



# STAFF REPORT

## City of Dripping Springs

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**Submitted By:** Ginger Faught, Deputy City Administrator

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**Council Meeting Date:** February 18, 2025

**Agenda Item Wording:** **Discuss and Consider approval of a Resolution of the City of Dripping Springs Consenting to Legislation related to the Driftwood Conservation District.** *Applicant: Andrew Barrett*

**Agenda Item Requestor:** Andrew Barrett

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### Summary/Background:

The 85<sup>th</sup> Texas Legislature created the Driftwood Conservation District in 2017. The District, despite its name, is essentially a Municipal Utility District. It is part of a high-end Golf Course Development in Driftwood, Hays County, Texas. The initial district acreage was approximately 522 acres. Driftwood Conservation District is within the City of Dripping Springs' extraterritorial jurisdiction.

Since its creation, Driftwood Conservation District has conducted confirmation, director and bond elections.

Driftwood Conservation District has received three separate petitions from landowners seeking to be annexed into the District boundaries. The first petition was in 2018 and sought to add approximately 37 acres to the District. The District approved the petition in February 2019.

The second Petition for Annexation of Property was filed in September 2019. In this Petition, the Petitioners sought to add approximately 119 acres. The District approved this second petition in October 2019.

The third Petition for Annexation of Property, seeking annexation of approximately 44 acres, was filed in March 2020 and approved in April 2020.

In 2021, the Texas Legislature, through SB 2183, redefined the boundaries of Driftwood Conservation District to confirm and validate the previous annexations. At that time, the District was approximately 723 acres.

In 2023, the District, upon Petition by the landowner, annexed an additional 13.9499 acres, making the current boundaries to approximately 738 acres.

The City of Dripping Springs has consented to all four of the annexations.

The District is now seeking to annex approximately 95 acres that is owned by numerous owners. A separate resolution is on the agenda to accept the petition to annex the property into the district. All property owners have signed the annexation petitions and those are on file. This annexation would bring total acreage to approximately 828 acres. The properties being annexed all receive services from the District and are being developed under the approved Development Agreement.

This Resolution is to support legislation to approve the annexation at the state level through legislation.

**Commission  
Recommendations:**

N/A

**Recommended  
Council Actions:**

Approve as presented.