



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

Council Meeting Date: July 19, 2022

Agenda Item Wording: **Approval of the reappointment of Marianne Simmons, Nikki Dahlin, and Janet Musgrove to the Farmers Market Committee for terms ending June 30, 2024.**

Agenda Item Requestor: Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary

Summary/Background: **FMC Member Responsibilities**
Section 6.05.002: The purpose of the Dripping Springs Farmers Market Committee (the "committee") is to: fulfill the mission of the market; provide oversight of the market in order to make recommendations related to the market; and serve as an advisory body for the city council.

Section 6.05.006: The committee is advisory only. They have no authority to make decisions binding on the city. The authority of the committee will include: to make recommendations to the city council regarding market operations; to evaluate the market to identify means of making improvements; to make recommendations related to the drafting and implementation of all rules and procedures for the market to the city council; to assist city staff with the operations of the market, in addition to preparations and post-event recovery of the site; to make recommendations to city council regarding budget for the farmers market and expenditures related to appropriated funds; to perform other duties as established in the rules and regulations for market operations, as enacted by the city council; the committee's work and work product will be subject to the Public Information Act, Texas Government Code chapter 552.

Member Selection

Section 6.05.005(c): Every year, city staff will prepare a slate of nominees for city council consideration. Committee members shall be appointed by majority vote of the city council. Committee members may be residents or business owners in the city limits or ETJ or within 150 miles of the city limits. At least two committee members must be market vendors of which one shall be an agricultural producer. Although not strictly required, preference for committee membership shall be given to persons who raise, grow, or make food products, or artists who make crafts from agricultural products.

Membership Requirements

Resident or business owner located in the city limits or ETJ, or within 150 miles of the city limits. At least two members must be market vendors

Officer Appointments

The chair shall be appointed by the city council from among the membership. A vice-chair shall be selected by the committee members. In the absence of the chair or vice-chair, the remaining committee members may select a person among themselves to preside over a meeting. There are no officer appointments for the committee at this time.

Membership

The committee shall have eight members who shall serve two-year terms. Members may be reappointed with no limitation on the number of terms one member may serve.

Current Members

Member	Term	Residency	Market Vendor
Gouir Johannsen	06/20/23	ETJ	
Marianne Simmons	06/30/22	ETJ	Market Vendor – Agriculture
Teresa Strube	06/30/23	ETJ	
Nikki Dahlin	06/20/22	City	
Claudia Oney	06/30/23	150 mi	
Janet Musgrove	06/30/22	City	
Erika Fritz	06/30/23	ETJ	Market Vendor – Food
Vacancy 1	06/30/22		

Vacancies and Applicants

There are three (3) members with terms that expire June 30, 2022, and one (1) current vacancy. There is no chair appointment at this time.

Applications for appointment were due May 31, 2022, and were reviewed for required qualifications. Applicants not qualified were notified on June 6, 2022. Two (2) applications were submitted; however, one applicant withdrew due to relocation and the other declined to interview.

Commission Chair Recommendations:

Chair Gouri Johannsen recommends the reappointment of Marianne Simmons, Nikki Dahlin, and Janet Musgrove for terms ending June 30, 2024.

Recommended Council Actions:

Staff recommends approval of appointments as recommended by Chair Gouri Johannsen.

Attachments:

1. Reappointment Requests

Next Steps/Schedule:

1. Inform applicants of Council decision
2. Update roster and website
3. Send welcome letter and calendar invites
4. Introduction email to Committee