



EXETER CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2025 REGULAR MEETING
ACTION MINUTES
Closed Session – 6:00 p.m.
Regular Session – 7:00 p.m.
137 North "F" Street, Exeter, California 93221

CITY ADMINISTRATOR
Adam Ennis

MAYOR
Jacob Johnson

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR
Zachary Boudreaux

INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE
Rob Schimpf

MAYOR PRO TEM
Jeff Wilson

CITY ATTORNEY
Julia Lew

FINANCE DIRECTOR/CITY
TREASURER
Eekhong Franco

COUNCIL MEMBERS
Frankie Alves
Bobby Lentz

CITY PLANNER
Greg Collins

CITY CLERK
Francesca Quintana

Vickie Riddle

CITY ENGINEER
Martin Querin

DEPUTY CITY CLERK
Christina Arias

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A closed session of the City Council, City of Exeter was held on Tuesday, April 22, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., in the Exeter City Council Chambers, 137 North F Street in Exeter CA 93221.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Jacob Johnson, Jeff Wilson, Frankie Alves, Bobby Lentz, and Vicki Riddle.

COUNCIL ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Adam Ennis, Julia Lew, Zachary Boudreaux, Francesca Quintana, and Christina Arias.

6:00 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Johnson called the closed session to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING CLOSED SESSION MATTERS

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

No public comment was presented.

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

1. 54956.9 Consideration of Liability Claims
Claimant: Dianne Cortinas
Claimed Against: City of Exeter
2. 54957 Public Employment/Appointment
Title/Position: City Administrator
3. 54957 Public Employment/Appointment
Title/Position: Chief of Police
4. 54957.6 Conference with Labor Negotiators
Agency Negotiators: Mayor and (Retiring) City Administrator
Unrepresented Position: (Incoming) City Administrator
5. 54957.6 Conference with Labor Negotiators
Agency Negotiators: City Administrator
Unrepresented Position: Chief of Police

Mayor Johnson adjourned the closed session at 6:41 p.m.

7:00 p.m. (or, immediately following Closed Session)

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

Mayor Johnson called the regular session to order at 07:00 p.m. City Attorney Julia Lew reported that action was taken by the City Council on closed session item C.1; 54956.9 Consideration of Liability Claims, Claimant: Dianne Cortinas Claimed Against: City of Exeter. It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Wilson, seconded by Council Member Alves and approved 5-0 to reject the claim from claimant Dianne Cortinas.

E. INVOCATION

Presented by Pastor Genetti.

F. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Council Member Alves.

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Public comment from PK Whitmire. Whitmire is the Chair of the City of Exeter Planning Commission. Whitmire welcomed the new City Administrator and Chief of Police. Whitmire requested a joint session and Housing Element 101 between the Planning Commission and City Council.

H. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

None.

I. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these matters unless a request is made and then the item will be removed from the Consent Calendar to be discussed and voted upon by a separate motion.

1. Approval of April 08, 2025, regular meeting minutes (pp. 5 – 8)
2. Payment of Bills (pp. 9 – 13)
3. April 11, 2025, Payroll (pp. 14 – 19)
4. Quarter 3 Treasurer’s Report (pp.)
5. Approve and authorize Mayor to sign and submit a letter of support for Assembly Bill (AB) 650 (Papan) regarding Planning and Zoning; Housing Element; Regional Housing Needs Allocation (pp. 20 – 98)
6. Approve and authorize Mayor to sign and submit a letter of opposition to Senate Bill (SB) 634 (Pérez) regarding homelessness civil and criminal penalties (pp. 99 – 107)
7. Approval of a request for a street closure of E St. between E. Cedar and Clarence for a private fundraising event hosted by Center for Art Culture and History – Exeter (CACHE) beginning at 3:30 p.m. May 17, 2025, and ending at 7:30 p.m., and a street closure fee waiver of \$100.00, subject to the conditions presented by staff (pp. 108 – 117)
8. Authorize the piggyback of a Sourcewell cooperative purchasing agreement and authorize the City Administrator to enter into a purchase agreement with RDO Equipment Co. of Fowler, CA for an ATX850 Wheel Loader, manufactured by Vermeer Corporation and appropriate an additional \$14,731.27 split between the water and sewer expenditure accounts for a total purchase of \$78,511.27 (pp. 118 – 120)
9. Authorize the purchase of six APX6500 vehicle radios (\$35,918.61) as well as necessary upgrades to two existing APX6500 radios (\$5,811.75) to accommodate required radio encryption at a total purchase cost of \$41,730.36 with Motorola Solutions and appropriate \$41,730.36 from the COPS Grant fund (pp. 121 – 128)
10. Approve and authorize the City Administrator to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between the County of Tulare and the City of Exeter for Interim Police Chief Services (pp. 129 – 140)

Approval of Consent Calendar as presented							
1 st	2 nd	Result	JONHSON	WILSON	ALVES	RIDDLE	LENTZ
WILSON	ALVES	(5-0)	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Wilson and seconded by Council Member Alves that the items on the Consent Calendar be approved as presented. The motion carried 5-0.

J. INDIVIDUAL BUSINESS ITEMS:

Comments related to Individual Business and Public Hearing Items are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker, for a maximum of 30 minutes per item. The Mayor may reasonably limit or extend the public comment period to preserve the Council's interest in conducting efficient, orderly meetings.

1. Adoption of **Resolution 2025-10**, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Exeter Directing the City Engineer to Prepare a Report for the current twenty (20) City of Exeter Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Assessment Districts 91-01A; 91-01B; 97-01; 98-01; 08-

01; 06-01; 05-01; 05-02; 04-01; 04-02; 04-03; 04-04; 04-05; 03-01; 03-02; 01-01; 01-02; 00-01, 00-02, and 23-01 (pp. 141 – 144)

Presented by Martin Querin, Contract City Engineer

City Engineer Martin Querin provided a report for the City Council’s review and consideration.

Mayor Johnson opened the item up for public comment. No public comment was received.

Adoption of Resolution 2025-10, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Exeter Directing the City Engineer to Prepare a Report for the current twenty (20) City of Exeter Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Assessment Districts 91-01A; 91-01B; 97-01; 98-01; 08-01; 06-01; 05-01; 05-02; 04-01; 04-02; 04-03; 04-04; 04-05; 03-01; 03-02; 01-01; 01-02; 00-01, 00-02, and 23-01, as presented							
1 st	2 nd	Result	JOHNSON	WILSON	RIDDLE	ALVES	LENTZ
JOHNSON	ALVES	(5-0)	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE

It was moved by Mayor Johnson and seconded by Council Member Alves to adopt of Resolution 2025-10, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Exeter Directing the City Engineer to Prepare a Report for the current twenty (20) City of Exeter Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Assessment Districts 91-01A; 91-01B; 97-01; 98-01; 08-01; 06-01; 05-01; 05-02; 04-01; 04-02; 04-03; 04-04; 04-05; 03-01; 03-02; 01-01; 01-02; 00-01, 00-02, and 23-01, as presented. The motion carried 5-0.

2. Receive the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Audited Financial Statements for the City of Exeter, review the financial condition of the City, and provide feedback. (pp. 145 – 225)
Presented by Rene Miller, Hourly Finance Manager

Hourly Finance Manager Rene Miller provided a report for the City Council’s review and consideration.

Mayor Johnson opened the item up for public comment. No public comment was presented.

3. Consider Approval of Employment Agreement with Rob Schimpf for the position of Chief of Police (pp. 226 – 233)
Presented by Francesca Quintana, City Clerk/Human Resources Manager

City Clerk/Human Resources Manager Francesca Quintana provided a report for the City Council’s review and consideration.

Mayor Johnson opened the item up for public comment. No public comment was presented.

Approval of Employment Agreement with Rob Schimpf for the position of Chief of Police, as presented							
1 st	2 nd	Result	JOHNSON	WILSON	RIDDLE	ALVES	LENTZ
WILSON	RIDDLE	(5-0)	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Wilson and seconded by Council Member Riddle to approve the Employment Agreement with Rob Schimpf for the position of Chief of Police, as presented. The motion carried 5-0.

4. Consider Approval of Employment Agreement and Appointment of Jason Ridenour as the City Administrator effective May 27, 2025 (pp. 234 – 241)

Presented by Francesca Quintana, City Clerk/Human Resources Manager and Julia Lew, City Attorney

City Clerk/Human Resources Manager Francesca Quintana and City Attorney Julia Lew provided a report for the City Council's review and consideration.

Mayor Johnson opened the item up for public comment. No public comment was presented.

Approval of Employment Agreement and Appointment of Jason Ridenour as the City Administrator effective May 27, 2025, as presented							
1 st	2 nd	Result	JOHNSON	WILSON	RIDDLE	ALVES	LENTZ
ALVES	RIDDLE	(5-0)	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE

It was moved by Council Member Alves and seconded by Council Member Riddle to approve the Employment Agreement and Appointment of Jason Ridenour as the City Administrator effective May 27, 2025, as presented. The motion carried 5-0.

K. CITY COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST

Council Member Alves hoped everyone had a great Easter holiday and shared that he will be attending the upcoming SJV Special City Selection Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Wilson thanked all City Staff for all they do and shared his excitement for the future.

Council Member Riddle shared information regarding a potential bypass at SR65 & Marinette. Riddle shared information about the upcoming TCAG retreat. Riddle thanked Interim Chief Shimpf for the event held by the DA's Office. Riddle shared that she continues working on the downtown parking project. Riddle shared an updated from the TCRTA meeting.

Council Member Lentz congratulated Chief Shimpf and Zachary Boudreaux on their appointments.

Mayor Johnson thanked Planning Commissioner Whitmire for her comments at tonight's meeting.

L. CITY ADMINISTRATOR/DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

City Administrator Adam Ennis, Public Works Director Zach Boudreaux, Interim Police Chief Schimpf, City Attorney Julia Lew, and City Clerk/Human Resources Manager Francesca Quintana provided a brief update on City and department related items.

M. REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Johnson adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

Prepared by:

Francesca Quintana, City Clerk