



**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CLOSED SESSION**

**July 29, 2025, 4:00 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 (*via Zoom*)
Bruce Foltz, Director of Finance
Tonya Hussain, Deputy City Clerk
Conchita Waite, Acting Human Resources Director

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of National City was called to order at 4:05 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

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Yamane led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

The Mayor has allowed two-minutes for comment.

5. CLOSED SESSION

Members retired into Closed Session at 4:24 p.m. and returned at 10:33 p.m. with all members present in attendance: Molina, Rodriguez, Yamane, Bush, Morrison, and Schultz

Special Counsel: Berliner left at 6:30 p.m.

Following Closed Session City Attorney Schultz reported the following on items discussed:

5.1 The City Council provided directions to the Labor Negotiator.

5.2 and 5.3

Involved existing litigation including Cali Mota and BCD v City of National City and a report was provided on the status of mediation efforts with those parties.

5.4 Existing Litigation Polanco v City of National City – No reportable action.

5.5 Anticipated Litigation – No reportable action.

5.6 Public Employee Performance Evaluation involving the Interim City Manager – No reportable action.

5.1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Government Code Section 5457.6

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)

Bruce Foltz (Finance Director)

Conchita Waite (Acting Human Resources Director)

In-Person Comment

Stephanie Mendiola

James Kim

Ed Nieto

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

In-Person Comment

Dukie Valderrama

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 Number: 37-2023-00007308-CU-WM-CTL

5.4 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

In-Person Comment

Marissa Cuevas

Alexander Gutterud

5.5 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant Exposure to Litigation

Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (2)

Number of Potential Cases: 1

In-Person Comment

Alisha Morrison

5.6 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Government Code Section 54957(b)

Position to be Reviewed: Interim City Manager

6. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Morrison adjourned to the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of National City, Tuesday, August 5, 2025, 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, located in City Hall, 1243 National City Boulevard, National City, California.

The meeting adjourned at 10:34 p.m.

Shelley Chapel, MMC, City Clerk

The foregoing minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting of August 19, 2025.

Ron Morrison, Mayor