



**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
BUDGET WORKSHOP**

**June 4, 2025, 5:00 p.m.
City Council Chamber - 1243 National City Boulevard
National City, CA**

Present:
Councilmember Molina
Councilmember Rodriguez
Councilmember Yamane
Vice-Mayor Bush
Mayor Morrison

Others Present:
Scott W. Huth, Interim City Manager
Barry J. Schultz, City Attorney
Shelley Chapel, City Clerk
Carlos Aguirre, Director of Community Development
Bruce Foltz, Director of Finance
Danielle Ghio, City Librarian
Alex Hernandez, Chief of Police
Lydia Hernandez, Director of Human Resources
Tonya Hussain, Deputy City Clerk
Sergio Mora, Fire Chief

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of National City was called to order at 5:37 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, Rodriguez, Yamane, Bush, Morrison

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

Bush left the dais at 5:37 p.m. and returned at 5:39 p.m.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice-Mayor Bush led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

In-person comment:

Jeremy Day

Ed Nieto

Karen McManus

5. **STAFF REPORT**

5.1 Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget Workshop

Director of Finance Bruce Foltz introduced the item. Directors provided a PowerPoint presentation on their department budgets.

Councilmember Rodriguez left the dais at 7:11 p.m. and returned at 7:28 p.m.

Mayor Morrison left the dais at 9:48 p.m. and returned at 9:53 p.m.

At 10:30 p.m., Councilmember Molina reminded the City Council of Policy #104 that requires the City Council Meeting to be adjourned no later than 10:30 p.m. unless extended by Council vote. Mayor Morrison asked the City Council to consider extending the meeting to complete the remaining items.

ACTION: Motion by Councilmember Molina, seconded by Councilmember Yamane to extend the meeting beyond 10:30 p.m.

Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Mayor Morrison introduced City Attorney Schultz who reported on Closed Session agenda Items 5.1 through 5.3 and Item 6.1.

Attorney Schultz reported that there was no reportable action for Items 5.1 and 6.1. Council gave directions for an upcoming mediation for Items 5.2 and 5.3.

CLOSED SESSION

5.1 **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

Name of Case: Micaela Polanco v. The City of National City, et al

Case Number: 25CU004193C

5.2 **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION**

Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (1)

Name of Case: BCD, LLC v City of National City. et al.

Superior Court of California, County of San Diego
Case Number: 37-2023-00012507-CU-WM-CTL

5.3 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

Name of Case: Cali Mota LLC v City of National City et al.

Superior Court of California, County of San Diego

Case No. 37-2023-00007308-CU-WM-CTL

6.1 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)
Scott Huth (Interim City Manager)
Brian Hadley (Deputy City Manager)
Bruce Foltz (Finance Director)
Paul Valadez (Budget Manager - Finance)
Lydia Hernandez (Human Resources Director)

6. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Morrison adjourned to the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of National City, Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, located in City Hall, 1243 National City Boulevard, National City, California.

The meeting adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Tonya Hussain, CMC, Deputy City
Clerk

The foregoing minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting of June 17, 2025.

Ron Morrison, Mayor