

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
FEBRUARY 11, 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 11th day of February 2020, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

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 and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
5. Consider, discuss and take action on the contract with the Taft Independent School District for the use and maintenance of the Taft Recreational Park.
6. Update on citizen complaint about smoke blowing into homes from burning that is occurring in the county off of Abazola.
7. Consider, discuss and take action to approve a proposal from Nevill Document Solutions for software and leasing equipment.
8. Consider, discuss and take action to approve an ordinance repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 1035; prescribing rules, regulations, rates and fees and application process for water, sewer and garbage service; providing penalties for non-payment of utility bills; providing for disconnection of service for non-payment and related fees; establishing fees for unauthorized use of water; establishing penalties for tampering with or damage to city equipment; identifying rates and fees for water and sewer services, taps, permits and inspections; providing additional rules and regulations, severance, repeal of, conflicting ordinances, and an effective date
9. Consider, discuss and take action on a resolution of the City of Taft Texas adopting TCAP's professional services agreement and Gexa Energy's commercial electric service agreement for power to be provided on and after January 1, 2023.
10. Consider, discuss and take action to appoint Cindy Dyer to the Library Board.
11. Consider, discuss and take action to appoint Justin Ruvo, Jerry Perkins, Sandra Cardenas, Jeremiah Perez, and Robert Mendoza to the Pride of Taft Board of Directors.
12. Consider, discuss and act to approve a revised and restated interlocal agreement between San Patricio Municipal Water District and the City of Taft for the SCADA system.
13. Consider, discuss and act to approve an ordinance authorizing the City Council of the City of Taft to create a planning and zoning commission.
14. Consider, discuss and act to appoint 5 members to the Planning and Zoning Commission.
15. Consider, discuss and act to approve an Interlocal Cooperation Contract with Texas Department of Public Safety for the Failure to Appear Program.

16. Consider, discuss and possible action to authorize an extension of paid administrative leave for Animal Control Officer Denney.
17. Discussion Only. Update of water and wastewater rates to include a new rate class for senior citizens and disabled veterans and revised cost structure for nonresidential customers in order to assure new development is paying its full share of system costs.
18. Discussion only. Consider implementing sales tax program that will allow developers and contractors to site construction materials to Taft for the purpose of taking advantage of the building boom and generating more sales taxes locally.
19. Update on the police department operations. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
20. Discussion on water loss and corrective action plan in place.
21. Discuss monthly reports for animal control, code enforcement, and public works.
22. Discuss having a traffic study done in Taft.
23. Discuss having a forensic audit completed before hiring a new city manager. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
24. Consider, discuss and take action on moving forward to get the Hidalgo Community Center completed. *(Councilman Vara)*
25. Staff update on current Hurricane Harvey related projects in need of repair.
26. City Council Requests and Announcements:
 - Requests by Mayor and Councilmembers for items on future City Council agenda
 - Announcements by Mayor and Councilmembers
27. Adjournment.

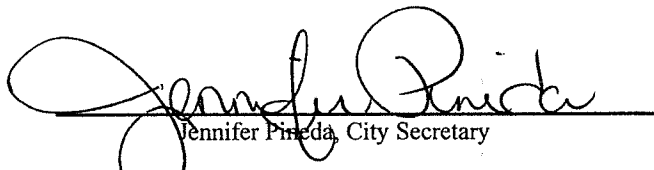
A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

1. Texas Open Meetings Act - 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 7th day of February 2020, at 5:00 p.m.


 Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary