

# MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL SPECIAL MEETING (BUDGET WORKSHOP) OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NATIONAL CITY

# **April 20, 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.

## **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

## A. CITY COUNCIL

#### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. by Mayor Sotelo-Solis.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present: Bush, Morrison, Rios, Rodriguez, Sotelo-Solis Other Elected Officials present: Beauchamp, Molina

Administrative Officials present: Raulston, Winney, Bell, Chapel, Gilman, Williams, Davis, Meteau, Denham, Duong, Vergara, Aguirre, Yano, Parra, Barrera, Valdez, and Tellez.

Interpretation in Spanish provided by Carlos Diaz and Luisa Diaz de Leon.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Councilmember Morrison led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# PUBLIC COMMENT

Two (2) written public comments received and read into the record: Joan Rincon and Ted Godshalk.

- BUDGET WORKSHOP/FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET PRESENTATION
  - Introduction and Overview
  - Strategic Planning, COVID-19 and Revenue Relief/Recovery/Relief
  - American Rescue Plan Act (ARP)
  - Preliminary Financial Forecast and Historical Trends
  - ❖ Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Preliminary Budget (FY July –June)
  - ❖ Capital Improvement Program (CIP) 5- year plan
  - Closing Comments, Next Steps, and Request for Direction
  - Public Comment
  - City Council Comments and Direction

Copy of the preliminary budget is available for public review at the following location: http://www.nationalcityca.gov/government/city-clerk/agendas-minutes

City Manager Raulston and Director of Public Works Yano gave the report and PowerPoint presentation titled "Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Workshop, April 20, 2021".

# PUBLIC COMMENT

Three (3) verbal comments received: Chad Matkowski, Elizabeth Munoz, and Charles Walker.

Council asked clarifying questions of Staff and Staff provided responses.

Council directed Staff to return to a future meeting with the following items:

<u>ACTION</u>: Motion by Councilmember Bush, seconded by Vice-Mayor Rodriguez, to add a budget item for an economic development recovery program in conjunction with the National City Chamber of Commerce at a funding level of \$50,000.

Motion passed by unanimous vote.

<u>ACTION</u>: Motion by Councilmember Bush, seconded by Councilmember Rios, to add a budget item for a paid internship fellowship program to assist elected officials, and to increase the funding level to \$100,000.

Motion passed by 4-1 vote.

Ayes: Bush, Rios, Rodriguez, Sotelo-Solis

Nayes: Morrison

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Sotelo-Solis adjourned the meeting to the next Virtual Regular Meeting of the City Council and Community Development Commission – Housing Authority to be held Tuesday, April 20, 2021, following this meeting, via teleconference.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Luz Molina/City Clerk

The foregoing minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting of August 3, 2021.

Alejandra Sotelo-Solis, Mayor