



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

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**Council Meeting Date:** July 20, 2020

**Agenda Item Wording:** **Discuss and consider the Appointment of two (2) Public Members to the Transportation Committee for terms ending June 30, 2023; and the appointment of a Committee Member to serve as the Chair.**

**Agenda Item Requestor:** Ginger Faught, Deputy City Administrator

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**Summary/Background:** The Transportation Committee is a seven-member advisory committee tasked with representing various citizen groups and their interests as part of the City Council's greater discussion of transportation, its planning, and its improvements. The Committee is responsible for assessing the community's transportation needs and priorities, and for drafting a transportation master plan for City Council recommendation.

Municipal Members (4) are appointed accordingly: the Mayor shall appoint the City Council Member seat; the Planning & Zoning Commission shall appoint their representative from their current commissioners; and, the remaining Municipal Members (2) shall be the current City Staff member in that designated position.

Public Members (4) are appointed by the City Council and may include but not be limited to those with a background and experience in civil engineering, land/transportation planning, real estate/development, business ownership, and alternative mobility. Staff shall prepare a slate of candidates for consideration consisting of those that have submitted applications or have expressed an interest in membership.

**Current Committee**

<i>Member</i>	<i>Term</i>	<i>Seat Description</i>
<b>Jim Martin (ETJ), Interim Chair</b>	<b>06/30/21</b>	<b>P&amp;Z Representative</b>
<b>VACANT</b>	<b>06/30/21</b>	<b>City Council Member</b>
Chad Gilpin	NA	City Engineer

Aaron Reed	NA	Public Works Coordinator
Barrett Criswell (ETJ)	06/30/22	Public Member
Sharon Hamilton (ETJ)	06/30/22	Public Member
<b>John Pettit (City Limits)</b>	<b>06/30/21</b>	<b>Public Member</b>
<b>VACANT (New Seat)</b>	<b>06/30/23</b>	<b>Public Member</b>

There are two (2) Public Member seats for consideration. Public notice was sent for applications for appointment in April with a deadline for submission on May 31<sup>st</sup>.

### Slate of Candidates

<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Background Experience</i>
John Pettit (City Limits)	Current Member, Real Estate
Travis Crow (City Limits)	Former Appointed Council Member
*Michael Aulick (ETJ, 2019)	City & Transportation Planning
*Benton Morton (ETJ, 2020)	Residential Real Estate
*Ken Eshelman (ETJ, 2020)	Construction Executive

\*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 reappointment of John Pettit and the appointment of Travis Crow. Additionally, staff recommends the appointment of Travis Crow as the Chair of the Committee.

### Attachments:

1. Applications for Appointment

### Next Steps/Schedule:

1. Notify applicants of Council decision – welcome letters and denial letters
2. Update website and master roster
3. Notify commission of appointments and send updated roster
4. Send calendar invite to appointees