

MINUTES
Special Meeting of

**Bell City Council/Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency/Bell
Community Housing Authority/Surplus Property Authority**

February 22, 2012
6:00 P.M.

Bell Community Center
6250 Pine Avenue

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Saleh at 6:07 P.M.

Roll Call of the City Council in their capacities as Councilmembers, Members of the Successor Agency to the Bell Community Redevelopment Agency, Community Housing Authority Commissioners, and, Surplus Property Members:

Present: Councilmember Quintana, Vice Mayor Harber, Mayor Saleh (3)

Absent: Councilmembers Alvarez, Valencia (2)

Also Present: Interim Chief Administrative Officer and Interim City Clerk Healy

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Communications from the Public on Agenda Items

Comments from the Public were considered following staff presentation and Council discussion on Item No. 2

Agenda

Councilmember Valencia joined the meeting at 6:09 P.M. Councilmember Alvarez arrived during consideration of Item No. 1 at 6:40 P.M.

1. 2011/12 Mid-year Budget Review

Anita Lawrence, Interim Co-Finance Director informed the Council that it is the time of year when a thorough review of the budget is performed to measure how revenue and expenditures are tracking the budget after 50% of the year has passed. She noted that staff was recommending amendments to the current year's budget and reported on the recommended changes. Following her presentation, Council discussion ensued and members asked questions and commented on the recommended changes.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-28 - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bell, California, Approving the Amendments to the Budget Recommended in the 2011-12 Mid-year Budget Review

Motion by Councilmember Quintana, seconded by Councilmember Valencia, to adopt Resolution No. 2012-28 approving amendments to the 2011-12 budget was adopted by the following vote:

- Ayes:** Councilmembers Alvarez, Quintana, Valencia, Vice Mayor Harber, and Mayor Saleh (5)
- Noes:** None (0)
- Abstained:** None (0)
- Absent:** None (0)

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED

2. General Fund Five Year Fiscal Forecast

Bill Statler, Financial Consultant presented the General Fund five year fiscal forecast. He presented a summary of forecast findings, explained key forecast drivers and noted that the General Fund is facing a serious "forecast gap" in 2012-13 of \$1.8 million, based on continuing already very lean service levels. He detailed many of the challenges ahead. Following his presentation, Council discussion ensued.

Mayor Saleh invited members of the public to address the Council at this time. The following individuals commented on the staff reports presented at the special meeting: Ismael Morales, Nora Saenz, Marcos Olivos, Fernando Chaverria, Carmen Bella, Mario Rivas, Sandy Orozc, and Hilda Rodriguez.

By unanimous consent, the Council continued the following item to a future special meeting date:

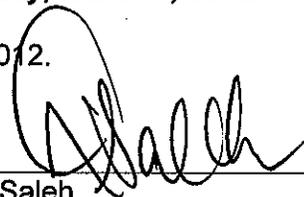
3. Budget Policies

Recommendation: Conceptually approve the Proposed Budget Policies in guiding preparation of the preliminary budget, with final adoption in June 2012 in conjunction with approval of the 2012-13 Budget.

Adjournment – 9:25 P.M.

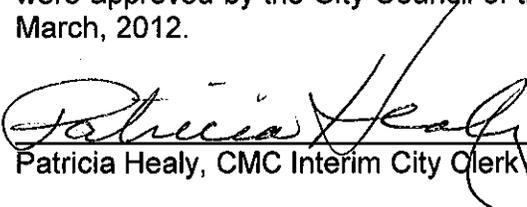
Next Regular Meeting, Wednesday, March 7, 2012.

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 7TH DAY OF MARCH, 2012.



Ali Saleh
Mayor

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 7th day of March, 2012.


Patricia Healy, CMC Interim City Clerk