



**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

**CLOSED SESSION**

**April 14, 2025, 5:00 p.m.**

**City Council Chamber - 1243 National City Boulevard  
National City, CA**

**Present:**                    **Councilmember Molina** *(arrived 5:08)*  
                                 **Councilmember Rodriguez**  
                                 **Councilmember Yamane**  
                                 **Vice-Mayor Bush** *(arrived 5:08)*  
                                 **Mayor Morrison**

**Others Present:**        **Benjamin A. Martinez, City Manager**  
                                 **Barry J. Schultz, City Attorney**  
                                 **Shelley Chapel, City Clerk** *(via Zoom)*  
                                 **Brian Hadley, Deputy City Manager**  
                                 **Bruce Foltz, Finance Director**  
                                 **Paul Valadez, Budget Manager – Finance**  
                                 **Lydia Hernandez, Human Resources Director**  
                                 **Richard Romero, Assistant City Attorney**  
                                 **Tonya Hussain, Deputy City Clerk**  
                                 **Steven Berliner, Labor Negotiator**

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**1.     CALL TO ORDER**

A Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of National City was called to order at 5:00 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: Molina *(arrived 5:08)*, Rodriguez, Yamane, Bush *(arrived 5:08)*, Morrison

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

Mayor Morrison led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4.     PUBLIC COMMENT (Public Comment will be restricted to Agenda Items Only)**

Mayor Morrison restricted Public Comment to two-minutes.

Item 5.1

In-Person Comment:

Andrew del sol Williamson

Karla Apalategui

Elyana Delgado  
Juanita Castaneda

**5. CLOSED SESSION**

*Members retired into Closed Session at 5:09 p.m.*

*Members recessed for break at 7:18 p.m. and returned to Closed Session at 7:21 p.m.*

*Members returned at 8:06 p.m. with all members present in attendance: Molina, Rodriguez, Yamane, Bush, Morrison, and Schultz.*

**5.1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**

Government Code Section 54957.6

Employee Organizations:

Municipal Employees' Association (SEIU, Local 221),  
National City Firefighters Association (Local 2744), and  
Police Officers Association (POA)

Unrepresented Groups: Executive, Confidential, and Management

Agency Designated Representatives:

Steven Berliner (Labor Negotiator)  
Benjamin A. Martinez (City Manager)  
Brian Hadley (Deputy City Manager)  
Bruce Foltz (Finance Director)  
Paul Valadez (Budget Manager - Finance)  
Lydia Hernandez (Human Resources Director)

City Attorney Schultz announced that the Labor Negotiation instructions to the Labor Unions was to move forward with negotiations.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Morrison adjourned at 8:06 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of National City, Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, located in City Hall, 1243 National City Boulevard, National City, California.

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Shelley Chapel, MMC, City Clerk

The foregoing minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting of May 6, 2025.

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Ron Morrison, Mayor