

**TAFT CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY
JOINT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 2, 2016**

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 P.M.

The August 2, 2016, 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 [6:03:47 PM](#). The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Bryant, followed by an invocation given by Heather Mueller of St. Andrews Episcopal 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. PUBLIC HEARING - CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE RELATING TO TOBACCO RETAILERS PERMIT

The Public Hearing was opened at [6:11:02 PM](#) to receive testimony from proponents and opponents.

Matt Constantine and Brynn Carrigan from Kern County Department of Public Health spoke regarding the Ordinance.

The Public Hearing was closed at [6:15:30 PM](#).

Motion: Moved by Bryant, seconded by Noerr to approve an ordinance entitled **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT ADDING CHAPTER 8 OF TITLE 3 TO THE TAFT MUNICIPAL CODE WHICH ADOPTS ORDINANCE NOS. G-7724, G-8495, AND G-8586 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AMENDING CHAPTER 8.60 TO TITLE 8 OF THE KERN COUNTY ORDINANCE CODE RELATING TO TOBACCO RETAILER'S PERMIT** for first reading by title only and reading of such be waived.

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

2. FINAL DESIGN FOR NEW CITY OF TAFT LOGO

Motion: Moved by Bryant, seconded by Hill to approve City logo design by Mike Niemann Graphic Design.

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

3. PRESENTATION - HALL AMBULANCE

Myron Smith from Hall Ambulance presented an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to the City of Taft to be mounted in the Council Chamber of the Taft Civic Center.

4. CITIZEN REQUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Kathy Orrin, Executive Director of the Taft Chamber of Commerce, shared information on upcoming events and reminded everyone that school will soon be back in session.

5. COUNCIL STATEMENTS (NON ACTION)

Council Member Hill wished the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem a happy birthday.

Council Member Bryant thanked the committee members and staff that worked on the new logo, encouraged everyone to come out and enjoy the First Friday Cruise Night festivities and to shop the local businesses.

Council Member Krier mentioned all the fires in the City and County asking people to report any suspicious activity. He thanked the Health Department for the work they do, encouraged everyone to take advantage of affordable activities offered around town and also encouraged attendance at the upcoming Coffee with a Cop.

Mayor Pro Tem Noerr announced that he will be running for reelection, recognized the members of the Boy Scout Troop in attendance and encouraged everyone to not just reside, but to live in Taft.

Mayor Miller recognized and thanked Brent Moon and also thanked the County Department of Health for partnering with the City on enforcement of the issues addressed in the ordinances being heard.

6. PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Chairman Orrin reported that the commission approved a conditional use permit for the sale of beer and wine at a restaurant located in Pilot Plaza and reviewed two zoning ordinance amendments.

7. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

There were none.

8. CITY MANAGER STATEMENTS

City Manager Jones shared that the City was approved for \$136,500 in funding for a pedestrian path from the Rails to Trails to 5th Street Plaza and thanked the Kern County Environmental Health for their support and regulation partnership.

9. CITY ATTORNEY STATEMENTS

There were none.

10. FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS

There were none.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 11- 14

➤ Miller removed item 13.

Motion: Moved by Noerr, seconded by Bryant to approve consent calendar items 11-12 and 14.

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

11. MINUTES

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Recommendation – Approve as submitted.

12. PAYMENT OF BILLS

Warrant#071516A	Check No. 82977-83046	\$516,451.46
Warrant#071516	Check No. 83047-83084	\$ 76,337.62
Warrant#071516A	Check No. 83085-83088	\$123,709.93

Recommendation – Approve payment of the bills.

14. OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT DISPOSAL

Recommendation – Motion to approve disposing of listed equipment through online auction.

13. SECOND READING – CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE REGARDING PSYCHOACTIVE BATH SALTS, PSYCHOACTIVE HERBAL INCENSE DRUGS AND OTHER SYNTHETIC DRUGS

Brynn Carrigan spoke regarding the County’s Ordinance.

Motion:

Moved by Noerr, seconded by Bryant to approve an ordinance entitled **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT ADDING CHAPTERS 7 SECTION 12 OF TITLE 3 TO THE TAFT MUNICIPAL CODE WHICH ADOPTS ORDINANCE NO. G-8602 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA ADDING CHAPTER 9.44 TO TITLE 9 OF THE KERN COUNTY ORDINANCE CODE REGARDING PSYCHOACTIVE BATH SALTS, PSYCHOACTIVE HERBAL INCENSE (SPICE), AND OTHER SYNTHETIC DRUGS. (Ordinance No. 819-16)**

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

15. SECOND READING – CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE REGARDING FOOD SAFETY EDUCATION

Matt Constantine spoke regarding the County’s Ordinance.

Motion:

Moved by Bryant, seconded by Hill to approve an ordinance entitled **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT ADDING SECTION 8 TO CHAPTER 1.5 OF TITLE 3 TO THE TAFT MUNICIPAL CODE WHICH ADOPTS ORDINANCE NO. G-8612 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA ADDING CHAPTER 8.59 TO TITLE 8 OF THE KERN COUNTY ORDINANCE CODE REGARDING FOOD SAFETY EDUCATION. (Ordinance No. 819-20)**

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

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business to conduct the meeting was adjourned at [7:03:11 PM](#).

Yvette Mayfield
City Clerk

Randy Miller
Mayor