

**TAFT CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
DECEMBER 16, 2008
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
209 E. KERN ST., TAFT, CA 93268**

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**REGULAR MEETING
P.M.**

7:00

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Roll Call: Mayor Noerr
Councilmember Linder
Councilmember Miller
Councilmember Noble
Councilmember Thompson

1. PUBLIC HEARING –NEGATIVE DECLARATION NO. 08-04 FOR TAFT ENTERPRISE ZONE APPLICATION

Recommendation – 1) Conduct Public Hearing; 2) Motion to approve a resolution entitled A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT APPROVING NEGATIVE DECLARATION NO. 08-04 RELATED TO THE TAFT ENTERPRISE ZONE APPLICATION.

2. CITIZEN REQUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

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3. COUNCIL STATEMENTS (NON ACTION

4. PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

5. CITY MANAGER STATEMENTS

6. CITY ATTORNEY STATEMENTS

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 7-10

All items listed on the Consent Calendar shall be considered routine and will be enacted by one roll call vote. there will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the City Council requests specific items to be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action. Any item removed from the Consent Calendar will considered after the regular business items.

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
December 2, 2008 Regular Meeting
Recommendation - Approve as submitted.
(Item to be distributed at the meeting.)

8. **PAYMENT OF BILLS**
Cash Disbursements Warrant #64911 - #65002 - \$466,599.52
Recommendation – Consent of approved expenditures.

9. **PROPOSITION 1B STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – NOTICE OF COMPLETION**
Recommendation – Motion to approve the Notice of Completion for the Proposition 1B Street Improvement Project and direct the City Clerk to record same.

10. **CITY INVESTMENT POLICY ANNUAL REVIEW**
Recommendation – Motion to concur with the Finance Committee’s recommendation after their annual review and their recommended change.

11. **CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES (PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS)**
Recommendation – Approve contract for professional consulting services.

12. **DONATION OF LAND FOR COURT BUILDING**
Recommendation – Council to discuss possible locations and give direction to staff to negotiate with the State of California for relocating the Taft Branch Superior Court building.

13. **FUNDING FOR ALPHA HOUSE**
Recommendation – Motion – The City Council of the City of Taft hereby finds that it is in the best interest of the Health, Safety and Welfare for the City of Taft to provide funding to Alpha House in the amount of \$2,500.00.

14. **ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR WEBSITE DESIGN AND ONE-YEAR MAINTENANCE**
Recommendation – Motion to approve additional funding for Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$5,400 for website design and one-year maintenance from capital reserves.

15. **OPPOSITION TO GOVERNOR’S PROPOSAL TO IMPOSE SEVERANCE TAX ON CALIFORNIA CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION**
Recommendation – Motion to approve a resolution entitled A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT OPPOSING PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF SEVERANCE TAX ON CALIFORNIA CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION.

16. **LEASE AGREEMENT FOR PROPERTY AT 333 COMMERCE WAY**
Recommendation – Approval of lease and motion to adopt resolution.

17. **AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FOUR SEASONS CARPET FOR TILE/CARPET REPLACEMENT AT THE TAFT FIREHOUSE**
Recommendation – Authorization for the City Manager to enter into an agreement with local contractor Four Seasons, and supply direction concerning replacement of carpet not within construction area.

18. RFP FOR CONSTRUCTION OF CITY OF TAFT “ENTRY ARCH”

Recommendation – Allow staff to submit RFP for the construction of the City of Taft entry arch.

19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT AUTHORIZING CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT CONVEYANCES TO THE CITY OF TAFT FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES

Recommendation – Motion to adopt resolution titled A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT AUTHORIZING CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT CONVEYANCES TO THE CITY OF TAFT FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.

20. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PURCHASE 32.02 ACRES OF RIGHT-OF-WAY PROPERTY LOCATED SOUTHEAST OF DOWNTOWN FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$170,293.00 FROM UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY & SUNSET RAILWAY COMPANY FOR TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Recommendation – Motion to adopt resolution titled A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 32.02 ACRES OF RIGHT-OF-WAY PROPERTY FROM UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY AND SUNSET RAILWAY COMPANY FOR TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, and to appropriate \$170,293.00 plus filing fees from Capital Reserves.

21. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PURCHASE 40.84 ACRES OF YARD PROPERTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,400,000.00 AND ACCEPT 4.58 ACRES OF STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY & SUNSET RAILWAY COMPANY FOR TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Recommendation – Motion to adopt resolution titled A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAFT AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY LOCATED SOUTH OF MAIN STREET, NORTH OF FRONT STREET, EAST OF S. 10TH STREET, AND WEST OF E. MAIN STREET FOR TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY FROM UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY AND SUNSET RAILWAY COMPANY and to appropriate \$1,400,000.00 plus filing fees from Capital Reserves.

CLOSED SESSION

1. At this time the City Council will hold a closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (b) (1) re claims filed by Jerry Gregory.
2. At this time the City Council will hold a closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 Performance Evaluation. Positions to be evaluated: City Manager.

ADJOURNMENT

**TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2008
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER
209 E. KERN ST., TAFT, CA 93268
(IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 7:00 P.M.)**

ROLL CALL

Chairman Noerr
Agencymember Linder
Agencymember Miller
Agencymember Noble
Agencymember Thompson

25. CITIZENS REQUESTS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

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CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM 26 - 30

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- 26. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
December 2, 2008 Joint Regular Meeting.
Recommendation - Approve as submitted.
(Item to be distributed at the meeting.)

- 27. A RESOLUTION OF THE TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
AUTHORIZING SECRETARY TO ACCEPT FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES**
- Recommendation – Motion to adopt resolution titled A RESOLUTION OF THE TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY TO ACCEPT CONVEYANCES FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.

- 28. A RESOLUTION OF THE TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF CERTAIN INTERESTS IN REAL PROPERTY
FROM SUNSET RAILWAY COMPANY**
- Recommendation – Motion to adopt resolution titled A RESOLUTION OF THE TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF CERTAIN INTERESTS IN REAL PROPERTY FROM SUNSET RAILWAY COMPANY.

- 29. A RESOLUTION OF THE TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE 32.02 ACRES OF
RIGHT-OF-WAY PROPERTY LOCATED SOUTHEAST OF DOWNTOWN FOR THE
AMOUNT OF \$170,293.00 FROM UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY & SUNSET
RAILWAY**
- Recommendation – Motion to adopt resolution titled A RESOLUTION OF THE TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE 32.02 ACRES OF RIGHT-OF-WAY PROPERTY LOCATED SOUTHEAST OF DOWNTOWN FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$170,293.00 FROM UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY & SUNSET RAILWAY.

30. A RESOLUTION OF THE TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE 40.84 ACRES OF YARD PROPERTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,400,000.00 AND ACCEPT 4.58 ACRES OF STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY & SUNSET RAILWAY

Recommendation – Motion to adopt resolution titled A RESOLUTION OF THE TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO PURCHASE 40.84 ACRES OF YARD PROPERTY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,400,000.00 AND ACCEPT 4.58 ACRES OF STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY & SUNSET RAILWAY.

31. RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A TCDA EMINENT DOMAIN POLICY

Recommendation – Motion to adopt resolution entitled A RESOLUTION OF THE TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ESTABLISHING AN EMINENT DOMAIN POLICY AS THAT POLICY PERTAINS TO THE PROPOSED 2009 AMENDMENT TO THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE TAFT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT NO. 1 AND FINDING THAT A PROJECT AREA COMMITTEE IS NOT REQUIRED FOR THE 2009 AMENDMENT.

ADJOURNMENT

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT
(Government Code Section 54943.2)**

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That I am the _____ of the City of Taft; that an agenda/public hearing notice was posted on a public information bulletin board located near the door of the Civic Center Council Chamber on _____, 2008, at _____ a.m./p.m., pursuant to 1987 Brown Act Requirements.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on _____, 2008, at Taft, California.
