Minutes of
Bell City Council
Bell Community Redevelopment Agency
Bell Community Housing Authority
Planning Commission

November 22, 2011
6:30 P.M. Closed Session
7:30 P.M. Open Session

Bell Community Center
6250 Pine Avenue

6:35:40 PM Meeting was called to order by Mayor Saleh.

Roll call of City Council in their capacities as Councilmembers, Community Redevelopment Agency Members, Community Housing Authority Commissioners and Planning Commissioners.

Present: Mayor Saleh, Vice Mayor Harber, Councilwoman Alvarez and Councilwoman Quintana

Absent: None

Also Present: Interim Chief Administrative Officer Croce, City Attorney Aleshrie, and City Clerk Valdez

Communications From The Public on Closed Session Items

6:36:35 PM The following individual spoke during communications from the public: Fernando Chavarria.

Closed Session

6:41:55 PM The City Council and the related Authorities and Agencies recessed to a closed session to confer with legal counsel regarding the following matters:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9); Name of case: Corcoran v. Bell; LASC BC442280.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9); Name of case: Ramirez v. County of Los Angeles, et al.; USDC 11-CV04057

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION-Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: (4)

8:11:02 PM City Council reconvened to open session.
8:11:06 PM City Attorney Aleshrie reported the following out of closed session: only the Corcoran case was discussed, no reportable action taken.
Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Saleh.

Presentations

8:13:25 PM Presentation by Sam Olivito and Diane Martinez from California Contract Cities.

Communications From The Public on Agenda Items Only

8:19:53 PM The following individuals spoke during communications from the public: Fernando Chavarria, Hilda Rodriguez, Alfred Areyan, Jose Moreno, Dale Walker and Carmen Bella.

Consent Calendar

8:40:10 PM It was moved by Vice Mayor Harber, seconded by Councilman Valencia, to approve the following consent calendar items:

Special Bell City Council Minutes dated September 28, 2011.

General Warrants and Community Housing Authority Warrants dated November 9, 2011 through November 22, 2011.

8:41:28 PM
Vote: 5-0
Yes: Mayor Saleh, Vice Mayor Harber, Councilwoman Alvarez, Councilwoman Quintana and Councilman Valencia
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion Unanimously Passed.

The following consent calendar item was pulled for further discussion:

Approval of Conflict Waiver by Aleshire and Wynder.

8:40:55 PM City Attorney Aleshire provided a staff report on the conflict waiver by Aleshire and Wynder.

8:45:36 PM Discussion ensued among the City Council.

Councilwoman Quintana noted that the report on the agenda was mistakenly identified as the version she approved. The version submitted was the version approved by Mr. Aleshire. The final draft will executed and submitted at the next meeting.

8:53:53 PM It was moved by Vice Mayor Harber, seconded by Councilwoman Quintana, to receive and file the Conflict Waiver by Aleshire and Wynder.
8:55:20 PM
Vote: 4-1
Yes: Mayor Saleh, Vice Mayor Harber, Councilwoman Alvarez and Councilwoman Quintana
No: Councilman Valencia
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion Passed.

Council Business

It was moved by Councilwoman Alvarez, seconded by Councilman Valencia, to approve the Bid Result for Filmore Street Rehabilitation Project - Heliotrope Ave. to Wilcox Ave. – Project No. 04-525-3737-0922 – Appropriate funding per Approved Budget for F.Y. 2011-2012 and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to enter into a contract with Sliac Contractors Corporation, dba Shawnan of Downey, CA for the amount of $171,294.00 for Filmore Street Rehabilitation Project. Authorize a contingency of $17,000. (10% of contract), and an amount not to exceed $8,000. for Contract Administration and Inspection fees. Funds to be provided from Gas Tax Funds under Account No. 04-525-3737-0922.

8:57:21 PM
Vote: 5-0
Yes: Mayor Saleh, Vice Mayor Harber, Councilwoman Alvarez, Councilwoman Quintana and Councilman Valencia
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion Unanimously Passed.

It was moved by Councilwoman Quintana, seconded by Councilman Valencia, to approve the Extension to the Contract for parking citation management services with City of Inglewood effective December 1, 2011 through November 30, 2012.

9:03:40 PM
Vote: 5-0
Yes: Mayor Saleh, Vice Mayor Harber, Councilwoman Alvarez, Councilwoman Quintana and Councilman Valencia
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion Unanimously Passed.

9:04:08 PM Discussion ensued among the City Council regarding Golden State Water.
9:14:11 PM The City Council requested to move the special meeting to 12/13/11.

9:16:28 PM It was moved by Councilwoman Alvarez, seconded by Vice Mayor Harber, to approve Resolution of protest regarding Golden State Water Co. water rate increase application pending before the California Public Utilities Commission.

Vote: 5-0
Yes: Mayor Saleh, Vice Mayor Harber, Councilwoman Alvarez, Councilwoman Quintana and Councilman Valencia
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion Unanimously Passed.

9:22:11 PM It was moved by Vice Mayor Harber, seconded by Councilman Valencia, to Eliminate the Department of Administrative services and the position of Director of Administrative Services with attendant layoff of the incumbent employee; and established a Department of Finance, adopted a job description for the position of Finance Director and an interim appointment to the new position.

Vote: 5-0
Yes: Mayor Saleh, Vice Mayor Harber, Councilwoman Alvarez, Councilwoman Quintana and Councilman Valencia
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion Unanimously Passed.

**Public Hearing of the Planning Commission**

9:29:11 PM Discussion ensued among the Planning Commission regarding item 9.01.

9:36:21 PM Chair Saleh opened the public hearing regarding the consideration of resolution no. 2011-47 approving conditional use permit 2011-06 and a determination of public convenience or necessity (PCN) to allow the sale for off-premises consumption of beer and wine for a proposed retail grocery located within an existing 4000 square foot building on an existing 11,362 square foot lot; location 6339 Atlantic Avenue within the C-3 zoning district

The following individuals spoke in favor of the project: Jose Gomez, Alfred Areyan, Roger Ramirez, Carmen Bella, Nelida Sanchez, Fernando Chavarria, Ismael Morales, Mario Estrada, Alma Rico and Merly Alejandro,

9:47:26 PM Chair Saleh closed the public hearing.

9:52:28 PM It was moved by Councilwoman Alvarez, seconded by Councilwoman Quintana, to approve resolution no. 2011-47 approving conditional use permit 2011-06 and a determination of public convenience or necessity (PCN) to allow the sale for off-premises consumption of beer and wine for a
proposed retail grocery located within an existing 4000 square foot building on an existing 11,362 square foot lot; location 6339 Atlantic Avenue within the C-3 zoning district, with the condition that there will no deliveries between the hours of 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM.

9:54:07 PM

Vote: 5-0
Yes: Mayor Saleh, Vice Mayor Harber, Councilwoman Alvarez, Councilwoman Quintana and Councilman Valencia
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion Unanimously Passed.

Communications From The Public

9:54:16 PM The following individuals spoke during communications from the public: Arlene Savage, Roger Ramirez and Alfred Areyan.

Mayor and City Council Communications

10:16:57 PM Councilwoman Quintana informed the Council that she was appointed as the representative to the Employee Relations Policy Committee of the League of California Cities, Los Angeles Division. She also requested to work on a time frame to have the I-710 community meeting.

10:18:52 PM Mayor Saleh informed the Council that he attended an event on 11/16/11 on the legislative

Adjournment

10:19:43 PM City Council meeting adjourned to a special meeting for closed session on 11/30/11 at 6:30 PM.

APPROVED THIS 25th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.

Ali Saleh
Mayor

ATTEST:

I, Rebecca Valdez, City Clerk of the City of Bell, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were approved by the City Council of the City of Bell, as corrected, at a regular meeting held on this 25th day of January 2012.

Rebecca Valdez, CMC
City Clerk