

**EXETER CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 11, 2018**

7:00 p.m. REGULAR SESSION

The Exeter City Council met in regular session on September 11, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers of City Hall, located at 137 North F Street in Exeter. Council Member Gerdes called the meeting to order. Following the pledge of allegiance, Joel Luckemeyer led the invocation. Roll call showed Petty, Sally and Gerdes present and Waterman-Philpot and Boyce absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Council Member Gerdes opened public comment portion of the meeting. Receiving no public comment, Council Member Gerdes closed this portion of the meeting and proceeded with the Consent calendar.

A- Special Presentations- None

B. SCHEDULED MATTERS

- B-1 Consider a proposal from the City of Visalia to provide Animal Control Services and Shelter services for the City of Exeter at an annual cost of \$75,800 and authorize the City Administrator to execute an agreement with the City of Visalia to provide Animal Control Services and Shelter services for the City of Exeter at an annual cost of \$75,8000 subject to minor clarifying changes acceptable to the City Attorney.** Finance Director Chris Tavaraz provided a PowerPoint presentation for Council's review and consideration. City Administrator Adam Ennis provided additional information regarding the services performed by Public Works. City of Visalia Deputy City Manager Mario Cifuentes answered questions posed by Council. Chief Hall answered additional questions posed by Council. Following discussion it was moved by Council Member Petty, seconded by Council Member Sally and carried 3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Waterman-Philpot and Mayor Boyce absent) to authorize the City Administrator to execute an agreement with the City of Visalia to provide Animal Control Services and Shelter services for the City of Exeter at an annual cost of \$75,800 subject to minor clarifying changes acceptable to the City Attorney.

AYES: Petty, Sally, and Gerdes

ABSENT: Waterman-Philpot, Boyce

- B-2 Authorize the Chief of Police to execute an agreement and authorize the Exeter Police Department to partner with the Tulare County Office of Education to participate in the Tobacco Law Enforcement Grant Program and accept Proposition 56 grant funding of up to \$155,182 annually to be applied towards a police officer position, with the primary duties of education and enforcement pertaining to tobacco use by minors and authorize the Exeter Police Department to fill a vacant, unfunded peace officer position in the Police Department to be funded with the TUPE grant funding and supplemented by COPS Grant funding.** Chief Hall provided a report for Council's review and consideration. Following discussion it was moved by Council Member Petty, seconded by Council Member Sally and carried 3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Waterman-Philpot and Mayor Boyce absent) to authorize the Chief to execute an agreement and partner with the Tulare County Office of Education to participate in the Tobacco Law Enforcement Grant Program and accept funding in conjunction with this program and fill a vacant, unfunded peace officer position in the Police Department to be funded with the TUPE grant funding and supplemented by COPS Grant funding.

AYES: Petty, Sally, and Gerdes

ABSENT: Waterman-Philpot, Boyce

- B-3 Consider a request from the Exeter Baseball Boosters to approve watering exceptions to the ordinance for establishment of grass at the Lions Stadium baseball field associated with a proposed project funded by the Exeter Baseball Boosters. Their request also includes an exception to the ordinance for ongoing watering and additional City maintenance after turf establishment to keep the installed turf in an improved condition.** City Administrator Adam Ennis provided a report for Council's review and consideration. Ben Weldon, Exeter Baseball Boosters, addressed the Council to provide

additional information regarding the Exeter Baseball Boosters' request and clarified they are not requesting increased maintenance by the City. Chief Hall addressed the Council regarding a series of vandalism and damage to City facilities over the summer that affected the fields. Kevin Kirkman addressed Council regarding the source of funding for the maintenance of the fields. Public Works Director Daymon Qualls commented on the maintenance of the fields. Following discussion it was moved by Council Member Sally, seconded by Council Member Petty and carried 3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Waterman-Philpot and Mayor Boyce absent) to grant the watering exception for the establishment of the grass at Dobson Field.

AYES: Sally, Petty, and Gerdes

ABSENT: Waterman-Philpot, Boyce

- B-4 Appoint a representative, and an alternate, to the Rural Communities Committee of the Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency.** City Administrator Adam Ennis provided a report for Council's review and consideration. Following discussion it was moved by Council Member Gerdes, seconded by Council Member Petty and carried 3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Waterman-Philpot and Mayor Boyce absent) to appoint Barbara Sally as the representative and Adam Ennis as an alternate to the Rural Communities Committee of the Greater Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency.

C. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS AND INITIATIVES-

Barbara Sally reported on her attendance at the 9-11 Remembrance event and her upcoming Council of Cities meeting.

D. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS AND OTHER REPORTS-

City Administrator Adam Ennis reported on recent events he attended and advised Chief Hall and Officer Hayes would be receiving an award.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Council Member Petty, seconded by Council Member Sally and carried 3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Waterman-Philpot and Mayor Boyce absent) to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

1. **Minutes, Meeting of August 28, 2018**
2. **Payment of the Bills**
3. **Payroll: August 24, 2018**
4. **Authorize the City Administrator to execute a 3-year agreement with Conduent Enterprise Solutions, LLC for application hosting and technology services to support the City's Financial Software System at an annual cost of \$34,592 for the first year with cost index increases up to 3.5% in the future with the option for two more 1-year extensions.**
5. **Acceptance of Notice of Completion for the Sludge Drying Beds Project completed by Bush Engineering at a final total cost of \$311,352.86. Authorize the City Engineer to sign the Notice of Completion and direct the City Clerk to file the Notice of Completion with the Tulare County Recorder's Office.**

8:06 p.m. Prior to going into Closed Session, Council took a brief recess.

F. CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION(S) –

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Negotiator: Adam Ennis, City Administrator
Employee Groups: Exeter Police Officers Association

G. REPORT OF FINAL ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

8:19 p.m. Council returned to open session from closed session. No action was requested or taken.

H. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Shonna Oneal City Clerk