



CITY OF NEWARK

CITY COUNCIL

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Minutes Special Meeting

**Monday, July 8, 2024
6:00 P.M**

A. ROLL CALL

Mayor Hannon called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Vice Mayor Freitas and Council Member Jorgens were present.

1. Vote to allow Council Member Collazo to participate remotely due to emergency circumstances as a result of a physical medical emergency per Assembly Bill 2449

City Attorney Kokotaylo stated that as a result of a medical procedure, Council Member Collazo could not attend in person and was seeking permission to participate remotely.

Moved by Vice Mayor Freitas, seconded by Council Member Jorgens to allow Council Member Collazo to participate remotely. The motion passed, 3 AYES.

Council Member Collazo joined the meeting via Zoom.

Mayor Hannon announced that the public would also be allowed to offer public comment over Zoom for this meeting and shared the meeting id number.

B. CITY MANAGER REPORTS

1. Interview City Council applicants and adopt resolutions making an appointment to fill the City Council vacancy and/or calling and giving notice of the holding of

a special election for the purpose of electing an individual to fill the remaining unexpired term of the former incumbent to be consolidated with the general municipal election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024

Mayor Hannon stated that one of the candidates requested a zoom interview and that he did not support an online interview, the City Council concurred.

The Mayor thanked the candidates for applying.

The following candidates were interviewed:

Ana Apodaca, Phil Bloxom, Daniel Cardenas, Lucia Gutierrez, Eve Little

At 7:28 p.m. Mayor Hannon called for a recess. The meeting resumed at 7:38 p.m.

The interviews resumed with:

Raju Mathew, Jason Miguel, Fatima Shaikh

Mayor Hannon thanked the applicants for their time. He stated that he was looking for a placeholder and not someone who would run for office.

The City Council members each shared their agreement for a placeholder appointee.

Mayor Hannon moved, Vice Mayor Freitas seconded to adopt a resolution appointing Ana Apodaca to fill the vacancy on the City Council (through the certification of the November 5, 2024 election results). The motion passed, 4 AYES.

Resolution No. 11666

Mayor Hannon moved, Council Member Jorgens seconded, to adopt a resolution calling and giving notice of a special election to fill a vacancy on the Newark City Council for the remainder of a four-year term; requesting The Alameda County Board of Supervisors to consolidate the election with the general election to be held November 5, 2024; and requesting services of the Registrar of Voters. The motion passed, 4 AYES.

Resolution No. 11667

Vice Mayor Freitas stated that he would not seek re-election.

Mayor Hannon thanked Vice Mayor Freitas for his 29 years of service.

c. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Sheila Harrington
City Clerk