

# Environmental Commission Regular Meeting September 2, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. City Hall Boards & Commissions 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Austin, Texas 78701

# Agenda

## **COMMISSIONERS:**

Andrew Creel (D-1)	Erin Gooch (D-4)	Richard Grayum (D-10)	Peggy Maceo (D-7)
Mary Gay Maxwell (D-9)	Michael Moya (D-6)	Mary Ann Neely (D-5)	Marisa Perales (D-2)
Hank Smith (D-8)	Brian Smith (Mayor)	Pam Thompson (D-3)	

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

#### 2. EDUCATION

a. Review the Environmental Commission handbook

#### 3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

Speakers 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.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION

a. Approve the minutes of the regular Environmental Commission meeting of August 19, 2015.

#### 5. ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER'S UPDATE ON PAST COMMISSION ACTIONS AND REPORT ON ITEMS OF INTEREST

a. Introduction of the Central Texas Regional Urban Forester from Texas A&M Forest Service, Bradley Hamel

#### 6. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. Appoint a member of the Environmental Commission to the BCCP Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) – Sherri Kuhl, BCP Program Manager, Austin Water Utility
- b. Discuss and recommend proposed revisions to Chapter 6-5 of the Code applicable to watercraft and marinas – Michael Carolan, Water Utility Legal Coordinator, Austin Water Utility

- c. Staff briefing on an ordinance amending City Code Title 25 and City Code Chapter 15 regarding recycling and reuse of materials generated by building and demolition permits (Construction Material Recycling Ordinance) – Woody Raine, Waste Diversion Planner Sr., Austin Resource Recovery
- Final report from the Green Infrastructure working group Erin Wood, Principal Planner, Watershed Protection Department; Matt Hollon, Environmental Conservation Manager, Watershed Protection Department

#### 7. STAFF BRIEFINGS

- Watershed Protection Department's Summary of Youth Education Program Outreach during the 2015 Fiscal Year – Susan Wall, Conservation Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department
- b. Overview of the City Arborist and Urban Forestry Programs Michael Embesi, Arborist, Development Services Department

#### 8. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. Name: Mayes Boat Dock SP-2014-0182D Applicant: Permit Partners; David Cancialosi

Location: 3715 Westlake Drive

**Staff Reviewer:** Mike McDougal, Development Services Department/Environmental Reviewer; Scott Hiers, Watershed Protection Department/ERM Staff

Watershed: Lake Austin Watershed / Water Supply Rural Classification / Drinking Water Protection Zone

**Ordinance:** Watershed Protection Ordinance (pre-2014 Lake Austin Ordinance) **Request:** Variance requests are as follows:

- 1. To allow construction of a boat dock, shoreline access, and shoreline stabilization within a CEF buffer for a canyon rimrock [LDC 25-8-281(C)(2)(b)]; and
- 2. To allow fill up to 8 feet [LDC 25-8-342(A)]

**Staff Recommendation:** Variance 1: recommended with conditions. Variance 2: no recommendation.

**Reason:** Variance 1: Findings of fact have been met. Variance 2: Findings of fact have not been met.

#### 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Open Space, Environment, and Sustainability Council Committee
- b. Other reports from Commissioners

#### 10. NEW BUSINESS – Future agenda items

#### 11. ADJOURNMENT

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