



**STAFF REPORT**  
**City of Dripping Springs**  
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**Submitted By:** Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.

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**Council Meeting Date:** November 4, 2025

**Agenda Item Wording:** **Discuss and consider approval of a Facilities Use Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs, Dripping Springs Independent School District, and Dripping Springs Lions Club for the 2026 Founders Day Festival. Sponsor: Council Member Sherrie Parks**

**Agenda Item Requestor:** Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.

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**Summary/Background:** On October 15<sup>th</sup> City Staff members and I met with DSISD representatives Superintendent Holly Morris-Kuentz and Chief Operations Officer Scott Berry to review changes the District requested in the agreement. They informed us that the use fees would be \$6,000 (normally they would be \$30,000). They stated that they needed the final draft of the agreement no later than November 7<sup>th</sup> for it to be on the November 17<sup>th</sup> Board meeting agenda.

We sent back a revised draft on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. In it we incorporated (with minor edits) their requested changes and added a compensation formula for DSISD. Under the newly added terms, Lions Club gets to decide each year whether to pay DSISD \$6,000 (adjusted annually for CPI) or have the City pay that amount in exchange for giving the City 100% of any incremental revenue generated on the DSISD Property. The Lions Club has reviewed the agreement and agreed to pay the \$6,000 use fee.

We have not heard back from the District on the latest draft of the agreement. City Staff members have reached out by email and phone numerous times. Originally, I had planned to put the agreement under Consent, but moved it to Business since we have not heard back from the District. I hope that the DSISD representatives will accept the current draft or if they have changes, they will be minor ones and City Council can approve the agreement on the 4<sup>th</sup>. My recommendation to approve the agreement on the 4<sup>th</sup> is to enable our Founders Day Committee to move forward finalizing plans for the event.

We have the option of considering the agreement on November 18<sup>th</sup> if there is unforeseen feedback from the District. I will negotiate and finalize the agreement with Council Member Parks for consideration by City Council.

Recap of significant changes from last year's agreement:

All of the carnival will be located on District property;  
City and Lions Club will install no tobacco and alcohol on District property signs around the carnival area;

more security will be provided in the carnival area and security will ask anyone violating the tobacco and alcohol prohibition to leave the District's property;

a smoking area on City property will be provided and identified; and

the Lions Club will pay \$6,000 to the District.

**Committee  
Recommendations:**

The Founders Day Committee recommends approval of the agreement.

**Recommended  
Council Actions:**

Approve the agreement and authorize the Mayor to negotiate minor changes, finalize, and execute the agreement. Or, postpone action on the agreement until November 18<sup>th</sup> and direct Mayor Foulds and Council Member Parks to negotiate and finalize the agreement for consideration by City Council

**Attachments:**

Facilities Use Agreement

**Next Steps/Schedule:**

If approved, execute the agreement. If not, City Council will consider the agreement on November 18<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Foulds and Council Member Parks will negotiate and finalize the agreement for consideration by City Council.