

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

*October 12, 2011
6:30 P.M. Closed Session
7:30 P.M. Open Session*

*Bell Community Center
6250 Pine Avenue*

Meeting was call to order by Mayor Saleh at 6:36:10 PM.

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

6:37:06 PM

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Interim Chief Administrative Officer Croce, City Attorney Aleshire, City Clerk Valdez, City Engineer Alvarado and Captain Miranda

Communications From The Public on Closed Session Items

None.

Closed Session

6:37:08 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: *Sipple et al v. City of Alameda et al*; Complaint Filed By New Cingular Wireless For Refund of Utility User's Taxes.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9); Name of case: *Granite State Insurance co. v. City of Bell*; LASC CASE NO. 10C02353.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9); Name of case: *Ismael Rivera, An Individual v. Albert Neesan, An Individual, Arthur Neesan, An Individual; Robert Shaw-Will, An Individual; The Redevelopment Agency Of The City Of Bell*; LASC CASE NO. BC059199.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9); Name of case: *David Mango v. City of Maywood*; U.S. District Court Case No. CV 11-05641 GW (FFMX).

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9); Name of case: *Olivia Camargo v. City of Bell*; L.A.S.C. Case No. 11C00168

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--EXISTING LITIGATION (Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9); Name of case: *Lisa Ramirez, et al, County of Los Angeles, City of Bell, et al*; U.S. District Court Case No. CV 0457-JHN (M__ X)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--ANTICIPATED LITIGATION; Initiation of litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9: (3).

7:44:29 PM City Council reconvened to open session.

7:44:34 PM City Attorney Aleshire reported the following out of closed session: the Sipple matter was not discussed; the Granite State Insurance matter, Rivera matter and Camargo matter were discussed no reportable action taken; the Mango matter and Ramirez matter were not discussed. The items not discussed were continue to future meeting.

7:45:32 PM Pledge of Allegiance led by Alejandra A. Martinez.

Presentations

Proclamation Proclaiming October 28, 2011 as "National Immigrant's Day".

It was moved by Councilman Valencia, seconded by Vice Mayor Harber, to approve the Proclamation with California Association of School Health Educators supporting and proclaiming October 16-22, 2011 as National Health Education Week.

<u>Vote:</u>	4-0
Yes:	Mayor Saleh, Vice Mayor Harber, Councilwoman Alvarez and Councilman Valencia
No:	None
Abstained:	Councilwoman Quintana
Absent:	None

Motion Passed.

Presentation to Bell High School student Jeanett Garcia and Nimitz Middle School student Alejandra A. Martinez for winning first place for the 2011 Latino Heritage Month contest.

Communications From The Public on Agenda Items Only

7:53:51 PM The following individuals spoke during communications from the public: Carmen Bella, Nora Saenz, Sandy Orozco, Alfred Areyan, Jose Moreno, Marcos Oliva, Fernando Chavarria and Julia Juarez.

Council Business

8:34:47 PM It was moved by Councilwoman Alvarez, seconded by Vice Mayor Harber, to approve the appointment of Steven R. Belcher as Interim Chief of Police for the City of Bell; and approved the employment contract with Steven R. Belcher to retain his services at the rate of \$13,000 per month with no employee benefits.

8:35:28 PM

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

Motion Unanimously Passed.

8:37:29 PM It was moved by Vice Mayor Harber, seconded by Councilwoman Quintana, to approve the Special Bell City Council Minutes dated July 29, 2011, Special Bell City Council Minutes dated August 8, 2011 and Bell City Council, Bell Community Redevelopment Agency and Bell Community Housing Authority Minutes dated August 10, 2011.

8:38:08 PM

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

Motion Unanimously Passed.

8:39:03 PM It was moved by Councilwoman Quintana, seconded by Councilwoman Alvarez, to approved the General Warrants, Community Redevelopment Warrants and Community Housing Authority Warrants dated September 28, 2011 through October 12, 2011.

8:39:34 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.

8:41:43 PM It was moved by Councilwoman Alvarez, seconded by Vice Mayor Harber, to approve the Agreement with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation (LACMTA) for use of Local Return Capital Reserves.

8:42:10 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.

8:44:53 PM Discussion ensued among the City Council regarding the agreement with West Coast Arborist.

8:51:39 PM The following item was continued to the October 26, 2011 meeting:

Consideration of Extension of Services Agreement for West Coast Arborists, Inc. from July 1-June 30, 2012

8:58:22 PM It was moved by Councilwoman Alvarez, seconded by Councilwoman Quintana, to approve the Extension of Services Agreement for Environmental Services (NPDES) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System to Public Engineering Services from July 1-June 30, 2012.

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 item was continued to the next Council meeting :

Consideration of an ordinance and accompanying urgency measure to commit the City of Bell to annual remittances to the County Auditor-Controller in compliance with ABX1 27.

9:14:00 PM It was moved by Mayor Saleh, seconded by Councilman Valencia, to move the following item to the next meeting:

Approval of Conflict Waiver for the Attorney General Litigation *People of the State of California v. Robert Rizzo, et al.* Case No.: Los Angeles County Superior Court, BC445497.

9:16:15 PM

Vote: 3-2
Yes: Mayor Saleh, Councilwoman Alvarez and Councilman Valencia
No: Vice Mayor Harber and Councilwoman Quintana
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion Passed.

Public Hearing of the Planning Commission

9:19:09 PM Carlos Chacon, Assistant City Planner provided the staff report to item 7.01.

9:23:31 PM Discussion ensued among the Planning Commission.

9:42:19 PM Chair Saleh opened the public hearing regarding the approval of Resolution No. 2011-45 Approving Conditional Use Permit No. 2011-04 to Allow a Retail Shoe Store to be Located within an Existing 13,000 Square Foot Front Building and Convert the Existing 4, 680 Square Foot Repair Bays into Retail/Used Car Dealership; Location: 6400 Atlantic Avenue, Bell, CA 90201.

9:42:31 PM The following individuals spoke in favor of the project: Alfred Areyan, Luz Virgen, Jose Moreno, Fernando Chavarria and Robert Moth.

The following individuals spoke against the project: Donna Gannon, Melida Sanchez and Carmen Bella.

9:54:55 PM Chair Saleh closed the public hearing.

9:55:05 PM Furthered discussions ensued among the City Council.

10:03:41 PM It was moved by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Quintana, to approve Resolution No. 2011-45 Approving Conditional Use Permit No. 2011-04 to Allow a Retail Shoe Store to be Located within an Existing 13,000 Square Foot Front Building and Convert the Existing 4, 680 Square Foot Repair Bays into Retail/Used Car Dealership; Location: 6400 Atlantic Avenue, Bell, CA 90201, with the condition to conform building c to building a and b when its further developed.

Vote:	4-1
Yes:	Chair Saleh, Vice Chair Harber, Commissioner Quintana and Commissioner Valencia
No:	Commissioner Alvarez
Abstained:	None
Absent:	None

Motion Passed.

10:12:13 PM Discussion ensued among the Planning Commission.

10:29:14 PM Chair Saleh opened the public regarding the Consideration of Resolution No. 2011-46 Approving Conditional Use Permit No. 2011-05 to Allow Large Recycling Collection Facility to be Located within an Existing 5,018 Square Foot Warehouse and an Attached 1,140 Square Foot Office; Location: 6216 Maywood Avenue, Bell, CA 90201.

10:29:26 PM The following individuals spoke in favor of the project: Marco Rivera and Merly Alejandre.

The following individuals spoke against the project Juan Bautista, Mona Maufet, Sandy Orozco, Alfred Areyan and Ms. Bautista.

10:44:30 PM Chair Saleh closed the public hearing.

10:56:55 PM It was moved by Commissioner Quintana, seconded by Commissioner Valencia, to moved the following item to a month:

Consideration of Resolution No. 2011-46 Approving Conditional Use Permit No. 2011-05 to Allow Large Recycling Collection Facility to be Located within an Existing 5,018 Square Foot Warehouse and an Attached 1,140 Square Foot Office; Location: 6216 Maywood Avenue, Bell, CA 90201.

Vote: 5-0
Yes: Chair Saleh, Vice Chair Harber, Commissioner Alvarez,
Commissioner Quintana and Commissioner Valencia
No: None
Abstained: None
Absent: None

Motion Unanimously Passed.

Communications From The Public

11:00:10 PM The following individuals spoke during communications from the public: Alfred Areyan, Jose Moreno, and Sandy Orozco.

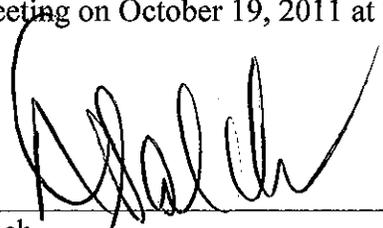
Mayor and City Council Communications

11:12:03 PM Councilman Valencia invited the community to a town hall meeting on October 21, 2011 at 7pm regarding the school performance, water rates and taxes, and what direction the city is going at Southland Christian Center.

Adjournment

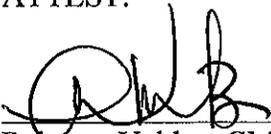
11:14:11 PM City Council meeting adjourned to special meeting on October 19, 2011 at 7 PM.

APPROVED THIS 11th DAY OF JANUARY 2012.



Ali Saleh
Mayor

ATTEST:



Rebecca Valdez, CMC
City Clerk

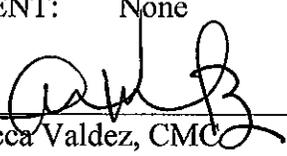
I, Rebecca Valdez, City Clerk of the City of Bell, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes were approved by the City Council of the City of Bell at a regular meeting held on this 11th day of January 2012 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember Alvarez, Quintana, Valencia, Vice Mayor Harber and Mayor Saleh

NAES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None



Rebecca Valdez, CMC
City Clerk