

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

On the 16th day of August 2024, the City Council of Taft, Texas, convened for a special meeting at 230 Green Avenue, Taft, Texas, Taft City Hall at 6:30 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

There being a quorum, Mayor Vasquez called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

2. CALL ROLL AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM IS PRESENT

Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Garza	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Pro-tem Keeney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Vasquez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

Others Present: Ryan Smith, Andrea Gomez, Thomas Gwosdz, others present listed on sign in sheet.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

Councilman Garza led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

4. PRAYER

Councilman Rodriguez led the prayer.

5. CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were none.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

6. 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, including the City Manager.

Councilman Garza motioned to move into Executive Session, the motion was seconded.

The following Votes were polled:

Councilman Molina	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Garza	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Pro-tem Keeney	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Councilman Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
Mayor Vasquez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

The Council moved into Executive Session at 6:33 pm.

7. 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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Mayor Vasquez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for	<input type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

The Council Reconvened Session at 7:31 pm.

Matters of Executive Session:

The Council announced:

- *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, including the City Manager.

Councilman Keeney moved to offer the position of City Manager to Ryan Smith, the motion was seconded.

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Mayor Vasquez	<input type="checkbox"/> for	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> against	<input type="checkbox"/> abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

The motion carried.

21. COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMENTS: COMMENTS MAYBE MADE BY STAFF OR COUNCIL BUT NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN

There were none.

22. ITEMS TO CONSIDER FOR PLACEMENT ON FUTURE AGENDAS

There were none.

23. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST AND/OR UPCOMING EVENTS

There were none.

24. ADJOURN – TIME 7:34 P.M.

Councilman Rodriguez motioned to Adjourn, the motion was seconded.

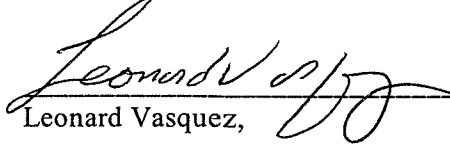
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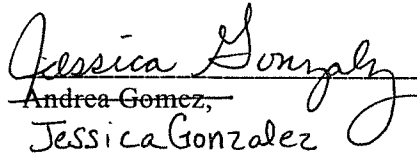
The motion carried.

Passed and Approved this 3rd day of September, 2024.

CITY OF TAFT


Leonard Vasquez, _____ Mayor

ATTEST:


~~Andrea Gomez,~~ _____ City Secretary
Jessica Gonzalez