

# Shoal Creek Steering Committee Meeting

## July 23rd, 2024

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### Quorum met, last meeting's minutes approved

Committee members in attendance (6): Holland Jones (Whole Earth Provisions), Jessica Wilson (CoA, WPD), Linda McCoy (Neighbor/Waterloo Education), Chris Randazzo (Garza EMC), Elizabeth Barnes (CoA PARD), Ivey Kaiser (SCC).

Others in attendance (15): Ada Forbes (SCC), Daniel Kavelman (SCC), Maria Darr (SCC), Krista Kelly (SCC), Sierra DaSilva (SCC), Alicia Rusthoven (PPC), Caroline Garnett, Dan Lester, Edward Pung, Kerry Kimbrough, Mateer Hudgens, Mikey Goralnik, Paige Bradley (WPD), Rebeka McKay (WPD), Sean Pukdamn

### Regional Stormwater Management Program presentation - Paige Bradley, CoA, and Rebeka McKay, CoA

- Information about what RSMP does [here](#)
- 1981 Memorial Day Flood
  - No Adverse Impact Requirement in Austin
- Onsite stormwater detention pond
  - Reduce and delay peak flows
  - Take up valuable land area
  - Require regular maintenance and inspection
- Further flooding risk
- RSMP team assesses sites
- [Flood Risk and Atlas 14](#)
- [RSMP payment calculator](#)
- Z-K Pond is a result of Community Facilities Agreement
  - Simon and COA
- Northwest District Park Pond
  - Collaboration with PARD and WPD
- 17th Street Condos are an example of RSMP Improvement project
  - \$183,000
- [Feasibility Viewer](#)
- [Water Quality in Lieu](#)
- To get in contact
  - [RSMP@austintexas.gov](mailto:RSMP@austintexas.gov)

## **New Committee Members** (Alicia and Mikey have both been appointed!)

- **Alicia Rusthoven** - Alicia Rusthoven is a native Austinite, a recent graduate from The University of Texas with a degree in Environmental Science, and a Master Naturalist. While at UT, she worked with the Campus Environmental Center and led a student-run farm. Alicia is the Native Horticulture Coordinator at Pease Park Conservancy, and will be taking Nick Boysen's place on our committee.
- **Mikey Goralnik** - Mikey Goralnik is a planner and landscape architect at Great Springs Project (GSP). Based in Austin, he manages projects throughout GSP's four-county area to promote the vitality of the Edwards Aquifer and the landscapes it supports, and strengthen communities through trails and active transportation. He previously oversaw community design and development initiatives for rural Mariposa County in the rural Sierra Nevada foothills, directing projects that synthesize economic development, ecological design, and public health in the face of a dynamic and unpredictable climate. He has a BA in American Studies from Tufts University, a MA in City and Regional Planning from UNC-Chapel Hill, and a MA in Landscape Architecture from North Carolina State University.

## **Watershed & SCC updates**

New rain gardens on Shoal Creek Boulevard + planting progress

- 3 new rain gardens on Shoal Creek Boulevard
  - Great Oaks Parkway (completed in April)
  - Twin Oaks Drive (completed in May)
  - Greenlawn Parkway (completed in May)
- Planting will resume in the Fall
  - Great Oaks is half planted
  - Twin Oaks is nearly fully planted
  - Greenlawn has been seeded but the seeds aren't taking well due to the heat

Shopping Cart Corral

- Saturday, July 27th
- Rain date is Saturday, August 3rd
- More information can be found [here](#)
- Shopping carts in the creek lead to flooding and erosion risks

**Closing- next meeting will be Oct 22nd. Discuss holding this one in person.**

For questions, contact:

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