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**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**  
**JULY 2, 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 Special Meeting of the City Council on the 2nd day of JULY 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at which time business will be conducted in accordance with Texas Government Code 551 as follows:

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**Opening Agenda**

1. Call City Council meeting to order
2. Call Roll and establish quorum is present
3. Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge
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. **Consent Agenda**

*This section shall provide for items that require action by the Council, but where little or no discussion is anticipated. By a single motion, second and affirmation majority vote. Items under this section are approved without further discussion or action.*

A. Code Enforcement report

7. DISCUSS, CONSIDER, AND NECESSARY ACTION TO APPROVE THE AMENDED ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH THE GWOSDZ LAW FIRM.
8. ADMINISTER THE OATH OF OFFICE FOR THOMAS GWOSDZ ATTORNEY AT LAW.



9. DISCUSS, CONSIDER, AND NECESSARY ACTION TO AMEND THE PERSONNEL POLICY REGARDING ON CALL TIME.
10. DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING THE CITY OF TAFT COMP. TIME POLICY.
11. DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND NECESSARY ACTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE TML INTERGOVERNMENTAL RISK POOL.
12. DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING THE CITY OF TAFT SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY.
13. DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND NECESSARY ACTION TO HIRE A THIRD PARTY AGENCY TO VET AND COORDINATE CITY MANAGER INTERVIEWS.
14. DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND NECESSARY ACTION TO CREATE A COMMITTEE FOR THE DOWNTOWN REVITALIZAION PROJECT.
15. UPDATE REGARDING THE CONTAINER AND PAD FOR THE RECYCLING STATION.
16. DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING APPOINTMENTS TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE.
17. DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING SCHOOL ZONE SIGNS ON ROOTS AVE. AND MEYER STREET.
18. DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND NECESSARY ACTION TO APPOINT MAXINE BOWEN AS AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE BETWEEN THE CITY OF TAFT AND THE SAN PATRICIO COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.
19. DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND NECESSARY ACTION TO CREATE A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A POLICY REQUIRING MULTIPLE QUOTES AND APPROVAL FOR VENDOR SELECTION WHEN THERE IS A CONNECTION TO A CITY EMPLOYEE.
20. DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND NECESSARY ACTION TO CLOSE THE DRIVE THRU AT CITY HALL JULY 11<sup>TH</sup> (THURSDAY) AND JULY 12<sup>TH</sup> (FRIDAY) TO ALLOW PUBLIC WORKS TO PLACE SEWAGE/WASTE WATER PIPING.



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**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 551.074* (Personnel Matters) To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment of duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint or charge against officer or employee
  - CITY MANAGER INTERVIEW – Shawna Burkhart
- Texas Government Code § 551.071, consultation with attorney on matter involving pending or contemplated litigation or other 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 the Texas Open Meetings Act. Thomas A. Gwosdz, City Attorney

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

22. Items to consider for placement on future agendas.



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

24. 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 Secretary's office at (361) 528-3512 or FAX (361) 528-3515 or email [agomez@tafttx.gov](mailto:agomez@tafttx.gov) for further information. Braille is not available.

**Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89673161002?pwd=GG0p1LjEcNFug9xqdJOODPa4eRFQSG.1>

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, Andrea Gomez certify that the above notice of this Special Meeting of the City Council was posted at the front doors to the City Hall, 230 Green Avenue, Taft, Texas on the 28th day of June 2024 by 5:00 p.m.

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Andrea Gomez – City Secretary