



**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION –  
HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NATIONAL CITY**

**February 2, 2021**

This meeting was conducted utilizing teleconferencing and electronic means consistent with State of California Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020, regarding the COVID-19 pandemic.

The City Council minutes are prepared and ordered to correspond to the City Council Agenda. Agenda Items can be taken out of order during the meeting. The Agenda Items were considered in the order presented.

**A. CITY COUNCIL**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Mayor Sotelo-Solis.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present: Bush, Morrison, Rios, Rodriguez, Sotelo-Solis

Councilmembers absent: None

Other Elected Officials present: Beauchamp, Molina

Administrative Officials present: Raulston, Winney, Bell, Chapel, Parra, Vergara, Denham, Aguirre, Lopez, Tellez, Becerra, Meteau, Davies, Yano, Rose Williams, Duong, and Olson.

Meeting briefly paused due to Councilmember Bush having technical difficulties. 6:05 p.m. – 6:07 p.m.

Roll Call was called again by City Clerk Molina with all members present. Councilmember Bush still having camera issues did confirm verbally his attendance. Councilmember Bush was available on camera at 6:18 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

Councilmember Morrison led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Two (2) public comments received: Moon Coyote (cannabis support) and Rebecca Rapp (cannabis opposition). Read into the record by City Clerk Molina.

**PROCLAMATIONS AND CERTIFICATES**

No agenda items.

## **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

No agenda items.

## **PRESENTATION**

1. County of San Diego Partnership on Vaccine Rollout.

City Manager Raulston provided a video presentation and introduced Chief of Emergency Services Parra and County of San Diego and Health and Human Services Agency (COSD HHSA) representative Barbara Jimenez who provided an update and information on the COVID-19 vaccination efforts within the National City community and the San Diego County partnership on vaccine roll-out and testing.

## **INTERVIEWS / APPOINTMENTS**

No agenda items.

## **REGIONAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilmember Bush pulled Item 4 from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

Public Comments: None

**ACTION:** Motion by Councilmember Morrison, seconded by Councilmember Rios, to approve the Consent Calendar Items 2, 3, and 5 through 7. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

2. Motion of the City Council of the City of National City approving the waiving of the reading of the text of the Ordinances or Resolutions that are having a Public Hearing considered at this meeting and providing that such Ordinances or Resolutions shall be introduced and/or adopted after a reading of the title only.
3. Adopted Resolution No. 2021-03. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City: 1) accepting the work performed by Portillo Concrete, Inc. for the Division Street – Euclid Avenue to Harbison Avenue Bicycle Improvements, CIP No. 19-17; 2) approving the final contract amount of \$531,571.79; 5) ratifying the release of retention in the amount of \$26,578.59; and 6) ratifying the signing of the Notice of Completion for the project.
5. Ratified Warrant Register #25 for the period of 12/16/20 through 12/22/20 in the amount of \$552,952.55.
6. Ratified Warrant Register #26 for the period of 12/23/20 through 12/29/20 in the amount of \$1,113,274.01.
7. Ratified Warrant Register #27 for the period of 12/30/20 through 1/05/21 in the amount of \$1,334,676.58.

**ITEM PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION**

4. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City waiving the formal bid process pursuant to National City Municipal Code Section 2.60.260 regarding cooperative purchasing and authorizing the City to piggyback onto the County of San Diego's Purchase Order 562779-0 with Ford of Chula Vista for the purchase of three (3) new 2021 Ford AWD Police Interceptor K8A PEG 500A SUVs in an amount not to exceed \$118,881.03.

Councilmember Bush asked questions of Staff regarding the need and timing for this purchase for Item 4. Chief of Police Tellez and City Manager Raulston provided responses for Council.

Public Comment: One (1) public comment received from Moon Coyote (in opposition). Read into the record by City Clerk Molina.

**ACTION:** Motion by Mayor Sotelo-Solis, seconded by Councilmember Morrison, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-04. Motion carried by 4-1 vote with Councilmember Bush voting No.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS: ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

No agenda items.

**NON CONSENT RESOLUTIONS**

8. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City: (1) approving an Affordable Housing Density Bonus Agreement with Kimball Apartments, LLC, a California limited liability company, restricting the rent and occupancy of five (5) units to moderate income households in exchange for one density bonus concession pursuant to California Government Code Sections 65915 – 65918 for the development of 52 housing units located at 1126 E 8th Street in National City; and (2) approving a Subordination and Intercreditor Agreement with Citizens Business Bank subordinating said Affordable Housing Density Bonus Agreement.

City Manager Raulston pulled the Item from the agenda to be heard at a future meeting.

Public Comments: None

**ACTION:** Motion by Mayor Sotelo-Solis, seconded by Councilmember Morrison, to continue the Item at a future Council meeting. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

9. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City: 1) authorizing the Mayor to execute a Power Your Drive for Parks Public Electric Vehicle Charging Program Participation Agreement with San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E) for the installation of six Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, associated equipment and infrastructure, at Las Palmas Park (located at 1810 E. 22nd Street) to be used by the public, at their own expense, as part of SDG&E's "Power Your Drive for Parks" Program, and 2) granting and authorizing the recordation of an easement on parcel No. 561-360-35-00 to SDG&E for the installation of electric vehicle charging station infrastructure.

City Manager Raulston introduced the Item. Director Yano, Deputy City Engineer Lopez, along with representatives of SDG&E Clean Transportation Customer Solutions: Manager Lianna Rios and Project Manager Anthony Aguirre gave the report and presentation.

Public Comments: None

**ACTION:** Motion by Councilmember Bush, seconded by Councilmember Morrison, to adopt the Resolution No. 2021-06. Motion carried by 4-1 vote with Vice-Mayor Rodriguez absent.

*Vice-Mayor Rodriguez away from the dais at 7:42 p.m. – returned 7:44 p.m.*

10. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City: 1) awarding a contract to Eagle Paving Company, Inc. in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,086,911.00 for the Sweetwater Road Safety Enhancement Project, CIP No. 19-12; 2) authorizing a 15% contingency in the amount of \$163,036.65 for any unforeseen changes; and 3) authorizing the Mayor to execute the contract.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced the Item and Director of Engineering Yano gave the report and PowerPoint Presentation.

Public Comments: None

**ACTION:** Motion by Councilmember Morrison, seconded by Councilmember Bush, to adopt the Resolution No. 2021-07. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

11. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California, approving update to City Council Policy No. 107 entitled: Appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees.

*Item continued from the January 19, 2021, City Council Meeting.*

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced the Item and Assistant City Manager Winney who gave the report and PowerPoint Presentation.

Public Comments: Two (2) public comments received from Moon Coyote (opposition) and Ted Godshalk (opposition). Read into the record by City Clerk Molina.

**ACTION:** Motion by Councilmember Rios, seconded by Councilmember Bush, to adopt the Resolution with amendments to include:

- 1) If a mayoral appointment is not approved by Council confirmation, then that applicant is to be removed from the candidate pool and the appointment is to return to a future Council meeting for substitute mayoral appointment.
- 2) Changes to Policy #107, Section D #8, Council Appointments, Interview Process:
  - (a) Subsection a - Remove the language "...and the two (2) questions will be asked of each applicant on behalf of the City Council",
  - (b) Subsection b - Change time each applicant is given for introductions from one (1) minute to two (2) minutes,
  - (c) Remove Subsections C through G of draft, and

(d) Add new Subsection c "Mayor and City Councilmembers will ask questions of each applicant. All applicants must be asked the same questions."

- 3) Add to Section D #13 that in addition to the requirement that the Chair be a resident of the City, City Council added that the Vice-Chairperson must also be a resident.

Councilmember Morrison made a substitute motion to bring this item back to Council in October 2021, seconded by Vice-Mayor Rodriguez. Motion failed by 2-3 vote.

Ayes: Morrison, Rodriguez

Noes: Bush, Rios, Sotelo-Solis

Original motion to adopt the Resolution with amendments was considered. Motion passed by 3-2 vote.

Ayes: Bush, Rios, Sotelo-Solis

Noes: Morrison, Rodriguez

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There were no items.

### **B. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION – HOUSING AUTHORITY**

No agenda items.

### **C. REPORTS**

#### **STAFF REPORTS**

12. Presentation on City-owned Real Property available for future development.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced City Manager Raulston gave the report and PowerPoint Presentation along with Director of Housing Authority Aguirre and Property Agent Greg Rose.

Received and Filed.

13. City Manager Report.

City Manager Raulston gave an update on the COVID-19, regarding restaurant opening, vaccine roll-outs and testing.

Received and Filed.

#### **MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

City Treasurer Beauchamp spoke about the COVID-19 vaccine. He received the vaccine at the MLK site in National City. He thanked City Staff for the work on roads and parking. He pointed out the moneys paid for health insurance to pensioners, per the warrants brought forth at this meeting.

Councilmember Bush wished the community a Happy Black History Month. He highlighted the need to talk about race issues and acknowledged the local Black leaders in National City's history.

Councilmember Morrison commented on the trends seen in COVID-19 cases and looks forward to observing the affects based on increased inoculations.

Councilmember Rios provided an update on Sweetwater Authority's planned tests and alerted the community that changes in odor and color may occur. Encouraged residents to contact the Sweetwater Authority if change is noticed. She also brought to Staff's attention the federal funds available to cities, through FEMA, for eligible reimbursements of COVID-19 services.

Vice-Mayor Rodriguez wished the community a Happy Black History Month. He acknowledged historical moments addressing human rights in National City.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis shared that a proclamation to formally recognize Black History Month in National City is forthcoming. She reminded the community about the distribution of COVID-19 safety kits occurring February 4, 2021. One-thousand (1000) kits will be provided on a first-come-first-served basis. She acknowledged the partnerships that make this possible for National City residents.

**CLOSED SESSION**

No agenda items.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

No agenda items.

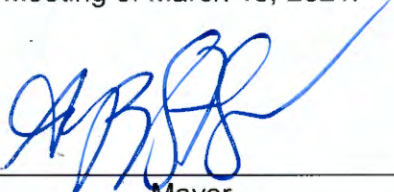
**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Sotelo-Solis adjourned the meeting to the next Regular Meeting of the City Council and Community Development Commission of the City of National City to be held Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 6:00 PM via teleconference.

The meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

  
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City Clerk

The foregoing minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting of March 16, 2021.

  
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Mayor