



City Council Regular Meeting

City of Dripping Springs Council Chambers

511 Mercer Street - Dripping Springs, TexasTexas

Tuesday, July 02, 2024, at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

With a quorum of City Council members present, Mayor Foulds called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

City Council Members (All Present)

Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.
Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian
Council Member Place 2 Wade King
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
City Attorney Laura Mueller
City Secretary Diana Boone
IT Director Jason Weinstock
People & Communications Director Lisa Sullivan
Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz
Maintenance Director Riley Sublett
Utilities Director Dane Sorenson
Planning Director Tory Carpenter
TIRZ Project Manager Keenan Smith
Farmers Market Manager Charlie Reed
Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz
Ranch Park Manager Emily Nelson
Ranch Park Assistant Manager Lily Sellers
Ranch Park Program Coordinator Madyson Sanchez
Aquatics Manager Lina Daugvilaite
Planning & Zoning Commission Vice Chair Tammie Williamson
Deputy Zach Miller

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Wade King led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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.

Craig Damaret spoke about the idea of providing an anchor to draw people into the downtown area to help struggling businesses.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Workshop items are for discussion purposes only and no action shall be taken. City Council may provide staff direction.

- 1. Presentation and discussion regarding the proposed Municipal Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.**

The Budget Workshop was presented by Deputy City Administrator Shawn Cox. Presentation is on file. No action was taken.

Mayor Foulds asked that Transportation be added to the July 16, 2024 City Council Meeting Budget Workshop, along with Hotel Occupancy Tax and Districts Bureau, and to move Parks budget discussion to August.

PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

Proclamations and Presentations are for discussion purposes only and no action shall be taken.

- 2. Proclamation proclaiming the month of July 2024, as "Parks and Recreation Month" in the City of Dripping Springs, Texas.**

Parks and Community Services Director Andy Binz introduced his team and Council Member Wade King presented the Proclamation, proclaiming July 2024 as Parks and Recreation Month.

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.

3. **Approval of the June 18, 2024 City Council regular meeting minutes.**
4. **Approval of a Resolution of the City of Dripping Springs Accepting a Maintenance Bond for Driftwood Club Core Phase 4 and Pond Improvements.** *Applicant: Tommy Lawton, Vice President, Driftwood Golf & Ranch Club*
5. **Approval of a Resolution of the City of Dripping Springs Accepting a Maintenance Bond for Driftwood Phase II Water and Wastewater.** *Applicant: Tommy Lawton, Vice President Development, Driftwood Golf & Ranch Club*
6. **Approval of the Reappointment of Olivia Barnard and the Appointment of Thomas Lengel to the Parks & Recreation Commission for a term ending June 30, 2026, and the Reappointment of Paul Fushille as the Committee Chair for a term of one (1) year.**
7. **Discuss and consider approval to accept the bid from Elk Ridge Construction, LLC to provide grounds maintenance on city property and within city parks, and to authorize the City Administrator to execute the Ground Maintenance Agreement.**
8. **Approval of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Dripping Springs, Texas accepting and approving an Annual Service Plan Update to the Service and Assessment Plan and an updated Improvement Area #1 Assessment Roll for the Heritage Public Improvement District; making and adopting findings; providing a cumulative repealer clause; and providing an effective date.**
9. **Approval of the purchase agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Vermeer Texas-Louisiana for a Vermeer BC1000XL Chipper.** *Sponsor: Council Member Geoffrey Tahuahua*
10. **Approval of a Resolution acknowledging the Dripping Springs Water Supply Corporation's release of the Anarene West RR 12 properties to the City for Water Service.** *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.*

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian and seconded by Council Member Parks to approve Consent Agenda Items 3 - 6. The motion carried 4 ayes to 0 nays to 1 recusal.

BUSINESS AGENDA

11. **Discuss and consider a recommendation to City Council to select Halff Associates to be the consultant for the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Master Plan Update, and to authorize the City Administrator to negotiate a Professional Services Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Halff Associates for the Master Plan Update.**

Item was presented by Parks and Community Services Director Andy Binz. Presentation is on file. Nathlie Booth representing Halff was present in the audience.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian and seconded by Council Member King to approve the selection of Halff to be the consultants for the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Master Plan Update. The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

- 12. Presentation, discussion, and consideration of possible action regarding the Downtown Restrooms Project and City Council direction to staff regarding procurement and funding. *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.***

A motion was made and withdrawn by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to postpone consideration of this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to move items 12 and 13 from the Business Agenda to Closed Session (Consultation with Attorney, 551.071), along with item 16. Motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

After meeting in closed session to discuss this item, a motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to postpone this item to the July 16, 2024 City Council meeting.

- 13. Public hearing and consideration of approval of an Ordinance regarding an Amendment to the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget.**

- a. Staff Report
- b. Public Hearing
- c. Ordinance

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to move items 12 and 13 from the Business Agenda to Closed Session (Consultation with Attorney, 551.071), along with item 16. Motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

- 14. Discuss and consider approval of selection of a bidder and authorize contract negotiation and execution for the 2024 Roadway Maintenance Project Construction Contract between Brothers RDC Paving, LLC and the City of Dripping Springs. *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.***

This item was moved up the agenda while agenda items 12 and 13 were moved to Closed Session. Deputy City Administrator Shawn Cox presented the staff report. Presentation is on file.

A motion was made by Council Member Parks and seconded by Council Member Crow to approve the selection of a bidder and authorize contract with Brothers RDC Paving, LLC for the 2024 Roadway Maintenance Project, to include Change Order No. 1. The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

REPORTS

Reports listed are on file and available for review upon request. The City Council may provide staff direction; however, no action was taken.

- 15. Planning Department Report**

Report is on file.

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), 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.

16. **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, Wastewater Fees, and related items. Consultation with Attorney, 551.071**

City Council met in closed session from 7:02 p.m. to 7:35 p.m. No action was taken during Closed Session.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

City Council & Board of Adjustment Meetings

July 16, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

August 6, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

August 20, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Board, Commission, & Committee Meetings

July 8, 2024, TIRZ No. 1 & No. 2 at 4:00 p.m.

July 10, 2024, Dripping Springs Ranch Park Board at 11:00 a.m.

July 11, 2024, Historic Preservation Commission at 4:00 p.m.

July 17, 2024, Parks & Recreation Commission at 6:00 p.m.

July 18, 2024, Farmers Market Committee at 10:00 a.m.

July 18, 2024, Emergency Management Committee at 12:00 p.m.

July 18, 2024, Utility Commission at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian and seconded by Council Member King to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

This City Council meeting adjourned at 7:38 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 June 28, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVED ON: July 16, 2024

Bill Foulds, Jr.

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Diana Boone

Diana Boone, City Secretary

