

**CITY OF TAFT**  
**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
**AGENDA**  
**JANUARY 12, 2016**  
**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 12<sup>th</sup> day of, January 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. 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 interim 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 take action on approving the August 24, 2014 Special Meeting minutes, September 2, 2014 Special Meeting minutes, and September 9, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes.
5. Consideration and approval of offer to purchase tax sale property.
6. Consider, discuss and take action to register the City, City of Taft Economic Development Corporation and the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation with the Texas Comptroller as mandated by new state law regarding their statutory eminent domain authority. *(Roxann Pais Cotroneo, City Attorney)*
7. Hear, consider and act upon road rehabilitation measures, timelines and schedules as it relates to the roadway rehabilitation of Avenue C. *(Mayor Pro Tem Hitt)*
8. Discuss, consider and act to appoint a supervisor for code enforcement. *(Mayor Pro Tem Hitt)*
9. Consider, discuss and take action on language reflecting the ability of any and/or all said members of any and all respective committees or organizations to be able to attend other meetings without being in conflict or contempt of constituting a possible quorum respectively. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
10. Consider and discuss update briefing from David Smith, Taft EDC President, on any or recent actions taken or to be taken by the Taft EDC as of June 2015 to present. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
11. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures. *(Mayor Lopez)*
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:
  - a) Meet in executive session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Public Information Act to meet with its attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Public Information Act, regarding a possible City of Taft Emergency Services Department reduction in force and possible, if any, employee severance packages.
  - b) Meet in executive session pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Public Information Act on personnel matters involving the appointment and/or employment of an external City Auditor or external professional auditing services to conduct the audit and to prepare the annual financial statement.
13. Reconvene into regular session.
14. Consider, discuss and take action, if any, to declare the City of Taft Emergency Services Department as having financial and staffing exigencies and order a reduction in force for said department effective on a certain date.

15. Consider, discuss and take action, if any, to approve certain terms regarding a City of Taft Emergency Services Department employee severance package.
16. Consider, discuss and take action, if any, to enter into a contract with South Texas Air Med for emergency medical services for a certain period of time due to financial and staffing exigencies.
17. Consider, discuss and take action to appoint and/or employ an external City Auditor or external professional auditing services to conduct the audit and to prepare the annual financial statement.
18. Adjournment.

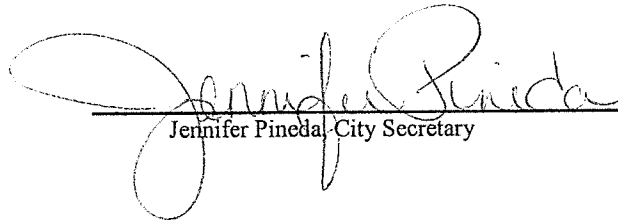
A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

1. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.071      Contemplated or pending litigation or matters where **legal advice** is requested of the City Attorney.
2. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.072      The **purchase, exchange, lease or value or real property**, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person.
3. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.073      A **contract for a prospective gift or donation** to the City, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person.
4. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.074      **Personnel matters** involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint against an officer or employee.
5. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.076      The deployment or specific occasion for the implementation of **security personnel or devices**.
6. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.087      Deliberations regarding **economic development negotiations**.

**NOTICE**

Persons with disabilities planning to attend this meeting who may need auxiliary aids or services are asked to contact the City offices at (361) 528-3512 by Monday noon.

**DATED and POSTED** this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

  
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 Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
FEBRUARY 9, 2016  
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 9<sup>th</sup> day of, February 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. 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 interim 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. Closed/Executive Session 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 *Ryan Smith and Mona Price-Foster vs. City of Taft, Texas*, Civil Action No. 2:15-cv-167 in the U.S. Southern District Court of Texas, Corpus Christi Division.
5. Reconvene into regular session and take any action if necessary regarding item discussed in closed session.
6. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Resolution No. 582 authorizing the Texas Coalition for Affordable Power, Inc. (TCAP) to negotiate an electric supply agreement for five years for deliveries of electricity effective January 1, 2018; authorizing TCAP to act as an agent on behalf of the City to enter into a contract for electricity; authorizing signators to execute an electric supply agreement for deliveries of electricity effective January 1, 2018 and committing to budget for energy purchases in 2018 through 2022 and to honor the City's commitments to purchase power for its electrical needs in 2018 through 2022 through TCAP.
7. Public Hearing: Application for a zoning request which, if approved, would zone land/property as "Industrial" as defined by the Taft Code of Ordinances with the legal description of an area of approximately 104.79 acres of land, San Patricio County Appraisal District No. 56277, situated in the T. Todd Survey 2, A-268, approximately 0.5 miles west of Taft, Abstract No. 268, San Patricio County, Texas. Said property also known as: Tract1: Lots 1, 2, 3, 9, 12, and 15 to 18 inclusive out of revised Tract "A" out of the Thomas Todd Survey No. 2, San Patricio County, Texas, together with all abandoned roads lying between said lots and drainage ditches adjoining said property, less the following two tracts: 0.605 acres out of the NE corner of Lot 1 and 1.335 acres out of the north end of Lot 3, said tracts having been conveyed to Texas & New Orleans RR Co. on June 21, 1947, as recorded in Volume 151, page 596, of the deed records of the San Patricio County, Texas. Tract 2: 3.03 acres out of the South end of an 8 acre tract of land out of the Thomas Todd Survey, San Patricio County, Texas being

the 8 acres of land conveyed to SA and AP Railway Co., by the Coleman Fulton Pasture Co. by deed dated November 29, 1906 recorded in Volume S, page 448 of the deed records of San Patricio County, Texas. Tract 3: Abandoned 60' wide extension of Escobedo Street, 0.46 acre.

8. Consider, discuss and take action on approving the September 16, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes.
9. Consider, discuss and take action to approve an agreement between the City of Taft and Texas Sludge Disposal, Inc.
10. Consider, discuss and take action to accept the Texas Traffic Safety eGrant for Fiscal Year 2016.
11. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures. (*Mayor Lopez*)
12. Hear presentation on how an Emergency Service District is created.
13. Consider, discuss and take action, if any, to direct staff to prepare an Ordinance for City Council consideration to dismantle the City's Planning & Zoning Commission and redirect its roles, responsibilities and authority to the City Council.
14. Consider and take action upon authorizing a labor and equipment contract for roadwork for up to two one week periods.
15. Hear presentation regarding an Asphalt Zipper, a piece of road rehab equipment used for milling roadways.
16. Consider and take action to approve EMS employee request for comp time pay.
17. Consider, discuss and take action to approve a contract between Taft Quality Improvement Corporation and Santos McBain Management & Planning for management services.
18. Adjournment.

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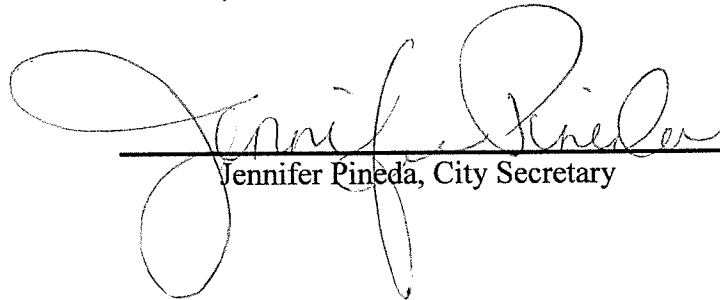
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5. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.076 - The deployment or specific occasion for the implementation of **security personnel or devices**.

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

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**DATED and POSTED** this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.



Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary



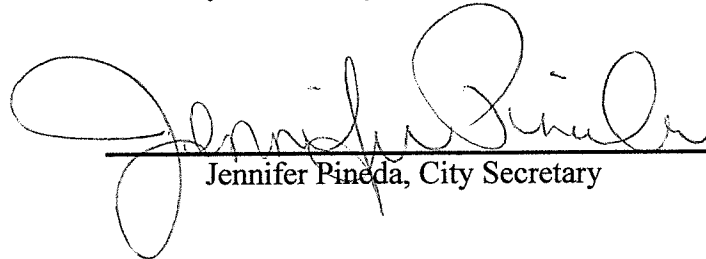
**PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING  
TAFT CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF TAFT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
& TAFT QUALITY IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION**

Notice is hereby given that the Taft City Council, Taft Economic Development Corporation, and the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation will attend and participate in an Asphalt Zipper demonstration on Friday, February 12, 2016, at 9:00 am at 223 Ave C.

This is not a meeting of the Taft City Council, City of Taft Economic Development Corporation, nor the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation, but this notice is being posted in the event that a quorum of the Taft City Council, City of Taft Economic Development Corporation and/or the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation are present.

Posted this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the schedule time of said events.

**DATED and POSTED** this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016, at 1:00 p.m.



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Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
FEBRUARY 19, 2016  
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET  
9:30 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 19<sup>th</sup> day of, February 2016, 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. Consider, discuss, and take action to repeal Ordinance No 205 and Ordinance No 537 to dissolve the Planning Commission and reassign its authority to City Council effective on a certain date.
4. Consider and act upon approving the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation to purchase and finance an Asphalt Zipper.
5. Adjournment.

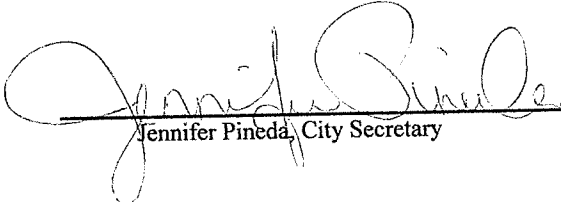
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016, at 9:25 a.m.

  
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Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT**  
**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
**AGENDA**  
**FEBRUARY 23, 2016**  
**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 Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Taft will be held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of, February 2016, 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. Consider and act upon approving the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation to purchase and finance an Asphalt Zipper.
4. Consider and act upon recommendation for Small Purchase Procurement related to water tower improvements through the Texas Community Development Block Grant Contract No. 7214439
5. Adjournment.

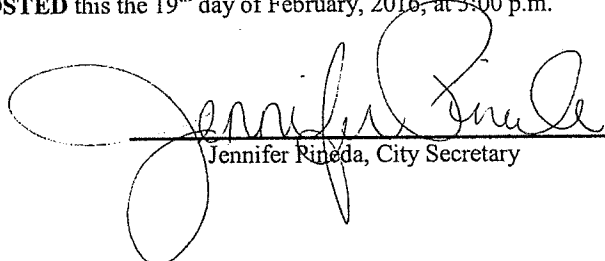
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016, at 3:00 p.m.

  
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Jennifer Rineda, City Secretary



**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
FEBRUARY 28, 2016  
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET  
3:30 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 28<sup>th</sup> day of, February 2016, at 3:30 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. Consider, discuss and take action to adopt Ordinance No. 950 an ordinance of the City of Taft, Texas, amending, replacing and repealing Ordinance No 886 proving for the regulations of centers and business establishments with coin operated recreation and amusement machines within the corporate City of Taft.
4. Adjournment.

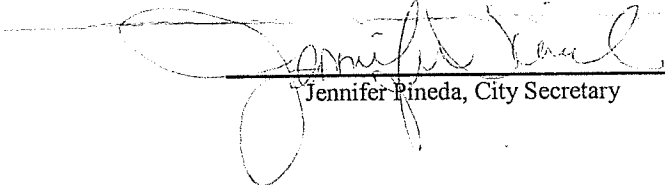
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**NOTICE**

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**DATED and POSTED** this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016, at 3:30 p.m.

  
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Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT**  
**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
**AGENDA**  
**MARCH 8, 2016**  
**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 8<sup>th</sup> day of, March 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. 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 recommendation for Small Purchase Procurement related to water tower improvements through the Texas Community Development Block Grant Contract No. 7214439.
5. Public Hearing: Application for a zoning request which, if approved, would zone land/property as "Industrial" as defined by the Taft Code of Ordinances with the legal description of an area of approximately 104.79 acres of land, San Patricio County Appraisal District No. 56277, situated in the T. Todd Survey 2, A-268, approximately 0.5 miles west of Taft, Abstract No. 268, San Patricio County, Texas. Said property also known as: Tract1: Lots 1, 2, 3, 9, 12, and 15 to 18 inclusive out of revised Tract "A" out of the Thomas Todd Survey No. 2, San Patricio County, Texas, together with all abandoned roads lying between said lots and drainage ditches adjoining said property, less the following two tracts: 0.605 acres out of the NE corner of Lot 1 and 1.335 acres out of the north end of Lot 3, said tracts having been conveyed to Texas & New Orleans RR Co. on June 21, 1947, as recorded in Volume 151, page 596, of the deed records of the San Patricio County, Texas. Tract 2: 3.03 acres out of the South end of an 8 acre tract of land out of the Thomas Todd Survey, San Patricio County, Texas being the 8 acres of land conveyed to SA and AP Railway Co., by the Coleman Fulton Pasture Co. by deed dated November 29, 1906 recorded in Volume S, page 448 of the deed records of San Patricio County, Texas. Tract 3: Abandoned 60' wide extension of Escobedo Street, 0.46 acre.
6. Discuss and take action on whether to approve a zoning request which, if approved, would zone land/property as "Industrial" as defined by the Taft Code of Ordinances with the legal description of an area of approximately 104.79 acres of land, San Patricio County Appraisal District No. 56277, situated in the T. Todd Survey 2, A-268, approximately 0.5 miles west of Taft, Abstract No. 268, San Patricio County, Texas. Said property also known as: Tract1: Lots 1, 2, 3, 9, 12, and 15 to 18 inclusive out of revised Tract "A" out of the Thomas Todd Survey No. 2, San Patricio County, Texas, together with all abandoned roads lying between said lots and drainage ditches adjoining said property, less the following two tracts: 0.605 acres out of the NE corner of Lot 1 and 1.335 acres out of the north end of Lot 3, said tracts having been conveyed to Texas & New Orleans RR Co. on June 21, 1947, as recorded in Volume 151, page 596, of the deed records of the San Patricio County, Texas. Tract 2: 3.03 acres out of the South end of an 8 acre tract of land out of the Thomas Todd Survey, San Patricio County, Texas being the 8 acres of land conveyed to SA and AP Railway Co., by the Coleman Fulton Pasture Co. by deed dated November 29, 1906 recorded in Volume S, page 448 of the deed records of San Patricio County, Texas. Tract 3: Abandoned 60' wide extension of Escobedo Street, 0.46 acre.
7. Consider, discuss and take action to approve an interlocal government contract and agreement with San Patricio County regarding services for Road and Bridge, Precinct No. 1.
8. Consider, discuss and take action on approving the October 14, 2014 Regular Meeting minutes, October 21, 2014 Special Meeting minutes, and November 10, 2014 Special Meeting minutes.
9. Consider, discuss and take action upon engaging professional services for the engineering design of downtown sidewalk removal and replacement.

10. Consider, discuss and take action to adopt Ordinance No. 950 an ordinance of the City of Taft, Texas, amending, replacing and repealing Ordinance No 886 providing for the regulations of centers and business establishments with coin operated recreation and amusement machines within the corporate city limits of the City of Taft.
11. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve new work schedule hours for all city staff excluding the police department.
12. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
13. Adjournment.

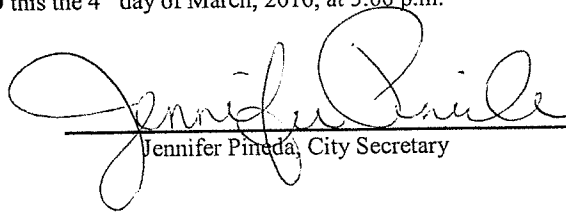
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DATED and POSTED this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.



Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
MARCH 22, 2016  
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 22<sup>nd</sup> day of, March 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

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4. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION: Meet in executive session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Open Meetings Act to meet with its attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meeting Act, regarding:
  - a. Mayor's return of Ordinance No. 950, which was passed by Taft City Council on March 8, 2015, and the legal process for reconsideration of said Ordinance.
  - b. Regulating centers and business establishments with coin-operated recreation and amusement machines. (*Roxann Pais Cotroneo, City Attorney*)
5. OPEN SESSION: Consider, discuss and take action, if any, to reconsider Ordinance No. 950 an ordinance of the City of Taft, Texas, amending, replacing, and repealing Ordinance No. 886 providing for the regulations of centers and business establishments with coin-operated recreation and amusement machines within the corporate city limits of the City of Taft. (*Mayor Pedro Lopez*)
6. Consider, discuss and take action, if any, to adopt Ordinance No. 951 providing for the regulations of centers and business establishments with coin-operated recreation and amusement machines within the corporate city limits of the City of Taft.
7. Adjournment.

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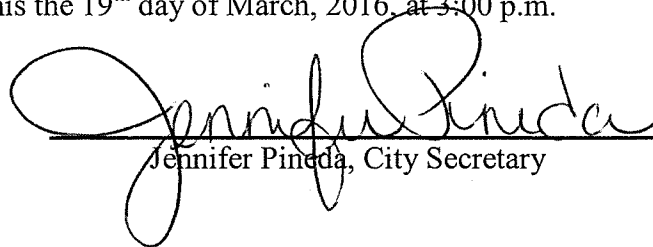
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**DATED** and **POSTED** this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016, at 3:00 p.m.

  
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Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
APRIL 12, 2016  
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 12<sup>th</sup> day of, April 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. 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 interim 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 take action on presentation by Robert Cuevas with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP regarding delinquent tax collections.
5. Consider, discuss and take action to approve a contract for the collection of delinquent taxes.
6. Consider, discuss and take action on project update from the Taft Economic Development Corporation.  
*(Council Member Rodriguez)*
7. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Resolution No. 580 to approve the submission of the grant application for the Homeland Borderstar Security Grant to the Office of the Governor.
8. Consider, discuss and take action on approving the November 18, 2014 Special Meeting minutes, December 18, 2014 Special Meeting minutes, and January 23, 2015 Special Meeting minutes.
9. Consider, discuss and take action to approve a proposal for a fence for the basketball court at the Hidalgo park.
10. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance No. 952 an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 922 amending the time deadline for water utility payments from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
11. Consider, discuss and take action upon allocating and authorizing the expenditure of funds for the rehabilitation of City streets through an inter-local agreement with San Patricio County.
12. Consider, discuss and take action to remove the volunteer EMS donation and increase the volunteer fire department donation on all city issued utility bills. *(Mayor Pro Tem Hitt)*

13. Consider, discuss and take action on the development of a 2016 Taft Summer Recreation Program.  
(*Council Member Rodriguez*)
14. Consider, discuss and take action on adopting a compensation scale for non-salaried City of Taft employees and setting an implementation date.
15. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
16. CLOSED/EXECUTIVE SESSION:
  - a. Meet in executive session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Public Information Act to meet with its attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the City Council under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Public Information Act, regarding a Councilmember's request to listen to a specific-recorded City Council closed executive session in which the active Councilmember did not participate in, but was a "sitting" Councilmember at the time of the recording and discussed item. (*Roxann Pais Cotroneo, City Attorney*)
  - b. Meet in executive session pursuant to 551.074 on personnel matters involving the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal or to hear a complaint by, from, or against the City Attorney Roxann Pais Cotroneo. (*Roxann Pais Cotroneo, City Attorney*)
17. OPEN SESSION:
  - a. Consider, discuss, and take action, if any, to grant authority and/or establish procedures for a Councilmember to listen to a City Council closed executive session recorded on specific date in which the active Councilmember did not participate in, but was a "sitting" Councilmember at the time of the recording and discussed item.
  - b. Consider, discuss and take action, if any, to approve a professional services contract with Roxann Pais Cotroneo for City Attorney legal services.
18. Adjournment.

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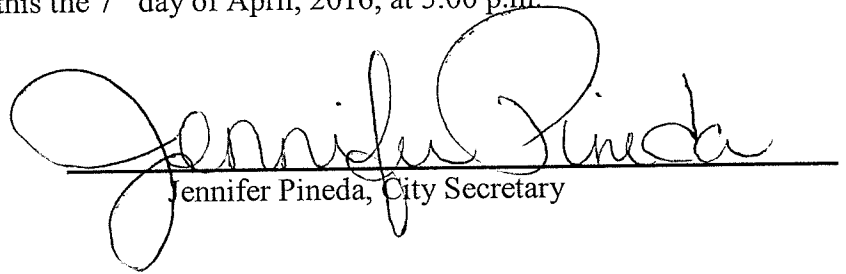
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5. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.076 - The deployment or specific occasion for the implementation of **security personnel or devices.**
6. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.087 - Deliberations regarding **economic development negotiations.**

**NOTICE**

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**DATED** and **POSTED** this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

  
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Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary



**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
MAY 2, 2016  
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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Consider, discuss, and take action to authorize the Mayor to hire an interim city manager.
4. Adjournment.

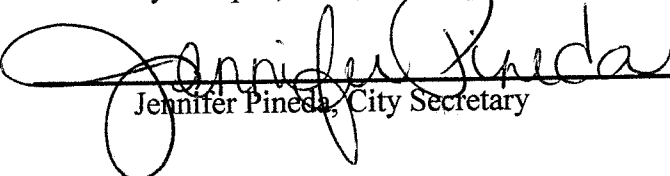
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016, at 1:30 p.m.

  
Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
MAY 10, 2016  
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 10<sup>th</sup> day of May 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. 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 interim City Secretary before the meeting begins. Should there be more than five (5) people who wish to speak on a particular issue they need to select one (1) representative to speak for them. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda. Citizens are to refrain from any personal attacks on the council or any member of the staff. Failure to abide by these policies could result in a charge of disorderly conduct.
4. Consider, discuss and take action on approving the February 24, 2015, Special Meeting minutes and February 25, 2015, Special Meeting minutes.
5. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
6. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Resolution 583 a resolution of the City of Taft, Texas finding that AEP Texas Central company's application for approval of a distribution cost recovery factor to increase distribution rates within the City should be denied.
7. Consider and discuss Ordinance No. 836, an ordinance regulating peddlers, itinerant vendors, hawkers, solicitors, and canvassers. (*Mayor Lopez*)
8. Consider, discuss and take action to approve a finance agreement with TankPro, Inc. in the amount of \$117, 000 plus interest of 6.5% for rehabilitation work with the City of Taft elevated water storage tank.
9. Consider, discuss and take action to approve TankPro, Inc to conduct welding repairs not included within existing contracts for rehabilitation of City of Taft elevated water storage tank in the amount of \$6,899.
10. Consider, discuss and act upon a recruitment and retention program for the City of Taft Police Department.
11. Consider and discuss the cost and procedures of purchasing a fire truck for the Taft Volunteer Fire Department. (*Councilman Vasquez*)

12. Consider, discuss and take action to remove the volunteer EMS donation and increase the volunteer fire department donation on all city issued utility bills. (*Mayor Pro Tem Hitt*)
13. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance No. 953 an ordinance rescinding Ordinance No 875 and amending the customer fees to utilize the collection station. (*Mayor Pro Tem Hitt*)
14. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the engagement of interim legal services with Denton Navarro Rocha Bernal Hyde & Zech, P.C.
15. Adjournment.

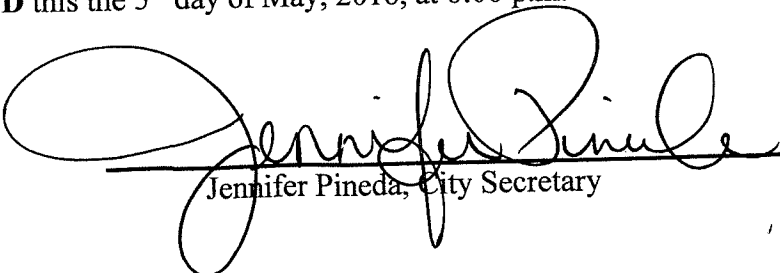
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#### NOTICE

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**DATED and POSTED** this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

  
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 Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT**  
**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
**AGENDA**  
**MAY 24, 2016**  
**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 24<sup>th</sup> day of, May 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

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4. Consideration and action directing staff to prepare an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 836, an ordinance regulating peddlers, itinerant vendors, hawkers, solicitors, and canvassers. Currently the term peddler, hawker and "itinerant" vendor includes a person that sells food on a food truck. The current fees are \$80 per day. Based on a review of surrounding community fees, staff recommends an amendment to the ordinance by establishing an annual fee of \$275 or a monthly fee of \$80.
5. Discussion regarding the contract with Texas First Group Replacement Service, Inc. for an interim city manager.
6. Consideration and approval of an agreement with Public Sector Solutions for an amount not to exceed \$10,000 to assist in the recruitment and selection process for city manager and police chief.
7. **Closed/Executive Session** pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice concerning the obligations of the City with regards to compensatory time under the Fair Labor Standards Act.
8. Reconvene into regular session.
9. Any action, if necessary, regarding the discussion item from executive session.
10. Adjournment.

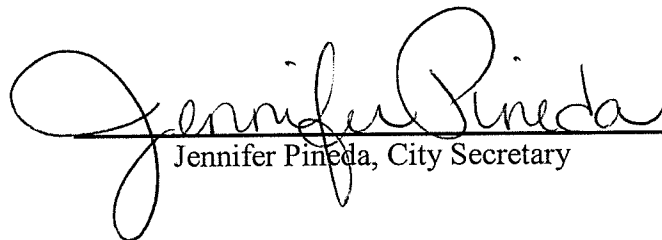
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

  
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**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
MAY 24, 2016  
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET  
6:30 P.M.**

**City Council Regular Meeting scheduled for May 24, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. has been cancelled.**

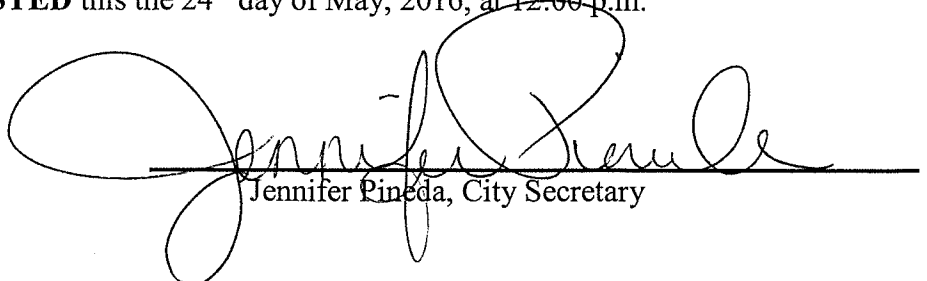
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016, at 12:00 p.m.

  
Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
MAY 31, 2016  
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 31<sup>st</sup> day of, May 2016, 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. Consider, discuss and take action in directing staff to prepare an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 836, an ordinance regulating peddlers, itinerant vendors, hawkers, solicitors, and canvassers. Currently the term peddler, hawker and "itinerant" vendor includes a person that sells food on a food truck. The current fees are \$80 per day. Based on a review of surrounding community fees, staff recommends an amendment to the ordinance by establishing an annual fee of \$275 or a monthly fee of \$80.
5. Consider, discuss and take action upon allocating and authorizing the expenditure of funds for the rehabilitation of City streets through an inter-local agreement with San Patricio County Pct 2.
6. Consider, discuss and take action on hiring a prosecutor for municipal court. *(Mayor Pro Tem Hitt)*
7. Consider, discuss and take action to extend the four day work week. *(Mayor Pro Tem Hitt)*
8. Consider, discuss and take action to secure funds to provide staffing for the library for Fridays in June, July, August time period. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
9. Consider, discuss and take action on the development of a 2016 Taft Summer Recreation Program. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
10. Consider and discuss to amend the budget for FY 2015-2016 to transfer projected cost savings from the EMS General Fund account and disperse such savings between the Public Works Street Fund and Vector Control Fund.

11. **Closed/Executive Session** pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice concerning the obligations of the City with regards to compensatory time under the Fair Labor Standards Act.
12. Reconvene into regular session.
13. Any action, if necessary, regarding the discussion item from executive session.
14. Consider and discuss update on hiring a city manager.
15. Consider, discuss and take action to accept the resignation of Mayor Pro Tem Hitt.
16. Adjournment.

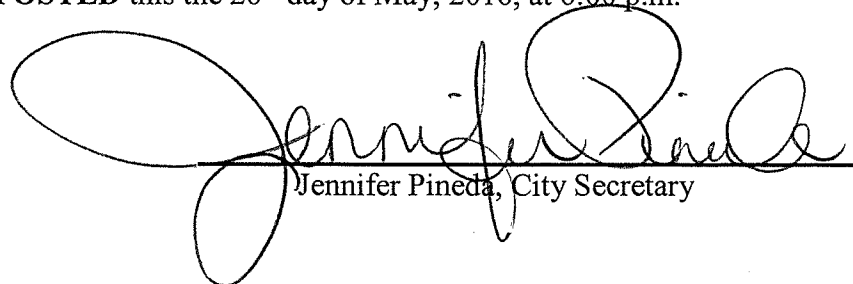
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

  
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 Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary



**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
JUNE 14, 2016  
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 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 2016, 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. Consider, discuss and take action to appoint a person to fill the vacancy of Alderman Ward 2.
5. Swearing In and Oath of Office of newly appointed official.
6. Consider, discuss and take action upon appointing a member of the City Council to serve as the City's Mayor Pro Tem pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 22.037.
7. Consider, discuss and take action on approving the March 10, 2015, Special Meeting minutes, March 18, 2015, Special Meeting minutes, and April 14, 2015, Regular Meeting minutes.
8. Consider and discuss update by Raul Hernandez & Company, P.C. regarding the status of the financial audit for the 2013-14 FY and 2014-15 FY.
9. Consider and discuss update by Gary Keenan, Code Compliance Officer, on the status of complaint on 220 W. Escobedo St.
10. Consider and discuss update by Fred Farias regarding the drainage concerns on Industrial and Porter St.
11. Consider, discuss and take action on re-appointing Patricia Martinez, Judith Fonville and David Smith to 2 year terms as members of the Board of Directors of the City of Taft Economic Development Corporation.
12. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
13. Consider, discuss and take action to approve amendments for FY 2015-2016 budget to transfer projected cost savings from the EMS General Fund account and disperse such savings between the Public Works Street Fund, Vector Control Fund, and General Fund Reserve.
14. Consider, discuss and take action to approve an offer to purchase tax sale property ACCT. No. 46008; Lot 6, Block 37, Taft Townsite, as shown by map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 3, Page 18, Map Records of San Patricio County, Texas.
15. Consider, discuss and take action to approve an offer to purchase tax sale property ACCT. No. 45975; Lot 6, Block 29, Original Townsite, City of Taft, San Patricio County, Texas, as described in Clerk's File #42917, Deed Records of San Patricio County, Texas.
16. Consideration and action authorizing city staff to submit an application to the Coastal Bend Foundation for a Jaws of Life for the Taft Volunteer Fire Department with a match of up to \$4000. The cost of the

Jaws for Life is estimated at \$20,000 and the grant match to be provided by City is up to \$4,000. Funds for the match are available in the Fire Operating Fund.

17. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the authorization to waive the peddler's permit fees for the Taft Volunteer Fire Department yard sale to be held on July 4, 2016.
18. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance No. 954 an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 836 by establishing an annual fee of \$275 or a monthly fee of \$80 for a peddler's license.
19. Consider, discuss and take action on the development of a 2016 Taft Summer Recreation Program.  
(Councilman Rodriguez)
20. **Closed/Executive Session** pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice concerning the obligations of the City with regards to compensatory time under the Fair Labor Standards Act.
21. Reconvene into regular session.
22. Any action, if necessary, regarding the discussion item from executive session.
23. Adjournment.

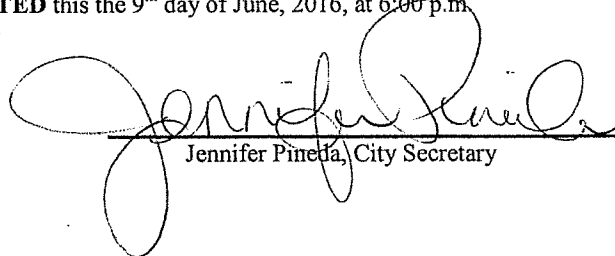
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#### NOTICE

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**DATED and POSTED** this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.



Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
JUNE 18, 2016  
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET  
9:30 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 2016, 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. Consider and act upon selecting financing for the City's windstorm insurance and authorizing the execution of documents related thereto.
4. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the authorization to waive the peddler's permit fees for any vendor selling at the Taft Volunteer Fire Department yard sale to be held on July 4, 2016. In exchange all vendors will donate the days profit to the Taft Volunteer Fire Department.
5. Executive session:
  - Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney regarding potential legal issues involving the policies, procedures and operations of the Taft Police Department discovered in a preliminary internal audit.
  - Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice concerning the obligations of the City with regards to compensatory time under the Fair Labor Standards Act.
6. Reconvene into regular session.
7. Any action, if necessary, regarding the discussion items from executive session.
8. Adjournment.

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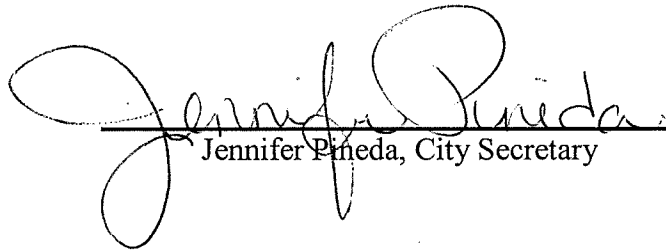
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016, at 9:15 a.m.

  
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 Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
JUNE 24, 2016  
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 24<sup>th</sup> day of June 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Introduction and welcoming of new Interim City Manager Denise Hitt.
4. Consider, discuss and act upon approving an agreement between the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation and the City of Taft for the use, storage, and maintenance of the Asphalt Zipper road milling equipment.
5. Consider, discuss and act upon approving an Advance Funding Agreement between the Texas Department of Transportation and the City of Taft for Transportation Alternatives Program Project 0916-28-068.
6. Adjournment.

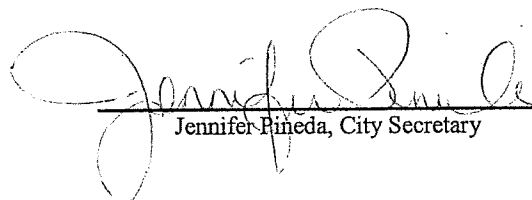
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DATED and POSTED this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

  
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Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
JULY 12, 2016  
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 12<sup>th</sup> day of July 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. 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. Should there be more than five (5) people who wish to speak on a particular issue they need to select one (1) representative to speak for them. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda. Citizens are to refrain from any personal attacks on the council or any member of the staff. Failure to abide by these policies could result in a charge of disorderly conduct.
4. Introduction of the Taft Ambassadors to the City of Taft.
5. Final Public Hearing for TXCDBG Contract 7214439 to discuss and comment on elevated water tower rehabilitation project.
6. Presentation by William "Ski" Zagorski on hurricane preparedness.
7. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
8. Consider, discuss and take action to approve a finance agreement with Afco Credit Corporation for the City's windstorm insurance and authorizing the execution of documents related thereto.
9. Consider, discuss and act upon approving an Advance Funding Agreement between the Texas Department of Transportation and the City of Taft for Transportation Alternatives Program Project 0916-28-068.
10. Consider, discuss and take action on Taft Housing Authority to waive the City's ad valorem taxes in accordance with the payment in lieu of taxes program in the amount of \$4,321.17. *(Councilwoman Riojas)*
11. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the purchase of a commercial riding lawnmower for the Public Works department.
12. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the repair of the foundation of City Hall and the Taft Public Library.
13. Consider, discuss and take action to approve advertising for request for proposals for the City of Taft EMS services.
14. Consider, discuss and take action to create and appoint members to a committee for the purpose of reviewing city manager applications and make a recommendation to the council. *(Mayor Lopez)*
15. Discuss, consider and act on funding for recent installation of water fountain at Hidalgo Park to include steps for smaller children to reach fountain. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
16. Discussion on Taft EDC bylaws as they apply to appointments of city council members and policy in regards to absenteeism. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
17. Discuss proper posting of governmental entity meetings. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*

18. Discuss all applicants whom applied and were considered for most recent Interim City Manager position. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
19. 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 Interim City Manager. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
20. Any action, if necessary, regarding the discussion item from executive session.
21. Adjournment.

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**DATED and POSTED** this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

  
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 Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary



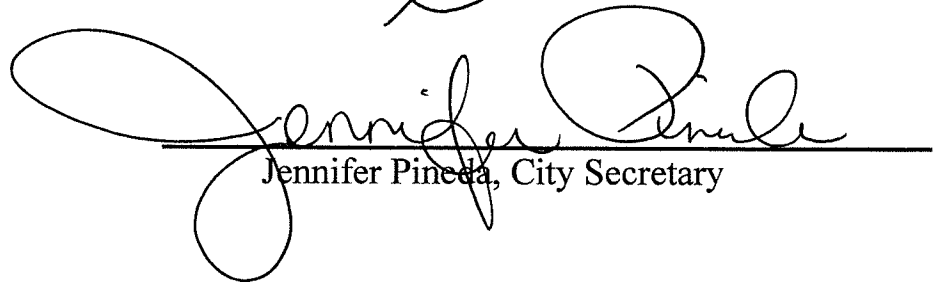
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TAFT CITY COUNCIL**

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This is not a meeting of the Taft City Council, but this notice is being posted in the event that a quorum of the Taft City Council is present.

Posted this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016, at 5:00 p.m. and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the schedule time of said events.

**DATED and POSTED** this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

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Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary





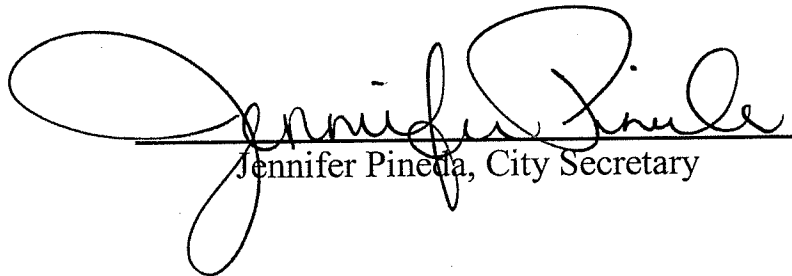
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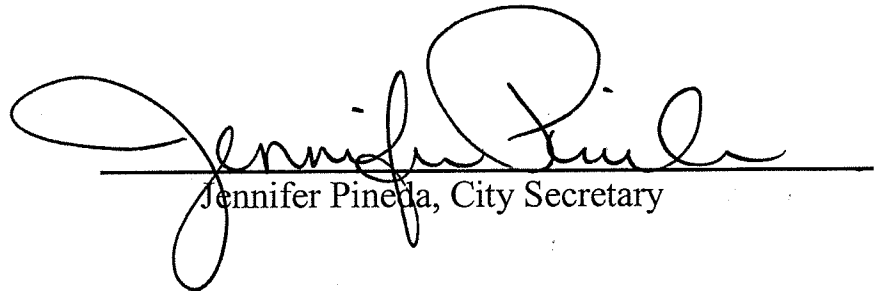
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016, at 4:30 p.m.

  
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**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
AUGUST 9, 2016  
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 9<sup>th</sup> day of August 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

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4. Introduction of the Taft Ambassadors to the City of Taft.
5. Consider, discuss and take action on approving the April 28, 2015 Special Meeting minutes, May 8, 2015 Special Meeting minutes, May 14, 2015 Regular Meeting minutes and June 5, 2015 Special Meeting minutes.
6. Consideration and Approval of a Contract for the Collection of Delinquent Taxes.
7. Consider, discuss and take action to approve a contract with Unifirst for the care of city employee uniforms.
8. 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 8, 2016.
9. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance No 955, an ordinance to: (1) Call and order a General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016 *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 23, 2016, as the first day to file for a place on the official ballot and Monday, August 22, 2016, 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 8, 2016 and for Early Voting by personal appearance beginning October 24, 2016 and ending November 4, 2016, 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 an Early Voting Ballot Board; (12) Provide for General Election Day polling places; and (13) Provide for canvassing of the General Election results.

10. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance 956 an ordinance of the City of Taft repealing Ordinance No. 866 and hereto providing for a revised animal control ordinance defining terms, setting animal control officers' duties, setting fees for impounding of animals, animal license fees and requirements, describing vaccination requirements, providing for sale of animals, prohibiting animals running at large, limiting the number of animals to be kept within the city limits, limiting the distance animals may be kept from structures, setting animal permit application procedures, providing for cleanliness of animal premises, providing a penalty for violation of the ordinance and providing for a severability clause.
11. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance 957, an ordinance of the City of Taft rescinding city ordinance no 953; an ordinance adopting a new city nuisance abatement ordinance to protect the public's health, safety and welfare; defining public nuisances; establishing a compliance process as provided by the Texas Health and Safety Code; providing for assessment of expenses and liens; defining prohibited acts; providing enforcement, penalties and remedies; adopting the authorized citizens collection station policies and fees and providing administrative provisions, providing for a severability clause and an effective date.
12. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance 958, an ordinance regarding the regulation of food establishments including food service establishments, retail food stores, temporary food establishments, mobile food units, and roadside food vendors.
13. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
14. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the sale of salvage and surplus property.
15. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the repair of the foundation of City Hall and the Taft Public Library.
16. Consider, discuss and take action to create and appoint members to a committee for the purpose of reviewing city manager applications and make a recommendation to the council. *(Mayor Lopez)*
17. Consider, discuss and act on funding for a council member to attend the TML convention to be held October 4-7, 2016 in Austin, Texas. Funding would include convention fee, travel pay and hotel lodging for 2 nights. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
18. Consider, discuss and act on funding for completion of steps, etc. for water fountain at Hidalgo Park with regard to ADA requirements. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
19. Taft EDC President D. Smith to present in detail any and all pertinent briefings/reports/actions in regards to financials, present and future projects which the Taft EDC is involved in today. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
20. Taft Municipal Judge Herrera to report status of Municipal Court from January 2016 to present. Also to brief to the City Council of future plans in regards to recoup outstanding warrants and fines, etc. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*

21. Report to City Council in regards to San Patricio EDC quarterly meeting held on August 1, 2016. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
22. Finding of posting in regards to Taft EDC meeting held on June 30, 2016. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
23. Discussion of by-laws with Taft EDC President David Smith as it pertains to appointments of directors on or to the Taft EDC board. *(Councilman Rodriguez)*
24. Adjournment.

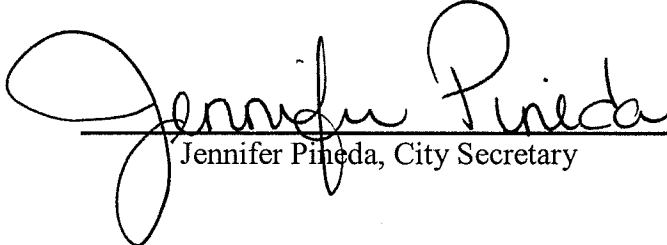
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

  
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 Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
AUGUST 23, 2016  
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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Resolution 588, a resolution of the City of Taft, Texas approving entering into an Advance Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the 2015 Transportation Alternatives Program project number 0916-28-068.
4. Consider, discuss and take action upon authorizing reimbursement and/or payment to San Patricio County Precinct 2 for the road rehabilitation of Avenue C and Toland Road.
5. Consider and act upon the proposed tax rate, take record vote and schedule a public hearing.
6. Consider, discuss and take action on approving a request for proposal for Emergency Medical Ambulance Services for the City of Taft, Texas.
7. Adjournment.

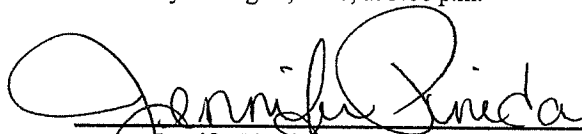
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

  
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Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
AUGUST 27, 2016  
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET  
8:00 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 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 2016, at 8:00 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. Consider, discuss and act upon the City's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2016-17.
4. Consider, discuss and take action on approving a contract with South Texas Aimed for Emergency Medical Ambulance Services for the City of Taft, Texas.
5. Adjournment.

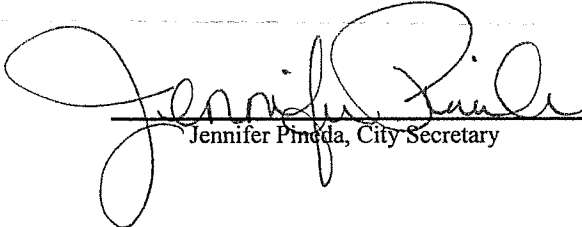
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016, at 7:50 a.m.

  
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Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2016  
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 6<sup>th</sup> day of September 2016, at 7:00 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. Conduct a public hearing to hear comments for and against the proposed 2016 property tax rate for the City of Taft.
4. Conduct a public hearing to hear comments for and against the proposed 2016 property tax rate for the City of Taft Deannexed Southwest Area to pay for the area's pro rate share of the indebtedness at the time the area withdrew from the City.
5. Announce the City's governing body will adopt a property tax rate for the 2016 tax year for the City of Taft at the Taft City Council Regular Meeting on September 27, 2016 at 6:30 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 2016 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 Regular Meeting on September 27, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas.
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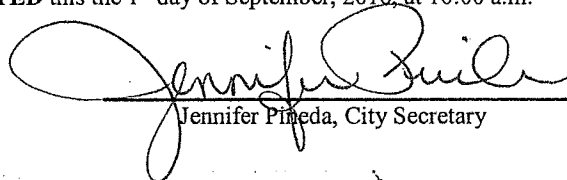
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.

  
Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary



**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
SEPTEMBER 10, 2016  
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET  
8:00 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 2016, at 8:00 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. Consider, discuss and act upon the City's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2016-17.
4. Adjournment.

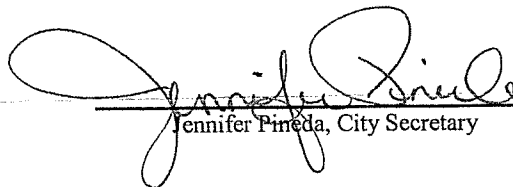
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Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
SEPTEMBER 11, 2016  
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET  
8:00 A.M.**

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2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
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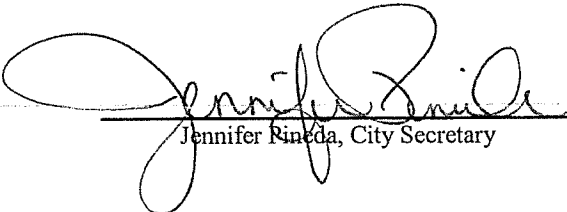
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Jennifer Rueda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
SEPTEMBER 12, 2016  
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET  
8:00 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 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2016, at 8:00 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. Consider, discuss and act upon the City's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2016-17.
4. Adjournment.

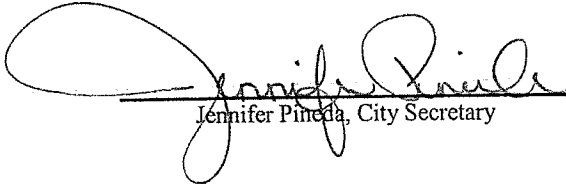
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DATED and POSTED this the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.

  
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Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2016  
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 13<sup>th</sup> day of September 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. 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. Should there be more than five (5) people who wish to speak on a particular issue they need to select one (1) representative to speak for them. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda. Citizens are to refrain from any personal attacks on the council or any member of the staff. Failure to abide by these policies could result in a charge of disorderly conduct.
4. Conduct a public hearing to hear comments for and against the City's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017, which begins October 1, 2016 and ends September 30, 2017.
5. Conduct a public hearing to hear comments for and against the proposed 2016 property tax rate for the City of Taft.
6. Conduct a public hearing to hear comments for and against the proposed 2016 property tax rate for the City of Taft Deannexed Southwest Area to pay for the area's pro rate share of the indebtedness at the time the area withdrew from the City.
7. Announce that the Taft City Council will adopt the City's budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 at the Taft City Council Regular Meeting on September 27, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas.
8. Announce the City's governing body will adopt a property tax rate for the 2016 tax year for the City of Taft at the Taft City Council Regular Meeting on September 27, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at Kiva Hut, 402 Park Street, Taft, Texas.
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10. Consider, discuss and take action upon request from the Taft Chamber of Commerce for the use of city property and approval of parade in support of the 2016 Taft Christmas Festival to be held on Saturday, December 3, 2016.
11. Presentation by the Taft Librarian on a safety program that was made available to the Taft Public Library from the office of the City of Taft Prosecutor Roxann Pais Cotroneo.
12. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Resolution 589, a resolution in support of Representative Todd Hunter and Senator Lois Kolkhorst and the Joint Interim Committee to continue moving forward on their quest to bring the Cruise Ship Industry to Corpus Christi, Texas.
13. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
14. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Resolution 590, a resolution authorizing the retirement of Taft Police Department K-9 Brodie and the transfer of ownership from the City of Taft to Officer James Easley.
15. Discuss clarity of department head title for David Smith – Taft EDC Board President. (*Councilman Rodriguez*).
16. Discuss, consider and act on criteria, dates for commission in regards to selection process of applicants for recommendations to city manager position. (*Councilman Rodriguez*).
17. Executive session:
- Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice concerning the claim of James Easley for overtime pay.
18. Reconvene into regular session.
19. Any action, if necessary, regarding the discussion item from executive session.
20. Adjournment.

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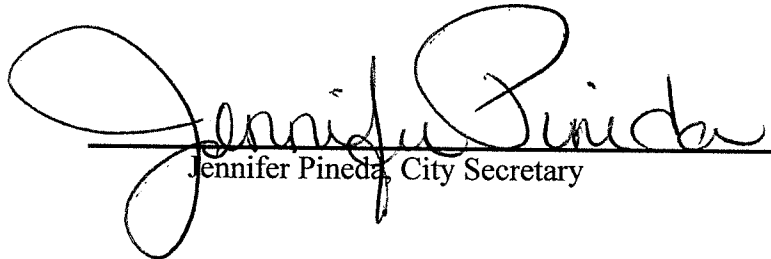
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**DATED** and **POSTED** this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

  
Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
SEPTEMBER 27, 2016  
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET  
6:30 P.M.**

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1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Conduct a public hearing to hear comments for and against the City's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017, which begins October 1, 2016 and ends September 30, 2017.
4. Consider, discuss and act to adopt Ordinance No. 959 to approve the City's budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017, which begins October 1, 2016 and ends September 30, 2017.
5. Consider, discuss and act to adopt Ordinance No. 960 to:
  - (1) Approve and levy an ad valorem total tax rate of \$0.828552 for the use and support of the City for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 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 \$0.567069 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 \$0.261483 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 \$0.375211 on each \$100.00 of assessed valuation on all taxable property within the Deannexed Southwest Taft area.
6. Consider, discuss and act to approve an interlocal agreement with San Patricio County Environmental Health Department regarding regulating food establishments.
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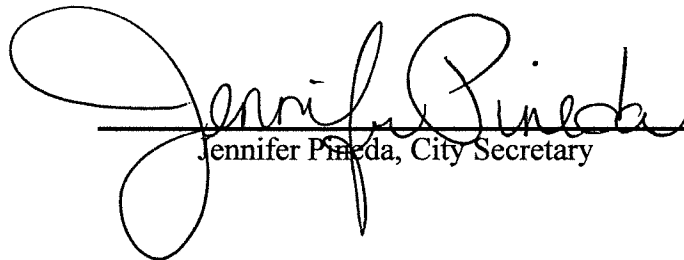
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**DATED** and **POSTED** this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2016, at 6:30 p.m.



Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary





## **PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

The City of Taft will hold two public hearings to hear any comments on the City of Taft's budget for its General fund and Enterprise Fund for October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017. Any person may attend and participate in the hearings scheduled for September 13, 2016 and September 27, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at:

Kiva Hut  
402 Park Street  
Taft, Texas 78390

This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$36,318 (5.08%), and of that amount, \$1641.22 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.

Documents related to this item may be inspected by the public on weekdays between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, at Taft City Hall, 501 Green Avenue. For comments, please call the City Secretary at (361) 528-3512.

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
OCTOBER 11, 2016  
KIVA HUT – 402 PARK STREET  
6:30 P.M.**

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1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Certificate of Appreciation presentation to Benjamin Cisneros.
4. Certificate of Appreciation presentation to David Smith.
5. Certificate of Appreciation presentation to Yolanda Rivera.
6. Presentation on health insurance benefit options by the City's broker of record Will Heavin.
7. Consider, discuss and act to select an insurance carrier for employee medical, life, dental, vision, and supplemental insurance.
8. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance No. 962 an ordinance amending Section 7.01, Medical and Life Insurance, of the city personnel policy.
9. Discussion of a contract with Sherwin Alumina for the removal of dried sludge from the City of Taft drying beds.
10. Consider, discuss and take action on the sale of surplus vehicles and medical supplies.
11. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance No. 961 Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.
12. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the June 9, 2015 Regular Meeting minutes, June 18, 2015 Special Meeting minutes, and July 11, 2015 Special Meeting minutes.
13. Consider and discuss update regarding the city's financial condition as it relates to bonded debt, past dues, recurring payments, revenues and expenditures.
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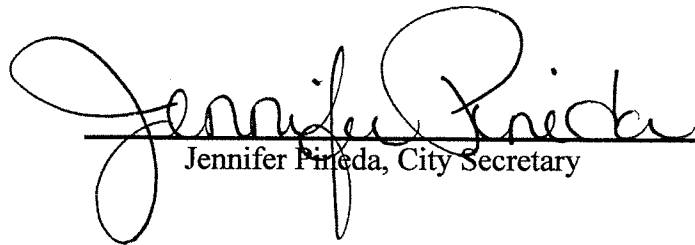
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Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
OCTOBER 29, 2016  
CITY HALL – 501 GREEN AVE  
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 **29<sup>th</sup> day of October 2016, at 9:00 a.m. at the City Hall, 501 Green Ave, Taft, Texas 78390.**

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the solicitation of bids for surplus vehicles and medical supplies.
4. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance No. 961, an ordinance of the City Council of the City of Taft, Texas repealing Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance 626 and adopting Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance 961; establishing all aspects of the regulation of the floodplain in Taft, Texas; establishing a severability clause, penalties and an effective date.
5. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the renewal of the city's membership in the Electric Reliability Council of Texas ("ERCOT) for 2017.
6. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Resolution No. 591 a resolution recognizing the importance of municipal courts, the rule of law, and the fair and impartial administration of justice; and in recognition of Municipal Court Week November 7-11, 2016.
7. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the July 14, 2015 Regular Meeting minutes.
8. Adjournment.

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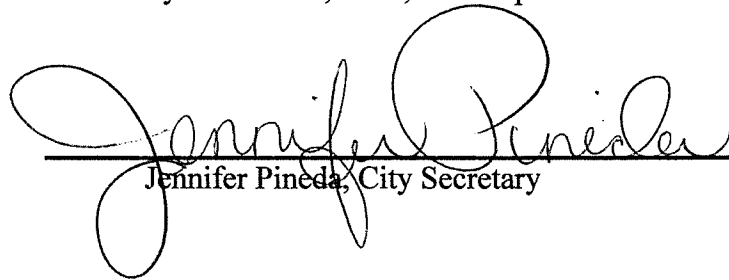
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.



Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
AGENDA  
NOVEMBER 18, 2016  
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 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Consider and take action to approve Ordinance No. 964, an ordinance to canvass the returns and declare the results of the General Election held on Tuesday, November 8, 2016 for the purpose of electing one Alderman for Ward One and one Alderman for Ward Two for a term of two years.
4. Swearing In and Oath of Office of newly elected officials.
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6. Consider, discuss and take action to approve an offer to purchase tax sale property ACCT. No. 46008; Lot 6, Block 37, Taft Townsite, as shown by map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 3, Page 18, Map Records of San Patricio County, Texas.
7. Discuss, consider, and act upon accepting the resignation of Ms. Velma Garcia from the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation Board of Directors.
8. Discuss, consider, and act upon appointing an individual to the Taft Quality Improvement Corporation Board of Directors.
9. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the July 22, 2015 Special Meeting minutes.
9. 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 take action to approve Ordinance No. 963, an ordinance repealing Ordinance 501 and Ordinance 773 of the City of Taft and authorizing the city council of the City of Taft to act as the board of appeals and authorizing the board to hear substandard building issues and appeals; establishing procedures for abatement of substandard buildings; providing for penalty, not to exceed \$500.00 per day

per violation; repealing conflicting provisions of the city's code; and providing for severability and an effective date.

12. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve new work hours for all city staff excluding the police department.
13. Consider and discuss necessary park improvements. *(Mayor Lopez)*
14. Adjournment.

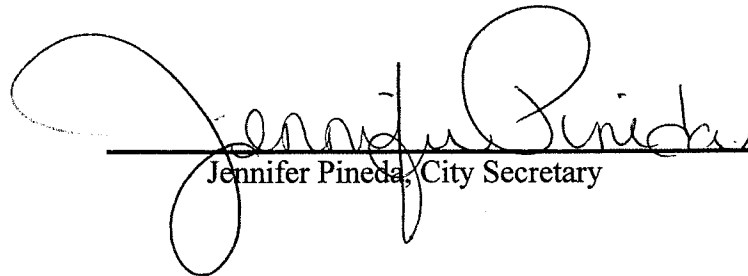
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2. Texas Open Meetings Act - Section 551.072      The **purchase, exchange, lease or value or real property**, if the deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the City in negotiations with a third person.
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.



Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

**CITY OF TAFT  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
DECEMBER 13, 2016  
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 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Kiva Hut, 402 Park St, Taft, Texas 78390.

1. Call to order and quorum check.
2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance.
3. VISITORS - At this time, comments will be taken from the audience on any subject matter. To address the Council, please sign the Opinion/Speaker Registration Form located on the table at the entrance of the meeting room and deliver to the City Secretary before the meeting begins. Should there be more than five (5) people who wish to speak on a particular issue they need to select one (1) representative to speak for them. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda. Citizens are to refrain from any personal attacks on the council or any member of the staff. Failure to abide by these policies could result in a charge of disorderly conduct.
4. Consider, discuss and take action upon appointing a member of the City Council to serve as the City's Mayor Pro Tem for a term of one year pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 22.037.
5. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the August 11, 2015 Regular Meeting minutes and the August 25, 2015 Regular Meeting minutes.
6. Interim City Manager report.
7. Consider, discuss and take action to adopt Ordinance No. 965 to establish a revised rate schedule for solid waste collection, transportation, and disposal services in the City to reflect an increase in the consumer price index and landfill disposal increase to be effective January 1, 2017.
8. Consider, discuss and act upon adjusting water rates to reflect and incorporate rate increases from the San Patricio Municipal Water District.
9. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Resolution 593, a resolution setting the City of Taft purchasing policy and procedures.
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. Executive session:



- Pursuant to Chapter 551, Subchapter D, V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with the City Attorney to seek legal advice concerning Marcus E. Adams v. The City of Taft, Texas. (*Councilman Rodriguez*)

12. Reconvene into regular session.

13. Adjournment.

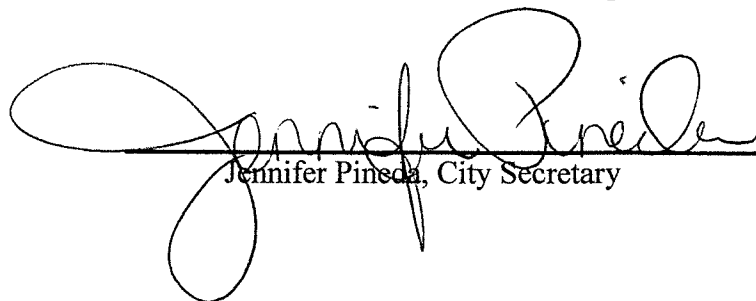
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**DATED** and **POSTED** this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.



Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary

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CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA  
DECEMBER 27, 2016  
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 27<sup>th</sup> day of December 2016, 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. Consider, discuss and take action upon appointing a member of the City Council to serve as the City's Mayor Pro Tem for a term of one year pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 22.037.
5. Public Hearing: Application for a variance request which, if approved, would reduce the lot width requirement from 50 feet to 40 feet at 430 First St with the legal description of Lt 7 Blk 58 Taft 0.275 Acres.
6. Discuss and take action on whether to approve a variance request which, if approved, would reduce the lot width requirement from 50 feet to 40 feet at 430 First St with the legal description of Lt 7 Blk 58 Taft 0.275 Acres.
7. Discuss, Consider and Act to approve a five year contrat with Nevel for copiers for Police, City Hall and Accounts Payable.
8. Adjournment.

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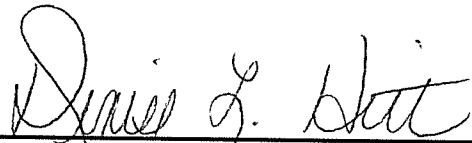
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**DATED and POSTED** this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 2016, at 6:00 p.m.

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Denise Hitt, Interim City Manager