

Annual Internal Review

This report covers the time period of 7/1/2016 to 6/30/2017

Environmental Commission

(Official Name of Board or Commission)

The Board/Commission mission statement (per the City Code) is:

Per Section 2-1-144(F) of the City Code, the Environmental Commission may:

- (1) review and analyze the policies relating to the environmental quality of the city;
- (2) act as an advisory board to the city council, the city manager, and the department in their efforts to oversee the protection and integrity of the natural environment;
- (3) promote growth management and land use planning, minimize degradation of water resources, protect downstream areas, and promote recreation opportunities and environmental awareness; and
- (4) advise and recommend on any issue which the commission determines necessary or advisable for the enhancement and stewardship of the urban forest both public and private.
- (G) The Environmental Commission shall:
- (1) assist the city council, the city manager, and the department in studying, promoting and enforcing environmental protection policies to assure the health, safety, welfare and quality of life of all citizens within the City's incorporated boundaries as well as those within its extraterritorial jurisdiction where the boundaries apply; and
- (2) oversee the development and implementation of a comprehensive plan for the planting, maintenance, and replacement of trees in the City's jurisdiction, and revise the plan as necessary. When a portion of the plan has been developed and established, it shall be submitted to the city council for adoption before implementation.
- (H) The Environmental Commission shall advise the city council, the city manager, and the department concerning policies, projects, and programs that affect the quality of life or have the potential to affect the environment, including those that relate to or affect:

- (1) water quality: (a) watershed protection; (b) urban runoff; (c) innovative wastewater treatment; (d) regional wastewater treatment; (e) improvement and protection of the Colorado River and the Edwards Aquifer; and (f) wastewater irrigation;
- (2) growth management and land use planning: (a) municipal utility district review; (b) capital improvement project review; and (c) the comprehensive plan;
- (3) construction controls for erosion and sedimentation;
- (4) City environmental policies regarding monitoring and enforcement;
- (5) solid waste disposal plan alternatives;
- (6) watershed protection: (a) flood control; (b) erosion control; (c) water quality; and (d) utility management;
- (7) roadway planning;
- (8) beautification;
- (9) recreation resources;
- (10 public education on environmental matters;
- (11) hazardous waste materials management;
- (12) revegetation and landscaping;
- (13) air quality;
- (14) noise abatement; and
- (15) all matters pertaining to the City's urban forest, including public and private trees.
- (I) The Environmental Commission shall:
- (1) review all variances to requirements for water quality protection;
- (2) review the monitoring of storm water runoff in developed and undeveloped areas;
- (3) review the efficiency of existing and proposed structural and nonstructural water quality controls;
- (4) periodically review the effectiveness of Chapter 25-4 (Subdivision);
- (5) review waste treatment permits within the city's extraterritorial jurisdiction;
- (6) review programs and policies for flood control, erosion control, and water quality;
- (7) review capital improvement projects;
- (8) review municipal utility district proposals and amendments;
- (9) review roadway plan amendments;
- (10) recommend urban runoff standards: and
- (11) review the environmental elements of planned unit developments.
- (J) The Environmental Commission may recommend and initiate, with the advice and consent of the city council, specific project studies concerning any of the matters described in Subsections (H) and (I), or any other related environmental or urban forestry issue.
- (K) The commission shall make reports and recommendations for standards and criteria concerning any of the matters described in Subsections (H) and (I), or any other related environmental or urban forestry issue.
- (L) The commission shall promote close cooperation between the City and all private citizens, institutions, and agencies interested in or conducting natural resource,

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environmental, and urban forestry activities, so that all similar activities within the city may be coordinated to secure the greatest public welfare.

1. Describe the board's actions supporting their mission during the previous calendar year. Address all elements of the board's mission statement as provided in the relevant sections of the City Code.

(Reference all reports, recommendations, letters or resolutions presented to the City Council on mission-specific issues. If some of the elements of the mission statement were not acted on by the board in the past year, the report should explain why no action was taken.)

Attached to this Report is a spreadsheet, listing the all actions, recommendations, letters, reports, and resolutions considered and/or taken by the Environmental Commission.

Although the Commission passed a resolution regarding SH45, recognizing the risks it poses to water quality and endangered species, the Commission has not taken many other actions related to "roadway planning." Roadway planning issues have not been presented to the Commission, other than SH45. Similarly, the Commission was not presented with issues related to solid waste disposal plan alternatives, hazardous waste materials management, or noise abatement.

2. Determine if the board's actions throughout the year comply with the mission statement.

(If any of the board's actions were outside the scope of the mission statement, the report should explain the non-compliance issues.)

All actions, etc. taken by the Environmental Commission were in furtherance of the Commission's mission statement. Among the actions taken by the Commission in furtherance of the mission statement were the formation of a Drainage Infrastructure and Flood Mitigation Committee, which was formed, in part, to monitor and carry out recommendations in the Flood Mitigation Task Force Report. In addition, a committee of the Commission held a meeting in East Austin to facilitate engagement of the community seeking to clean up and preserve City of Austin property, referred to as "Red Bluff," which had amassed large amounts of garbage over the years. The full Commission, thereafter, passed a resolution urging the clean-up and preservation of the property. The Commission has also engaged in discussions (and continues to do so) related to monitoring and enforcement of erosion control measures for single-family residential and infill developments. These are just a few examples of actions taken by the Commission in furtherance of its mission statement.

3. List the board's goals and objectives for the new calendar year.

(Make sure the goals and objectives fall within the mission statement of the board/commission.)

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The Commission looks forward to continuing to oversee the implementation of recommendations made by the Flood Mitigation Task Force and to address issues related to drainage infrastructure and flood mitigation. The Commission will also continue to engage in discussions regarding improved enforcement of erosion control measures for residential and infill developments. The Commission looks forward to participating in the implementation of green stormwater infrastructure projects and regulations. The Commission will also be reviewing and making recommendations regarding CodeNEXT, particularly those portions of the draft code that fall within the Commission's mission statement. The Commission will be making recommendations regarding proposed changes to the redevelopment exception of the SOS ordinance. The Commission will also continue to collaborate with the City Arborist regarding enforcement of the Heritage Tree Ordinance and implementation of a comprehensive plan for the protection of trees.

	Item/Requestor/Staff	EC Meeting Date	Redevelopment Exception in the BSZ	Cut & Fill	Constr. Boatdocks Steep Slopes and Roadways	Stream Buffers (CWQZ & WQTZ)	CEF Setbacks	Impervious Cover; Density; Net Site Area	Ordinance/Resolution and Agreements	PUDS	Variance Heritage Tree	SER	Annual Reports, Special Staff Reports and Work Sessions	Postponement	Staff Briefings	Commendation Letter	ETJ Release	Ordinance Number	Citizen Reques/briefings from the public	Commission admin & policies	Recommendations/Comments
1	Discuss and consider a recommendation to the City Council regarding the proposed SH45 Southwest tollway – Referral from Joint Urban Growth Policy and Development Committees	7/6/2016											R								On Commissioner Mary Ann Neely's motion and Commissioner Pam Thompson's second, the Environmental Commissioner recommended the City of Austin consider joining in the pending litigation, or to initiate its own litigation, to ensure protection of the sensitive environmental features that will be placed at risk by the SH45 SW project, as proposed. Vote 6-3-1-1. Commissioners Guerrero, Maceo, Perales, Neely, Thompson, and Gooch voted in favor. Commissioners Creel, H. Smith, and Moya voted against. Commissioner B. Smith abstained. Commissioner Grayum recused.
2	Review and recommend the Urban Trail Projects for the Upper Boggy Creek Trail (D-1) and Violet Crown Trail North Phase (D-8) – Nadia Barrera, Urban Trails Program Manager, Public Works Department	7/20/2016												Р							Item was postponed.
3	Discuss the City's residential review process and drainage and water quality regulations – David Chapman, EV Inspector Senior, Development Services Department; Chuck Lesniak, Environmental Officer, Watershed Protection Department	7/20/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
4	Discuss a recommendation from the Development Committee regarding the Flood Mitigation Task Force Recommendations	7/20/2016																		x	Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
5	Name: Kristin Boat Dock SP-2016-0185DS (D-10) Applicant: Ricky Rasberry (512) 970-0371 Location: 3811 Westlake Drive Staff Reviewer: Atha Phillips, Environmental Reviewer, Development Services Department; Scott Hiers, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Lake Austin (Water Supply Rural), Drinking Water Protection Zone Request: To allow the construction of a boat dock within a 150 foot Critical Environmental Feature buffer (Canyon Rimrock). 25-8-281(C)(2)(b). Staff Recommendation: Recommended for approval. Reasons for Recommendation: The findings of fact have been met.	7/20/2016												Р							This item was postponed on Commissioner Mary Ann Neely's motion and on Commissioner Brian Smith's second. Vote 6-2-1-1. Commissioners Hank Smith and Andrew Creel voted against. Commissioner Richard Grayum abstained. Commissioner Mike Moya was absent.
6	Name: Bob Johnson Gas Station SP-2015-0328D (2 Mile ETJ) Applicant: Moncada Enterprises, LLC 2 Location: 2051 W FM 1626 RD Staff Reviewer: Taylor Horton, Environmental Reviewer, Development Services Department; Ana Gonzalez, Watershed Protection Department/Hydrogeologist Watershed: Bear Creek (Suburban) Request: To allow the construction of a driveway on a slope with a gradient of more than 15 percent. LDC 25-8-301. Staff Recommendation: Not recommended for approval. Reasons for Recommendation: The findings of fact have not been met.	7/20/2016												Р							This item was postponed on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion and on Commissioner Linda Guerrero's second. Vote 8-2. Commissioner Mary Ann Neely was off the dais. Commissioner Mike Moya was absent.

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7	Discuss and consider a recommendation regarding a proposed Project Consent Agreement for Lantana Tract 33 located at 6701, 6825 ½, and 7045 ½ Rialto Drive. – Chuck Lesniak, Environmental Officer, Watershed Protection Department	7/20/2016							RwC												The recommendation for approval with conditions was made on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion and on Commissioner Richard Grayum's second. Vote 9-1. Commissioner Michael Moya was absent.
8	Discuss and consider a recommendation regarding a proposed Project Consent Agreement for property located at 12501 Hewitt Lane. – Chuck Lesniak, Environmental Officer, Watershed Protection Department	7/20/2016							RwC												The recommendation for approval with conditions was made on Commissioner Richard Grayum's motion and on Commissioner Andrew Creel's second. Vote 7-1-1-1. Chair Marisa Perales voted against. Commissioner Hank Smith recused. Commissioner Michael Moya was absent.
9	Appointment to the Joint Sustainability Committee	8/3/2016																		х	The appointment of Commissioner Mary Ann Neely to the Joint Sustainability Committee was approved on Commissioner Pam Thompson's motion and on Commissioner Brian Smith's second. Vote 8-2. Commissioners Peggy Maceo and Andrew Creel were absent.
10	Environmental Commission Annual Internal Review and Report	8/3/2016											х								Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
11	Discuss and consider a recommendation to City Council regarding requested staffing in the FY17 proposed budget for the City Arborist – Peggy Maceo, Chair, Urban Forestry Subcommittee	8/3/2016											R								The approval for recommendation was made on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion and on Commissioner Linda Guerrero's second. Vote 8-2. Commissioners Peggy Maceo and Andrew Creel were absent.
12	Update on the Austin Youth River Watch's youth environmental programming – Melinda Chow, Executive Director, Austin Youth River Watch	8/3/2016																	R		The recommendation to support the Austin Youth River Watch through City funding was made on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion and on Commissioner Pam Thompson's second. Vote 8-2. Commissioners Peggy Maceo and Andrew Creel were absent.
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14	Update on the Watershed Protection Department's Youth Education Programs – Susan Wall, M.Ed., Conservation Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department	8/17/2016													x						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
15	Update on Bull Creek water quality conditions – Chris Herrington, Supervising Engineer, Watershed Protection Department	8/17/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
16	Discuss and consider a recommendation from the Parkland Events Task Force regarding PARD criteria for trees in parks – Pam Thompson	8/17/2016											х								Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
17	Review and consider a possible recommendation for Urban Trail Projects for the Upper Boggy Creek Trail (D-1) and Violet Crown Trail North Phase (D-8) – Nadia Barrera, Urban Trails Program Manager, Public Works Department	8/17/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
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19	Update on the City of Austin's Brownfields Program – Mary J. Fear, Brownfields Grant Coordinator and Christine Whitney, Program Manager, Austin Resource Recovery	9/7/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
20	Name: Overlook at Spicewood Springs, SPC-2015-0317C (D-10) Applicant: Lawrence Hanrahan, PE (512) 402-6878 Location: 4920 Spicewood Springs Rd Staff: Sylvia R. Pope, Hydrogeologist, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: West Bull Creek Watershed (Water Supply Suburban), Drinking Water Protection Zone Request: To reduce the Critical Environmental Feature (CEF) buffers of 2 canyon rimrocks (RR- 1 and RR-2) from the standard 150-foot distance. LDC 25-8-281(C)(1)(a) Staff Recommendation: Recommended for approval with conditions. Reasons for Recommendation: The findings of fact have been met.	9/7/2016					R														The Environmental Commission recommended the approval of the request on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion and was seconded by Commissioner Mary Ann Neely. Vote 10-0.

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21	Name: Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development, C814-2014-0120 Owner: Twelve Lakes, LLC (Jon Ruff) Agent: Graves, Dougherty, Hearon & Moody (Michael Whellan) Location: Southwest corner of Mopac Expressway and Spicewood Springs Road (3409, 3420, 3429, 3445, 3520, 3636, 3701, 3721, 3724, and 3737 Executive Center Drive and 7601, 7718, and 7719 Wood Hollow Drive) Staff: Andrew Moore, Senior Planner, Planning and Zoning Department; Andrea Bates, Environmental Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Shoal Creek Watershed (Urban) Request: Review and consider for recommendation the environmental aspects of the proposed PUD, including modifications and environmental superiority Staff Recommendation: Recommended with conditions	9/7/2016												Р							The Environmental Commission granted the request for postponement of Item 8b.
22	Discuss and consider recommendations for opportunities to increase electrification of the City's Fleet Services vehicles per Resolution 20070215-023 – Zach Baumer, Climate Program Manager, Office of Sustainability; Jennifer Walls, Fleet Services	9/21/2016													x						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
23	Name: 609 River Road, SP-2015-0454DS Applicant: Janis J. Smith (512) 914-3729 Location: 609 River Road Staff: Atha Phillips, Environmental Review Specialist Senior, Development Services Department Watershed: Lake Austin (Rural), Drinking Water Protection Zone Request: To allow fill greater than four feet. [LDC 25-8-342(A)] Staff Recommendation: Recommended for approval	9/21/2016		RwC																	The Environmental Commission recommended Support of the request with conditions on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion and was seconded by Commissioner Neely. Vote 7-1. Commissioners Michael Moya and Andrew Creel were absent.
24	Name: Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development, C814-2014-0120 Owner: Twelve Lakes, LLC (Jon Ruff) Agent: Graves, Dougherty, Hearon & Moody (Michael Whellan) Location: Southwest corner of Mopac Expressway and Spicewood Springs Road (3409, 3420, 3429, 3445, 3520, 3636, 3701, 3721, 3724, and 3737 Executive Center Drive and 7601, 7718, and 7719 Wood Hollow Drive) Staff: Andrew Moore, Senior Planner, Planning and Zoning Department; Andrea Bates, Environmental Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Shoal Creek Watershed (Urban) Desired Development Zone Request: Review and consider for recommendation the environmental aspects of the proposed PUD, including code modifications and environmental superiority Staff Recommendation: Recommended with conditions	9/21/2016								RwC											The Environmental Commission recommended approval of the request with conditions on Commissioner Smith's motion and was seconded by Commissioner Grayum. Commissioner Maceo made a substitute motion to send Item 8b to a joint committee meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Pam Thomson. Vote 6-2. Commissioners Michael Moya and Andrew Creel were absent.
25	Tutorial on reading a plan set and variance packet for compliance – Sue Barnett, Environmental Policy Program Manager, Watershed Protection Department	9/27/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.

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26	Discuss and consider Commissioners' interests, Committee participation, coordination outside of Commission meetings, and preparation for making a motion – Chair Marisa Perales	9/27/2016																		x	Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
27	Briefing on Project Consent Agreements – Susan Scallon, Environmental Program Coordinator, Development Services Department	9/27/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
28	Update on the status of the Urban Forest Plan – Emily King, Environmental Program Coordinator, Development Services Department	9/27/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
29	Discuss and consider Resolution No. 20160818-075 for the Visitor Impact Task Force and possible candidate for nomination – Chuck Lesniak, Environmental Officer, Watershed Protection Department	10/5/2016							R												Secretary Hank Smith made a motion to nominate Commissioner Pam Thompson for the City of Austin Visitor Impact Task Force and was seconded by Commissioner Mary Ann Neely. Vote 7-0. Commissioners Andrew Creel, Linda Guerrero and Brian Smith were absent.
30	Name: Austin Oaks Planned Unit Development, C814-2014-0120 Owner: Twelve Lakes, LLC (Jon Ruff) Agent: Graves, Dougherty, Hearon & Moody (Michael Whellan) Location: Southwest corner of Mopac Expressway and Spicewood Springs Road (3409, 3420, 3429, 3445, 3520, 3636, 3701, 3721, 3724, and 3737 Executive Center Drive and 7601, 7718, and 7719 Wood Hollow Drive) Staff: Andrew Moore, Senior Planner, Planning and Zoning Department; Andrea Bates, Environmental Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Shoal Creek Watershed (Urban) Desired Development Zone Request: Review and consider for recommendation the environmental aspects of the proposed PUD, including modifications and environmental superiority Staff Recommendation: Recommended with conditions	10/5/2016								NA											Secretary Hank Smith made a motion to recommend support of the request with conditions and was seconded by Commissioner Michael Moya. The first substitute motion failed on Commissioner Peggy Macco's motion and on Commissioner Pam Thompson's second. Vote 4-3. The members voting aye were: Chair Perales, Vice Chair Maceo, and Commissioners Neely and Thompson. Those voting nay were: Secretary Hank Smith, Moya and Grayum. Commissioners Andrew Creel, Linda Guerrero and Brian Smith were absent. The second substitute motion failed on Commissioner Mary Ann Neely's motion and on Commissioner Marisa Perales' second. Vote 2-3. Those voting aye were: Chair Marisa Perales and Commissioner Neely. Those voting nay were: Secretary Hank Smith, Moya and Grayum. Vice Chair Maceo and Commissioner Thompson abstained. Commissioners Andrew Creel, Linda Guerrero and Brian Smith were absent. The main motion to recommend support of the request with conditions failed on Secretary Hank Smith's motion and on Commissioner Michael Moya's second. Vote 3-4. The members voting aye were: Secretary Hank Smith and Commissioners Moya and Grayum. Those voting nay were: Chair Perales, Vice Chair Maceo, and Commissioners Neely and Thompson. Commissioners Andrew Creel, Linda Guerrero and Brian Smith were absent.

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31	Name: The Carpenter (SP-2016-0073C) Applicant: RRRTI, Breadmakers, LP (Agent: Bury, Inc.) Location: 411 Jessie Street Staff: Keith Mars, City Arborist, Development Services Department; Nikki Hoelter, Case Manager, Development Services Department Watershed: West Bouldin Creek (Urban) Desired Development Zone Request: To remove two heritage trees with stems greater than 30" in diameter Staff Recommendation: Recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The request meets the City Arborist approval criteria set forth in LDC 25-8-624(A)(2)	10/5/2016												Р							The motion to postpone this item to October 19, 2016 was approved on Secretary Hank Smith's motion and on Chair Perales' second. Vote 7-0-3. Commissioners Andrew Creel, Linda Guerrero and Brian Smith were absent.
32	Presentation on the Butler Trail at Lady Bird Lake Urban Forest and Natural Area Management Guidelines Jonathan Ogren, Conservation and Environmental Planner, Siglo Group.	10/19/2016																	х		Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
33	Briefing on boat dock regulations—Liz Johnston, Environmental Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department	10/19/2016													x						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
34	Annual Report of COA/PARD Managed Concessions on Town Lake—Gerard Bickham, Contract Administrator, Parks and Recreation Department	10/19/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken. This item will be considered for possible action at the next Environmental Commission Meeting on November 2, 2016.
35	Name: The Carpenter (SP-2016-0073C) Applicant: RRRTI, Breadmakers, LP (Agent: Bury, Inc.) Location: 411 Jessie Street Staff: Keith Mars, City Arborist, Development Services Department; Nikki Hoelter, Case Manager, Development Services Department Watershed: West Bouldin Creek (Urban) Desired Development Zone Request: To remove two heritage trees with stems greater than 30° in diameter Staff Recommendation: Recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The request meets the City Arborist approval criteria set forth in LDC 25-8-624(A)(2)	10/19/2016									RwC										Commissioner Marisa Perales made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Linda Guerrero. Vote 8-0. Commissioners Mary Ann Neely and Michael Moya were absent. The recommendation to approve the request with conditions was made on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion and on Commissioner Andrew Creel's second. There was a friendly amendment from Commissioner Andrew Creel, which requested that the applicant reuse the wood from the removed trees on the site in the form of something other than mulch as a public benefit. Commissioner Creel's friendly amendment was accepted by Commissioner Hank Smith. The recommendation to approve the request with conditions was made on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion and on Commissioner Andrew Creel's second passed. Vote 7-1. Commissioners Mary Ann Neely and Michael Moya were absent.
36	Make a recommendation regarding the creation, continuation or termination and status of Town Lake concessions contained in the 2016 Annual Report of COA/PARD Managed Concessions on Town Lake—Gerard Bickham, Contract Administrator, Parks and Recreation Department	11/2/2016											RwC								Commissioner Hank Smith made a motion to recommend the continuation of the concession contracts on Town Lake with conditions and was seconded by Commissioner Peggy Maceo. Vote 9-0. Commissioner Linda Guerrero was absent.

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37	Adoption of the 2017 Environmental Commission meeting schedule—Kaela Champlin, Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department	11/2/2016																		x	Commissioner Hank Smith made a motion to adopt the 2017 Environmental Commission meeting schedule with revisions and was seconded by Commissioner Michael Moya. Vote 9-0. Commissioner Linda Guerrero was absent.
38	Consider a recommendation to City Council regarding the creation of an Environmental Commission Drainage Infrastructure and Flood Mitigation Committee—Kaela Champlin, Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department	11/2/2016																		R	The recommendation that City Council create an Environmental Commission Drainage Infrastructure and Flood Mitigation Committee was made on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion and was seconded by Commissioner Pam Thompson. Vote 9-0. Commissioner Linda Guerrero was absent.
39	Name: Iglesia Camino Del Rey Church (SP-2015-0372C) (D-1) Applicant: Moncada Enterprises LLC (Phil Moncada) Location: 7604 FM 969 RD Staff: Pamela Abee-Taulli, Environmental Reviewer, Development Services Department Watershed: Walnut Creek Watershed, Suburban Desired Development Zone Request: Variance request as follows: 1. 25-8-301(A) Construction of a roadway or driveway on slopes 2. 25-8-302(A)(2) Construction of a building or parking area on slopes 3. 25-8-341 Cut requirements 4. 25-8-342 Fill requirements Staff Recommendation: Recommended with conditions Reasons for Recommendation: Findings of fact have been met	11/2/2016		RwC	RwC																The recommendation to support the variance requests with conditions was made on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion and on Commissioner Pam Thompson's second. Vote 9-0. Commissioner Linda Guerrero was absent.
40	Update on the November 14, 2016 Audit and Finance Committee meeting regarding the Environmental Commission recommendation to City Council to create an Environmental Commission Drainage Infrastructure and Flood Mitigation Committee—Chuck Lesniak, Environmental Officer, Watershed Protection Department	11/16/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
41	Name: Broadstone 620/Birden Multi-Family Applicant: Alliance Residential Location: 11205 N FM 620 Road, Austin, Texas Staff: Kelly Gagnon, Research Analyst Senior, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Bull Creek Watershed, Water Supply Suburban Request: Wastewater Service Extension Request (SER) recommendation Staff Recommendation: Not recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The proposed extension would facilitate increased development intensity in a sensitive environmental area outside the City of Austin Full Purpose jurisdiction	11/16/2016										D									The recommendation for denial of the Service Extension Request was made on Commissioner Marisa Perales' motion and was seconded by Commissioner Mary Ann Neely. Vote 7-2. Commissioner Michael Moya was absent.

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42	Name: Channel Road Subdivision C8-2016-0074.0A (D-10) Applicant: Ryan Irion, PE Location: 1750 Channel Road, Austin, Texas Staff: Mike McDougal, Environmental Reviewer, Development Services Department Watershed: Lake Austin Watershed, Water Supply Rural Request: Request for a variance to allow the creation of a one lot subdivision with a density of 1 unit per 0.08 acres net site area and a minimum lot size of 0.08 acres net site area [LDC 25-8-453(B)(1)] Staff Recommendation: Recommended with conditions Reasons for Recommendation: Findings of fact have been met	11/16/2016						RwC													The recommendation for approval of the request with conditions was made on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion and was seconded by Commissioner Mary Ann Neely. Vote 9-0. Commissioner Michael Moya was absent.
43	Briefing on the South Central Waterfront Plan—Alan Holt, Principal Planner, Planning and Zoning Department	12/7/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
44	Briefing on 425 W. Riverside Drive Planned Unit Development CD- 2016-0010 Development Assessment—Andrew Moore, Senior Planner, Planning and Zoning Department	12/7/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
45	Briefing from the Hill Country Alliance and discussion regarding opportunities for regional collaboration to protect Texas Hill Country resources—Katherine Romans, Executive Director, Hill Country Alliance	12/7/2016																	х		Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
46	Update on the City of Austin rule making petition relating to wastewater disposal via land application to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality—Chris Herrington, P.E. Supervising Engineer, Watershed Protection Department	12/7/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
47	Briefing, discussion and possible action on the City of Dripping Springs permit request for direct discharge into Onion Creek—Chris Herrington, P.E., Supervising Engineer, Watershed Protection Department	12/7/2016													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
48	Briefing on suggested conditions for variances spreadsheet—Sue Barnett, Manager Environmental Review, Development Services Department; Sylvia Pope, Hydrogeologist, Watershed Protection Department.	1/18/2017													х						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
49	Discuss and consider members and meeting date(s) for the Drainage Infrastructure and Flood Mitigation Committee	1/18/2017																		х	Chair Marisa Perales appointed Commissioners Hank Smith, Mary Ann Neely, Pam Thompson, Brian Smith, Richard Grayum and Mike Moya as committee members for the Drainage Infrastructure and Flood Mitigation Committee.
50	Discuss and consider structure of Environmental Commission committees	1/18/2017																		x	Chair Marisa Perales formed a working group to consider membership and structure of the committees of the Environmental Commission. Commissioners Linda Guerrero, Marisa Perales, Pam Thompson and Peggy Maceo and Mike Moya volunteered to be members of the working group.

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51	Name: Junior League of Austin, SPC-2016-0055C (D-10) Applicant: Dave Anderson Location: 5330 Bluffstone Lane, Austin, Texas Staff: Atha Phillips, Environmental Reviewer, Development Services Department Watershed: Bull Creek Watershed, Water Supply Suburban Drinking Water Protection Zone Request: Variance request is as follows: 1. Cut above 4' to 5.57' [13-15-235] 2. Fill above 4' to 5.3' [13.15.235] 3. Construction on slopes [13-15-237(a)] Staff Recommendation: Recommended with conditions Reasons for Recommendation: Findings of fact have been met	1/18/2017		RwC	RwC																A motion to recommend the variances with conditions was approved on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion, Commissioner Mary Ann Neely's second. Vote 10-0.
52	Discuss and consider options for Environmental Commission engagement in CodeNEXT review	2/1/2017																		x	Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
53	Name: 88.2 Acre Gragg Tract Applicant: Gragg Tract, LP Location: W FM 1626 Rd, Austin, Texas Staff: Kelly Gagnon, Research Analyst Senior, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Little Bear Creek Watershed, Barton Springs Zone & Suburban Watershed Regulation Areas Request: Water Service Extension Request (SER) #3473 recommendation Staff Recommendation: Not recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The proposed extension would facilitate increased development intensity in a sensitive environmental area outside of the City of Austin Full Purpose jurisdiction.	2/1/2017												Р							A motion to postpone the public hearing and agenda item 8a until February 15, 2017 was approved on Commission Hank Smith's motion, Commissioner Linda Guerrero's second. Vote 6-0. Commissioners Andrew Creel and Michael Moya were off the dais. Commissioners Marisa Perales and Pam Thompson were absent.
54	Name: 88.2 Acre Gragg Tract Applicant: Gragg Tract, LP Location: W FM 1626 Rd, Austin, Texas Staff: Kelly Gagnon, Research Analyst Senior, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Little Bear Creek Watershed, Barton Springs Zone & Suburban Watershed Regulation Areas Request: Wastewater Service Extension Request (SER) #3474 recommendation Staff Recommendation: Not recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The proposed extension would facilitate increased development intensity in a sensitive environmental area outside of the City of Austin Full Purpose jurisdiction.	2/1/2017												Р							A motion to postpone the public hearing and agenda item 8b until February 15, 2017 was approved on Commission Hank Smith's motion, Commissioner Linda Guerrero's second. Vote 6-0. Commissioners Andrew Creel and Michael Moya were off the dais. Commissioners Marisa Perales and Pam Thompson were absent.
55	Name: WK 281 Applicant: WK 281 Bear Creek Ltd. Location: Bliss Spillar Rd, Manchaca, Texas Staff: Kelly Gagnon, Research Analyst Senior, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Little Bear & Bear Creek Watersheds, Barton Springs Zone Request: Water Service Extension Request (SER) #3530 recommendation Staff Recommendation: Not recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The proposed extension would facilitate increased development intensity in a sensitive environmental area outside of the City of Austin Full Purpose jurisdiction.	2/1/2017												Р							A motion to postpone the public hearing and agenda item 8c until February 15, 2017 was approved on Commission Hank Smith's motion, Commissioner Linda Guerrero's second. Vote 6-0. Commissioners Andrew Creel and Michael Moya were off the dais. Commissioners Marisa Perales and Pam Thompson were absent.

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56	Name: WK 281 Applicant: WK 281 Bear Creek Ltd. Location: Bliss Spillar Rd, Manchaca, Texas Staff: Kelly Gagnon, Research Analyst Senior, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Little Bear & Bear Creek Watersheds, Barton Springs Zone Request: Wastewater Service Extension Request (SER) #3531 recommendation Staff Recommendation: Not recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The proposed extension would facilitate increased development intensity in a sensitive environmental area outside of the City of Austin Full Purpose jurisdiction.	2/1/2017												Р							A motion to postpone the public hearing and agenda item 8d until February 15, 2017 was approved on Commission Hank Smith's motion, Commissioner Linda Guerrero's second. Vote 6-0. Commissioners Andrew Creel and Michael Moya were off the dais. Commissioners Marisa Perales and Pam Thompson were absent.
57	Name: Zilker Metropolitan Park Trailhead Restrooms, SPC-2012-0104D(R3) Applicant: City of Austin Parks and Recreation Department Location: Zilker Metropolitan Park, 2210 ½ William Barton Drive Staff Reviewer: Gary Gregson, Project Coordinator, Parks and Recreation Department Watershed: Barton Creek and Lady Bird Lake (Barton Springs Zone) Request: Amend City Code Section 25-8-514 (Pollution Prevention Required) and grant variances to Section 25-8-261 (Critical Water Quality Zone Development) to allow the site to exceed impervious cover limits, modify pollution control requirements, and allow development of a restroom and associated facilities within the Critical Water Quality Zone. Staff Recommendation: Recommended for approval Reason: The proposed project will result in a net decrease of impervious cover on the site and will provide water quality enhancements and innovative stormwater management.	2/1/2017				R															A motion to recommend the request was approved on Commission Hank Smith's motion, Commissioner Andrew Creel's second. Vote 8-0. Commissioners Marisa Perales and Pam Thompson were absent.
58	Discuss and consider support for the City of Austin's recent offer to purchase the Central Warehouse Tract from AISD to be developed as a City park – Chuck Lesniak, Environmental Officer, Watershed Protection Department	2/15/2017											R								A motion to support the City of Austin's purchase of the Central Warehouse tract from AISD to be used as a City park was approved on Commissioner Thompson and seconded by Commissioner Neely. Commissioner Creel proposed an amendment and Commissioner Thompson did not accept. Vote 6-3. Those voting aye were: Commissioners Thompson, Neely, Guerrero, Moya, Maceo and B. Smith. Those voting nay were: Commissioners Perales, H. Smith and Grayum. Commissioner Creel abstained from voting.
59	Analysis of the proposed City of Dripping Springs wastewater effluent beneficial reuse program and wastewater discharge permit – Mike Personett, Assistant Director, and Chris Herrington, PE, Supervising Engineer, Watershed Protection Department	2/15/2017													x						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.

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60	Presentation on Holdsworth Center Planned Unit Development Assessment – Wendy Rhoades, Planner Senior, City of Austin Planning and Zoning Department	2/15/2017													x						Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
61	Name: 88.2 Acre Gragg Tract Applicant: Gragg Tract, LP Location: W FM 1626 Rd, Austin, Texas Staff: Kelly Gagnon, Research Analyst Senior, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Little Bear Creek Watershed, Barton Springs Zone & Suburban Watershed Regulation Areas Request: Water Service Extension Request (SER) #3473 recommendation Staff Recommendation: Not recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The proposed extension would facilitate increased development intensity in a sensitive environmental area outside of the City of Austin Full Purpose jurisdiction	2/15/2017										NA									A motion recommending denial of Water SER #3473 failed on Commissioner Neely's motion, Commissioner Thompson's second on a 5-4 vote. The motion failed for lack of six votes. Commissioners voting aye were: Commissioners Perales, Thompson, Neely, Maceo and B. Smith. Commissioners voting nay were: Commissioner Creel, Moya, H. Smith and Grayum. Commissioner Guerrero abstained from voting. A motion recommending approval of Water SER #3473 failed on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Creel's second. Commissioner Creel proposed an amendment to the motion that was accepted by Commissioner Smith. Vote 4-5. Commissioners voting aye were: Commissioners Creel, Moya, H. Smith and Grayum. Commissioners voting nay were: Commissioners Perales, Thompson, Neely, Maceo and B. Smith. Commissioner Guerrero abstained from voting.
62	Name: 88.2 Acre Gragg Tract Applicant: Gragg Tract, LP Location: W FM 1626 Rd, Austin, Texas Staff: Kelly Gagnon, Research Analyst Senior, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Little Bear Creek Watershed, Barton Springs Zone & Suburban Watershed Regulation Areas Request: Wastewater Service Extension Request (SER) #3474 recommendation Staff Recommendation: Not recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The proposed extension would facilitate increased development intensity in a sensitive environmental area outside of the City of Austin Full Purpose jurisdiction.	2/15/2017										NA									A motion recommending approval of Wastewater SER #3474 failed on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Creel's second. Commissioner Creel proposed an amendment to the motion that was accepted by Commissioner Smith. Vote 4-5. Commissioners voting aye were: Commissioners Creel, Moya, H. Smith and Grayum. Commissioners voting nay were: Commissioners Perales, Thompson, Neely, Maceo and B. Smith. Commissioner Guerrero abstained from voting.

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63	Name: WK 281 Applicant: WK 281 Bear Creek Ltd. Location: Bliss Spillar Rd, Manchaca, Texas Staff: Kelly Gagnon, Research Analyst Senior, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Little Bear & Bear Creek Watersheds, Barton Springs Zone Request: Water Service Extension Request (SER) #3530 recommendation Staff Recommendation: Not recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The proposed extension would facilitate increased development intensity in a sensitive environmental area outside of the City of Austin Full Purpose jurisdiction.	2/15/2017										NA								A motion recommending approval of Water SER #3530 failed on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Creel's second. Commissioner Creel proposed an amendment to the motion that was accepted by Commissioner Smith. Vote 4-5. Commissioners voting aye were: Commissioners Creel, Moya, H. Smith and Grayum. Commissioners voting nay were: Commissioners Perales, Thompson, Neely, Maceo and B. Smith. Commissioner Guerrero abstained from voting.
64	Name: WK 281 Applicant: WK 281 Bear Creek Ltd. Location: Bliss Spillar Rd, Manchaca, Texas Staff: Kelly Gagnon, Research Analyst Senior, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Little Bear & Bear Creek Watersheds, Barton Springs Zone Request: Wastewater Service Extension Request (SER) #3531 recommendation Staff Recommendation: Not recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The proposed extension would facilitate increased development intensity in a sensitive environmental area outside of the City of Austin Full Purpose jurisdiction.	2/15/2017										NA								A motion recommending approval of Wastewater SER #3531 failed on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Creel's second. Commissioner Creel proposed an amendment to the motion that was accepted by Commissioner Smith. Vote 4-5. Commissioners voting aye were: Commissioners Creel, Moya, H. Smith and Grayum. Commissioners voting nay were: Commissioners Perales, Thompson, Neely, Maceo and B. Smith. Commissioner Guerrero abstained from voting.
65	Briefing on project to encourage greater use of Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) and support for the creation of a comprehensive GSI master plan for Austin – Brian Zabcik, Clean Air & Water Advocate, Environment Texas	3/1/2017												Р						A motion referring Item 7a to the Water Quality Regulations Committee was approved on Commissioner Grayum's motion, Commissioner Neely's second. Vote 6-0. Commissioners Perales, Maceo, Moya and Guerrero were absent.
66	Name: Easton Park Section 2B Preliminary Plan C8J-2015-0255.SH (D-2) Applicant: Peloton Land Solutions Location: 7901 Colton Bluff Springs Rd. Staff: Pamela Abee-Taulli, Environmental Review Specialist, Development Services Department Watershed: Cottonmouth Creek and North Fork Dry Creek Suburban Desired Development Zone Request: 1. LDC 30-5-341(A) to allow cut from 4 to 12 feet on 19 acres 2. LDC 30-5-342(A) to allow fill from 8 to 10 feet on 2.6 acres Staff Recommendation: Not recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The findings of fact have not been met	3/1/2017												Р						A motion referring Item 8a to a Joint Water Quality and Development Committee failed on Commissioner Neely's motion, seconded by Commissioner Thompson. Vote 4-2. Those voting aye were: Commissioners Neely and Thompson. Those voting nay were: Commissioners Hank Smith, Creel, Grayum and Brian Smith. Commissioners Perales, Maceo, Moya and Guerrero were absent. A motion referring Item 8a to a Joint Water Quality Regulations and Development Committee was made by Commissioner Neely, seconded by Commissioner Thompson. Commissioner Hank Smith proposed an amendment to the motion that the Joint Water Quality Regulations and Development Committee meet before March 8, 2017 and to hold a Special-Called Meeting before March 15, 2017, and before the Zoning and Platting Commission Regular Meeting on March 21, 2017 that was accepted by Commissioner Neely. Vote 6-0. Commissioners Perales, Maceo, Moya and Guerrero were absent. A motion to close the public hearing was approved on Commissioner Thompson's motion, Commissioner Grayum's second. Vote 6-0. Commissioners Perales, Maceo, Moya and Guerrero were absent.
67	Consider a resolution to Council supporting the re-naming of the Slaughter Creek Management Unit in honor of Mary Gay Maxwell – Kevin Thuesen, Environmental Conservation Program Manager, Austin Water	4/5/2017											R							A motion to approve the recommendation to rename Slaughter Creek Management Unit in honor of Mary Gay Maxwell was approved on Commissioner Neely's motion, Commissioner Thompson's second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioner Creel was absent.

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68	Discuss and consider nominating an Environmental Commission member to the South Central Waterfront (SWC) Advisory Board—Alan Holt, Principal Planner, Planning and Zoning Department	4/5/2017																		R	A motion to nominate Commissioner Linda Guerrero to the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board and Commissioner Wendy Gordon as an alternate was approved on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion, Commissioner Thompson's second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioner Creel was absent.
69	Discuss and consider reducing the number of standing committees of the Environmental Commission.	4/5/2017																		R	A motion to recommend restructuring of the Environmental Commission committees was made by Commissioner Hank Smith, and was seconded by Commissioner Thompson on a 9-0 vote. Commissioner Creel was absent.
70	Consider a recommendation that the City of Austin take steps to consolidate the Red Bluff / Harold Court Tracts and turn the property into a wildland preserve.	4/5/2017																	R		A motion to adopt a resolution concerning the Red Bluff / Harold Court Tract was approved on Commissioner Thompson's motion, Commissioner Gordon's second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioner Creel was absent.
71	Name: Easton Park Section 2B Preliminary Plan C8J-2015-0255.SH (D-2) Applicant: Peloton Land Solutions Location: 7901 Colton Bluff Springs Rd. Staff: Pamela Abee-Taulli, Environmental Review Specialist, Development Services Department Watershed: Cottonmouth Creek and North Fork Dry Creek Suburban Desired Development Zone Request: LDC 30-5-342 to allow fill to 10 feet Staff Recommendation: Recommended for approval Reasons for Recommendation: The Findings of Fact have been met	4/5/2017		R																	A motion to recommend the request was approved on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion, Commissioner Neely's second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioner Creel was absent.
72	Proposed amendments to the Watershed Protection Ordinance including an amendment to the Barton Springs Zone Redevelopment Exception (SOS) – Andrea Bates, Environmental Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department	4/5/2017												Р							A motion to refer the proposed amendments to the Water Protection Ordinance to the Joint Urban Growth Policy and Water Quality Regulations Committee was approved on Commissioner Hank Smith's motion, Commissioner Neely's second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioner Creel was absent.
73	Election of Environmental Commission officers for the May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018 term.	4/26/2017																		R	A motion to nominate Commissioner Perales as Chair of the Environmental Commission for the May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018 term was approved on Commissioner Maceo's motion, Commissioner Neely's second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioner Creel was absent. A motion to nominate Commissioner Maceo as Vice Chair of the Environmental Commission for the May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018 term was approved on Commissioner Guerrero's motion, Commissioner Hank Smith's second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioner Creel was absent. A motion to nominate Commissioner Hank Smith as Secretary of the Environmental Commission for the May 1, 2017 through April 30, 2018 term was approved on Commissioner Guerrero's motion, Commissioner Maceo's second on a 9-0 vote. Commissioner Creel was absent.

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74	Briefing on CodeNEXT: Environmental, Landscape, Drainage and Trees – Matt Hollon, Environmental Conservation Program Manager, Watershed Protection Department; Sue Barnett, Environmental Policy Program Manager, Development Services Department; and Keith Mars, City Arborist, Development Services Department	4/26/2017												Р						Erin Wood, Principal Planner, Watershed Protection Department spoke in place of Matt Hollon. Greg Guernsey, Director of Development Services Department spoke. The Environmental Commission Development Committee plans to schedule a meeting relating to CodeNEXT.
75	Country Club Creek channel rehabilitation and restoration in Roy G. Guerrero Colorado River Park—Janna Renfro, Engineer C and Eric Loucks, Supervising Engineer, Watershed Protection Department	5/3/2017													х					Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
76	Review and recommend approval to include Austin Water (AW) Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) located in the Drinking Water Protection Zone (DWPZ) in AW's 5-year capital spending plan as required by AW's financial policy #8—Kristi Fenton, Utility Financial Manager, Austin Water	5/3/2017											R							Commissioner Gordon made a motion to recommend approval of the Drinking Water Protection Zone projects related to new water and wastewater plants, capital expansions, and growth-related projects to be included in the Austin Water's 5-year Capital Improvement Program with final approval by City Council during the annual budget approval process, Commissioner Creel's second on a 6-0 vote. Commissioners Neely, Maceo, Guerrero and H. Smith were absent.
77	Name: Bulkhead for 2200 Lauranne Lane, SP-2016-0420D (D-10) Applicant: Bruce S. Aupperle, P.E. Location: 10088 Circleview Dr., Austin, TX 78733 Staff: Scott Hiers, Senior Environmental Scientist, Watershed Protection Department Watershed: Lake Austin Water Supply Rural Drinking Water Protection Zone Request: Variance from 25-8-281(C)(2)(b) Critical Environmental Features, to allow construction of a bulkhead and shoreline stabilization within a Critical Environmental Feature (CEF) buffer for a canyon rimrock. Staff Recommendation: Recommended for approval with conditions Reasons for Recommendation: Findings of fact have been met	5/3/2017					RwC													Commissioner Gordon made a motion to recommend approval of the variance for the Bulkhead for 2200 Lauranne Lane as recommended by staff with conditions, Commissioner Kitchin's second on a 6-0 vote. Commissioners Neely, Maceo, Guerrero and H. Smith were absent.
78	Proposed amendments to the Watershed Protection Ordinance—Andrea Bates, Environmental Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department	5/3/2017											R							Commissioner Gordon made a motion to recommend approval of the Watershed Protection Ordinance proposed amendments as they have been recommended by staff with conditions, Commissioner Kitchin's second on a 6-0 vote. Commissioners Neely, Maceo, Guerrero and H. Smith were absent.
79	Update on Ebony Acres Area—Oscar Garza, Environmental Compliance Specialist Senior, Watershed Protection Department	5/17/2017													х					Item conducted as posted. No action taken.
80	Discuss and consider making a recommendation regarding CodeNEXT	5/17/2017											RwC							A motion to recommend the Development Committee's recommendation regarding CodeNEXT was approved with changes on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Neely's second on a 10-0 vote. A motion to recommend CodeNEXT Consultants, City Staff, and the City Manager to include the Environmental Commissioners as a review Commission for CodeNEXT in the article 25-1B: Responsibility for Administration was approved on Commissioner Neely's motion, Commissioner Guerrero's second on a 10-0 vote.
81	Discuss and consider Environment Texas Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) Resolution	5/17/2017																	RwC	A motion recommending green stormwater infrastructure was approved on Commissioner Perales' motion, Commissioner H. Smith's second on a 10-0 vote.

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82	Name: Settle Boat Dock, SP-2017-0032D (D-10) Applicant: Rick Raspberry Location: 3825 Westlake Drive, Austin, TX Staff: Scott Hiers, Senior Environmental Scientist, Watershed Protection Department and Atha Phillips, Senior Environmental Reviewer, Development Services Department Watershed: Lake Austin Water Supply Rural Drinking Water Protection Zone Request: To allow construction of a boat dock within several 150 foot Critical Environmental Feature Buffers (2) Canyon Rimrocks and (2) Springs. 25-8-281(C)(2)(b). Staff Recommendation: Recommended for approval with conditions Reasons for Recommendation: Findings of fact have been met.	5/17/2017				RwC															A motion to recommend approval of the variance request to allow construction of a boat dock within several 150' critical environmental feature buffers in accordance with section 25-8-281(C)(2)(b) with conditions was approved on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Gordon's second on a 9-1 vote.
83	Discuss and consider an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Austin and Austin Independent School District—Nikki Hoelter, Senior Planner, Development Services Department and Chuck Lesniak, Environmental Officer, Watershed Protection Department	6/7/2017							RwC												A motion recommending a fast tracked public review process to amend the School District Land Development Standards Agreement between the City of Austin and Austin Independent School District was approved on Commissioner H. Smith's motion, Commissioner Gordon's second on a 6-0 Vote. Commissioners Perales, Neely, Kitchin and B. Smith were absent.
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