



City Council Workshop - Special Meeting

Dripping Springs City Hall

511 Mercer Street - Dripping Springs, Texas

Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 5:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

With a quorum of council members present, Mayor Foulds called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

City Council Members 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

City Council Members Absent

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 Laura Mueller
City Secretary Diana Boone
Planning Director Tory Carpenter
Building Official Shane Pevehouse
Utilities Director Gray Lahrman
Finance Manager Glori Rivas
Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz
People & Communications Director Lisa Sullivan

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Tahuahua.

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.

BUSINESS AGENDA

- 1. Discuss and review the proposed Utility Rate Study model.** *Sponsor: Mayor, Bill Foulds, Jr.*

This item was presented by Deputy City Administrator Shawn Cox. Report is on file.

No action was taken. Mayor Foulds directed staff to provide historical changes in the base rate fees over the last 5 years. Additional feedback included that staff provide a year over year total curve of the base rate fee to estimate what the increase would be and try to spread the increase to be consistent and predictable, and to run a scenario with a General Fund contribution of \$2 – \$2.5 million ending in Fiscal Year 2029.

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.

No Closed Session was held.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian and seconded by Council Member Tahuahua, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously 4 to 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

APPROVED ON: *June 2, 2026*

Bill Foulds Jr.

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Diana Boone

Diana Boone, City Secretary

