



**NATIONAL CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

February 4, 2026 - 5:30 PM

When: February 4, 2026 5:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Topic: Board of Library Trustees Meeting

National City City Hall – Second Floor Large Conference Room

1243 National City Blvd., National City CA 91950

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AGENDA

Call to Order

Roll Call

Public Comment

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Agenda dated February 4, 2026
2. Approval of December 2025 Minutes
3. January 2026 Warrants

New and Unfinished Business

Director of Library Services Report

Other Reports

4. Friends of the Library Report

Board Member Comments

Adjournment: Next meeting March 4, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

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I, Sarah Ruiz, Administrative Secretary, of the City of National City, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that a copy of the above Agenda of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Library Trustees of the City of National City, California, was delivered and/or notice by email not less than 72 hours, before the hour of 6:00 p.m. on **January 29, 2026** to the members of the Board of Library Trustees, and caused the agenda to be posted on the City's website at www.nationalcityca.gov and at the Library, 1401 National City Blvd., National City, CA 91950, and at National City City Hall, 1243 National City Blvd., National City, California 91950.

Sarah Ruiz



NATIONAL CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting of the Library Board of Trustees

Minutes

December 3, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Library Trustees of the National City Public Library was called to order by Chair Godshalk at 5:30 p.m. on December 3, 2025.

ROLL CALL

BOARD OF TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Margaret Godshalk, Chair
Jose Lopez, Member Trustee
Patricia “Trissy” McGhee, Member Trustee
Nidya Rivera-Moreno, Member Trustee

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ABSENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT:

Mikki Vidamo, Management Analyst II
Sarah Ruiz, Administrative Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATION

No Public Comments received

CONSENT AGENDA, ITEMS 1-3:

ACTION: Motion by Member Rivera-Lopez and Second Member McGhee to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-3 with correction to the Warrants totals.

Motion carried by unanimous vote

NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ACTION: Discussion feedback from Friends of Library about use of Venmo, to be continued at next Board of Library Trustees’ Meeting.

No vote taken

DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

Management Analyst Vidamo gave an update on the mural projects, events happening in the Library, and Furlough.

OTHER REPORTS – FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Chair Godshalk reported that Maria Marmolejo is retiring and wished her all the best. The Friends of the Library will have raffle tickets for the baskets at WhoVille.

BOARD TRUSTEE COMMENTS/COMMUNICATION

Cindy Lopez has resigned.

Member McGhee brought up the importance of libraries and getting teens actively engaged with our programs.

Board voted not to have a meeting in January since the Library will be closed for two weeks in December for Furlough.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m. The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 4, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Danielle Ghio
Director of Library Services

Library Warrants FY 25-26 Board Meeting Wednesday, February 4, 2026			
Description	Vendor	Amount	Total
Computer Equip.	Amazon	\$930.40	\$930.40
DVDs and Blu-Rays	Midwest	\$2,847.91	\$2,847.91
		TOTAL	\$ 3,778.31



STAFF REPORT Board of Library Trustees

Prepared by: Danielle Ghio, Director of Library Services **Meeting Date:** February 4, 2026

SUBJECT: Director of Library Services Report

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Board of Library Trustees receive and file the Director of Library Services report.

STATEMENT ON SUBJECT:

KPBS Highlights National City Public Library

KPBS recently visited National City Public Library to do a story on our tool library, u-Tool-ize. The article features library staff and National City residents, showcasing the tool collection and the community benefits it provides. This coverage helps broaden the exposure of the program to a larger audience outside of National City. We've already seen increased interest from new sign-ups to people eager to donate tools! Check out the article: "Looking for a pole saw? The National City Library Has You Covered" by Kori Suzuki

New Programs

Our Literacy Program recently launched a new Citizenship Class focused on the updated 128 civics and history questions introduced on October 20, 2025. This class is specially designed for ESL students who speak Spanish, providing language support and preparation for the 2025 U.S. citizenship test. In December we launched Chronicles of Yarnia - A Knitting and Crochet Club: Starting in December on the 1st and 3rd Monday, the library will host a crochet and knitting club called Chronicles of Yarnia. This is a non-instructional meeting where all skill levels are invited to come and knit or crochet in a comfortable, relaxing environment.

Whoville and Kimball Holiday

On Friday, December 6th from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. we celebrated our second annual Whoville where we welcomed over 400 attendees. It was an afternoon of crafts, music, candy, and of course—photos with Santa! The Friends of the Library host their Holiday Open House, featuring a family-friendly activity exploring the history of the season and cookie decorating. It was a big hit with the community, and we look forward to bringing Whoville back again next year.

The library also participated in Kimball Holiday, we had booth at the event where we shared information about all the services that we offer and had some fun crafts for the community to enjoy. We had over 200 people visit us at the booth to learn about what the library has to offer.

Circulation Supervisor

The Circulation Supervisor position has been filled; Edgardo Santos started in his new role February 3, 2026. Ed has worked for the National City Public Library for the past 14 years, he was previously a part-time library technician in the children's department, we are extremely happy to have him join the team full-time.



STAFF REPORT

Board of Library Trustees

Family Literacy

The Family Literacy program continues to grow, and this month we feature the Fire Department. Family Literacy is a foundational reading and learning program for children and families. The program consists of a YouTube read along, crafts, and comprehension questions, and a package families pick up each month. We are featuring different departments in the City each month, this month is one of the best yet as we tour the Fire Department and meet different Fire Fighters in the City.