

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
APRIL 9, 2019
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 9th day of April 2019, 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. Presentation and discussion of four AXON pricing options for equipment for the Taft Police Department.
6. Consider, discuss and take action to approve switching the Taft Police Department report writing system from Eforce to COPSync.
7. Consider, discuss and take action on authorizing the creation and submission of a grant application through the Texas Department of Transportation's Transportation Alternatives Set Aside and Safe Routes to Schools Programs for funding of a sidewalk project that will provide safe accessibility and transportation to public facilities.
8. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve Resolution 618, a resolution of the City of Taft, Texas suspending the May 27, 2019 effective date of the proposal by CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp., D/B/A CenterPoint Energy Entex and CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas – South Texas Division to implement interim grip rate adjustments for gas utility investment in 2018 and requiring delivery of this resolution to the company and legal counsel.
9. Consider, discuss and take action on naming a five (5) member advisory board for the Hidalgo Community Center operations.
10. Consider, discuss and take action to appoint JoEllen Perez to the Library Board.
11. Discussion on extending the roadway from Retama to Murray St and add parking for the soccer/tennis court areas. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
12. Discussion and project updates from the Taft Economic Development Corporation, Taft Quality Improvement Corporation, Pride of Taft, Taft Volunteer Fire Department, and Chamber of Commerce. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
13. Discussion on streets and pot holes progress.
14. Discussion on brush/bulk pick up progress for City of Taft and Absolute Waste Management.
15. Discussion of personnel policy chain of command.
16. Discussion of grievances policy.
17. Discussion on Mayor's and City Council authority as elected officials.

18. Discussion on ordinances which are vague and not clear for our citizens and office personnel understanding.
19. Discussion on rejecting citizens from unloading any clean up at the City of Taft collection station.
20. Discussion on existing addresses needing bulk, brush, and debris pick up.
21. Discussion for a Team Building date with all City employees, organization, and volunteers
22. Discussion on voluntary annexation update.
23. Discussion on Mayor update or concerns for City of Taft, Texas.
24. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The City Council will convene in closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074, Personnel Matters, to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee, to wit: City Manager Denise Hitt
25. Reconvene into Regular Session and consider action, if necessary, on any item(s) discussed in Executive Session.
26. Adjournment.

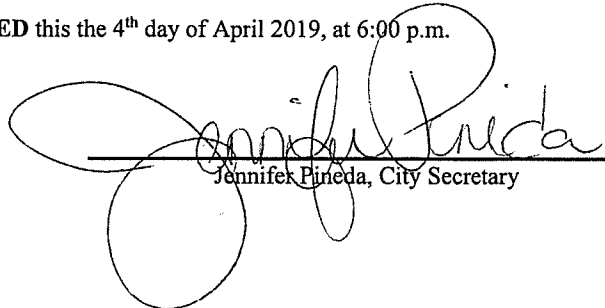
A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

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 4th day of April 2019, at 6:00 p.m.



Jennifek Pineda, City Secretary