

VIA TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
AUGUST 25, 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 25th day August 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.

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/878200941>

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It is not necessary to announce yourself when you join the teleconference.

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. Consider, discuss and take action to select an insurance carrier for employee medical, life, dental, vision, and supplemental insurance.
5. Presentation and discussion by Capex Consulting Group on water and wastewater utility rate analysis.
6. Consider, discuss, and take action on Ordinance No. 1060, an ordinance of the City of Taft, Texas adopting an ordinance that requires city-created boards, committees, or organizations to provide written notice to the public that a quorum of the city council may attend and participate in their open meetings. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
7. Consider, discuss and take action to provide 30-day written notice to terminate without cause a standard professional services agreement with Bureau Veritas North America for building, electrical, and plumbing inspections.

8. Consider, discuss and take action to enter into a contract with BC Smith Inspection Services, LLC for professional services for building official, inspections, plan reviews, platting reviews and permits.
9. Consider, discuss, and take action to purchase a dump trailer for the Public Works Department.
10. Consider, discuss, and take action to enter into interlocal agreement between the City of Taft and Taft Volunteer Fire Department for the use of the City's shooting range for training purposes. *(Councilman Vasquez)*
11. Consider, discuss, and take action to amend Resolution 636 by approving Resolution 637, 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)*
12. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve a one-day waiver on Ordinance No. 779, Section V, to allow the sell of alcohol by an approved Pride of Taft vendor provided that said vendor obtains a valid city permit to sell alcohol at the Fireworks Extravaganza. *(Councilman Vasquez)*
13. Update on Taft Cemetary Situation. *(Councilman Hernandez, Mayor Lopez)*
14. Consider, discuss, and take action on delinquent water accounts due to Covid-19 waivers. *(Councilman Vasquez)*
15. Discussion and action on the usage of the Kiva Hut.
16. 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.
17. City Council Requests and Announcements:
 - Requests by Mayor and Councilmembers for items on future City Council agenda
 - Announcements by Mayor and Councilmembers
18. Adjournment.

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

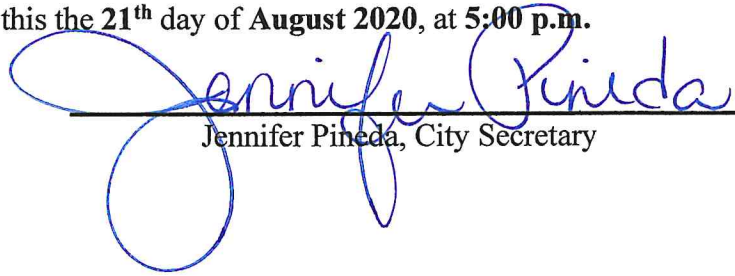
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| 1. | Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.071 | Contemplated or pending litigation or matters where legal advice is requested of the City Attorney. |
| 2. | Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.072 | The purchase, exchange, lease or value or real 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 - 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 21th day of August 2020, at 5:00 p.m.



Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary