



**Environmental Board
February 6, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers
301 West Second Street
Austin, Texas 78701**

AGENDA

Bob Anderson
Place 1 Appointee

Marisa Perales
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

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL

Speaker should sign up to speak prior to the meeting being called to order; you will receive a three-minute allotment to discuss topics not posted on the agenda.

3. 10 MINUTES OF EDUCATION

a. Use of inorganic mulch in landscaping and relevant City Code and Criteria. - Sue Barnett
Planning and Development Review Department

1. Land Development Code: 25-2-1003 (D) A required landscaped area may include planters, brick, stone, natural forms, water forms, aggregate, and other landscape features, if inorganic materials do not predominate over the plants. Smooth concrete or asphalt may not be included in a required landscaped area.

2. Environmental Criteria Manual 2.4.5 Soil Conditioning and Mulching.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS

- a. Approve the minutes of the Environment Board regular meeting on January 16, 2013.
- b. Environmental Officer's report on, hot topics, and past Board actions – Chuck Lesniak, Watershed Protection Department

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Name: Barton Springs Pool General Grounds Improvements **SPC-2012-0104D**

Applicant: City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department.

Location: 2201 Barton Springs Road

Staff Reviewer: Liz Johnston, PDRD Environmental Reviewer

Watershed Barton Creek (Barton Springs Zone), Drinking Water Protection Zone, and

Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone

Ordinance: Comprehensive Watershed Ordinance (current Code) and Save Our Springs Ordinance

Request: Consider and recommend approval of an ordinance granting variances as follows:

1. To allow construction within the Critical Water Quality Zone of Barton Creek; [LDC Section 25-8-482]
2. To allow construction within a Water Quality Transition Zone of Barton Springs; [LDC Section 25-8-483 (A)] And providing amendments

And providing amendments to the SOS Ordinance as follows:

1. To allow construction within the Critical Water Quality Zone of Barton Springs; [LDC Section 25-8-514(B)]
2. To allow impervious in excess of 15% net site area [LDC Section 25-8-514(A)]

Staff Recommendation: Recommended for approval

6. STAFF BRIEFING AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. Briefing on planned improvements to Barton Springs Pool and associated site plan. and Greg Gregston, Parks and Recreation Department and Robin Camp, Public Works Department
- b. Briefing on the Well Registration Ordinance – Daryl Slusher, Assistance Director and Tina Bui, Austin Water Utility
- c. Briefing on the City of Austin’s air quality activities – Pharr Andrews, Transportation Department
- d. Water Treatment Plant 4 Jollyville Transmission Main Environmental Commissioning monthly report– David Johns, P. G., and Thais Perkins, Watershed Protection Department
- e. Water Treatment Plant 4 Jollyville Transmission Main monthly project status report. Robyn Smith and Jason Bybel, Public Works Department

7. OLD BUSINESS AND REPORTS

- a. Update on the Joint Environmental/Parks Board Subcommittee – Mary Ann Neely, and Jennifer Walker.
- b. Urban Growth Policy Committee – Mary Gay Maxwell, James Schissler, P. E., and Marisa Perales
- c. Water Treatment Plant #4 Committee – Mary Gay Maxwell, Chair, Bob Anderson, Robin Gary & Mary Ann Neely.
- d. Development Committee – Bob Anderson, Chair, Mary Gay Maxwell, Marisa Perales, and James Schissler.
- e. Water Quality Regulations Committee – Mary Ann Neely, Chair, Robin Gary, & Jennifer Walker.
- f. Watershed Protection Budget Committee – Mary Gay Maxwell, Mary Ann Neely & Bob Anderson
- g. Reports from Board representatives to other committees.

8. NEW BUSINESS - Future agenda items

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Environmental Board may take items in any order, and may take action on any item except citizen's communication. Direct any questions on this agenda or the Board to Marilla J. Shepherd, 974-3443 of the Watershed Protection Department. The City of Austin is committed to compliance with the Americans Disabilities Act. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided. Please call 974-3443 for information. For a sign language interpreter, please call immediately.