

City of Taft

CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

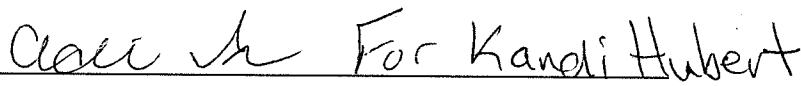
In accordance with Section 551.041 of the *Texas Government Code*, notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the City Council of Taft, Texas may be present on Tuesday the 7th day January, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the City Hall, 501 Green Ave, Taft, Texas, 78930.

Economic Development

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.

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DATED and **POSTED** this 3rd day of January 2014, at 5:45 p.m.


Kandi Hubert, City Manager

City of Taft

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the *Texas Government Code*, notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the City Council of Taft, Texas will be held on the 14th day January, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas, 78930.

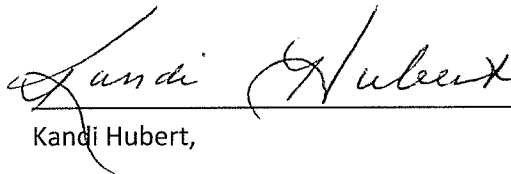
1. Call to order. Quorum check
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
3. Discuss, Consider and Act approving the December 10th and 17th minutes.
4. **VISITORS_ – *“At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter that is not on the agenda. To address the Council, please sign 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. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not Discuss or take Act 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.”***
5. Discuss consider and act on Ms. Yglesias concern regarding her neighbors fence.
6. Discuss, Consider and Act upon Bill Davis request for payment i.e. Absolute Waste
7. Discuss on going Capital Improvement projects, i.e. waste water treatment plant, lift stations and line & drainage projects.
8. Discuss, Consider and act on appointing a municipal judge.
9. Discuss Interlocal agreement with San Patricio County for ad valorem tax collection.
10. Discuss fire department and emergency response issues.
11. Discuss, Consider and act on amending Ordinance 887 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE NO. 786 AND ORDINANCE 794; PRESCRIBING RULES, REGULATIONS, RATES, AND FEES AND APPLICATION PROCESS FOR WATER SEWER AND GARBAGE SERVICE; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR NONPAYMENT OF UTILITY BILLS; PROVIDING FOR DISCONNECTION OF SERVICE FOR NON-PAYMENT AND RELATED FEES; ESTABLISHING FEES FOR UNAUTHORIZED USE OF WATER; ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR TAMPERING WITH OR DAMAGE TO CITY EQUIPMENT; IDENTIFYING RATES AND FEES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES, TAPS, PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS; PROVIDING ADDITIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS, SEVERANCE, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Said Ordinance has been amended twice by Ordinance 871-A and Ordinance 896.
12. Discuss, consider and act on Ordinance 867 qualifications for City Attorney. .
13. Discuss, consider and Act on requesting proposals for a City Attorney.
14. Discuss, consider and Act on the selection of a City of Taft representative to serve on the San Patricio Economic Development Corporation Board and a member for the SPEDC Executive Committee.
15. Discuss The City of Taft’s financial status.

16. Discuss, Consider and Act on Ordinance 898 modifying the residency requirement for the City Manager,.
17. Request by City Council members for items to be placed on the next agenda.
18. Adjournment.

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DATED and **POSTED** this 10th day of January 2014, at 4:00 p.m.



Kandi Hubert,

City Manager

City of Taft

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

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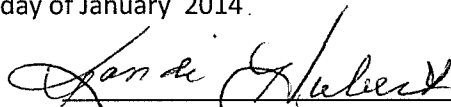
In accordance with Section 551.041 of the *Texas Government Code*, notice is hereby given that a Special meeting of the City Council of Taft, Texas will be held on the 28th day January, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas, 78390.

1. Call to order. Quorum check
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
3. WORK SESSION
Finances
4. Adjournment.

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DATED and **POSTED** this the 23rd day of January 2014.



Kandi Hubert,

City Manager

City of TAFT

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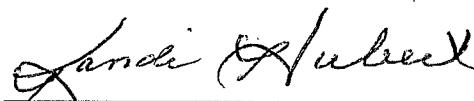
In accordance with Section 551.041 of the *Texas Government Code*, notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the City Council of Taft, Texas will be held on the 3rd day February, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas, 78930.

1. Call to order. Quorum check
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
3. The council may enter in Closed or Executive Session to discuss the following: Texas Government Code, Section 551.074: Personnel Related Matters and/or consultation with the City Attorney related to the following personnel matters: Consider the employment, appointment, interim appointment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of the City Manager.
4. Return to Open Session and take any action necessary as a result of discussions held in the proceeding Agenda Item No 3 pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074: Personnel related matters: Consider the employment, appointment, interim appointment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of the City Manager.
5. Adjournment.

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DATED and POSTED this 31st day of January 2014, at 4:00 p.m.



Kandi Hubert,

City Manager

City of TAFT

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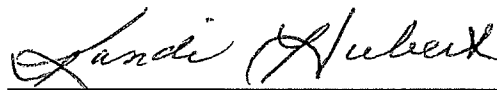
In accordance with Section 551.041 of the *Texas Government Code*, notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the City Council of Taft, Texas will be held on the 4th day February, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas, 78930.

1. Call to order. Quorum check
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
3. The council may enter in Closed or Executive Session to discuss the following: Texas Government Code, Section 551.074: Personnel Related Matters and/or consultation with the City Attorney related to the following personnel matters: Consider the employment, appointment, interim appointment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of the City Manager.
4. Return to Open Session and take any action necessary as a result of discussions held in the proceeding Agenda Item No 3 pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074: Personnel related matters: Consider the employment, appointment, interim appointment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of the City Manager.
5. Adjournment.

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Kandi Hubert,

City Manager

City of TAFT

CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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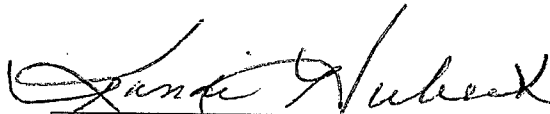
In accordance with Section 551.041 of the *Texas Government Code*, notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the City Council of Taft, Texas will be held on the 5th day February, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas, 78930.

1. Call to order. Quorum check
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
3. The council may enter in Closed or Executive Session to discuss the following: Texas Government Code, Section 551.074: Personnel Related Matters and/or consultation with the City Attorney related to the following personnel matters: Consider the employment, appointment, interim appointment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of the City Manager.
4. Return to Open Session and take any action necessary as a result of discussions held in the proceeding Agenda Item No 3 pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074: Personnel related matters: Consider the employment, appointment, interim appointment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of the City Manager.
5. Adjournment.

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DATED and **POSTED** this 31st day of January 2014, at 4:00 p.m.


Kandi Hubert,

City Manager

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
FEBRUARY 11, 2014
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 11TH day of, February 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

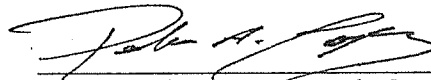
1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **VISTORS- “At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter that is not on the agenda. To address the Council, please sign the Opinion/Speaker Registration Form located on the table at the entrance of the meeting room and deliver to the City Secretary before the meeting begins. 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. Discuss City financials.
5. Presentation by SMMP on status of internal assessment.
6. Discuss, consider and act on appointment of Pride of Taft Officers.
7. Discuss, consider and act on Pride of Taft Budget.
8. Discuss, consider and act to separate Prosecutor from the duties of the City Attorney and reword advertisement to reflect change.
9. Discuss the City of Taft’s working projects.
10. Recognition of City of Taft Organizations.
11. Discuss, consider and act on drawings received by the Railroad Commission for revitalization of the road crossings and the City of Taft’s responsibility to keep it maintained.
12. Discuss, consider and act on final approval of Ordinance # 922 repealing Ordinance 887 an ordinance repealing and replacing ordinance no. 786 and ordinance 794; prescribing rules, regulations, rates, and fees and application process for water sewer and garbage service; providing penalties for non-payment of utility bills; providing for disconnection of service for non-payment and related fees; establishing fees for unauthorized use of water; establishing penalties for tampering with or for unauthorized use of water; establishing penalties for tampering with or damage to city equipment; identifying rates and fees for water and sewer services, taps, permits and inspections; providing additional rules and regulations, severance, repeal of conflicting ordinance and an effective date.
13. The council may enter into Closed or Executive Session to discuss the following: Texas Government Code, Section 551.074: Personnel related matters: Consider the employment, appointment of the Interim City Manager and Interim City Secretary.
14. Return to Open Session and take any action necessary as a result of discussions held in the proceeding Agenda Item #13.
15. Discuss future agenda items for the March meeting.
16. Adjournment

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DATED and **POSTED** this the 7th day of February, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.



Agenda produce by Mayor Pedro Lopez

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
MARCH 11, 2014
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 11TH day of, March 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **VISTORS- “At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter that is not on the agenda. 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. 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. The Council may enter into Closed or Executive Session to discuss the following: Texas Government Code, Section 551.074: Personnel Related Matters: Consider the employment, appointment or assignment of the position(s) of City Prosecutor and/or City Attorney.
5. Return to Open Session and take any action necessary as a result of discussions held in the proceeding agenda item.
6. Conduct a public hearing related to daytime and nighttime curfew hours for juveniles.
7. Discuss, consider and act upon Ordinance No. 924 - An Ordinance Readopting Ordinance No. 841 Establishing Juvenile Nighttime and Daytime Curfew Hours within the City of Taft; Providing Definitions, Establishing Parental Responsibility, Defenses to Prosecution, Enforcement Procedures, and Penalties for Violation; Providing a Severability Clause, Effective Date and Expiration Date to comply with.
8. Hear and discuss update regarding on –going city infrastructure projects as well as pothole patching.
9. Hear and discuss update regarding the city’s financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
10. Hear and discuss updates to the City website.
11. Review and discuss Ordinance #875 public nuisance ordinance.
12. Review and discuss Ordinance #685 abandoned and junked vehicle ordinance.

13. Review and discuss city fees for construction permits
14. Discuss, consider, and act upon determining the feasibility, advantages and disadvantages to alter the traditional 5-day work week.
15. Discuss, consider and act upon determining the feasibility, advantages and disadvantages of maintaining city-owned EMS
16. Hear and discuss Interim City Manager briefing regarding city operations.
17. Discuss, consider, and act upon authorizing the Mayor to execute agreements on behalf of the City of Taft and Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs Home Grant Program.
18. Discuss items for future agendas and potential new business.
19. Adjournment

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DATED and **POSTED** this the 7th day of March, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.



Agenda produce by Mayor Pedro Lopez

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
MARCH 24, 2014
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 Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 24TH day of, March 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. The Council may enter into Closed or Executive Session to discuss the following:

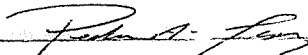
Texas Government Code, Section 551.074: Personnel Related Matters: Consider the employment, appointment or assignment of the position(s) of City Prosecutor and/or City Attorney.
4. Return to Open Session and take any action necessary as a result of discussions held in the proceeding agenda item.
5. Discuss, consider and act on allowing the Pride of Taft to sell 15 certificates for Kiva Hut rental.
6. Review and discuss potential amendments to the City solid waste collection agreement.
7. Discuss items for future agendas and potential new business.
8. Adjournment.

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DATED and POSTED this the 21st day of March, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.



Mayor Pedro Lopez

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
APRIL 8, 2014
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 8TH day of, April 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Discuss, consider and act on approving the February 3, 2014 special meeting minutes.
4. **VISTORS- “At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter that is not on the agenda. 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. 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.”**
5. Consider and act upon potential changes in insurance coverage and deductible levels and the establishment of a payment plan for past dues owed to Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool.
6. Consider and act upon progress toward potential solid waste collection contract amendments and the establishment of a payment plan for past dues owed to Republic Services.
7. Consider and discuss progress on the Hlavinka Economic Development project.
8. Present and discuss state laws on conflicts of interest and how to file an “affidavit of abstention from voting”.
9. Consider and discuss implementing a form for the Mayor and any Councilmember to place an item on a City Council agenda.
10. Consider and take action to pass a resolution that expends public funds for a public purpose by supplying the Pride of Taft, a non-profit corporation, with fifteen (15) rental coupons for the use of the Kiva Hut at no charge to the Pride of Taft, such coupons will be sold to the public to defray renovations costs for the Kiva Hut.
11. Consider and discuss update regarding the city’s financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
12. EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001. et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss:
 - In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.074, Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the City Attorney.
 - In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.074, Personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the City Manager.
13. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION: In accordance with Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.001, et seq., the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session to take any action necessary regarding:

- Consider and take action to approve a contract for legal services with the Law Office of Roxann Pais Cotroneo.
- Consider and take action to approve a contract for city manager services with Santos McBain Management & Planning.

14. Adjournment

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

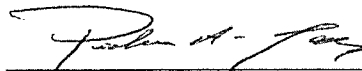
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| 1. | Texas Open Meetings Act -
Section 551.071 | Contemplated or pending litigation or matters where <i>legal advice</i> is requested of the City Attorney. |
| 2. | Texas Open Meetings Act -
Section 551.072 | The <i>purchase, exchange, lease or value or real property</i> , 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 <i>contract for a prospective gift or donation</i> 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 | <i>Personnel matters</i> 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 <i>security personnel or devices</i> . |
| 6. | Texas Open Meetings Act -
Section 551.087 | Deliberations regarding <i>economic development negotiations</i> . |

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DATED and **POSTED** this the 4th day of April, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.



Agenda produce by Mayor Pedro Lopez

**ADDENDUM ITEM TO THE
CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
APRIL 8, 2014
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET
6:30 P.M.**

Please be advised that the following items are to be considered as part of the agenda of the Regular Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 8, 2014, and will be scheduled at any time during the 6:30 p.m. meeting. Notice is hereby given the items to be considered are as follows:

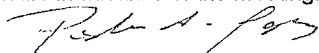
1. Present and discuss re-branding the City of Taft.
2. Consider and act upon establishing additional duty compensation for city employees performing duties for multiple city employment positions.
3. Consider and act upon formalizing a request to the San Patricio County Commissioners Court for additional Emergency Medical Services (EMS) contributions.

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

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Section 551.071 | Contemplated or pending litigation or matters where legal advice is requested of the City Attorney. |
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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. |
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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 . |

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the above-notice of meeting was filed and posted on the bulletin board at City Hall, 501 Green, Taft, Texas on the 5th day of April, 2014 at 12 p.m. and remained so posted until removed as indicated below pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act. This building is wheelchair accessible. Any request for sign interpretative or other services is requested to be made 48 hours in advance of the meeting. To make arrangements call (361) 528-3515.


Pedro Lopez, Mayor, City of Taft



**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
APRIL 14, 2014
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET
7:00 P.M.**

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 14TH day of, April 2014, at 7:00 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.074, the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the City Manager.
4. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION – In accordance with the Texas Government Code, the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session to consider and act to approve a revised contract for interim city manager and planning services with Santos McBain Management & Planning.
5. Adjournment

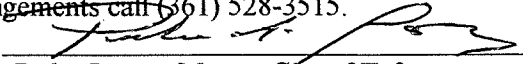
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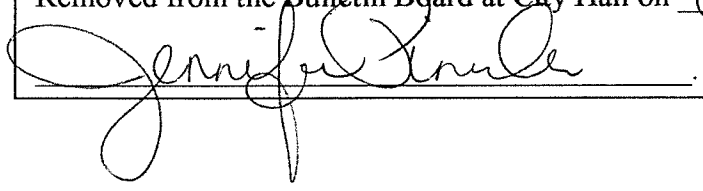
6. Texas Open Meetings Act - Deliberations regarding *economic development negotiations*.
Section 551.087

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I certify that the above-notice of meeting was filed and posted on the bulletin board at City Hall, 501 Green, Taft, Texas on the 11th day of April, 2014 at 4:55 p.m. and remained so posted until removed as indicated below pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act. This building is wheelchair accessible. Any request for sign interpretative or other services is requested to be made 48 hours in advance of the meeting. To make arrangements call (361) 528-3515.


Pedro Lopez, Mayor, City of Taft

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**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
MAY 13, 2014
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 13TH day of, May 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **VISTORS- “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. 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. Consider and take action to adopt an Ordinance that amends and replaces Ordinance No. 916 with a revised rate schedule for solid waste collection, transportation and disposal services for the City of Taft, Texas.
6. Present, discuss and provide direction to City staff regarding solutions to reduce the City’s outstanding municipal court warrants.
7. Consider and take action upon authorizing a change order in the amount of \$10,825.66 for blower control panel and screw conveyor at the Taft Wastewater Treatment Plant.
8. Consider and take action to adopt an Ordinance designating an official newspaper for the City of Taft to commence on an effective date.
9. Consider and take action to adopt a resolution authorizing the suspension of an application by CenterPoint Energy Texas Gas to increase the fixed monthly charge for the gas reliability infrastructure program from the effective date of May 30, 2014, for 45 days; and authorizing the hiring of special counsel to review the requested increase.
0. Consider and take action on whether to continue with the contract between the City and MuniCode regarding the codification of Taft city ordinances.

11. Consider and take action to adopt a form for the Mayor and any Councilmember to place an item on a City Council agenda.
12. Consider and discuss applying for the Texas Municipal League Tuition Scholarships for Small Cities.
13. Consider and act upon authorizing the expenditure of up to \$3,000 for the overhaul of a backhoe engine.
14. Present and discuss update regarding Town Hall meeting held in April 2014.
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001. et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss:
 - a) Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice regarding Kandi Hubert vs. City of Taft, Texas, Cause No. 5-14-5465CV-C in the 343rd District Court in San Patricio County, Texas.
 - b) Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice, Section 551.072 regarding the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, because deliberations in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third party, and Section 551.087 deliberations regarding economic development negotiations for Project Condor.
 - c) Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice regarding Texas Capital Fund Contract No. 712072 with the Texas Department of Agriculture, also known as the Hlvanika Equipment Project.
16. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION: In accordance with Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.001, et seq., the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session to take any action:
 - a) Regarding Kandi Hubert vs. City of Taft, Texas, Cause No. 5-14-5465CV-C in the 343rd District Court in San Patricio County, Texas.
 - b) Authorizing the City and the Taft Economic Development Corporation to continue negotiations regarding Project Condor.
17. Adjournment.

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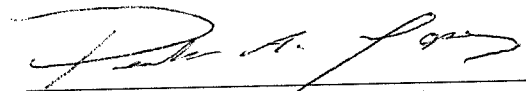
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NOTICE

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DATED and **POSTED** this the 9th day of May, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.



Agenda produce by Mayor Pedro Lopez

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
MAY 29, 2014
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 Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 29TH day of, May 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **VISTORS- “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. 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 take action to adopt an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 911 to increase the processing fee from 3% to 5% for each fee, fine, court cost or other charge that is paid by credit card, debit card, or other electronic means to the City.
5. Present Taft Independent School District with a proclamation recognizing the graduating Class of 2014.
6. Consider and take action to adopt a Resolution authorizing the Taft Economic Development Type B Corporation to enter into negotiations on a project, known as *Project Condor*, which involves the purchase of property that includes 4.0 acres of land out of abstract 268 Thomas Todd Survey, Taft, San Patricio County, Texas also known as ESCO Seed Company with Property Tax ID Nos. 2139-0268-0002-000, 2139-0268-0000-009, 2139-0268-0000-010, and 2139-0268-0000-011.
7. Adjournment.

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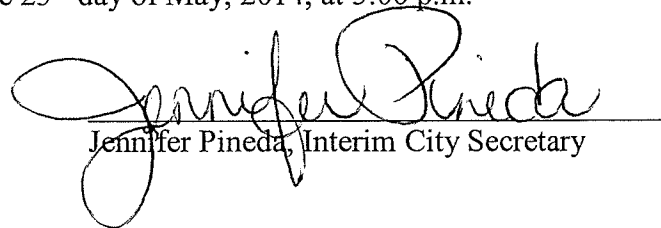
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DATED and **POSTED** this the 23rd day of May, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
JUNE 10, 2014
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 Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 10TH day of, June 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **VISTORS- “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. 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 act upon a request for a variance to allow a manufactured home to be placed at 417 Victoria.
5. Consider and act upon a request to amend Ordinance 745 to allow the placement of a manufactured home outside of designated zones and parks.
6. Consider and take action to adopt a Resolution ⁵⁵⁷ on its second reading to authorize the Taft Economic Development Type B Corporation to enter into negotiations on a project, known as *Project Condor*, which involves the purchase of property that includes 4.0 acres of land out of abstract 268 Thomas Todd Survey, Taft, San Patricio County, Texas also known as ESCO Seed Company with Property Tax ID. Nos. 2139-0268-0002-000, 2139-0268-0000-009, 2139-0268-0000-010, and 2139-0268-0000-011.
7. Present and discuss solutions implemented to reduce the City’s outstanding municipal court warrants and current collection efforts.
8. Consider and discuss update regarding the city’s financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
9. Consider and take action to schedule a Taft City Council regular meeting date for July 2014.
10. Discuss the status of the creation of a business and property directory.
11. Discuss, consider, and act on proposed Pride of Taft cleanup in September to be co-sponsored by City of Taft.
12. Discuss, consider, and act for a request for proposals for a grant writer for the City of Taft.
13. Discuss and consider on locating a place for a senior center.
14. EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001. et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss:
 - a) Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice regarding *Kandi Hubert vs. City of Taft, Texas*, Cause No. 5-14-5465CV-C in the 343rd District Court in San Patricio County, Texas.
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c) Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice regarding Texas Capital Fund Contract No. 712072, as amended, with the Texas Department of Agriculture, also known as the Hlavinka Equipment Project.

15. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.001, et seq., the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session.

16. Adjournment.

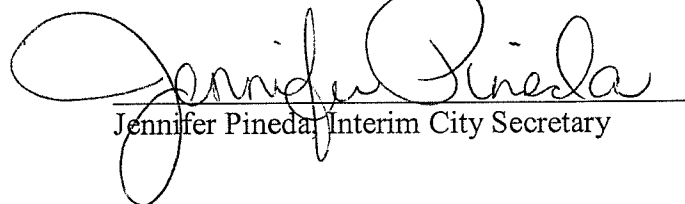
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6. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.087 Deliberations regarding **economic development negotiations**.

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DATED and POSTED this the 6th day of June, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
JULY 1, 2014
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 Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 1ST day of, July 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

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2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
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4. Consider and take action to select a plan and carrier for the City of Taft’s annual windstorm insurance coverage.
5. Consider and take action upon authorizing the Taft Cub Scout Pack 43 and Taft Boy Scout Troop 43 to utilize the Kiva Hut, Municipal Court Building, maybe the Fire Department Training room, and a portion of City Hall for the summer Cub Scout Day Camp in the interest of and benefit to the community.
6. Consider and take action to: (1) approve an *Affidavit of Scrivener’s Error in a Recorded Deed* said error found in a quitclaim deed dated February 15, 2001, recorded under File #500815 in the public records of San Patricio County, Texas wherein the City of Taft quitclaimed to The Hlavinka Equipment Company certain real property with the corrected legal description of Lot A, Block No TWENTY-ONE (21), Taft & Additions, San Patricio County, Texas according to the Map or Plat recorded in Volume 3, Page 3, Map Records of San Patricio County, Texas; and (2) file and record said *Affidavit* with the San Patricio County Court Clerk.
7. Consider and take action to approve an amendment/modification to the Texas Capital Fund Contract No. 712072, as amended, with the Texas Department of Agriculture, also known as the Hlavinka Equipment Project. Stated amendment/modification shall increase the size of the building improvement from 3,770 square feet to 6,770 square feet requiring that Hlavinka Equipment pay for added costs beyond the grant amount allocated with no additional costs to the City of Taft.
8. Consider and take action to:
 - (1) Approve a warranty deed accepting City’s ownership of property commonly known as 415 Kirkpatrick St., Taft, Texas with a legal description of:
 - a. Lots Nos. One (1), Two (2), Three (3), Four (4), Five (5), Six (6), Seven (7), Eight (8), Nine (9), Ten (10), Eleven (11), and Twelve (12), Block No. Twenty-One (21), TAFT & ADDITIONS, an Addition to the Town of Taft in San Patricio County, Texas according to map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 3, Page 3, Map Records of San Patricio County, Texas; and
 - b. Lot A, Block Twenty One (21), TAFT & ADDITIONS, an Addition to the Town of Taft in San Patricio County, Texas, as shown by map or plat of same of record in Volume 3, Page 3, Map Records of San Patricio County, Texas; and
 - (2) Authorize the City to proceed with acquisition of said property pursuant to Texas Capital Fund Contract No. 712072, as amended, with the Texas Department of Agriculture also known as the Hlavinka Equipment Company Project Site at 415 Kirkpatrick St., Taft, Texas.
9. Consider and take action to:
 - (1) Approve *construction plans* for a 6,700 square foot building addition to Hlavinka Equipment Company facility located at 415 Kirkpatrick St., Taft, Texas pursuant to Texas Capital Fund Contract No. 712072, as amended; and
 - (2) Authorize the City Engineer to begin the *competitive bidding process* for said project.

10. Consider and take action to approve a lease agreement between the City and Hlavinka Equipment Co. for Hlavinka to lease property which consist of 3,196 acres of land with approximately 6,700 square feet building commonly known as 415 Kirkpatrick, Taft, Texas to be used as a farm equipment dealership and in compliance with Texas Capital Fund Contract No. 712072, as amended with the Texas Department of Agriculture.
11. Consider and take action to adopt an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 911 to increase the processing fee from 3% to 5% for each *municipal court related* fee, fine, court costs or other charge that is paid for by credit card, debit card, or other electronic means to the City. *All non-municipal court related* charges shall remain at a 3% processing fee.
12. Consider and take action to approve an expenditure of up to two-thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) from the Municipal Court Technology Fund to purchase any necessary computer systems, computer networks, computer hardware or computer software that provides for Taft Municipal Court citations to be paid online for customer convenience.
13. Consider and take action to approve an interlocal agreement between the City and San Patricio County Tax Assessor/Collector for the Tax Assessor/Collector to provide tax assessment and collection services for the City for the collection of all ad valorem taxes due to the City.
14. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
15. Consider and act upon obtaining additional funding for the Taft Emergency Medical Services Department. – Councilman Vasquez
16. Consider and act upon additional compensation for persons performing additional duties. – Councilman Vasquez
17. Consider and act upon an outstanding balance owed to Taft Independent School District. – Councilman Vasquez
18. Adjournment.

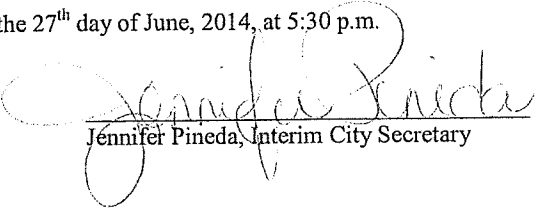
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DATED and POSTED this the 27th day of June, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
JULY 15, 2014
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 15TH day of, July 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **VISTORS- “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. 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. Discuss and consider repair status on City’s water plant, sewer plant and street maintenance. (*Mayor Lopez*)
5. EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001. et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss:
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6. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.001, et seq., the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session.
 - a) Discuss, consider and take action to authorize the Taft Economic Development Corporation to purchase property that includes 4.0 acres of land out of abstract 268 Thomas Todd Survey, Taft, San Patricio County, Texas also known as ESCO Seed Company with Property Tax ID Nos. 2139-0268-0002-000, 2139-0268-0000-009, 2139-0268-0000-010, and 2139-0268-0000-011. (*Mayor Pro Tem Denise Hitt*)
7. Discuss, consider and act upon implementing cost containment and revenue optimization strategies regarding the City of Taft operations. (*City Manager*)
8. EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001. et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss:
 - a) Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V. T.C A. Government Code, Section 551.074 to discuss personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Department Director for Taft Emergency Medical Services.
9. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.001, et seq., the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session.
 - a) Discuss, consider and take action to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and enter into a contract in an amount up to \$25,000 to provide temporary emergency medical services for the City’s service area.
 - b) Discuss, consider and take action to proceed with the City’s hiring process for a Department Director for Taft Emergency Medical Services.

10. Discuss, consider and act upon the appointment of members of the City of Taft, Planning and Zoning Commission. (*Mayor Pro Tem Hitt*)
11. Presentation and discussion on City's efforts to resolve and collect on Taft Municipal Court's outstanding warrants. (*City Attorney*)
12. Adjournment.

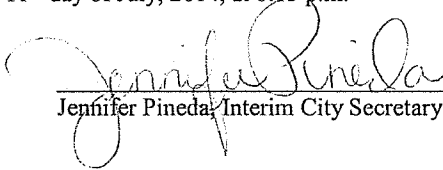
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6. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.087 Deliberations regarding **economic development negotiations**.

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DATED and POSTED this the 11th day of July, 2014, at 6:15 p.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
AUGUST 12, 2014
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 12TH day of, August 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **VISTORS- “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. 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. Mayoral Proclamation designating August 13, 2014 Lolo Hernandez Day.
5. Consider and take action on whether to grant a variance to place a manufactured home at a property located at 417 Victoria, Taft, Texas which is currently zoned B-1 business.
6. Discuss continued road maintenance.
7. Consider and take action upon a request for road closure in support of the “Back to School Ride and Supplies” annual fundraiser.
8. Discuss, consider, and act on proposed Pride of Taft cleanup in September to be co-sponsored by City of Taft.
9. Consider and discuss update regarding the city’s financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
10. Hear and discuss implementation requirements of phase 2 water restrictions.
11. Consider, discuss and take action to create a Veterans Advisory Board; Establishing membership requirements; Establishing duty to advise Taft City Council; Providing for powers and duties of the Board; Providing for appointment of the Chairperson; Establishing rules and regulations for the Board; Establishing responsibility of Board to report and make recommendations to the City Council; and Providing for no compensation to serve on Board.
12. Discuss ordinances and building codes applicable to car port construction.
13. Discuss and take action on the maintenance and management of city owned Little League parks.

14. Consider and take action to approve a Joint Election contract between the City and San Patricio County Election Administrator for the County to conduct the City's General Election for Tuesday, November 4, 2014.
15. Consider and take action to adopt an ordinance to: (1) Call and order a General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 *for the purpose of electing one Alderman for Ward One and one Alderman for Ward Two*; (2) Authorize the execution of a joint election contract with the San Patricio County Election Administrator for election services; (3) Establish Saturday, July 19, 2014, as the first day to file for a place on the official ballot and Monday, August 18, 2014, at 5:00 p.m., Central Standard Time as being the last day to file for a place on the ballot; (4) Direct the San Patricio County Election Administrator and/or the City Secretary to prepare the official ballot form; (5) Adopt a voting system for use in the General Election on November 4, 2014 and for Early Voting by personal appearance beginning October 20, 2014 and ending October 31, 2014, which includes two twelve-hour days of voting as required by state law; (6) Order publication and posting of notice for the General Election; (7) Appoint an Early Voting Clerk; (8) Provide for early voting dates, times and polling places; (9) Provide for early voting by mail; (10) Provide for the appointment of a Presiding Judge, Alternate Presiding Judge and clerks; (11) Create and Early Voting Ballot Board; (12) Provide for General Election Day polling places; and (13) Provide for canvassing of the General Election results.
16. Consider and take action to adopt an ordinance to: (1) Call and order a Special Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 *for the purpose of adopting a sales and use tax for the promotion and development of new and expanded business enterprises at the rate of one-fourth of one percent*(2) Authorize the execution of a joint election contract with the San Patricio County Election Administrator for election services; (3) Direct the San Patricio County Election Administrator and/or the City Secretary to prepare the official ballot form; (4) Adopt a voting system for use in the Special Election on November 4, 2014 and for Early Voting by personal appearance beginning October 20, 2014 and ending October 31, 2014, which includes two twelve-hour days of voting as required by state law; (5) Order publication and posting of notice for the Special Election; (6) Appoint an Early Voting Clerk; (7) Provide for early voting dates, times and polling places; (8) Provide for early voting by mail; (9) Provide for the appointment of a Presiding Judge, Alternate Presiding Judge and clerks; (10) Create and Early Voting Ballot Board; (11) Provide for Special Election Day polling places; and (12) Provide for canvassing of the Special Election results.
17. Consider and take action to adopt an ordinance to: (1) Call and order a Special Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014 *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 a certain number of years*; (2) Authorize the execution of a joint election contract with the San Patricio County Election Administrator for election services; (3) Direct the San Patricio County Election Administrator and/or the City Secretary to prepare the official ballot form; (4) Adopt a voting system for use in the Special Election on November 4, 2014 and for Early Voting by personal appearance beginning October 20, 2014 and ending October 31, 2014, which includes two twelve-hour days of voting as required by state law; (5) Order publication and posting of notice for the Special Election; (6) Appoint an Early Voting Clerk; (7) Provide for early voting dates, times and polling places; (8) Provide for early voting by mail; (9) Provide for the appointment of a Presiding Judge, Alternante Presiding Judge and clerks; (10) Create an Early Voting Ballot Board; (11) Provide for Special Election Day polling places; and (12) Provide for canvassing of the Special Election results.
18. Consider and take action to adopt a Resolution to: (1) record that an *application* and *petition* for a local option liquor election was filed with the City Secretary; (2) record the names of the application and

petition signers; (3) find and order that the City will not hold a local option liquor election due to an insufficient, required number of signatures on the petition as required by the Texas Election Code.

19. Discuss and take action on hiring a third party to conduct an audit of the Emergency Medical Services department.
20. EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001. et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss:
 - a) In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.074, the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Police Chief for the Taft Police Department.
21. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION
22. Adjournment.

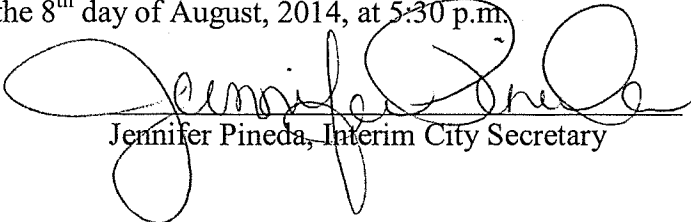
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DATED and POSTED this the 8th day of August, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
AUGUST 14, 2014
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 Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 14TH day of, August 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 501 Green Ave, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **VISTORS- “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. 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 act upon a change order granting additional work days to Bryan Construction for work which was not in the original scope of work as part of the City of Taft Wastewater Treatment Plant Project.
5. EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001. et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss:
 - a) Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V. T.C A. Government Code, Section 551.087 deliberations regarding economic development negotiations for *Project Condor 2/Ironman*.
6. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.001, et seq., the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session.
 - a) Discuss, consider and take any action deemed necessary in relation to continued economic development negotiations for *Project Condor 2/Ironman*.
7. Adjournment.

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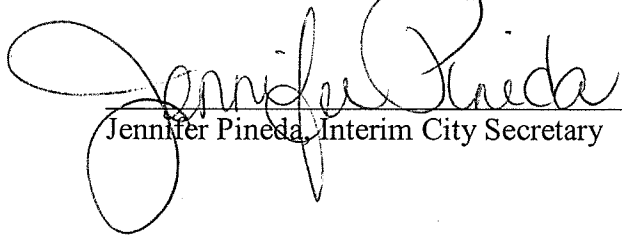
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DATED and **POSTED** this the 11th day of August, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
AUGUST 19, 2014
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET
8:00 P.M.**

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 19TH day of, August 2014, at 8:00 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
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 - a) Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V. T.C A. Government Code, Section 551.087 deliberations regarding economic development negotiations for *Project Condor 2/Ironman*.
6. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.001, et seq., the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session.
 - a) Discuss, consider and take any action deemed necessary in relation to continued economic development negotiations for *Project Condor 2/Ironman*.
7. Adjournment.

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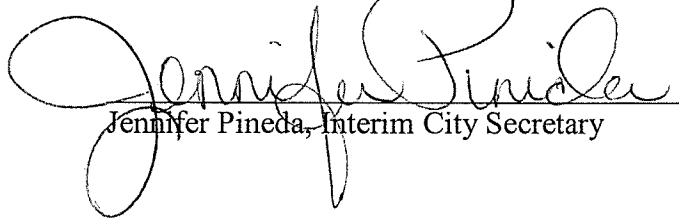
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DATED and **POSTED** this the 15th day of August, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
AUGUST 24, 2014
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET
9:00 A.M.

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 24TH day of, August 2014, at 9:30 a.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **VISTORS- “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. 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 act upon the proposed tax rate, take record vote and schedule a public hearing.
5. Consider and act upon serving a public purpose to not impose a late fee for utility account numbers 01-4050-00, 01-4060-00, 02-1360-00, 04-6740-00, and 04-6720-00 for billing due August 15, 2014.
6. Adjournment.

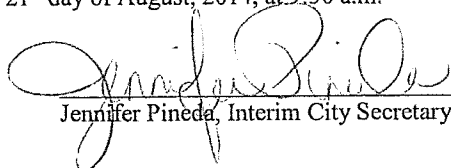
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DATED and POSTED this the 21st day of August, 2014, at 9:30 a.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
AUGUST 25, 2014
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET
8:00 P.M.**

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 25TH day of, August 2014, at 8:00 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
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4. Consider and act upon the proposed tax rate, take record vote and schedule a public hearing.
5. Consider and act upon serving a public purpose to not impose a late fee for utility account numbers 01-4050-00, 01-4060-00, 02-1360-00, 04-6740-00, and 04-6720-00 for billing due August 15, 2014.
6. Adjournment.

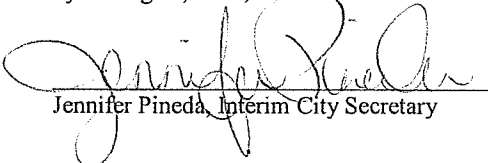
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DATED and POSTED this the 21st day of August, 2014, at 9:45 a.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT
AGENDA
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 2, 2014
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET
8:00 P.M.**

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 2nd day of, September 2014, at 8:00 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Consider, discuss and presentation on the City's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2014-15.
3. 1st Public Hearing to hear comments for and against the proposed 2014 property tax rate for City of Taft.
4. Announce the City's governing body will adopt a property tax rate for the 2014 tax year for the City of Taft at the Taft City Council Special Meeting on September 16, 2014 at 8:00 p.m. at Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas.
5. Announce the City's governing body will adopt a property tax rate for the 2014 tax year for the City's Deannexed Southwest Taft area to pay for the area's pro rata share of the indebtedness at the time the area withdrew from the City at the Taft City Council Special Meeting on September 16, 2014 at 8:00 p.m. at Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas.
6. Adjournment.

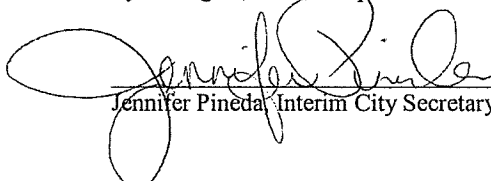
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DATED and POSTED this the 29th day of August, 2014, at 5 p.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 9, 2014
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, September 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

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2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **VISTORS- “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. 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. 2nd Public Hearing to hear comments for and against the proposed 2014 property tax rate for City of Taft.
5. Announce the City’s governing body will adopt a property tax rate for the 2014 tax year for the City of Taft at the Taft City Council Special Meeting on September 16, 2014 at 8:00 p.m. at Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas.
6. Announce the City’s governing body will adopt a property tax rate for the 2014 tax year for the City’s Deannexed Southwest Taft area to pay for the area’s pro rata share of the indebtedness at the time the area withdrew from the City at the Taft City Council Special Meeting on September 16, 2014 at 8:00 p.m. at Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas.
7. Consider and act upon the Hlavinka Economic Development Project by (1) awarding the construction contract to the lowest responsible bidder, (2) reject current bids or (3) re-bid the project.
8. Consider and act upon a request for sewer line on or about the corner of Kirkpatrick and Packing House Road on west side. *Councilman Rodriguez*
9. Consider, discuss, and act upon the City’s proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2014-15.
10. Consider and act upon the use and/or accrual of city employees compensatory time off.
11. Adjournment.

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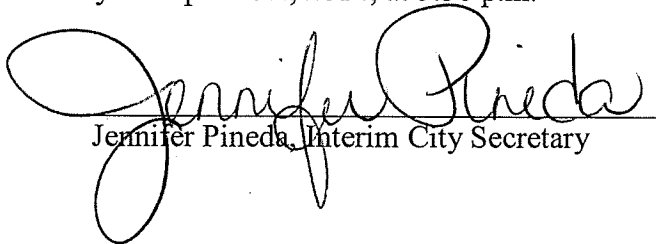
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NOTICE

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DATED and POSTED this the 5th day of September, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 16, 2014
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET
8:00 P.M.**

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 16TH day of September 2014, at 8:00 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. **VISTORS- “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. 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, discuss and act upon presentation from the Taft Economic Development Corporation for the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Taft Economic Development Corporation budget. *Council Member Rodriguez*
5. Conduct a public hearing to hear comments for and against the City’s proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015, which begins October 1, 2014 and ends September 30, 2015.
6. Consider, discuss and act upon amendments, if any, to the City’s proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015, which begins October 1, 2014 and ends September 30, 2015.
7. Consider, discuss and act to adopt an Ordinance to approve the City’s budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015, which begins October 1, 2014 and ends September 30, 2015.
8. Consider, discuss and act to adopt an Ordinance to:
 - (1) Approve and levy an ad valorem total tax rate of \$1.051329 for the use and support of the City for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 on each \$100.00 of assessed valuation on all property within the corporate City limits;
 - (2) Approve, levy and apportion ad valorem taxes for the *maintenance and operations (M&O)* of the City at a tax rate of \$0.500684 on each \$100.00 of assessed valuation on all taxable property within the corporate City limits;
 - (3) Approve, levy and apportion ad valorem taxes for the *debt service (I&S)* of the City at a tax rate of \$0.543445 on each \$100.00 of assessed valuation on all taxable property within the corporate City limits; and
 - (4) Approve, levy and apportion ad valorem taxes for the *debt service (I&S)* of the City at a tax rate of \$0.438101 on each \$100.00 of assessed valuation on all taxable property within the Deannexed Southwest Taft area.

9. Consider, discuss and act upon the use and/or accrual of city employees' compensatory time off.
10. Consider, discuss and act upon a recruitment and retention program for the City of Taft Police Department.
11. Adjournment.

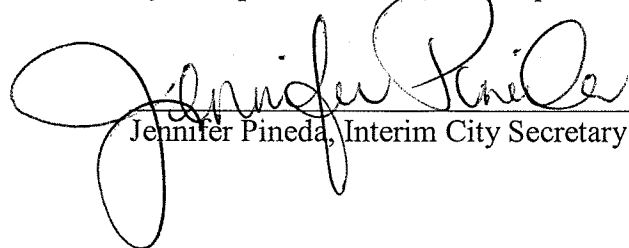
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DATED and **POSTED** this the 12th day of September, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 30, 2014
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET
7:30 P.M.**

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 30TH day of, September 2014, at 7:30 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. **VISTORS- “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. 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 act upon bids received for the Texas Capital Fund Project 712072 also known as the Hlavinka Economic Development Project.
5. Hear presentation regarding public awareness of city items on the November 4, 2014 ballot.
6. Adjournment.

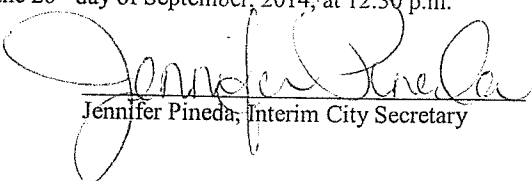
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| 6. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.087 | Deliberations regarding <i>economic development negotiations</i> . |

NOTICE

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DATED and POSTED this the 26th day of September, 2014, at 12:30 p.m.


Jennifer Pineda, Interim City Secretary

**THE SEPTEMBER 30, 2014
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

SET AT 7:30 PM HAS

BEEEN CANCELED

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
OCTOBER 14, 2014
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 14th day of, **October 2014, 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.
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4. EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001. et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss:
 - a) Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Code Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney and outside legal counsel to seek legal advice regarding *Kandi Hubert vs. City of Taft, Texas*, Cause No. 5-14-5465CV-C in the 343rd District Court in San Patricio County, Texas.
 - b) Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A, Section 551.087 deliberations regarding Taft Economic Development Corporation’s economic development negotiations for Project Condor 2/Ironman and other economic development negotiation projects. *Councilmember Rolando Rodriguez*
5. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.001, et seq., the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session and may take action to:
 - a) Enter into a settlement agreement regarding *Kandi Hubert vs. City of Taft, Texas*, Cause No. 5-14-5465-CV-C in the 343rd District Court in San Patricio County, Texas.
 - b) Enter into necessary agreements related to Project Condor 2/Ironman.
6. Consider, discuss and take action to require that the Taft Economic Development Corporation (EDC) provide monthly written reports to the Taft City Council regarding EDC’s financial condition as it relates to debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures. *Councilmember Rolando Rodriguez*

7. Presentation and discussion regarding processes and procedures to read water meters, which are unreadable during initial attempts to read meter. *Mayor Pedro A Lopez*
8. Consider and act upon accepting and authorizing the execution of Texas Department of Agriculture Grant Contract No. 7214439.
9. Consider and act upon appointment (s) to Pride of Taft Board. *Mayor Pro-Tem Denise Hitt*
10. Consider and act upon request from the Taft Chamber of Commerce for the use of city property and approval of parade in support of the 2014 Taft Christmas Festival and the 9th Annual Calixto Garcia Tamale and Hot Sauce Contests.
11. Adjournment.


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DATED and POSTED this the 10th day of October, 2014, at 4:30 p.m.


 Mary Alice Sandoval, Finance Director

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
OCTOBER 21, 2014
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET
7:30 P.M.**

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 21ST day of, **October 2014, at 7:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.**

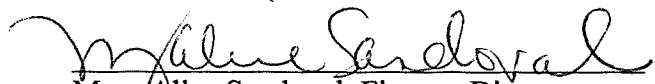
1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Consider and act upon authorizing the purchase of a small tractor that may be used for sludge removal, mowing and general maintenance.
3. Adjournment.

NOTICE

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DATED and POSTED this the 17th day of October, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.


Mary Alice Sandoval, Finance Director

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
NOVEMBER 10, 2014
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET
7:30 P.M.**

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 10TH day of, November 2014, at 7:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

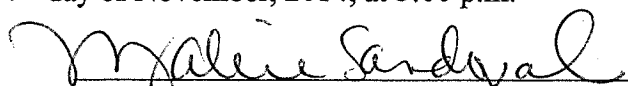
1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **VISTORS- “At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter. To address the Council, please sign the Opinion/Speaker Registration Form located on the table at the entrance of the meeting room and deliver to the City Secretary before the meeting begins. 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 act upon approving a request from the Taft Housing Authority for payment in Lieu of Taxes in the amount of \$4,629.43 for 2013.
5. Consider and act upon the manner in which to proceed with Texas Capital Fund Project 712072 also known as the Hlavinka Economic Development Project.
6. Adjournment.

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DATED and POSTED this the 7th day of November, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.


Mary Alice Sandoval, Finance Director

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
NOVEMBER 18, 2014
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET
7:30 P.M.**

In accordance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code, notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 18TH day of, November 2014, at 7:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **VISTORS- “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. 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 take action to approve an Ordinance to canvass the returns and declare the results of the General Election held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, for the purpose of electing one Alderman for Ward One and one Alderman for Ward Two for a term of two years.
5. Consider and take action to approve an Ordinance to canvass the returns and declare the results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, to adopt a sales and use tax for the promotion and development of new and expanded business enterprises at a rate of one-fourth of one percent.
6. Consider and take action to approve an Ordinance to canvass the returns and declare the results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, to adopt a five dollar (\$5.00) monthly fee per utility residential account and a ten (\$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.
7. Swearing In and Oath of Office of newly elected officials.
8. EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.001. et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss:
 - a) Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney and outside legal counsel to seek legal advice regarding Kandi Hubert vs. City of Taft, Texas, Cause No. 5-14-5465CV-C in the 343rd District Court in San Patricio County, Texas.

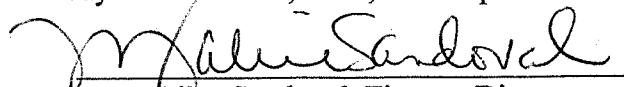
9. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.001, et seq., the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session and may take action to:
 - a) Consider and take action to enter into a settlement agreement regarding Kandi Hubert vs. City of Taft, Texas, Cause No. 5-14-5465CV-C in the 343rd District Court in San Patricio County, Texas.
10. Consider and act upon selecting an insurance carrier for employee medical, dental, vision and life insurance.
11. Consider and act upon appointing an agent of record to service the city's health insurance accounts.
12. Consider and act upon approving a proposal for the billing and collection of Emergency Medical Service fees for the City of Taft, Texas.
13. Hear update from Taft Economic Development Corporation regarding existing projects. *(Councilmember Rolando Rodriguez)*
14. Hear update regarding Municipal Court Operations. *(Councilmember Rolando Rodriguez)*
15. Consider and act upon the creation of a part-time code enforcement position. *(Councilmember Donnie Riojas)*
16. Consider and act authorizing the updating and/or creation of a nuisance ordinance addressing tied or tethered animals.
17. Adjournment.

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DATED and POSTED this the 14th day of November, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.


Mary Alice Sandoval, Finance Director

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA
DECEMBER 18, 2014
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 Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 18TH day of, December 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
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4. Presentation and discussion from Robert Tijerina of Estrada Hinojosa Investment Bankers regarding Taft’s timelines, processes and abilities to leverage street user fees and sales tax income for debt funds to be used for the City of Taft 2015 Street Maintenance and Rehabilitation Project.
5. Consider, discuss and take action to select and enter into contract negotiation’s with LNV Engineering, Inc., for professional services to be rendered in the engineering design of plans and specifications, advertisement, bid award, and project management of the City of Taft 2015 Street Maintenance and Rehabilitation Project.
6. Presentation and discussion from Mike Reeves of Republic Services Inc. regarding the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase from Republic Services for solid waste collection for the City of Taft’s solid waste collection service area.
7. Consider, discuss and take action to adopt an ordinance ⁹²³ to establish a revised rate schedule for solid waste collection, transportation, and disposal services in the City to reflect changes in the cost of operations as reflected in the Consumer Price Index and in accordance with the City’s contract with Republic Services of Corpus Christi.
8. Consider, discuss and act upon adjusting water rates to reflect and incorporate rate increases from the San Patricio Municipal Water District.
9. Consider and discuss update from Taft Economic Development Corporation regarding existing projects. *(Councilmember Rolando Rodriguez)*
10. Consider and discuss update regarding the city’s financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.

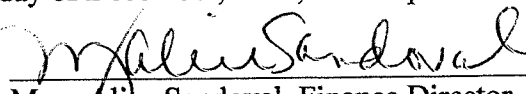
11. Consider and discuss City of Taft street maintenance scheduling. *(Mayor Pedro Lopez)*
12. Consider, discuss and act upon electing a member of the Council to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem for the City of Taft, Texas.
13. Consider, discuss and act upon the continuation of the option to utilize the \$5.00 Emergency Medical Services donation on City issued utility bills. *(Councilmember Denise Hitt)*
14. Consider, discuss and act upon the City of Taft 2015 Holiday Schedule.
15. Presentation from Rudy Mirabal regarding his property located on Hwy 181. *(Mayor Pedro Lopez)*
16. Consider, discuss and act upon selecting a date to conduct a City of Taft strategic planning workshop.
17. EXECUTIVE SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.074. et seq., the City Council will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss:
 - a) Personnel matters involving the employment, performance and contract extension with Santos McBain Management & Planning for Interim City Manager and Management Services.
18. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Sec. 551.001, et seq., the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session and may take action to:
 - a) Consider, discuss and take action to amend the expiration date for a professional services contract dated April 14, 2014 with Santos McBain Management and Planning Services for Interim City Manager and Management Services.
19. Adjournment.

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DATED and POSTED this the 15th day of December, 2014, at 5:45 p.m.



Mary Alice Sandoval, Finance Director