



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

January 18, 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.

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 6:05 p.m. by Mayor Sotelo-Solis.

ROLL CALL

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

Administrative Officials present: Raulston, Winney, Bell Jr., Chapel, Gilman, Torres, Williams, Aguirre, Vergara, Valadez, Reeder, Parra, Tellez, Ryan, Brennan, Yano, and Barrera.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Vice-Mayor Bush led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis announced that Item 21 of tonight's agenda will be held over to the next council meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Sotelo-Solis summarized the process for acceptance of live public comment allowing three (3) minute per comment and introduced City Clerk Molina.

Eight (8) spoken comments were registered and heard: Diane Grace, Barbara Gordon, Cynthia Suero-Gabler, Becky Rapp, Kelly McCormick, Kathleen Lippitt, and Judith Strang.

No written comments were received.

PROCLAMATIONS AND CERTIFICATES

1. National City recognizes Samahan Health Center team for COVID-19 youth vaccination efforts.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced Crisabel Ramos with The Philippine Nurses Association of San Diego County, Inc. (PNASD), Myrna Psillas with San Diego Majestic Lions Club, and Elidoro Primero with Samahan Health Center who received the honor.

Received and filed.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

2. Employee of the Quarter 2021 - Christopher Goodrich, Fire Captain.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced Chief Parra who provided remarks in honor of Fire Engineer Goodrich.

Received and filed.

PRESENTATIONS

3. A Kimball Holiday 2021 Recap.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced Library and Community Services Director Ryan and Elyana Delgado, acting Recreation Superintendent, who provided the staff report and video.

Received and filed.

INTERVIEWS / APPOINTMENTS - No agenda items.

REGIONAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Port Commissioner Naranjo provided a report on the Port of San Diego.

Public Comment: Two (2) written comments were received and read: Danny Serrano, and Silvia Calzada.

Councilmember Morrison reported on the business of the Regional Solid Waste Association (RSWA).

Vice-Mayor Rodriguez announced that the Metro Wastewater Joint Powers Authority (JPA) meeting is forthcoming.

Councilmember Rios reported on the business of the San Diego County Water Authority, and Sweetwater Authority.

Vice-Mayor Bush reported on the business of the Air Pollution Control District and the South County Economic Development Committee.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis reported on the business of San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) and San Diego Community Power (SDCP), and San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG).

CONSENT CALENDER

Public Comment: None

ACTION: Motion by Councilmember Rios, seconded by Councilmember Morrison, to approve the Consent Calendar Items 4 through 14.

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

4. Approved Motion of the City Council of the City of National City, California 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.
5. Adopted Resolution No. 2022-03. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California accepting and authorizing the Mayor to sign an Encroachment Permit Agreement with Ahmadian Investment Group, LLC, to install a transformer pad within public right-of-way as part of the future development project located on 2428 Highland Avenue (APN 562-072-03-00).
6. Adopted Resolution No. 2022-04. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California: 1) awarding a contract to Eagle Paving Company, Inc. in the not-to-exceed amount of \$650,760.00 for the National City Boulevard Bikeway Project, CIP No. 19-18; 2) authorizing a 15% contingency in the amount of \$97,614.00 for any unforeseen changes; and 3) authorizing the Mayor to execute the contract.
7. Adopted Resolution No. 2022-05. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California: 1) rescinding Resolution No. 2021-191; 2) authorizing the filing of a Proposition 68 Per Capita Program application for the Kimball Park Playground Improvements Project in the amount of \$216,033; 3) authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute the grant agreement if selected for funding; and 4) if selected for funding, approving the establishment of an Engineering Grants Fund Appropriation of \$216,033 and corresponding revenue budget to allow for reimbursement of eligible project expenditures through the Per Capita Program for the Kimball Park Playground Improvements Project.
8. Adopted Resolution No. 2022-06. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California, authorizing participation in the National Opioid Settlement and Authorizing the City Attorney to execute the necessary participation documents.
9. Ratified Warrant Register #19 for the period of 11/06/21 through 11/11/21 in the amount of \$1,083,482.23.
10. Ratified Warrant Register #20 for the period of 11/12/21 through 11/18/21 in the amount of \$1,777,949.98.
11. Ratified Warrant Register #21 for the period of 11/19/21 through 11/25/21 in the amount of \$694,609.53.

12. Ratified Warrant Register #22 for the period of 11/26/21 through 12/02/21 in the amount of \$3,029,725.02.
13. Ratified Warrant Register #23 for the period of 12/03/21 through 12/09/21 in the amount of \$1,814,529.63.
14. Ratified Warrant Register #24 for the period of 12/10/21 through 12/16/21 in the amount of \$3,576,255.03.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

15. Introduction of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of National City, California, amending the National City Municipal Code Title 2 – Administration by adding Section 2.02 – City Attorney.

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

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced City Attorney Bell who stated that there was no report.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis declared the Public Hearing open at 7:28 p.m.

Public Comment: None.

ACTION: Motion by Councilmember Rios, seconded by Councilmember Morrison, to close the Public Hearing at 7:29 p.m.
Motion passed by 5-0 vote.

ACTION: Motion by Councilmember Rios, seconded by Vice-Mayor Bush, to accept the introduction of the Ordinance.
Motion passed by 5-0 vote.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis announced again that Item 21 has been pulled by staff to be heard at a future meeting.

NON CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

16. Adopted Resolution No. 2022-07. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California authorizing the acceptance of the Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) grant from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in the amount of \$15,225.80 to cover the costs associated with purchasing 25 laptops with LTE wireless service and the establishment of Library Grants Fund appropriations of \$15,225.80 and corresponding revenue budget.

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

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced Library and Community Services Director Ryan who provided the report.

Public Comment: None.

ACTION: Motion by Councilmember Rios, seconded by Councilmember Morrison, to adopt the Resolution.

Motion passed by 5-0 vote.

17. Adopted Resolution No. 2022-08. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California: 1) Authorizing the Display of Artwork in the City Hall Council Chamber and 2) Approving the Installation of Artwork by Artist Francisco Morales in the City Hall Council Chamber.

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

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced Library and Community Services Director Ryan who introduced Artist Francisco Morales. Mr. Morales provided a PowerPoint presentation.

Public Comment: None.

ACTION: Motion by Councilmember Morrison, seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez, to adopt the Resolution.

Motion passed by 5-0 vote.

18. Adopted Resolution No. 2022-09. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California accepting the report and recommendation of the appointed Proposition "D" Independent Review Committee to maintain the City of National City District Transactions & Use Tax at the current rate of 1% for the next five years, pursuant to the provisions of Section 4.160.180 of the City of National City Municipal Code.

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

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced Administrative Services Director Brennan who introduced Proposition "D" Independent Review Committee Member Dr. Sherry Ryan, Professor School of Public Affairs, who provided the report.

Public Comment: None.

ACTION: Motion by Councilmember Morrison, seconded by Councilmember Rios, to adopt the Resolution.

Motion passed by 5-0 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

19. Adopted Resolution No. 2022-10. Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California Initiating a Street Vacation of a portion of Kimball Way, north of East 14th Street and northwest of the intersection with 'F' Avenue, as part of the Kimball Highlands and San Ysidro Health (PACE) Clinic project. (Applicant: Excel Engineering) (Case File No. 2021-23 SC)

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

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced Associate Planner David Welch who provided the report and PowerPoint presentation. Director of Housing Aguirre addressed questions from Councilmembers.

Public Comment: None.

ACTION: Motion by Councilmember Rios, seconded by Vice-Mayor Bush, to adopt the Resolution.

Motion passed by 5-0 vote.

20. Approved Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget Workshop dates and Quarterly Priorities.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis read the title of the Item into the record and introduced Director Brennan and City Manager Raulston who provided the report. A correction to the report was noted as Final Budget adoption would be June 7 not June 14 as stated in the report.

Public Comment: None.

ACTION: Motion by Mayor Sotelo-Solis, seconded by Vice-Mayor Bush, to approve the Item with the stated corrections.

Motion passed by 5-0 vote.

B. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION – HOUSING AUTHORITY

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS – HOUSING AUTHORITY – No agenda items.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: RESOLUTIONS – HOUSING AUTHORITY – No agenda items.

NON CONSENT RESOLUTIONS – HOUSING AUTHORITY

Item Pulled From Agenda:

Mayor Sotelo-Solis announced that staff pulled Item 21 to be heard at a future meeting.

21. Resolution of the Community Development Commission-Housing Authority of the City of National City (“Housing Authority”) approving a conditional award of Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000) from the Housing Authority’s Housing Fund to the 400-unit Azuriik Affordable Housing Project by the Metropolitan Advisory Committee on Anti-Poverty (“MAAC”) located at 233 Roosevelt Avenue.

NEW BUSINESS – HOUSING AUTHORITY – No agenda items.

C. REPORTS

STAFF REPORTS

22. City Manager Report.

City Manager Raulston provided a report.

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Closing remarks were provided by member of the Council, City Clerk, and City Treasurer.

CLOSED SESSION

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Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced City Attorney Bell who provided the report.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
Government Code Section 54957.6
Employee Organizations: Municipal Employees' Association (SEIU, Local 221),
Police Officers Association (POA)
Unrepresented Groups: Executive, Confidential, and Management
Agency Designated Representatives: Eddie Kreisberg (Labor Negotiator), Brad
Raulston (City Manager), Tony Winney (Assistant City Manager), Jose Tellez (Chief
of Police), Molly Brennan (Administrative Services Director), Paul Valadez (Budget
Manager - Finance), Lilia Munoz (Human Resources Manager)

No report.

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Name of Case: *Madison Blaylock v. City of National City, et al*
37-2021-00024099-CU-PA-CTL

City Attorney Bell reported that there was direction given by City Council by unanimous vote.

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Name of Case: *Mario Toledo Bedolla, et al. v. City of National City*
37-2019-00054733-CU-PO-CTL

City Attorney Bell reported that there was direction given by City Council by unanimous vote.

4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Name of Case: *Ali A. Mendoza, et al. v. City of National City*
18-CV-0775-L-BGS

City Attorney Bell reported that there was direction given by City Council by unanimous vote.

5. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Name of Case: *Sheena Sanders, et al. v. City of National City*
20CV0085 AJB BLM

City Attorney Bell reported that there was direction given by City Council by 3-2 vote (Ayes: Bush, Rodriguez, Sotelo-Solis; Nays: Morrison, Rios).

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, February 1, 2022, 6:00 p.m. via teleconference.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.


Luz Molina, City Clerk

The foregoing minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting of March 15, 2022.


Alejandra Sotelo-Solis, Mayor