored to its natural state to serve as a buffer. [LDC Section 25-8-454(D) (2)]

Watershed: Running Deer Creek Watershed, Water Supply Rural

**Drinking Water Protection Zone** 

**Recommendation:** Not recommended.

#### 6. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. Briefing on the Colorado River Corridor Plan Jean Drew, Watershed Protection Department
- b. Update on Loop 360/Barton Creek Greenbelt landfill remediation Chuck Lesniak, Watershed Protection Department
- c. Briefing on the Arundo Grant Crane control around Lady Bird Lake Mary Gilroy, Watershed Protection Department

#### 7. OLD BUSINESS AND REPORTS

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

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

### 9. ADJOURNMENT

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