

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL SPECIAL JOINT MEETING – NATIONAL CITY CITY COUNCIL, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, AND THE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF NATIONAL CITY

January 26, 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.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Mayor Sotelo-Solis.

ROLL CALL

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

Councilmembers absent: None

Commissioners present: De La Paz, Sanchez, Sendt, Flores, Yamane, Natividad, Newell, De

Los Santos, Roman

Commissioners absent: None

Other Elected Officials present: Molina

Administrative Officials present: Raulston, Winney, Aguirre, Vergara, Reeder, Chapel, Hussain,

and Gilman.

Spanish Translator: Carlos Diaz de Leon

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Housing Advisory Committee Vice-Chair Sanchez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC ORAL COMMUNICATIONS None.

JOINT MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced City Manager Raulston who provided an introduction of Director of Housing Aguirre, Director of Community Development Vergara, and Principal Planner Reeder.

City Manager Raulston gave a background on the two overlapping planning efforts known as the Transit-Oriented Development Overlay (TODO) and the Focused General Plan Update (FGPU).

City Manager Raulston announced that the meeting is also simulcast in Spanish for the Spanish-speaking audience.

- 1. Transit-Oriented Development Overlay (TODO) Workshop #4
 - a. Project overview
 - b. Land Use Recommendations
 - c. Mobility Recommendations
 - d. Next steps

Director of Housing Aguirre introduced the consultant team consisting of Monique Chen, PE. Principal, and Andrew Prescott, Transportation Planner at Chen Ryan Associates, and Diego Velasco, President of Citythinkers.

Principal Planner Reeder provided the TODO project overview. He addressed the correlation to the Westside Specific Plan, and the public outreach plan to inform the public and gather input.

The consultant team provided the TODO presentation which included land use and mobility recommendations.

Housing Advisory Committee members asked questions and received responses from staff and presenters.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ten (10) public comments received: Alicia Sanchez, Angelica Ramirez, Carmen Gaxiola, Francisco Hernandez, Margarita Moreno commented on the need for affordable housing on the Westside, the ongoing concern of housing near industry shops, and related health concerns; Diane Takvorian (environmental concerns and public outreach); Danny Serrano (the need for more public outreach); James Halliday (public art); Silvia Calzada (zoning and affordability); Ted Godshalk (in opposition). Read into the record by City Clerk Molina.

City Councilmembers provided input, asked questions, and received responses from staff and presenters.

- 2. Review and discussion of the draft 6th Cycle Housing Element (2021-2029)
 - a. Focused General Plan Update overview
 - b. Housing Element overview
 - c. Land Use Element overview
 - d. Parking Policy
 - e. Next steps

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced Director of Housing Aguirre who introduced Project Manager Tara Lake who provided the FGPU presentation.

City Manager Raulston gave a summary and the next steps for the two overlapping planning efforts discussed.

Housing Advisory Committee Members had no questions on this item.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

One (1) public comment received: Tom Lemmon (Park Apartments). Read into the record by City Clerk Molina.

City Councilmembers provided input, asked questions, and received responses from staff and presenters.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Sotelo-Solis adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m.

The foregoing minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting of March 2, 2021.