RESOLUTION NO. 2020-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL AUTHORIZING A FY 2019-20 BUDGET AMENDMENT TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL $325,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND BALANCE TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT BELL TECHNOLOGY ROOF REPAIR PROJECT FUND AND RENAME THE PROJECT TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT FACILITY REPAIR FUND

WHEREAS, City of Bell and the greater Los Angeles County region received large amounts of rain during a single night span from December 25th to December 26th, causing water damage to Veteran’s Memorial Park located at 6500 Wilcox Ave. and the Bell Library located at 4411 Gage Ave.; and

WHEREAS, the rain storms left both facilities with large amounts of standing water on the roof and on the inside of Veteran’s Memorial Park Clubhouse and the Bell Library; and

WHEREAS, the company American Technologies Inc. (ATI) and city staff began restoration by removing the standing water from the building, but water continues to leak through the facility and staff identified leaks throughout the both buildings; and,

WHEREAS, the company EnviroCheck was contacted to conduct asbestos and mold testing as staff is in the process of conducting remediation work based on the results of those tests; and,

WHEREAS, facilities and programs have been closed, postponed or relocated to other facilities while the remediation and repair work is complete; and

WHEREAS, these conditions create a health and safety risk to the Bell Library employees, City employees, and the public in general, and prohibited certain public services from being provided; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Bell Municipal Code §3.12.080, the City Manager determined the condition of the Veteran’s Memorial Park and Bell Library to be an “emergency” repair; and

WHEREAS, the City will be filling a claim with Alliant the City’s property insurance provider to begin the initial repairs to the facility for a deductible claim of $10,000 which the city will pay out; and

WHEREAS, the City Council appropriated $50,000 towards the emergency repairs due to rain damage of the Bell Technology Center on December 11, 2019; and

WHEREAS, staff is requesting an additional $325,000 towards the emergency repairs due to rain damage of the Bell Library and Veteran’s Memorial Park and the fund will be renamed to the “Community Services Department Facility Repair Fund” to total $375,000 and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to begin the repairs; and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Bell, California, as follows:

SECTION 1. Approve the transfer of the General Fund Reserve Balance to The Community Services Department Facility Repair Fund.

SECTION 2. The City Council hereby approves amending the Fiscal Year 2019-20 budget by appropriating an amount of $325,000 from the General Fund Reserve Balance to the Community Services Department Facility Repair Fund for a total allocation of $375,000.

SECTION 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of January 2020.

Ali Saleh, Mayor

ATTEST:

Angela Bustamante, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

David J. Aleshire, City Attorney
Aleshire & Wynder, LLP

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTATION AND ORIGINALITY

I, Angela Bustamante, Interim City Clerk of the City of Bell, hereby attest to and certify that the foregoing resolution is the original Resolution No. 2020-03 adopted by the Bell City Council at its regular meeting held on the 8th day of January 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Gallardo, Quintana, Valencia, Vice-Mayor Romero and Mayor Saleh

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Angela Bustamante, City Clerk