

**CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS**

**ORDINANCE No. 2021-\_\_\_\_\_**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A: ARTICLE A1.000 (GENERAL PROVISIONS) OF THE DRIPPING SPRINGS CODE OF ORDINANCES; ADDING THE DRIPPING SPRINGS FEE SCHEDULE SECTION 19: WATER RATES AND FEES; PROVIDING FOR THE FOLLOWING: FINDINGS OF FACT; ENACTMENT; REPEALER, SEVERABILITY; PUBLICATION; EFFECTIVE DATE; AND PROPER NOTICE AND MEETING.

**WHEREAS,** the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs (“City Council”) seeks to provide for reasonable fees, including for connection and provision of water to residents of the City to recoup the cost of reviewing, permitting, connecting, providing, and inspecting water service and infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS,** the City Council finds that the attached schedule of fees is reasonable and prudent considering the municipal resources expended in the furtherment of residential, commercial, and multi-family development in the provision of water service as implemented by City staff; and

**WHEREAS,** the fees approved and instituted by this ordinance are consistent with, and in accordance with, the annual budget for the City; and.

**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.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Dripping Springs City Council:**

**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. ENACTMENT**

Appendix A, Article A1.000 of the City of Dripping Springs Code of Ordinances, Section 19 is added so to read in accordance with Attachment “A”, which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance for all intents and purposes. Any underlined text shall be inserted into the Code and any struck-through text shall be deleted from the Code, as stated within Attachment “A”.

**3. REPEALER**

All ordinances, 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Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Ordinance shall be and remain controlling as to the matters regulated, herein.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.

**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 21<sup>st</sup> day of December 2021, by a vote of \_\_\_ (ayes) to \_\_\_(nays) to \_\_\_\_ (abstentions) of the City Council of Dripping Springs, Texas.**

**CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS:**

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Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary