



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING - AMENDED AGENDA
City of Dripping Springs
Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX
Tuesday, May 18, 2021 at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

With a quorum of the City Council present, Mayor Foulds called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

City Council Members present were:

Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.
Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian
Council Member Place 4 April Harris Allison
Council Member Place 5 Travis Crow
Council Member Elect Place 3 Geoffrey Tahuahua
Council Member Elect Place 5 Sherrie Parks

City Council Member absent was:

Council Member Place 2 Wade King

Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials

City Administrator Michelle Fischer
Deputy City Administrator Ginger Faught
City Attorney Laura Mueller
City Secretary Andrea Cunningham
Finance Director Shawn Cox
Communications Director Lisa Sullivan
Parks & Community Services Director Kelly Schmidt
Public Works Coordinator Aaron Reed
IT Coordinator Misty Dean
TIRZ Project Manager Keenan Smith
TIRZ No. 1 & No. 2 Board Chair David Edwards
Municipal Court Judge Marilyn Miller
Hays County Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace John Burns

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Manassian led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ELECTIONS

- 1. Administration of Oath of Office and Statement of Officer, and issuance of Certificate of Election for Council Member Place 1, Place 3 and Place 5.**

1. Council Member Elect Place 1, Taline Manassian

Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr. administered Council Member Elect Taline Manassian's Oath of Office and issued the Certificate of Election.

2. Council Member Elect Place 3, Geoffrey Tahuahua

City of Dripping Springs Municipal Court Judge Marilyn Miller administered Council Member Elect Geoffrey Tahuahua's Oath of Office and issued the Certificate of Election.

3. Council Member Elect Place 5, Sherrie Parks

Hays County Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace John Burns administered Council Member Elect Sherrie Parks' Oath of Office and issued the Certificate of Election.

2. Discuss and consider the Appointment of a City Council Member to serve as Mayor Pro Tem for a term ending May 7, 2022.

A motion was made by Council Member Harris-Allison to appoint Council Member Place 1 Taline Manassian as Mayor Pro Tem for a term ending May 7, 2022. Council Member Tahuahua seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

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 Presentation of Citizens.

PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

3. Approval of a Proclamation proclaiming the month of June 2021 as "Pride Month" in the City of Dripping Springs. Sponsor: Mayor Pro Tem Manassian

Mayor Pro Tem Manassian read the proclamation and presented it to Dripping Springs Community Empowering Positive Change representative Elizabeth Alaniz. Juana Searcy spoke regarding the proclamation.

Via unanimous consent, the City Council approved a Proclamation proclaiming the month of June 2021 as "Pride Month" in the City of Dripping Springs.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are anticipated to require little or no individualized discussion due to their nature being clerical, ministerial, mundane or routine. In an effort to enhance the efficiency of City Council meetings, it is intended that these items will be acted upon by the City Council with a single motion because no public hearing or determination is necessary. However, a City Council Member or citizen may request separate deliberation for a specific item, in which event those items will be removed from the consent agenda prior to the City Council voting on the consent agenda as a collective, singular item. Prior to voting on the consent agenda, the City Council may add additional items that are listed elsewhere on the same agenda.

4. Approval of the April 28, 2021 City Council special meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Council Member Harris-Allison to approve Consent Agenda Item 1. Mayor Pro Tem Manassian seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

BUSINESS AGENDA

5. Discuss and Consider Approval of a PSA for Transportation Engineering Services with HDR Engineering.

Aaron Reed presented the staff report which is on file. Staff recommends approval of the agreement.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to approve a PSA (Professional Services Agreement) for Transportation Engineering Services with HDR Engineering. Council Member Tahuahua seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

6. Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs Texas, authorizing the submission of a nomination for funding from the Texas Department of Transportation's 2021 Transportation Alternatives Program; and authorizing the Mayor to act as the City's authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in the 2021 Transportation Alternatives Program.

Aaron Reed presented the staff report which is on file. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to approve a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs Texas, authorizing the submission of a nomination for funding from the Texas Department of Transportation's 2021 Transportation Alternatives Program; and authorizing the Mayor to act as the City's authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in the 2021 Transportation Alternatives Program. Council Member Harris-Allison seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

Filed as Resolution No. 2021-R14

7. Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs Texas, authorizing the submission of a nomination for funding from the Texas Department of Transportation's 2021 Transportation Alternatives Program; and

authorizing the Mayor to act as the City's authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in the 2021 Transportation Alternatives Program.

Council Member Tahuahua recused from this item.

Aaron Reed presented the staff report which is on file. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

A motion was made by Council Member Harris-Allison to approve a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs Texas, authorizing the submission of a nomination for funding from the Texas Department of Transportation's 2021 Transportation Alternatives Program; and authorizing the Mayor to act as the City's authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the City's participation in the 2021 Transportation Alternatives Program. Council Member Parks seconded the motion which carried 3 to 0 to 1, with Council Member Tahuahua recused.

Filed as Resolution No. 2021-R15

8. Discuss and consider possible action on TIRZ projects. Sponsor: Mayor Pro Tem Manassian

Laura Mueller presented the staff report which is on file.

The City Council took action on this item in Open Session following Executive Session.

REPORTS

Reports of Staff, Boards, Commissions, Committees, Boards and Agencies are on file and available for review upon request. The City Council may provide staff direction; however, no action may be taken.

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**9. April 2021 Parks & Community Services Director's Report
Kelly Schmidt, PCS Director**

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 10-16. Council Member Harris-Allison seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 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.

10. **Consultation with City Attorney and Deliberation of Real Property regarding legal issues related to Real Property for the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone including the Town Center Project and uses.** *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071; Deliberation of Real Property, 551.072*
11. **Consultation with City Attorney regarding legal issues related to Emergency Management, Disaster Declaration, and Emergency Orders.** *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071*
12. **Consultation with City Attorney regarding legal issues related to Municipal Utility District financing options and proposals for the proposed Wild Ridge development.** *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071*
13. **Consultation with City Attorney regarding legal issues related to the South Regional Water Reclamation Expansion Project Easement Acquisition and operation of the Lazy W WCID in the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of the City of Dripping Springs.** *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071; Deliberation regarding Real Property, 551.072*
14. **Consultation with City Attorney and Deliberation of Real Property regarding the extension of Roger Hanks Parkway including related agreements.** *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071; Deliberation of Real Property, 551.071.*
15. **Consultation with City Attorney related to legislative program and matters regarding water, wastewater, and other utility issues.** *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071*
16. **Consultation with City Attorney regarding legal issues related to Rob Shelton Improvements and Texas Department of Transportation and other sources of funding related to improvements and the provision of wastewater to PDD 11.** *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071*

The City Council met in Executive Session from 6:45 p.m. – 8:25 p.m. No vote or action was taken during Executive Session.

Mayor Foulds, Jr. returned the meeting to Open Session at 8:25 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Business Agenda Item No. 8

8. **Discuss and consider possible action on TIRZ projects.** *Sponsor: Mayor Pro Tem Manassian*

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to retain a realtor to pursue land acquisition options as discussed in Executive Session. Council Member Tahuahua seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem to pull Executive Session Agenda Item 13 for consideration in Open Session. Council Member Harris-Allison seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

13. **Consultation with City Attorney regarding legal issues related to the South Regional Water Reclamation Expansion Project Easement Acquisition and operation of the Lazy W WCID in the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of the City of Dripping Springs.** *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071; Deliberation regarding Real Property, 551.072*

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to authorize the Mayor and Deputy City Administrator to offer and approve easement acquisition up to the appraisal amount on property as discussed in Executive Session. Council Member Harris-Allison seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to approve a Resolution of the City of Dripping Springs opposing Lazy W District No. 1, a Municipal Utility District and Lazy W Conservation District. Council Member Harris-Allison seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

Filed as Resolution No. 2021-R16

UPCOMING MEETINGS

City Council Meetings

June 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

June 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Board, Commission & Committee Meetings

May 20, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. Farmers Market Association Board

May 20, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. Emergency Management Commission

May 24, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. Transportation Committee

May 24, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Founders Day Commission

May 25, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Planning & Zoning Commission

May 26, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. Economic Development Committee

June 2, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. DSRP Board

June 4, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. Historic Preservation Commission

June 7, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Parks & Recreation Commission

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Council Member Harris-Allison to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Parks seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

APPROVED ON: June 8, 2021

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary