

**CITY OF TAFT
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA
NOVEMBER 14, 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 14th day of November 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. Consider and take action to approve Ordinance No. 981, an ordinance of the City of Taft, Texas to canvass the returns and declare the results of the General Election held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 for the purpose of electing one Mayor at Large, one Alderman for Ward One and one Alderman for Ward Two for a term of two years.
4. Consider and take action to approve Ordinance No. 982 an ordinance of the City of Taft, Texas to canvass the returns and declare the results of the Special Election held on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 for the reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in City of Taft at the rate of one-fourth of one percent sales and use tax to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets.
5. Swearing In and Oath of Office of newly elected officials.
6. 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.
7. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the May 9, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes, May 23, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes, June 13, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes, June 23, 2017, Special Meeting minutes, July 11, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes, August 8, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes, August 18, 2017, Special Meeting minutes, August 22, 2017, Regular Meeting minutes, August 29, 2017, Special Emergency Meeting minutes, and August 30, 2017, Special Emergency Meeting minutes.
8. Public Hearing: Application for a setback variance request which, if approved, would allow the placement of a carport on the driveway at 448 Abazola St, Taft, Tx, with legal description LT 12 BLK 6 TAFT – 2ND HIDALGO 0.115 ACRES.
9. Discuss and take action on whether to approve a setback variance request which, if approved, would allow the placement of a carport on the driveway at 448 Abazola St, Taft, Tx, with legal description LT 12 BLK 6 TAFT – 2ND HIDALGO 0.115 ACRES.
10. Consider, discuss and take action upon casting City of Taft's votes for persons to serve on the San Patricio Appraisal District Board of Directors.
11. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the name changing of agent of record from Heavin & Associates to Heavin, Otto & Leavitt Insurance Services, Inc.
12. Consider, discuss and take action to approve the City of Taft to pay a portion of the employee's contribution to their health insurance.
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 make Wednesday as the official day for sanitation pickup for all residential utility accounts permanently.

15. Discuss installing restrooms at the Taft Memorial Park.
16. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve a project to add sidewalks on the east side of Green Avenue.
17. Consider, discuss, and take action to approve the use of funds from the Taft Economic Development Corporation for a sidewalk project on the east side of Green Avenue.
18. City manager's report on:
 - FEMA Update
 - Insurance coverage for hurricane damage
 - Sidewalk project update
19. Adjournment.

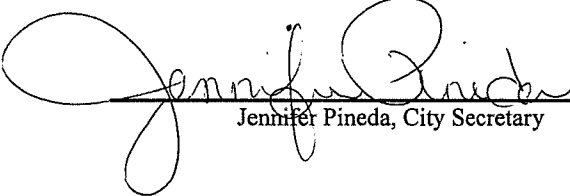
A closed executive session may be held if the discussion of any of the above agenda items concerns one of the following:

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

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 9th day of November 2017, at 6:00 p.m.



 Jennifer Pineda, City Secretary