



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, October 23, 2024

5:00 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

October 23, 2024

5:00 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, October 23, 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)
Property: 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 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)
- e. 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)
- f. 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 Executive Management Association (BEMA)

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

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. Development Agreement to allow the construction of a new digital billboard at 5390 Rickenbacker Road in the C-M Commercial Manufacturing zone. *(City Council)*

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

1. Determine that the proposed project is exempt from further review under the California Environmental Quality Act Section 15311 - Accessory Facilities, because the project consists of the construction or installation of minor structures accessory to an existing commercial facility, including on-premise signs, and thereby is exempt from CEQA; and
2. Read by title only, waive further reading and introduce Ordinance No. 1292:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL, APPROVING DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 2024-01 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A NEW DIGITAL BILLBOARD AT 5390 RICKENBACKER ROAD

Business Session

2. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between Nature for All and the City of Bell. *(City Council)*

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the City Council approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Nature for All, a California nonprofit organization, and the City of Bell for the provision of free camping trips for youth from the Southeast Los Angeles region through the Community Connections to Wildlands program, funded by the Watershed Conservation Authority (WCA).*

3. Consideration to approve the Third Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between the Los Angeles Gateway Regional Integrated Water Management Joint Powers Authority (GWMA) and the City of Bell to Extend the Term to Update and Continue Implementing Watershed Management (WMP) and Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program (CIMP). *(City Council)*

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the City Council approve the Third Amendment to the agreements as a required part of the City's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit Order No. R4-2021-0105 as required by the Regional Water Quality Control Board.*

4. Consideration of a Contract with the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care Control for Services July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2029. *(City Council)*

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to sign the Contract with the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care Control Services for a 5-year term from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2029.*

5. Authorize the Police Chief to accept and administer the Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant to reduce the number of traffic fatalities and injuries. *(City Council)*

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the City Council read by title only, waive further reading and adopt Resolution No. 2024-46 titled:*

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL
APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE OTS STEP GRANT AND
AUTHORIZING AN INTER-FUND ADVANCEMENT, IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$100,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND UNRESTRICTED FUND
BALANCE TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF TRAFFIC
SAFETY FUND ACCOUNT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING
OVERTIME TO REDUCE TRAFFIC COLLISIONS YEAR 2024-2025**

6. Withdraw from California Cities Gaming Authority Joint Powers Authority *(City Council)*

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the City Council approve the withdrawal from the California Cities Gaming Authority Joint Powers Authority*

7. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Quarterly Report (Status Update #4). *(City Council)*

Recommendation: *It is recommended that the Mayor and City Council Members receive and file this report.*

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 through 10.

8. City of Bell & Bell Successor Agency Investment Reports as of September 2024. *(City Council/Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency)*
9. Minutes for the Regular City Council Meeting of September 25, 2024. *(City Council)*
10. General Warrants, Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency and Community Housing Authority Warrants of October 23, 2024. *(Council/Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency/Bell Community Housing Authority).*

Pending Items – None

Next Regular Meeting, Wednesday, November 13, 2024

I, Marisa Craft, Assistant City Clerk of the City of Bell, certify that a true, accurate copy of the foregoing agenda was posted October 18, 2024 at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting as required by law.


Marisa Craft, Assistant City Clerk

Meeting of the
Bell City Council and Related Agencies
October 23, 2024

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

October 23, 2024

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

INDEX

<u>Agenda Category</u>	<u>Item Number</u>	<u>Page Numbers</u>
CLOSED SESSION	a – f	
AGENDA & INDEX		1-8
PUBLIC HEARINGS	1	9-56
BUSINESS SESSION	2	57 - 63
	3	64 - 78
	4	79 - 112
	5	113 - 135
	6	136
	7	137 - 148
CONSENT CALENDAR	8	149 - 251
	9	252 - 260
	10	261- 340