



# City of Dripping Springs

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<b>Commission Meeting Date:</b>	04/16/2024
<b>Item Wording:</b>	Update on Utilities for the month of April 2024
<b>Agenda Item Requestor:</b>	Utility Commission
<p><b>Projects Under Construction:</b></p> <p>Heritage Treated effluent line under construction</p> <p>Driftwood effluent line – Construction to start 8/15/24</p> <p>Big Sky Package Plant – Construction has Started</p> <p>Upcoming projects:</p> <p>Howard Ranch – Treated Effluent tap</p> <p>Cannon Ranch Regional Lift Station - design</p> <p>Heritage lift station – easements</p> <p>Anarene (Double L) – Water and Wastewater plans under review</p> <p>Wild Ridge (Cynosure) – Water and Wastewater plans under review</p> <p>Village Grove –Wastewater plans under review</p> <p>New Growth –Wastewater plans under review</p> <p><b>South Regional Water Reclamation Expansion Project Update:</b></p> <p>The Supreme Court has requested additional briefing. Final briefings have been submitted. There is no timeline on how quickly they decide whether they will hear oral arguments or dismiss the case.</p> <p>No new updates on the TLAP Amendment 2 contested case.</p> <p><b>Dripping Springs Retail Water Update:</b></p>	

Stage 2 watering restrictions are in place for all CODS water customers.

### **South Regional Water Reclamation Facility Operations Report.**

The South Regional Water Reclamation Facility operated within permit limits for the month of February, however, in the month of April we had a sample test positive for 102 MPN of e coli on the 30<sup>th</sup>. We believe this was due to a lightning storm causing power disruptions resulting in the blower system being offline for several hours

National Works continues to work on the WWLA manhole rehab. This will rehab 46 manholes and add vented lids along the route. 27 have been completed so far.

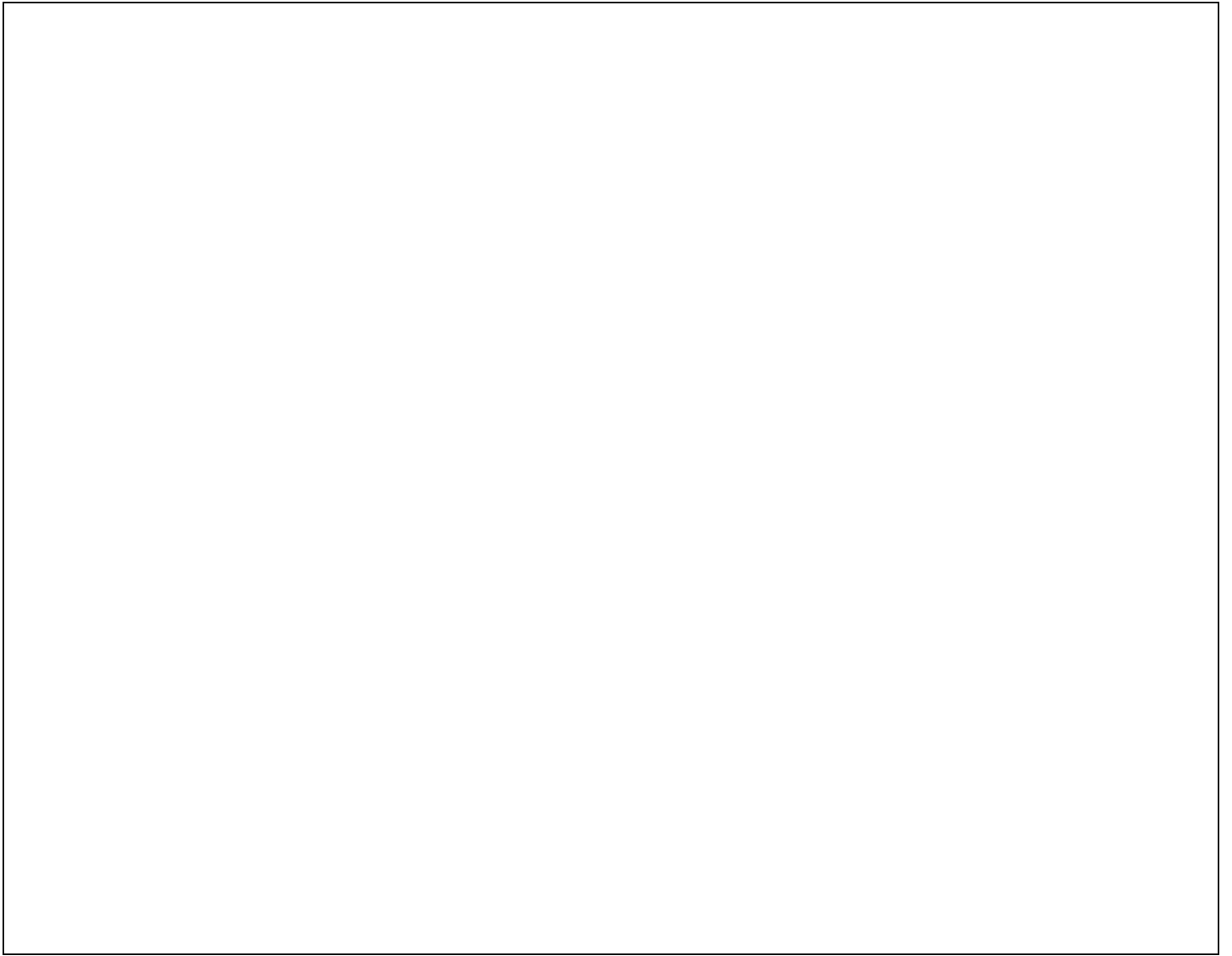
### **Arrowhead Wastewater Plant Update:**

The city is working with AUC on the plant expansion. We have received a bid from AUC to complete some of the site preparation and the city will complete the rest in-house. The GST and the drip fields have not gone out for bid yet. We need these to come into compliance, however from an operation standpoint the additional capacity in the plant is what is needed to improve effluent quality.

We had 3 violations resulting from the same lightning storm as mentioned above. We had a BOD result of 44mg/L and a TSS result of 41mg/L on the 30<sup>th</sup>. The BOD of 44mg/L brought up our daily average limit causing the 3<sup>rd</sup> violation.

### **Update on Reclaimed Water:**

Effluent pump station is complete and has been serving customers since late February. We have seen an increased number of applicants.



<b>Commission Recommendations:</b>	
<b>Actions by Other Jurisdictions/Entities:</b>	
<b>Previous Action:</b>	
<b>Recommended Action:</b>	
<b>Alternatives/Options:</b>	
<b>Budget/Financial Impact:</b>	
<b>Attachments:</b>	
<b>Related Documents at City Hall:</b>	
<b>Public Notice Process:</b>	
<b>Public Comments:</b>	
<b>Enforcement Issues:</b>	
<b>Comprehensive Plan Element:</b>	
<b>Next Step/Schedule:</b>	