

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

On the 15<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019, the City Council of Taft, Texas, convened in a special session at 402 Park St, at the Kiva Hut, at 6:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Pedro "Pete" Lopez	Mayor
Leonard Vasquez	Mayor Pro-tem -
Felipe Rodriguez, III	
Donnie Riojas	
Lolo Hernandez	Absent

Others present: Denise Hitt, City Manager, Mary Alice, Finance Director, and Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary.

**#1.** There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

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

Councilwoman Riojas led the Pledge of Allegiance and gave the invocation.

### **#3. Visitors.**

There were no visitors.

Council moved to Item #5.

### **#5. Discuss and take action on whether to approve a setback variance request which, if approved, would allow the rebuild of a carport, with conditions, at 421 McIntyre, Taft, Tx, with legal description Lts 27 & 28 Blk 12 Taft.**

Councilman Rodriguez made a motion to not approve the setback variance requested. The motion was seconded by Councilman Vasquez.

The following votes were polled:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Vasquez, Mayor

Nays: None

Abstain: Riojas

Absent: Hernandez

The motion carried.

### **#4. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance No. 1039, an ordinance of the City of Taft, Texas calling and ordering a special elections to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 for the purpose of adopting a five dollar (\$5.00) monthly fee per utility residential account and a ten dollar (\$10.00) monthly fee per utility commercial account located within the city limits of the City of Taft, Texas, to provide for new streets, street repair, and street maintenance to be imposed for five years.**

Councilman Vasquez made a motion to enter into executive session to seek legal advice with the city attorney. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rodriguez.

The following votes were polled:

Ayes: Rodriguez, Vasquez, Mayor, Riojas

Nays: None

Absent: Hernandez

The motion carried.

The council entered executive session at 6:38 p.m.

The council reconvened in regular session at 7:30 p.m.

Councilwoman Riojas made a motion to reconsider the approval of Ordinance No. 1039. The

motion was seconded by Councilman Vasquez.

The following votes were polled:  
Ayes: Rodriguez, Vasquez, Riojas  
Nays: Mayor  
Absent: Hernandez  
The motion carried.

Councilman Rodriguez made a motion to not approve Ordinance No. 1039. The motion was seconded by Councilman Vasquez.

The following votes were polled:  
Ayes: Rodriguez, Vasquez, Riojas  
Nays: Mayor  
Absent: Hernandez  
The motion carried.

**#6. Budget workshop for FY 2019-2020.**

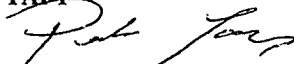
Denise let the council know the changes in the proposed budget to make it a balanced budget.

**#7. Adjournment.**

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

The following votes were polled:  
Ayes: Rodriguez, Vasquez, Mayor, Riojas  
Nays: None  
Absent: Hernandez  
The motion carried.

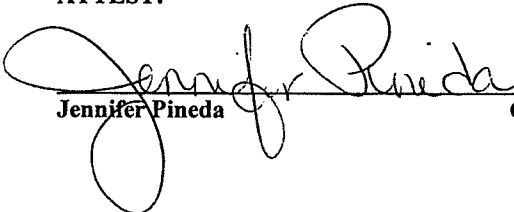
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Pedro Lopez

Mayor

ATTEST:



Jennifer Pineda

City Secretary

