ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, March 04, 2009



ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, March 04, 2009

The Environmental Board convened in a regular meeting on Wednesday, March 04, 2009, City Council Chambers at 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas 78701

Board Members in Attendance:

Rodney Ahart, Jon Beall, David Bezanson, John Dupnik, Mary Gay Maxwell, Phil Moncada, and Mary Ann Neely

Staff in Attendance:

Stephen Rye, Patricia Foran, Ingrid McDonald, George Zapalac, Fred Blood, Cathy Stephens, Pat Murphy, Ron Czajkowski, Tom Nuckols, and Marilla Shepherd

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:

Speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order each be are allowed a three-five minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

General

Neith Maddox spoke on ethic living in Austin, Texas

Item Specific

- Scott Johnson signed up to speak on agenda item 3.
- Karen Ascot signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.
- Jeff Jack signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.
- Fred Schmidt signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.
- Sarah E. Campbell signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.
- Toni House signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.
- Danette Chimenti signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.
- Gale Geoff signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.
- Jean Mather signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.
- Carl Braun signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.
- Steve Drenner signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.
- Claudette Lowe signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.
- Lucy Petrucelli signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.
- Dawn Cizmar signed up to speak on agenda item 4a.

- Malcolm Yeatts signed up to speak on agenda item 4a, but did not speak.
- Andrew Hawkins signed up to speak on item 5a.
- Carol Torgrimson signed up to speak on item 5a
- Paul W. Linehan spoke on agenda item 5a.
- Peter Cesaro signed up to speak on agenda item 5a.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the minutes of the regular meeting on February 18, 2009.

The minutes for the regular meeting of February 18, 2009 were approved on Board member Rodney Ahart's motion, Board member Phil Moncada's second on a 7-0 vote.

3. STAFF PRESENTATIONS, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION.

a. Staff Recommendation for a Sustainable Events Plan. Heidi Gerbracht, Office of the City Manager.

Staff requested that this item be withdrawn from the Environmental Board agenda. Will present at a later date. Approved on Board member Mary Ann Neely's motion and Board member Bezanson's second on a 7-0 vote.

POSTPONEMENT FROM THE FEBRUARY 18, 2009 REGULAR MEETING

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

 a. Name: South Shore District PUD C814-2008-0087
Applicant: Drenner & Golden Stuart Wolff, LLP Location: 1701 S. Lakeshore Blvd.

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- 1414 Arena Drive
- 1333 Arena Drive
- 1200 Tinnin Ford Road
- 1201 Town Creek Drive

Staff Person Stephen Rye, Neighborhood Planning & Development, Patricia Foran, Watershed Protection and Development Review Department

Request: Applicant is requesting PUD zoning for the property with the following exceptions:

1. LDC 25-8-261 (Critical Water Quality Zone) to construct a regional water quality pond within the critical water quality zone;

2. LDC 25-1-21 (Definition of "site") to allow site development to comply with development standards on an overall basis, rather than tract by tract;
3. LDC 25-2-243 (Proposed District Boundaries Must be Contiguous) to allow the PUD area to be considered contiguous;

4. LDC 25-2-491 (Permitted, Conditional, and Prohibited Uses) to allow certain GR uses to be permitted (per Exhibit B);

5. LDC 25-2-492 (Site Development Regulations) to be allowed 120 feet height.

Watershed – Town Lake Watershed (Urban) Desire Development Zone. Recommendation: Recommended with conditions

The Environmental Board recommended approval with conditions to South Shore District PUD C814-2008-0087. See attachment.

Recommendation Approved: [VOTE 5-2]. Motioned by Board member Phil Moncada and seconded by Board member Rodney Ahart.

5. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. Amendment to Chapter 25 of the City Code concerning expiration of site plans. Julie Lipton, and George Zapalac, Watershed Protection and Development Review Department

The Environmental Board requested that this item be postponed to the March 18, 2009 Environmental Board meeting.

b. Briefing on CAMPO – Cathy Stephens, CAMPO

This item conducted as posted. A resolution of the Environmental Board approved on Board member Mary Ann Neely and second by Board member Phil Moncada on a vote count of 7-0. See attached.

c. Briefing on Air Quality Issues – Fred Blood, Austin Energy **This item conducted as posted.**

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. Update on the Joint Environmental/Parks Board Subcommittee –Mary Gay Maxwell

No report this week postponed to discuss at next regular meeting 3/18/2009..

b. Update on the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan Citizens Advisory Group – Mary Ann Neely

No report this week, postponed to discuss at next regular meeting 3/18/2009.

c. Update on the Waterfront Overlay Taskforce - Dr. Mary Gay Maxwell

No report this week, postponed to discuss at next regular meeting 3/18/2009.

d. Environmental Awareness Awards- Executive Committee of the Environmental Board

No report this week, postponed to discuss at next regular meeting 3/18/2009.

e. Environmental Board subcommittee reports on the progress of the 2009 Work Plan.

No report this week, postponed to discuss at next regular meeting 3/18/2009.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Request for future agenda items:

Add Mary Gay Maxwell's name to the Joint Environmental/Parks Board subcommittee to replace Dave Anderson.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.