

CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS

ORDINANCE No. 2021-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS AMENDING ARTICLE 22.04 TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN, SECTION 22.04.001 ADOPTION, ADOPTING THE 2021 CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN AND ASSOCIATED POLICIES.

WHEREAS, Chapter 213 of the Texas Local Government Code authorizes the City to adopt a comprehensive plan for the long-range development of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Master Plan, represents a single plan organized by subject matter and geographic area to be used to coordinate and guide the establishment of development regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved a Professional Services Agreement with HDR to conduct transportation master planning services on May 18, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the primary purposes of the Transportation Master Plan are as follows:

1. Update the Thoroughfare Plan
2. Complete traffic analysis supporting routes identified on the Thoroughfare Plan
3. Develop recommended cross-sections
4. Identify cross-section and right-of-way needs on new and existing roads
5. Prepare a Transportation Master Plan documenting analysis, recommendations, and best practices

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs conducted a transportation master planning open house in January 2019; draft Thoroughfare Plan and Multimodal Plan was presented online for public comment in November/December 2020; and a virtual Town Hall in February 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City staff conducted stakeholder meetings with key representatives from local agencies that included Dripping Springs Independent School District, Hays County Commissioners Court, Texas Department of Transportation, and Hays County Transportation Department to address specific concerns related to local and regional mobility; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Committee of the City of Dripping Springs received multiple presentations related to the Transportation Master Plan and provided input related to the proposed Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council and Planning and Zoning Commission were invited to participate in the transportation master planning open house in January 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Commission of the City of Dripping Springs conducted a public hearing on October 12, 2021, to consider the draft Transportation Master Plan report and provide recommendations for City Council consideration; and

WHEREAS, the City has conducted all necessary public hearings regarding the need and desirability of amendments, revisions, deletions, and modifications to the proposed 2021 Transportation Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City finds it has satisfied all legal prerequisites and has determined that the adoption of this Ordinance is in the interest of promoting the general health, safety, morals, and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance was passed and approved at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs held in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act at which a quorum of the City Council Members was present and voting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS THAT:

SECTION 1: ADOPTION OF MASTER PLAN

That the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs does hereby adopt the attached 2021 Transportation Master Plan (the “Plan”), which supersedes previous existing Transportation Master Plans.

ARTICLE 22.04. TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Sec. 22.04.001. Adopted.

The transportation plan attached to Ordinance No. 2021-_____ as exhibit A is adopted by reference.

SECTION 2: POLICIES STATEMENT

That the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs does hereby adopt the Plan subject to the following policies:

- (a) It is the intent of the City Council to adopt a Plan that provides direction to enhance the development of a transportation network of roads, bicycle lanes, trails, sidewalks, and shared use paths that adequately supports existing and planned land uses, as well as to integrate and support interconnectivity among subdivisions, commercial areas, schools, and places of interest. .
- (b) It is the intent of the City Council that projects listed in the Plan will be constructed or developed within the general time frame outlined in the Plan.
- (c) The City Council recognizes the need for annexation planning and transportation master planning to be coordinated activities.
- (d) The Plan is designed to ensure compliance with applicable federal, state, and local regulatory programs. Projects identified within the Plan should be designed to ensure that transportation mobility within the City of Dripping Springs is managed in a comprehensive manner that minimizes project life-cycle costs and maximizes overall benefits for the citizens of Dripping Springs.
- (e) The City Council acknowledges that circumstances may arise where adjustments or deviations from the Plan may be in the best interest of the City of Dripping Springs. If it is determined that an adjustment or deviation should be made, the Dripping Springs City Council may amend the Plan at any time to reflect the change.

SECTION 3. REPEALER

In the case of any conflict between other provisions of this Ordinance and any existing Ordinance of the City, the provisions of this Ordinance will control.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, that invalidity or the unenforceability will not affect any other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE

The Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage and publication.

SECTION 7. PROPER NOTICE & MEETING

It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551. Notice was also provided as required by Chapter 52 of the Texas Local Government Code.

PASSED & APPROVED this, the ___ day of _____ 2021, by a vote of ___ (ayes) to ___ (nays) to ___ (abstentions) of the City Council of Dripping Springs, Texas.

CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS:

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary

Exhibit "A"
Transportation Master Plan