



## City Council Regular Meeting

*Dripping Springs City Hall*

*511 Mercer Street – Dripping Springs, Texas*

*Tuesday, October 01, 2024, at 6:00 PM*

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# 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 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  
Deputy City Attorney Aniz Alani  
DSRP Manager Emily Nelson  
Code Enforcement Officer Mark Escobedo  
Building Permit Technician Glori Rivas  
Emergency Management Coordinator Roman Baligad  
Building Official Shane Pevehouse  
People & Communication Director Lisa Sullivan  
Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz  
City Secretary Diana Boone  
IT Director Jason Weinstock

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Travis Crow.

## 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.

## **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 declaring October 2024 as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in the City of Dripping Springs, Texas.** *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.*

Mayor Pro Tem Manassian read the Proclamation and presented it to Melissa Rodriguez.

**Presentation of Be a Star Awards from DarkSky Texas and Hays County Friends of the Night Sky.** *Sponsor: Council Member Wade King*

City Administrator Michelle Fischer and Building Permit Technician Glori Rivas presented the Be a Star Awards to local businesses who met the five principals of responsible outdoor lighting. Drip Dental and Parten Ranch Amenity Center were present to receive the awards.

2. **Presentation on the Hays County Mental Health Court by Judge Elaine Brown and Mental Health Court Administrator Kaimi Mattila .** *Sponsor: Mayor Pro Tem Manassian*

Judge Elaine Brown and Mental Health Court Administrator Kaimi Mattila presented Council with information concerning the Hays County Mental Health Court.

## **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.*

4. **Approval of the September 17, 2024 City Council meeting minutes.**
5. **Approval of the nomination of Deputy City Administrator Shawn Cox to the Greater San Marcos Partnership Nominations Committee to represent the City of Dripping Springs on the Board.** *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.*
6. **Approval of an Audit Engagement Letter with Whitley Penn for the Fiscal Year 2024 Audit.**

7. **Approval of a Resolution Accepting Improvements and Approving and Accepting a Maintenance Bond for Rob Shelton Blvd. Street and Drainage Improvements at PDD-11.** *Applicant: AHC Dripping Springs*
8. **Approval to authorize City Staff to exceed \$50,000.00 worth of purchases from Chuck Nash for the Purchase of two half-ton pickup trucks approved in the FY-2025 Budget.** *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds*

A motion to approve Consent Agenda items 4-8 was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian and seconded by Council Member King. The motion to approve carried unanimously 5 to 0.

## **BUSINESS AGENDA**

9. **Discuss and consider termination of Sign Permit for Citgo pole sign located at Dripping Springs Grocery, 601 Hwy 290 W.** *Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.*

City Administrator Michelle Fischer and Code Enforcement Officer Mark Escobedo presented this item. Property owner Amer Massood spoke and remained present to answer questions.

Council Member Crow recused himself and stepped away. He did not participate and did not vote.

A motion was made by Council Member Tahuahua and seconded by Council Member King to grant 60 days to repair the main Citgo sign including conforming lighting, and all other existing lighting and signs must comply with variance within 60 days.

The motion to approve carried 3 to 1 with Council Member Parks voting nay.

10. **Discuss and consider approval of a Lease Agreement with Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 2933 and American Legion Post 290 for use of the "Triangle" at Veterans Memorial Park.** *Sponsor: Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian*

Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz presented this item. The presentation is on file.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian and seconded by Council Member Parks, to approve the Lease Agreement. The motion to approve carried unanimously 5 to 0.

11. **Discuss and consider approval of Job Descriptions for Assistant Parks & Community Services Director, Assistant Park Maintenance Manager, and Human Resource Director, and approval of a revised job description for the People & Communications Director.** *Sponsor: Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian*

A motion was made by Council Member Parks and seconded by Council Member Crow, to approve job description for Assistant Parks & Community Director, Assistant Park Maintenance Manager, and Human Resources Director, and approve revised job description for People & Communications Director.

The motion to approve carried unanimously 5 to 0.

**12. Discuss and consider approval of an Agreement for SCADA for Lift Stations, Arrowhead Plant, and Reuse Facility. Sponsor: Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.**

Deputy City Administrator Ginger Faught presented this item.

A motion was made by Council Member Crow and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian, to approve the agreement. The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

**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 move items 13-15 to Closed Session, under sections 551.071 and 551.072. The motion to go into Closed Session carried unanimously 5 to 0.

The City Council met in Closed Session from 7:52 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

No action was taken while in Closed Session.

- 13. Consultation with attorney related to legal issues and options regarding the Dripping Springs Mountain Bike Club. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney**
- 14. 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, Wastewater Infrastructure Agreements, facility liability coverage, and related items. Consultation with Attorney, 551.071**
- 15. Consultation with Attorney and Deliberation Regarding Real Property related to TIRZ Priority Projects. Consultation with Attorney, 551.071; Deliberation Regarding Real Property, 551.072**

**UPCOMING MEETINGS at**

**Dripping Springs ISD Center for Learning and Leadership - Maple Room, 300 Sportsplex Drive**

**City Council & Board of Adjustment Meetings**

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

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

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

**Board, Commission, & Committee Meetings**

Historic Preservation Commission October 3, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

TIRZ No. 1 & No. 2 Board October 7, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

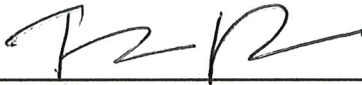
DSRP Board October 9, 2024, at 11:00 a.m.

**ADJOURN**

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

**APPROVED ON:**     *October 15, 2024*



*Taline Manassian, Mayor Pro Tem*

**ATTEST:**



*Diana Boone, City Secretary*

