STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
PO Box 384
511 Mercer Street
Dripping Springs, TX 78620

Submitted By: Andrew Binz, Director of Parks & Community Services

PRC Meeting Date: November 20, 2024

Agenda Item Wording: Presentation by Halff on the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan and stakeholder listening session with the Parks & Recreation Commission.

Agenda Item Requestor: Andrew Binz, Director of Parks & Community Services

Summary/Background: The Parks & Community Services Department has begun the process of updating its comprehensive Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan for 2024 - 2034. This project is intended to serve as a guide for policy decisions; prioritizing and balancing demands and opportunities; and providing a framework for evaluating future land acquisitions, park improvements, and other expenditures of public funds for parks and recreational activities.

The outcome of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan will be a long-range plan for park improvements that will enable multi-year planning for capital investments to occur. The plan will also guide the development of shared programming and educational opportunities and identify new and expanded locations for providing services in partnership with the educational community. The plan will align new investments with a strong community-driven mission and vision that integrates Dripping Springs' strong pursuit of parks, recreations, the arts, and environmental education.

The City of Dripping Springs is hosting a series of listening sessions with stakeholder groups, as we begin the process of drafting the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan. The sessions will be facilitated by Halff, our planning consultant team. These gatherings will provide the consultants an opportunity to talk with and hear from a cross-section of the community's public and private leadership early in the planning process.

Staff Recommendation: NA

Attachments: Parks and Recreation Commission Workshop Questions

Next Steps/Schedule: NA