

EXETER CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES
February 28, 2023

A closed session of the City Council, City of Exeter was held on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., in the Exeter City Council Chambers, 137 North F Street.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Frankie Alves, Justin Mills, Jacob Johnson, Vicki Riddle and Barbara Sally

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

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

A. CALL TO ORDER CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Alves called the closed session to order at 6:30 p.m.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING CLOSED SESSION MATTERS

Mayor Alves 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 Alves adjourned to closed session at 6:30 p.m.

1. 54956.9(d)(1) Conference with Legal Counsel re: Existing Litigation:
Arcadia, et al. v. So Cal. Edison Corp., Santa Barbara Sup. Case No. 20 CV 02026
2. 54956.95 Consideration of Liability Claims
Claimant: John Miller
Claimed Against: City of Exeter

A regular session of the City Council, City of Exeter was held on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., in the Exeter City Council Chambers, 137 North F Street.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Frankie Alves, Justin Mills, Jacob Johnson, Vicki Riddle and Barbara Sally

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Adam Ennis, Julia Lew, Daymon Qualls, Shonna Oneal, Rainbow Moore, John Hall, Tristan Suire, Christina Arias

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

Mayor Alves called the regular session to order at 7:00 p.m. City Attorney Julia Lew reported on a motion by Council Member Sally, seconded by Council Member Riddle and unanimously carried to reject the claim submitted by John Miller.

E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by Council Member Johnson and an invocation was given by Pastor Catalina Garcia.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Sergeant Michael Giefer addressed the Council on behalf of the Exeter Police Officer Association to provide an update on current staffing levels and to express concern with current pay impacting officer retention.

Vanessa Gagnos addressed the Council to advocate for a School Resource Officer.

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G. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (if any):

- a. Tulare County Economic Development Corporation Mid-Year Presentation. Airica de Olivera provided a PowerPoint presentation highlighting a Mid-Year update on Tulare County Economic Development Corporation.
- b. Frontier Copper to Fiber Broadband Conversion presentation. Doug McAllister of Frontier provided a PowerPoint presentation on Frontier's Copper to Fiber Broadband Conversion.
- c. Commendation for Daymon Qualls. Chief of Police John Hall provided a commendation award for Daymon Qualls for his dedication as a Reserve Officer and Chaplin for the Exeter Police Department.

H. CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

1. Approve regular minutes of February 14, 2023
2. Payment of Bills
3. Payroll: February 7, 2023
4. Treasurer's Report: July 2022 (Revised), August 2022 (Revised) and September 2022

I. INDIVIDUAL BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. **Discussion regarding potential diagonal parking around Lincoln Elementary School.** Public Works Director Daymon Qualls provided a report for Council's review and consideration. Council posed questions and Mr. Qualls and City Administrator Adam Ennis provided responses thereto. Pamela Whitmire addressed the Council to express her support of this project. Ruth Diaz addressed the Council to inquire about the potential diagonal parking project. Manuel Garcia addressed the Council to make suggestions regarding the potential diagonal parking project. City Attorney Julia Lew responded to questions posed. Following discussion, the Council expressed support of the potential diagonal parking around Lincoln Elementary School.
2. **PUBLIC HEARING to introduce and give first reading of Ordinance 711 Amending Title 17 of the Exeter Municipal Code by adding a text amendment to sections 17.20.02, 17.22.02, 17.24.02, 17.26.02, 17.30.02, 17.32.02, 17.40.02, and 17.64.14 and to add "Mobile food vendors" to the list of permitted uses in non-residential districts and add "Mobile Food Vendors" as a section of the Special Uses Chapter.** Assistant City Planner Tristan Suire provided a report for Council's review and consideration. Council posed questions and Mr. Suire provided responses thereto. Mayor Alves opened the public hearing at 8:27 p.m.

Richard Vanderburg addressed the Council regarding time limit imposed and the amount of the insurance required. Mr. Vanderburg also expressed concern with having issues enforcing the ordinance with a lack of police officers.

Sarah Vanderburg addressed the Council regarding the time limit imposed in the ordinance.

Yolanda Gomez who owns and operates a food truck addressed the Council to express concern with the time limit imposed in the ordinance.

Manual Garcia addressed Council regarding restricting the hours of operations in the ordinance.

Receiving no further public comment, Mayor Alves closed the public hearing at 8:34 p.m. Council posed questions and Mr. Suire and City Attorney Julia Lew provided responses thereto. Following discussion, it was moved by Council Member Mills, seconded by Council Member Sally and unanimously carried to introduce and give first reading of Ordinance 711 Amending Title 17 of the Exeter Municipal Code by adding a text amendment to sections 17.20.02, 17.22.02, 17.24.02, 17.26.02, 17.30.02, 17.40.02, and 17.64.14 and to add "Mobile Food Vendors" as a section of the Special Uses Chapter to include a revision to the proposed Ordinance at §17.64.14 (c)(3) and §17.64.14 (d)(2) that indicates the hours of operations and insurance limits to be set by the City via resolution, read by title only, and waiving further reading in full. Ms. Lew gave first reading of the ordinance by title only.

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After further discussion regarding the number of permitted mobile food vendors at a site, it was moved by Council Member Mills, seconded by Council Member Riddle and unanimously approved to rescind the previous motion. It was moved by Council Member Mills, seconded by Council Member Sally and unanimously approved to introduce and give first reading of Ordinance 711 Amending Title 17 of the Exeter Municipal Code by adding a text amendment to sections 17.20.02, 17.22.02, 17.24.02, 17.26.02, 17.30.02, 17.40.02, and 17.64.14 and to add "Mobile Food Vendors" as a section of the Special Uses Chapter to include a revision to the proposed Ordinance at §17.64.14 (c)(3) and §17.64.14 (d)(2) that indicates the hours of operations and insurance limits to be set by the City via Resolution and that eliminates §17.64.14 (e) Operational Requirements, read by title only, and waiving further reading in full.

The Ordinance was already read by title only.

J. CITY COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST

Council discussed items of interest.

K. CITY ADMINISTRATOR/DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

City Administrator Adam Ennis provided a brief update on City related items.

L. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Alves adjourned the regular meeting at 9:11 p.m.

Shonna Oneal, City Clerk