



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
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Submitted By: Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary

Council Meeting Date: September 21, 2021

Agenda Item Wording: **Approval of the Appointment of Matthew Ordway to the Utility Commission for an At-Large seat with a term expiring June 30, 2023.**

Agenda Item Requestor: Ginger Faught, Deputy City Administrator

Summary/Background: The Utility Commission is a five-member advisory commission tasked with representing various citizen groups and their interests as part of the City Council's greater discussion of transportation, planning, and improvements. The Utility Commission shall assist the City in Wastewater Plant operations and reuse plans (including expansion), achieving the City's goal of 100% beneficial use and assisting the City with procedures and policies related to retail water services provided by the City.

Members of the Utility Commission are appointed by City Council with two members being nominated by the Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District (HTGCD), and where at least two members shall be residents of the City Limits. Members are appointed to serve a two year term.

Current Commission

<i>Member</i>	<i>Term</i>	<i>Seat Description</i>
VACANT	06/30/23	At-Large
Chuck Miller, Vice Chair	06/30/22	At-Large
VACANT	06/30/23	At-Large
Roger Kew	06/31/23	HTGCD Representative
Jeff Foreman	06/31/22	HTGCD Representative

There are two (2) At-Large seats for consideration. Public notice was sent for applications for appointment, and I received one application from Matthew Ordway. All other applications listed are from previous application periods

Slate of Candidates

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Background Experience</i>
Matthew Ordway	Facilities Design & Construction
*Cory Kirk (2019)	Rancher
*Michael Aulick (2019)	City & Transportation Planning
*Bill Little (2019)	Utilities Planning & Development
*Wesley Pitts (2019)	Landowner
*Jeff Shaw (2019)	Managing Director Protect Our Water
*Zach West (2019)	Water & WW Project & Program Manager

*Per City policy, applicants not appointed shall remain on file for two (2) years. These applicants were notified that their applications would be included for consideration. No responses were received from the applicants and applications are included City policy.

Recommended Council Actions:

Staff recommends the appointment of Matthew Ordway for a term ending June 30, 2023.

Attachments:

1. Application for Appointment (private)

Next Steps/Schedule:

1. Notify applicant of Council decision
2. Update website and master roster
3. Notify commission of appointments and send updated roster
4. Send calendar invite to appointees