



**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING  
NATIONAL CITY COUNCIL**

**March 5, 2022**

This meeting was conducted utilizing teleconferencing and electronic means consistent with State of California Assembly Bill No. 361, approved by Governor Newsom on September 16, 2021.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**OPEN SESSION**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 9:34 p.m. by Mayor Sotelo-Solis.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present: Bush, Morrison, Rios, Rodriguez (Via phone), Sotelo-Solis

Other Elected Officials present: Molina

Administrative Officials present: Raulston, Bell Jr., Chapel

Guests: Matt Rexroad, Eddy Harrity, Fabian Valdez Jr.

Interpretation in Spanish provided by Carlos Diaz

Councilmember Rodriguez lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Received within Item 1 of the agenda.

**PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

1. Public Hearing to Consider District Elections and Consideration of Eight (8) Maps.

City Clerk Molina read the title of the Item into the record.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced City Clerk Molina who provided a summary. Matt Rexroad, Eddy Harrity, and Fabian Valdez Jr., consultants with Redistricting Insights, provided a PowerPoint presentation and addressed questions from Council.

*Councilmember Rodriguez left the meeting at 10:12 a.m. and returned to the meeting at 10:42 a.m.*

Mayor Sotelo-Solis declared the Public Hearing open at 11:51 a.m.

Mark Leo, a representative of South Bay Collective for Fair Representation (SBC4FR), provided a ten (10) minute presentation of one (1) map submitted for consideration.

**Public Comment:**

Eleven (11) speakers registered and provided comment: Myleen Abuan, Kandi Custodio-Tan, Jose Franco-Garcia, Monserrat Hernandez, Alicia Sanchez, Silvia Calzada, Marianne Delatorre, Kristina Piggy Mananquil, Peblz Luv, Mae Case, and JoAnn Fields.

Twenty-three (23) written comments were received and read: Alfredo Leano, Alicia Ricafrente, Amy Cruz, Andrew J. Amora, Angela Subido, Charlene Villena, Cynthia "CK" Suero-Gabler, Group called Neighborhood Voices of San Diego, Diana Laranang, Dr. DJ Kuttin Kandi, Ellen Nash, H. Bradley Bang, Group in support of APAC Proposed Map #1 – signed by 31 individuals, Kathy Vilaysith, Kylie Taitano, Lorilee San Agustin, Mitz Lee, Myrna TF Reyes, Nao Kabashima, Neal Ortiguerra, Ron T. Cho, Shawn Chua, Group called Voting Rights Act Now – signed by 75 individuals.

**ACTION:** Motion by Vice-Mayor Bush, seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez, to close the Public Hearing at 12:11 p.m.

Motion carried by unanimous vote.

**ACTION:** Motion by Mayor Sotelo-Solis, seconded by Councilmember Rios, to select the map submitted by South Bay Collective for Fair Representation (shown as Public Submission 3 in the presentation) as a preferred preliminary map for adoption.

Substitute motion by Councilmember Rodriguez, seconded by Councilmember Morrison, to select the map #1 submitted by APAC (shown as Public Submission 1 in the presentation), and the map submitted by South Bay Collective for Fair Representation (shown as Public Submission 4 in the presentation) as preferred preliminary maps for adoption, and allow for new submissions until the Tuesday, March 8<sup>th</sup> deadline at 4:00 p.m.

Councilmember Morrison requested adjustments to Public Submission 1 for cleaner boundaries.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis requested to bifurcate the substitute motion for clarity and vote on each map separately.

A bifurcated substitute motion was suggested by Mayor Sotelo-Solis to select the map called Public Submission 1 as a preferred preliminary map, and also to have Public Submission 1 with amendments for review at the March 15, 2022 City Council Meeting. The maker of the motion and the seconder agreed to bifurcate the motion as stated.

Ayes: Morrison, Rios, Rodriguez, Sotelo-Solis

Nays: Bush

Motion passed by 4-1 vote.

Original motion by Mayor Sotelo-Solis, seconded by Councilmember Rios, to select the map submitted by South Bay Collective for Fair Representation (shown as Public Submission 4 in the presentation) as a preferred preliminary map for adoption.

Motion passed by 5-0 vote.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis provided closing remarks.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Sotelo-Solis adjourned to the Regular Meeting of the City Council and Community Development Commission - Housing Authority of the City of National City, Tuesday, March 15, 2022, 6:00 p.m. via teleconference.

The meeting adjourned at 12:27 p.m.

  
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Luz Molina, City Clerk

The foregoing minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting of April 5, 2022.

  
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Alejandra Sotelo-Solis, Mayor