



City Council & Board of Adjustment Regular Meeting

Dripping Springs ISD Center for Learning and Leadership

Board Room, 300 Sportsplex Drive – Dripping Springs, Texas

Tuesday, December 03, 2024, at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

With a quorum of Council Members present, Mayor Foulds called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

City Council Members Present:

Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.

Council Member Place 2 Wade King

Council Member Place 3 Geoffrey Tahuahua

Council Member Place 4 Travis Crow

Council Member Place 5 Sherrie Parks

City Council Members Absent:

Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian

Staff, Consultants, & Appointed/Elected Officials

City Administrator Michelle Fischer

Deputy City Administrator Ginger Faught

Deputy City Administrator Shawn Cox

City Attorney Laura Mueller

Deputy City Attorney Aniz Alani

City Secretary Diana Boone

Planning Director Tory Carpenter

Farmers Market Manager Charlie Reed

Code Enforcement Inspector Mark Escobedo

Building Official Shane Pevehouse

Emergency Management Coordinator Roman Baligad

People & Communications Director Lisa Sullivan

Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member King.

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public that wishes to address the City Council on any issue, regardless of whether it is posted on this agenda, may do so during Presentation of Citizens. It is the request of the City Council that individuals wishing to speak on agenda items with a public hearing hold their comments until the item is

being considered. Individuals are allowed two (2) minutes each to speak regarding issues not on the agenda and two (2) minutes per item on the agenda and may not cede or pool time. Those requiring the assistance of a translator will be allowed additional time to speak. Individuals are not required to sign in; however, it is encouraged. Individuals that wish to share documents with the City Council must present the documents to the City Secretary or City Attorney providing at least seven (7) copies; if seven (7) copies are not provided, the City Council will receive the documents the following day. Audio Video presentations will not be accepted during Presentation of Citizens. By law no action shall be taken during Presentation of Citizens; however, the Mayor may provide a statement of specific factual information, recitation of existing policy, or direction or referral to staff.

No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

PRESENTATION

- 1. Presentation of award to Constable Ron Hood for his years of service to the Emergency Management Committee.**

Council Member Tahuahua presented Constable Hood with an award for his years of service to the Emergency Management Committee. Emergency Management Coordinator Roman Baligad was also present and expressed his gratitude.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items will be acted upon in a single motion and are considered to be ministerial or routine. No separate discussion or action on these items will be held unless pulled at the request of a member of the City Council or City staff.

- 2. Approval of the November 19, 2024 City Council meeting minutes.**
- 3. Approval of the appointment of Dave Graham and the reappointment of Bob Luddy, Scott Collard, and Dillon Polk to the Emergency Management Committee for a term ending January 1, 2027.**

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Council Member King, to approve Consent Agenda items 2-3. The motion to approve carried unanimously 4 to 0.

BUSINESS AGENDA

- 4. Discuss and consider termination of Sign Permit for Citgo pole sign located at Dripping Springs Grocery, 601 Hwy 290 W. Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.**

This item was presented by Building Official Shane Pevehouse. Staff recommendation to council was to revoke the Pole Sign Variance and remove pole sign and lighting due to noncompliance.

Council Member Crow recused himself, stepped away, did not participate in the discussion, and did not vote.

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Council Member King, to revoke the variance for the pole sign located at 601 Hwy 290 W. and direct staff to take action towards removal of the sign and lighting. City Council directed staff to ensure that Citgo obtained an agreement within 10 business days to remove the sign for the sign to be removed within the following 45 days. The motion carried unanimously 3 to 0.

5. Discuss and consider approval of the Building Inspector Apprentice Job Description.
Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.

This item was presented by City Attorney Laura Mueller. Council Member Tahuahua questioned the use of the word “apprentice” on the job title so staff may change the title.

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Council Member Crow, to approve the job description. The motion to approve carried unanimously 4 to 0.

6. Discuss and consider approval of an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances to clarify and enhance the operations and governance of the Farmers Market. *Sponsor: Council Member Sherrie Parks*

a. Staff Report

This item was presented by Deputy City Attorney Aniz Alani. Farmers Market Manager Charlie Reed was also available to answer questions. Staff recommends adoption to improve market operations, support local vendors, and enhance the market’s role in the community.

b. Public Hearing

No one spoke during the Public Hearing.

c. Ordinance

A motion was made by Council Member Parks and seconded by Council Member Tahuahua, to approve the ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances to clarify and enhance the operations and governance of the Farmers Market. The motion to approve carried unanimously 4 to 0.

7. Discuss and Consider Approval of a Resolution Supporting Hays County's RM 12 at RM 150 Roundabout Application for 2024 CAMPO Carbon Reduction Program Funding. *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds*

This item was presented by Planning Director Tory Carpenter. Staff recommends approval of resolution.

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Council Member Parks, to support Hays County roundabout application. The motion carried 3 to 1 with Council Member Crow voting nay.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Council Member Crow to move items 8-10 into Closed Session under Sections 551.071 and 551.072. The motion carried unanimously 4 to 0.

Closed Session began at 6:46 PM and ended at 6:53 PM.

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Council Member Parks, to move agenda item 8 to regular session. The motion carried unanimously 4 to 0.

The City Council has the right to adjourn into closed session on any item on this agenda and at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by law or by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation With Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits), and 551.087 (Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations), and 551.089 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits). Any final action or vote on any Closed Session item will be taken in Open Session.

- 8. Consultation with City Attorney related to opioid lawsuits.** *Consultation with Attorney, 551.071*

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Council Member Crow, to approve a resolution approving settlement participation. The motion to approve carried unanimously 4 to 0 .

- 9. Consultation with Attorney and Deliberation Regarding Real Property related to TIRZ Priority Projects and Other Potential Strategic Real Property Acquisitions.** *Consultation with Attorney, 551.071; Deliberation Regarding Real Property, 551.072*
- 10. Consultation with Attorney regarding legal issues related to the South Regional Water Reclamation Project, Wastewater, and Amendment 2 Permits, Wastewater Service Area and Agreements, Water Service, Wastewater Fees, Wastewater Infrastructure Agreements, facility liability coverage, and related items.** *Consultation with Attorney, 551.071*

No action was taken on items 9-10.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council Member Crow and seconded by Council Member Parks.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 PM.

TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF MEETING

I certify that this public meeting is posted in accordance with Texas Government Code Chapter 551, Open Meetings. This meeting agenda is posted on the bulletin board at the City of Dripping Springs City Hall, located at 511 Mercer Street, and on the City website at, www.cityofdrippingsprings.com, on November 25, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVED ON: Month XX, 2024

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Diana Boone, City Secretary