

VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE

CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
APRIL 14, 2020
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 14th day April 2020, 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. Proclamation proclaiming April 2020 Fair Housing Month.
5. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve the September 10, 2019 regular meeting minutes, September 24, 2019 regular meeting minutes, October 8, 2019 regular meeting minutes, October 22, 2019 regular meeting minutes, and November 12, 2019 regular meeting minutes.
6. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
7. Consider, discuss, and take action on the water bills for Elsa Cantu and Alonzo Arce at 529 Green Ave., Taft, Texas.
8. Presentation and discussion by developer Jayson Amason to the council about a project on the corner of HWY 181 and Packinghouse Rd., Taft, Texas.
9. Consider, discuss, and take action to repair or make new all of Victoria Ave. from HWY 181 to Rincon Rd., Taft, Texas.
10. Consider, discuss and take action to repair or make new all of McIntyre Ave from HWY 181 to Rincon Rd and use hot mix from Rincon Rd to New Rincon Rd., Taft, Texas.
11. Consider, discuss, and take action on Pride of Taft Fireworks Extravaganza policies and procedures.

12. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve a resolution of the city council of the City of Taft, Texas authorizing the Taft Fireworks Extravaganza; authorizing the in-kind and financial support and sponsorship of the event by the city; and establishing an effective date. (Councilman Vasquez)
13. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve a Resolution renaming the Hidalgo Community Center to the Julia Alvarado Center. (Councilman Vasquez)
14. Consider and discuss the 20% penalty charge on water payments. (Councilman Rodriguez)
15. Discussion on the City of Taft employees, to include police officers, to assist on local fire calls. (Councilman Hernandez)
16. Discuss update on testing for the possibility of mold at the Taft Volunteer Fire Department building. (Councilman Vara)
17. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve the Stay at Home Order, Amendment No. 2, which extends the Order until April 30, 2020.
18. Discuss, consider and act on the operational and logistical measures related to the City's preparedness and response to the federal, state, and city's local state of emergency declarations due to a public health emergency known as Covid-19 pandemic.
19. Discuss monthly reports for animal control, code enforcement, police department, and public works.
20. City Council Requests and Announcements:
 - Requests by Mayor and Councilmembers for items on future City Council agenda
 - Announcements by Mayor and Councilmembers
21. Adjournment.

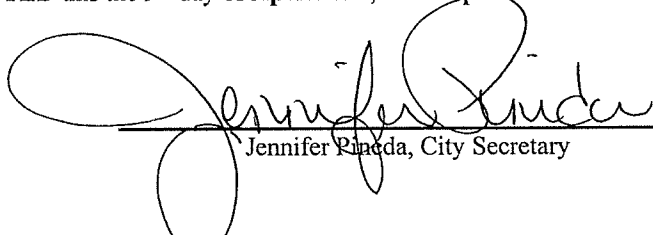
A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

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| 1. | Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.071 | Contemplated or pending litigation or matters where legal advice is requested of the City Attorney. |
| 2. | Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.072 | The purchase, exchange, lease or value of 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 - Section 551.073 | A contract for a prospective gift or donation to the City, if the 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 - Section 551.074 | 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 - Section 551.076 | The deployment or specific occasion for the implementation of security personnel or devices . |
| 6. | Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.087 | Deliberations regarding economic development negotiations . |

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 9th day of April 2020, at 6:00 p.m.



 Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary