



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
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Submitted By: Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary

Council Meeting Date: October 18, 2022

Agenda Item Wording: **Approval of a Resolution designating Dripping Springs Century News as the Official Newspaper for the City of Dripping Springs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023, and associated Official Newspaper Agreement.**

Agenda Item Requestor: Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary

Summary/Background: Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2051.049 Selection of Newspaper, the governmental entity or representative required to publish a notice in a newspaper shall select, in accordance with this subchapter, one or more newspapers to publish the notice, which is subject to certain criteria in sections 2051.044 – 2051.051. The following types of notices are published in the official newspaper of record:

- Public Hearing – planning and development notices, budget, tax rate, capital projects, etc.
- Bids – RFQ, SOQ, RFB, etc.
- Notices – ordinances, resolutions, elections, etc.

Annually the City solicits submissions from local newspapers that meet the publishing requirements and staff reviews each submission accordingly. Approved submissions are provided to the Council for selection.

Submission packets were provided to Dripping Century News General Manager Dalton Sweat, and News-Dispatch Publisher Cyndy Slovak-Barton via email September 12, 2022, and due October 7, 2022.

Dripping Springs Century News was the only application received by the due date of October 7th, and no late applications were received.

Recommended Council Actions: Staff recommends approval of Dripping Springs Century News for the FY23 Official Newspaper.

Attachments:

1. Texas Government Code Section 2051.049
2. Century News application packet
3. Century News email comments
4. Resolution Designating Official Newspaper
5. Official Newspaper Agreement

Next Steps/Schedule:

1. Notify newspaper of decision
2. Sign and File Resolution
3. Sign and File Agreement
4. Notify Staff