



City Council Meeting

Dripping Springs City Hall

511 Mercer Street – Dripping Springs, Texas

Tuesday, July 01, 2025, 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 6:04 p.m.

City Council Members

Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.

Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian

Council Member Place 2 Wade King

Council Member Place 3 Geoffrey Tahuahua (*stepped out 6:37 p.m. to 7:04 p.m.*)

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

Deputy City Attorney Aniz Alani

City Secretary Diana Boone

IT Director Jason Weinstock

Maintenance Director Riley Sublett

Aquatics Manager Drew Hughes

Park Maintenance Manager Patrick Baglietto

DSRP Manager Lily Sellers

DSRP Program Coordinator Madyson Sanchez

Farmers Market Manager Charlie Reed

Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz

Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz

People & Communications Director Lisa Sullivan

Emergency Preparedness & Homeland Security Director Roman Baligad

Parks & Recreation Commission Chair Paul Fushille

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Parks.

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.

PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

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

- 1. A Proclamation of the City of Dripping Springs Proclaiming July 2025 as "Parks and Recreation Month".** *Sponsor: Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian*

Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian read the proclamation and presented it to the parks team members present: Parks & Recreation Commission Chair Paul Fushille, Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz, DSRP Manager Lily Sellers, Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz, Aquatics Manager Drew Hughes, Parks Maintenance Manager Patrick Baglietto, DSRP Program Coordinator Madyson Sanchez, and Farmers Market Manager Charlie Reed.

- 2. Presentation and discussion regarding the proposed Municipal Budget for Fiscal Year 2026.** *Deputy City Administrator, Shawn Cox*

The municipal budget presentation and discussion was led by Deputy City Administrator Shawn Cox. No action was taken.

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 3, 2025 Board of Adjustment and City Council meeting minutes.**
- 4. Approval of the appointment of Frankie Bayne to the Farmers Market Committee and the re-appointment of Gouri Johannsen, Erika Fritz, and Claudia Oney to the Committee for terms ending June 30, 2027, and the re-appointment of Gouri Johannsen as Committee Chair for a one (1) year term ending June 30, 2026.**
- 5. Approval of appointment of Geoffrey Tahuahua as the Committee Chair for a one (1) year term.**

6. **Approval of the appointment of Sirena Cumberland to the Founders Day Committee as an at-large member representing the Dripping Springs Independent School District for a 2-year term ending June 30, 2027, and Scott Berry as her alternate. Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds**
7. **Approval of the appointment of Marilyn Miller as the City of Dripping Springs Municipal Court Judge for a two (2) year term ending June 2027.**

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian and seconded by Council Member Parks, to approve Consent Agenda items 3-7. The motion to approve carried unanimously 5 to 0.

BUSINESS AGENDA

Council Member Tahuahua stepped out during agenda items 8-12.

8. **Discuss and consider approval of adding Utility Operator I position. Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.**

A motion was made by Council Member Parks and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian, to approve adding a Utility Operator I position. The motion to approve carried 4 to 0, with Council Member Tahuahua not present to vote.

9. **Discuss and consider possible action regarding the Mayoral Appointment of a Council Member to the Transportation & Streets Areas of Oversight. Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.**

Mayoral Appointment: Pursuant to Sec.1.02.045(b)(5) of the Code of Ordinances, Mayor Foulds appointed Council Member King to the Transportation and Streets area of oversight.

10. **Discuss and consider possible action regarding the Mayoral Appointment of a Council Member to the Transportation Committee. Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.**

Mayoral Appointment: Pursuant to Sec.1.02.045(a)(2) of the Code of Ordinances, Mayor Foulds appointed Council Member Crow to serve in the Transportation Committee.

11. **Discuss and consider approval of the appointment of Scott Berry and the re-appointment of Doug Crosson and John Pettit, and Travis Crow to the Transportation Committee for terms ending June 30, 2027 and the appointment of Travis Crow as the Committee Chair for a term of one (1) year.**

A motion was made by Council Member Parks and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian, to approve the Transportation Committee appointments as stated. The motion to approve carried 4 to 0, with Council Member Tahuahua not present to vote.

REPORTS

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

12. Update concerning the solid waste services conversion to Texas Disposal Services. *Shawn Cox, Deputy City Administrator*

Solid waste services update was presented by Deputy City Administrator Shawn Cox. Jay Howard with Texas Disposal Services was in the audience to answer questions or concerns.

No action was taken.

13. City Attorney Report. *Laura Mueller, City Attorney*

- a. Case Law Update - TCAA
- b. Legislative Update

Update presented by City Attorney Laura Mueller. No action was taken.

14. Maintenance Department Year in Review Presentation. *Riley Sublett, Maintenance Director*

This department update was presented by Maintenance Director Riley Sublett. No action was taken.

15. Emergency Management Department Year in Review Presentation, *Roman Baligad, Emergency Preparedness & Homeland Security Director*

This department update was presented by Emergency Preparedness & Homeland Security Director Roman Baligad. No action was taken.

16. Planning Department Report. *Tory Carpenter, Planning Director*

The Planning Department Report is on file and available in the agenda packet posted on the city website. No action was taken.

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.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian and seconded by Council Member Crow, to go into Closed Session for items 17-20, under sections 551.071 and 551.072. The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

Closed Session began at 7:43 p.m.

17. **Consultation with Attorney and Deliberation Regarding Real Property and interlocal discussions related to park properties.** (*Consultation with Attorney, 551.071; Deliberation Regarding Real Property, 551.072*)
18. **Consultation with city attorney related to legal issues regarding land use conditions on variances, special exceptions, and other zoning issues.** (*Consultation with Attorney, 551.071*).
19. **Consultation with Attorney and Deliberation Regarding Real Property and interlocal discussions related to TIRZ Priority Projects and Other Potential Strategic Real Property Acquisitions.** (*Consultation with Attorney, 551.071; Deliberation Regarding Real Property, 551.072*)
20. **Consultation with Attorney related to membership on city boards and commissions regarding legal questions on requirements and allowed members.** (*Consultation with Attorney, 551.071*)

Closed Session ended at 8:04 p.m.

No action was taken while in Closed Session.

ADJOURN

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

APPROVED ON: August 5, 2025

Bill Foulds, Jr.

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Diana Boone

Diana Boone, City Secretary

