



Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting

City of Dripping Springs City Hall

511 Mercer Street – Dripping Springs, Texas

Wednesday, May 21, 2025, at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

With a quorum of the Commissioners present, Chair Fushille called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Commission Members Present

Paul Fushille, Chair

Kristy Caldwell, Vice Chair (*arrived @ 6:04 p.m.*)

Hope Boatright

Olivia Barnard

Christian Krueger

Thomas Lengel

Bryant Scheppler

Commission Members Absent

Tyson Joe

Staff, Consultants, & Appointed/Elected Officials

Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz

Parks & Community Services Assistant Director Emily Nelson

City Secretary Diana Boone

City Attorney Laura Mueller

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public that wishes to address the Commission 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 Commission 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 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 Commission must present the documents to the City Secretary or City Attorney providing at least nine (9) copies; if nine (9) copies are not provided, the Commission 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 Chair may provide a statement of specific factual information, recitation of existing policy, or direction or referral to staff.

No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

MINUTES

- 1. Approval of the April 16, 2025 Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Lengel and seconded by Commissioner Barnard to approve the April 16, 2025 meeting minutes. The motion to approve carried unanimously 6 to 0. Vice Chair Calwell arrived after the motion was made.

BUSINESS AGENDA

- 2. Discuss and consider approval of the Men's Adult Softball Field Use Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Logan Lily.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Barnard and seconded by Commissioner Lengel to approve the Men's Adult Softball Field Use Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Logan Lily. The motion to approve carried unanimously 7 to 0.

- 3. Presentation, discussion, and consideration of possible action on Phase 2 of the Stars of Dripping Springs community art initiative.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Barnard and seconded by Commissioner Boatright to approve Phase 2 of the Stars at Dripping Springs community initiative with a recommendation that each star reflect a theme related to the park. The motion to approve carried unanimously 7 to 0.

- 4. Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution or Letter of Support for the City's TxDOT Transportation Alternatives Grant Application for an ADA Transition Plan.**

Items 4 and 5 were presented together and action was combined.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lengel and seconded by Commissioner Scheppler, to approve letter of support for the City's TxDOT Transportation Alternatives Grant Applications. The motion to approve carried unanimously 7 to 0.

- 5. Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution or Letter of Support for the City's TxDOT Transportation Alternatives Grant Application for Citywide High Visibility Crosswalks.**

Items 4 and 5 were presented together and action was combined.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lengel and seconded by Commissioner Scheppler, to approve letter of support for the City's TxDOT Transportation Alternatives Grant Applications. The motion to approve carried unanimously 7 to 0.

6. Presentation, discussion, and consideration of a recommendation to City Council on the Parks & Recreation Commission FY 2026 Budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Lengel, to approve a recommendation to City Council on the Parks & Recreation Commission FY 2026 Budget with Sports and Recreation Park lighting phases in the following priority order: phase 4, phase 3, phase 1, phase 2, phase 5. The motion to approve carried unanimously 7 to 0.

PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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

7. Parks & Community Services Director's Report
Andy Binz, PCS Director

No action was taken. Report is on file.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following reports relate to the administration of the City's Parks. The Commission may provide staff direction; however no action may be taken.

No action was taken.

- 8. Charro Ranch Park**
Commissioners: Fushille and Lengel
- 9. Dripping Springs Ranch Park Committee**
Commissioners: Boatright and Lengel
- 10. Founders Memorial Park Committee**
Commissioners: Barnard, Scheppler, and Joe
- 11. Rathgeber Natural Resource Park**
Commissioners: Caldwell, Fushille and Barnard
- 12. Sports & Recreation Park Committee**
Commissioners: Krueger, Scheppler, and Joe
- 13. Veterans Memorial Park Committee**
Commissioners: Caldwell

CLOSED SESSION

The Commission 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 Commissioner Lengel and seconded by Commissioner Boatright, to go into Closed Session for item 14 under section 551.071 and 551.072. The motion carried unanimously 7 to 0.

Closed Session started at 7:25 p.m. and ended at 7:59 p.m.

No action was taken during Closed Session.

14. Deliberation regarding real property and consultation with attorney related to commercial park facilities. *(551.071 Consultation with Attorney; 551.072 Real Property).*

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Boatright and seconded by Commissioner Lengel. The motion to adjourn carried unanimously 7 to 0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.