



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, May 22, 2024

5:30 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

7:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION

BELL COMMUNITY CENTER
6250 PINE AVENUE, BELL CA 90201

Ali Saleh
Mayor

Monica Arroyo
Vice-Mayor

Francis Flores
Council Member

Ana Maria Quintana
Council Member

Alicia Romero
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**

May 22, 2024

**5:30 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, May 22, 2024. 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:** Councilmembers Flores, Quintana, Romero, Vice-Mayor Arroyo, and Mayor Saleh

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)
Properties: 6400 Atlantic Avenue, Bell CA 90201
Agency negotiators: Michael L. Antwine II (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney)
Negotiating parties: To be Determined
- b. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8)
Property: 7030 Atlantic Avenue, Bell CA 90201
Agency negotiators: Michael L. Antwine II (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney)
Negotiating parties: To be Determined

- c. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8)
Property: 4400-4410 Gage Avenue, Bell CA 90201
Agency negotiators: Michael L. Antwine II (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney)
Negotiating parties: To be Determined
- d. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8)
Property: 6500 Lucille Avenue, Bell CA 90201
Agency negotiators: Michael L. Antwine II (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney)
Negotiating parties: To be Determined
- e. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8)
Property: 5107 Filmore Avenue, Bell CA 90201
Agency negotiators: Michael L. Antwine II (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney)
Negotiating parties: To be Determined
- f. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8)
Property: 6502 Flora Avenue, Bell CA 90201
Agency negotiators: Michael L. Antwine II (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney)
Negotiating parties: To be Determined
- g. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8)
Property: 6629 Pine Avenue, Bell CA 90201
Agency negotiators: Michael L. Antwine II (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney)
Negotiating parties: To be Determined
- h. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS- Government Code Section 54957.6,
Agency designated representatives: Michael L. Antwine II (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney) Employee Organization: Bell Police Officers Association (BPOA)
- i. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS- Government Code Section 54957.6,
Agency designated representatives: Michael L. Antwine II (City Manager), and Dave Aleshire (City Attorney) Employee Organization: Bell City Employee Association (BCEA)

Reconvene Regular City Council Meeting

Call to Order

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

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

- a. Proclamation declaring May 2024, Older Americans Appreciation Month
- b. Bell 5K Sponsors Recognition
- c. Metro Active Transportation (MAT) Randolph Corridor Grant

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. Approving the Engineer's Report, Confirming the Assessments and Ordering the Levying of Assessments with No Increase for the Landscape and Lighting District for Fiscal Year 2024/2025. *(City Council)*

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Conduct a Public Hearing regarding the City of Bell Landscape and Lighting District Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Engineer's Report
2. Read by title only, waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2024-21 titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL, APPROVING THE ENGINEER'S REPORT, CONFIRMING THE DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT, AND ORDERING THE LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE CITY OF BELL LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025

Business Session

2. Consideration of a Resolution Approving Participation in the Los Angeles Urban County Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) Program Year 4, Authorizing Reimbursable Contract with the County of Los Angeles and Approve the Recommended Programs to be Funded. *(City Council)*

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

1. Read by title only, waive further reading, and adopt Resolution No. 2024-22 titled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BELL CITY COUNCIL APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN THE LOS ANGELES URBAN COUNTY PERMANENT LOCAL HOUSING ALLOCATION PROGRAM BY AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, OR HIS DESIGNEE, TO SIGN A REIMBURSABLE CONTRACT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (LACDA) ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

2. Approve Staff-recommended programs that will be funded with the Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) Program Funds Year 4.
 3. Authorize Staff to develop the program policies and guidelines for the programs.
 4. Authorize Staff to incorporate PLHA budget programs and staffing to implement the programs in City Budgets.
3. Shelter Bed Pilot Project Renewal Agreements. *(City Council)*

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

1. Approve in form the draft Reimbursement Agreement between the LCA1 cities (Bell Gardens, Commerce, Cudahy, Huntington Park, Maywood, South Gate, and Vernon) and the City of Bell, with the understanding that the final agreement will return for City Council execution in June 2024 after the LCA1 cities have each approved the Agreement and the Measure H funding has been approved.
 2. Approve in form the draft Social Services Collaborator Agreement between the Salvation Army and the City of Bell, with the understanding that the final agreement will return for City Council execution in June 2024 after the LCA1 cities have each approved the Agreement and the Measure H funding has been approved.
 3. Authorize the City Manager to engage the LCA1 cities and the Salvation Army to achieve Agreement renewals to continue the Shelter Bed Pilot Program in its present form through June 30, 2025, under modified terms and conditions the Bell City Council approved on June 8, 2022.
4. Authorize the City Manager or His Designee to Execute Funding Agreements and Any Amendments with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). *(City Council)*

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the City Council read by title only, waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2024-23 titled:*

“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE FUNDING AGREEMENTS AND ANY AMENDMENTS WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS)”

5. Update to the Salary Range for the position of Human Resources and Risk Manager. (City Council)

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

1. Approve a new salary range for the position of Human Resources and Risk Manager effective the new payroll period after the City Council approval; and
 2. Direct staff to prepare an update to the City's Employee Salary Schedule Resolution and incorporate the new Salary range for the position of Human Resources and Risk Manager
6. Consideration To Approve a Three-Year (3) Agreement with Express Transportation Services, LLC. For Public Transportation Service in the amount of \$1,574,882.64. (City Council)

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the City Council approve a three-year (3) Agreement with Express Transportation Services, LLC for professional Public Transportation Service of \$1,574,882.64.*

7. Fiscal Year 2024-25 Proposed Budget. (City Council)

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the City Council, receive comments from the public, conduct two budget workshops (1) June 4th and (2) June 17th provide feedback to staff, and set a Public Hearing date of June 12, 2024.*

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 8 and 9.*

8. General Warrants, Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency and Community Housing Authority Warrants of May 22, 2024. (Council/Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency/Bell Community Housing Authority).
9. Minutes for the Regular City Council Meetings of July 27, 2022 and May 8, 2024. (City Council/Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency)

Pending Items – None

Next Regular Meeting, Wednesday, June 12, 2024

I, Angela Bustamante, City Clerk of the City of Bell, certify that a true, accurate copy of the foregoing agenda was posted May 19, 2024 at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting as required by law.



Angela Bustamante, City Clerk

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

May 22, 2024

**5:30 P.M. Closed Session
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