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# REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF TAFT CITY COUNCIL TAFT CITY HALL, 230 GREEN AVE., TAFT, TEXAS FEBRUARY 18, 2025 – 6:30 P.M.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFY A QUORUM
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE
- 4. INVOCATION
- 5. PROCLAMATIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND COUNCIL AND STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

This item will also include any announcements of community interest and/or upcoming events.

- a. City Council announcements
- b. City Staff announcements

#### 6. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

The public is invited to address the City Council on any matter of City business. Please note that all comments should be made at this time. Unless an agenda item is listed as a "public hearing," comments will not be taken elsewhere. Also, Council members cannot respond to comments if the topic is not on this agenda. Each speaker will be allowed three minutes. If you wish to speak, please sign up with the City Secretary before the meeting begins.

## 7. STAFF REPORTS AND OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

Items in this section are not expected to require action by City Council and are generally for information only. However, all items in this section may become action items on request of any Council Member, and City Council may take action on any item listed in this section without further notice.

- a. Public Information Act (Mayor Pro Tem Castillo)
- b. Introduction of Parker ISG (Mayor Vasquez)
- c. Renting out the Alvarado Senior Center for private events (Alderman Molina)
- d. Taft Pride involvement with Taft Independent School District to have a competition to repaint street signs (Alderman Molina)

#### 8. ACTION ITEMS

City council will discuss, consider, and take any action deemed necessary on items listed in this section, including the adoption of a minute order, a resolution or an ordinance.

- a. Authorizing the City Manager to enter an agreement with Tyler Technologies on Tyler Output Processor
- Approve Resolution 2025-1300 authorizing the award of a service provider for 2025
   Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) projects funded through the Texas
   Department of Transportation (TXDOT). (Administrative Services)
- Approve Resolution 2025-1301 authorizing the award of a service provider for 2025
   Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) projects funded through the Texas
   Department of Transportation (TXDOT). (Engineering Services).
- d. Approve Ordinance No. 2025-1304 amending the Garbage and Refuge Rate Tables in the Utility Fee Schedule of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Taft, Texas, revising and providing for an increase in the rates to be charged for solid waste collection by the City of Taft; providing for repeal of conflicting ordinances; providing a severability clause; providing for an open meetings clause; providing a penalty; and providing an effective date.
- e. Approve the resignation of Jerald Nino and Jose Hernandez from the Planning & Zoning Commission

- f. Approve the appointment of George Saldivar and Filaberto Rivera for the Planning & Zoning Commission
- g. Approve to name Filaberto Rivera as President of the Planning & Zoning Commission
- h. Approve to appoint Ray Reyes and Rolando Rodriguez to the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation
- i. Authorize the City Manager to enter an agreement with Donald L. Allman, CPA for audit services for Fiscal Year 2024.

#### 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

All items listed in this section will be deliberated in a closed session. Members of the public are not generally permitted to attend a closed session. Executive session items may be considered as an action item at the discretion of the Mayor: however, City Council will not take any action in closed session

- a. 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, including but not limited to:
  - i. Evaluation of City Manager, Ryan Smith
- b. Section 551.071, Consultation with attorney on matter involving pending or contemplated litigation or other matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

#### 10. ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

Council will reconvene in open session and may take action on any item listed in the Executive Session action of this agenda.

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# 11. ADJOURNMENT

# Certification

I, Jessica Gonzalez, certify that the above notice of this Regular Meeting of the City Council was posted on the City Hall bulletin board, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times, and to the City's website, <a href="www.tafttx.gov">www.tafttx.gov</a>, in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government.

Posted on:

Date: Feb. 14, 2025

Time: 5:15pm

Jessica Gonzalez, City Secretary

The City Council of the City of Taft reserves the right to convene in Executive Session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code: Section 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney), Section 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters), Section 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), or Section 551.087 (Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations) on any of the above items.

## **Special Accommodations**

This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact the City Secretary's office at (361) 528-3512 or FAX (361) 528-3515 or email jgonzalez@tafttx.gov for further information. Braille is not available.