



STAFF REPORT
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Submitted By: Andrew Binz, Parks & Community Services Director

Council Meeting Date: November 4, 2025

Agenda Item Wording: **Discuss and consider action on the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan.**

Sponsor: Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian

Agenda Item Requestor: Andrew Binz, Parks & Community Services Director

Summary/Background: The Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan is a ten-year plan that will enable multi-year planning for capital investments to occur and guide the development of shared programming and educational opportunities. The plan will also align new investments with a strong community-driven mission and vision that integrates Dripping Springs' strong pursuit of parks, recreations, the arts, and environmental education.

Key accomplishments:

- Developed four Guiding Principles to be used as guideposts for the implementation of the Master Plan.
- Executed a robust public engagement component including a statistically valid survey, stakeholder sessions, public meetings and booths at community events.
- Parks system Needs Assessment to assess current and future park needs including demand, resource, level of service, programming and conditions assessments.
- Park by Park Assessment including park personality, ecological report, what we heard, conditions assessment and recommendations.
- Developed two conceptual design plans for Dripping Springs Ranch Park and the future Arrowhead Park.
- Developed Vision Statement, Mission Statement and Core Values for the Parks & Community Services Department.
- Updated trail maps for each park.

Commission Recommendations: The Parks & Recreation Commission approved the recommendation at their October 15th meeting with a 6 – 0 vote.

Recommended Council Actions:	Approval of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan.
Attachments:	09.30.2025 Adoption Draft_Dripping Springs Parks Master Plan_with Appendix.
Next Steps/Schedule:	Develop a PCS Strategic Business Plan to Implement the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan.