RESOLUTION NO. 2014-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL ADOPTING A MANUAL OF PROCEDURAL GUIDELINES FOR THE CONDUCT OF CITY COUNCIL AND CONSTITUENT BODY/COMMISSION MEETINGS

WHEREAS, the City Council has had an on-going problem with disorderly Council meetings and it has become a regular occurrence where the City Council has been unable to get through all of the items of business on the meeting agenda; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires establish clear guidelines and policies for Councilmember conduct during public meetings for more effective and efficient meetings and have a proper process in place to reprimand Councilmembers who violate such guidelines and policies; and

WHEREAS, the City Council Policies and Procedures currently in place is legally deficient and inadequate to address the issues that City Council continues to experience during its meetings; and

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2014, a special meeting was held where the City Manager and the City Attorney made a presentation regarding the Manual of Procedural Guidelines for the Conduct of City Council and Constituent Body/Commission Meetings ("Procedures Manual") and solicited comments and direction from the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager, City Clerk and City Attorney have prepared the Procedures Manual to address the current issues with City Council meetings and other the concerns raised by the Councilmembers; and

WHEREAS, by adopting this Manual, the City Council seeks to create an effective, clear and uniform meeting procedures and to provide guidance to the Council, constituent bodies, commissions, staff, and the public on the procedures of the City’s legislative bodies; and

WHEREAS, by adopting this Procedural Manual, all other adopted Council procedures and policies that are inconsistent with the Procedural Manual shall be repealed, superseded and have no further effect; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager and City Attorney presented the recommended the Procedures Manual to the City Council and the City Council shall adopt the Procedural Manual by this Resolution.
NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL DOES HEREBY FIND, DETERMINE, AND RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein.

SECTION 2. The Procedures Manual, as reflected in Exhibit "A" attached hereto, is hereby adopted.

SECTION 3. The Councilmember Policies and Procedures adopted on April 4, 2012 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 4. All other policies and guidelines governing meetings of the Council and other governing bodies of the City are hereby repealed to the extent it conflicts with the Procedures Manual.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 27th DAY OF AUGUST 2014.

[Signature]
Nestor Enrique Valencia, Mayor

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Angela Bustamante, Interim City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
David J. Aleshire, City Attorney
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 adopted by the Bell City Council at its regular meeting held on the 27th day of August, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember Saleh, Vice Mayor Romero and Mayor Valencia

NOES: Councilmember Quintana

ABSENT: Councilmember Alvarez

ABSTAIN: None

[Signature]
Angela Bustamante, Interim City Clerk