

VIA VIDEO AND TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
OCTOBER 27, 2020
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 27th day of October 2020, at 6:30 p.m., VIA VIDEO AND TELEPHONE CONFERENCE

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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. 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. Discuss, Consider, and act upon accepting Santos McBain's amended contract for Grant Administration Services for the GLO Contract No. 20-065-097-C269, Community Development Block Grant, Disaster Recovery Program Infrastructure Projects, Non-Research & Development, Harvey Round 1 Funding.
5. Discuss, Consider, and act upon accepting LNV's amended contract for Engineering and Environmental Services for the GLO Contract No. 20-065-097-C269, Community Development Block Grant, Disaster Recovery Program Infrastructure Projects, Non-Research & Development, Harvey Round 1 Funding.
6. Discuss, consider and act to appoint Randy Powell, Amanda Powell, Paul Trevino, Jason Keeney and Philip Martinez to the Pride of Taft.
7. Discussion on trailer house parked at the business located next to the Mi Ranchito. *(Councilman Vara)*
8. Status update on the memorial bricks. *(Councilman Vara)*
9. Discuss, consider, and act to have illuminated parade with fireworks for December 5th through Chamber of Commerce and fireworks extravaganza. *(Councilman Vasquez)*

10. Discuss and set time line for hiring a city manager. *(Councilman Hernandez)*
11. Discuss and act upon the final process of obtaining the new fire truck. *(Councilman Hernandez)*
12. 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.
13. City Council Requests and Announcements:
 - Requests by Mayor and Councilmembers for items on future City Council agenda
 - Announcements by Mayor and Councilmembers
14. Adjournment.

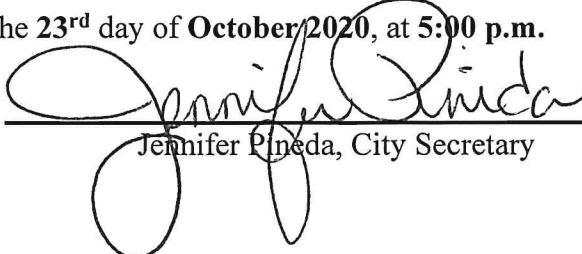
A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

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 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 **23rd** day of **October 2020**, at **5:00 p.m.**



 Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary