



PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City of Dripping Springs

**Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St,
Dripping Springs, TX**

Monday, February 07, 2022 at 6:00 PM

Agenda

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Commission Members

Eric Russell, Chair
Eric Henline, Vice Chair
Kristy Caldwell
Matthew Fougerat
Paul Fushille
Wade King
Tara Satine
Matthew Zarbaugh

Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials

Parks & Community Services Director Kelly Schmidt
Programs & Aquatics Manager Mack Rusick
City Secretary Andrea Cunningham

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.

MINUTES

- 1. Discuss and consider approval of the December 6, 2021, Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes.**

BUSINESS

- 2. Discuss and consider recommendation regarding a Use Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Tiger Splash TAAF Swim Team related to use of the Founders Memorial Park Pool for the 2022 swim season. Sponsor: Council Member King.**

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.

- 3. Parks & Community Services' 2021 Annual Report**
Kelly Schmidt, Parks & Community Services 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.

- 4. Charro Ranch Park Committee**
Commissioners Paul Fushille and Matt Fougerat
- 5. Dripping Springs Ranch Park Committee**
Commissioners Wade King and Matthew Zarbaugh
- 6. Founders Memorial Park Committee**
Commissioner Eric Henline
- 7. Rathgeber Park Committee**
Commissioners Kristy Caldwell, Paul Fushille and Matthew Fougerat
- 8. Sports & Recreation Park Committee**
Commissioners Eric Russell and Tara Satine
- 9. Veterans Memorial Park Committee**

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.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Parks & Recreation Meetings

March 7, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

April 4, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

May 2, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

February 8, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. (Waivers)

February 15, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. (CC)

February 22, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. (Waivers)

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, on **February 4, 2022, at 3:00 p.m.***

Laura Mueller for City Secretary

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Monday, December 06, 2021 at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

With a quorum of the Commission present, Chair Russell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Commission Members present were:

Eric Russell, Chair
Kristy Caldwell
Paul Fushille
Tara Satine

Commission Members not present were:

Eric Henline, Vice Chair
Matthew Fougerat
Wade King
Matthew Zarbaugh

Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials present were:

Parks & Community Services Director Kelly Schmidt
City Secretary Andrea Cunningham
Council Member Sherrie Parks

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No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

MINUTES

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Satine to approve the November 2, 2021, Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Caldwell seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

BUSINESS

2. **Discuss and consider the Appointment of Commissioners to the Veterans Memorial Park Committee and the Dripping Springs Ranch Park Committee.**

Via unanimous consent, this item was postponed to the January 3, 2022, Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting.

3. **Discuss and consider recommendation regarding the Proposed Dripping Springs Park System's Wayfinding Signage Plan.**

Brent Baker, Managing Principal Studio 16:19, presented the signage plan which is on file.

Kelly Schmidt's staff report is on file.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fushille to approve the Proposed Dripping Springs Park System's Wayfinding Signage Plan as presented. Commissioner Satine seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

4. **Discuss and consider Appointment(s) to City Development Agreement Working Group(s).**

Andrea Cunningham presented the staff report which is on file.

Via unanimous consent, Commissioners Russell and Satine will serve on the Village Grove Development Agreement Working Group.

The Commission will select appointees to the New Growth Development Agreement Working Group at the January 3, 2022, Parks & Recreation Commission regular meeting.

5. **Discuss and consider recommendation regarding a Letter of Support related to the City's Hays County Master Naturalist Firefly Project Grant Funding application and for costs associated with upgrading Charro Ranch Park's native plant demonstration garden.**

Sue Harding with the Hays county Master Naturalist presented the item.

Kelly Schmidt presented the staff report which is on file. Staff recommends approval of the letter of support.

A motion was made by Commissioner Satine to recommend City Council approval of a Letter of Support related to the City's Hays County Master Naturalist Firefly Project Grant Funding application and for costs associated with upgrading Charro Ranch Park's native plant demonstration garden. Commissioner Fushille seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 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.

Report is on file and available for review upon request.

- 6. Parks & Community Services November 2021 Director's Report**
Kelly Schmidt, PCS 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.

- 7. Charro Ranch Park Committee**
Commissioners Paul Fushille and Matt Fougerat
- Working on a possible volunteer project related to native plantings at the park which may include some grant funding.
- 8. Dripping Springs Ranch Park Committee – No report at this time**
Commissioners Wade King and Matthew Zarbaugh
- 9. Founders Memorial Park Committee – No report at this time.**
Commissioner Eric Henline
- 10. Sports & Recreation Park Committee**
Commissioners Eric Russell and Tara Satine
- Need to work on cleaning the volleyball court sand and general trail clean up.
- 11. Veterans Memorial Park Committee – No report at this time.**
- 12. Rathgeber Park Committee**
Commissioners Kristy Caldwell, Paul Fushille and Matthew Fougerat

Kelly Schmidt reported that the baseline easement study is beginning December 17, 2021.

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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 Meetings

January 3, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

February 7, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

March 7, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

City Council Meetings

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

December 14, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. (Exceptions & Waivers)

December 21, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

December 28, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. (Exceptions & Waivers)

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Commissioner Fushille to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Satine seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.



STAFF REPORT
City of Dripping Springs
PO Box 384
511 Mercer Street
Dripping Springs, TX 78602

Submitted By: Kelly Schmidt, Parks & Community Services Director

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting Date: February 7, 2022

Agenda Item Wording: **Discuss and consider recommendation regarding a Use Agreement between the City of Dripping Springs and Tiger Splash TAAF Swim Team related to use of the Founders Memorial Pool for the 2022 swim season.**

Agenda Item Requestor: Mike Lemmonds / Mack Rusick

Summary/Background:In previous years the Tiger Splash Founders Pool Use Agreement presented as complex in components and facilitation. The assessed Facility Use fee was based on a compilation of team enrollment percentage splits, rental fees, and propane reimbursements. At the request of Tiger Splash, city staff revisited the structure of the agreement and is presenting a simpler format that is based on rental fees established in the city’s current fee schedule.

Tiger Splash is requesting a 15% discount off the proposed Use Agreement Fee and free use of the pavilion. The Use Agreement is being presented with a 10% discount off the City’s Fee Schedule and free use of the Pavilion.

The 2022 Use Agreement takes into consideration a simplified approach at agreement execution and fee collection as well.

Changes and updates of significance include:

1. Updated program dates.
2. Exclusive use of the Founders Park pavilion on dates and during times that align with corresponding practices, special meetings, and meets free of charge.
3. Eliminating a rental fee based on enrollment percentage splits and applying established Non-Profit pool rental fee rate from the City’s Current Fee Schedule.
4. Eliminating requirement to reimburse city for propane usage. This is included in facility rental for all renters.
5. Applying City Administrator approved non-profit status and service to community qualifier 10% discount.

6. Total due to City = \$15,300 (with 10% discount) = \$85/hr covering staffing, propane, utilities, and use of pool and pavilion facilities.
7. Promotion of Tiger Splash in Parks and Community Services 2022 annual guide, Facebook page, and Aquatics web page will also be included again.

Staff Recommendation: Recommend approval as presented including formal reserved use of the Founders Park Pavilion at no cost to Tiger Splash.

Deny request from TS for an additional 5% discount on top of already approved additional 10%.

Attachments:

1. 2022 Tiger Splash Founders Memorial Pool Facility Use Agreement
2. Tiger Splash Historical Payment and Terms Tracker

Next Steps/Schedule: Place on the February 15, 2022, City Council Agenda for consideration and approval.

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USE AGREEMENT**Tiger Splash and City of Dripping Springs for Founders Memorial Park Pool**

THIS USE AGREEMENT (the “Agreement”) is entered into by and between the City of Dripping Springs, Hays County, Texas, (the “City”), a general law municipality organized and operating under the general laws of the state of Texas, and Tiger Splash, a registered Texas non-profit organization.

I. RECITALS

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

II. AGREEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants described herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

A. 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.

B. Duties of the City

- a. The City will allow Tiger Splash to use the on-site storage shed at the pool for storing swim meet items.

- b. Tiger Splash shall not operate or allow the sale of concessions without City written approval, which shall be requested in advance of any sale, unless otherwise specifically authorized by this agreement.
- c. The City will allow Tiger Splash to sell coffee and breakfast tacos on Swim Meet Days: May 21, May 28, June 4, June 18, and June 25. Concessionaire's 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)
- d. Costs for heating the pool are covered by the facility rental fee.
- e. A minimum of 2 lifeguards will be present at every swim practice (provided that junior aquatic volunteers are present in the water during practice) and a minimum of 3 lifeguards at every swim meet.

D. Rental Fees and Payment

- a. Total Rental Fee for practices and meets $180\text{hrs} \times \$90/\text{hr} = \$16,200$ as outlined in Exhibit "A".
- b. Additional Lifeguard required at meets $32\text{hrs} \times \$25/\text{hr} = \800 as outlined in Exhibit "A".
- c. Pavilion use for pre-scheduled swim meets, practices, and team social events covered by this Agreement will be provided at no cost to Tiger Splash. (Discount of \$85 per use).
- d. Total Facility Rental Fee due to the City of Dripping Springs is \$17,000 (equivalent to \$94/hr which includes lifeguard staffing, use of the facilities, utilities, propane, and promotion of Tiger Splash in the 2022 Parks and Community Services Guide, website, and social media outlets).
- e. Tiger Splash will receive City Administrator approved 10% off of rental fees due to non-profit status and service to community qualifications.
- f. Payment to the City shall occur in full before the end of the first week of practice or by Friday, May 6, 2022.

E. Access to Facilities

- a. Tiger Splash swim team is permitted access to Founders Memorial Park Pool during reserved times for swim team practices and meets. If a pre-scheduled practice or swim meet time is going to be utilized for a team social event that is not already documented in this

agreement, the use change and supporting details must be communicated at least two weeks in advance, in writing to the Pool Manager to allow for proper staffing and accommodations.

- b. Tiger Splash is permitted to host social events outside the dates detailed in this Agreement. However, the organization will have to reserve amenities and pay the associated fees at the current Fee Schedule rates and terms^[MF1].
- c. In order to provide the safest operational standards, no more than 150 people can be in the facility at one time including swimmers, spectators, and volunteers.
- d. A designated spectator area for families and guests is preferred. The designated location will be in an area that does not prevent ingress or egress around the pool and through the facility.
- e. Tiger Splash shall have access to the Pool for the following times on the following dates as outlined in Exhibit “A” and as follows between Monday, April 25, 2022 – Wednesday, July 20, 2022, and:
 - i. April 25, 2022 - April 26, 2022: Monday & Tuesday, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
 - ii. April 27, 2022 - April 28, 2022: Wednesday & Thursday, 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
 - iii. May 2, 2022 – May 26, 2021: Monday – Thursday, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
 - iv. May 31 , 2022 – July 20, 2022: Monday – Thursday, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 - v. July 19,2021 – July 27, 2021: Monday – Thursday, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 - vi. Five Meet Dates:
 - i. Saturday, May 21, 2022: 6:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
 - ii. Saturday, May 28, 2022: 6:30am – 2:30 p.m.
 - iii. Saturday, June 4, 2022: 6:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
 - iv. Saturday, June 18, 2022: 6:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
 - v. Saturday, June 25, 2022: 6:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
 - vii. Tiger Splash may also have exclusive use of Founders Memorial Park Pavilion for a team social event during practice on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. and on Saturday, June 18, 2022, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- f. If there is an emergency such as inclement weather, public health emergency, or an unforeseen circumstance, the City may decide to close the Pool or limit access to the Pool

on impacted days. If the pool is closed, the City will work with Tiger Splash to reschedule the canceled practice or swim meet date during the season barring that the pool space and staff is available.

- g. Tiger Splash will not have access to the pool Memorial Day, May 31, 2022, or Independence Day, July 4, 2022.

F. It is understood and agreed between the parties that:

- a. 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 the beginning of the terms of this Use Agreement.
- b. It is specifically agreed that nothing herein is intended to convey any real property rights of the Pool to Tiger Splash.
- c. 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.
- d. 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 Programs and Aquatics Manager or the Parks and Community Services Director for the proposed changes.
- e. 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 from time to time adopted or prescribed by the City for the government and management of the Pool.

- F. 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.

- g. Mandatory Disclosures: Texas law requires that vendors make certain disclosures. Prior to the effective date of this Contract, the Contractor must fill out Form 1295, as required by the Texas Ethics Commission, and submit it to the City. The form may be found here: <https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/filinginfo/QuickFileAReport.php>
- h. Tiger Splash shall not assign this Agreement, or any rights, obligations, dates, discounts, or entitlements created under this Agreement to any other person or entity.
- i. Either party may terminate this Agreement without cause upon the terminating party giving the non-terminating party thirty (30) days written notice.
- j. 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.
- k. All notices in connection with this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be considered given as follows:

When delivered personally to the recipient's address as stated in this Agreement; or Five (5) days after being sent by certified mail in the United States mail, with postage prepaid to the recipient's address as stated in this Agreement:

To the City:

City of Dripping Springs
 Attn: City Administrator
 PO Box 384
 Dripping Spring, TX 78620

To Tiger Splash:

Tiger Splash
 Attn: Vice - President
 1521 Kemp Hills Dr.
 Austin, TX 78737

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

- l. This Agreement shall be effective upon final signing by both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The City of Dripping Springs and Tiger Splash have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated.

CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS:

TIGER SPLASH:

Bill Foulds Jr., Mayor

Mike Lemonds, President

Date

Date

ATTEST:

Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary

EXHIBIT A
Tiger Splash 2022 Calendar & Fees Outline

Tiger Splash Calendar

Date	Day	Time	Event	Location
April 25 & 26	Mon & Tues	5:00pm – 8:00pm	JAV Training (6hrs)	Founders Pool
April 27 & 28	Wed & Thurs	5:00pm – 7:00pm	NEW Swimmer Evaluations(4hrs)	Founders Pool
May 2-5	Mon - Thurs	5:00pm – 8:00pm	Practice (12hrs)	Founders Pool
May 9-12	Mon - Thurs	5:00pm – 8:00pm	Practice (12hrs)	Founders Pool
May 16-19	Mon - Thurs	5:00pm – 8:00pm	Practice (12hrs)	Founders Pool
May 19	Thursday	5:00pm – 8:00pm	Kick-Off Swim Party (3hrs)	Founders Pavilion
May 21	Saturday	6:30am - 12:30pm	Time Trials Swim Meet (6hrs)	Founders Pool
May 23-26	Mon - Thurs	5:00pm – 8:00pm	Practice (12hrs)	Founders Pool
May 28	Saturday	6:30am - 2:00pm	Swim Meet & JAV Refresher (7.5)	Founders Pool
May 31-June 2	Tues - Thurs	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Practice (12hrs)	Founders Pool
June 4	Saturday	6:30am - 12:30pm	Home Swim Meet (6)	Founders Pool
June 6-9	Mon - Thurs	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Practice (12hrs)	Founders Pool
June 13-16	Mon - Thurs	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Practice (12hrs)	Founders Pool
June 18	Saturday	6:30am - 12:30pm	Home Swim Meet (6)	Founders Pool
June 20-23	Mon - Thurs	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Practice (12hrs)	Founders Pool
June 23	Thursday	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Team Swim Party (3)	Founders Pavilion
June 25	Saturday	6:30am - 12:30pm	Color Splash Swim Meet (6)	Founders Pool
June 27-30	Mon - Thurs	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Practice (12hrs)	Founders Pool
July 5-7	Tues - Thurs	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Practice (9hrs)	Founders Pool
July 11-14	Mon - Thurs	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Practice (12hrs)	Founders Pool
July 18-20	Mon - Wed	6:00pm - 9:00pm	Practice (9hrs)	Founders Pool

2022 Swim Season Proposed Fee Outline

- Practices & Meets = 180hrs x \$90/hr = \$16,200
- Additional Guard for meets \$25/hr x 32hrs = \$800
- Pavilion Rental for Meets/Practices (\$75/4hr block) 180hrs = \$3375 (Fee Waived)
- TS Equipment and Program Supply On-Site Storage = No Charge
- City Admin Non-profit Discount 10%

Total for season = \$15,300 (= \$85/hr)

(Based on current Fee Schedule + including 10% discount + Lifeguard + Propane + 0 pavilion rental fee)

2021 Swim Season Fee Summary (Comparison)

- Meet Fees = \$1,200.00
- 30% of enrollments = \$9,072 (189 swimmers @ \$160)
- Propane Reimbursement = \$2,014.95 (Council approved discounted payment, TS did not pay actual owed)

Total \$13,486.95

Historical Tiger Splash Agreement Features & Payments

(Information below was gathered from past Use Agreements & Accounting Records)

Agreement Features & Payments	2018	2019	2020 (Season Cancelled)	2021	2022
Dates of Pool Facility Use	Monday April 30 – Wednesday July 25	Monday April 29 – Wednesday July 24	Monday April 27 – Wednesday July 22	Monday April 26 – Wednesday July 21	Monday April 25 – Wednesday July 20
Hours of Pool Facility Use	May 4:30-7:30pm June/July - 6-9pm	April/May – 5-8pm June/July - 6-9pm	April/May – 5-8pm June/July - 6-9pm	April/May – 5-8pm June/July - 6-9pm	April/May – 5-8pm June/July - 6-9pm
Pavilion Use	None requested.	Reserved for meets.	Reserved for meets.	Reserved for meets.	Reserved for meets & practices.
Pool Cover Use	Provided by city.	Provided by city.	Provided by city.	No pool cover provided.	Provided by city.
Percentage Split of Enrollment/Rental Fee	\$11,792.00 30% of enrollment Estimated at 180 swimmers who pay \$180/each	\$11,997.00 30% of enrollment Estimated at 180 swimmers who pay \$180/each	30% of enrollment Estimated at 180 swimmers who pay \$180/each	\$10,272 30% of enrollment Estimated at 180 swimmers who pay \$180/each	\$16,200 \$90/hr x 180 hrs =
Meet Day Fees	\$40/hr (\$800) 4 meet days 7am-12pm	\$40/hr (\$1000) 5 meet days 7am-12pm	\$40/hr (\$1200) 5 meet days 6:30am-12:30pm	\$40/hr (\$1200) 5 meet days 6:30am-12:30pm	Included w/rental fee 5 meet days 6:30am-12:30pm
Propane Reimbursement	Heat was not provided.	300 gallons provided by the city. <i>If TS chooses to heat the pool April 29th, 30th and/or May 6th -9th, Tiger Splash will reimburse the city the current market rate per gallon of propane.</i>	N/A <i>If Tiger Splash chooses to heat the pool for any practices or meets during the swim season, Tiger Splash will reimburse the city the current market rate per gallon of propane.</i>	\$2014.95 (Discounted from actual) <i>If Tiger Splash chooses to heat the pool for any practices or meets during the swim season, Tiger Splash will reimburse the city the current market rate per gallon of propane.</i>	Included in rental fee
Concession Stand Operations	City ran & retained revenue earned.	City ran & retained revenue earned.	TS permitted to sell breakfast tacos & coffee.	TS permitted to sell breakfast tacos & coffee.	TS permitted to sell breakfast tacos & coffee.
Meet Lifeguard	Included.	Included.	Included.	Included.	\$800.00 \$25/hr (32hrs)
Marketing	None	None	Print & City Website	Print, City Website & New Logo painted on building	Print, City Website & Facility Banner
Utility Reimbursement	Included in percentage	Included in percentage	Included in percentage	Included in percentage	Included in rental fee
On-site Equipment Storage	Provided no cost.	Provided no cost.	Provided no cost.	Provided no cost.	Provided no cost.
Admin Discount	N/a	N/a	N/a	N/a	-\$1700
Total to City	\$11,792.00	\$11,997.00	0	\$13,486.95	\$15,300 (13%+)



PARKS
& COMMUNITY
CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS



2021 ANNUAL REPORT

City of Dripping Springs Parks & Community

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PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES – 2021

REFLECTING – A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



It is with great pleasure that the Parks and Community Services team presents our 2021, Department Annual Report highlighting our many significant accomplishments over the past year. We all continued to witness the important role parks, programs, and events played in improving and maintaining the health and wellness of our community throughout the year. Dripping Springs parks experienced their highest usage numbers during this time, not only residents, but many who were passing through on their way to adventures in the hill country and day trippers from Austin. The past year clearly illustrated that parks contribute to the vitality and well-being of our community and serve as a respite for centering and connecting with nature.

Planning, upkeep, and operations continued to move forward during the year. Some of the department highlights include:

- Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center returned to almost regular operations in 2021. While Covid-19 still impacted attendee turn out, the event promoters were anxious to resume some sense of normalcy. The Ranch Park & Event Center team hosted a myriad of community events and first-time offerings of wildly successful youth programs such as Tween Scene, Kenny Reed Skate Camp, and Coyote Kids Nature Camp. Tween Scene provided a weekly Thursday Night event during the summer for youth ages 9-14 to play and connect with peers. Activities included roller skating, playing dodgeball and kickball, gaming, obstacle courses, and many other activities. The program served more than 500 Dripping Springs tweens, doubling in attendance each week.
- Coyote Kids Nature Camp was launched in-person and sold out each week. This program provided hiking, nature-centric guest speakers and thematic camp weeks, and outdoor educational activities. The favorite of campers was no doubt the camp week wrap up campfire, filled with camp songs and coyote pack skits. The program is destined to grow into a departmental legacy program that provides a unique day camp experience that immortalizes and produces residential camp level memories.
- Founders Memorial Pool opened for the 2021 season to regular operations with a streamlined pool schedule, returning and new friendly aquatics staff, new facility manager, and the return of our beloved Tiger Splash swim team. The pool continued to be improved and updated; a new commercial grade heater and chlorination and UV sanitization systems were installed as well as phase 1 of the pool deck expansion project completed.
- As an essential city service, the weekly Dripping Springs Farmers Market continued to provide its consistent and locally sourced produce, meats, baked goods, and other craft delectable delights. The Farmers Market team honed business operations and expanded marketing reach and tools and by doing so, ensured that once again the DSFM was voted Best in Texas for the 4th year.
- Park system operational improvements were planned for and achieved in 2021. The Dripping Springs Ranch Park Master Plan update and the Dripping Springs Park System Wayfinding Signage Plan & Guidelines were developed. Both tools will serve as guides for a 5-year strategy to improve and connect the parks for our community in a cohesive manner.

We will continue to work hard to provide a model park system for all citizens and visitors to Dripping Springs to enjoy and be proud of. We are committed to fostering community by preserving parks and open space, by connecting people to our natural resources and cultural history, and by offering engaging programs and events.

In conclusion, the PCS team would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian, and Council Members Wade King, Geoffery Tahuahua, April Harris Allison, and Sherrie Parks 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 leadership! Also, a SHOUT OUT to all other city departments and community partners for their hard work, continued support, teamwork, and collaboration – we couldn't do it without you!

See you in the parks and on the trails,

Kelly Schmidt

Kelly Schmidt, MSRLS, CPRP
Parks & Community Services Director

MISSION, COMMISSIONS, & BOARD

DEPARTMENT MISSION

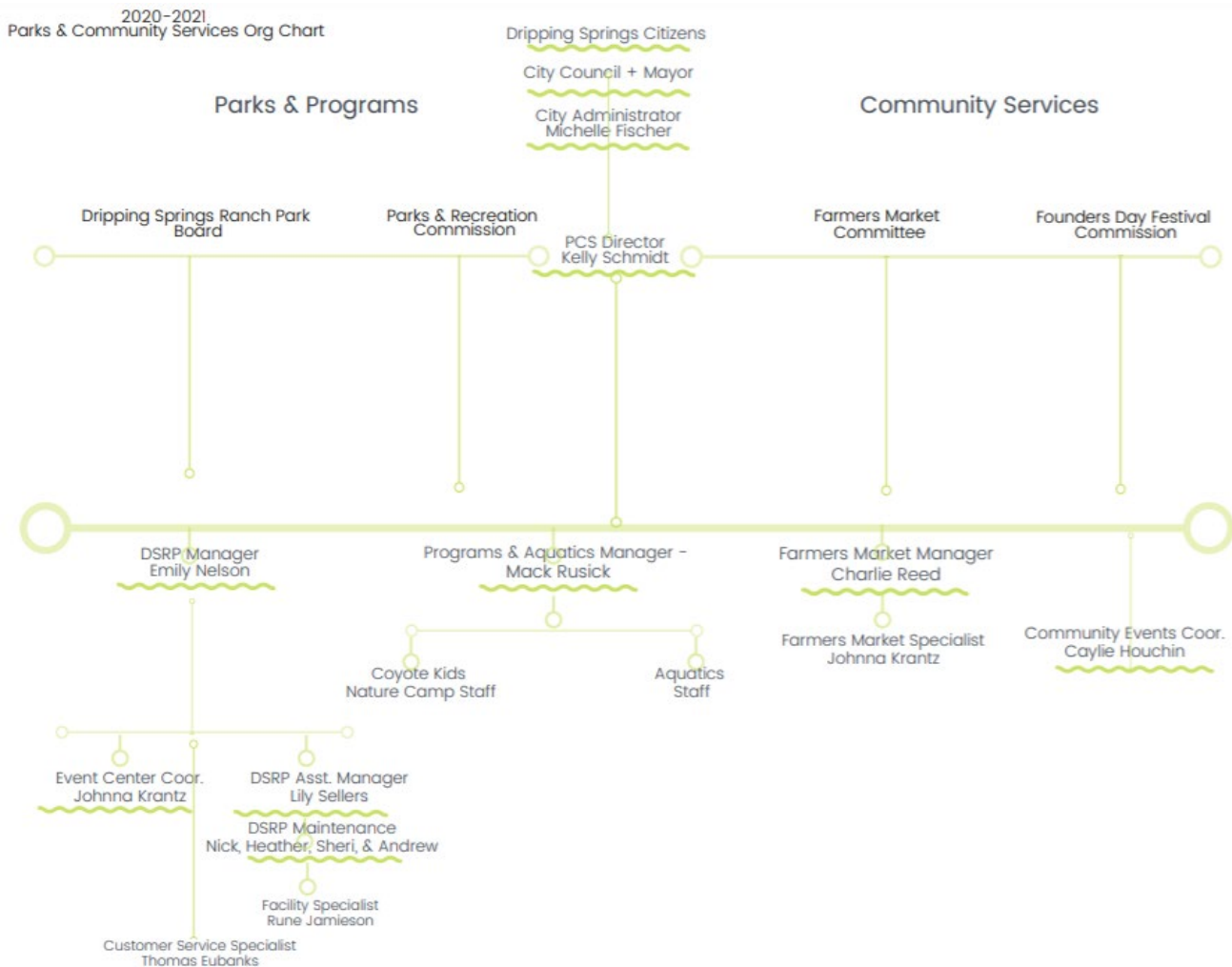
“It is our mission to foster community by preserving parks and open space, by connecting people to our natural resources and cultural history and by offering engaging programs and events.”



PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION, COMMITTEE, & BOARD MEMBERS 2020 - 2021

Position	Dripping Springs Ranch Park Board	Farmers Market Committee	Founders Day Commission	Parks & Recreation Commission
Chair	Todd Purcell	Gouri Johnsen	Brenda Medcalf	Eric Henline
Vice- Chair	Terry Polk	Marianne Simmons	Jake Adams	Eric Russell
Secretary	Pam Owens	Theresa Strube	Brian Daniel	
Members	Penny Reeves Mike Carroll	Nikki Dahlin Claudia Oney Janet Musgrove Vacancy 1 Erika Fritz	Clinton Holtzendorf Dee Marsh Larry Hans Michael Monaghan Darrell Debish Danny Rowe Brian Varnell Jeff Schindler Sharon Goss Susan Warwick Brad Thomas	Paul Fishille Wade King Tara Satine Kristy Caldwell Matthew Fougerat Matthew Zarbaugh

PCS 2021 ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



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

Manager, Dripping Springs Ranch Park – Emily Nelson (FT)

Manager, Farmers Market – Charlie Reed (FT)

Manager, Programs & Aquatics – Mack Rusick (FT)

Asst. Manager, Dripping Springs Ranch Park – Lily Sellers (FT)

Coordinator, Event Center – Johnna Krantz (FT)

Coordinator, Community Events – Caylie Houchin (FT)

Coordinator, Coyote Kids Camp – (Seasonal)

Ranch Hand, Lead – Nick Spillar (FT)

Ranch Hand, Sheri Kapanka (FT)

Ranch Hand, Heather Newman (FT)

Ranch Hand, Andrew Thompson (FT)

Facility Specialist, Rune Jamieson (PT)

Customer Service Specialist – Thomas Eubanks (PT)

Program Staff-

Camp Counselors (5) Seasonal

Aquatics Staff (20) Seasonal



COMMUNITY PARTNERS & BUSINESS SPONSORS

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 2021. 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 Texas Bird City Application Committee. The Visitors Bureau assisted 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 obtaining and spearheading the City's Music Friendly designation.



Dripping Springs Ag Boosters

Dripping Springs Ag Boosters is an essential partner of Dripping Springs Ranch Park 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 2021. 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 2021 was no exception. Attendance was upward of 8k and the event hosted over 100 vendors. 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

The Dripping Springs community skate park grass roots initiative continues to thrive. The community members once again partnered with Parks and Community Services staff for a second presentation to Hays County Parks and Open Space Advisory Commission about the skate park project. The collaboration continued through weekly skate night events and two special skate camps held during the summer 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 Dr. Pound Historical Farmstead

The Dr. Pound Historical Farmstead operates adjacent to Founders Memorial Park and elevates the PCS mission by providing a glimpse back in time to slower days in Dripping Springs. While 2021 did not allow for many days of operation, the Pound House continues to "connect people to our cultural history."

COMMUNITY PARTNERS & BUSINESS SPONSORS



Hays County Master Naturalists (HCMN) & Hays County Master Gardeners (HCMG)

HCMN & HCMG representatives served on the Bird City Application Committee for the second year and provided invaluable contributions. HCMN held monthly workdays (when appropriate and restrictions permitted) at both Dripping Springs Ranch Park and at Charro Ranch Park. Site coordinators 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. HCMG dedicated 567 volunteer hours to the Dripping Springs Community in 2021.



Tiger Splash partnered with the PCS department to provide a Texas Amateur Athletic Federation (TAAF) Summer Recreational Swim Team program at Founders Memorial Pool. The program was canceled in 2020 due to Covid -19 so the Aquatics staff and Tiger Splash community were thrilled to have it return. The program provided a summer recreational competitive swim team program for 180 participants and their families.

The Melissa & Amy Team

MelissaAndAmyTeam@RealtyAustin.com



Melissa & Amy Team

Our 2021 Coyote Kids Nature Camp T-shirts and annual Halloween Movie hosted at Dripping Springs Ranch Park were sponsored by the Dripping Springs based Melissa & Amy Team of Realty Austin. Their generous donation/sponsorship help provide program support by reducing camp supply costs and hosting a wonderful free community movie each year.



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. This generous partner also donates hours of time and energy to the community promoting bird conservation, appreciation, and the recreational pursuit of aviary observation.



Twisted X Brewing

Twisted X Brewing served as a sponsor for the Dripping Springs World Migratory Bird Day celebration – Festival of Flight that was held on May 8, 2021.



Ashley Tullis
Atomic Properties Group
License #0680993

Ashley Tullis – Atomic Properties Group

Ashley has been a long-standing supporter of Christmas on Mercer sponsoring Santa's arrival and photo shoot each year. In 2021 Ashley also sponsored the downtown community movie viewing of Elf the night before the Christmas on Mercer event. Approximately 150 community members were in attendance for the pre-event fun!

PARK IMPROVEMENTS & MAINTENANCE PROJECTS

CHARRO RANCH PARK – 64 Acres

- Each month (except for December) throughout 2021, the Charro Ranch Park Hays County Master Naturalists' work group dedicated an average of 284.5 volunteer hours toward the care and upkeep of Charro Ranch Park.

DRIPPING SPRINGS RANCH PARK – 130 Acres

- New walkway installed from round drive to Ranch House.
- Ranch House painted.
- Chimney Swift Tower Eagle Scout Project completed.
- Ranch House fire pit refurbished, and surround seating installed.
- Engineering plans completed for Ranch Park access road maintenance and drainage improvements.
- 134 volunteer hours were dedicated to service and upkeep by the Hays County Master Naturalists at DSRP in 2021,

FOUNDERS MEMORIAL PARK – 40 Acres

- Founders pool sanitization system changed from liquid chlorine to dry.
- UV Sanitization enhancement installed to Founders pool system.
- Founders pool deck expanded for first phase. Second phase consisting of cool deck application to occur in 2022.
- Commercial grade heater installed at Founders pool, replacing decommissioned domestic heaters.
- Parking lot expanded to the north end of the park creating an additional 50 parking spaces.
- Cactus Garden monument sign was replaced and installed by Big Sky development.

SPORTS AND RECREATION PARK – 40 Acres

- Several volunteer hours were dedicated to trash removal at Sports and Recreation Park by school groups.
- Resurfacing of the dilapidated basketball court was completed with a brilliant blue court color.
- Wooden Sports field bleachers repaired, and wood replaced.

RATHGEBER NATURAL RESOURCE PARK – 300 Acres

- Funding and project pitch was presented for a second time per request by the Hays County Parks and Open Space Advisory Commission 2.0. Funding award was not declared in 2021. The project remains in a holding pattern, but land management steps moved forward.
- Co-led with Robert Ellis (Dick Rathgeber's grandson) several stakeholder tours of Rathgeber Natural Resource Park.

VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK – 1.947 Acres

- Eagle Scout project improved stone and wood archway features near Veterans Memorial
- Daughters of the American Revolution improved area at the north end of the park installing small stone commemorative memorial.
- In December, a drainage project was completed by the Public Works department to aid with eliminating existing standing water in the park along Mercer Street. Natural bolder barriers were placed to prevent vehicular traffic from using the impaired area as parking during downtown and park events. The vehicular traffic was compounding the issue and its occurrence had to be eliminated.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Coyote Kids Nature Camp 2021 – Summer (Fee Based)



Coyote Kids Nature Camp took place at Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center for its inaugural in-person season. The camp staff consisted of five counselors and one Camp Director. The team and program serviced over 450-day campers throughout the summer. The program features 10 thematic weeks filled with nature hikes, guided activities, guest speakers, campfires, skits, and s'mores.

Kenny Reed Skate Camp – June 2021 (Fee Based)



An upstate native, Kenny Reed spent 16 years as a **pro skateboarder**, traveling the world and bringing the sport of skateboarding to areas that had little or no experience with it before. In 2021, Kenny graced our community and teamed up with PCS to offer two weeks of skate camp at DSRP. At the time Kenny was a resident of Dripping Springs and wanted to give back to the community before he moved to California. The camp was open to youth ages 10+ and was well received by all who attended.

Swim Club 2021 – Summer (Fee Based)



A Youth Swim Club debuted this year for young swimmers ages 9-14yrs at Founders Community Pool. It was offered by PCS staff. The 60-minute class was held Monday -Thursday and we were pleased to see several kids participate throughout the summer. Students worked diligently on improving their swim skills and stroke technique while increasing their aquatic fitness. We had so much fun with this program and will offer it again in 2022.

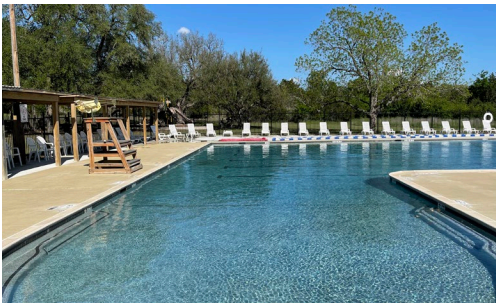
DRIPPING SPRINGS RANCH PARK & EVENT CENTER



DRIPPING SPRINGS RANCH PARK

Categories	Budgeted	Actual 2020	Budgeted 2021	Actual 2021
Annual Memberships Sold		QTY 80	\$9000	QTY 90 \$11,706
Day Passes & Fees Collected	\$1,000	Qty 128 \$1,135	\$1,000	Qty 135 \$1,890
Stall Rentals	\$22,000	Qty 514 \$19,886	\$22,000	QTY 1,313 \$31,256
RV/Camping Rentals (Qty 366 /41) <i>(actual includes RV Dump fees Qty 76 2020 & 82 in 2021)</i>	\$22,500	Qty 200 \$12,090	\$18,000	Qty 407 \$20,323
Facility Rentals	\$165,000	\$43,456	\$112,000	\$77,989

DS PARKS & FOUNDERS COMMUNITY POOL



Founders Pool offered a Youth Swim Club this year for young swimmers ages 9-14yrs. The 60 min class was offered Mon-Thurs and we were pleased to see several kids participate throughout the summer. Students worked diligently on improving their swim skills and stroke technique and increasing their aquatic fitness. We had so much fun with this program and will offer it again next summer.

Categories	Budgeted	Actual 2021
FMP - Pavilion Rentals	\$2,350	QTY 35 \$6,283
FMP - Pool Rentals	\$800	QTY 9 \$2,080
FMP - Tiger Splash Use Agreement	\$10,900	\$10,272
FMP - Pool Pass Purchases	\$1,500	QTY 121 \$13,415
FMP - Pool Daily Drop-in (QTY 4672) (1543 w/pass)	\$6,000	QTY 3,129 \$11,313
FMP - Swim Lessons, Red Cross	\$26,450	\$2,130
FMP – Athletic Field Rentals	\$900	QTY 9 \$4,230
Sports & Rec Park – Rentals	\$300	QTY 2 \$400
Veterans Memorial Park - Rentals	\$450	QTY 4 \$500



COMMUNITY EVENTS & SERVICES

Year-Round | Dripping Springs Farmers Market @ Veterans Memorial Park | Free



In 2020 the Dripping Springs Farmers Market was declared an essential city service by the Mayor of Dripping Springs. During 2021 the Market thrived while serving the community as a direct lifeline to locally sourced fresh produce, baked goods, and meats each Wednesday. The success of the market is a direct result of the desire of the community to have locally grown food and the efforts put forth by the Farmers Market staff and Committee.



Total Number of Vendor Booths	2021
Budgeted Revenue	\$80,116
Actual Revenue	\$83,214
Budgeted Expenses	\$52,281
Actual Expenses	\$25,895



Year-Round | Skate Night @ Dripping Springs Ranch Park | Free



Skate Night at Dripping Springs Ranch Park was a year-round, weekly skateboarding event held on Thursday evenings. On average, twenty (20) participants (adult and youth) were in attendance each week. It is completely run by adult volunteers. The program provides approximately 2,080 hours of recreational activity to Dripping Springs youth annually.

March | 1st Annual Poker Trail Ride @ DSRP | Fee



COMMUNITY EVENTS & SERVICES (CONTINUED)

April | Founders Day Festival – Cancelled



With the continuation of the Covid-19 pandemic in full escalation, the Founders Day Commission unanimously voted to cancel the event for the 2021 year. Founders Day Festival takes place in Dripping Springs' historic downtown district for a festive celebration of heritage and pioneer spirit. The city-wide event honors and celebrates the founding of the Dripping Springs community in 1850 by the Moss, Wallace, and Pound families. The three-day jubilee promotes cooperation and volunteerism in the community and generates community spirit and recreation.

The three-day celebration kicks off with the Grand Parade and includes free music and entertainment, the Mighty Thomas Carnival, food, beer, street dances, cook-off competitions, over 150 arts and crafts booths and business vendors. Hosted by the City of Dripping Springs and the Founders Day Commission, which includes representatives of various community organizations, the proceeds from the festival are donated back into the community and directly benefit local non-profit organizations, churches, school and park programs, youth groups, and charities.

May 8, 2021 | WMBD – Festival of Flight @ Charro Ranch Park | Free



Summer (June – August) | Tween Scene @ DSRP | Fee



Tween Scene was a popular weekly event in 2021. Each Thursday children ages 9-14 attended an offering of age-appropriate activities at the Event Center. While roller skating, dodgeball, and kickball were constant, new, and different activities were offered each week to keep the kids engaged and interested in returning for more fun with friends and PCS staff. Attendance numbers were recorded at more than 500 kids at this event this summer.

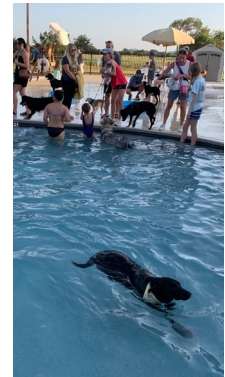
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COMMUNITY EVENTS & SERVICES (CONTINUED)

July 24, 2021 | Float Flick @ Founders Community Pool | Fee



August 15, 2021 | Bark in the Park @ FMP & Community Pool | Free



October 8 | Dripping Springs Star Party @ DSRP | Fee



COMMUNITY EVENTS & SERVICES (CONTINUED)

October 21-23 | Dripping Springs Fair & Rodeo @ DSRP | Fee



October 28 - 31 | Community Movie Night & Dead Hill Ranch Haunted House & Hayride



December 3 Holiday Community Movie @ Stephenson Bldg Lawn | Free



December 4, 2021 Christmas on Mercer - CoDS & Dripping Springs Lions Club | Free



Estimated Attendance – 8,000
 Number of Vendors - 108
 Event Revenue – \$26,300
 Sponsorships \$15,500
 Booths \$10,800
 Event Expenses - \$12,019
 Lion's Club Revenue - \$14,280
 City Revenue – \$3,240
 (30% of Booth Fees)

CITY INITIATIVES & VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



On December 16, 2021, the City of Dripping Springs and its collaborative Bird City Committee applied to become a designated Texas Bird City for the 3rd year in a row. The application process was arduous. The Bird City committee was comprised of city staff, Dripping Springs Visitors Bureau staff, Hays County Master Naturalists, and members of the City’s Parks and Recreation Commission. The team met monthly for over a five (5) month period while compiling and reporting on all activities to meet or exceed the various requirements of the application.



International Dark Sky Association designation initiative was extremely active in 2021 with passionate involvement from not only city staff but the City Administrator and Mayor as well. The Parks and Community Services team, Communications & Marketing Director and City Administrator played the primary implementation role of the city initiative 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. Support events included several “Star Parties” held in Dripping Springs parks for staff and the public to attend.

Dripping Springs Participated in the Great American Clean-Up originally scheduled for April 17 then rescheduled for April 24.



- Meet @ Dripping Springs Ranch Park-1042 Event Center Drive
- Wear gloves and dress appropriately for the weather & walking
- Bring a water bottle!
- Trash bags, vests, grabbers will be provided
- Great family activity (recommended for ages 8+)
- Masks are strongly recommended but not required

Sign up to participate at www.cityofdrippingsprings.com

We are really looking forward to keeping Dripping Springs Beautiful with you!

It's time for Keep America Beautiful's annual Great American Clean-Up | 2021. We'll gather at DSRP and head south toward downtown Dripping Springs. Let's see just how many bags of trash we can fill as we go. On our way back to the park, we'll turn our attention to the east side of Ranch Road 12 while we arrive back to our place of origin.

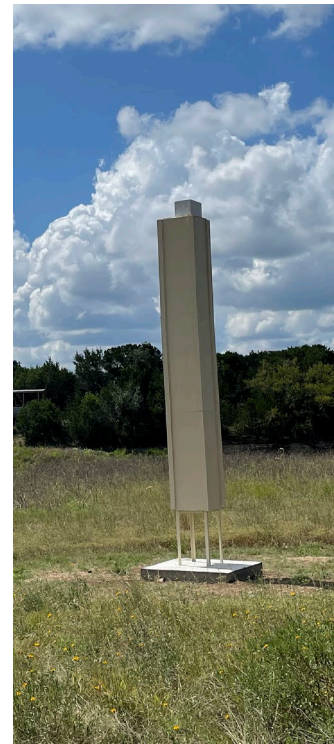
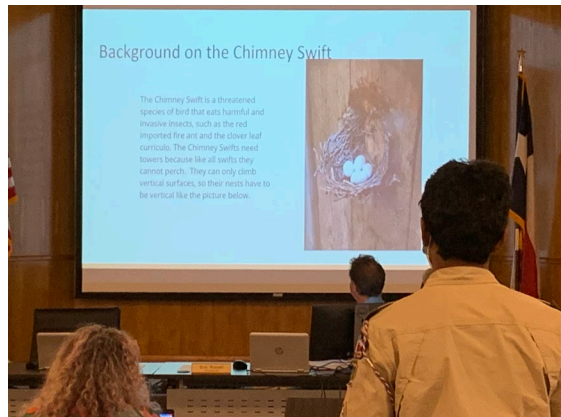
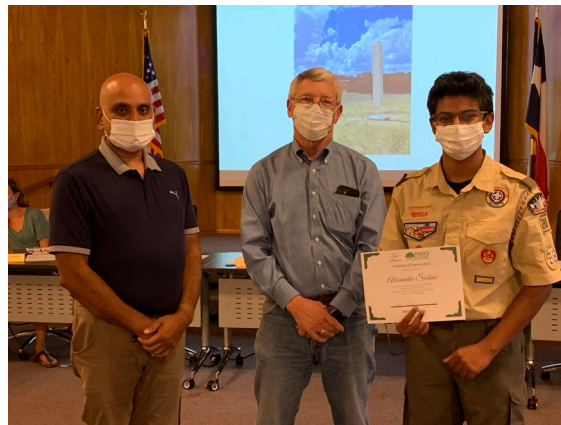
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VOLUNTEERS



In addition to our monthly volunteer Hays County Master Naturalist work groups at Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Charro Ranch Park, on October 22, 2021, the Parks and Community Services Team hosted youth volunteer work groups at the parks from Skybridge Academy. The school youth volunteer group from Dripping Springs assisted with beautifying Sports and Recreation Park grounds and amenities. The PCS department also benefited from the completion of 1 Eagle Scout project installation of a chimney swift tower at Dripping Springs Ranch Park.



COMMUNITY SERVICES | CO-SPONSORSHIPS & PERMITS

The Community Services scope of the department focuses on processing Event Co-sponsorship requests, coordinating Triangle banner displays, issuing event-related permits, facilitating park rentals and city initiatives, and supporting city-wide events.

<u>Event Date & Name</u>	<u>Co-Sponsorship</u>
March 27&28 Wildflower Spring Market	Texas Market Guide
October 9-10 Hill Country Harvest Mkt	Helping Hands, TX Mkt Guide
October 10-31 DS Pumpkin Patch	DS United Methodist Church
October 15-17 Songwriter's Festival	DS Visitors Bureau
November 8 Empty Bowls	Helping Hands
November 14 Run by the Creek	DS Running Club
December 3-5 Vintage Market Days	Vintage Market Days
December 16 The Nutcracker	Arts Alliance of Central Texas

2021 - Banner Displays at the Triangle (RR12 & HWY 290)	
January	CoDS Shop Local Hays County Livestock Show DS Chamber Buy Local
February	Dripping Springs Chamber Buy Local Centra Hays County Livestock Show
March	Parks and Community Services Coyote Kids Nature Camp Helping Hands Sponsored Wildflower Spring Market
April	Parks & Community Services Coyote Kids Nature Camp Helping Hands Sponsored Wildflower Spring Market
May	Parks & Community Services Coyote Kids Nature Camp Dripping Springs Visitors Bureau Songwriters Festival
June	Parks & Community Services Coyote Kids Nature Camp Dripping Springs Visitors Bureau Songwriters Festival
July	Dripping Springs Visitors Bureau Songwriters Festival & Wedding Capitol
August	Dripping Springs Visitors Bureau Songwriters Festival & Wedding Capitol
September	Dripping Springs Visitors Bureau Songwriters Festival & Wedding Capitol
October	Dripping Springs Visitors Bureau Songwriters Festival & Wedding Capitol Dripping Springs United Methodist Church Pumpkin Patch Texas Market Guide Hill Country Harvest Market Dripping Springs Helping Hands Empty Bowls Parks & Community Services Haunted House @ DSRP Dripping Springs Cook-Off Club Chili Cook-Off Dripping Springs Running Club Run by The Creek Parks & Community Service Ranch Park Community Movie @ DSRP
November	Dripping Springs Rotary Club Veterans Day Dripping Springs Helping Hands Empty Bowls Parks & Community Services Haunted House @ DSRP CoDS & Lions Club Christmas on Mercer Parks & Community Services Community Movie @ Stephenson Building Field Dripping Springs Chamber Shop Small Saturday Vintage Market Days of Greater Austin Vintage Market Days
December	CoDS & Lion's Club Christmas on Mercer Parks & Community Services Community Movie @ Stephenson Building Field Vintage Market Days of greater Austin Vintage Market Days Arts Alliance of Central Texas The Nutcracker

Community Service Permits

Most of the permits the Parks and Community Services department issues are related to events within city limits or activities in the parks. The following reflects the number of permits issued in 2021.

Type of Permit	QTY
Business Operations in City Park Permits	1
Events on City Property or within City Limits Permits	8
Filming Permits	6
Itinerant Vendor License Permits	20
Road Closure Permits	2

PROCLAMATIONS & RESOLUTIONS

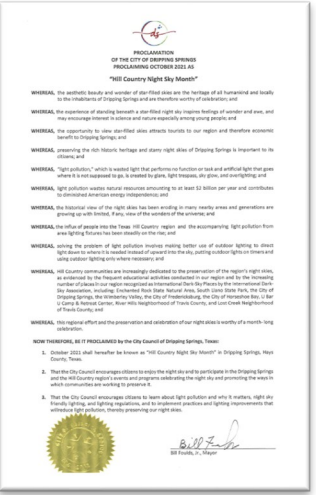
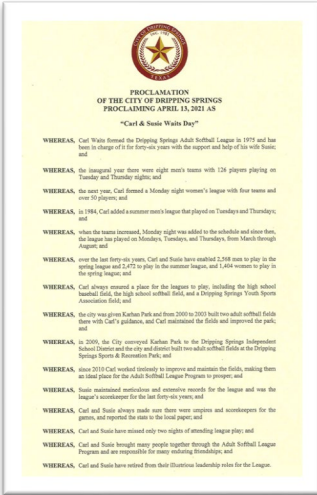
Proclamations

APRIL 13 – Carl & Susie Waits Day

JULY - Parks & Recreation Month

MARCH – MAY Lights Out Migratory Months

OCTOBER - Hill Country Night Sky Month

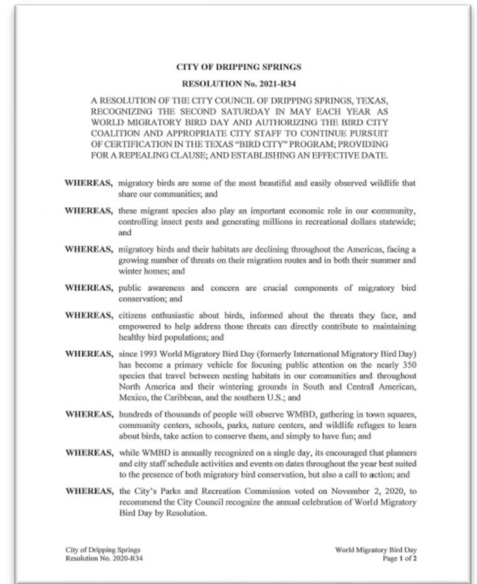
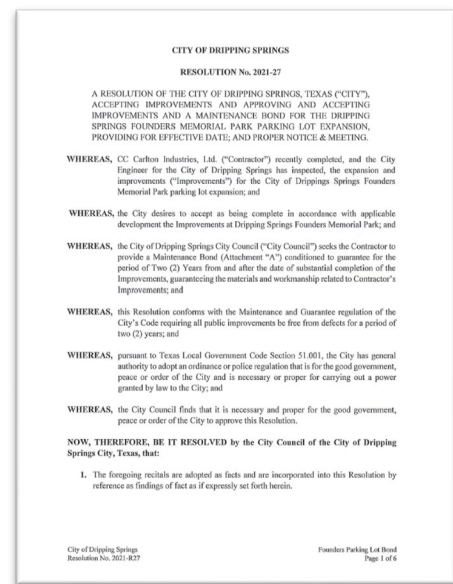
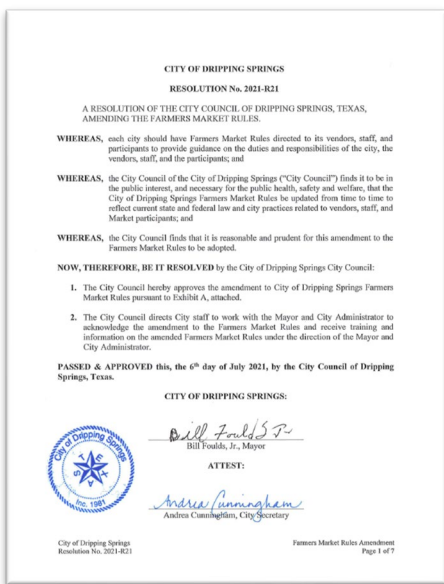


Resolutions

July 6 – Resolution No. 2021-R21 | Farmers Market Rules Amendment

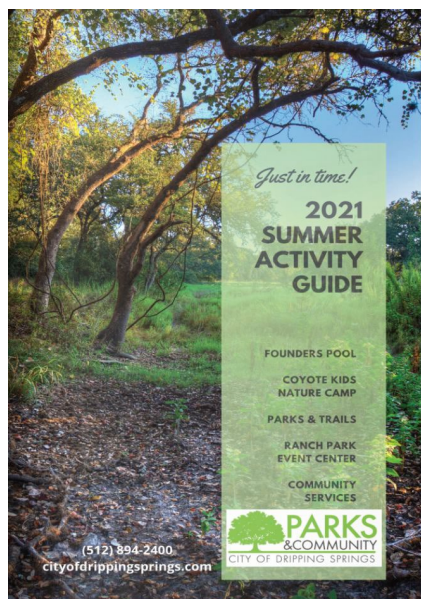
September 7 – Resolution No. 2021-R27 | Founders Park Parking Lot Expansion

November 2 – Resolution No. 2021-R34 | World Migratory Bird Day + Bird City Designation Application Approval



MARKETING & OUTREACH

Print



Parks & Community Services 2021 Summer Activity Guide

The Parks and Community Services department published and direct mailed to limited addresses its second activity guide. This publication serves as incredible branding for the department, a resource for community members, and a reference tool for staff all compiled in one comprehensive catalog. While still in its infancy and not on the radar of many community members its popularity is sure to expand over the years to come.

Website

The Parks & Community Services department's primary on-line presence in 2020 - 2021 was through the City's website & social media platforms such as Facebook.

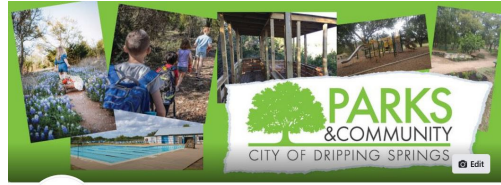


The Parks and Community Services pages on the city's new website are a work in-progress. The full rebuild and service functionality were at 30% completion as 2021 came to an end. PCS Staff anticipates that this dynamic service delivery tool will evolve as the needs of the community are made more evident over time. The PCS team's goal is to have all of its new web pages up and running by the end of February 2022.

MARKETING & OUTREACH (CONTINUED)

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 & Marketing 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.



PARKS & COMMUNITY
CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS

City of Dripping Springs Parks and Community Services
@DrippingSpringsParksandCommunity · Community

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	2021	2020
Likes -	695	497
Followers -	863	582



RANCH PARK
EVENT CENTER

Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center
@DSRPEventCenter · Park

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	2021	2020
Likes -	5,747	5,066
Followers -	6,273	5,405
Check-in -	15,199	



City of Dripping Springs Farmers Market

Dripping Springs Farmers Market - Official
@DSFarmersMarket · Farmers Market

Edit Call Now

	2021	2020
Likes -	5,121	4,770
Followers -	5,917	5,333
Check-in -	681	561
Instagram -	2,099	300



Christmas on Mercer Street
@christmasonmercerstree · 4.6 (10 reviews) · Shopping & retail

Contact Us

	2021	2020
Likes -	2,440	2,166
Followers -	2,628	2,270



FOUNDERS DAY FESTIVAL
DRIPPING SPRINGS • TEXAS

Because of COVID-19 and for the safety of all who attend and participate, the 2021 Founders Day Festival has been canceled.

We'll be back on April 22-24, 2022, bigger and better than ever!

Stay safe. Stay well.

Founders Day Festival
@foundersdayfestival · Event

Edit Send Message

	2021	2020
Likes -	4,535	4,244
Followers -	4,880	4,473



DRIPPING SPRINGS FAIR & RODEO

Dripping Springs Fair and Rodeo
@drippingsspringfairandrodeo · Community

Send Message

	2021	2020
Likes -	2,358	103
Followers -	2,455	105

PCS DEPARTMENT BUDGETS

The PCS Department worked closely with the Finance Department throughout the year to complete budgeted improvement projects and remain fiscally responsible while adhering to the Council-approved FY2021 budget. The staff provided services for the Dripping Springs Community as safely as possible and stayed within fiscal parameters 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 2021		
General Fund	Budget	Actual
Revenue	\$166,011	\$151,075
Expenditures	\$244,996	\$251,211

Dripping Springs Ranch Park & Event Center Fund 2021		
DSRP	Budget	Actual
Revenue	\$449,890	\$446,621
Expenditures	\$447,789	\$397,371

*Farmers Market Fund 2021		
Farmers Market	Budget	Actual
Revenue	\$80,116	\$83,214
Expenditures	\$58,281	\$25,895

Parkland Dedication Fund 2021		
Parkland Dedication	Budget	Actual
Revenue	\$210,774	\$210,774
Expenditures	\$97,000	\$56,334

Ag Facility Fund 2021		
Ag Facility	Budget	Actual
Revenue	\$19,950	\$19,950
Expenditures	\$97,000	\$19,950



NOTABLE MENTIONS & PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

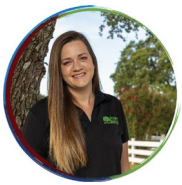
To say that 2021 was a year of transition for the PCS department is an understatement. Nearly the entire team turned over and new positions were added. They say that good things come to those who wait, and the current Parks & Community Services dream team is proof of that.



Caylie Houchin
Community Events Coordinator
(December 2021) - FT



Johnna Krantz
Farmers Market Specialist &
Event Center Coordinator
(October 2021) - FT



Mack Rusick
Programs & Aquatics Manager
(October 2021) - FT



Charlie Reed
Farmers Market Manager
(October 2021) - FT



Emily Nelson
Dripping Springs Ranch Park Manager
(July 2021) - FT



Lily Sellers
Dripping Springs Ranch Park Asst. Manager
(July 2021) - FT



Nick Spillar
DSRP Lead Ranch Hand
(August 2018) - FT



Sheri Kapanka
DSRP Ranch Hand
(March 2016) - FT



Andrew Thompson
DSRP Ranch Hand
(December 2021) - FT



Heather Newman
DSRP Ranch Hand
(October 2021) - FT



Rune Jamieson
DSRP Facility Specialist
(September 2021) - PT



Thomas Eubanks
DSRP Customer Service Specialist
(December 2021) - PT

The Dripping Springs Parks & Community Services goal of continual professional development and striving to be best in the industry was met in 2021. The staff achieved this by seeking out industry specific professional organizations, 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 2021.

- DSRP Ranch Hands
Attended Texas Recreation and Parks Society Annual Maintenance Rodeo
- Programs & Aquatics Manager–
Obtained Aquatics Facility Operator certification
- PCS Director & DSRP Manager –
Attended NRPA Annual Conference | (Earned CEU credits to maintain Certified Parks and Recreation Professional certification)
- PCS Director –
Attended Texas Recreation and Parks Society Annual Institute and Expo | (Earned CEU credits to maintain CPRP certification)

2021 MOMENTS IN PARKS





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