



City Council & Board of Adjustment Regular Meeting

Dripping Springs ISD Center for Learning and Leadership

Board Room, 300 Sportsplex Drive – Dripping Springs, Texas

Tuesday, May 06, 2025, at 6:00 PM

DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

With a quorum of City Council Members present, Mayor Foulds called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

City Council Members

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

City Administrator Michelle Fischer

Deputy City Administrator Ginger Faught

Deputy City Administrator Shawn Cox

City Attorney Laura Mueller

Deputy City Attorney Aniz Alani

City Secretary Diana Boone

Planning & Zoning Director Tory Carpenter

Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz

People & Communications Director Lisa Sullivan

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Tahuahua.

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public that wishes to address the City Council on any issue, regardless of whether it is posted on this agenda, may do so during Presentation of Citizens. It is the request of the City Council that individuals wishing to speak on agenda items with a public hearing hold their comments until the item is being considered. Individuals are allowed two (2) minutes each to speak regarding issues not on the agenda and two (2) minutes per item on the agenda and may not cede or pool time. Those requiring the assistance of a translator will be allowed additional time to speak. Individuals are not required to sign in; however, it is encouraged. Individuals that wish to share documents with the City Council must present the documents to the City Secretary or City Attorney providing at least seven (7) copies; if seven (7) copies are not provided, the City Council will receive the documents the following day. Audio Video presentations

will not be accepted during Presentation of Citizens. By law no action shall be taken during Presentation of Citizens; however, the Mayor may provide a statement of specific factual information, recitation of existing policy, or direction or referral to staff.

Jay Howard with Texas Disposal Systems spoke concerning the solid waste service bid.

PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Proclamations and Presentations are for discussion purposes only and no action shall be taken.

- 1. Administration of Oaths of Office, along with Statement of Officer, and Issuance of Certificate of Election for Re-elected Officials for Places 1, 3, and 5.**

Judge Miller administered the Oaths of Office to Council Members Taline Manassian, Geoffrey Tahuahua, and Sherrie Parks.

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- 2. A Proclamation of the City of Dripping Springs Proclaiming the week of May 4-10, 2025, "Municipal Clerks Week." Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.**

Mayor Pro Tem Manassian read and presented the Proclamation to City Secretary Diana Boone and Records Management Clerk Vickie Edgerly.

- 3. A Proclamation of the City of Dripping Springs Proclaiming the month of May 2025 as "Art Month." Sponsor: Council Member Sherrie Parks**

Council Member Parks read and presented the Proclamation to Steve and Jennifer Friedman.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items will be acted upon in a single motion and are considered to be ministerial or routine. No separate discussion or action on these items will be held unless pulled at the request of a member of the City Council or City staff.

- 4. Approval of the April 15, 2025 City Council meeting minutes.**
- 5. Approval of a Resolution Accepting the Mercer Street Restrooms, Park Improvements, and the two-year maintenance bond, and releasing all construction bonds as appropriate. Sponsor: Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian**

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian, to approve Consent agenda items 4 and 5. The motion to approve carried unanimously 5 to 0.

BUSINESS AGENDA

9. **Discuss and consider approval of a License Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Garret and Heather Jones for improvements in the right-of-way adjacent to 175 Fort Sumner Street.** *Applicants: Garrett and Heather Jones*

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Council Member Parks, to move item 9 to the front of the agenda to be discussed first. The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

A motion was made by Council Member Parks and seconded by Council Member Tahuahua, to approve a License Agreement with Garret and Heather Jones for improvements in the right-of-way adjacent to 175 Fort Sumner Street with termination clause stating that city can revoke. The motion to approve carried unanimously 5 to 0.

6. **Discuss and consider selection of a vendor or vendors for Solid Waste Services starting in July 2025 and authorize City Administrator to finalize agreement with selected bidder.** *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.*

This item was skipped to be discussed in Closed Session under section 551.071.

After Closed Session, a motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Council Member King, to authorize staff to move forward with negotiations with Texas Disposal Systems as best value bid. The motion carried 4 to 1, the nay was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian.

7. **Discuss and consider approval of a Joint Bid Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and the Dripping Springs Water Supply Corporation related to the Old Fitzhugh Road Project.** *Sponsor: Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian*

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian and seconded by Council Member King, to approve the Joint Bid Agreement with the Dripping Springs Water Supply Corporation. The motion to approve carried 4 to 0. Council Member Crow recused himself and stepped away. He did not participate in the discussion and did not vote.

8. **Public hearing, discussion, and consideration of approval of proposed amendments to an Ordinance of the City of Dripping Springs, Chapter 2, Administration and Personnel, adopting an Electronic Signatures Policy.** *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.*

- a. Staff Report

This item was presented by Deputy City Attorney Aniz Alani. Staff report is on file.

- b. Public Hearing

No one spoke during the Public Hearing.

c. Ordinance

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian, to approve adopting an electronic signature policy. The motion to approve carried unanimously 5 to 0.

REPORTS

Reports listed are on file and available for review upon request. The City Council may provide staff direction; however, no action shall be taken.

- 10. Legal Department Year in Review.** *Laura Mueller, City Attorney*
- 11. Human Resources Department Year in Review.** *Chase Winburn, Human Resources Director*
- 12. City Secretary Department Year in Review.** *Diana Boone, City Secretary*
- 13. Legislative Report.** *Laura Mueller, City Attorney*
- 14. Planning Department Report:** *Tory Carpenter, Planning Director*

Reports are on file. No action was taken.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian and seconded by Council Member Tahuahua, to go into Closed Session for items 15-18, and item 6, under sections 551.071 and 551.072. The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

Closed Session started at 7:46 and ended at 8:48 p.m.

Council Member Crow recused himself from item 15 and stepped out of Closed Session at 8:36 p.m.

The City Council has the right to adjourn into closed session on any item on this agenda and at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by law or by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation With Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits), and 551.087 (Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations), and 551.089 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits). Any final action or vote on any Closed Session item will be taken in Open Session.

- 15. Consultation with Attorney and Deliberation Regarding Real Property and interlocal discussions related to TIRZ Priority Projects and Other Potential Strategic Real Property Acquisitions.** *(Consultation with Attorney, 551.071; Deliberation Regarding Real Property, 551.072)*

16. **Consultation with Attorney regarding legal issues related to the South Regional Water Reclamation Project, Wastewater, and Amendment 2 Permits, Wastewater Service Area and Agreements, Water Service and Agreements, Wastewater Fees, Wastewater Infrastructure Agreements, facility liability coverage, and related items.** (*Consultation with Attorney, 551.071*)
17. **Consultation with City Attorney related to legal issues regarding land use, economic development, waiver and variance processes, and infrastructure requirements and rough proportionality.** (*551.071, Consultation with Attorney*).
18. **Consultation with City Attorney related to legal issues on the City Hall Renovations and the construction contract with Jonestar Construction.** (*551.071, Consultation with Attorney*).

Item 6 was addressed after Closed Session.

No action was taken for items 15-18.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Council Member King, to adjourn the meeting. The motion to adjourn carried unanimously 5 to 0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:51 PM.

APPROVED ON: *Month, XX, 202X*

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Diana Boone, City Secretary