

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
AUGUST 22, 2017
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 22nd day of August 2017, 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 to approve the Annual Financial Report for the year ended September 30, 2015.
5. Consider, discuss and take action to approve an engagement letter from Raul Hernandez & Company, P.C.
6. Consider, discuss and take action to approve an engagement letter from S. Noel Snedeker, II, CPA.
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 the purchase of tires for the Taft Volunteer Fire Department brush truck.
9. Consider, discuss and take action to approve to pay a portion of Part B Medicare for those employees choosing to move to Medicare Benefits
10. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance No 976, an ordinance repealing and replacing Ordinance No. 952; 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 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.
11. Consider, discuss and take action to approve Ordinance No. 977, an ordinance amending Ordinance 884, and establishing revised rates for certain building permit and inspection fees and charges; listing fees to be levied for building, electrical and plumbing permits and inspections; repealing all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith; providing a savings and severability clause; providing for penalties for violation; providing for a publication clause and providing for an effective date.
12. Executive session: Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, the City of Taft will consult in closed session with its attorney to receive legal advice regarding pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter, to include the following matters:
 - a. Discussion regarding a demand letter presented on behalf of Chief Mansion
13. Reconvene into Regular Session and consider action, if necessary, on any item(s) discussed in Executive Session.

14. Adjournment.

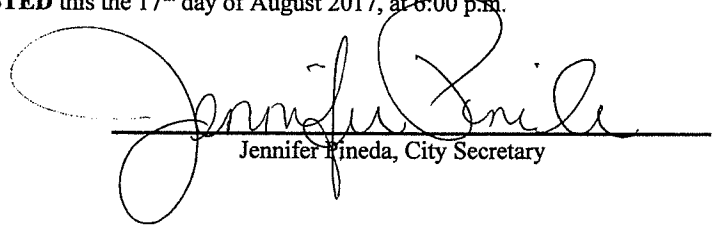
A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

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 17th day of August 2017, at 6:00 p.m.


Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary