VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE

CITY OF TAFT CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

JUNE 8, 2021 KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET

6:30 P.M.

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 8th day June 2021, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

You may join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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The public will be permitted to offer public comments via telephone as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting.

A recording of the telephone conference will be made, and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act upon written request.

- 1. Call to order and quorum check.
- 2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. VISITORS At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter. To address the Council, please sign the Opinion/Speaker Registration Form located on the table at the entrance of the meeting room and deliver to the City Secretary before the meeting begins. Should there be more than five (5) people who wish to speak on a particular issue they need to select one (1) representative to speak for them. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda. Citizens are to refrain from any personal attacks on the council or any member of the staff. Failure to abide by these policies could result in a charge of disorderly conduct.
- 4. Plaque presentation to Commissioner Sonia Lopez.
- 5. Presentation on the San Patricio County drainage improvements project GLO Contract No. 20-065-078-C221.
- 6. Discuss and consider update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures
- 7. Discuss, consider, and act on Gexa Energy Ancillary Services costs increase due to the severe winter storm.
- 8. Discuss, consider, and act to address the concerns of the placement of the dumpster used by Dr. Kolb's office. (Mayor Lopez)

- 9. Discuss, consider and act to approve either the rental, purchase, or enter into a standby agreement of a generator for the public works department.
- 10. Discuss, consider, and act to approve an expenditure in the amount of \$19,414.49 for repairs to the Taft Volunteer Fire Department 2006 Ford F550.
- 11. Discuss, consider, and act to approve the purchase of a fire truck for the Taft Volunteer Fire Department.
- 12. Discuss, consider and act to get bids for a Fuel Farm. (Councilman Rodriguez)
- 13. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance No. 1074, an emergency ordinance of the City of Taft, Texas extending a local state of disaster declaration due to a public health emergency known as Covid-19 for ninety (90) calendar days from date of ordinance.
- 14. Discuss monthly reports for police department, animal control, code enforcement, and public works.
- 15. City Council Requests and Announcements:
 - Requests by Mayor and Councilmembers for items on future City Council agenda
 - Announcements by Mayor and Councilmembers

16. Executive Session:

- 1. Convene into executive session pursuant to Section 551.074 Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, to wit: Finance Director/HR Director Mary Alice Sandoval.
- 2. Convene into executive session pursuant to Section 551.074 Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, to wit: City Secretary/Court Clerk Jennifer Pineda.
- 3. Convene into executive session pursuant to Section 551.071 Contemplated or pending litigation or matters where legal advice is requested of the City Attorney.
- 17. Reconvene into Regular Session and consider action, if necessary, on any item(s) discussed in Executive Session.
- 18. Adjourment

A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

- 1. Texas Open Meetings Act Contemplated or pending litigation or matters where *legal advice* is Section 551.071 requested of the City Attorney.
- 2. Texas Open Meetings Act The *purchase, exchange, lease or value or real property*, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person.
- 3. Texas Open Meetings Act A *contract for a prospective gift or donation* to the City, if the Section 551.073 deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person.
- 4. Texas Open Meetings Act Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee.

- 5. Texas Open Meetings Act The deployment or specific occasion for the implementation of security personnel or devices.
- 6. Texas Open Meetings Act Deliberations regarding *economic development negotiations*. Section 551.087

NOTICE

Persons with disabilities planning to attend this meeting who may need auxiliary aids or services are asked to contact the City offices at (361) 528-3512 by Monday noon.

DATED and POSTED this the 4th day of June 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary