#### MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

On the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020, the City Council of Taft, Texas, convened in a special session via video and telephone conference, at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Pedro "Pete" Lopez Mayor
Lolo Hernandez Mayor Pro-tem
Rolando Rodriguez
JoAdrian Vara
Leonard Vasquez

Others present: Mary Alice Sandoval, Finance Director and Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary.

#1. There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

### #2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Rodriguez led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation.

#### #3. Visitors.

There were no visitor comments.

# #4. Consider, discuss, and take action upon the proposed tax rate for the City of Taft, take record vote, and schedule a public hearing.

Councilman Rodriguez made a motion to have a special meeting on September 8, 2020 with the purpose of approving the tax rate of \$0.770000 and to have a hearing for the City of Taft for comments. The motion was seconded by Councilman Vara.

The following votes were polled:

Ayes: Vara, Rodriguez, Mayor, Vasquez, Hernandez

Nays: None

The motion carried.

# #5. Consider, discuss, and take action upon the proposed tax rate for the City of Taft Deannexed SW and take record vote.

Councilman Rodriguez made a motion to approve the tax rate of \$0.246785 for the Deannexed Taft Southwest area. The motion was seconded by Councilman Vara.

The following votes were polled:

Ayes: Vara, Rodriguez, Mayor, Vasquez, Hernandez

Nays: None

The motion carried.

#6. Consider, discuss and take action to approve a resolution of the city council of the City of Taft, Texas, directing the finance director of the City of Taft to calculate the voterapproval tax rate of the City of Taft in the manner provided for a special taxing unit; determining that the meeting at which this resolution was approved complied with the open meetings act; making other findings and provisions related to the subject; and declaring an effective date.

Councilman Vara made a motion approve a resolution of the city council of the City of Taft, Texas, directing the finance director of the City of Taft to calculate the voter-approval tax rate of the City of Taft in the manner provided for a special taxing unit; determining that the meeting at which this resolution was approved complied with the open meetings act. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hernandez.

The following votes were polled:

Ayes: Vara, Rodriguez, Mayor, Vasquez, Hernandez

Nays: None

The motion carried.

## #7. Adjournment.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Councilman Rodriguez to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Vara.

The following votes were polled:

Ayes: Vara, Rodriguez, Mayor, Vasquez, Hernandez

Nays: None

The motion carried.

CITY OF TAFT

Pedro Lopez

Mayor

ATTEST:

Jennifer Pineda

**City Secretary**