

# Environmental Commission Regular Meeting November 6, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. City Hall Boards and Commissions, 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Austin, Texas 78701

# Agenda

# **COMMISSIONERS:**

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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. Briefing on how to make Austin's buildings bird-friendly—Christy Esmahan, Member of Travis Audubon Board of Directors and Chair of Advocacy Committee (**20 minutes**)

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION

a. Approve the minutes of the regular Environmental Commission meeting of October 16, 2019 (5 minutes)

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

- a. Update on ordinance amending City Code Chapter 6-6 (Coal Tar Pavement Products) to regulate additional high polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon pavement products and creating offenses for the use and sale of these additional products (**5 minutes**)
- b. Update on 211 South Lamar, C814-2012-0160.01 (5 minutes)
- c. Update on Pioneer Crossing PUD Amendment #14, C814-96-0003.14 (5 minutes)

#### 6. STAFF BRIEFINGS\*

a. None

## 7. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

a. None

#### 8. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION

**a.** Name: 3801 Westlake, SP-2019-0243DS (District 10)

Applicant: Eric Moreland, Laguna Taco LLC

Location: 3801 Westlake Drive, Austin, Texas, 78746

**Staff:** Pamela Abee-Taulli, Environmental Review Specialist Senior, Development Services Department and Lindsey Sydow, Environmental Scientist, Watershed Protection Department **Watershed:** Lake Austin Watershed, Water Supply Rural, Drinking Water Protection Zone **Request:** Request to vary from LDC 25-8-281(C)(2)(b) to allow construction of a boat dock and shoreline access within a 150-foot Critical Environmental Feature (CEF) buffer for a Rimrock CEF

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends this variance, having determined the findings of fact to have been met, with the following conditions:

1. The portion of the existing access path that will be bypassed, between the point where the new path will branch off from the existing path and the endpoint of the current path where it connects with the current bridge, shall be removed and revegetated.

2. In the plan set, a non-erodible surface (e.g., paving, shallow stairs, etc.) for the proposed path shall be specified.

# (30 minutes)

Name: Thaxton Road Tract Offsite Wastewater Improvements, SP-2019-0108D
Applicant: Phillip Boghosian, Owner; Danial Ryan, LJA (Civil Engineer); and Austin Water Utility, Co-sponsor of project

**Location:** 6810-1/2 Colton Bluff Springs Road, Austin, TX 78744 (2-mile Extraterritorial Jurisdiction)

**Staff:** Jonathan Garner, Environmental Review Program Coordinator, Development Services Department

Watershed: Marble Creek, Suburban, Desired Development Zone

**Request:** Request to vary from LDC 25-8-261 to allow development within a Critical Water Quality Zone

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff does not recommend this variance, having determined that the findings of fact have not been met. **(30 minutes)** 

# 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, and Mary Ann Neely
- 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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