



DRIPPING SPRINGS
Texas

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

City of Dripping Springs

Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

With a quorum of the City Council present, Mayor Foulds, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

City Council Members present were:

Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.
Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian
Council Member Place 2 Wade King
Council Member Place 3 Geoffrey Tahuahua
Council Member Place 4 Travis Crow
Council Member Place 5 Sherrie Parks

Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials present were:

City Administrator Michelle Fischer
Deputy City Administrator Ginger Faught
City Attorney Laura Mueller
City Treasurer Shawn Cox
City Secretary Andrea Cunningham
IT Director Jason Weinstock
Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz
DSRP Manager Emily Nelson
Special Counsel David Tuckfield

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Crow led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public who desires to address the City Council regarding any item on an agenda for an open meeting may do so at presentation of citizens before an item or at a public hearing for an item during the City Council's consideration of that item. Citizens wishing to discuss matters not contained within the current agenda may do so, but only during the time allotted for presentation of citizens. Speakers are allowed two (2) minutes to speak during presentation of citizens or during each public hearing. Speakers may not cede or pool time. Members of the public requiring the assistance of a translator will be given twice the amount of time as a member of the public who does not require the assistance of a translator to address the City Council. It is the request of the City Council that members of the public wishing to speak on item(s) on the agenda with a noticed Public Hearing hold their comments until the item(s) are presented for consideration. Speakers are encouraged to sign in. Anyone may

request a copy of the City's policy on presentation of citizens from the city secretary. By law no action may be taken during Presentations of Citizens.

No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are anticipated to require little or no individualized discussion due to their nature being clerical, ministerial, mundane or routine. In an effort to enhance the efficiency of City Council meetings, it is intended that these items will be acted upon by the City Council with a single motion because no public hearing or determination is necessary. However, a City Council Member or citizen may request separate deliberation for a specific item, in which event those items will be removed from the consent agenda prior to the City Council voting on the consent agenda as a collective, singular item. Prior to voting on the consent agenda, the City Council may add additional items that are listed elsewhere on the same agenda.

Via unanimous consent the City Council considered Consent Agenda Item 1 separately.

- 1. Approval of the January 3, 2023, City Council regular meeting minutes.**
- 2. Approval of a Joint Election Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and the Dripping Springs Independent School District (DSISD) related to the May 2023 Municipal General Election.**
- 3. Approval of a Joint Election Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Hays County related to the May 2023 Municipal General Election.**
- 4. Approval of an Elections Administration Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Hays County regarding Administration of the May 2023 Municipal General Election.**
- 5. Approval of the Appointment of Cook-Off Club Representative Lisa Garza to the Founders Day Commission for an unexpired term ending June 30, 2023.**
- 6. Approval of a Resolution approving Construction Bond for Driftwood Ranch Club Phase 3 Section 2. Applicant: Driftwood Phase III, LLC**
Filed as Resolution No. 2023-R05
- 7. Approval of Authorization for City Staff to Execute a Letter of Support for a TxDOT Transportation Alternatives Grant Application for Shared Use Paths on US 290. Sponsor: Council Member Travis Crow.**
- 8. Approval of the December 2022 City Treasurer's Report.**

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to approve Consent Agenda Items 2 – 8. Council Member Parks seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua to approve Consent Agenda Item 1. Council Member Parks seconded the motion which carried 4 to 0 to 1, with Mayor Pro Tem Manassian abstaining.

BUSINESS AGENDA

- 9. Discuss and consider approval of a Rate Reduction Request from the Dripping Springs United Methodist Church for the Dripping Springs Wild Game Dinner to be held February 18, 2023, at Dripping Springs Ranch Park. Applicant: John Rogers, Dripping Springs United Methodist Church**

Emily Nelson presented the staff report which is on file. Staff and the DSRP Board recommend denial of the request for an additional reduction in fees, as the applicant is already receiving the standard twenty-five percent (25%) fee reduction for non-profit organizations.

Matt Rogers, Wild Game Dinner President, spoke regarding the request for additional fee reduction.

A motion was made by Council Member Crow to deny approval of a request for additional rate reductions from the Dripping Springs United Methodist Church for the Dripping Springs Wild Game Dinner to be held February 18, 2023, at Dripping Springs Ranch Park. Mayor Pro Tem Manassian seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

- 10. Discuss and consider approval of a Co-Sponsorship Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and the Dripping Springs Ag Boosters. Sponsor: Council Member Parks**

Emily Nelson presented the staff report which is on file. Staff and the DSRP Board recommend approval of the agreement.

A motion was made by Council Member Parks to approve a Co-Sponsorship Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and the Dripping Springs Ag Boosters. Council Member Tahuahua seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

- 11. Discuss the City of the Dripping Springs budget calendar for Fiscal Year 2024.**

Shawn Cox presented the staff report which is on file.

No action was taken regarding this item.

- 12. Public hearing and consideration of approval of an Ordinance of the City of Dripping Springs, Texas amending the current 2022-2023 Fiscal Year Budget; Finding Municipal Purposes; Authorizing Expenditures.**

a. Staff Report – Shawn Cox presented the staff report which is on file. Staff recommends approval of the ordinance.

b. Public Hearing – No one spoke during the Public Hearing.

c. Budget Amendment Ordinance – A motion was made by Council Member Parks to approve an Ordinance of the City of Dripping Springs, Texas amending the current 2022-

2023 Fiscal Year Budget; Finding Municipal Purposes; Authorizing Expenditures. Mayor Pro Tem Manassian seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

Filed as Ordinance No. 2023-01

- 13. Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution of the City of Dripping Springs Amending Regulations for the Placement of Signs on City Property during Elections and for Public Awareness.** *Sponsor: Mayor Foulds, Jr.*

Laura Mueller presented the staff report which is on file. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

A motion was made by Council Member Parks to approve a Resolution of the City of Dripping Springs Amending Regulations for the Placement of Signs on City Property during Elections and for Public Awareness, with the following changes:

- (1) Section (a)1: strike *5 p.m.* and replace with *7 p.m.*; and
- (2) Section (a)3: after *than* insert *four square feet (4 sq ft) including, but not limited to.*

Council Member Crow seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

Filed as Resolution No. 2023-R06

- 14. Discuss and consider approval of an Ordinance of the City of Dripping Springs, Texas adding subsection (d) to Section 20.05.008 (Specific Line Extension Charges) of the City’s Code of Ordinances to Adopt the “West Interceptor Line Extension Charge (Segment 1).** *Sponsor Mayor Bill Foulds*

Mayor Foulds recused from the item and stepped down from the dais. Mayor Pro Tem Manassian presided over the meeting.

Ginger Faught presented the staff report which is in file. Staff recommends approval of the ordinance.

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua to approve an Ordinance of the City of Dripping Springs, Texas adding subsection (d) to Section 20.05.008 (Specific Line Extension Charges) of the City’s Code of Ordinances to Adopt the “West Interceptor Line Extension Charge (Segment 1). Council Member Crow seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

Filed as Ordinance No. 2023-02

Mayor Foulds, Jr. returned to the dais and presided over the remainder of the meeting.

REPORTS

Reports of Staff, Boards, Commissions, Committees, Boards and Agencies are on file and available for review upon request. The City Council may provide staff direction; however, no action may be taken.

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- 15. **December Maintenance Report**
Craig Rice, Deputy Public Works Director
- 16. **Comprehensive Plan Update**
Tory Carpenter, Planning Director
- 17. **Monster Truck Event Report**
Emily Nelson, DSRP Manager
- 18. **Planning Department Report**
Tory Carpenter, Planning Director

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to adjourn into Executive Session under Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, Consultation with City Attorney and 551.072, Deliberation of Real Property and regarding Executive Session Agenda Items 19 – 20. Council Member Crow seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA

The City Council for the City of Dripping Springs has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.086 (Economic Development). The City Council for the City of Dripping Springs may act on any item listed in Executive Session in Open Session or move any item from Executive Session to Open Session for action.

- 19. **Consultation with City Attorney and Deliberation of Real Property regarding property acquisition related to the South Regional Water Reclamation Project.**
Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071, Deliberation of Real Property, 551.072
- 20. **Consultation with Counsel related to litigation regarding the South Regional Water Reclamation Project, Wastewater Permits, Code Enforcement, and related items.**
Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071

The City Council met in Executive Session from 6:54 – 7:11 p.m.

No vote or action was taken during Executive Session. Mayor Foulds, Jr. returned the meeting to Open Session at 7:11 p.m.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

City Council & Board of Adjustment Meetings

- February 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. (CC & BOA)
- February 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. (CC)
- March 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. (CC & BOA)
- March 21, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.(CC)

Board, Commission & Committee Meetings

- January 19 2023, Farmers Market Committee at 10:00 a.m.

January 19, 2023, Emergency Management Commission at 12:00 p.m.
January 23, 2023, Transportation Committee at 3:30 p.m.
January 23, 2023, Founders Day Commission at 6:30 p.m.
January 24, 2023, Planning & Zoning Commission at 6:00 p.m.
January 25, 2023, Economic Development Committee at 4:00 p.m.
February 4, 2023, DSRP Board at 11:00 a.m.
February 5, 2023, Historic Preservation Commission at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to adjourn the meeting. Council Member King seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

APPROVED ON: February 7, 2023

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary