



STAFF REPORT
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Submitted By: Caylie Houchin, Community Events Coordinator

Council Meeting Date: March 15, 2022

Agenda Item Wording: **Proclamation of the City of Dripping Springs Proclaiming the week of April 22-30, 2022, as "International Dark Sky Week" in the City of Dripping Springs.**

Agenda Item Requestor: Michelle Fischer, City Administrator

Summary/Background: International Dark Sky Week events will be celebrated across the globe to help raise awareness of the benefits of community friendly lighting and our heritage of dark skies. To help spread the word about Dark Sky Week, the Parks Department is hosting a Star Party on April 1st at Dripping Springs Ranch Park. Members of the University of Texas Astronomy Club will be speaking on how light pollution affects animals' migrations patters and what our community can do to help mitigate the effects of light pollution during peak migration times.

Recommended Council Actions: Staff recommends approval of the proclamation.

Attachments: International Dark Sky Week Proclamation

Next Steps/Schedule: Work with Communications and Marketing Director Lisa Sullivan on promotion of proclamation in conjunction with Star Party on April 1st.