



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
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Council Meeting Date: 8.17.2021

Agenda Item Wording: Discuss and consider approval of a Special Event Permit application from the Dripping Springs Visitors Bureau for the 2021 Dripping Springs Songwriters Festival to be held October 15-17, 2021 in the Mercer Street and Old Fitzhugh Road vicinity

Agenda Item Requestor: Dripping Springs Visitors Bureau, Pam Owens, President

Summary/Background: The Dripping Spring Visitors Bureau is now the host for the beloved Dripping Springs Songwriters Festival. They have submitted a Special Event Permit application for the 2021 Dripping Springs Songwriters Festival. Similar to previous years, the request is to hold the event in the Mercer Street and Old Fitzhugh Road vicinity, including stages at seven local venues. The event dates are Friday, October 15th through Sunday, October 17, 2021. The event times are Friday from 2pm to 9pm, Saturday from 12pm to 9pm, and Sunday from 2pm to 8pm. The event includes a temporary street closure on Sunday, which is a separate agenda item. The city is a co-sponsor of the event. The applicant requests permission to use the City Hall, Veterans Memorial Park, and the Stephenson Building lot for event parking.

Recommended Council Actions: Approve request contingent on City Administrator and Emergency Management Coordinator approving the number of Deputy Constables/Deputy Sheriffs and their scheduled patrol times and approving the public notice letter that will be sent to affected properties.

Attachments: Special Event Permit Application

Next Steps/Schedule: Inform DSVB of City Council decision.