

# Environmental Commission Regular Meeting January 13, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. City Hall Boards & Commissioners, 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Austin, Texas 78701

# Agenda

# **COMMISSIONERS:**

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

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

# 2. 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.

# **3. EDUCATION**

a. None

## 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION

a. Approve the minutes of the regular Environmental Commission meeting of December 16, 2015.

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

a. None

## 6. STAFF BRIEFINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION\*

- a. Update on the resolution related to a rule to be proposed to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality related to the beneficial reuse of wastewater – Chris Herrington, Supervising Engineer, Watershed Protection Department
- b. Briefing on the status of land acquisition activity and funding for the Balcones Canyonlands Preserve and for Water Quality Protection Lands – Kevin Thuesen, Environmental Conservation Program Manager/WQPL, Austin Water Utility; Sherri Kuhl, Balcones Canyonlands Preserve Program Manager, Austin Water Utility

c. Update on Dove Springs Flooding and the City's Buyout Project for Lower Onion Creek – Jose Guerrero, Assistant Director, Watershed Protection Department

#### 7. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. Flood Mitigation Task Force Update - Matt Rienstra, Chair, Flood Mitigation Task Force

# 8. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. None

#### 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Urban Growth Policy Committee
- b. Water Treatment Plant #4 Committee
- c. Development Committee
- d. Water Quality Regulations Committee
- e. Watershed Protection Budget Committee
- f. Air Quality Committee
- g. Report from Mary Gay Maxwell on the Open Space, Environment, and Sustainability Council Committee
- h. Report from Pam Thompson on the Parkland Events Task Force
- i. Report from Erin Gooch on the Joint Sustainability Committee
- j. Report from Mary Ann Neely on the Balcones Canyon Conservation Plan Citizen's Advisory Committee
- k. Report on the Joint Committee of the Environmental Commission and Parks and Recreation Board
- 1. Other reports from Commissioners

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

#### 11. ADJOURNMENT

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