



**Environmental Commission Regular Meeting  
March 4, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.  
City Hall Council Chambers, 301 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Austin, Texas 78701**

## **Agenda**

### **COMMISSIONERS:**

Andrew Creel (D-1)	Curtis Smith (D-2)	Pam Thompson (D-3)	Ryan Nill (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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### **CALL TO ORDER**

### **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.*

#### **1. EDUCATION**

- a. Update on City of El Paso Resilience Strategy, Nicole Ferrini, City of El Paso Chief Resilience Officer (**30 minutes**)

#### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ACTION**

- a. Approve the minutes of the regular Environmental Commission meeting of February 19, 2020 (**5 minutes**)

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

- a. Update on XSpace Group SP-2019-0189D variances
- b. Process for how to discuss miscellaneous reports at Environmental Commission meetings (**5 minutes**)

4. **STAFF BRIEFINGS\***

- a. Presentation on Water Quality Compliance Pollution Data Viewer—Thain Maurer, Environmental Compliance Supervisor, Watershed Protection Department **(20 minutes)**

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

- a. Discuss and consider the future of Austin resilience planning—Katie Coyne, Environmental Commission Member and Vice Chair **(20 minutes)**

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

- a. **Name:** Lantana PCA

**Applicant:** Michael Whellan, Armbrust & Brown, PLLC

**Location:** 415 Southwest Parkway (District 8)

**Staff:** Atha Phillips, Environmental Officer's Office

**Watershed:** Williamson Creek Watershed, Barton Springs Zone, Drinking Water Protection Zone

**Request:** Consider a Project Consent Agreement waiving provisions of City Code Chapters 25-7 (*Drainage*) and 25-8 (*Environment*), including Chapter 25-8, Article 13 (*Save Our Springs Initiative*), to allow construction of a mixed-use residential project located at 7415 Southwest Parkway in the East Oak Hill Neighborhood Planning Area. This action concerns land located in the Barton Springs Zone.

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommended with conditions.  
**(30 minutes)**

- b. **Name:** HEB 10, SP-2019-0034C

**Applicant:** Joe Farias, Stantec Consulting Service

**Location:** 7901 W US Hwy, Austin, TX 78749 (District 8)

**Staff:** Pamela Abee-Taulli, Environmental Review Specialist Senior, Development Services Department

**Watershed:** Williamson Creek Watershed, Barton Springs Zone Classification, Edwards Aquifer Contributing Zone, Drinking Water Protection Zone

**Request:** Variance request is as follows:

1. Request to vary from LDC 25-8-341 to allow cut in excess of 4 feet (maximum cut 7 feet) in the Barton Springs Zone.
2. Request to vary from LDC 25-8-342 to allow fill in excess of 4 feet (maximum fill 14 feet) in the Barton Springs Zone.
3. Request to vary from LDC 25-8-302(A)(1) to construct a building on a slope with a gradient of more than 25 percent.
4. Request to vary from LDC 25-8-302(A)(2) to construct a parking area that is not a parking structure on a slope with a gradient of more than 15 percent.

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends this variance, having determined the findings of fact to have been met, with conditions.  
**(30 minutes)**

7. **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

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

- a. None

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

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