



Agenda

Regular Meeting of the

**Bell City Council/Bell Community Housing Authority/Successor Agency to
the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency/ Bell Public Finance Authority**

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

5:45 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

7:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION

**BELL COMMUNITY CENTER
6250 PINE AVENUE, BELL CA 90201**

**Monica Arroyo
Mayor**

**Fidencio J. Gallardo
Vice-Mayor**

**Ana Maria Quintana
Council Member**

**Alicia Romero
Council Member**

**Ali Saleh
Council Member**

Welcome to the City Council Meeting

The Bell City Council and staff welcome you. This is your City Government. Individual participation is a basic part of American Democracy and all Bell residents are encouraged to attend meetings of the City Council. Regular City Council meetings are held the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m., Bell Community Center, 6250 Pine Avenue. For more information, you may call City Hall during regular business hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday at (323) 588-6211 Extension 2615.

City Council Organization

There are five City Council members, one of whom serves as Mayor and is the presiding officer of the City Council. These are your elected representatives who act as a Board of Directors for the City of Bell. City Council members are like you, concerned residents of the community who provide guidance in the operation of your City.

Addressing the City Council

If you wish to speak to the City Council on any item which is listed or not listed on the City Council Agenda, please complete a *Request to Speak Card* available in the back of the City Council Chambers. Please submit the completed card to the City Clerk prior to the meeting. The Mayor will call you to the microphone at the appropriate time if you have filled out a *Request to Speak Card*. At that time, approach the podium and please clearly state your name and address, and proceed to make your comments.

Compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act

The City of Bell, in complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), request individuals who require special accommodation(s) to access, attend, and or participate in a City meeting due to disability. Please contact the City Clerk's Office, (323) 588-6211, Ext. 2615, at least one business day prior to the scheduled meeting to ensure that we may assist you.

Statement Regarding Compensation for Members of the Bell City Council

Compensation for the members of the Bell City Council is \$673 a month. In accordance with Government Code Section 54952.3, Councilmembers will not receive any additional compensation or stipend for the convening of the following regular meetings: Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency, the Bell Community Housing Authority, the Bell Public Finance Authority, the Bell Surplus Property Authority, and the Bell Solid Waste Authority.

REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF THE

**Bell City Council/Bell Community Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the Bell
Community Redevelopment Agency/Bell Public Finance Authority**

January 25, 2023

**5:45 P.M. Closed Session
7:00 P.M. Regular Meeting**

Location: Bell Community Center, 6250 Pine Avenue, Bell CA 90201

MEETING WILL BE HELD IN-PERSON AT THE BELL COMMUNITY CENTER

PUBLIC COMMENT: If you wish to make a comment on items listed on the agenda, you may attend the meeting in-person at Bell Community Center. Please complete a Request to Speak Card available in the location and wait until the mayor calls you to approach the podium. Please clearly state your name and address and proceed to make your comments.

You may also submit input electronically through a temporary public comment email established for City of Bell City Council meetings at cityclerk@cityofbell.org. Your written comment must be submitted by 4pm on Wednesday, January 25, 2023. Any emails received after the time indicated will not be included in the record. Written Comments will be subject to the three minute time limitation (approximately 350 words).

The meeting will be recorded and live streamed on the City's website at <http://www.cityofbell.org/?NavID=101>

Call to Order

**Roll Call of the City Council in their capacities as Councilmembers/Members of all
Related Agencies:** Quintana, Romero, Saleh, Gallardo and Arroyo

Communications from the Public on Closed Session Items

This is the time for members of the public to address the City Council and related Authorities and Agencies only on items that are listed under Closed Session.

Closed Session

The City Council and the related Authorities and Agencies will recess to closed session to confer with legal counsel regarding the following matters:

- a) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8)
Property: 4777 E Gage Avenue, Bell CA 90201
Agency negotiators: Michael Antwine (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney)
Negotiating parties: To be Determined
Under negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment
- b) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8)
Property: 7030 Atlantic Avenue, Bell CA 90201
Agency negotiators: Michael Antwine (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney)
Negotiating parties: To be Determined
Under negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

- c) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8)
Property: 4410 Gage Avenue, Bell CA 90201
Agency negotiators: Michael Antwine (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney)
Negotiating parties: To be Determined
Under negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment
- d) CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8)
Property: Caltrans Parcel 1958
Agency negotiators: Michael Antwine (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney)
Negotiating parties: To be Determined
Under negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

Reconvene Regular City Council Meeting

Call to Order

Roll Call of the City Council in their capacities as Councilmembers/Members of all Related Agencies: Quintana, Romero, Saleh, Gallardo and Arroyo

Pledge of Allegiance

City Attorney Report

The City Attorney will report out on any action(s) to be taken by the City Council/Agencies on Closed Session matters.

Presentations and Recognitions

None

Communications from the Public

This is the time members of the public may address the City Council and related Authorities and Agencies on items that are on the agenda and on non-agenda items that are under the subject matter jurisdiction of City Council and/or its related authorities and agencies. (Each speaker is limited to three minutes)

Mayor and City Council Communications

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 1234, this is the time and place to provide a brief report on meetings, seminars and conferences attended by the Mayor and City Councilmembers.

City Manager Report

In this portion of the agenda, the City Manager will provide a brief report on items of interest to the City Council and/or the community.

Public Hearing(s)

The following item has been posted as a Public Hearing as required by law. The Mayor will open the Public Hearing(s) to receive public testimony only on the item(s) listed under this section.

1. Approve Resolution No. 2023-04 Ordering the Vacation of the Alley Located South of Gage Avenue Between Clarkson Avenue and Atlantic Avenue. (City Council)

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the City Council read by title only, waive further reading and adopt Resolution 2023-04:*

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL ORDERING THE VACATION OF THE ALLEY LOCATED SOUTH OF GAGE AVENUE BETWEEN CLARKSON AVENUE AND ATLANTIC AVENUE

Business Session

2. Consideration and Adoption of Resolution Accepting, Approving and Adopting the Tentative Agreement for a Successor Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Bell and the Bell City Employees Association for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024. (City Council)

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the City Council read by title only, waive further reading and adopt Resolution 2023-06:*

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL, CALIFORNIA, ACCEPTING, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE AGREEMENT FOR A SUCCESSOR MOU BETWEEN THE CITY OF BELL AND THE BELL CITY EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024

3. 2023 Amended and Restated Employment Agreement for Carlos Islas as Chief of Police. (City Council)

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the City Council approve the 2023 amended and restated employment agreement for Carlos Islas as Chief of Police, with a two (2) year agreement term commencing on January 25, 2023.*

4. Consideration to approve Amendment No. 2 with Real Estate Consulting & Services, Inc. (REC&S), for additional Mobile Home Parks and Housing Unit Maintenance Services. (Bell Community Housing Authority)

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the Chair and Members of the Board read by title only, waive further reading and adopt Resolution 2023-07 titled:*

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL AUTHORIZING FY 2022-23 BUDGET AMENDMENT TO TRANSFER \$120,000 FROM THE BELL COMMUNITY HOUSING AUTHORITY (BCHA) FUND BALANCE RESERVE

**TO THE BCHA ACCOUNT FOR MISCELLANEOUS REPAIRS
AND EMERGENCY REPAIRS FOR ADDITIONAL MOBILE
HOME PARKS AND HOUSING UNIT MAINTENANCE
SERVICES**

5. Economic Development Branding & Marketing Strategy. *(City Council)*

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the City Council:*

1. Approve the execution of the 2023 Economic Development Branding & Marketing Strategy; and
2. Authorize City Manager to engage various marketing, public relations, real estate, and economic feasibility consultant firms to work on the Economic Development Strategy.

Consent Calendar

The following Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. They are acted upon by the City Council and related authorities at one time without discussion. The reading of the full text of ordinances and resolutions will be waived unless a Councilmember requests otherwise.

Recommendation: *Approve agenda items 6 through 10.*

6. Authorize the City Manager or his designee to Purchase Vehicles for the Bell Police Department. *(City Council)*

7. It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Read by title only, waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2023-05 titled:

**“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
BELL ACCEPTING THE FLORENCE AVENUE IMPROVEMENT
PROJECT AS COMPLETE AND AUTHORIZING STAFF TO
PREPARE AND FILE THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION WITH
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER”**

2. Authorize staff to release retention thirty-five (35) days after the filing of the Notice of Completion.
8. City of Bell & Bell Successor Agency Investment Reports as of November 2022. *(City Council/Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency)*
9. General Warrants, Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency and Community Housing Authority Warrants dated January 25, 2023. *(Council/Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency/Bell Community Housing Authority).*
10. It is recommended that the City Council read by title only, waive further reading and adopt Ordinance No. 1278 titled:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
BELL, AMENDING CHAPTER 17.08 (DEFINITIONS) AND
CHAPTER 17.84 (SIGNS) OF TITLE 17 (ZONING), RELATING
TO DIGITAL BILLBOARDS**

Pending Items – None

Next Regular Meeting, Wednesday, February 8, 2023

I, Angela Bustamante, City Clerk of the City of Bell, certify that a true, accurate copy of the foregoing agenda was posted January 20, 2023 at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting as required by law.

Angela Bustamante

Angela Bustamante, City Clerk

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BELL CITY COUNCIL AND RELATED AGENCIES**

January 25, 2023

**5:45 P.M. Closed Session
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