MINUTES
Special Meeting
Bell City Council

January 28, 2012

Bell Community Center
6250 Pine Avenue

Called to Order: 9:02 A.M.

Roll Call: Present: Councilmember Alvarez, Councilmember Quintana, Vice Mayor Harbor, Mayor Saleh (4); Absent: Councilmember Valencia (1)

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Nora Saenz

City Manager Croce advised the Council that a matter regarding a litigation case (Bell Community Redevelopment Agency vs. County Records Research) had been brought to the Council’s attention subsequent to the posting of the Special Meeting Notice, and the Council would need to take a 4/5 vote to consider this matter in closed session.

Motion by Councilmember Alvarez, seconded by Councilmember Quintana, that the City Council make the finding that the need to act arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda, was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers Alvarez, Quintana, Vice Mayor Harber, Mayor Saleh (4)
Noes: None (0)
Abstained: None (0)
Absent: Councilmember Valencia (1)

MOTION ADOPTED

WORKSHOP

Council Workshop to Develop City Council Goals for the Fiscal Year 2012—13 Budget

Councilmember Valencia joined the meeting at 9:30 a.m.; all members present

This session, facilitated by Ken Hampian and William Statler, focused on developing goals and priorities for the next fiscal year. The Council considered input received from the members of the public who attended a community workshop on January 21, 2012. Discussion ensued and the Council identified major City goals and well as other important objectives and items that will be addressed if resources permit. (The final goals approved by the Council are attached to these minutes as part of the official record)

Communications from the Public on Agenda Item

The following individuals addressed the Council relative to goals and priorities for Fiscal Year 2012-13: Sonnia Manzanilla, Alma Rico, Marcos Oliva, Nora Saenz, Edelmira Williams, Ismael Morales, Carman Bella, Lorenzo Martinez, and Sergio Avila.

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Closed Session

At 12:51 P.M., the Council recessed the Special Meeting to convene a Closed Session to discuss the following litigation case

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9); Name of case: Bell Redevelopment Agency v. County Record Search: LASC VC059404.

At 12:58 the Council reconvened. Mr. Croce announced that the Council authorized the City Manager to execute a settlement agreement regarding the litigation case.

Adjournment – 12:59 P.M.

Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at 6:00 P.M.

I, Patricia Healy, CMC, Interim City Clerk of the City of Bell, certify that the foregoing minutes were approved by the City Council of the City of Bell at a regular meeting held on the 15th of February, 2012.

Patricia Healy, CMC
Interim City Clerk