



**CITY OF DRIPPING SPRINGS**

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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### ***DS Enters into Solid Waste and Recycling Franchise Agreement***

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**Editors Note:** If you have any questions regarding this press release, please call City Administrator Michelle Fischer or Deputy City Administrator Ginger Faught at 512-858-4725.

**DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS** –The City of Dripping Springs Council Members entered into a franchise agreement at their regular council meeting on February 10 with Recon Services, Inc. for residential and non-residential solid waste collection, recycling, and disposal services within the city limits.

Recon Services, Inc. is locally owned and operated with their corporate office located in Dripping Springs. Serving the Central Texas area in the waste management industry, the company's owner Walter Biel and his two sons Ryan and Ross are longtime area residents and have more than 25 years combined experience in the waste management and construction industries.

“We believe that Recon Services, Inc. will be more than capable of meeting our growing community's needs,” City Council Member Bill Foulds said. “They have currently been providing services to many neighborhoods inside and out of the city limits and have established a credible track record.”

Recon Services, Inc. will provide new trash receptacles with attached-hinged lids to avoid flyaway or spillage. Service includes a choice of a 64 or 96 gallon cart and five extra bags.

Carts, recycling bins and commercial containers will be delivered to homes and businesses by April 1. All carts and recycling bins are to be curbed side by 7 a.m. on day of pick up. No construction or hazardous materials, including batteries, bleach, paint and cleaning supplies may be included in normal pick-up.

Recon Services, Inc. will provide voluntary single stream recycling as a weekly convenience to our citizens. Customers will no longer have to sort glass and plastics and, moreover, all plastics #1 -7 will be allowed. Interested customers must sign up for the recycling service.

Letters from the City of Dripping Springs and Recon Services will soon be sent to citizens discussing deadlines to switch over to the new service, as well as pricing, weekly schedules for trash pick up and recycling. *Anyone within the city limits will be required to start using the new trash provider beginning April 1.*

An active member of Austin Green Building program, Recon Services, Inc. will offer our citizens optional annual appliance, Christmas tree and computer recycling. Semi-annually, a bulk item drop off will be provided. Roll off dumpsters for the collection of bulky items will be provided at a location designated by the city. Recon Services staff will monitor the site, to ensure that the dumpsters are loaded properly.

Mayor Todd Purcell said “we hope our citizens will take advantage of the recycling services and tips provided by Recon in order to better protect our environment and reduce landfill volume.”

To sign up for services, or find more information, tips on recycling or questions regarding services, please call Recon Services at 512-894-4441 or visit their web site at [www.reconservicesinc.com](http://www.reconservicesinc.com).