



# UTILITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City of Dripping Springs

Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX

Wednesday, June 09, 2021 at 4:00 PM

## Agenda

### CALL TO ORDER

#### Commission Members

Jim Langford, Chair  
Chuck Miller, Vice Chair  
Meghan Lind  
Roger Kew  
Jeff Foreman

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

Deputy City Administrator Ginger Faught  
Public Works Coordinator Aaron Reed  
Building Official/Utilities Coordinator Sarah Cole

### PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

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### MINUTES

- 1. Discuss and consider approval of the April 14, 2021 and May 12, 2021 Utility Commission regular meeting minutes.**

### BUSINESS

- 2. Update and discussion regarding Water and Wastewater facility activities.**
  1. Wastewater Facility Report
  2. South Regional Water Reclamation Facility Plan Set Review

**3. City Council Activities Report**

*Commissioner Jeff Foreman*

**4. Update regarding upcoming seat expirations on the Utility Commission.**

*Jim Langford, Chair*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**Utility Commission Meetings**

July 14, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. August 11, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

September 8, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

**City Council Meetings**

June 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

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

July 20, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

**TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT PUBLIC NOTIFICATION & POSTING OF MEETING**

*All agenda items listed above are eligible for discussion and action unless otherwise specifically noted. This notice of meeting is posted in accordance with Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes. Annotated. In addition, the Commission may consider a vote to excuse the absence of any Commissioner for absence from this meeting.*

*I certify that this notice of meeting was posted at the City of Dripping Springs City Hall and website, [www.cityofdrippingsprings.com](http://www.cityofdrippingsprings.com), on **June 4, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.***

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*City Secretary*

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# UTILITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

## City of Dripping Springs

Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX  
Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 4:00 PM

## MINUTES

### MEETING SPECIFIC VIDEOCONFERENCE INFORMATION

***Join Zoom Meeting***

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***Join by Skype for Business:*** <https://us02web.zoom.us/skype/85450134570>

### CALL TO ORDER

**Commission Members**

Jim Langford, Chair

Chuck Miller, Vice Chair (arrived at 4:05 p.m.)

Meghan Lind

Roger Kew

Jeff Freeman

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

Public Works Coordinator Aaron Reed

Building Official/Utilities Coordinator Sarah Cole

Special Counsel David Tuckfield

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Troy Jamail spoke regarding drainage from the treatment plant into the backside of his property and requested that the Commission look at opportunities for prevention of drainage from effecting neighboring properties and Onion Creek.

## **BUSINESS**

### **1. Update and discussion regarding Water and Wastewater facility activities.**

Aaron Reed presented the WWTP Permit Summary report and informed the Commission that the City has received 100% design plans on the Expansion project. Staff plans to meet with Carollo on April 26, 2021 to review the design plans. Aaron also gave an update on infrastructure projects within Arrowhead, Big Sky, Caliterra, and Driftwood.

### **2. City Council Activities Report**

Commissioner Foreman presented the City Council Activities Report.

### **3. Discuss and consider possible action regarding the Draft Wastewater Effluent Reuse Planning Manual.**

David Tuckfield presented the draft Wastewater Effluent Reuse Planning Manual which is not required by any agreement but is to ensure the City upholds all obligations outlined in agreements made with LCRA and protestants.

Chair Langford directed the Commission to review the draft and provide feedback and comments to the City.

Via unanimous consent, the Commission adjourned into Executive Session under Texas government Code Section 551.071, Consultation with City Attorney, and regarding Executive Session Agenda Item 4.

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### **4. Consultation with Attorney regarding legal issues related to Wastewater Discharge Permit, related permits, and current related litigation in *SOS v. TCEQ* in the 459th Judicial District Court of Travis County and related development, financial, and utility issues. Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071**

The Commission met in Executive Session from 4:50 p.m. – 5:02 p.m. No vote or action was taken during Executive Session.

Chair Langford returned the meeting to Open Session.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### Utility Commission Meetings

May 12, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

June 9, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

July 14, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

### City Council Meetings

April 20, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

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

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

## ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Kew to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Foreman seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.



# UTILITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City of Dripping Springs  
Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX  
Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 4:00 PM

## VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING

*This meeting will be held via videoconference and the public is encouraged and welcome to participate. Public comment may be given during the videoconference by joining the meeting using the information below. Public comment for this meeting may also be submitted to the City Secretary at [acunningham@cityofdrippingsprings.com](mailto:acunningham@cityofdrippingsprings.com) no later than 4:00 PM on the day the meeting will be held.*

*The Utility Commission respectfully requests that all microphones and webcams be disabled unless you are a member of the Commission. City staff, consultants and presenters, please enable your microphone and webcam when presenting to the Commission.*

## Agenda

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### CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum of the Commission present, Chair Langford called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

**Commission Members**

Jim Langford, Chair

Chuck Miller, Vice Chair

Meghan Lind

Roger Kew

Jeff Freeman

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

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No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

**MINUTES**

- 1. Discuss and consider approval of the March 10, 2021, and April 14, 2021, Utility Commission regular meeting minutes.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Kew to approve the March 10, 2021 Utility Commission regular meeting minutes. Vice Chair Miller seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

April 14, 2021 minutes were not included in packet and will added to the June agenda for approval.

**BUSINESS**

- 2. Update regarding the Draft Wastewater Effluent Reuse Planning Manual.**

Aaron Reed presented the item and updated the Commission on recent events, addressing concerns from the previous meeting.

Commissioner comments have been received and staff will work with legal to incorporate those comments. Staff will prepare a revised draft for review at the June or July meeting.

- 3. Update and discussion regarding Water and Wastewater facility activities and status of South Regional Water Reclamation Facility.**

Aaron Reed presented the item and reviewed the plan sheets for the facility.

- 4. City Council Activities Report**

Commissioner Foreman provided the City Council Activities report. The Commission discussed the Bunker Ranch Subdivision and PDD No. 11 wastewater service.

Vice Chair Miller will attend the next City Council meeting and provide the report.

## 5. April 2021 Planning Report

No action or discussion on this item.

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The Commission did not meet in Executive Session.

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June 9, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

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August 11, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

#### City Council Meetings

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

June 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

June 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

### ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Foreman to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Kew seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.