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**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF TAFT CITY COUNCIL  
KIVA HUT, 402 PARK STREET, TAFT, TEXAS  
JUNE 17, 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. Energy Technology Innovation Partnership Project (Jake Leech, Gulf Coast Energy Manager, Southeast Sustainability Directors Network)
- b. City Council Announcements
- c. 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. 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.*

**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. Monthly Department Reports (Provided in Written Form)
  - i. Library
  - ii. Public Works
  - iii. Municipal Court
  - iv. Animal Control
  - v. Code Enforcement
  - vi. Police Department
  - vii. Finance
- b. Water Usage Report (Mayor Pro Tem Castillo)
- c. Status on Purchase of New Water Meters (Mayor Pro Tem Castillo)
- d. Current and future water supply issues affecting the city (City Manager Ryan Smith)
- e. Budget Hearing Dates (Mayor Pro Tem Castillo)
- f. Status on Open City Positions (Mayor Pro Tem Castillo)

**8. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

*At this time, the Mayor will invite members of the public to address each item listed in this section. Please limit your comments to the topic of that public hearing. If more than one public hearing is being held, you will be allowed to speak during each topic.*

- a. 2025 Transportation Alternative Program Project (City Manager Ryan Smith)
  - i. Public Hearing on the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Transportation for the Transportation Alternatives Set Aside funds
  - ii. Approve a Resolution supporting the City of Taft Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) 2025 Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) grant

## 9. 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. Approve a Resolution to authorizing the award of a service provider for 2025 Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) projects funded through the Texas Department of Transportation (TXDOT) grant and authorizing the execution of a contract. (City Manager Ryan Smith)
- b. Approve Ordinance 2025-1309 establishing procedures for Councilmember-initiated agenda items, including a requirement that all items requested by a councilmember be supported by at least two (2) councilmembers or one (1) councilmember and the mayor, and authorizing the city manager to place items on the agenda (Council Member Molina and Council Member Keeney)
- c. Declare two city vehicles as excess property and authorize the sale of the vehicles to Elco Auctions
  - i. 2010 Ford F150 XLT (VIN 1FTEX1C87AKB25897)
  - ii. 2008 Ford F250 Diesel (VIN 1FTNF20F01EA03666)
- d. Approve the removal of Taft Quality Improvement Corporation President Manuel Espinoza from the TQIC board (Mayor Pro Tem Castillo)

## 10. ADJOURNMENT

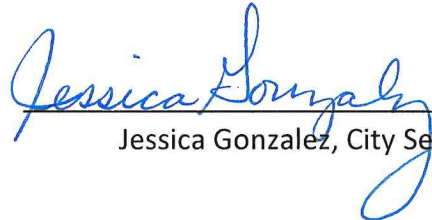
### Certification

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, [www.tafttx.gov](http://www.tafttx.gov), in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government.

Posted on:

Date: June 13, 2025

Time: 3:15pm

  
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.

A quorum of the city council will be present at 230 Green Ave., Taft, Texas ("City Council Chambers"), and the city intends to have a quorum present at that location. The Presiding officer of the meeting will be present at City Council chambers, and that location will be open to the public. Other city council members may participate in this meeting by video conference, so long as their face is visible, and their voice audible to members of the public in attendance at City Council Chambers while that member is speaking.

### 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](mailto:jgonzalez@tafttx.gov) for further information. Braille is not available.