

ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY March 19, 2014

The Environmental Board convened in a public hearing meeting on Wednesday, March 19, 2014, at City Hall Council Chambers. 301 W. Second Street, Austin, Texas 78701

Board Members in Attendance:

Robert Deegan, Mary Gay Maxwell, Mary Ann Neely, Marisa Perales, James Schissler, and Brian Smith

Board Members in Absent:

Jennifer Walker

Staff in Attendance:

Chris Herrington

Chuck Lesniak

Scott Gross

Jerry Rusthoven

Marilla Shepherd

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mary Gay Maxwell called the meeting to order at 6:11 p.m.

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS: GENERAL

There were no citizens signed up to speak.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS

a. Approve the minutes of the Environmental Board regular meeting of March 5, 2014.

Motion to approved the March 5, 2014 meeting was made by Board member James Schissler and second by Marisa Perales Vote [5-0-1-1] Board ember Robert Deegan abstained and Board member Jennifer Walker was absent.

b. Approve the minutes of the Environmental Board Water Quality Regulations Committee and Development Committee meeting of March 12, 2014.

Motion to approved the Water Quality Regulatins Committee and Development Committee joint meeting on March 12, 2014 was made by Board member James Schissler and second by Marisa Perales Vote [5-0-1-1] Board member Brian Smith abstained and Board member Jennifer Walker was absent.

- c. Environmental Officer's report on hot topics and past Board actions Chuck Lesniak, Watershed Protection Department
 - 1. Blue Bonnet Hills project status

This item was conducted as posted.

4. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. Briefing on Project Connect: Central Corridor Evaluation Alternatives - Scott Gross, Transportation Department.

This item was conducted as posted. No action taken.

5. TABLED STAFF BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION FROM 3/5/14

- a. Consider a draft ordinance affecting City Code Chapters 25-1, 25-2, 25-5, 25-7 and 25-8, relating to the Lake Austin Zoning District and the regulation of boat docks, bulkheads and shoreline access in response to City Council Resolution 20130829-078. Chuck Lesniak, Environmental Officer, and Chris Herrington, P.E., Watershed Protection Department Recommendation approved on Board member Mary Gay Maxwell's motion and second made by Board member James Schissler [Vote 6-0-0-1] Board member Jennifer Walker was absent.
- b. Consider a draft ordinance to create a Lake Austin zoning district overlay that is proposed to apply within 1000 feet of the shoreline of Lake Austin in response to City Council Resolution 20130829-113. Chuck Lesniak, Environmental Officer, and Chris Herrington, P.E., Watershed Protection Department, and Jerry Rusthoven, Planning and Development Review Department

Recommendation approved on Board member Mary Ann Neely's motion and second made by Board member James Schissler [Vote 6-0-0-1] Board member Jennifer Walker was absent.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Update on the Joint Environmental/Parks Board Subcommittee Mary Ann Neely, Jennifer Walker, and James Schissler, P.E. **No report this week.**
- b. Urban Growth Policy Committee Mary Gay Maxwell, James Schissler, P. E., and Marisa Perales. **No report this week.**
- c. Water Treatment Plant #4 Committee Mary Gay Maxwell, Robin Gary and Mary Ann Neely No report this week.
- d. Development Committee –Mary Gay Maxwell, Marisa Perales, Robert Deegan, and James Schissler, P.E. No report this week.
- e. Water Quality Regulations Committee Mary Ann Neely, Chair, Robin Gary, and Jennifer Walker. **No report this week.**
- f. Watershed Protection Budget Committee Mary Gay Maxwell and Mary Ann Neely **No report this week.**
- g. Other reports from Board members. No report this week.

7. NEW BUSINESS - Future agenda items

- 1. Update on Resnicek Field
- 2. Urban Forest Private Properties

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Mary Gay Maxwell adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.