



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
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Submitted By: Michelle Fischer, City Administrator

Council Meeting Date: June 6, 2023

Agenda Item Wording: **Discuss and consider approval of a Request for a Fee Reduction regarding SD2022-0033, VAR2022-008, SD2022-036, and VAR2022-009 related to Projects located at 1 Heritage Oaks and 31331 Ranch Road 12 from North Hays County Emergency Services District #1. Sponsor: Council Member Geoffrey Tahuahua.**

Agenda Item Requestor: Doug Fowler, District Administrator NHC ESD #1

Summary/Background: In December of 2022 North Hays County ESD #1 paid the City for various fees involving the construction of two emergency medical service stations and an administrative office building. The locations of the projects are 1 Heritage Oaks Drive and 31331 Ranch Road 12. The following fees were charged:

SD2022-0033 1 Heritage Oaks: \$34,142.12 Site Development Application; \$25.00 Public Notice Sign; \$180.00 Pre-Application Conference; and \$13,600.00 Fee In Lieu of Sidewalks.

VAR202-008 1 Heritage Oaks: \$25.00 Public Notice Sign; and \$500.00 Variance Request.

SD2022-0036 31331 Ranch Road 12: \$29,375.25 Site Development Application; \$25.00 Public Notice Sign; and \$180.00 Pre-Application Conference.

VAR2022-009 31331 Ranch Road 12: \$25.00 Public Notice Sign; and \$500.00 Variance Request.

The applicant was given a 10% fee reduction in accordance with the Fee Schedule since they are non-profit and serve a public purpose. The total amount of fees paid was \$70,719.65. The applicant has requested a further reduction in the fees paid.

The City's fees were established to cover the City's costs, including processing, reviewing, approving, and inspecting projects. To date, these projects have taken more staff time than the average project.

Commission Recommendations: N/A

**Recommended
Council Actions:**

Staff does not recommend approval of an additional reduction in fees.

Attachments:

Request letter from Doug Fowler, District Administrator.

Next Steps/Schedule:

Notify requestor of City Council's decision.