



Utility Commission Regular Meeting

City of Dripping Springs Council Chambers

511 Mercer Street – Dripping Springs, Texas

Thursday, September 19, 2024, at 4:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

With a quorum of the Commission present, Chair Busbey called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Commission Members present were:

Charlie Busbey, Chair

Barney Austin

Lara Dudek (*arrived @ 4:19 p.m.*)

Matthew Ordway

Zach West

Staff, Consultants, & Appointed/Elected Officials present were:

Utilities Director Dane Sorensen

Deputy City Secretary Cathy Gieselman

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 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 Commission must present the documents to the City Secretary or City Attorney providing at least six (6) copies; if six (6) 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.

PRESENTATIONS

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

Dane Sorensen presented subdivision maps. Presentation is on file.

MINUTES

1. Approval of the August 15, 2024, Utility Commission meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ordway to approve the August 15, 2024, Utility Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner West seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

Commissioner Dudek arrived at 4:19 p.m.

UTILITY REPORTS

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

2. Water & Wastewater Facility Report

Dane Sorensen presented the Facility Report which is on file and addressed questions from the Commissioners.

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.

The Commission did not meet in Closed Session.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Utility Commission Meetings

September 19, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

October 17, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

November 21, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

October 1, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

October 15, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

November 5, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

November 19, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

Chair Busbey implemented the adjournment process he learned in his Open Meetings training which does not require a motion and second for adjournment as long as everything on the agenda has been discussed and there are no time-critical matters left to address.

Chair Busbey adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m.