

CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1.02.041: REGULAR MEETINGS: ESTABLISHING ADDITIONAL MEETINGS AND MEETINGS TIMES FOR CITY COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR CANCELLATION OF MEETINGS; PROVIDING FOR THE FOLLOWING: FINDINGS OF FACT; AMENDMENT; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY; CODIFICATION; EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING.**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 551 of the Local Government Code (Open Government; Ethics; Open Meetings) provides that a municipality must make a good faith effort, whether on its website or by physical postings, to provide notice of a meeting time to the general public at least 72 hours before the meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Dripping Springs desires to add additional dates and times for regular meetings in order to meet demand based on the recently adopted temporary development moratorium; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Dripping Springs desires to add a process for cancellation of meetings as needed.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of Dripping Springs, Texas:

**1. FINDINGS OF FACT**

The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this Ordinance by reference as findings of fact as if expressly set forth herein.

**2. AMENDMENT**

Section 1.02.041 Regular Meetings of City Council, Code of Ordinances, City of Dripping Springs, Texas, is hereby amended to read in accordance with *Attachment A*, which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance for all intents and purposes. Language that is struck through is repealed, language that is underlined is added.

**3. REPEALER**

All ordinances, resolutions, or parts thereof, that are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters regulated, herein.

**4. SEVERABILITY**

Should any of the clauses, sentences, paragraphs, sections or parts of this Ordinance be deemed invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable by a court of law or administrative agency with jurisdiction over the matter, such action shall not be construed to affect any other valid portion of this Ordinance.

**5. CODIFICATION**

The City Secretary is hereby directed to record the attached rules, regulations, and policies in the City’s Code of Ordinances as authorized by Section 52.001 of the Texas Local Government Code.

**6. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage.

**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.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE City Council of the City of Dripping Springs, Texas:**

**PASSED & APPROVED** this, the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2021, by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ (*ayes*) to \_\_\_\_\_ (*nays*) to (*abstentions*)

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**By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

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Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary

**CODE OF ORDINANCES**

**CHAPTER 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**ARTICLE 1.02 CITY COUNCIL**

**Sec. 1.02.041. Regular meetings.**

- (a) Generally . Regular meetings shall be conducted ~~on the first and third~~ each Tuesday of each month at city hall.
- (b) Timing . On the first and third Tuesday regular meetings will commence at 6:00 p.m. at which time the city council will conduct roll call and give the Pledge of Allegiance. On all other Tuesdays, each meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m.
- (c) Rescheduling . When deemed necessary, prudent and in the public interest, the city council may occasionally opt to move a regular meeting date to a different time, date or place in order to facilitate unusual occurrences, such as holidays or inclement weather conditions. The mayor or a majority of the city council may call for the taking of items out of the order listed on the agenda.
- (d) Agenda . An agenda shall be posted by the city secretary not less than 72 hours in advance of such meetings.
- (e) Cancellation . When no item is set for a specific agenda, the meeting may be cancelled at the direction of the mayor or mayor pro tem if the mayor is unavailable. For all other meetings, when deemed necessary, prudent, and in the public interest, the city council may cancel a meeting.