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AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF TAFT CITY COUNCIL
TAFT CITY HALL, 230 GREEN AVE., TAFT, TEXAS
June 9, 2026 – 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.

1. Dee Dee Arsmendez, with Grantworks, want to introduce herself to Mayor and Council

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. CONSENT AGENDA

No discussion is anticipated on any of the items in this section because they are routine business, were included in the budget adoption process, or have been previously discussed as a staff report or discussion item. These items will be considered collectively by a single vote, unless a council member requests an item be removed from the consent agenda.

8. 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. City Manager Updates
- b. Departmental Updates
 - 1. Library Report – Jessi Dixon
 - 2. Police Department – Chief Massey
 - 3. Fire Department – Chief Vasquez
 - 4. Public Works Department – Jozua Garcia

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.

- 9.1 Discuss, consider and possible action to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 12, 2026 and Regular Meeting held on May 26, 2026 as presented.
- 9.2 Discuss, consider and possible action to award the City of Taft's GLO CDBG-MIT MOD (24-065-121-E963) Sewer Line Improvements Construction Contract to Experts Underground Solutions, LLC for a Total Base Bid in the amount of \$357,620.00 and execute the contract.
- 9.3 Discuss, consider and possible action to approve Resolution No. 26-011 authorizing request to the City of Corpus Christi for modifications to its proposed ordinance setting baselines and approving curtailment percentage for water customer's during a level one water emergency – Mayor Castillo
- 9.4 Discuss, consider and possible action to approve the use of the Fire Department budgeted funds in the amount of \$50,000.00 to purchase the material that is needed for the office inside the fire station – Fire Chief Vasquez
- 9.5 Discuss, consider and possible action to approve the BOM (Bill of Material) for the buildout of the office

- inside the fire station – Fire Chief Vasquez
- 9.6 Discuss, consider and possible action regarding the separation of Animal Control services and Code Enforcement services into two distinct departmental categories, including associated budgetary and staffing impacts – Councilman Molina
 - 9.7 Discuss, consider and possible action on commercial vehicles parking on a non-designated area that is located on the property that belongs to Mr. Bhakta Ranjitkomar, being the Inland Hotel – Mayor Pro-Tem-Cruz
 - 9.8 Discuss, consider and possible action to send the San Patricio County Fire Marshall to these locations: 235 Myer Street and 504 McIntyre Avenue, to assure that all permits and inspections are properly up to date – Mayor Pro-Tem Cruz
 - 9.9 Discuss, consider and possible action on any updates on the street signs – Councilwoman Moreno
 - 9.10 Discuss, consider and possible action to approve Resolution No. 26-012 adopting a purchasing card (P-Card) policy
 - 9.11 Discuss, consider and possible action to approve the set amounts on the credit card (P-Card) for Interim City Manager, Wendy Pullin, Chief of Police, Kirk Massey and Public Works Director, Jozua Garcia with the excess limit to be determined by the city council – Councilwoman Moreno
 - 9.12. Discuss, consider, and possible action on Vexatious Public Records, and possibly amending Ordinance No. 03-22-24-01 to align with Texas Government Code Sections 552.232 and 552.275, as per the snip – Interim City Manager, Pullin
 - 9.13 Discussion on updating the public park located on Green Avenue – Councilwoman Moreno
 - 9.14 Discussion on reviewing and updating the municipal zoning regulations to promote sustainable growth- Councilman Molina
 - 9.15 Discussion on implementing a sustainability initiative focusing on green spaces and environmental conservation – Councilman Molina

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.

10 ADJOURNMENT

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 faces are 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 secretary@tafttx.gov for further information. Braille is not available.

Certification

The above notice was posted at the City of Taft City Hall located at 230 Green Avenue, Taft, Texas on June 3, 2026, by 6:00 p.m.