

EXETER CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES
October 13, 2020

A closed session of the City Council, City of Exeter was held on Tuesday, October 13, 2020, at 6:30 p.m., in the Exeter City Council Chambers, 137 North F Street.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mary Waterman-Philpot, Barbara Sally, Frankie Alves, Dave Hails

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Adam Ennis, Julia Lew, John Hall, Daymon Qualls, Shonna Oneal

A. CALL TO ORDER CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Waterman-Philpot called the closed session to order at 6:30 p.m.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING CLOSED SESSION MATTERS

Mayor Waterman-Philpot requested those who wish to speak on matters listed on the Closed Session Agenda to do so at this time.

There were no public comments presented.

C. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION(S):

Mayor Waterman-Philpot adjourned to closed session at 6:30 p.m.

1. 54956.9(d)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel
People vs. Erika Evelyn Sandoval (Pitchess Motion)
Tulare County Superior Court Case No. VCF312913
2. 54956.9(d)(3) Conference with Legal Counsel - Significant Exposure to Litigation: Three Cases in which facts are not yet known to potential plaintiff.
3. 54956.9(d)(4) – Conference with Legal Counsel – Potential Initiation of Litigation by the City: Seven Cases

A regular session of the City Council, City of Exeter was held on Tuesday, October 13, 2020, at 7:05 p.m., in the Exeter City Council Chambers, 137 North F Street.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mary Waterman-Philpot, Barbara Sally, Frankie Alves, Dave Hails,

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Adam Ennis, Julia Lew, John Hall, Daymon Qualls, Chris Tavarez, Shonna Oneal, Lisa Wallis-Dutra

D. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION AND REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (if any)

Mayor Waterman-Philpot called the regular session to order at 7:05 p.m. City Attorney Julia Lew advised there were no reportable items.

E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by Council Member Alves and an invocation was given by Public Works Director Daymon Qualls.

F. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (if any): None

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Waterman-Philpot requested those who wish to speak on matters that are not on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction of the Exeter Council, or to address or request a matter be pulled from the consent calendar to do so at this time. She also stated comments related to Individual Business or Public Hearing items that are listed on the agenda will be heard at the time that matter is addressed on the agenda.

City Clerk Shonna Oneal read a public comment received from Brian Lierman of Exeter, who expressed concern with the homeless issue in Exeter and requested the Council discuss it in a future agenda item.

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H. CONSENT CALENDAR:

It was moved by Council Member Alves, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sally and unanimously carried that the items on the Consent Calendar be approved as presented.

1. Approve regular minutes of September 22, 2020
2. Payment of the Bills
3. Payroll: September 18, 2020
4. Affirm \$40,000 in emergency repairs performed on Well E6-W by Kaweah Pump, Inc., of Visalia, CA.
5. Authorize the City Administrator to execute a 12-month agreement for as needed temporary staffing services for up to \$80,000 annually for the City with Robert Half International, Inc. (Visalia Branch), with option of up to four (4) one-year renewal terms for staffing needs in times of prolonged absences of regular employees.

I. INDIVIDUAL BUSINESS ITEMS

1. **Public Hearing to adopt Resolution 2020-42 approving the 2020/2021 State Cops Grant Proposed \$100,000 Spending Plan to complete the purchase of six replacement police vehicles and partially support (about 25%) of an officer position per the approved budget with any remaining funds used for frontline law enforcement services such as positions and equipment/technology upgrades.** Chief Hall provided a report for Council's review and consideration. Mayor Waterman-Philpot opened the public hearing at 7:22 p.m., receiving no public comment, closed the public hearing at 7:22 p.m. Following discussion, it was moved by Council Member Alves, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sally and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution 2020-42 as presented.
2. **Authorize additional purchasing authority of 9.31%, for up to a total of 19.31% (\$249,426.80), of the construction contract with AJ Construction of Fresno, CA, for contingency to the Public Works Director, contingent upon City Administrator approval, and appropriate an additional \$107,327 from the Measure R Fund (131) for current and projected change orders on the E. Palm Street Reconstruction Project.** Public Works Director Daymon Qualls provided a report for Council's review and consideration. Following discussion, it was moved by Council Member Hails, seconded by Council Member Alves and unanimously carried to authorize additional purchasing authority of 9.31%, for up to a total of 19.31% (\$249,426.80), of the construction contract with AJ Construction of Fresno, CA, for contingency to the Public Works Director, contingent upon City Administrator approval, and appropriate an additional \$107,327 from the Measure R Fund (131) for current and projected change orders on the E. Palm Street Reconstruction Project.
3. **Approve construction contract change order with Lyles Utility Construction LLC of Fresno for water line lowering and transfer an appropriation of \$12,679 in the Water Fund from capital project account Well E6W Rehabilitation (105.461.080.005) to Water Main Line Replacement (105.461.080.042) in fiscal year 20/21 to fund the change order.** Public Works Director Daymon Qualls provided a report for Council's review and consideration. Following discussion, it was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Sally, seconded by Council Member Alves and unanimously carried to approve construction contract change order with Lyles Utility Construction LLC of Fresno for water line lowering and transfer an appropriation of \$12,679 in the Water Fund from capital project account Well E6W Rehabilitation (105.461.080.005) to Water Main Line Replacement (105.461.080.042) in fiscal year 20/21 to fund the change order.

J. CITY COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST

Council Member Alves reported he will be attending the TCAG meeting on Monday. Mayor Waterman-Philpot reported on attending the Grand Re-Opening of Save Mart and that she will be attending the Transit Authority Meeting on Monday.

K. CITY ADMINISTRATOR/DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

City Administrator Adam Ennis provided a brief update on homeless, an upcoming State of the City meeting, and an update on City projects.

L. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Waterman-Philpot adjourned the regular meeting at 7:55 p.m.