

**CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (“CAC”)
to the
Hays County
Regional Habitat Conservation Plan (“RHCP”)**

MINUTES

A meeting of the Citizen’s Advisory Committee to the Hays County RHCP was held as follows:

WHEN: September 13, 2007

TIME: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 pm

WHERE: Price Senior Center, 222 West San Antonio Street, San Marcos, Texas 78666

In Attendance:

CAC Members:

- David Baker
- Henry Brooks
- Chris Carson
- T.J. Higginbotham
- Melani Howard
- Chuck Lemmond
- Catherine Livingston
- Dr. Glenn Longley
- Melinda Mallia
- Melanie Pavlas Snyder
- Dr. Todd Votteler
- Dianne Wassenich
- Jeff Wilkinson

Hays County Representatives:

- Commissioner Karen Ford
- Sandy Irvin
- Jerry Pinnix
- Steve Floyd (GIS)

HCP Consultant Team:

- Smith|Robertson: Melinda Taylor, David Hartman, Rebecca Hays
- Loomis Austin, Inc.: Clifton Ladd, Amanda Aurora, Jennifer Williams, Emily Schieffer (Lopez-Garcia Group), Jean Krejca (Zara Environmental)

Other:

- Joseph Lessard

Agency Representatives:

- Allison Arnold (USFWS)

1. Call to Order. Commissioner Ford called the meeting to order and made introductions.

2. Approve Minutes from July 5, 2007 CAC Meeting. Minutes from July 5, 2007 CAC meeting were unanimously approved.
3. Citizens' Comments. No citizens gave comments.
4. Discuss and Take Appropriate Action on Selecting Chair/Co-Chair. Commissioner Ford received nominations for Chair and Co-chair. CAC member Diane Wassenich nominated Melinda Mallia for Chair, and CAC member Chris Carson nominated TJ Higginbotham for Chair. Commissioner Ford requested the members vote by ballot and suggested that the winner be named Chair and the runner-up be named Co-chair. CAC member Henry Brooks suggested that the Co-chair be called the "Assistant Chair." CAC members voted by ballot and selected Melinda Mallia as Chair and TJ Higginbotham as Assistant Chair.
5. Report from Landowner-Members of CAC regarding Appointment to BAT. Henry Brooks reported that landowner members of the CAC selected Linda Laack as the landowner representative to the BAT.
6. Report on the Legal Requirements of RHCPs in Texas, and the Primary Provisions of other RHCPs. Melinda Taylor (Smith|Robertson) reported on the legal requirements of RHCPs in Texas as well as the primary provisions of other RHCPs. CAC member Todd Votteler requested that Edwards Aquifer Authority information be presented to the CAC at the next meeting.
7. Report on Baseline Study of Sensitive Natural Resources and Species in Hays County. Amanda Aurora (Loomis Austin) presented a baseline study on sensitive resources found in Hays County, projected population and land development trends, and preliminary estimates of impact on sensitive resources.
8. Discuss and Take Appropriate Action Regarding CAC Interaction with the BAT. David Hartman (Smith|Robertson) addressed the CAC on this topic.
9. Discuss and Take Appropriate Action on Agenda Items for Next Meeting. Mr. Hartman addressed the CAC on this topic, noting that the CAC members could submit agenda items until 72 hours prior to each CAC meeting. Additionally, Mr. Hartman suggested that possible topics of discussion for the next agenda include the following: Report regarding the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan; presentation regarding the Edwards Aquifer Recovery Implementation Program; presentation regarding an "RHCP Options" paper, and possibly a sample RHCP outline. Mr. Hartman suggested the second Thursday of every month as a possible "recurring" meeting date. CAC members unanimously approved the second Thursday of every month as a "recurring" meeting for the CAC.
10. Adjourn. Chair Melinda Mallia adjourned the meeting.