



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

**October 4, 2022, 6:00 p.m.
City Council Chamber - 1243 National City Boulevard
National City, CA**

Present: Mayor Sotelo-Solis
Vice-Mayor Bush
Councilmember Rodriguez
Councilmember Morrison
Councilmember Rios

Others Present: Luz Molina, City Clerk
Shelley Chapel, Deputy City Clerk
Brad Raulston, City Manager
Frank Para, Assistant City Manager
Phil Davis, Director of Finance
Joyce Ryan, Library & Community Services Director
Carlos Aguirre, Director of Housing
Roberto Yano, Director of Public Works and City
Engineering
Jose Tellez, Chief of Police
Alejandro Hernandez, Police Captain
Tonya Hussain, Executive Secretary

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of National City was called to order at 6:00 p.m. via teleconference and in the Council Chamber, located in City Hall, 1243 National City Boulevard, National City, California.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present: Sotelo-Solis, Bush (6:10 p.m. arrival), Morrison, Rios, Rodriguez

Other Elected Officials absent: Beauchamp

Administrative Officials present: Raulston, Parra, Schultz, Chapel (*via Zoom*), Yano, Aguirre, Ryan, Davis, Tellez, Juarez, and Hussain

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

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

Councilmember Morrison led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Sotelo-Solis summarized the process for acceptance of live public comment allowing two (2) minutes per comment and introduced City Clerk Molina.

Fifteen (15) spoken comments were received:

Two (2) written comments were received and published on the City website.

In-person comment received from:

Laura Zarate

Patrick DeMarco

Eddie Perez

Janice Luna Reynoso

Paul Wapnowski

Anthony Avalos

Edward Nieto

Randy Valderrama

Bill Nosal

Jacqueline Reynoso

Laura Wilkinson Sinton

Gloria Jean Nieto

John Borja

Comment via Zoom received from:

Judith Strang

Becky Rapp

Councilmember Morrison left the dais at 6:34 p.m. and returned at 6:35 p.m.

5. PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITION

5.1 National City celebrates Latino Heritage Month recognizing the Valderrama, Baca and Nieto families.

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced the Valderrama, Baca, and Nieto families and presented the proclamation.

In-person comment received from:

Mari Pilli Becerra

Pattie Harris

Anthony Avalos

Jacqueline Reynoso

6. PRESENTATION (Limited to Five (5) Minutes each)

6.1 Introduction of New City Employees

City Manager Brad Raulston announced the names of the new City employees.

7. INTERVIEWS AND APPOINTMENTS

7.1 Appointments: City Boards, Commissions and Committees – City Council Appointment for Civil Service Commission

Civil Service Commission incumbent Javier Alvarado addressed the Council.

City Council to Conduct Interviews and Appointment.

ACTION: Motion by Councilmember Morrison, seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez to reappoint Javier Alvarado to the Civil Service Commission for a term ending September 30, 2027.

Ayes: Bush, Morrison, Rios, Rodriguez

Nays: Sotelo-Solis

Motion passed by 4-1 vote.

8. REGIONAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS (Limited to Five (5) Minutes each)

Councilmember Morrison announced that the upcoming Regional Solid Waste Association meeting would include discussion of the EDCO contract.

Councilmember Rios provided an update on the San Diego County Water Authority and announced the new Board members.

Unified Port of San Diego Commissioner Sandy Naranjo provided an update regarding the Capital Improvement Program and announced an upcoming meeting to discuss the National City Balanced Plan and Projects Environmental Impact Report.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

ACTION: Motion by Councilmember Rios, seconded by Councilmember Morrison to approve the Consent Calendar Items 9.1 through 9.10.

Moved by Rios

Seconded by Morrison

Motion carried by unanimous vote

9.1 Approval of Reading by Title Only and Waiver of Reading in Full of Ordinance on this Agenda

9.2 Declaring Findings to Continue to Teleconference Meetings to November 14, 2022, as Required by AB 361.

Approved Resolution No. 2022-158.

Adopt a Resolution Entitled, "Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California, Making the Findings Required by AB 361 to Continue Teleconference Meetings of the City Council and the City Boards, Commissions, and Committees to November 14, 2022."

Motion carried by unanimous vote

9.3 Request to designate the Fire Chief, Chief of Police, and Management Analyst III (Fire) as authorized agents to continue the cost recovery process for all open and future disasters up to three (3) years following the date of approval.

Approved Resolution No. 2022-159.

Adopt the Resolution entitled, “Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California, Designation of Applicant’s Agent Resolution for Non-State Agencies”

Motion carried by unanimous vote

- 9.4 Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City authorizing the Mayor to execute a Mills Act Historic Preservation Contract for 520 ‘F’ Avenue. (Applicants: Christine & Liam Dunfey, Joe Dzida) (Case File 2022-27 M)

Approved Resolution No. 2022-160.

Staff recommends adoption of a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Mills Act Historic Preservation Contract for 520 ‘F’ Avenue.

Motion carried by unanimous vote

- 9.5 Project close-out and notice of completion for five construction projects.

Approved Resolution No. 2022-161.

Adopt a Resolution Entitled, "Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California, 1) accepting the work performed by the general contractors on the following five projects identified below: a) Camacho Recreation Center HVAC Replacement project CIP No. 20-07; b) Euclid Bike and Pedestrian Enhancements project CIP No. 18-10; c) Paradise Creek Park Expansion project CIP No. 18-16; d) Sweetwater Road Safety Enhancements project CIP No. 19-12; and e) Sweetwater River Bikeway Connections/ 30th Street Bicycle Facility Improvements project – CIP 18-14; 2) approving the final contract amounts; 3) ratifying the release of retentions; and 4) authorizing the Mayor to sign the Notice of Completion for the projects”.

Motion carried by unanimous vote

- 9.6 Temporary Use Permit – Circo Hermanos Caballero Blue Unit sponsored by Circo Hermanos Caballero from October 6, 2022 to October 17, 2022 at the Westfield Plaza Bonita Mall with no waiver of fees, 2022-95.

Approve the application for a Temporary Use Permit subject to compliance with all conditions of approval with no waiver of fees.

Motion carried by unanimous vote

- 9.7 Temporary Use Permit – Care for Humanity hosted by Church of Christ on October 23, 2022, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. at 3201 Kimball Park with no waiver of fees, 2022-85.

Approve the Application for a Temporary Use Permit subject to compliance with all conditions of approval with no waiver of fees or in accordance to City Council Policy 802.

Motion carried by unanimous vote

- 9.8 Temporary Use Permit – Hope Fest hosted by Heart Revolution Church at 1920 Sweetwater Road on October 31, 2022, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. with no waiver of fees.

Approve the Application for a Temporary Use Permit subject to compliance with all conditions of approval with no waiver of fees or in accordance to City Council Policy 802.

Motion carried by unanimous vote

- 9.9 Warrant Register #7 for the period of 8/12/22 through 8/18/22 in the amount of \$686,957.09.

Ratify Warrants Totaling \$686,957.09

Motion carried by unanimous vote

- 9.10 Warrant Register #8 for the period of 8/19/22 through 8/25/22 in the amount of \$2,168,757.25.

Ratify Warrants Totaling \$2,168,757.25

Motion carried by unanimous vote

10. STAFF REPORTS

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

- 10.1 Update on the disposition of City-owned real property located at 921 & 929 National City Boulevard, National City.

Housing Director Carlos Aguirre introduced the item. PowerPoint presentation was given by Kosmont Senior Vice President Wil Sohlt Kimley-Horn Analyst Precious Nicanor was present.

Tower 999, LLC Managing Partner Cyrus Rapinan addressed the City Council.

Councilmember Rodriguez left the dais at 7:19 p.m. and returned at 7:20 p.m.

ACTION: Motion by Vice Mayor Bush, seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez to approve the staff recommendation with the amendment that staff explore commercial tenants, homeownership opportunities, local hire and public benefits, neighborhood prioritization, and a Regional Housing Needs Assessment Plan analysis.

Recess taken at 8:00 p.m. Meeting reconvened at 8:08 p.m.

Councilmember Rodriguez returned to the dais at 8:09 p.m.

Moved by Bush

Seconded by Rodriguez

Motion carried by unanimous vote

- 10.2 Letter to Governor Gavin Newsom requesting the amendment of Senate Bill 357.

City Manager Brad Raulston introduced Chief of Police Jose Tellez who presented the item.

Moved by Morrison

Seconded by Rios

Motion carried by unanimous vote

11. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

City Manager Brad Raulston presented a PowerPoint Presentation and addressed the relocation of Granger Music Hall to El Toyon Park. He announced that National City was awarded the Outstanding Chapter Project of the Year by the American Public Works Association for the Roosevelt Avenue Corridor Smart Growth Revitalization Project.

Vice Mayor Bush left the dais at 8:25 p.m. and returned at 8:28 p.m.

12. ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORT

Closing remarks were provided by members of the City Council.

13. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

Mayor Sotelo-Solis introduced Interim City Attorney Schulz who had nothing to report.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Sotelo-Solis adjourned to the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of National City, Tuesday, October 18, 2022, 6:00 in the Council Chamber, located in City Hall, 1243 National City Boulevard, National City, California.

The meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Luz Molina, City Clerk

The foregoing minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting of November 1, 2022.

Alejandra Sotelo-Solis, Mayor