

**TAFT CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 6, 2016**

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 P.M.

The September 6, 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 [6:03:25 PM](#). The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro Tem Noerr, followed by an invocation given by Scott Pearson of the First Baptist 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 - ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 2016-19: RESIDENTIAL DENSITIES

The Public Hearing was opened at [6:07:00 PM](#) to receive testimony from proponents and opponents. Seeing none the Public Hearing was closed.

Motion: Moved by Hill, seconded by Bryant to approve an ordinance entitled **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT APPROVING ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NO. 2016-19, AN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTERS 4 AND 5 OF TITLE 6 OF THE TAFT MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING RESIDENTIAL DENSITIES** for first reading by title only and reading of such be waived.

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

2. PUBLIC HEARING - ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT 2016-20: REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION

The Public Hearing was opened at [6:11:24 PM](#) to receive testimony from proponents and opponents. Seeing none the Public Hearing was closed.

Motion: Moved by Hill, seconded by Bryant to approve an ordinance entitled **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT APPROVING ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NO. 2016-20, AN AMENDMENT TO TITLE 6 OF THE TAFT MUNICIPAL CODE ADDING A SECTION TO CHAPTER 11 REGARDING REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION STANDARDS CONSISTENT WITH FAIR HOUSING LAWS** for first reading by title only and reading of such be waived.

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

3. CITIZEN REQUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Kathy Orrin, Executive Director of the Taft Chamber of Commerce thanked the City for partnering with the Chamber in attending ICSC, displayed the banners used to represent the City at the event and shared information about upcoming local events.

4. COUNCIL STATEMENTS (NON ACTION)

Council Member Hill reminded everyone that school is back in session and to practice traffic safety. She also wanted to recognize that this year all local schools top administrators are women.

Council Member Krier shared that he attended last month's Kern COG meeting where there was a presentation given by San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District.

Mayor Pro Tem Noerr shared that he would be speaking on the upcoming Ballot Measure items over the next few months leading up to the election.

Mayor Miller mentioned that of the women heading up the local schools many were raised and educated in Taft, spoke on electric cars as they pertain to Taft and encouraged everyone to support Taft.

5. PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Chairman Orrin reported that the Commission heard and passed forward to the Council the zoning amendments that were addressed in the public hearings in items 1 and 2.

6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Chief Whiting summarized his concerns with Proposition 57.

7. CITY MANAGER STATEMENTS

City Manager Jones shared:

- an article in the Fresno Bee relating to Proposition 57
- the Rails to Trails extension is nearing completion
- the 5th Street Plaza Project is in the design phase
- the Transit Station Project is almost ready to go out to bid
- the Waste Water Treatment Plant Project is progressing along and expected to complete in the next couple of months

8. CITY ATTORNEY STATEMENTS

There was none.

9. FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS

Krier requested that Council invite Sayed Sadredin from San Joaquin Valley Air Control District to make a presentation. Hill concurred.

Hill Requested a Proclamation for Pedestrian Safety Month. Miller concurred.

Hill requested a Proclamation to recognize local women in education. Noerr concurred.

Miller requested an item be brought forth for the Council to oppose Proposition 57. Bryant concurred.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 10- 15

Motion: Moved by Krier, seconded by Bryant to approve consent calendar items 10-15.

➤ Hill abstained from item 10.

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

10. MINUTES
August 16, 2016 Regular

Recommendation – Approve as submitted.

11. PAYMENT OF BILLS

Warrant#072916A	Check No. 83089-83111	\$ 52,646.33
Warrant#081216	Check No. 83189-83276	\$1,130,756.61
Warrant#081216A	Check No. 83277-83287	\$ 81,884.30
Warrant#081216	Check No. 83288-83290	\$ 434,760.93
Warrant#082216	Check No. 83291	\$ 128.00
Warrant#082616	Check No. 83292-83395	\$ 847,380.07
Warrant#082616A	Check No. 83396-83400	\$ 17,125.36
Warrant#082616	Check No. 83401-83403	\$ 1,778.55

Recommendation – Approve payment of the bills.

12. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GLADWELL GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES

Recommendation – Motion to approve a professional services agreement with Gladwell Governmental Services Inc. in an amount of \$10,900 for services provided to update policies and procedure pertaining to records.

13. PURCHASE OF FOUR (4) NEW 2017 CHEVROLET TAHOE PPV'S FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Recommendation – Motion to approve the purchase of four 2017 Chevrolet Tahoe PPV's from Wondries Fleet Group for \$153,745.20 for the Police Department.

14. KERN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC) ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

Recommendation – Motion to approve and appropriate \$5,000 from General Fund for Kern EDC annual membership investment.

15. PARK AND RIDE PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT AGREEMENT NO. 019-N1

Recommendation – Motion to adopt **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT AGREEMENT NO. 019-N1 TO ADMINISTERING AGENCY-STATE AGREEMENT NO. 06-5193R;** (*Resolution No. 3783-16*) and allocate \$58,240 from Capital Reserves for the Park and Ride project on Supply Row between 4th street and 6th street.

16. CONSIDER RESOLUTION FOR LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND AUTHORIZE VOTING DELEGATE TO VOTE ACCORDINGLY

Council Members discuss the resolution and the consensus was there seemed to be no benefit to the City of Taft to pass the resolution.

Motion: Moved by Bryant, seconded by Hill to direct Authorized Delegate to vote no on the resolution.

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

At [6:58:56 PM](#) the regular meeting was recessed to closed session.

CLOSED SESSION

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR, CRAIG JONES, CITY MANAGER
Government Code 54957.6 – All units
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) – Case Number S-1500-CV-282625
- C. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR, CRAIG JONES- CITY MANAGER
Government Code Section 54956.8 – One (1) Undisclosed Parcel

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

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business to conduct the meetings were adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Yvette Mayfield
City Clerk

Randy Miller
Mayor