



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
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Submitted By: Diana Boone, City Secretary

Council Meeting Date: October 6, 2026

Agenda Item Wording: **Approval of a Resolution designating the Official Newspaper for the City of Dripping Springs for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.**

Agenda Item Requestor: Diana Boone, City Secretary

Summary/Background: Pursuant to [Texas Government Code Section 2051 Selection of Newspaper](#), the governmental entity or representative required to publish a notice in a newspaper shall select, in accordance with this subchapter, one or more newspapers to publish the notice, which is subject to certain criteria in sections 2051.044 – 2051.051. The following types of notices are published in the official newspaper of record:

- Public Hearing – planning and development notices, budget, tax rate, capital projects, etc.
- Bids – RFQ, SOQ, RFB, etc.
- Notices – ordinances, resolutions, elections, etc.

Annually the City solicits submissions from local newspapers that meet the publishing requirements.

Below is an accounting of Official Newspaper Selection over the past 10 years:

- 2014 – 2015 News-Dispatch
- 2016 – 2024 Dripping Springs Century News
- 2025 – 2026 News-Dispatch

Application packets were sent to Wimberly View and News-Dispatch on August 20th via email with a due date of September 14, 2026. At the close of the application period, News-Dispatch was the only applicant to submit a completed application. Staff has reviewed the submission and determined that it meets the applicable requirements. Therefore, staff recommends that council approve News-Dispatch as our official newspaper of record.