

**TAFT CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY
JOINT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
December 1, 2015**

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 P.M.

The December 1, 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 6:01:24 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro Tem Noerr, followed by a moment of silence in honor of those serving in our military

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
Deputy City Clerk Darnell Rowe

1. STUDY SESSION - GRAPHIC SOLUTIONS PRESENTATION ON CITY SIGNAGE

Simon Andrews, Principal of Graphic Solutions gave a presentation on City Signage.

2. CITIZEN REQUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Kathy Orrin of the Taft Chamber of Commerce wanted everyone to know that the Trout Derby held over the weekend was very successful. She reminded everyone that the Christmas Parade is Monday December 7th at 6pm and cruise night will be December 4th.

3. COUNCIL STATEMENTS (NON ACTION)

Council member Hill wanted to let everyone to know that the Soroptimist is having their annual home tour on Saturday December 12th.

Council member Bryant hoped everyone had a great Thanksgiving and shared that he is looking forward to the Christmas parade.

Council member Krier stated that the Chamber did an excellent job with the Trout Derby and that it was a pleasure to be a part of it. He also shared that he is looking forward to the Christmas Parade and hopes everyone comes out to enjoy it.

Mayor Pro Tem Noerr hoped everyone had a great Thanksgiving and shared about his holiday weekend in Taft and how wonderful it was to stay around town. He stated that he is looking forward to the Christmas Parade.

Mayor Miller shared that he had a very thankful Thanksgiving and stated that he was sad to see the hospital administration building go down but is excited for new things to come.

4. PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Commissioner Livingston reported that they reviewed changes made to the Housing Element at their last meeting.

5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Planning Director Staples gave a report and supplied a handout on the preliminary design plans of the Transit Center. He also wanted to let everyone know that Tract 7227 Phase 1 (Sandy Creek Estates) has recorded.

6. CITY MANAGER STATEMENTS

City Manager Jones reported that the USDA has approved the plans and specs for the upgrade to the Wastewater Treatment Plant and will soon be advertising for contractors to bid on that project.

7. CITY ATTORNEY STATEMENTS

There were none.

8. FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS

Council member Bryant requested that an existing ordinance on peddlers be modified to have more restrictions.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 9 - 14

Motion: Moved by Hill, seconded by Bryant to approve consent calendar Items 9-14.

AYES: Noerr, Krier, Bryant, Hill, Miller

PASSED: 5-0

9. MINUTES

November 17, 2015 Regular

Recommendation - Approve as submitted.

10. PAYMENT OF BILLS

Warrant#112015	Check No. 81300-81422	\$ 535,693.92
Warrant#112015	Check No. 81423-81424	\$ 34,431.95
Warrant#112015	Check No. 81425	\$ 7,977.31
Warrant#112015	Check No. 81426-81427	\$ 21,780.40
Warrant#112015	Check No. 81428	\$ 43.40

Recommendation - Approve payment of the bills.

11. STREET CLOSURES FOR THE 2015 CHRISTMAS PARADE

Recommendation - Motion to adopt a resolution entitled **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT APPROVING STREET CLOSURES FOR THE CHRISTMAS PARADE ON DECEMBER 7, 2015. (Resolution No. 3729-15)**

12. AGREEMENT WITH GOVINVEST

Recommendation - Motion to approve the Mayor to execute the professional services agreement with GovInvest.

13. CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (CAL OES) 1033 PROGRAM FOR FEDERAL EXCESS PROPERTY

Recommendation – Motion to approve and confirm the Resolution entitled A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT CONSENTING AND APPROVING THE TAFT POLICE DEPARTMENTS PARTICIPATION IN THE 1033 PROGRAM FOR THE PURPOSES OF ACQUIRING FEDERAL EXCESS PROPERTY. (*Resolution No. 3730-15*)

14. CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION (CDCR) CONTRACT AMENDMENT #5

Recommendation – Motion to approve contract amendment #5 to CDCR agreement #5600004097-5.

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 COUSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) - Sierra Club v. City of Taft and Taft City Council.

- The City Council discussed in closed session those items which were agendized for closed session discussion, and direction was given to City staff.

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business to conduct the meeting was adjourned at 7:39 PM.

Darnell Rowe
Deputy City Clerk

Randy Miller
Mayor