

**EXETER CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES
OCTOBER 26, 2021**

A regular session of the City Council, City of Exeter was held on Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 7:05 p.m., in the Exeter City Council Chambers, 137 North F Street.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Barbara Sally^{7:10 p.m.} (Inaudible), Frankie Alves, Steve Garver^{7:15 p.m.}, Dave Hails, and Justin Mills

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Adam Ennis, John Hall, Daymon Qualls, Rainbow Moore, Lisa Wallis-Dutra, Shonna Oneal, and Eekhong Franco

A. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SESSION

Mayor Pro Tem Alves called the regular session to order at 7:05 p.m.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

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

C. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (if any): None

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Pro Tem Alves 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. He 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.

Vickie Riddle addressed the Council to request item 5 be pulled off the consent calendar for discussion and also indicated that she would like to comment on individual business item number 1.

E. CONSENT CALENDAR:

It was moved by Council Member Hails, seconded by Council Member Mills, and carried 3-0 (Mayor Sally inaudible, Council Member Garver not present) that the items on the Consent Calendar be approved as presented with the exception of #5.

- 1. Approve regular minutes of October 12, 2021**
- 2. Payment of Bills**
- 3. Payroll: October 15, 2021**
- 4. Treasurer's Report: July 2021**
- 5. Adopt Resolution 2021-24 Reaffirming Its Proclamation of a Local Emergency, Re-Ratifying the Proclamation of a State of Emergency by AB 361 issued on September 16, 2021, and Re-Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings of all Legislative Bodies of the City of Exeter for the Period of Thirty (30) Days Pursuant to Brown Act Provisions.** Council pulled this item for discussion at Vicki Riddle's request made during public comment. City Administrator Adam Ennis provided a brief report for Council's review and consideration. Ms. Riddle addressed the Council to request Council consider moving meetings back to in-person at an alternative location with more space. With no discussion, it was moved by Council Member Mills, seconded by Council Member Hails and carried 4-0 (Mayor Sally inaudible) to approve the item as presented.
- 6. Authorize the City Administrator to execute an Extra Work Authorization with the Council approved construction management firm for the E. Palm Street Reconstruction Project, 4 Creeks of Visalia, in an amount not to exceed \$19,000 to perform a geotechnical investigation and analysis on the asphalt that was installed as part of said project.**
- 7. Adopt Resolution 2021-25 Setting City Parks and Recreation Areas Hours of Closure.**
- 8. Request approval of Subdivision Improvements Agreement, and authorization to record The Grove Phase 1 Final Subdivision Map from Tentative Parcel Map No. 06-02, located west of Belmont Road between Chestnut Avenue and the westerly extension of Firebaugh Avenue once the Subdivision Improvements Agreement is executed by the parties, the required securities for the improvements and insurance certificates are provided, the Lighting and Landscape District is formed and fees per the executed agreement are paid.**

F. REDISTRICTING PUBLIC HEARING (1 OF 4)

- a. **Public Hearing to receive input from the Community regarding the Redrawing of Election District Boundaries and receive a report from staff and National Demographics Corporation (NDC) on the redistricting process and permissible criteria to be considered to redraw same.** City Clerk Shonna Oneal introduced the item and Dr. Jeff Tilton of National Demographics Corporation (NDC). Dr. Tilton provided a PowerPoint presentation highlighting the redistricting process. Mayor Pro Tem Alves opened the public hearing at 7:44 p.m. Troy Stipp addressed the Council to seek clarification on the percentage the district population difference is required to be under and for additional information regarding NDC's expertise in providing redistricting service. Dr. Tilton provided responses thereto.

Receiving no further public comment, Mayor Pro Tem Alves closed the public hearing at 7:48 p.m. Following discussion, no action was requested, or taken.

G. INDIVIDUAL BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. **Discussion and consideration of extension of premium pay to all City employees, using funds from the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund established by the American Rescue Plan Act, and using other City Funds for the Department Heads and City Administrator.** City Administrator Adam Ennis provided a report for Council's review and consideration. Council posed questions and Mr. Ennis provided responses thereto. Vicki Riddle addressed the Council to inquire about the ARPA spending plan and made suggestions on potential ways to utilize the funds. Following brief discussion, it was moved by Council Member Mills, seconded by Council Member Garver and carried 4-0 (Mayor Sally inaudible) to approve the extension of premium pay for all City Employees working a full time schedule, with an additional annual cost of approximately \$20,000 for the two years.
2. **Consider setting a Proposition 218 Hearing date for December 14, 2021 and mailing notices for solid waste rate adjustments needed to comply with SB 1383, and authorize the City Administrator to execute an extension of the City's current franchise agreement with Mid Valley Disposal of Kerman, for residential and commercial garbage, recyclable material, and organic waste collection services, to extend said agreement through December 31, 2021.** 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. Vicki Riddle addressed the Council to inquire about food waste and suggested Council use the COVID money to help offset the potential rate increase. Mr. Qualls and Mr. Ennis provided responses thereto. Following discussion, it was moved by Council Member Hails, seconded by Council Member Mills and carried 4-0 (Mayor Sally inaudible) to set a Proposition 218 hearing date for December 14, 2021, mail notices for solid waste rate adjustments needed to comply with SB 1383, and authorize the City Administrator to execute an extension of the City's current franchise agreement with Mid Valley Disposal of Kerman, for residential and commercial garbage, recyclable material, and organic waste collection services to extend said agreement through December 31, 2021.

H. CITY COUNCIL ITEMS OF INTEREST

Council Member Mills reported he would be attending his first TCEDC meeting. Council Member Hails and Council Member Garver reported on attending the 2nd Tooleville meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Alves reported most of his meetings had been cancelled for November.

I. CITY ADMINISTRATOR/DEPARTMENT COMMENTS

City Administrator Adam Ennis provided a brief update on City projects and announced the City's first Community Services Officer has started his new position.

J. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Pro Tem adjourned the regular meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Shonna Oneal, City Clerk