MINUTES OF THE
Bell City Council/Bell Community Housing Authority/Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency/ Bell Public Finance Authority

August 1, 2012

6:00 P.M. Closed Session
7:00 P.M. Regular Meeting

Bell Community Center
6250 Pine Avenue

Call to Order by Mayor Saleh at 6:01 PM.

Roll Call of the City Council in their capacities as Councilmembers/Members of all Related Agencies: Harber, Quintana, Valencia, Alvarez, and Saleh

Present: Alvarez, Harber, Valencia, Saleh (4)

Absent: Quintana* (1)

Also Present: City Manager Willmore, City Attorney Aleshire, City Clerk Valdez, City Engineer Rodriguez, Interim Chief of Police Belcher, Interim Community Development Director Fong, Interim Community Services Director Kurita, Interim Finance Director Easter, Interim Finance Director Lawrence,

*Councilmember Quintana arrived during the Closed Session at 6:03 PM.

Communications from the Public on Closed Session Items

None

Closed Session

1. The City Council and the related Authorities and Agencies recessed to a closed session at 6:02 PM to confer with legal counsel regarding the following matters:

a) PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 (b) (1)
   Title: Director of Finance
   Title: Director of Community Services

b) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.6. (Bell City Employees Association)

c) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9); Name of case: Rizzo v. ICMA Retirement/City of Bell CV12-2690
d) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9); Name of case: David Mango v. City of Maywood et. al. (Case No. CV 11-05641 GW (FFMX))

e) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9) Name of Case: Dexia Credit Local v. City of Bell, Bell Public Financing Authority

f) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL–EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9); Name of case: Bell v. Best Best & Krieger; LASC BC466436

g) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(b)) (four (4) potential case)

Reconvened Regular Meeting at 7:14 PM

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Saleh.

City Attorney Report

The City Attorney reported that item 1a.) only the position for Director of Finance was discussed, no reportable action was taken; item 1b). was not discussed; item 1c) item was discussed, no reportable action was taken; item 1d) was not discussed but continued to a future meeting; item 1e) was discussed, no reportable action was taken; item 1f) was discussed, no reportable action was taken; and item 1g) only one potential case was discussed, no reportable action was taken.

Communications from the Public

The following individuals addressed the City Council on items on the agenda and/or items not on the agenda: Lorenzo Martinez, Alfred Areyan and Sandy Orozco.

Consent Calendar

Discussion ensued among the City Council regarding the consent calendar.

2. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 18, 2012 (Council and Related Agencies)

3. Approval of General Warrants, Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency Warrants and Community Housing Authority Warrants dated August 1, 2012. (Council/Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency/Bell Community Housing Authority)

It was moved by Councilmember Quintana, seconded by Vice Mayor Alvarez to approve Consent Calendar items 2 and 3, was approved by the following vote:

VOTE: 5-0
YES: Councilmembers Harber, Quintana, Valencia, Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Saleh
Motion Unanimously Passed.

Consent Calendar Items 4 and 5 were removed for further discussion. Discussion ensued among the City Council.

Councilmember Quintana requested to have the all contracts approved as to form prior to submitting for Council approval.


It was moved by Councilmember Harber, seconded by Councilmember Quintana to approve the Contract for Risk Management Assistance, not to Exceed $25,000, to Cover the Cost of Contract for Risk Management Services for the Period of July 23, 2012 through December 31, 2012, was approved by the following vote:

VOTE: 5-0
YES: Councilmembers Harber, Quintana, Valencia, Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Saleh
NO: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

Motion Unanimously Passed.

5. Approval of Contract for Human Resource Consultant, not to Exceed $25,000 to Cover the Cost of Contract for Human Resources Consulting Services for the period of July 23, 2012 through December 31, 2012. (Council)

It was moved by Councilmember Harber, seconded by Councilmember Quintana to approve the Contract for Human Resource Consultant, not to Exceed $25,000 to Cover the Cost of Contract for Human Resources Consulting Services for the period of July 23, 2012 through December 31, 2012 and amend the contract include the provision that the work product belongs to the city, was approved by the following vote:

VOTE: 5-0
YES: Councilmembers Harber, Quintana, Valencia, Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Saleh
NO: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

Motion Unanimously Passed.
Public Hearing

6. Conduct the Public Hearing to Adopt Resolution No. 2012-52 Finding the City of Bell to be in Conformance with the Congestion Management Program (CMP) and Adopting the CMP Local Development Report, in Accordance with California Code Section 65089. (Council)

Carlos Chacon, Assistant Planner, provided a brief report on item 6.

Mayor Saleh opened the public hearing at 7:45 PM.

The following individuals spoke in favor of the item: Alfred Areyan, Jose Moreno, Ismael Morales, Carmen Bella, Sonia Manzanilla.

Hearing no further testimony for or against this item, the Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:57 PM.

It was moved by Councilmember Quintana, seconded by Councilmember Harber to Adopt Resolution No. 2012-52 Finding the City of Bell to be in Conformance with the Congestion Management Program (CMP) and Adopting the CMP Local Development Report, in Accordance with California Code Section 65089, was approved by the following vote:

VOTE: 5-0
YES: Councilmembers Harber, Quintana, Valencia, Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Saleh
NO: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

Motion Unanimously Passed.

Business Calendar

7. Consideration of Settlement Agreement with James Corcoran. (Council)

City Attorney Aleshire provided the staff report

Discussion ensued among the City Council.

It was moved by Councilmember Valencia, seconded by Vice Mayor Alvarez to approve the settlement agreement with former Sergeant James Corcoran. The terms of the settlement were as follows: a) Payment to Corcoran of $240,000 in compensation for lost salary since his separation from the City; b) Reinstatement of Corcoran to his former position of Sergeant in the Bell PD as one becomes available; c) Payment of $160,000 to Corcoran for his attorney's fees in the case; d) Purchase of two years of PERS service credit consistent with the time since separation, was approved by the following vote:

VOTE: 5-0
YES: Councilmembers Harber, Quintana, Valencia, Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Saleh
NO: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

Motion Unanimously Passed.

8. Consideration of Settlement Agreement with Consolidated Disposal (Council).

City Attorney Aleshine provided a report on this item.

Discussion ensued among the City Council.

It was moved by Councilmember Quintana, seconded by Councilmember Harber to continue this item to the next Council meeting, was approved by the following vote:

VOTE: 5-0
YES: Councilmembers Harber, Quintana, Valencia, Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Saleh
NO: None
ABSTAINED: None
ABSENT: None

Motion Unanimously Passed.

Mayor and City Council Communications

Councilmember Quintana announced to support the Bell Explorers fundraiser.

Councilmember Valencia, informed that he attended the Lions Club reception, the Bell Chamber of Commerce dinner and announced that the Bell Chamber of Commerce will be having a football game on September 8, 2012 against Huntington Park High. He also requested the Council to recognized former Bell High School Football Coach Leroy Wilson.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM.

I, Rebecca Valdez, 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 July 18, 2012.

Rebecca Valdez, CMC
City Clerk

Ali Saleh, Mayor

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