

**TAFT CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY
MINUTES
AUGUST 6, 2019**

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 P.M.

The August 6, 2019, 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 Dave Noerr at [6:00:08 PM](#). The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Noerr, followed by an invocation given by Scott Pearson.

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

ABSENT: Council Member Jeff Eveland

1. PUBLIC HEARING – PUBLIC HEARING – SB 2 PLANNING GRANTS PROGRAM

The public hearing was opened to hear from proponents and opponents at [6:03:18 PM](#). Hearing none the public hearing was closed.

Motion: Moved by Bryant, seconded by Whiting to adopt a resolution entitled **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION FOR, AND RECEIPT OF, SB 2 PLANNING GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS** (*Resolution No. 3578-19*)

AYES: Krier, Bryant, Whiting, Noerr
PASSED: 4-0

2. CITIZEN REQUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Kathy Orrin, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce, shared about upcoming local activities and spoke on the success of the Babe Ruth Baseball Regional Championships.

Ocie Crawford, addressed Council and shared that his organization will be honoring a local exemplary citizen at their event coming up in September.

Mary Robbins addressed the Council about comments made on Facebook by Council Member Krier that upset her.

Paul Fedewa addressed Council stating his support for Krier and his belief that comments were taken out of context.

3. COUNCIL STATEMENTS (NON ACTION)

Council Member Bryant acknowledged the West Side Recreation District for a job well done on the Babe Ruth Regional Championships, and the Police Department for the Backpacks and Badges event.

Council Member Whiting also acknowledged the Backpacks and Badges event.

Mayor Pro Tem Krier recognized the economic success of the Babe Ruth Regional Championships, mentioned Roots relocation to Center Street and mentioned volunteer opportunities.

Mayor Noerr talked about his recent opportunity to talk with media and meet with the Governor, as he visited the Cymric oil spill.

4. PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Planning Commissioner Jerry Livingston reported that at their last meeting the two reappointed members took their oath of office, the Commission reorganized their committee assignments and they had a commissioner training.

5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Chief, Damon McMinn, gave a monthly patrol statistics report for July, an update on code enforcement efforts and shared about the success of the Backpacks and Badges event.

6. CITY MANAGER STATEMENTS

City Manager Jones gave a reminder that City Hall will temporarily be relocating to the Transit Center at 550 Supply Row starting Friday August 9, 2019.

7. CITY ATTORNEY STATEMENTS

There were none.

8. FUTURE AGENDA REQUESTS

There were none.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 9-11

- Noerr abstained from Item 9
- Whiting abstained from Item 11

Motion: Moved by Krier, seconded by Whiting to approve consent calendar items 9-11.

AYES: Bryant, Krier, Whiting, Noerr
PASSED: 4-0

9. MINUTES

July 16, 2019 regular

Recommendation – Approve as submitted.

10. PAYMENT OF BILLS

Warrant# 071219A	Check No. 90694-90696	\$ 490.81
Warrant# 071219	Check No. 90697-90707	\$ 12,529.50
Warrant# 072619	Check No. 90708-90765	\$ 520,899.32
Warrant# 072619A	Check No. 90766-90791	\$ 68,180.94
Warrant# 072619A	Check No. 90792-90801	\$ 21,475.14
Warrant# 072619	Check No. 90802-90822	\$ 57,980.41
Warrant# 072619A	Check No. 90823-90825	\$ 77,951.80
Warrant# 072619A	Check No. 90826	\$ 60.40

Recommendation – Approve payment of the bills.

11. APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENTS AND EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION PLANS

Recommendation –

Motion to approve resolutions entitled:

- 1) **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AND EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION PLAN FOR SEIU LOCAL 521 (UNIT C) (Resolution No. 3579-19)**
- 2) **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AND EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION PLAN FOR THE TAFT POLICE MANAGEMENT GROUP (Resolution No. 3580-19)**
- 3) **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AND EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION PLAN FOR THE MANAGEMENT/SUPERVISORY/CONFIDENTIAL COMPENSATION PLAN (Resolution No. 3581-19)**
- 4) **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT AND EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION PLAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT HEAD BENEFITS COMPENSATION PLAN (Resolution No. 3582-19)**

At [6:38:23 PM](#) the regular meeting was recessed to closed session.

CLOSED SESSION

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(b) – one (1) potential case
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9 (a) – Taft Union High School vs. City of Taft
- C. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR, CRAIG JONES, CITY MANAGER
Government Code 54957.6 – All units
- D. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR, CRAIG JONES- CITY MANAGER
Government Code Section 54956.8 – APN 032-110-30 and 032-110-70 & 71

- The City Council discussed in closed session those items agendaized for closed session discussion and direction was given to staff and negotiators. As for closed session item 'D' regarding APNs 032-110-30 and 032-110-70 & 71, Councilmember Bryant moved and Councilmember Krier seconded that the Mayor be authorized to execute a Reciprocal Easement Agreement with Covenants and Restrictions between the City of Taft, DGCALI, LLC, and Capitol Rivers, LLC. The motion was adopted unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT - With no further business to conduct the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM.

Yvette Mayfield, CMC
City Clerk

Dave Noerr
Mayor