



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
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Submitted By: Diana Boone, City Secretary

Council Meeting Date: August 6, 2024

Agenda Item Wording: **Approval of the Reappointment of Charlie Busbey and Zach West to the Utility Commission for a term ending June 30, 2026, and the Reappointment of Charlie Busbey as the Committee Chair for a term of one (1) year.**

Agenda Item Requestor: Diana Boone, City Secretary

Summary/Background: The Utility Commission is a five-member advisory commission tasked with representing various citizen groups and their interests as part of the City Council’s greater discussion of transportation, planning, and improvements. The Utility Commission shall assist the City in Wastewater Plant operations and reuse plans (including expansion), achieving the City’s goal of 100% beneficial use and assisting the City with procedures and policies related to retail water services provided by the City.

Members of the Utility Commission are appointed by City Council with two members being nominated by the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District (HTGCD), and where at least two members shall be residents of the City Limits. Members are appointed to serve a two year term.

Current Commission

<i>Member</i>	<i>Term</i>	<i>Seat Description</i>
Charlie Busbey, Chair	06/30/24	At-Large
Lara Dudek	06/30/25	At-Large
Zach West	06/30/24	HTGCD Representative
Barney Austin	06/30/25	HTGCD Representative
Matthew Ordway	06/30/25	At-Large

Vacancies and Applicants

We received two (2) new applications for Utilities Commission.

**Commission
Recommendation:**

The commission recommends the reappointment of Charlie Busbey and Zach West; and the reappointment of Charlie Busbey as Chair.

**Recommended
Council Actions:**

Staff recommends the reappointment of Charlie Busbey and Zach West for terms ending June 30, 2026; and the reappointment of Charlie Busbey as the Chair of the Commission for a one (1) year term.

Next Steps/Schedule:

1. Update website
2. Notify commission of reappointments