

**TAFT CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY  
JOINT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
OCTOBER 20, 2015**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**6:00 P.M.**

The October 20, 2015, regular joint meeting of the Taft City Council/Taft Successor Agency, held in the Council Chamber at Taft City Hall, 209 East Kern Street, Taft, CA 93268, was opened by Mayor Randy Miller at 6:01:08 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Bryant, followed by an invocation given by Michael Chiaramonte of Foursquare Lighthouse Church.

PRESENT: Mayor Randy Miller and Mayor Pro Tem Dave Noerr  
Council Members Orchel Krier, Josh Bryant and Renee Hill  
City Manager Craig Jones and City Attorney Jason Epperson  
City Clerk Yvette Mayfield

**1. HEARING ON COSTS AND PLACEMENT OF LIENS ON ABATED PROPERTY**

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:04:08 PM to receive testimony from proponents and opponents. Seeing none the public hearing was closed.

Motion: Moved by Noerr, seconded by Bryant to confirm Statement of Expense as submitted and approve resolutions titled:

- A. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT APPROVING AND CONFIRMING THE COSTS FOR THE ABATEMENT OF THE NUISANCE AT 124 NORTH ST., TAFT, CA, APN# 031-450-27 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,361.83**
- B. **RESOLUTION ... 711 NORTH ST., TAFT, CA, APN #031-220-21 . . . . \$1,135.96**
- C. **RESOLUTION... 105 NORTH ST., TAFT, CA, APN #031-440-16 . . . \$10,571.93**
- D. **RESOLUTION ...322 CENTER ST., TAFT, CA, APN #031-030-22 . . . . \$620.63**
- E. **RESOLUTION ...407 6TH ST., TAFT, CA, APN #032-136-10 . . . . . \$568.96**
- F. **RESOLUTION ...620 LUCARD ST., TAFT, CA, APN #031-260-17 . . . . \$620.49**
- G. **RESOLUTION ...716 NORTH ST., TAFT, CA, APN #031-230-16 . . . . \$1,272.91**  
*(Resolutions Nos. 3713-15 through 3720-15)*

AYES: Noerr, Krier, Bryant, Hill, Miller  
PASSED: 5-0

**2. ANNUAL AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR 2013-2014**

Hadley Hui, of accounting firm Moss, Levy and Hartzheim LLP, and Finance Director Binkley presented the audited financial statements for 2013-2014.

Motion: Moved by Bryant, seconded by Noerr to receive and file the Annual Audited Comprehensive Financial Reports for the year ended June 30, 2014.

AYES: Noerr, Krier, Bryant, Hill, Miller  
PASSED: 5-0

**3. STUDY SESSION - PRESENTATION ON INVESTMENTS**

David Ivarie of Morgan Stanley spoke on the City's current investment policy and rate of return on investments.

**4. CITIZEN REQUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were none.

**5. COUNCIL STATEMENTS (NON ACTION)**

Council Member Noerr thanked David Ivarie for his report, thanked everyone who had anything to do with Oildorado as it was a huge success, and shared that he especially enjoyed the Former Mayor's Luncheon.

Council Member Krier also enjoyed Oildorado mentioning how clean the City was during and after the celebration and shared how overwhelmed he was by how many free activities there were for people to participate in during Oildorado.

Council Member Bryant thanked everyone who was involved with Oildorado sharing how proud he was to be involved.

Council Member Hill shared that she truly enjoyed Oildorado, thought the Oil Summit was lovely, enjoyed seeing lots of people on Center Street for the activities and thanked everyone for participating in the celebration.

Mayor Miller thanked all the volunteers that worked to make Oildorado successful, stated that he hoped all the businesses did well over the 10 day celebration and shared that he had a fantastic time at the Oilstock Event.

**6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

There were none.

**7. CITY MANAGER STATEMENTS**

City Manager Jones stated that the amount of volunteers involved with Oildorado says a lot to other communities about the City as a lot of them take vacation time to volunteer.

**8. CITY ATTORNEY STATEMENTS**

City Attorney Epperson shared that he brought his family to experience Oildorado and they loved it and mentioned that they could not believe how clean downtown Center Street was on Sunday at the end of the activities.

**9. FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS**

There were none.

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**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 10 - 13**

Motion: Moved by Krier, seconded by Bryant to approve consent calendar Items 10-13.

➤ Noerr abstained from Item 10.

AYES: Noerr, Krier, Bryant, Hill, Miller

PASSED: 5-0

**10. MINUTES**

October 5, 2015 Special

October 6, 2015 Regular

**Recommendation** – Approve as submitted.

- 11. PAYMENT OF BILLS**  
Warrant# 100915                      Check No. 80995-81090                      \$ 747,148.11

**Recommendation** – Approve payment of the bills.

- 12. TREASURERS REPORTS**

**Recommendation** – Motion to receive and file Treasurer’s Report dated October 8, 2015 for the Month of August 2015

- 13. CITY INVESTMENT POLICY ANNUAL REVIEW**

**Recommendation** - Motion to concur with the Finance Committee’s recommendation to adopt the policy with no changes.

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- 14. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE - SCHEDULE**

Council instructed Staff to set the first meeting of the Economic Development Ad Hoc Committee for November 5, 2015 at 4:00 pm as proposed.

At 7:04:15 PM the regular meeting was recessed to closed session.

**CLOSED SESSION**

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Government Code Section 54956.9(b) – two (2) potential cases
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR, CRAIG JONES, CITY MANAGER  
Government Code 54957.6 – All units.
- C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) – Case Number BCV-15-100357

➤ The City Council discussed in closed session those items which were agendaized for closed session discussion and direction was given to staff and attorneys.

**ADJOURNMENT** - With no further business to conduct the meeting was adjourned at 8:38 PM.

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Yvette Mayfield  
City Clerk

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Randy Miller  
Mayor