

MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

On the 19th day of March, 2021, the City Council of Taft, Texas, convened in a special session at 402 Park St., at the Kiva Hut, at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Pedro "Pete" Lopez	Mayor
Lolo Hernandez	Mayor Pro-tem
Rolando Rodriguez	
JoAdrian Vara	Absent
Leonard Vasquez	

Others present: Mary Alice Sandoval, Finance Director and Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary.

#1. There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

#2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Hernandez led the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Scott gave the invocation.

#3. Visitors.

Andrew Shane, 2106 Lakeview Dr, Rockport, stated that he had issues with city hall getting permits for the Gregory RV Park. He said that citations were issued to the contractors and he felt that they are being unfairly treated.

#4. Executive Session:

1. **Convene into executive session pursuant to Section 551.074 Personnel matters involving the appointment and employment of the City Manager.**
2. **Convene into executive session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meetings Act to meet with its Attorney to seek legal advice on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act regarding Taft Volunteer Fire Truck.**

Councilman Rodriguez made a motion to enter into executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hernandez.

The following votes were polled:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Mayor, Vasquez, Hernandez

Nays: None

Absent: Vara

The motion carried.

#5. Reconvene into Regular Session and consider, discuss, or take action, if necessary, on any item(s) discussed in Executive Session.

Councilman Rodriguez made a motion to guide the staff to pursue the next candidate for city manager with an interview to follow a.s.a.p. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hernandez.

The following votes were polled:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Mayor, Vasquez, Hernandez

Nays: None

Absent: Vara

The motion carried.

Councilman Hernandez made a motion to authorize the Fire Department representatives to use the buyboard to look at a fire truck meeting their specs. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rodriguez.

The following votes were polled:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Mayor, Vasquez, Hernandez

Nays: None

Absent: Vara

The motion carried.

#6. Adjournment.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Councilman Hernandez to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rodriguez.

The following votes were polled:

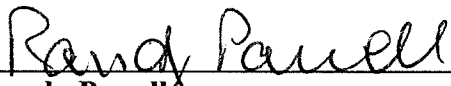
Ayes: Rodriguez, Mayor, Vasquez, Hernandez

Nays: None

Absent: Vara

The motion carried.

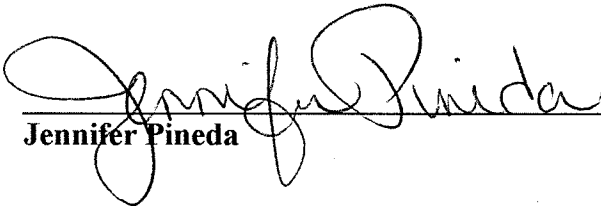
CITY OF TAFT



Randy Powell

Mayor

ATTEST:



Jennifer Pineda

City Secretary

