



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City of Dripping Springs

Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX

Monday, May 03, 2021 at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

With a quorum of the Commission present, Chair Zamora called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Commission Members

Robbie Zamora, Chair

Eric Russell, Vice Chair

Matthew Fougerat

Paul Fushille

Eric Henline

Wade King

Matthew Zarbaugh

Amber Ballman

Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials

Parks & Community Services Director Kelly Schmidt

City Secretary Andrea Cunningham

City Attorney Laura Mueller

City Administrator Michelle Fischer

Public Works Coordinator Aaron Reed

Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.
Parks Planning Consultant Brent Luck

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public who desires to address the Commission regarding any item on an agenda for an open meeting may do so at presentation of citizens before an item or at a public hearing for an item during the Commission's consideration of that item. Citizens wishing to discuss matters not contained within the current agenda may do so, but only during the time allotted for presentation of citizens. Speakers are allowed two (2) minutes to speak during presentation of citizens or during each public hearing. Speakers may not cede or pool time. Members of the public requiring the assistance of a translator will be given twice the amount of time as a member of the public who does not require the assistance of a translator to address the Commission. It is the request of the Commission that members of the public wishing to speak on item(s) on the agenda with a noticed Public Hearing hold their comments until the item(s) are presented for consideration. Speakers are encouraged to sign in. Anyone may request a copy of the City's policy on presentation of citizens from the city secretary. By law no action may be taken during Presentations of Citizens.

No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

MINUTES

- 1. Discuss and consider approval of the April 5, 2021 Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Henline to approve the April 5, 2021 Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Fougerat seconded the motion which carried unanimously 8 to 0.

BUSINESS

- 2. Presentation, discussion, and possible action regarding the creation of a Friends of Dripping Springs Parks Foundation.**

Donald Ortale presented the item and discussed with the Commission the steps and process of forming a Friends of the Dripping Springs Parks Foundation.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Russell to enroll the City of Dripping Springs in the National Association of Parks Foundations and to create a Friends of the Dripping Springs Parks Foundation contingent on a Memorandum of Understanding being approved by the Parks & Recreation Commission and the City Council. Commissioner King seconded the motion which carried unanimously 8 to 0.

Via unanimous consent, Business Agenda Items 3 and 4 were presented simultaneously, and no action was taken on either item.

Peter Verdicchio, Principal with SEC Planning, LLC, presented both items and presentation materials are on file.

Laura Mueller and Brent Luck presented the staff reports which are on file.

- 3. Discuss and consider recommendation regarding Parkland Dedication for Cannon (Ashton Woods), located on the Cannon tract north of 290 and east of RR 12 on an approximately 97 acre tract with 375 residential lots.**

The Commission discussed the Parkland Dedication as presented and provided the following direction to the applicant:

- North green space continuation presents a good layout
- Please consider the Parks Budget and budget priorities, and refrain from using an offset approach when calculating parkland dedication
- Preserve existing natural spaces
- The City must be firm with the dedication fees, as assumptions are risky with rapid growth

- 4. Discuss and consider recommendation regarding Parkland Dedication for Wild Ridge Project, located on the Cynosure tract north of 290 and east of RR 12, north of the Cannon tract, on an approximately 283 acre tract with 960 residential lots.**

The Commission discussed the Parkland Dedication as presented and provided the following direction to the applicant:

- Please consider the Parks Budget and budget priorities, and refrain from using an offset approach when calculating parkland dedication
- Impact on Parks for this development differ as it is outside of the City limits and residents will not be contributing to funding of parks through property taxation

- 5. Presentation and discussion regarding the DSRP 2021 Master Plan update.**

Via unanimous consent this item was tabled.

Via unanimous consent the Commission considered Business Agenda Items 8 and 9 simultaneously.

Aaron Reed presented the staff reports which are on file. Staff recommends approval of both resolutions.

- 8. Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution of Support for the City of Dripping Springs's Grant Application to the Texas Department of Transportation for the Creation of Pedestrian and Cyclist Trail Connections from the Founders Ridge Subdivision to the Dripping Springs Elementary School, Dripping Springs Ranch Park, and Surrounding Area.**
- 9. Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution of Support for the City of Dripping Springs's Grant Application to the Texas Department of Transportation TASA Call for Projects Program for the Enhancement of a Pedestrian Pathway on Mercer Street and Highway 290 between RR 12 and Rob Shelton Boulevard.**

A motion was made by Vice Chair Russell to approve a Resolution of Support for the City of Dripping Springs's Grant Application to the Texas Department of Transportation for the Creation of Pedestrian and Cyclist Trail Connections from the Founders Ridge Subdivision to the Dripping Springs Elementary School, Dripping Springs Ranch Park, and Surrounding Area; and, a Resolution of Support for the City of Dripping Springs's Grant Application to the Texas Department of

Transportation TASA Call for Projects Program for the Enhancement of a Pedestrian Pathway on Mercer Street and Highway 290 between RR 12 and Rob Shelton Boulevard. Commissioner Fougerat seconded the motion which carried unanimously 7 to 0, with Commissioner Zarbaugh not available via video when the vote was called for.

Filed as Resolutions 2021-PRC01 and 2021-PRC02 respectively.

- 6. Discuss and consider recommendation regarding Amendments to the Parks & Recreation Commission Ordinance (City of Dripping Springs Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2 Administration and Personnel, Article 2.04 Boards, Commissions and Committees, Division 3 Parks and Recreation Commission) regarding members, seat representation, and appointment of members. Sponsor: Commission Chair Robbie Zamora**

Chair Zamora presented the item.

Mayor Foulds spoke regarding the item and requested that the Commission table this item to allow for continued conversations regarding representation by certain organizations.

Via unanimous consent this item was tabled.

- 7. Discuss and consider possible action regarding the Parks and Recreation Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2022.**

Kelly Schmidt and Vice Chair Russell presented the final draft budget which is on file. Staff recommends approval of the draft budget.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Russell to approve the Parks and Recreation Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2022. Commissioner Henline seconded the motion which carried unanimously 8 to 0.

REPORTS

The following reports relate to the planning and administration of the City's Parks & Recreation Program. The commission may provide staff direction; however, no action may be taken.

Reports are on file and available for review upon request.

- 10. April 2021 Parks & Community Services Director's Report**
Kelly Schmidt, PCS Director
- 11. March 2021 Parks & Recreation Financial Statement**
Shawn Cox, Finance Director
- 12. March 2021 Parkland Dedication Financials**
Shawn Cox, Finance Director

PARKS STANDING 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 committee updates at this time.

13. **Charro Ranch Park Committee**
Commissioners Paul Fushille and Matt Fougerat
14. **Dripping Springs Ranch Park Committee**
Commissioners Wade King and Matthew Zarbaugh
15. **Founders Memorial Park Committee**
Commissioners Eric Henline and Amber Ballman
16. **Sports & Recreation Park Committee**
Commissioners Eric Russell and Robbie Zamora
17. **Veterans Memorial Park Committee**
Commissioner Robbie Zamora

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Parks and Recreation Commission for the City of Dripping Springs has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.086 (Economic Development). The Parks and Recreation Commission for the City of Dripping Springs may act on any item listed in Executive Session in Open Session or move any item from Executive Session to Open Session for action.

The Commission did not meet in Executive Session.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Parks & Recreation Commission

June 7, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

July 6, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

August 2, 2021 6:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

May 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

May 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

June 10, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

June 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Vice Chair Russell to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner King seconded the motion which carried unanimously 8 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 10:29 p.m.