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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
May 28, 2024 – 6:30 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN THE CITY OF TAFT MUNICIPAL BUILDING
230 GREEN AVENUE, TAFT, TX. 78390

Notice is hereby given of a Regular Meeting of the City Council on the 28th day of May 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at which time business will be conducted in accordance with Texas Government Code 551 as follows:

Opening Agenda

1. Call Regular City Council meeting to order
2. Call Roll and establish quorum is present
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Prayer
5. Citizen Comments: 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 it is requested that they 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.
6. Public Hearing regarding the annexation request by Adolfo Aparicio in reference to his 2.21 Acre tract of land located off Abazola
7. Public Hearing regarding the Economic Development Corporation's request to purchase Aparicio's 2.21 Acre tract of land off Abazola for \$79,560 plus closing cost
8. Discuss, consider and necessary action regarding Adolfo Aparicio's request for annexation of his 2.21 Acre tract off of Abazola



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9. Discuss, consider and necessary action regarding the Economic Development Corporation expending \$79,560 plus closing cost on the purchase of Adolfo Aparicio's 2.21 Acre Lot off of Abazola.
10. Discuss, consider and necessary action in reference to the city hosting up to 5 Movie in the Park events throughout the months of June, July, and August during the summer months. Events to be held on Saturdays and estimated cost to city to be maintained under \$5,500. (Ryan Smith)
11. Discuss, consider and necessary action on allowing the Memorial park to be utilized for market days one weekend per month and the city to waive all fees and peddler license in relation to market day's events. (Ryan Smith)
12. Discuss, consider and necessary action on allowing the city manager to go out for proposals on replacing playground equipment, benches, and shelters at city parks. (Councilman Molina)
13. Discuss, consider and necessary action on assigning a location for the recycling bins. (Ryan Smith)
14. Discuss, consider and necessary action in relation to the contract between the City of Taft and the Taft Little League (Council)
15. Discuss, consider and necessary action on a resolution finding that AEP's requested rate increase should be denied. (Ryan Smith)
16. Discuss, consider and necessary action on adding a Hardship PTO sale policy for City of Taft Employees. (Ryan Smith)
17. Discuss, consider, and necessary action to allow city hall to close for training on June 4th from 09:30am-12:00pm. (Ryan Smith)
18. Discuss, consider, and necessary action to allow the City attorney to seek clarification of the Federal Court Order from 1989
19. Discuss, consider and necessary action on allowing the city manager to enter into a contract with Talon Investigations to conduct a 3rd party investigation in relation to current personnel matters and to determine a not to exceed price for the services. (Ryan Smith)
20. Discuss, consider, and necessary action on the terms and conditions of the administrative leave or employment, for the Chief of Police John Landreth. (Mayor Vasquez)



Executive Session

21. **Closed Session:** City Council will meet in Closed session pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in:

- Section 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney) in reference to possible litigation against the city
- Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters): to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee:
 - City Manager
 - City Attorney
 - Public Works Director

22. **Open Session:** The City Council will reconvene in Open Session at which time action on the matter(s) discussed in Closed Session may be considered.

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23. Council and staff comments: Comments may be made by staff or council but no action will be taken.

24. Items to consider for placement on future agendas.

25. Announcements of Community interest and/or upcoming events.

26. Adjourn.



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Special Accommodations

This facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact the City offices at (361) 528-3512 or FAX (361) 528-3515 or email citymanager@tafttx.gov for further information. Braille is not available.

The City Council of the City of Taft reserves the right to convene in Executive Session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code: Section 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney), Section 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters), Section 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), or Section 551.087 (Deliberations Regarding Economic Development Negotiations) on any of the above items.

Certification

I, Ryan Smith certify that the above notice of this Regular Meeting of the City Council was posted at the front doors to the City Hall, 230 Green Avenue, Taft, Texas on the 24th day of May 2024 by 5:00 p.m.



Ryan Smith – Asst. City Manager