



**Environmental Commission Regular Meeting  
September 18, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.  
Waller Creek Center, Conference Room 104  
625 East 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Austin, Texas 78701**

## **Agenda**

### **COMMISSIONERS:**

Andrew Creel (D-1)	Curtis Smith (D-2)	Pam Thompson (D-3)	Vacant (D-4)
Mary Ann Neely (D-5)	Katie Coyne (D-6) Vice Chair	Peggy Maceo (D-7)	Kevin Ramberg (D-8) Secretary
Linda Guerrero (D-9) Chair	Wendy Gordon (D-10)	Perry Bedford (Mayor)	

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- 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. Update from Clean Water Action—David Foster, Texas Director, Clean Water Action  
(10 minutes)
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION**
  - a. Approve the minutes of the regular Environmental Commission meeting of September 18, 2019 (5 minutes)
- 5. ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER'S UPDATE ON PAST COMMISSION ACTIONS AND REPORT ON ITEMS OF INTEREST**
  - a. None
- 6. STAFF BRIEFINGS\***
  - a. None

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

- a. Briefing, discussion, and possible action on a recommendation to Austin City Council on the Parks and Recreation Long Range Plan for Land, Facilities, and Programs—Kim McKnight, PARD Planning, Austin Parks and Recreation Department **(1 hour)**
- b. Briefing, discussion, and possible action on the Austin Fire Department’s proposed Wildland-Urban Interface Code amendment to enforce building construction and vegetation maintenance standards—Mark Baker, Environmental Compliance Specialist Senior, Austin Fire Department **(1 hour)**
- c. Discussion regarding camping on Watershed Protection Department lands and other wildland natural areas—Pam Thompson, Environmental Commission Member **(20 minutes)**
- d. Discuss and consider alert processes for air quality notification—Pam Thompson, Environmental Commission Member **(20 minutes)**

**8. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- a. None

**9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. Urban Growth Policy and Water Quality Protection Committee – Pam Thompson, Kevin Ramberg, Mary Ann Neely, Curtis Smith, and Perry Bedford
- b. Urban Forestry Committee – Peggy Maceo, Pam Thompson, Linda Guerrero, Mary Ann Neely, and Wendy Gordon
- c. Report on the Joint Sustainability Committee – Katie Coyne
- d. Report on the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan Citizen’s Advisory Committee – Mary Ann Neely
- e. Report on the Joint Committee of the Environmental Commission and Parks and Recreation Board – Mary Ann Neely, Peggy Maceo, Linda Guerrero, and Pam Thompson
- f. Report on the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board – Linda Guerrero
- g. Other reports from Commissioners

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

- a. None

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

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