

## MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

On the 13th day of June 2023, the City Council of Taft, Texas, convened in a regular meeting at 230 Green Avenue, Taft, Texas, at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present:

### **1. CALL REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER**

There being a quorum, Mayor Powell called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

### **2. CALL ROLL AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM IS PRESENT**

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> present	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Pro-tem Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

Others Present: William Linn, City Manager; Molly Topper, Finance Director/City Secretary, Police Chief John Landreth (see list for guests in attendance)

### **3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro-Tem Rodriguez led Pledge of Allegiance

### **4. PRAYER**

Mayor Pro-Tem Rodriguez led the prayer.

### **5. CITIZEN COMMENT**

Glen Searcy addressed the Council to say that he wanted to give credit to the people that are getting things done in town.

### **6. CITY MANAGER REPORT:**

- Budget process - Budget seminar for residents on 06-22-23, at 5:30 p.m.; Council workshop on 06-29-23, at 6:30 p.m.
- Website - working on new user friendly
- SAVVY Citizen: a citizen engagement app to provide information to citizens is now live
- Grants (GLO) - MOD distribution – \$3.2 million. Posted RFPs for grant administrator and project engineer
- TxDOT alternative transportation grant filed 06-07-23
- TDEM email regarding FEMA grant available
- Streets - Will speak to Ardurra regarding street design for Gregory/Retama to Roots project
- Received notice of funding from TEDM for \$427,350 for generators for City Hall, Police Department, Kiva Hut & Water pump storage
- Library Project – needs final approval from Mr. Ritchie
- Fire Department Building - need architect for completion. An electrician has been contacted and will submit a quote
- Parks dedication – once Senior Center is complete. Need to purchase stove, tables & chairs. Blinds have been ordered.
- Basketball court – will be looking at tables and covers, also different type of surface for the court

- Walking trail – at recreational park and Hidalgo Park, need more benches. Have met with Anthony Hernandez and he will be helping with reaching out for donations for memorial trees or benches
- Trees in park – crews will be working to clear dead trees
- Splashpad – operational
- Sprinkler system – inoperable
- Pool – will set aside funds for next year
- Baseball Fields – also for next year
- Davis Road project – line repaired. Will get three quotes for repair of sidewalk & curb
- Street Repair – one day a week will focus to filling pot holes
- Cameras at all parks and buildings will be monitored by PD
- Storm shutters will be installed at Senior Center windows
- Financials: for the month of May 2023, are different from last month due to EDC & TQIC books being off-site and we have to wait for bank statements. Current month revenues are at 51.45% and expenditures are at 34.42%. Mr. Linn explained the financial statement to Council.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**A. Consideration and approval of City Council Minutes:** Councilman Molina motioned, seconded by Councilman Rodriguez, to approve the Minutes of April 11, 2023; May 6, 2023; May 23, 2023

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**B. Consideration and approval of financials:** Mayor Powell motioned, seconded by Councilman Rodriguez, to approve the financials for the month of May 2023.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**C. Ordinance/resolution/other action items:** No action items were on the agenda.

**8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION IN REGARD TO SELECTION OF THE “STANDARD OF ALLOWANCE” METHOD TO DETERMINE LOST REVENUE DUE TO THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC AS PERMITTED BY THE U.S. TREASURY IN THE SLRF FINAL RULE.**

Mr. Linn reported award of approximately \$711,000 through this program, an approved usage is to recapture lost revenue. He recommended the City elect to use the standard allowance of \$10 million dollars. Councilman Rodriguez motioned, seconded by Councilman Molina to select the standard of allowance method to determine lost revenue due to the Novel Coronavirus Pandemic as permitted by the U. S. Treasury in the SLRF final Rule.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**9. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION IN REGARD TO ALLOCATION OF THE \$711,00.00 OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDS AS FOLLOWS: \$300,000.00 AS LOST REVENUE AND \$411,000.00 FOR WATER CONSERVATION IN THE FORM OF NEW WATER METERS.**

Mr. Linn recommended using these funds to purchase new water meters, and the remainder in the general fund account to be used for anything. Councilman Rodriguez motioned, seconded by Mayor Powell, to allocate the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds as follows: \$210,000 as lost revenue and \$501,000 for water conservation in the form of new water meters for the residents of Taft.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**10. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION IN REGARD TO AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE TX HEALTH BENEFITS POOL RENEWAL NOTICE.**

Mr. Linn reported that effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, health insurance cost would increase by 20% over last year. He asked that Council authorize him to sign the renewal notice. Councilman Rodriguez motioned, seconded by Councilman Molina, to authorize the City Manager to sign the TX Health Benefits Pool Renewal Notice.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**11. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION IN REGARD TO DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO SEEK REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQs) FOR PROFESSIONAL AUDITOR SERVICES.**

Mr. Linn reported that RFQs are normally done every three years. Councilman Molina motioned, seconded by Mayor Powell, to direct the City Manager to seek request for qualifications for professional auditor services.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**12. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CYA SOLUTIONS, INC. REGARDING WATER AND WASTEWATER CONSULTING, MAINTENANCE, AND OPERATION SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF TAFT.**

Mr. Linn explained the need to take control of the water and wastewater operations. Mr. Wesley Childers has offered to assist the City. Mayor Powell motioned, seconded by Councilman Molina, to authorize the City Manager to enter into a public services agreement with CYA Solutions, Inc. regarding water and wastewater consulting, maintenance, and operation services for the City of Taft.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**13. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PALEO TERRA RIGHT-OF-WAY AND ACQUISITIONS, LLC REGARDING RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION AND ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF TAFT.**

Mr. Linn introduced Rob Brown, owner of Paleo Terra Right-of-Way and Acquisitions, LLC. Mr. Brown explained the scope of services to Council. Councilman Rodriguez motioned, seconded by Councilman Molina, to direct the City Manager to enter into a public services agreement with Paleo Terra Right-of-Way and Acquisitions, LLC regarding right-of-way acquisition and administration services for the City of Taft.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**14. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH AOKA REGARDING PLAN REVIEW, BUILDING INSPECTION AND OTHER ASSOCIATED SERVICES.**

Mr. Linn reported that AOKA provides building inspections and services virtually and recommended entering into agreement. Councilman Rodriguez motioned, seconded by Councilman Molina, to authorize

the City Manager to enter into a public services agreement with AOKA regarding plan review, building inspection and other associated services.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**15. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOJORQUEZ LAW FIRM, PC REGARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES.**

Mr. Linn reported to Council that staff advertised for RFQs and received only one. He recommended that Council appoint the Bojorquez Law Firm to represent the City of Taft in legal matters. Mayor Powell motioned, seconded by Councilman Molina, to authorize the City Manager to enter into a public services agreement with the Bojorquez Law Firm, PC regarding professional services.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**16. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION IN REGARD TO (RE) APPOINTING TWO (2) BOARD MEMBER(S) ON THE TAFT QUALITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (TQIC) BOARD TO SERVE ONE (1) ONE-YEAR TERM BEGINNING JUNE 14, 2023, AND ENDING JUNE 13, 2024; APPOINTEE(S) TO BE (RE) APPOINTED: ROLANDO RODRIGUEZ AND JERRY PERKINS.**

Mr. Linn reported the need to appoint members to staggered terms. Mayor Powell motioned, seconded by Councilman Molina, to appoint two (2) board member(s) on the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation (TQIC) Board to serve one (1) one-year term beginning June 14, 2023, and ending June 13, 2024; appointee(s) to be (re) appointed: Rolando Rodriguez and Jerry Perkins.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**17. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION IN REGARD TO RE-APPOINTING THREE (3) BOARD MEMBER(S) ON THE TAFT QUALITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (TQIC) BOARD TO SERVE ONE (1) TWO-YEAR TERM BEGINNING JUNE 14, 2023, AND ENDING**

**JUNE 13, 2025; APPOINTEE(S) TO BE (RE) APPOINTED: ROBBIN MCCARTY, GLEN SEARCY AND JASON MILLER.**

Councilman Rodriguez motioned, seconded by Councilman Molina, to re-appoint three (3) board member(s) on the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation (TQIC) board to serve one (1) two-year term beginning June 14, 2023, and ending June 13, 2025; appointee(s) to be (re) appointed: Robbin McCarty, Glen Searcy and Jason Miller.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**18. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION IN REGARD TO RE-APPOINTING TWO (2) BOARD MEMBER(S) ON THE TAFT QUALITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION (TQIC) BOARD TO SERVE ONE (1) THREE-YEAR TERM BEGINNING JUNE 14, 2023, AND ENDING JUNE 13, 2026; APPOINTEE(S) TO BE (RE) APPOINTED: MANUEL ESPINOSA AND BROOKE MCKENZIE-BANDA.**

Councilman Rodriguez motioned, seconded by Councilman Molina, to re-appoint two (2) board member(s) on the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation (TQIC) board to serve one (1) three-year term beginning June 14, 2023, and ending June 13, 2026; appointee(s) to be (re) appointed: Manuel Espinosa and Brooke McKenzie-Banda.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**19. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION IN REGARDS TO CLOSING CITY HALL AND PROVIDING CITY STAFF WITH A PAID HOLIDAY ON MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2023, IN OBSERVANCE OF JUNETEENTH.**

Mr. Linn report that June 19<sup>th</sup> was an observed federal holiday and asked that Council consider creating this a holiday for all City employees. Councilman Molina motioned, seconded by Councilman Rodriguez, to close city offices and provide City staff with a paid holiday on Monday, June 19, 2023, in observance of Juneteenth.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**20. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION IN REGARDS TO AMEND THE COLORS OF THE CITY OF TAFT'S LOGO FROM BLUE/WHITE TO GREEN/WHITE/GREY.**

Mr. Linn reported that a survey was conducted on facebook asking Taft residents to vote on change of colors. The majority that participated selected the green/white/grey option. Mayor Powell motioned, seconded by Councilman Molina, to amend the colors of the City of Taft's logo from blue/white to green/white/grey.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**21. EXECUTIVE SESSION – TIME 8:17 P.M.**

Councilman Rodriguez motioned, seconded by Mayor Powell, to meet in closed session pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in:

- Section 551.087 (Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations: **Negotiations with potential business.**
- Section 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property) to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person: **Property acquisition relating to future economic development.**
- Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee: **Municipal Court Judge**

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

**22. OPEN SESSION: TIME 9:15 P.M.**

Councilman Rodriguez motioned, seconded by Councilman Molina to return to open session at which time action on the matter(s) discussed in Closed Session be considered.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Powell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

- Section 551.087 (Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations) to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations: **Negotiations with potential business.**
- Section 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property) to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person: **Property acquisition relating to future economic development.**
- Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee: **Municipal Court Judge**

No action was taken on any of the agenda items as a result of the executive session.

### **23. ITEMS TO CONSIDER FOR PLACEMENT ON FUTURE AGENDAS**

Vasquez: absent

Keeney: absent

Rodriguez: Mike Garcia Park dedication in September, notify the Garcia family, Senator Morgan LaMantia and State Representative J. M. Lozano

Molina: materials used for filling potholes; hot spots for park areas

Powell: update on water tower work

### **23. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST AND/OR UPCOMING EVENTS**

Councilman Vasquez: absent

Councilman Keeney: absent

Councilman Rodriguez: None

Councilman Molina: None

Mayor Powell: none

City Manager: Maria & Ruby reported to Council their progress on the Summer Bash scheduled for June 23 at the Mike Garcia Park.

### **10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussions, Councilman Rodriguez motioned, seconded by Councilman Molina, to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 pm.

The following votes were polled:

Councilman Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Keeney	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent



Mayor Powell

for   against   abstain   absent

The motion carried.

CITY OF TAFT

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Randy Powell, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Molly Topper, City Secretary