



## Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting

*Dripping Springs City Hall*

*511 Mercer Street – Dripping Springs, Texas*

*Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at 6:00 PM*

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## AGENDA

### CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

#### Commission Members

Paul Fushille, Chair  
Kristy Caldwell, Vice Chair  
Hope Boatright  
Olivia Barnard  
Tyson Joe  
Thomas Lengel  
Bryant Scheppeler  
Ryan Strittmatter  
Taylor Houston

#### Staff, Consultants, & Appointed/Elected Officials

Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz  
City Secretary Diana Boone  
City Attorney Aniz Alani  
Community Events Coordinator Johnna Krantz  
Assistant Director of Parks and Community Services Emily Nelson  
Aquatics Manager Drew Hughes

### PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

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## MINUTES

- 1. Consider approval of the November 19, 2025 Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes.**

## BUSINESS AGENDA

- 2. Discussion and possible action to approve a Use Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Tiger Splash Swim Team related to use of the Founders Memorial Pool for the 2026 swim season.**
- 3. Discussion and possible action to approve a Women's Adult Softball Field Use Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Hillary Armstrong.**
- 4. Discussion and possible action to approve a Men's Adult Softball Field Use Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Logan Lilly.**

## 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.*

- 5. Presentation on the City of Dripping Springs Bird City Texas recertification.**

*Johnna Krantz, Community Events Coordinator*

- 6. Parks & Community Services Director's Report**

*Andy Binz, PCS Director*

## 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.*

- 7. Charro Ranch Park**

*Commissioners: Fushille and Lengel*

- 8. Dripping Springs Ranch Park Committee**

*Commissioners: Boatright and Lengel*

- 9. Founders Memorial Park Committee**

*Commissioners: Houston, Schleppler, and Joe*

- 10. Rathgeber Natural Resource Park**

*Commissioners: Strittmatter, Fushille and Barnard*

- 11. Sports & Recreation Park Committee**

*Commissioners: Strittmatter, Scheppeler, and Joe*

- 12. Veterans Memorial Park Committee**

*Commissioners: Caldwell, Fushille*

## CLOSED SESSION

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### **Parks & Recreation Commission Meetings**

February 18, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.  
March 11, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.  
April 15, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.  
May 20, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.  
June 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

### **City Council Meetings**

February 3, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.  
February 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.  
March 3, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.  
March 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.  
April 7, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

## ADJOURN

## TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF MEETING

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*Maverick D. Coleman, Deputy City Secretary*

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## Parks & Recreation Commission Regular Meeting

Dripping Springs City Hall

511 Mercer Street – Dripping Springs, Texas

Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 6:00 PM

## DRAFT MINUTES

### CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

With a quorum of Commissioners present, the meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### Commission Members

Hope Boatright

Olivia Barnard

Tyson Joe

Taylor Houston

Ryan Strittmatter

#### Commission Members Absent

Paul Fushille, Chair

Kristy Caldwell, Vice Chair

Thomas Lengel

Bryant Scheppeler

#### Staff, Consultants, & Appointed/Elected Officials

Parks & Community Services Director Andy Binz

Parks & Community Services Assistant Director Emily Nelson

City Secretary Diana Boone

Deputy City Secretary Maverick Coleman

Deputy City Attorney Aniz Alani

Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian

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No one spoke during the Presentation of Citizens.

## MINUTES

**1. Consider approval of the October 15, 2025 Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Barnard and seconded by Commissioner Houston, to approve the October 15, 2025 meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

## BUSINESS AGENDA

**2. Discuss and consider approval of the 2026 Parks & Recreation Commission meeting calendar.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Joe and seconded by Commissioner Houston, to approve the 2026 Parks & Recreation meeting calendar. The motion to approve carried unanimously 5 to 0.

**3. Discuss and consider action on the improvement projects identified in the Parks & Community Services Department's Fiscal Year 2026 Budget.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Barnard and seconded by Commissioner Joe to recommend the approval of projects 1-4 as presented. The motion to approve carried unanimously 5 to 0.

## PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORTS

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

No action was taken.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

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*Commissioners: Fushille and Lengel*
- 6. Dripping Springs Ranch Park Committee**  
*Commissioners: Boatright and Lengel*
- 7. Founders Memorial Park Committee**  
*Commissioners: Houston, Schleppler, and Joe*
- 8. Rathgeber Natural Resource Park**  
*Commissioners: Strittmatter, Fushille and Barnard*

9. **Sports & Recreation Park Committee**  
*Commissioners: Strittmatter, Scheppeler, and Joe*
10. **Veterans Memorial Park Committee**  
*Commissioners: Caldwell, Fushille*

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The Commission did not meet in closed session.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### **Parks & Recreation Commission Meetings**

December 17, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

### **City Council Meetings**

November 18, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

December 2, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

December 16, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

January 6, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

January 20, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

## ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Joe and seconded by Strittmatter, to adjourn the meeting. The motion to adjourn carried unanimously 5 to 0.

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*Diana Boone, City Secretary*

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**STAFF REPORT**  
**City of Dripping Springs**  
**PO Box 384**  
**511 Mercer Street**  
**Dripping Springs, TX 78620**

**Submitted By:** Andrew Binz, Parks and Community Services Director

**Parks & Recreation  
Commission Meeting  
Date:**

January 21, 2026

**Agenda Item Wording:** Discussion and possible action to approve of a Use Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Tiger Splash Swim Team related to use of the Founders Memorial Pool for the 2026 swim season.

**Agenda Item Requestor:** Andrew Binz, Parks and Community Services Director

**Summary/Background:** The 2026 Tiger Splash Founders Pool Use Agreement includes minor schedule updates and an applied administrative 10% discount.

Total Hours = 177 x \$125/hour = \$22,125

10% Administrative Discount = (\$2,212.50)

Facility Use Fees = \$19,912.50

Extra Lifeguard Hours = 39 x \$35/hour = \$1,365

Total Fees for 2026 Season = \$21,277.50

Total Fees for 2025 Season = \$19,238.75

Total Fees for 2024 Season = \$18,735.00

**Staff  
Recommendations:** Recommend approval of the 2026 Tiger Splash Founders Pool Use Agreement as presented.

**Attachments:** 2026 Tiger Splash Founders Memorial Pool Facility Use Agreement

**Next Steps/Schedule:** Execute the agreement.

## 2026 POOL USAGE AGREEMENT

This • Agreement (the "Agreement") is entered into on \_\_\_\_\_, by and between the City of Dripping Springs, Texas, a Type-A General Law Municipality (the "City"), and Dripping Springs Tiger Splash Swim Team ("Tiger Splash").

WHEREAS, Tiger Splash is a registered Texas non-profit in good standing whose purpose is to provide the youth of Dripping Springs and surrounding areas swim programs that encourage confidence, positive self-esteem, and good sportsmanship; and

WHEREAS, Tiger Splash wishes to enter into a use agreement with the City to allow Tiger Splash to use Founders Memorial Park Pool ("Pool") for Tiger Splash practices and swim meets; and

WHEREAS, The City desires to aid Tiger Splash and, accordingly, agrees to allow Tiger Splash to use the Pool for their practices and swim meets.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the City and Tiger Splash agree as follows:

### **1. Duties of Tiger Splash**

- (a) Tiger Splash will collect all Swim Team Registration fees.
- (b) Tiger Splash will provide all equipment needed for Swim Meets including, but not limited to, timing systems, and will provide for set-up and take down.
- (c) Tiger Splash representatives may be called upon to assist aquatics staff to remove the pool covers prior to usage and replace the pool covers after each usage. Tiger Splash representatives shall timely comply with such requests.
- (d) Tiger Splash will, where practicable, designate a spectator area for families and guests. The designated location will be in an area that does not impede ingress or egress around the pool and through the facility.
- (e) Tiger Splash may hang one (1) canvas banner on the inside of the fence facing the Pool no cost. The banner must include the City of Dripping Springs provided logo and the design must be pre-approved by the City Administrator or designee.

### **2. Access to Facilities**

- (a) Tiger Splash shall have access to the Pool and have exclusive use of Founders Memorial Park Pavilion as outlined in Exhibit "A".
- (b) Tiger Splash is permitted to host social events outside the dates detailed in this Agreement. However, Tiger Splash must reserve amenities and pay the associated fees at the current Fee Schedule rates and terms.

- (c) No more than 150 people can be in the facility at one time including swimmers, spectators, and volunteers.
- (d) Tiger Splash may use the on-site storage shed at the Pool for storing swim meet items.

### **3. Closures, Cancellations and Reimbursements**

- (a) If there is an emergency such as inclement weather, a public health emergency, or an unforeseen circumstance, the City may close the Pool or limit access for affected dates and times. The parties will use good-faith efforts to reschedule the canceled practice or swim meet within the current season if pool space and staffing are available. If rescheduling is not practicable, the City will issue a reimbursement to Tiger Splash for (i) the pro-rata facility rental attributable to the canceled time and (ii) documented lifeguard costs that were scheduled for that canceled time (in excess of the two on-deck lifeguards included in the standard hourly rate for pool usage) and not otherwise utilized. Whether a condition constitutes an emergency closure under this subsection will be determined by the City, acting reasonably.
- (b) If Tiger Splash elects not to use the Pool for reasons other than a City-determined emergency, Tiger Splash must provide the City with at least seven (7) days' written notice identifying the specific dates and times. With timely notice, the City may open the Pool to the public and reallocate lifeguard staffing. If the City is able to reallocate the scheduled lifeguards and open the Pool to the public for the canceled time, the City will issue a reimbursement limited to the pro-rata facility rental for the canceled time; lifeguard costs are not reimbursable in this circumstance. If timely notice is not provided, no reimbursement will be due.
- (c) Reimbursement will be calculated using the hourly rates that underlie Exhibit "A" (for facility rental) and the City's then-applicable lifeguard hourly rates multiplied by the number of guards scheduled for the canceled time in excess of the two on-deck lifeguards included in the standard hourly rate for pool usage. Partial hours are pro-rated to the nearest quarter hour. A cancellation must equal at least thirty (30) consecutive minutes to qualify.
- (d) Tiger Splash may not receive both a rescheduled date and reimbursement for the same canceled time. The City may require reasonable documentation (e.g., the applicable practice/meet schedule and staff roster) sufficient to substantiate the canceled time and any lifeguard hours.
- (e) If a canceled practice or meet is rescheduled, it should occur during the same season and within four (4) weeks of the original date where operationally feasible.

### **4. Concessions**

- (a) Tiger Splash must not operate or allow the sale of concessions without the City's prior written approval, or as otherwise specifically authorized by this Agreement.

- (b) Tiger Splash may sell coffee and breakfast tacos on Swim Meet Days as identified in Exhibit "A".
- (c) Concessionaires may be required to obtain a food handlers permit and shall comply with the City's Food Establishment Regulations (Chapter 10 Health and Sanitation, Article 10.02 Food Establishments, City of Dripping Springs Code of Ordinances).

## 5. Fees

- (a) Total Facility Rental Fee including Additional Lifeguard fees (in excess of the two on-deck lifeguards included in the standard hourly rate for pool usage) due to the City of Dripping Springs is \$21,277.50.
- (b) The Total Facility Rental Fee set out in paragraph (a) is inclusive of a City Administrator approved 10% discount of rental fees due to non- profit status and service to community qualifications.
- (c) Costs for heating the Pool are covered by the facility rental fee.
- (d) Payment to the City shall occur in full by Friday, May 8, 2026.
- (e) Any reimbursement due under section 3 will be issued as (i) a credit against amounts then due under this Agreement; or, if no amounts are outstanding, (ii) a refund paid within thirty (30) days after the end of the season upon receipt of final reconciliation from Tiger Splash. Reimbursements are limited to the pro-rata facility rental and, where expressly permitted above, lifeguard costs for the canceled time (in respect of any lifeguards in excess of the two on-deck lifeguards included in the standard hourly rate for pool usage), and will not include consequential or other damages.

## 6. Insurance

Tiger Splash will maintain its own liability insurance through Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (TAAF) and will name the City as an additional named insured and provide a copy of such policy prior to using the Pool under this Use Agreement.

## 7. City Obligations

A minimum of 2 lifeguards will be present on deck at every swim practice (provided that junior aquatic volunteers are present in the water during practice) and a minimum of 3 lifeguards on deck at every swim meet or swim team party.

## **8. Release**

The City assumes no responsibility for any property placed by Tiger Splash or any Tiger Splash member, agent, or guest, at the Pool or in the storage facilities or any part thereof, and the City is hereby expressly released and discharged from any and all liability for any loss, injury, or damage to persons or property that may be sustained by reason of the use of the Pool and related facilities under this Agreement.

## **9. As-Is**

Tiger Splash accepts the premises as-is. Tiger Splash may not change any part of the Pool or layout of its related facilities unless it receives prior written approval from the Aquatics Manager or the Parks and Community Services Director for the proposed changes.

## **10. Applicable Laws**

Tiger Splash will cooperate with the City to comply with all applicable laws (federal, state, and local), including ordinances of the City. Tiger Splash agrees to abide by and conform with all rules and regulations adopted from time to time or prescribed by the City for the government and management of the Pool.

## **11. Termination**

Either party may terminate this Agreement without cause upon the terminating party giving the non-terminating party thirty (30) days written notice. This Agreement will automatically terminate if Tiger Splash fails to make any required payment or if Tiger Splash fails to adequately respond and remedy any complaints or concerns from the City within thirty (30) days of a written request by the City.

## **12. Indemnification**

TIGER SPLASH AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS THE CITY, ITS AGENTS, SERVANTS, AND EMPLOYERS, FROM AND AGAINST ANY AND ALL CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES OR INJURIES TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY ARISING OUT OF OR INCIDENT TO THEIR USE OF, OR THE USE AND OCCUPANCY OF, THE POOL BY TIGER SPLASH, AND TIGER SPLASH DOES HEREBY ASSUME ALL LIABILITY AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR INJURIES, CLAIMS OR SUITS FOR DAMAGES TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY WHATSOEVER KIND OR CHARACTER, WHETHER REAL OR ASSERTED, OCCURRING DURING THE TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE USE OR OCCUPANCY OF THE POOL BY TIGER SPLASH OR ITS AGENTS, SERVANTS, EMPLOYEES, CONTRACTORS OR SUBCONTRACTORS, MEMBERS, GUESTS OR INVITEES.

### 13. Notice

All notice required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered either in person or deposited in the United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows, provided that either party may change such address from time to time by providing written notice to the other in the manner set forth above. Notice is deemed to have been received three (3) days after deposit in U.S. mail.

**To the City:**

City of Dripping Springs  
Attn: City Administrator  
PO Box 384  
Dripping Springs, TX 78620  
(512) 858-4725

**To Tiger Splash:**

Dripping Springs Tiger Splash Swim Team  
Attn: Lane Holt  
P.O. Box 1552  
Dripping Spring, TX 78620

**14. Entire Agreement** This Agreement contains the entire Agreement of the parties and there are no other promises or conditions in any other Agreement whether oral or written. This Agreement supersedes and prior written agreements between the parties. If a conflict exists between this Agreement and its attachments, this Agreement shall prevail.

**Amendment** This agreement may be modified or amended only if the amendment is made in writing and is signed by both parties.

**16. Severability** If any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable, then such provision shall be deemed to be written, construed, and enforced as so limited.

**17. Waiver of Contractual Right** The failure of any party to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver of that party's right to subsequently enforce and compel strict compliance with every provision of the Agreement.

**18. Governing Law and Venue** This Agreement shall be construed under and in accordance with the laws of The State of Texas. The venue for any and all legal disputes arising under this Agreement shall be a court of competent jurisdiction located in Hays County, Texas. Despite anything to the contrary in this Agreement, no disputes arising out of or related to this Agreement shall be subject to arbitration or non-binding mediation unless both parties agree in writing to submit a specific dispute to arbitration or non-binding mediation after such dispute arises.

**19. Consequential Damages** Neither party shall be liable to the other for loss of profits or revenue; loss of use or opportunity; loss of good will; cost of substitute facilities, goods, or services; cost of capital; or for any special, consequential, indirect, punitive, or exemplary damages.

**20. Routine Communications**

Nothing contained herein shall be construed to restrict the transmission of routine communications between representatives of City and Tiger Splash.

## **21. No Conveyance of Property Rights.**

It is specifically agreed that nothing herein is intended to convey any real property rights in the Pool to Tiger Splash.

## 22. Execution in Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be considered an original instrument, but all of which shall be considered one and the same agreement, and shall become binding when one or more counterparts have been signed by each of the Parties and delivered to the other Party. A signed copy of this Agreement delivered by facsimile, e mail or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

## **CITY OF DРИPPING SPRINGS**

Date

Date

# April 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 JAV Training 5:00 – 8:00 pm	28 JAV Training 5:00 – 8:00 pm	29	30		

# May 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 First Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm	5 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm	6 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm	7 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm	8	9
10	11 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm	12 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm Parent Meeting	13 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm Parent Meeting	14 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm	15	16
17	18 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm	19 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm	20 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm	21 Opening Party 5:30– 8:30 pm  Extra Guard	22	23 Time Trials Meet 7 am – 12:30 pm  Extra Guard
24	25 No Practice	26 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm	27 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm	28 Practice 5:30– 8:30 pm	29	30 Founders Meet 7 am – 12:30 pm  Extra Guard
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# June 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Practice 6 – 9 pm	2 Practice 6 – 9 pm	3 Practice 6 – 9 pm	4 Practice 6 – 9 pm	5	6 Pentathlon Meet 7 am – 12:30 pm  Extra Guard
7	8 Practice 6 – 9 pm	9 Practice 6 – 9 pm	10 Practice 6 – 9 pm	11 Practice 6 – 9 pm	12	13 Home Meet 7 am – 12:30 pm  Extra Guard
14	15 Practice 6 – 9 pm	16 Practice 6 – 9 pm	17 Practice 6 – 9 pm	18 Practice 6 – 9 pm	19	20 Color Splash Meet 7 am – 12:30 pm  Extra Guard
21	22 Practice 6 – 9 pm	23 Practice 6 – 9 pm	24 Practice 6 – 9 pm	25 End of Season Party 6 – 9 pm  Extra Guard	26	27 PR Meet 7 am – 12:30 pm  Extra Guard
28	29 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	30 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm				

# July 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	2 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	3	4
5 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	6 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	7 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	8 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	9 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	10	11
12 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	13 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	14 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	15 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	16 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	17	18
19 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	20 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	21 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	22 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	23 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	24	25
26 Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	27 Last Practice 6 – 8:30 pm	28	29	30	31	



**STAFF REPORT**  
**City of Dripping Springs**  
**PO Box 384**  
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**Dripping Springs, TX 78620**

**Submitted By:** Andrew Binz – Director of Parks and Community Services

**Parks & Recreation  
Commission Meeting  
Date:** January 21, 2026

**Agenda Item Wording:** Approval of the Women's Adult Softball Field Use Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Hillary Armstrong.

**Summary/Background:** The Women's Adult Softball league has traditionally used the fields at the Sports & Recreation Park for their Spring league. Their 2026 Spring league will run on Wednesday nights starting on March 4<sup>th</sup> through May 27<sup>th</sup>.

The agreement includes use of the two adult softball fields and lights between the hours of 6:00 pm and 10:00 pm.

Fees Include:

Field Use = \$1,800

Electricity Use = \$1,800

Total = \$3,600

**Staff**

**Recommendations:** Approval of agreement as presented.

**Attachments:** 2026 Women's Adult Softball Field Use Agreement

Map showing location of the adult softball fields at Sports & Recreation Park

**Next Steps/Schedule:** Execute the agreement.

## USE AGREEMENT

### Sports and Recreation Park Adult Softball Fields

This Use Agreement (the "Agreement") is entered into on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026, by and between the City of Dripping Springs, Texas, a Type-A General Law Municipality (the "City"), and Hillary Armstrong, an Individual (the "User").

WHEREAS, the User is an individual who wishes to provide for a women's softball league at Sports and Recreation Park;

WHEREAS, the City agrees to allow the User and the women's softball teams to use the adult softball fields for their games;

WHEREAS, the City and the User wish to set forth the terms of the User's use of the adult softball fields in this Use Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the City and User agree as follows:

#### **1. Grant of Use**

The City grants User the right to use the designated portions of Sports and Recreation Park as set out in this Agreement, specifically the Adult Softball Field.

#### **2. Access to Facilities**

- (a) User shall have access to one field from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. every Wednesday Night from March 4<sup>th</sup> – May 27<sup>th</sup>.
- (b) If there is an emergency such as inclement weather, public health emergency, or an unforeseen circumstance, the City may decide to close the fields or limit access to the Park on impacted days. If the fields or Park are closed, the City will work with the user to reschedule the canceled game during the season.

#### **3. Insurance**

The User must maintain commercial general liability insurance coverage of at least \$3,000,000 per occurrence and at least \$5,000,000 per team aggregate, listing the City as an additional insured. The User shall provide proof of such insurance to the City and ensure that the policy includes a provision requiring thirty (30) days' notice to the City prior to any cancellation or change in terms of the policy.

#### **4. Payments by User**

The User is responsible for ensuring payment of field rental fees, including electricity, prior to league play at the cost of field fees and electricity.

## 5. League Resources

The User will provide all equipment needed for the games as well as providing for and compensating, as needed, scorekeepers and umpires.

## 6. Waivers

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### For the User:

Hillary Armstrong  
553 Dayridge Drive  
Dripping Springs, Texas 78620  
281-798-3491

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

**THE CITY:**

*City of Dripping Springs*

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Michelle Fischer  
City Administrator

Date

**THE USER:**

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Hillary Armstrong

Date

## **ATTACHMENT "A":** **Participant Waiver and Release of Liability Agreement**

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Participant's Name

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Address

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Date of Birth

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City, State, ZIP

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Email Address

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Phone Number

### **Acknowledgment and Assumption of Risk**

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### **Waiver and Release**

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Participant's Signature

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Date



# Sports and Recreation Park

27148 Ranch Rd 12,  
Dripping Springs, TX 78620



DRIPPING SPRINGS  
Texas

Open spaces, friendly faces.

## Park Features

- Information Kiosk
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**STAFF REPORT**  
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**Submitted By:** Andrew Binz – Director of Parks and Community Services

**Parks & Recreation  
Commission Meeting  
Date:** January 21, 2026

**Agenda Item Wording:** Discussion and possible action to approve a Men's Adult Softball Field Use Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Logan Lilly.

**Summary/Background:** The Men's Adult Softball league has traditionally used the fields at the Sports & Recreation Park for their Spring league. Their 2026 Spring league will run on Thursday nights starting on March 5<sup>th</sup> through May 14<sup>th</sup>. No games will be played on March 19<sup>th</sup> (Spring Break) or April 23<sup>rd</sup> (Founders Day).

The agreement includes use of the two adult softball fields and lights between the hours of 6:00 pm and 10:00 pm.

Fees Include:

Field Use = \$1,350

Electricity Use = \$1,350

Total = \$2,700

**Staff**

**Recommendations:** Approval of agreement as presented.

**Attachments:** 2026 Men's Adult Softball Field Use Agreement

Map showing location of the adult softball fields at Sports & Recreation Park

**Next Steps/Schedule:** Execute the agreement.

## USE AGREEMENT

### Sports and Recreation Park Adult Softball Fields

This Use Agreement (the "Agreement") is entered into on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026, by and between the City of Dripping Springs, Texas, a Type-A General Law Municipality (the "City"), and Logan Lilly, an Individual (the "User").

WHEREAS, the User is an individual who wishes to provide for a Men's softball league at Sports and Recreation Park;

WHEREAS, the City agrees to allow the User and the Men's softball teams to use the adult softball fields for their games;

WHEREAS, the City and the User wish to set forth the terms of the User's use of the adult softball fields in this Use Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, the City and User agree as follows:

#### **1. Grant of Use**

The City grants User the right to use the designated portions of Sports and Recreation Park as set out in this Agreement, specifically the Adult Softball Fields.

#### **2. Access to Facilities**

- (a) User shall have access to two fields from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. every Thursday Night from March 5<sup>th</sup> – May 14<sup>th</sup>. No games will be played the week of March 19<sup>th</sup> (Spring Break) or April 23<sup>rd</sup> (Founders Day).
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The User must maintain commercial general liability insurance coverage of at least \$3,000,000 per occurrence and at least \$5,000,000 per team aggregate, listing the City as an additional insured. The User shall provide proof of such insurance to the City and ensure that the policy includes a provision requiring thirty (30) days' notice to the City prior to any cancellation or change in terms of the policy.

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Logan Lilly  
252 Lost Mine Peak Lane  
Dripping Springs, Texas 78620  
[Loganlilly33@gmail.com](mailto:Loganlilly33@gmail.com)  
512-483-1551

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Use Agreement

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City Administrator

Date

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Logan Lilly

Date

## **ATTACHMENT "A":** **Participant Waiver and Release of Liability Agreement**

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### **Waiver and Release**

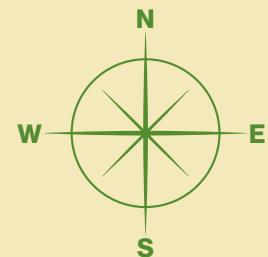
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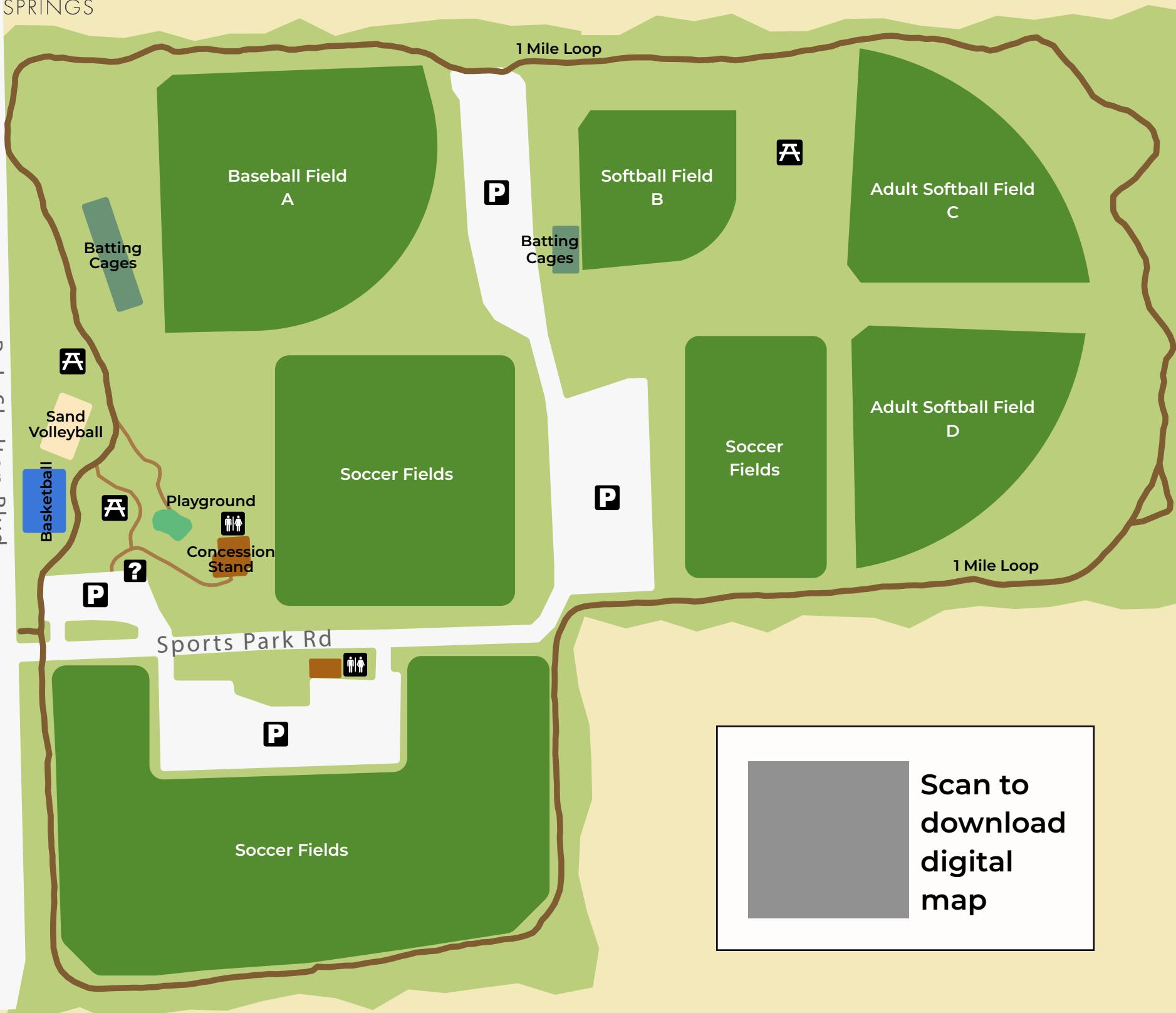
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# Sports and Recreation Park

27148 Ranch Rd 12,  
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# DRIPPING SPRINGS Texas

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**Submitted By:** Andrew Binz, Parks and Community Services Director

**Parks & Recreation  
Commission Meeting  
Date:** January 21, 2026

**Agenda Item Wording:** **Presentation on the City of Dripping Springs Bird City Texas recertification.**

**Agenda Item Requestor:** Andrew Binz, Parks & Community Services Director

**Summary/Background:** Sponsored by Audubon Texas and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD), Bird City Texas is a community-focused certification program created to help people protect birds and their habitats where we live, work, and recreate. The criteria required to attain certification are designed to be impactful and efficient against habitat loss and other harmful factors impacting birds. Research shows that bird friendly habitat increases property values, helps control insects, and generates tourism dollars.

The City of Dripping Springs was first awarded the Bird City Texas designation in February 2021. In November of 2025, Dripping Springs received the news that we were recertified. Our designation is due to all the hard work from our partnering organizations in the community including the Dripping Springs Birding Club, Texas Master Naturalists, Wild Birds Unlimited, and Destination Dripping Springs.

**Staff** N/A

**Recommendations:**

**Attachments:** Bird City Texas Letter – Recertification Dripping Springs

**Next Steps/Schedule:** Continue to work with our community partners to support the bird conservation movement in Dripping Springs.



11/19/2025

Johnna Krantz  
511 Mercer Street  
512-858-4725  
jkrantz@cityofdrippingsprings.com



Dear Johnna,

After reviewing your updated actions from the last few years, members of the Bird City Texas Review Committee carefully considered your application for certification, and **are delighted to announce that the City of Dripping Springs has officially been recertified as Bird City Community!** Congratulations to you, the members of the Dripping Springs collaborative body, and the residents of Dripping Springs including the wildlife benefiting from your hard work!

Overall, review members were impressed with the number of criteria successfully implemented, as well as the descriptive metrics created for certain activities. Specific actions that the review team really enjoyed or found exemplary:

- 1.1.7 – As the city has changed and developed, the collaborative body has also changed but maintained their vision and goals. We applaud your work to bring together partners for a common purpose.
- 1.2.4 – Arrowhead Park is going to be a wonderful 13.5 acre park to protect and maintain natural habitat
- 2.1.1 – The 12 days of Backyard Birds is such a clever idea to engage and educate the public about reducing threats to birds
- 3.2.5 – We love seeing the ways you shared information with the community via 4 social media channels making dozens of posts each year on topics related to bird education as well as similar topics

Audubon Texas will be launching our public congratulatory online pieces including a social media blast on **Monday, November 24**. We would be happy to coordinate with your collaborative body to ensure that the news of your recertification reaches as many Texans as possible.

Please continue on the path laid out within your application. We look forward to hearing more about your successes in your required annual update tile on the [BirdCity.org/Texas](http://BirdCity.org/Texas) site.

Again, congratulations Dripping Springs on your recertification!

Sincerely,  
The Bird City Texas Team

Chloe Crumley  
Program Manager  
*Chloe Crumley*



## Staff Monthly Reports

December 2025

### Director:

- PCS Staff Report and Performance Measures Report was provided in the packet.
- Rathgeber Natural Resource Park
  - Continue to work with the DSISD on the entrance road through DSISD property.
- Sports and Recreation Park
  - A pump was added to the irrigation for the pollinator gardens.
  - The restrooms were vandalized over the Christmas break.
  - Lights at the adult softball fields are scheduled to be worked on in January or February by ATX Electrical Services.
  - Looking at moving the bleachers at the baseball field to the outdoor arena at DSRP.
  - Looking at removing the structures at the baseball field and softball field that are no longer used and in bad shape.
  - Looking at replacing the scoreboards at the adult softball fields.
- DSRP
  - Storage Building Update
  - Arena roof sealing project was awarded to Elite Contracting Group LLC in the amount of \$456,593.40.
  - Path to Pond and Path to Playground projects are scheduled to go to bid in February/March.
- Founders Memorial Park
  - Road, dumpster enclosure and speed bump project is completed.
- Charro Ranch Park
  - An additional 5 trees are scheduled to be removed in January.
- Veterans Memorial Park
  - Looking to aesthetically improve the electrical areas throughout the park.
- LCRA Step Forward Day is Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>
  - Adding playground mulch to all three playgrounds.
  - Rebuilding the fire pit at the Ranch House.
  - Making improvement to the landscaping beds at the Ranch House.
  - Adding plywood to the storage container at the SRP Soccer Fields and painting it.
- Stephenson Building
  - Working on the staffing and budgeting for FY2027 opening.

### Park Maintenance:

- Vandalism at SRP Restrooms
- Supported set up and breakdown of VMD and Texas Roller Derby.
- Maintained ice rink and Zamboni operations.
- Removed dead deer from Charro Park.
- Removed several large stones from Sports and Recreation Park.

- Replaced two ADA signs at DSRP.
- Two new trashcans are installed.
- Installed new kitchen faucet in Ranch House.
- Removed destroyed trashcan from skate park due to vandalism.

#### **Aquatics:**

- Assisted with set up and operations of Western Wonderland and Trail of Lights.
- Coordinating the conversion to a gas furnace at the pool with Project Manager Garrett Osborne.

#### **Community Events:**

- **December Park Rentals:**
  - 3 pavilion rentals
- **December Community Events:**

*Christmas on Mercer is run by the Lions Club, with assistance from City Staff. Not considered a PCS event*

  - **PCS booth** at Christmas on Mercer
    - Staff shared information about park events and programming: Western Wonderland, skating lessons, camp, Bird City, Farmers Market, etc
    - Gave away Park Guides, Lights Out Texas magnets, and jingle bells with ribbon (cats indoors)
    - kids craft with button maker, stickers, and coloring
- **December Community Service Permits:**
  - Special Event Permit – “Christmas at the Pound House” 12/13/2025
  - Special Event Permit – “Santa’s Station” 12/13/2025 (downtown)
- **UPCOMING for 2026:**
  - Prepping for Founders Day!

#### **DSRP:**

#### **December Highlights:**

- We started off the month with Vintage Market Days! This event is always a huge success, but the beautiful weather that weekend helped with great attendance!
- Texas Outlaw Running Company hosted one of their Outlast Tour Trail Runs with us on December 13th. This event features a 5k every hour for 6 hours! The event was well attended and they have already reached out to host additional events.
- Sunday, December 14th, the DSHS Varsity Football Banquet was in the Main Event Room!
- Saturday, December 20th, was our Western Wonderland Character Pancake Breakfast! Staff is all hands on deck during this event between making pancakes, serving guests, cooking sausage, or welcoming them at the entrance. This event continues to grow and has become a community favorite on our Western Wonderland calendar!
- Despite some Zamboni struggles, Western Wonderland has been a great success! Staff took on the responsibility of managing the ice and have added new skills to their toolbox. The community loves

having an ice rink in Dripping Springs and we have seen the attendance numbers rise each year. It a month full of successful skating lessons, micro events, and other fun opportunities!

- Although DSRP closed their doors to horses on November 20th due to an EHV outbreak in Central Texas, we utilized the month of December to do some much-needed dirt maintenance. The Main Arena and warm up were leveled and granite sand was added in!

#### **DSRP Events in December:**

4H Point Show, TX JR Roller Derby New Years Revolution, Big Tex Gun Show, HCLE Horse Show, Hays County Youth Livestock Show!

#### **DSRP December Programs:**

- **Youth:** Nature Rangers After School, Coyote Kids Winter Break Camp
- **Family:** Astronomy in the Park

#### **Farmers Market:**

#### **December FMC Meeting:**

- 5 of 5 vendor applications approved.

#### **December Market recap:**

- December 17<sup>th</sup> market set a new all-time high for vendor sales, due in part to a two-week break with cancellation of markets on 12/24 and 12/31, but also because of the snowball fight held at market.
- Due to Livestock Show at DSRP, 1/21 market will return to the Triangle.

## December 2025

	FY 2025		FY 2026	
	Dec-24	Total/Actual	Dec-25	Fiscal YTD

**PCS Aquatics**

## Programs Offered

Swim Lesson Classes	0	0	0	0
ARC Certification	0	1	0	0

## Number of Registrations

Swim Lesson Registrations	0	1	0	0
ARC Certification	0	6	0	0

## Admission Totals:

Membership Check-ins	0	1,692	0	0
Day Passes Sold	0	3,426	0	0
Season Passes Sold	0	130	0	0

**PCS Athletics**

## Leagues Offered

Adult Softball	0	4	0	0
Youth Sport Camps	0	4	0	0

## Number of Teams/Participants

Adult Softball	0	25	0	0
Youth Sport Camps	0	26	0	0

**PCS Special Events**

## Events Offered

0	7	0	3
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## Number of Participants

0	310	0	245
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**PCS Rentals**

## Pool

0	17	0	0
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## Pavilion

1	33	3	10
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## Athletic Fields

0	17	0	5
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## Veterans Memorial Park

0	1	0	1
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**PCS Permits**

## Itinerant Vendor

0	15	0	5
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## Commercial Trainers/Activity

0	2	0	0
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## Special Event Permit

1	6	2	4
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## Filming Permits

0	1	0	1
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**DSRP**

## Programs Offered

32	259	41	84
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Number of Participants	121	1,130	115	225
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## Camp Days Offered

6	105	5	8
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Number of Participants	19	993	46	59
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## DSRP Events

38	96	36	48
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Number of Participants	6,723	14,325	6,935	8,684
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## Arena Memberships Sold

13	69	1	26
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## Room Rentals

7	178	33	119
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## Arena Rentals

6	63	9	28
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## Other Rentals (Ranch House, Field, Etc..)

1	45	3	7
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## Free Use Agreements/Co-Sponsorships

25	379	12	60
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**Farmers Market**

Number of Markets Offered	3	50	3	12
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Number of Vendors Registered	137	2,051	131	507
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Number of Visitors	1,150	21,190	920	3,585
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