



City Council Special Meeting

Dripping Springs City Hall

511 Mercer Street - Dripping Springs, Texas

Tuesday, July 21, 2026, at 5:30 PM

DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

With a quorum of council members present, Mayor Foulds called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

City Council Members

Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.

Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian

Council Member Place 2 Ana Grace Husted

Council Member Place 3 Geoffrey Tahuahua

Council Member Place 4 Travis Crow

Council Member Place 5 Sherrie Parks

Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials

City Administrator Michelle Fischer

Deputy City Administrator Ginger Faught

Deputy City Administrator Shawn Cox

Deputy City Attorney Aniz Alani

City Secretary Diana Boone

Planning Director Tory Carpenter

IT Director Jason Weinstock

Utilities Director Gray Lahrman

Finance Manager Glor Rivas

Farmers Market Manager Charlie Reed

Assistant Parks & Community Services Director Emily Nelson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Crow.

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public that wishes to address the City Council on any issue, regardless of whether it is posted on this agenda, may do so during Presentation of Citizens. It is the request of the City Council that individuals wishing to speak on agenda items with a public hearing hold their comments until the item is being considered. Individuals are allowed two (2) minutes each to speak regarding issues not on the agenda and two (2) minutes per item on the agenda and may not cede or pool time. Those requiring the assistance of a translator will be allowed additional time to speak. Individuals are not required to sign in; however, it is encouraged. Individuals that wish to share documents with the City Council must present

the documents to the City Secretary or City Attorney providing at least seven (7) copies; if seven (7) copies are not provided, the City Council will receive the documents the following day. Audio Video presentations will not be accepted during Presentation of Citizens. By law no action shall be taken during Presentation of Citizens; however, the Mayor may provide a statement of specific factual information, recitation of existing policy, or direction or referral to staff.

No one spoke during the Presentation of Citizens.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Presentation and discussion only. No action shall be taken.

- 1. Presentation and discussion regarding the proposed Municipal Budget for Fiscal Year 2027.** *Deputy City Administrator, Shawn Cox*

Presentation and discussion only. No action was taken. Presentation is on file.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items will be acted upon in a single motion and are considered to be ministerial or routine. No separate discussion or action on these items will be held unless pulled at the request of a member of the City Council or City staff.

- 2. Approval of the May 2026 Treasurer's Report.** *Deputy City Administrator, Shawn Cox*
- 3. Approval of a resolution consenting to and expressing no objection to the issuance of Springhollow Municipal Utility District Water, Sewer, and Drainage Bond Issue No. 6, in a principal amount not to exceed \$4,385,000, for reimbursement of water, wastewater, drainage, and wholesale water capacity costs, as required by the Agreement Concerning Creation and Operation of Springhollow Municipal Utility District.** *Applicant: Springhollow Municipal Utility District*

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Council Member Parks, to approve Consent Agenda items 2 & 3. The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

BUSINESS AGENDA

- 4. Discussion and possible action regarding a First Amended and Restated Wastewater Facilities Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Cuncashca, LLC for City wastewater infrastructure improvements, including utility easements, temporary construction access, continued use and abandonment of existing drip fields, recognition of existing wastewater LUE rights, and a limited tree baseline adjustment for protected standard trees removed within the easement area for the City project.** *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.*

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian, to approve the Amended and Restated Wastewater Facilities Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Cuncashca, LLC.

The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

5. **Discussion and possible action regarding a Tree Removal Credit Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Cuncashca, LLC for city wastewater infrastructure improvements, including a limited tree baseline adjustment for protected standard trees removed within the easement area of the South Collector.** *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.*

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian and seconded by Council Member Husted, to approve a tree removal credit agreement with the additional language as presented by staff.

The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

6. **Discussion and possible action to award RFB # 73819 for the South Collector Wastewater Project to Santa Clara Construction, Ltd. in the amount of \$4,714,829.00 and authorize the City Administrator to finalize and execute contract with selected bidder.** *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.*

A motion was made by Council Member Husted and seconded by Council Member Parks, to approve awarding RFB #73819 for the South Collector Wastewater Project to Santa Clara Construction in the amount of \$4,714,829.00 and authorize the City Administrator to finalize and execute contract with selected bidder.

The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

7. **Discussion and possible action regarding Change Order No. 4 to the Construction Contract between the City of Dripping Springs and Arguijo Corporation for design modifications to the West Interceptor Segment 2 Project, not to exceed \$121,550.00.** *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.*

A motion was made by Council Member Husted and seconded by Council Member Parks, to approve Change Order No.4 to the construction contract between the City of Dripping Springs and Arguijo Corporation for design modifications to the West Interceptor Segment 2 Project not to exceed \$121,550.00

The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

8. **Update on Dripping Springs Community Library Project.** *Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian*

An update was provided by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian. She reported that the library has requested the formation of a working group consisting of representatives of the library, City, TIRZ Board, and County to explore financing assistance to the library to address a gap that the library has identified in its funding. She further reported that the request is not for a particular dollar amount but for participation in the working group and that, at this time, the idea is that any funding provided would be reimbursed.

9. **Public hearing, discussion, and possible action to approve an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Dripping Springs relating to mayoral appointments,**

City Council committee appointments, committee membership, City Council liaisons, and designated City representatives. Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian and seconded by Council Member Parks, to approve an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinance as it relates to mayoral appointments, council committee appointments, committee membership, liaisons, and designated City representatives.

The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

10. Discussion and possible action regarding the appointment of Hays County Sheriff's Department representative Captain Shane Smith to the Emergency Management Committee for a term ending January 1, 2028.

A motion was made by Council Member Parks and seconded by Council Member Tahuahua, to approve the appointment of Hays County Sheriff's Department representative Captain Shane Smith to the Emergency Management Committee for a term ending January 1, 2028.

The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

11. Mayoral Appointment of Council Member to the Hays County Mental Health Coordinating Committee.

A motion was made by Council Member Parks and seconded by Council Member Husted, to approve the mayoral appointment of Council Member Ana Grace Husted to the committee.

The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

CLOSED SESSION

The City Council has the right to adjourn into closed session on any item on this agenda and at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by law or by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation With Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberation Regarding Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gifts), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits), 551.0761 (Deliberation Regarding Critical Infrastructure Facility), and 551.087 (Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations), and 551.089 (Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits). Any final action or vote on any Closed Session item will be taken in Open Session.

12. Consultation with Attorney regarding legal issues related to the South Regional Water Reclamation Project, Wastewater, and Amendment 2 Permits, Wastewater Service Area and Agreements, Water Service and Agreements, Wastewater Fees, Wastewater Infrastructure Agreements, facility liability coverage, and related items. (Consultation with Attorney, 551.071)

Council did not meet in Closed Session.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Council Member Husted and seconded by Council Member Parks, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF MEETING

I certify that this public meeting is posted in accordance with Texas Government Code Chapter 551, Open Meetings. This meeting agenda is posted on the bulletin board at the City of Dripping Springs City Hall, located at 511 Mercer Street, and on the City website at, www.cityofdrippingsprings.com, on July 15, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.

\APPROVED ON: Month, XX, 202X

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Diana Boone, City Secretary