### CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS

#### ORDINANCE No. 2023-20

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 16: PUBLIC WAYS AND PLACES, ARTICLE 16.02 ADDING EXHIBIT "A" PARKS AND FACILITIES NAMING POLICY IN THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS CODE OF ORDINANCES.

- WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs ("City Council") seeks to have a formal process that assists the City Council with naming or renaming the City of Dripping Springs's parks, park facilities, or infrastructure. This policy provides for citizen input, board or commission recommendations, and ensures City Council approval to adopt all names;
- WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 51.001, the City has general authority to adopt an ordinance or police regulation that is for the good government, peace or order of the City and is necessary or proper for carrying out a power granted by law to the City; and
- WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Commission had a meeting on June 5, 2023 and recommended approval of the policy; and
- WHEREAS, the City Council had a meeting and a public hearing on June 20, 2023 and recommended approval; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that the amendment proposed is reasonable, necessary, and proper for the good government of the City of Dripping Springs.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City 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

Article 16.02 as currently adopted is amended so to read in accordance with *Attachment "A"*, adding Exhibit "A" to Article 16.02 which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance for all intents and purposes.

### 3. REPEALER

To the extent reasonably possible, ordinances are to be read together in harmony. However, 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this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters regulated, herein.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 and publish 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 and publication of caption.

### 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.

PASSED & APPROVED this, the 20th day of June 2023, by a vote of 5 (ayes) to 0 (nays) to 0 (abstentions) of the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs, Texas.

**CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS:** 

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary



### ATTACHMENT "A"

Parks Naming Policy

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### **City of Dripping Springs**

### **Parks and Facilities Naming Policy**

Last Adopted: June 20, 2023

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### Purpose

To provide a formal process that assists the City Council with naming or renaming the City of Dripping Springs's parks, park facilities, or infrastructure. This policy provides for citizen input, board or commission recommendations, and ensures City Council approval to adopt all names.

### Guidelines

### Park, Park Facilities & Infrastructure

For the purpose of this policy, "Park" shall include any area designated by the City for park and recreational use. Park facilities shall include offices, restrooms, pavilions, or any other building located in a designated park. Park infrastructure shall include trails, playgrounds, benches, trees, or equipment located in a designated park.

Proposed names shall identify one of the following:

- An adjacent street to the park;
- Predominant physical features (such as lakes, rivers, creeks, etc.) in or adjacent to the park;
- The subdivision in which the park property is located;
- A state or nationally recognized person who has improved the quality of life for the public;
- A significant historic feature, event, or person;
- An individual or group who has made exceptional contributions to the City of Dripping Springs with preference being given for contributions to parks and recreation services. Exceptional contributions include:
  - Donating or contributing a significant amount of time or funds for the acquisition and/or development of the park facility;
  - Providing direct and significant volunteer services benefiting the public as a local or community leader.

No naming or renaming proposals shall be permitted for any individual, corporation, or donor group whose public image, services, or history conflicts with the purpose or mission of this policy or the mission of the City of Dripping Springs.

### **Municipal Facilities & Infrastructure**

For the purpose of this policy, Municipal Facility shall include any building or structure owned by the City of Dripping Springs, outside of a designated park. Individual spaces within a facility may be named separately. Municipal Infrastructure shall include streets, parking areas, and any property owned by the City of Dripping Springs.

Proposed names shall identify one of the following:

- A state or nationally recognized person who has improved the quality of life for the public;
- A significant historic feature, event, or person.

- An individual or group who has made exceptional contributions to the City of Dripping Springs. Exceptional contributions include:
  - Donating or contributing a significant amount of time or funds for the acquisition and/or development of the facility or infrastructure;
  - Providing direct and significant volunteer services benefiting the public as a local or community leader.

### Procedure

### Nominations

Individuals shall submit a written nomination for names along with justification to the City Administrator. The nomination shall include:

- Reasons for the proposed name;
- Evidence of community support for the proposed name;
- Petitions, if submitted, must state the intent and include printed names, signatures, addresses, zip codes and telephone numbers of each signer as proof of residency.

### **Review**

Each nomination shall be reviewed by the appropriate department for completeness. Complete nominations shall be placed on an upcoming agenda of the appropriate board or commission. Naming of parks facilities shall be reviewed by the Parks and Recreation Commission and then sent to City Council with the Parks and Recreation Commission recommendation. Naming of all other City facilities shall be brought before the City Council.

When placed on an upcoming agenda, each nomination shall be accompanied by a staff agenda statement which includes the following:

- All nomination information submitted
- Background on the facility or infrastructure for which the nomination was received
- Consistency with the naming guidelines
- Fiscal impacts; including upfront and ongoing maintenance costs
- Board or commission recommendation (if applicable)

### Renaming

Any proposed renaming of park, facility, or infrastructure shall only be approved by a majority vote of Council.

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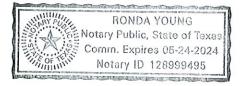
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