



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

City of Dripping Springs

Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX

Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 5:30 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

With a quorum of the City Council present, Mayor Foulds, Jr., called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

City Council Members present were:

Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.

Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian

Council Member Place 2 Wade King

Council Member Place 3 Geoffrey Tahuahua

Council Member Place 4 April Harris Allison

Council Member Place 5 Sherrie Parks

Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials present were:

City Administrator Michelle Fischer

Deputy City Administrator Ginger Faught

City Treasurer Shawn Cox

Public Works Coordinator Aaron Reed

Special Counsel David Tuckfield

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Parks led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public who desires to address the City Council regarding any item on an agenda for an open meeting may do so at presentation of citizens before an item or at a public hearing for an item during the City Council's consideration of that item. Citizens wishing to discuss matters not contained within the current agenda may do so, but only during the time allotted for presentation of citizens. Speakers are allowed two (2) minutes to speak during presentation of citizens or during each public hearing. Speakers may not cede or pool time. Members of the public requiring the assistance of a translator will be given twice the amount of time as a member of the public who does not require the assistance of a translator to address the City Council. It is the request of the City Council that members of the public wishing to speak on item(s) on the agenda with a noticed Public Hearing hold their comments until the item(s) are presented for consideration. Speakers are encouraged to sign in. Anyone may request a copy of the City's policy on presentation of citizens from the city secretary. By law no action may be taken during Presentations of Citizens.

No one spoke during the Presentation of Citizens.

BUSINESS AGENDA

1. Presentation and discussion regarding the Fiscal Year 2022 Municipal Budget.

Shawn Cox presented the item and reviewed the current proposed budget which is on file.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to adjourn into Executive Session under Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, Consultation with City Attorney and 551.072, Deliberation of Real Property and regarding Executive Session Agenda Items 2 and 3. Council Member Harris-Allison seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA

The City Council for the City of Dripping Springs has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.086 (Economic Development). The City Council for the City of Dripping Springs may act on any item listed in Executive Session in Open Session or move any item from Executive Session to Open Session for action.

2. Deliberation of Real Property regarding legal issues related to Real Property for the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone including the Town Center Project and uses. *Deliberation of Real Property, 551.072*

3. Consultation with City Attorney; Deliberation of Real Property; and Personnel Matters regarding issues related to Wastewater Operations, agreements related to Wastewater, the South Regional Water Reclamation Expansion Project Easement Acquisition, Wastewater Discharge Permit, and operation of the Lazy W WCID in the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of the City of Dripping Springs; employment and duties of the Public Works Coordinator as it relates to Wastewater and legal issues related to other wastewater positions. *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071; Deliberation regarding Real Property, 551.072; Personnel Matters, 551.074.*

The City Council met in Executive Session from 6:10 p.m. – 7:54 p.m.

No vote or action was taken during Executive Session. Mayor Foulds, Jr. returned the meeting to Open Session at 7:54 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to pull Executive Session Agenda Items 2 and 3 for consideration. Council Member King seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

2. Deliberation of Real Property regarding legal issues related to Real Property for the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone including the Town Center Project and uses.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to authorize Steve Matthews to make an offer on the property that is consistent with terms as discussed in Executive Session. Council Member Harris-Allison seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

- 3. Consultation with City Attorney; Deliberation of Real Property; and Personnel Matters regarding issues related to Wastewater Operations, agreements related to Wastewater, the South Regional Water Reclamation Expansion Project Easement Acquisition, Wastewater Discharge Permit, and operation of the Lazy W WCID in the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of the City of Dripping Springs; employment and duties of the Public Works Coordinator as it relates to Wastewater and legal issues related to other wastewater positions.**

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to approve the job description for Public Works Director, Utilities Superintendent and Utilities Operator I and II, and to authorize staff to hire for positions. Council Member King seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Council Member Harris-Allison to adjourn the meeting. Council Member King seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

This special meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

APPROVED ON: October 5, 2021

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary