

DRIPPING SPRINGS RANCH PARK BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

City of Dripping Springs

Event Center Banquet Hall, 1042 Event Center Drive Wednesday, February 03, 2021 at 12:00 PM

Agenda

VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Board Members

Todd Purcell, Chair Terry Polk Penny Reeves Pam Owens Mike Carroll

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MINUTES

1. Discuss and consider approval of the December 2, 2020 and January 6, 2021 Dripping Springs Ranch Park Board regular meeting minutes.

BUSINESS

- 2. Presentation and discussion regarding the Dripping Springs Ranch Park's Fiscal Year 2022 Operating Budget.
- 3. Discuss and consider possible action regarding the facilitation of a DSRP on-site roping club.

REPORTS

The following reports relate to the administration of the Dripping Springs Ranch Park Event Center. The Board may provide staff direction; however, no action may be taken.

- 4. Parks & Community Services January 2021 Director's Report
- 5. Dripping Springs Ranch Park Event Center Manager's January 2021 Report
- **6.** Parks & Community Services 2020 Annual
- 7. Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center December 2020 Financial Statement
- **8.** Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center December 2020 Ag Facility Fund Statement

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

DSRP Board Meetings

March 3, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. April 7, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. May 5, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

February 9, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. February 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. March 9, 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.

Due to the Texas Governor Order, Hays County Order, City of Dripping Springs Disaster Declaration, and Center for Disease Control guidelines related to COVID-19, a quorum of this body could not be gathered in one place, and this meeting will be conducted through videoconferencing. Texas Government Code Sections 551.045; 551.125; and 551.127.

I certify that this notice of meeting was posted at the City of Dripping Springs City Hall and website, www.cityofdrippingpsrings.com, on January 29, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

 City Secretary	

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Board Members present were:

Todd Purcell, Chair Penny Reeves Pam Owens Mike Carroll

Board Member not present was:

Terry Polk, Vice Chair

Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials

Parks & Community Services Director Kelly Schmidt DSRP Event Center Manager Tina Adams DSRP Event Center Coordinator Emily Nelson DSRP Event Guest Services Coordinator Lilly Sellers Parks & Recreation Commissioner Matthew Zarbaugh

With a quorum of the Board present, Chair Purcell called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

MINUTES

1. Discuss and consider approval of the October 7, 2020 Dripping Springs Ranch Park Board regular meeting minutes.

The caption is incorrect, and the minutes attached for approval are November 4, 2020.

A motion was made by Board Member Reeves to approve the attached November 4, 2020 Dripping Springs Ranch Park Board regular meeting minutes. Board Member Carroll seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

BUSINESS

2. Discuss and consider approval of the installation of a collapsible HAM Radio tower and concrete pad in the planter area near the electrical room of the Dripping Springs Ranch Park Event Center.

A motion was made by Board Member Reeves to approve the installation of a collapsible HAM Radio tower and concrete pad in the planter area near the electrical room of the Dripping Springs Ranch Park Event Center. Board Secretary Owens seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

3. Discuss and consider recommendation regarding the appointment of members to DSRP Master Plan Update Project Sub-Committee.

A motion was made by Chair Purcell to appoint Penny Reeves, Todd Purcell and Tina Adams to the DSRP Master Plan Update Project Sub-Committee. Board Member Carroll seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

4. Discuss and consider selection and approval regarding the DSRP Ranch House paint color and Administrative Office welcome sign.

A motion was made by Board Secretary Owens to authorize staff to select paint color for the DSRP Ranch House. Board Member Reeves seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

5. Discuss and consider recommendation of adding a free Annual Pass to DSRP Arena and Trails as a City of Dripping Springs Employee Benefit.

A motion was made by Board Member Reeves to recommend City Council approval of a free Annual Pass to DSRP Arena and Trails as a City of Dripping Springs Employee Benefit. Board Member Carroll seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

DSRP Board Meetings

January 6, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. February 3, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. March 3, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

December 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. December 15, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Board Member Carroll to adjourn the meeting. Board Member Reeves seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

Pam Owens

DSRP Board Secretary



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No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

BUSINESS

1. Discuss and consider recommendation regarding proposed Construction Plans for Dripping Springs Ranch Park access roadway, drainage and parking improvements.

No action was taken regarding this item.

2. Discuss and consider recommendation regarding a request for a recreation trail connecting Springlake neighborhood and Dripping Springs Ranch Park.

Chair Purcell recommended that Springlake residents form a committee to make sure there is consensus with the neighborhood. No action was taken regarding this item.

3. Discuss and consider recommendation of selection regrading Request for Qualification submittals for the Dripping Springs Ranch Park Master Plan Update.

A motion was made by Board Member Reeves to recommend City Council select RVI as the contractors for the Dripping Springs Ranch Park Master Plan Update. Vice Chair Polk seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

4. Discuss and consider recommendation regarding an Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and the Dripping Springs Ag Boosters for the 2021 Dripping Springs Fair & Rodeo event.

A motion was made by Chair Purcell to appoint Pam Owens and Penny Reeves as representatives to the 2021 Dripping Springs Fair & Rodeo Commission. Vice Chair Polk seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

5. Discuss and consider recommendation regarding a request to remove Mountain Bikers from fee 17.5(a) - Outdoor Only Daily Use Permit of the City of Dripping Springs Fee Schedule.

A motion was made by Board Member Reeves to recommend City Council deny a request to remove Mountain Bikers from fee 17.5(a) - Outdoor Only Daily Use Permit of the City of Dripping Springs Fee Schedule. Board Secretary Owens seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following reports relate to the administration of the Dripping Springs Ranch Park Event Center. The Board may provide staff direction; however, no action may be taken.

Reports are on file and available for review upon request.

- 6. Parks & Community Services Director's Monthly Report Kelly Schmidt, PCS Director
- 7. DSRP Event Center Manager's December Report Tina Adams, DSRP Event Center Manager

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The Board did not meet in Executive Session.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Board Member Reeves to adjourn the meeting. Board Member Carroll seconded the motion which carried unanimously 5 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Pam Owens

DSRP Board Secretary

DSRP EVENT CENTER OPERATING FUND		FY 19/20	7	TD 05/13/20	FY '	20/21 Proposed
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Balance Forward	\$	70,335.71	\$	41,733.33	\$	50,492.47
Revenue	-	·		·		·
Stall Rentals	\$	22,000.00	\$	11,551.07	\$	22,000.00
RV Site Rentals	\$	22,500.00	\$	8,181.03	\$	18,000.00
Facility Rentals	\$	165,000.00			\$	112,000.00
Field Rental- \$2000			\$	1,396.25	\$	-
Indoor Arena Rental - \$40,000			\$	12,335.31	\$	-
Outdoor Arena - \$5000			\$	2,400.00	\$	-
Event Facility Rental - \$18,000			\$	4,150.00	\$	-
Special Event Room Rental (Large) - \$20,000			\$	9,862.50	\$	-
*Special Event Room Rental (Small) - Addition - \$12,000			\$	4,800.00	\$	-
*Small Indoor Arena - Addition - \$5000			\$	900.00	\$	-
*Concession Stand- Addition - \$5000					\$	-
Concessions Stand - DSRP - \$5000			\$	832.03	\$	-
Equipment Rental	\$	10,000.00	\$	4,035.25	\$	5,000.00
Sponsored Events					\$	89,000.00
Riding Series - \$82,000	\$	82,000.00	\$	55,408.50	\$	-
Fair and Rodeo - \$7,000	\$	7,000.00			\$	-
Merchandise Sales	\$	10,000.00	\$	7,731.44	\$	15,000.00
Shavings - \$ 15,000						
Riding Permits	\$	12,000.00	\$	5,431.10	\$	10,000.00
Indoor Arena Membership - \$4500						
Outdoor Arena Membership - \$4500						
Day Pass - Indoor - \$500						
Day Pass - Outdoor - \$500						
Staff Fees for events	\$	3,000.00	\$	1,111.25	\$	3,000.00
Misc Fees	\$	-	\$	690.00	\$	1,000.00
Cleaning Fees	\$	5,500.00	\$	8,089.19	\$	10,000.00
Other Income	\$	4,000.00	\$	7,074.66	\$	1,000.00
Interest	\$	1,250.00	\$	631.71	\$	1,000.00
General Donations			\$	6.00	\$	-
TXF from Ag Facility	\$	11,305.00	\$	10,465.00	\$	25,760.00
TXF from HOT	\$	135,759.76			\$	67,275.62
DSRP - Fair & Rodeo Marketing - \$10,000						
TXF for RV/ Parking Lot HOT	\$	50,000.00			\$	50,000.00
TXF from General Fund	\$	57,557.86	\$	57,557.86	\$	<u> </u>
TXF from Landscape Fund	\$	20,700.00			\$	-
Total Revenue	\$	693,908.33	\$	256,373.48	\$	480,528.09
Expense						

Advertising	\$	500.00	\$	529.00	\$	700.00
Dues, Fees and Subscriptions	\$	1,000.00	\$	466.00	\$	5,983.44
Credit - \$600	Ψ_	1,000.00	\$	385.29	├	<u> </u>
Activenet Fees - 1.2854% - \$4383.44			"	300.20		
DSRP On-Call	\$	10,400.00	\$	4,400.00	\$	10,400.00
Training and Education	\$	3,195.00	\$	4,104.83	\$	5,000.00
Heavy Equipment Training	_	2,100100	T	-,	<u> </u>	
Equine Association & Conference						
Stall Cleaning & Repair	\$	2,000.00	\$	600.00	\$	2,000.00
General Maintenance and Repair	\$	55,000.00	\$	2,509.36	\$	60,000.00
General - \$20,000						
Restriping of Parking Lot - \$20,000						
Arena Footing Annual Replacement - \$20,000						
DSRP Improvements	\$	80,000.00	\$	32,081.34	\$	26,000.00
Ticket Office - \$5000						
Customer Service Office Renovation -\$5000						
Show Office - \$6000						
Large Ventilation Fans - \$60,000						
*Audio Design and Consulting Service - \$10,000						
Drainage Repairs - \$10,000 + 100k (only included 10k)	\$	110,000.00				
Sponsored Events	\$	40,000.00			\$	49,000.00
Riding Series - \$39,000			\$	30,229.90		
DSRP Fair & Rodeo -\$10,000			\$	50.00		
DSRP Event Center Postage			\$	5.99	\$	100.00
Network and Communications	\$	15,500.00	\$	1,969.29	\$	12,000.00
General Supplies	\$	30,000.00	\$	16,208.61	\$	30,000.00
Office Supplies	\$	3,000.00	\$	1,877.74	\$	5,000.00
Merchandise Supplies	\$	5,000.00	\$	9,594.00	\$	7,000.00
Other Expenses	\$	2,500.00	\$	162.09	\$	20,500.00
DSRP Event Center Master Plan \$20,000						
Mileage	\$	1,500.00	\$	294.61	\$	500.00
Utilities						
Natural Gas	\$	3,500.00	\$	1,066.95	\$	3,000.00
Electric	\$	65,000.00	\$	33,945.36	\$	60,000.00
On call Phone	\$	-	\$	139.67	\$	2,000.00
Water	\$	15,000.00	\$	4,733.02	\$	10,000.00
Fire Alarm	\$	1,080.00			\$	1,080.00
Portable Toilets			\$	455.00	\$	-
TXF HCLE (Hays County Livestock Exposition Board)	\$	26,000.00	\$	2,280.00	\$	13,200.00
Equipment					\$	36,300.00
Equipment General - 2nd Floor Scrubber for new addition - \$7500	\$	20,000.00	\$	21,691.76		
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Equipment Maintenance - Tractors, Off-road vehicles, drags, etc - \$25,000.	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 14,991.35	
Equipment Rental \$1000	\$ 1,000.00		
1 PortaCool- \$2800			
Contingencies	\$ 34,500.00	\$ 13,168.00	\$ 50,000.00
Fleet Acquisition			\$ 42,568.00
Fleet Maintenance - (1 truck - Gas, oil, vehicle repair)	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 241.85	\$ 2,500.00
Lawn Maintenance (Moved to PRC)		\$ 7,700.00	
Total Revenue	\$ 693,908.33	\$ 256,373.48	\$ 480,528.09
Total Expenses	\$ 652,175.00	\$ 205,881.01	\$ 454,831.44
Total Bal Fwd	\$ 41,733.33	\$ 50,492.47	\$ 25,696.65



STAFF REPORT

City of Dripping Springs

PO Box 384

511 Mercer Street

Dripping Springs, TX 78602

Submitted By: Tina Adams

Wednesday, February 3, 2021 **Council Meeting Date:**

Discuss and consider facilitation of an DSRP on-site roping club. **Agenda Item Wording:**

Agenda Item Requestor:

Summary/Background: Currently, the city of Dripping Springs has a contract with D Bar S Roping club to facilitate a weekly community roping practice and semi-annual roping contest at the Dripping Springs Ranch Park (DSRP). DSRP also boards the club's leased cattle/roping steers. This is a popular activity for the Dripping Spring Community and is aligned with the current master plan. However, D Bar S Roping Club is not an official entity, which voids the current contract. The cattle are currently cared for and financially supported by the roping club's members. The fees collected at roping practice are taken by a member and used to pay for the cattle and arena usage. These payments are made timely every month.

> The staff recommends discussing the transition of this activity from a cosponsored event to a program offered from the City of Dripping Springs Ranch Park.

More information to follow.

Commission **Recommendations:**

Recommended **Council Actions:**

D Bar S Roping Club Agreement.doc **Attachments:**

Next Steps/Schedule:

D Bar S Roping Club Agreement

Expires: March 31,2022

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PARKS &COMMUNITY CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS

January 2021

Director's Monthly Report

SUBMITTED BY: Director, Kelly Schmidt & PCS Team

PARKS

Charro Ranch Park:

Charro Ranch Park had a total of nine volunteers at its monthly workday seven Master Naturalists and two members of the public. Many Cedar saplings were lopped off, and volunteers removed many rocks from the outer trail that were trip hazards. Tree roots across the outer trail and near the Solstice Circle were cut and removed, the oak wilt trenches were smoothed out, and at least four bags of trash were filled with litter from the shoulder of the road fronting FM150 along the Charro property line. We also replaced a broken horizontal fence post at the entrance to the park.

Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center -Submitted by: Tina Adams - Event Center Manager



The Ranch Park had strong start to the new year with some fun events like the Alamo Dog Obedience Agility Trials. This event was held in the new expansion and were such a success, they have booked several additional dates. The word spread fast in the dog agility community. Since this event, our DSRP coordinator has toured several other dog clubs interested in this space. The Hays County 4-H Horse Point Show was held in the main arena followed by Hays County Livestock Show (HCLE). This event hosted over 356 children in our community and exhibited over 1228 projects. This partnership event facilitated thousands of dollars of scholarships to our Hays County Students. With a

speedy response, the DSRP staff was able to mobilize and be a host site for distribution of the COVID-19 vaccination. Over 400 vaccinations were amazingly distributed over 2 days to our community. While HCLE was happening, the DSRP staff was able to break away from the event center and focus on the park. Between much needed trail & building maintenance, round pen repairs and organization of the event center's tables/chairs sets, the staff was able to get organized for an upcoming season of events for 2021.

2021 - HCLE Images





Founders Memorial Park & Pool:





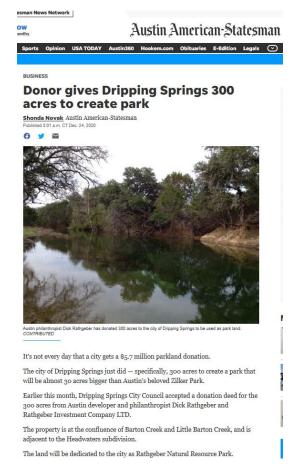
Cactus Garden Memorial Monument project was completed and installed in January. Site clean-up and landscaping improvements in the cactus beds are still underway.

Rathgeber Natural Resource Park:

On December 24, 2020 Austin American Statesman ran an article featuring the donation of Rathgeber's 300 acres to the City of Dripping Springs. Since its publication, the PCS department has been receiving weekly calls from would be project contract suiters. Currently, the City is not able to pursue park development of Rathgeber. Steps toward development include: Securing funding sources (still awaiting award notice from the Hays County Open Space Bond Measure, identifying scope and design and then construction. All of which will be precluded by environmental impact studies and inventory.







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Sports & Recreation Park

On January 21, the Dripping Springs Sports and Recreation Lighting upgrade project received a grade of PASS by the International Dark Sky Association and has received the designation of IDA Community Friendly Outdoor Sports Lighting. This a huge accomplishment for the City of Dripping Springs! Onward toward Phase 1 and project budget development and allocating funds as well as developing an estimated timeline while working with DSYSA and DSASA on construction plan.

IDA Community Friendly Outdoor Sports Lighting

Lighting Performance Summary

Project: Dripping Springs Sports & Recreation Park Relight

Location: Dripping Springs,TX

Curfew: 11:00pm

Submitted: 21 January 21 - 9:03 AM PST

Field: All Fields for Dripping Springs Musco Project 179809R8 Field type: Baseball - Class III Environmental Zone: E2				
	Applicable	Lighting Standard		
	Standard	Measured	Result	
Meets IES or HS Standard	_	Yes	PASS	
	Applie	d BUG Analysis		
	Standard	Measured	Result	
Total Fixture Lumens	_	29,292,175 lumens	_	
Backlight: Lumens	15% or less	0.2%	PASS	
Backlight: Spill	2.0 lux or less	0.27 lux	PASS	
Uplight: Lumens	8% or less	5%	PASS	
Glare: Max Candela	1000 candela or less	903 candela	PASS	
Glare: 80° - 90°	250 lumens	142 lumens	PASS	
	Applic	ation Efficiency		
	Standard	Measured	Result	
Total Fixture Watts	_	241,374 watts	_	
Applied Lumens	_	26,955,003 lumens	_	
Application Efficiency	70+ (lumens per watt)	112	PASS	

Lighting Performance Result

PASS

Veterans Memorial Park & Triangle Nothing to report.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Community Events & Programs – Submitted by: Maggie Peterson, Programs and Events Coordinator



Bird City:

The Parks Department is awaiting a response from the Bird City Texas



Designation Committee. In the meantime, the Bird City Application Committee has begun planning the Festival of Flight for 2021 that is scheduled for Saturday, May 8th. The Festival of Flight is one of the major components that is helping us receive and maintain our Bird City Designation. The council approved annual event in 2021 is proposed to be primarily virtual with small additional in person, socially distanced events such as a bird walk at Charro Park hosted by one of our own Parks Commissioners, Paul Fushille. The Festival of Flight will be a jump off point for our newest program: The Junior Birding Club! The Junior Birding Club has been created to foster the next generation of Dripping Springs aviary enthusiasts creating a group for our young aspiring birders to learn the growing art of bird watching! The Junior Birding Club will be a feature of the Coyote Kids Nature Camp as well.

Founders Day:

As approved at the City Council meeting held on 1/19, the Founders Day Festival Commission has decided to cancel the 2021 Founders Day Festival due to rising numbers and an inability to effectively control population. Founders Day is the largest City celebration drawing tourists from surrounding cities at 14,000 participants per day. The Commission struggled with the call and entertained ideas of a modified event over the course of the last monthly meetings and felt this was the DRIPPING SPRINGS * TEXAS



most effective way to keep our community safe. We expect to see Founders Day return in 2022 in all its glory!

Its Time Texas:

The Parks and Community Services has decided to re-allocate the resources used participating in It's Time Texas to our Bird City programming. We will no longer be participating in It's Time Texas as a city, however, community members are still encouraged to participate on their own!

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Keep Dripping Springs Beautiful:

The next Keep Dripping Springs Beautiful event, The Great American Clean Up, has been added to the calendar and will be held in April. We have interest from community members to initiate a task force to assist in maintaining the program. The Great American Clean Up will focus on Ranch Road 12, starting at Dripping Springs Ranch Park toward the 290 intersection.



Coyote Kids Day Camp:



The Parks and Community Services Department is gearing up for a nature packed summer! We are preparing our programming with COVID-19 industry standard precautionary measures in place. Measures include maintaining cohort groups and sanitary guidelines. We expect to have 50 campers per session for 11 weeks at DSRP with weekly themes all about nature! Registration will open March 1 and camp will be offered from Tuesday, June 1 till Friday, August 13, 2021, 7:30am-6:00pm daily. Counselor to camper ratios are small; 2:10 and a limit of 50 campers per session. We expect to sell out.



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Farmers Market –
Submitted by: Laurel Robertson, Market Manager



December ended with a cold, rainy Wednesday that all but closed market for the day. Only Johnson's Backyard Garden set up a booth – and reported they had good sales with a dedicated group of local shoppers.

The ensuing month of January saw an unseasonable number of fair-weather markets, with excellent attendance by both vendors and shoppers. Several new vendors have already signed up for the 2021 market season: Oovay's Wunder Bars, Fired Pizza, Three-Legged Crow Kimchi, Metcalf Barbeque, Mother Shipton Candles, and Shipps Lake Ranch. Manager Robertson is also in conversation with several more potential vendors that have expressed interest in joining market for the year.

New market volunteer Lovie Lavoie is now helping Manager Robertson and Board member/market volunteer Nikki Dahlin set up market day. As we launch our incipient Friends of the Market campaign in the next few months, we expect to expand the roles and scope of market volunteers.

Marketing, Website, Social Media, Branding & Communications

The PCS department continues to expand their website pages to encompass the resource as a tool to provide the full scope of services within the department's span of responsibility. Currently, the "Community Services" aspect of the department is lacking in web presence and ease of service access. Staff is in the process of creating an easier application process and information dissemination platform.

- Road closure requests
- Itinerant Vendor Permits
- Event Permit for events held on city property and events held within City Limits
- Co-Sponsorship applications that includes banners at the triangle requests
- Filming Permit (which tend to be last minute in nature less than 48hrs notice)



JANUARY EVENT RECAP

The Ranch Park had strong start to the new year with some fun events like the Alamo Dog Obedience Agility Trials. This event was held in the new livestock expansion and were such a success, they have booked several additional dates. The word spread fast in the dog agility community. Since this event, our DSRP coordinator has toured several other dog clubs interested in this space.

The Hays County 4-H Horse Point Show was held in the main arena followed by Hays County Livestock Show (HCLE). This event hosted over 356 children in our community and exhibited over 1228 projects. This partnership event facilitated thousands of dollars of scholarships to our Hays County Students.

With a speedy response, the DSRP staff was able to mobilize and be a host site for distribution of the COVID-19 vaccination. Over 400 vaccinations were amazingly distributed over 2 days, to our community.

During the Hays County Livestock the DSRP staff was able to break away from the event center and focus on the park. Much needed trail maintenance was completed by the ranch hands. The Round Pen was restored and attention to the Small Barn areas were accomplished.

RODEO 2021

Discussions with the Ag Boosters Rodeo Chairman, Lynne Dickinson, have begun. More information to follow.







Dripping Springs Ranch Park February Event Summary



UPCOMING EVENTS | FEBRUARY 2021

Alamo Dog Obedience Club Dog Agility Trials

Feb 11-14 **Small Indoor Arena** Event Description: Dog Agility Trials

Estimated Attendance: 100 Fee: \$1,600.00

CV-19 Modifications: Mandatory Masks & Social Distancing

Hays County 4H Horse Point Show 2

Feb 20 Large Indoor Arena

Event Description: Horse Show

Estimated Attendance: 35-40 Fee: Non-paying event

CV-19 Modifications: No Bleachers, Mandatory Masks & Social Distancing

Happy Treading Trail Race

Feb 21 **Outdoor Trails**

Event Description: Cross Country Race

Estimated Attendance: 150 Fee: \$400.00

CV-19 Modifications: Mandatory Masks & Social Distancing

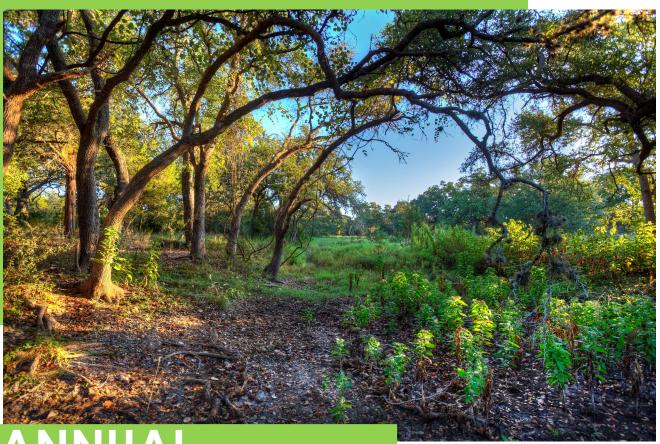
Alamo Toy Dog Agility Trials

Feb 25-28 Small Indoor Arena **Event Description: Dog Agility Trials**

Estimated Attendance: 100 Fee: \$1,012.50

CV-19 Modifications: Mandatory Masks & Social Distancing





ANNUAL REPORT 2020

City of Dripping Springs Parks & Community Services

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PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES – 2020

REFLECTING – A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



What can we say about 2020? The year began for the Dripping Springs Parks and Community Services department with such big plans and aspirations. While Covid-19 was a setback for most of our programming goals, community-wide beloved events and department firsts, it was amazing to see what a little creativity, adaptability and 'stick-to-it-ness" achieved, despite the obstacles!

Transition, transition, transition! The Parks and Community Services department (PCS) transitioned many staff personnel at the wrap of 2019 and throughout 2020. The department replaced its Director, the Event Center Manager, the Event Center Coordinator and two full-time Ranch Hands. There was also new position creation with the addition of five (f) positions: DSRP Lead Ranch Hand (FT), DSRP Ranch Hand (FT), DSRP Ranch Hand (PT), DSRP Guest Services Coordinator (FT) and the Parks and Community Services Events and Programs Specialist now Coordinator (FT). All told, staff marketed for, screened and interviewed for six (6) new City of Dripping Springs employees as well as 15 seasonal summer Aquatics team members. Whew!

The increase in city personnel and limited office space to house said employees within City Hall motivated and inspired a relocation of the Parks and Community Services Administrative team to the vacant Harrison Ranch House. The house's interior was cleaned, lightly renovated, and painted. This location is spacious and graciously provides the benefit of direct community access to the PCS team. It is a great opportunity to be out in one of the City's most popular parks. While not the easiest location to find or access now, the PCS team is motivated (once the pandemic subsides) to broadcast widely their new location and availability to the Dripping Springs community.

In March, amidst the throes of pandemic uncertainty and budget authoring priorities, Hays County established a Parks and Open Space Advisory Commission (POSAC) and announced a call for projects. Staff was given less than thirty (30) days to produce and present projects with funding needs that would align with and achieve the prioritized objectives for the Dripping Springs area outlined in the 2012 Hays County Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan. The charge of the Commission was to receive project proposals and score them based on a predetermined measurement matrix. The highest-ranking projects would be named in a November Bond measure. Dripping Springs had such a project on hold for nearly a decade due to lack of access, monetary and staff resources. Rathgeber Natural Resource Park, a dedicated 300-acre parcel of land and component of the Headwaters master planned neighborhood development had been static, awaiting a funding opportunity.

Staff partnered with Dripping Springs Skate Park organizers and co-presented their respective projects to POSAC on May 13, 2020 along with several other municipalities and non-profit organizations. On July 28, 2020 the Hays County POSAC presented their project recommendations to the Hays County Commissioners Court. Both Rathgeber Natural Resource Park and the Dripping Springs Skate Park were named as worthy of funding. Rathgeber was Tier 1 (defined as Very Best; highly recommend funding at some level) and Skate Park Tier 2 (defined as Very good; strong recommendation to fund at some level). The bond measure passed by an unprecedented 70%. At the December 8, 2020, City Council meeting, Rathgeber Natural Resource Park was deeded to the City of Dripping Springs.

Coyote Kids Nature Day Camp was slated to be introduced to the Dripping Springs Community in all its glory. However, out of an abundance of caution staff changed the format from in-person to virtual. While not the ideal first summer for what is certain to become a treasured annual experience for our Dripping Springs kiddos, it was extremely well delivered by Camp Director Maggie Peterson and well received by her campers and parents.

The Dripping Springs Park System was improved by a myriad of budgeted capital improvements. Many multi-year projects such as the sports field lighting upgrades at Sports and Recreation Park and drainage issues at Dripping Springs Ranch Park made great progress. Many other projects and accomplishments are detailed further in this report.

The PCS team would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to Mayor Bill Foulds, Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian, and Councilmembers Todd Purcell, Wade King, Travis Crow and April Harris Allison for their support and leadership throughout the year. A special thank you to City Administrator, Michelle Fischer for her unwavering consistent guidance and unparalleled public service-centric leadership! Also, a SHOUT OUT to all other city departments for their continued support, teamwork and collaboration - we couldn't do it without you!

MISSION, COMMISSIONS, & BOARDS

DEPARTMENT MISSION & BACKGROUND

In 2017 the City of Dripping Springs Parks, Recreation & Open Space department was changed to Parks and Community Services and the scope expanded. However, the mission statement and logo remained reflective of the former department directive and scope. In an effort to define the department so that branding and mission aligned with scope, the Parks and Recreation Commission voted unanimously on January 6, 2020 to adopt a new mission statement and department logo.

Former Department Mission Statement & Logo - 2007-2019

"Preserving Texas Hill Country for its people and their recreation and leisure, for its history and sense of place, and for its beauty and open spaces."



New Department Mission Statement & Logo - 2020

"It is our mission to foster community by preserving parks and open space, by connecting people to our natural resources and cultural history and by offering engaging programs and events."



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Parks & Community Services Commission & Board Members 2020

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Robbie Zamora, Chair Eric Russell, Vice Chair Amber Ballman Matthew Fougerat Eric Henline Wade King

Matthew Zarbough

FOUNDERS DAY COMMISSION

Jake Adams, Vice Chair Susan Warwick, Secretary Darrell Debish Brian Daniel Martin Garza

Sharon Goss

Clinton Holtzendorf

Dee Marsh

Michael Monaghan

Jeff Shindler

Brad Thomas

Brian Varnell

DRIPPING SPRINGS RANCH PARK BOARD

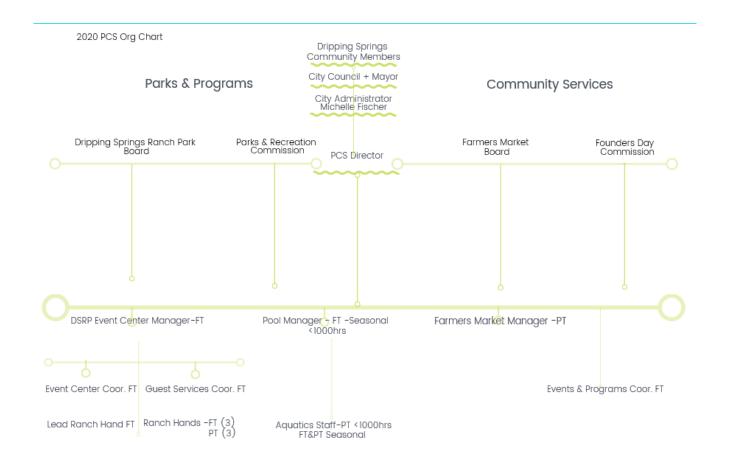
Terry Polk, Vice Chair Pam Owens. Secretary Mike Carroll Penny Reeves FARMERS MARKET BOARD

Marianne Simmons, VC
Teresa Strube, Secretary
Nikki Dahlin
Janet Musgrove
Teresa Strube

David Vincent Claudia Oney

Vacant

PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES TEAM



Director, Parks & Community Services Department – Kelly Schmidt (FT)

Manager, DSRP Event Center – Tina Adams (FT)

Manager, Farmers Market - Laurel Robinson (PT)

Manager, Pool – Emily Long (FT - Seasonal)

Coordinator, DSRP Event Center - Emily Nelson (FT)

Coordinator, DSRP Guest Services - Lily Sellers (FT)

Coordinator, Programs & Events – Maggie Peterson (FT)

Ranch Hand, Lead – Nick Spillar (FT)

Ranch Hand, Sheri Kapanka (FT)

Ranch Hand, Noah Tresselt (FT)

Ranch Hand, Riley Sublett (FT)

Ranch Hand, Thomas Carroll (PT)

Lifeguard, Head - Mick Bailey (PT, Seasonal)

Lifeguard, Head - Emma Cunningham (PT, Seasonal)

Lifeguard, Clayton Appleman (PT, Seasonal)

Lifeguard, Gwen Bailey (PT, Seasonal)

Lifeguard, Thomas Carroll (PT, Seasonal)

Lifeguard, Oscar Del Castillo (PT, Seasonal)

Lifeguard, Ryan Kethley (PT, Seasonal)

Lifeguard, Alexa McGilvry (PT, Seasonal)

Lifeguard, Abby Wingrin (PT, Seasonal)

COMMUNITY PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS & BUSINESSES

It takes a village...Throughout the year the Parks and Community Services department relies heavily on partnerships with community non-profits and businesses to assist us with fulfilling our mission. Together we are successful in our collaborative efforts to serve the Dripping Springs Community. Depicted below are partners that helped to elevate the PCS department's services in 2020. We are so thankful for their support.



Destination Dripping Springs Visitors Bureau

Destination Dripping Springs partnered with the Parks and Community Services Department by serving on the Bird City Application Committee. The Visitors Bureau assists PCS in achieving our mission by dedicating staff to serve on the DSRP Board, serving as a liaison for the City's Film Friendly City designation, and working toward obtaining our Music Friendly designation.



Dripping Springs Ag Boosters

Dripping Springs Ag Boosters is an essential partner of Dripping Springs Event Center. This organization is the key co-sponsor for the City of Dripping Springs' Annual Rodeo. Its mission is to preserve the cultural heritage of the Dripping Springs Community through our youth.



Dripping Springs Lions Club

Christmas on Mercer is an annual event that was successfully held in 2020. The partnership between Lions Club and the City of Dripping Springs evolves each year to produce an even better event than the year prior and 2020 was no exception. While extra precautions were taken to adhere to CDC guidelines toward preventing the spread of Covid-19, the level of joy and Christmas spirit that the event created was not hindered this year.



Dripping Springs Mountain Bike Club

Dripping Springs Ranch Park (DSRP) is training home to the Dripping Springs Youth Mountain Bike Club. Through a park use agreement, the club provides an outlet for the youth of Dripping Springs to learn how to mountain bike and become passionate about the sport. They also learn the importance of trail etiquette as the DSRP park trails are utilized by hikers and horseback riders alike. Over the year the team practices every Tuesday & Thursday on the trails at DSRP and donate volunteer hours to the upkeep and care of the trails.



Dripping Springs Skate Park Initiative

Fundraising for community skate park and partnering with PCS for POSAC presentation and to host weekly skate night at Dripping Springs Ranch Park Event Center.



Dripping Springs Youth Sports Association

Partners with the Parks and Community Services Department by using city parks to provide a competitive youth sports recreation program. Their offerings include youth baseball, football, flag football, cheerleading, volleyball, softball, lacrosse, basketball, and soccer.



Hays County Livestock Board

Each year the Dripping Springs Ranch Park Event Center is home to the Hays County Livestock Show. This show and the Hays County Livestock Board is an essential partner for the Parks and Community Services Department. Not only does the event assist in the facilitation of the Department's mission for the Dripping Springs Community it improves the quality of life for many families throughout Central Texas. The Hays County Livestock show educates Texas youth on how to responsibly raise market-ready animals. This process instills important life and business values that participants will have for a lifetime.

The Melissa & Amy Team





Melissa & Amy Team

Our 2020 Activity Guide and the Drive-in Movie in the Park were sponsored by the Dripping Springs based Melissa & Amy Team of Realty Austin. There generous sponsorship made both key service delivery components possible. While most were unaware of our inaugural parks and programs guide (due to Covid - 19), fifty (50) families attended our drive-in movie at Dripping Springs Ranch Park on October 30, 2020.



The Pound House Farmstead

The Pound House Farmstead operates out of Founders Memorial Park and elevates the PCS mission by providing a glimpse back in time to slower days in Dripping Springs. While 2020 did not allow for many days of operation, the Pound House continues to "connect people to our cultural history."



Studio Balcones

Studio Balcones is an Austin based firm that partnered with PCS staff to produce the vision plan for Rathgeber Natural Resource Park. They sponsored this plan at no expense to the City. Their team produced a high-quality visual aid that aligned directly with the future mission of the park and allowed for the Hays County POSAC to score the project as a Tier 1 funded project from the 2020 approved Open Space Bond measure.



Texas Master Naturalists (TMN) & Texas Master Gardeners (TMG)

Even during the first summer of Covid-19, TMN & TMG continued to devote much relied upon expertise and "boots on the ground" dedication to our parks and programs. TMN & TMG representatives served on the Bird City Application Committee and provided invaluable contributions. TMN held monthly workdays (when appropriate and restrictions permitted) at both Dripping Springs Ranch Park and at Charro Ranch Park. Site coordinator began providing monthly reports that allow the PCS Director to better record the volunteer hours being contributed each year and approve/track the work being done.



Tiger Splash

Partners with PCS department to provide a Texas Amateur Athletic Federation Summer Recreational Swim Team program at Founders Memorial Pool. This program was canceled in 2020 due to Covid -19.



Wild Birds Unlimited Wild Bird Unlimited partnered with the PCS team on the Bird City Application Committee and dedicated several hours throughout the year toward meetings that produced an incredible collaborative application submittal.

PARKS & COMPLETED PROJECTS

CHARRO RANCH PARK - 64 Acres

- ADA ramp added to the pavilion.
- Trail rerouting to mitigate erosion completed.
- Kiosk updated and painted.
- Bird identification exhibit updated (still in production).
- Oak wilt mitigated with trenching and herbicide.
- Completed Trail Map Planning Department collaboration.

DRIPPING SPRINGS RANCH PARK - 130 Acres

- Engineered Dam improvement project completed.
- Trees planted on ridge between Harrison Hills and DSRP.
- Engineered drawings completed for Ranch Park Road improvements and phased implementation budget authored.
- Ranch House interior renovation.
- Gaga ball pit acquired and installed.
- Wooden picnic tables painted white and placed throughout park.
- 10 additional RV hookups installed.
- Electrical upgrades and additional outlets installed at the Event Center.
- Event Center addition completed and opened for business.
- Split pipe fencing painted black and cable restrung. Half completed.

FOUNDERS MEMORIAL PARK - 40 Acres

- Founders pool complex chain-link fencing replaced with Commerical grade black iron picket fencing. Expanded pool deck interior with fencing to include a gathering area for pool parties. Installed new picnic tables inside the pool complex.
- Founders pool was re-plastered.
- New picnic tables installed in Founders Pavilion.
- Wifi installed at Founders pool complex.
- First Dedication Bench installed along new pedestrian trail connecting park to surrounding neighborhoods.
- Pool house septic system decommissioned, and facility is now hooked up to sewer.

SPORTS AND RECREATION PARK - 40 Acres

- Sports field lighting replacement project engineered drawings completed and proposed phased implementation budget created by EMA Engineering and Musco Lighting. Lighting plan submitted to International Dark Sky Association for certification.
- Perimeter trail extension completed, and runoff/puddling/erosion mitigated with concrete at naturally occurring low water crossing trail.

RATHGEBER NATURAL RESOURCE PARK - 300 Acres

- Sourced a firm (Studio Balcones) to author and create a vision plan for Rathgeber Natural Resource Park (pro-bono). Developed a vision plan and preliminary phased budget to serve as key supplemental material submission that lead to being named by Hays County POSAC as a Tier 1 project with possible funding of up 7.6 million for park development.
- Co-lead with Robert Ellis (Dick Rathgeber's grandson) several stakeholder tours of Rathgeber Natural Resource park.
- Obtained letters of support from Capital Area Boy Scouts, Free Hold Communities, Dripping Springs Independent School District, Destination Dripping Springs and Hays County Master Naturalists

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK – 1.947 Acres

• No updates to Veterans Memorial Park

COMMUNITY RECREATION PROGRAMS

Coyote Kids Nature Camp - Virtual - (Fee Based)

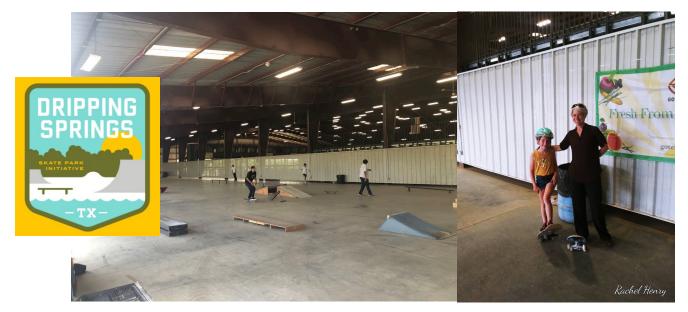


Camp Director/Program & Events Coordinator- Maggie Peterson

While Coyote Kids was not able to happen in-person in 2020 Maggie, did an incredible job stepping up to the challenge of putting together a virtual program, within a short amount of time. The program consisted of 5 thematic weeks of zoom calls and guided activities. Maggie personally delivered camper activity bags to their homes each week of camp. The program provided nature-based activities for 42 kids over the summer.



DSRP Skate Night – Wednesdays in 2020, 5pm-7pm Drop-in (Free)



Skate night sees on average of twenty (20) participants each week and is completely run by adult volunteers. The program provides approximately 2080 hours of recreational activity annually.

DSRP EVENT CENTER





Categories	Budgeted	Actual	
Annual Memberships Sold	80		
Total Day Passes & Fees Collected	\$1000	Qty 128 \$1,135	
Stall Rentals	\$22,000	Qty 514 \$19,886	
RV Site Rentals (actual includes RV Dump fees Qty 76)	\$22,500	Qty 200 \$12,090	
Total Facility Rentals	\$165,000	\$43,456	

FOUNDERS MEMORIAL POOL



Due to Covid-19 the Founders Memorial Pool season was restricted to June 29, 2020 - August 16, 2020. No events or Tiger Splash recreational swim team were permitted.

Total Pool Rentals		5		
Total Pavilion Rentals		5		
	Sign Up Activity			
Total Summer Public Swim Sign-Ups	Total Slots: Filled Slots: Available Slots: % Filled: Note: Items with unlimited quantity are this graph.	4176 2453 1723 58.74% not included in	41.3%	FilledAvailable

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, all pool business operations were managed through Sign-up Genius internet platform and was contactless. The concession stand was converted into an administrative office for Founders Park and Pool customer service and business operations.

COMMUNITY SERVICES - CITY WIDE EVENTS

Dripping Springs Farmers Market – Year-round Weekly Event



During 2020 the Dripping Springs Farmers Market was declared an essential city service by the Mayor of Dripping Springs. The Market served the community as a direct lifeline to locally sourced fresh produce, baked goods, and meats. The success of the market and its declaration was a direct result of the Farmers Market Manager's tenacity, dedication, and determination.





Total Number of Vendor Booths

Budgeted Revenue	\$71,912
Actual Revenue	\$65,822
Budgeted Expenses	\$71,912
Actual Expenses	\$59 864



Founders Day Festival – Co-Sponsorship with DS Lions Club – Spring event



Founders Day was scheduled for April 24-26, 2020. However, with the Covid-19 pandemic in full escalation at the time, the Commission unanimously voted to cancel the event for the 2020 year.

Dripping Springs Fair & Rodeo – Co-Sponsorship with DS Ag Boosters – Spring Event moved to October



Estimated Total Number of Attendants	1200
Number of Vendors	N/a
Event Expenses	\$28,000
Event Revenue Sponsorship \$40,000 Ticket Sales \$12,000	\$52,000
City Revenue	\$7,900



Christmas on Mercer - Co-Sponsorship with Dripping Springs Lions Club



Estimated Total Number of Attendants	2000
Number of Vendors	47
Event Revenue – Sponsorships \$4750 Booths \$4750	\$9500
Event Expenses	\$6064
Lions Club Revenue	\$3386
City Revenue — 25% of Booth revenue	\$1175



CITY INITIATIVES & VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



On December 3, 2020, the City of Dripping Springs and its collaborative Bird City Application Committee applied to become a designated Texas Bird City. The application process was arduous. To successfully complete the application, it took a team of eight (8). The Bird City committee was comprised of city staff, DS Visitors Bureau staff, a Hays County Master Naturalist, a Hays County Master Gardener, and a PRC Commissioner. The team met monthly for over a five (5) month period while tackling all activities to meet or exceed the various requirements of the application.

Fall Sweep, a requirement to maintain our Keep Texas Beautiful affiliation was held on December 22, 2020. Maggie Peterson, Events & Programs Coordinator was able to draw a small group of 25 participants to assist with beautifying the downtown area while employing social distancing and adhering to Covid-19 safety precaution measures.









International Dark Sky Association designation initiative was extremely prolific this year with passionate involvement from not only city staff but the City Administrator and Mayor as well. The Parks and Community Services team played the primary role of support, and created components such as a proclamation designating a community "Lights Out" campaign that supported migratory birding seasons and night sky preservation as well as met a requirement of the Bird City application process.

VOLUNTEER HOURS

In addition to our monthly volunteer Hays County Master Naturalist work groups at Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Charro Ranch Park, on March 11-12, 2020, the Parks and Community Services Team hosted youth volunteer work groups at the parks. We worked with over 150 Junior High and High School youth from Dripping Springs and the surrounding area to beautify park grounds and amenities. The PCS department also benefited from the completion of 1 Eagle Scout project (Entrance Sign to Sports and Recreation Park), 1 Silver Award Girl Scout project (renovated kiosk at Charro Ranch Park), and 1 Junior Girl Scout troop habitat improvement project at Dripping Springs Ranch Park.

COMMUNITY SERVICE - CO-SPONSORSHIPS & PERMITS

The Community Services component of the department focuses on event co-sponsorship/Triangle banner displays (located at the intersection of RR12 & HWY 290) and various permits.

Co-Sponsorships

Cancelled due to Covid -19 precautions
Held prior to Covid precautions in place, or in a modified way

Event Date & Name	Co-Sponsorships	Event Date & Name	Co-Sponsorships
2.15.2020 - Washer Tournament	DSHS Baseball Boosters	4.4.2020 - Rainwater Revival & Hill Country Living moved to October virtual event	Hill Country Alliance
Multiple Dates - Dripping with Taste	DS Visitors Bureau	4.24-4.26,2020 – Founders Day	Founders Day Commission
3.5.2020 - An Evening of Jazz	DSHS Band Boosters	5.1 – 5.2.2020 -Red Arena Round-up	Red Arena
3.7.2020 - YMCA Resource Fair	Springs Family YMCA	2020 DSRP Riding Series	City of Dripping Springs
3.13 &4.10 - Fish Fry	Knights of Columbus Council	9.4.2020 – Enrollment Banner	DS Christian Academy
3.21.2020 - From the Hills with Love	Plum Creek Sound Events, LLC	11.1.2020 – Virtual Empty Bowls	Helping Hands
3.28&3.29.2020 – Spring Wildflower Mkt	Texas Market Guide	12.5.2020 – Christmas on Mercer	Lions Club

Banner Displays

January	Hays County Livestock Show DS Chamber Star Awards DSHS Baseball Booster Club Washer Tournament				
February	Central Texas Arabian Horse Association Show Evening of Jazz From the Hills with Love YMCA				
March	Community Resource Fair Knights of Columbus Fish Fry				
April					
May	DSVB Drippin' with Support all in Y'all				
June	1				
July	Central Texas Arabian Horse Association Show Census Banner Shop Local				
August	Buy Local DS Chamber Census Banner Shop Local Buy Local DS Chamber Hill Country				
September	Harvest Market Destination Dripping Springs				
October	Hill Country Harvest Market DS Christian Academy Enrollment Chili/Salsa Cook-off – DS Cook- Off Club Destination Dripping Springs PCS Drive-in Movie Banner Pumpkin Patch Moved banner				
November	23 rd Annual Virtual Empty Bowls Christmas on Mercer Shop Small Saturday – DS Chamber Shop Local				
December	Buy Local DS Chamber Shop Local - CoDS				

Permits

Most of the permits the PCS department issues are related to events within city limits or activities in the parks. The following reflects permits issued in 2020.

QTY	Type of Permit
0	Business Operations in City Park Permits
2	Events on City Property or within City Limits Permits
7	Filming Permits
4	Itinerant Vendor Licenses
3	Road Closure Permits

PROCLOMATIONS & RESOLUTIONS

Proclamations

MAY 12 - Lynne Dickenson Day

JULY - Parks & Recreation Month

MARCH - MAY Lights Out Migratory Months

OCTOBER - Hill Country Night Sky Month

Resolutions

May 8 - World Migratory Bird Day



"Parks and Recreation Month"

WHEREAS, parks and recreation programs are an integral part of country, including the city of Dripping Springs and

WHEREAS, the City of Dripping Springs recognizes the benefits derived from parks and recreation

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the City Council of Dripping Springs, Texas:

- That the Dripping Springs City Council proclaims July 2020 as "Parks and Recreation Month" in the City of Dripping Springs.



"Hill Country Night Sky Month"

WHEREAS, the aesthetic beauty and wonder of star-filled skies are the heritage of all humankind and lo to the inhabitants of Dripping Springs and are therefore worthy of celebration; and

WHEREAS, the opportunity to view star-filled skies attracts tourists to our region and therefore ec-benefit to Dripping Springs; and

WHEREAS, the historical view of the night skies has been eroding in many nearby a growing up with limited, if any, view of the wonders of the universe; and

WHEREAS, this regional effort and the preservation and celebration of our night skies is worthy of a ma

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the City Council of Dripping Springs, Texas

- October 2020 shall hereafter be known as "Hill Country Night Sky Month" in Dripping Springs, Hays County, Texas.
- That the City Council encourages citizens to enjoy the night sky and to participate in the Dripping Spring and the Hill County region's events and programs celebrating the night sky and promoting the ways in which communities are working to preserve it.



PROCLAMATION

OF THE CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS PROCLAIMING AUGUST - OCTOBER 2020 AND MARCH - MAY 2021 AS

"Lights Out Migratory Months

WHEREAS, the Audubon National Lights Out Program was established in 1999 in Chicago, Illinois was organized to protect bords from hight pollution; and

WHEREAS, the Lights Out Program encourages businesses and community members to turn off exterior lights within a designated timeframe during migratory months to reduce light pollution providing safe, natural migration routes for birds; and

WHEREAS, 1 of every 3 birds migrating through the U.S. in spring passes through Texas, ms approximately one billion birds travel through the state annually; and

WHEREAS, the lights Out Program, once proclaimed, will be listed as an official partner program on the Audubon website alongside other cities offering the program.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the City Council of Dripping Springs. Texas

- August through October and March through May shall hereafter be known as "Lights Out Migratory Months" in Dripping Springs, Hays County, Texas.



WHEREAS, Lynne Dickinson has dedicated XX years to the City of Dripping Spring exhibited Public Service Excellence in Leadership and Customer Service; and

WHEREAS, Lynne Dickinson served as an instrumental voice in the creation and developmen of the Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center; and

has exhibited Excellence in Customer Service to the community ngs and patrons of the Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event

WHEREAS, the City Council of Dripping Springs recognizes Lynne Dio

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the City Council of Dripping Springs

- The City Council calls upon all residents of Dripping Springs to recogn Lynne's contribution to the community and Excellence in Public Service.

CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS

RESOLUTION No. 2020-R52

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS, RECOGNIZING THE SECOND SATURDAY IN MAY EACH YEAR AS WORLD MIGRATORY BIRD DAY AND AUTHORIZING THE BIRD CITY COALITION AND APPROPRIATE CITY STAFF TO CONTINUE PURSUIT OF CERTIFICATION IN THE TEXAS "BIRD CITY" PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALING CLAUSE; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, migratory birds are some of the most beautiful and easily observed wildlife that share our communities; and

WHEREAS, these migrant species also play an important economic role in our community, controlling insect pests and generating millions in recreational dollars statewide; and

WHEREAS, migratory birds and their habitats are declining throughout the Americas, facing a growing number of threats on their migration routes and in both their summer and winter homes; and

WHEREAS, public awareness and concern are crucial components of migratory bird conservation; and

WHEREAS, citizens enthusiastic about birds, informed about the threats they face, and empowered to help address those threats can directly contribute to maintaining healthy bird populations; and

WHEREAS, since 1993 World Migratory Bird Day (formerly International Migratory Bird Day) has become a primary vehicle for focusing public attention on the nearly 350 species that travel between nesting habitats in our communities and throughout North America and their wintering grounds in South and Central American, Mexico, the Caribbean, and the southern U.S.; and

WHEREAS, hundreds of thousands of people will observe WMBD, gathering in town squares, community centers, schools, parks, nature centers, and wildlife refuges to learn about birds, take action to conserve them, and simply to have fun; and

WHEREAS, while WMBD is annually recognized on a single day, its encouraged that planners and city staff schedule activities and events on dates throughout the year best suited to the presence of both migratory bird conservation, but also a call to action; and

WHEREAS, the City parks and Recreation Commission voted on November 2, 2020 to recommend the City Council recognize the annual celebration of World Migratory Bird Day by Resolution.

MARKETING & OUTREACH

Print

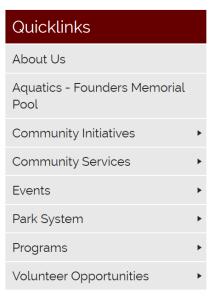


Parks & Community Services 2020 Spring/Summer Activity Guide

The Parks and Community Services department published and direct mailed its first activity guide. This publication serves as incredible branding for the department, a resource for community members and a reference tool for staff located in one comprehensive catalog. Unfortunately, much of its content was altered or canceled because of Ccovid-19, but it was a good first run and is surely to become a treasured on-going publication.

Website

The Parks & Community Services primary department's on-line presence in 2019 - 2020 was through the City's website & social media platforms such as Facebook. Shortly after the department's logo was created staff also created a primary PCS department Facebook page and a City LinkedIn page as well. Staff is continually developing the website presence to present a more professional functional and community resource. Originally, the PCS portion of the City's website consisted of 2 pages, it now offers an expansive variety of pages and serves as a viable resource of information for community members and visitors.















The websiste pages are a work in-progress. The full build-out and service functionality are at 75% completion. We anticipate this dynamic service delivery tool to evolve as the needs of the community are made more evident over time.

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Social Media

The department currently has 6 Facebook pages. Facebook pages aid in featuring department operations, programs, facilities, and events. These information dissemination outlets are instrumental branding tools the department relies upon daily. They are managed in collaboration with the City's Communications Director. The LinkedIn page was primarily created to serve as a recruitment platform and solidify the city and its various departments as competitive and equal in sophistication and organization among other local governments. A 2021 goal is to create and manage a PCS Instagram account in addition to current platforms.

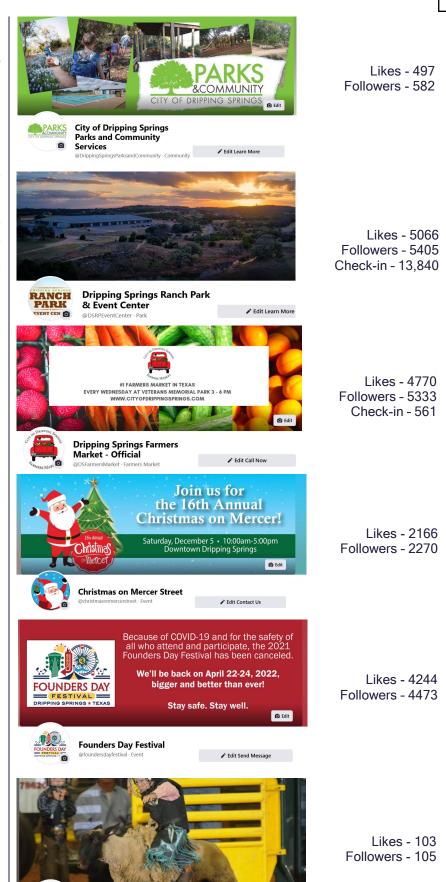




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Dripping Springs Fair and

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PCS DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

The PCS Department worked closely with the Finance Department throughout the year to complete budgeted improvement projects and remain fiscally repsonsible while adhering to the Council-approved FY2020 budget. Although 2020 was an unusual year due to Covid-19 and operations were not bsuiness as usual, the staff managed to provide services for the Dripping Springs Community as safely as possible and stay within fiscal paramters set for them. The department is responsible for the oversight of 5 (five) funds within the PCS Budget: General Fund (PCS Administrative Operations, Parks, Founders Pool, Community Services, Events, Seasonal Staff Payroll), Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center, Dripping Springs Farmers Market Fund, Parkland Dedication Fund, and the Ag Facility Fund. The department has access to a Landscaping Fund (when applicable),

*General Fund 2020		
General Fund	Budget	Actual
Revenue	\$285,100	\$218,026
Expenditures	\$500,545	\$297,469

Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center Fund 2020						
DSRP Budget Actual						
Revenue	\$532,573	\$417,466				
Expenditures	\$514,475	\$403,591				

*Farmers Market Fund 2020		
Farmers Market	Budget	Actual
Revenue	\$33,970	\$65,822
Expenditures	\$39,949	\$59,864

Parkland Dedication Fund 2020	
Revenue	\$281,262
Expenditures	\$147,727

Ag Facility Fund 2020	
Revenue	\$17,605
Expenditures	\$12,180

^{*}These funds include seasonal and part-time employee payroll. Seasonal Aquatics Staff – Budgeted at \$72,308.00 | Actual at \$28,179. Part-time Farmers Market Manager Budgeted at \$29,900 | Actual at \$23,485.

NOTABLE MENTIONS | PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS



Farmers Market Manager Laurel Robertson was named Texas Recreation & Park Society's Part-time Employee of the Year – Central Texas Region. She was selected above numerous other submissions across Central Texas for her outstanding work and dedication to the Farmers Market. Laurel navigated obtaining a designation of "Essential City Service" during the original acceleration of Covid-19 Pandemic in March and managed an extremely elevated shopping environment.

In January Maggie Peterson, Programs and Events Coordinator attended a special training held by Bat Conservation International at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center. This specialized training will permit the PCS department to eventually hold special programs related specifically to bats. This training provided a networking opportunity to meet bat conservationist professionals that the department may eventually partner with to offer bat conservation community educational programs.





In November, PCS Director Kelly Schmidt was named to the National Association of Park Foundations' Board of Directors. Very preliminary conversations have begun with the Dripping Springs Parks & Recreation Commission around exploring the creation of a Friends of Dripping Springs Parks Foundation to benefit the Dripping Springs Park System.

The Dripping Springs Parks and Community Services department employs industry best practices by operating under the goal of continual professional development and striving to be best in industry. The staff achieve this by staying involved with industry specific professional organizations and their educational opportunities and certifications. Listed below are professional organizations the department holds memberships in and are professionally associated with. It's also important to note certifications achieved by staff and educational opportunities obtained in 2020.

International Dark Sky Association	Texas Recreation and Parks Society	National Recreation & Parks Association
The National Association of Park Foundations	Texas Public Pool Council	American Camp Association
Texas Festivals and Events Association	The League of Agricultural & Equine Centers	American Red Cross Authorized Provider

- DSRP Ranch Hands Certifications/Trainings Skid Steer Loader Training & Ag Safety Cert
- DSRP Ranch Hands & Event Center Manager Attended TRAPS Annual Maintenance Rodeo
- PCS Staff Required FEMA Trainings
- PCS Director Attended NRPA Annual Virtual Conference | (Earned CEU credits to maintain CPRP certification)
- PCS Director Attended TRAPS Annual Institute and Expo | (Earned CEU credits to maintain CPRP certification)
- Programs & Events Coordinator Attended NRPA Virtual Conference
- Programs & Events Coordinator Attended regional American Camp Association workshop







Physical Address: 1042 Event Center Dr. – Ranch House Mailing Address: PO Box 384, Dripping Springs, TX 78620 Phone: 512-894-2400 | parks@cityofdrippingsprings.com

DSRP Operating Fund Income Statement For the Three Months Ending December 31, 2020

	Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget
Revenues	Actual	Duaget	Actual	Duaget
Riding Series \$	6,370.00 \$	7,416.67 \$	16,440.01 \$	22,250.01
Fair and Rodeo Profit	7,900.00	0.00	7,900.00	0.00
General Donations	12.00	0.00	13.00	0.00
Cleaning Fees	50.00	833.33	825.00	2,499.99
Staff Fees	450.00	333.33	625.00	999.99
Horse Riding Permits	440.00	833.33	2,499.24	2,499.99
Interest Income	29.83	83.33	70.44	249.99
Other Income	140.00	83.33	3,515.00	249.99
Field Rental	975.00	0.00	1,275.00	0.00
Miscellaneous Fees	1,005.00	0.00	1,095.00	0.00
Indoor Arena Rental	975.00	0.00	6,000.00	0.00
Event Facility Rental	0.00	9,333.33	0.00	27,999.99
RV Site Rental	1,400.00	1,500.00	8,225.00	4,500.00
Stall Rental Outdoor Arena	1,806.00 750.00	1,833.33 0.00	11,309.99 1,950.00	5,499.99 0.00
Equipment Rental	202.00	416.67	952.00	1,250.01
Special Event Room Rental	900.00	0.00	900.00	0.00
Merchandise Sales	1,692.00	1,250.00	9,136.00	3,750.00
NA Small Event Room	(550.00)	0.00	1,100.00	0.00
Small Indoor Arena	0.00	0.00	862.00	0.00
NA Concession	(200.00)	0.00	50.00	0.00
DSRP Concessions	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	0.00
TXF from HOT	0.00	5,606.30	0.00	16,818.90
DSRP Sponsorship	200.00	0.00	3,700.00	0.00
TXF from Ag Facility Fund	0.00	2,146.67	5,425.00	6,440.01
Total Revenues	24,546.83	31,669.62	86,367.68	95,008.86
Expenses				
Advertising	0.00	58.33	0.00	174.99
Bank Fees	372.41	0.00	1,701.88	0.00
DSRP ON CALL	0.00	866.67	400.00	2,600.01
Training and Education	226.58	416.67	226.58	1,250.01
Stall Cleaning	0.00	166.67	0.00	500.01
Grounds Maintenance	800.00	0.00	6,350.00	0.00
General Maintenance & Repairs	1,406.46	5,000.00	7,753.28	15,000.00
Dues, Fees and Subscriptions	293.08	498.62	393.08	1,495.86
Network/Communications	821.40	1,166.67	1,694.74	3,500.01
Riding Series	5,258.98	4,083.33	10,361.57	12,249.99
Merchandise Supplies	0.00	583.33	4,797.00	1,749.99
DSRP Improvements	0.00	2,166.67	0.00	6,500.01
Other Expense	42.10	1,708.33	64.10	5,124.99
Mileage	0.00	41.67	0.00	125.01
Alarm	420.00	0.00	1,830.00	0.00
Propane/Gas Electric	241.50 4,103.76	250.00 5,000.00	299.49 15,039.71	750.00
Water	686.75	833.33	1,907.52	15,000.00 2,499.99
Supplies	1,584.72	2,500.00	3,690.05	7,500.00
Office Equipment and Supplies	1,590.69	425.00	2,999.77	1,275.00
TXF to HCLE	0.00	1,100.00	0.00	3,300.00
Portable Toilets	65.00	0.00	195.00	0.00
Equipment Maintenance	1,936.75	2,083.33	3,846.29	6,249.99
Equipment	0.00	858.33	0.00	2,574.99
Equipmental Rental	0.00	83.33	0.00	249.99
Fleet Maintenance	107.54	208.33	136.74	624.99
Contingencies	0.00	4,166.67	0.00	12,500.01
Total Expenses	19,957.72	34,265.28	63,686.80	102,795.84

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DSRP Operating Fund Income Statement For the Three Months Ending December 31, 2020

	Current Month Actual	Current Month Budget	Year to Date Actual	Year to Date Budget
Net Income	\$ 4,589.11	\$ (2,595.66)	\$ 22,680.88	\$ (7,786.98)

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City of Dripping Springs GENERAL FUND

Item 8.

General Ledger
For the Period From Dec 1, 2020 to Dec 31, 2020
Filter Criteria includes: 1) IDs from 30046P to 30046P. Report order is by ID. Report is printed with shortened descriptions and in Detail Format.

Account ID Account Description	Date	Reference	Jrnl	Trans Description	Debit Amt	Credit Amt	Balance	
30046P Ag Facility Fund			Beginning Balance			-10,325.00		
Ag Facility Fund	12/31/20			Ending Balance			-10,325.00	