



Record of Decisions

Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan
Citizens Advisory Committee
Regular Meeting
April 12, 2016 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
Waller Creek Center, Room 104
625 East 10th Street
Austin, Texas 78701

Present

Peter Torgrimson, Chair
Sherri Kuhl, BCCP Secretary
Forrest Arnold
Kent Browning
Richard DePalma
John Gosdin
Tom Hegemier
Annie Kellough

Mary Ann Neely
David Whatley

2 Vacancies

Absent

Ken Beck

1. Citizens Communication:

- a. None.

2. BCP Partner Reports:

- a. **City of Austin BCP** – Lisa O'Donnell reviewed the City's written report with the committee.
- b. **Travis County BCP** - Melinda Mallia and Linda Laack reviewed the Travis County written report with the committee
- c. **LCRA BCP** – Erik Huebner reviewed the LCRA written report with the committee.
- d. **Other BCP Partners** – no reports.

3. New Business:

- a. **Members' issues and concerns** – none.
- b. **Recommendation from Advisory Committee Task Group on new consensus CAC members** – Peter briefed the group on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee Task Group for Joan Marshall to be the new consensus member representing the environment. Mary Ann Neely moved to support the recommendation to the Coordinating Committee, David W. seconded, approved 9 to 0. The Committee discussed potential consensus members to represent development interests.

4. Old Business

- a. **Approve the Record of Decision from 2/09/16** - Motion to approve from Neely, second DePalma, carried 9/0.
- b. **Update on BCCP Coordinating Committee Secretary position** - Kuhl gave an update that the Interlocal Agreement between Travis County and the City of was approved and they are finalizing the job posting. The gap in the schedule of the April and August meetings will possibly be enough time for the new BCCP Secretary to be on board.
- c. **Update on BCCP Karst Land Management Plan** – Kuhl informed the CAC members that the Karst LMP was approved by the Coordinating Committee on March 18th.
- d. **Update on BCCP 20th Anniversary Event** – Kuhl gave an update on the upcoming BCCP 20th Anniversary event to be held on May 6th at Reicher Ranch, open to the public. Planning to advertise a series of events leading up to May 6th with 20th Anniversary hikes; BCP Partner events; Community Impact story; advertisements; video with interviews; BCCP poster; etc. CAC could help with distribution of information about the event and the BCP to their neighborhood associations.
- e. **CAC Annual Work Plan** - Report from subcommittees:
 - Wildfire and fire support (tabled until 2017) – Discussed the need to reconvene this group. Kent Browning volunteered to attend the next Austin-Travis County Wildfire Coalition meeting.
 - Invasive species in landscaping (tabled until 2017) – Mary Ann Neely requested information on invasive plants in staff reports. Richard suggested that we need to reach out to the Home Depots and others selling the invasive plants. Neely and DePalma agreed to co-chair the committee and talk about how to get neighborhoods on board.
 - State of BCCP report (joint with SAC) – Peter T. discussed the work plan and asked the group how the CAC could help more with this report. He suggested they should make a greater effort and form a CAC State of the BCCP working group. Extensive discussion on the audience, purpose of the report. Peter offered to meet with a few to discuss how the CAC can give input and focus on the purpose of the report.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.