



**CITY OF BELL GARDENS
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 23, 2018, 6:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, 7100 GARFIELD AVENUE, BELL GARDENS, CA

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CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Pulido called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

INVOCATION – was led by Pastor Jose Luis Martinez.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – was led by City Engineer Sid Mousavi.

ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

City Clerk Kristina Santana announced that Council Member Flores called and stated that she was ill and asked to be excused.

Present: Council Members Aceituno, Rodriguez; Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza; Mayor Pulido
Absent: Council Member Flores (excused)

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza, seconded by Council Member Aceituno, to excuse Council Member Flores's absence.

The motion was carried 4-0 with the following vote.

AYES: Council Members Aceituno, Rodriguez; Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza; Mayor Pulido
NOES: None
ABSENT: Council Member Flores
ABSTAIN: None

PRESENTATION

- **Recognition to Joe Kaprielian for all his charitable efforts to the Bell Gardens Community**
Mayor Pulido awarded a certificate of recognition to Joe Kaprielian for his service to the Bell Gardens community during the annual toy drive.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY
(Three minutes per person, subject to a total period of 30 minutes)

No comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items No. 1-9)

Council Member Aceituno asked to pull Agenda Item #8 for further discussion.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza and seconded by Council Member Aceituno, to approve Items No. 1-7 and 9 on the Consent Calendar.

The motion carried 4-0 with the following vote.

AYES: Council Members Aceituno, Rodriguez; Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza; Mayor Pulido
NOES: None
ABSENT: Council Member Flores
ABSTAIN: None

1. **GENERAL MOTION TO WAIVE FULL READING AND APPROVE ORDINANCES BY TITLE ONLY PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 36934**

In order to expedite the conduct of business at City Council meetings, California State Law (California Government Code Section 36934) allows Ordinances to be read by title if a majority of the legislative body supports the motion to waive the full reading.

Recommendation:

It is staff recommendation that the City Council approve a general motion to waive full reading and approve Ordinances by title only pursuant to California Government Code Section 36934.

2. **MINUTES OF THE JUNE 25, 2018 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

June 25, 2018 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Recommendation:

It is staff recommendation that the City Council approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of June 25, 2018.

3. **WARRANT REGISTERS AND WIRE TRANSFERS**

In approving the action of receiving and filing the warrant registers, the official minutes of the Bell Gardens City Council should state that each individual member of the City Council is not voting on, influencing the outcome of, or participating in approving, accepting, receiving or filing any warrant which bears the name of the same council member, or pays for any costs or expenses, or otherwise benefits the same named council member. Each council member will not be participating, influencing or voting on any such warrant bearing their name or which benefits the same named council member, but with that exception is voting in favor of receiving and filing all other warrants contained in this report, unless otherwise noted on the record at the time of the approval of the action required by this report.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Council receive and file the warrant registers, wire transfers, and net payroll dated 06/07/18, 06/12/18, and 06/19/18.

4. **MAY 2018 TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer's Report is a list of cash and investments for the month.

Recommendation:

It is staff recommendation that the City Council receive, approve and file the May 2018, Treasurer's Report.

5. **APPROVAL OF THE CITY'S STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY**

On an annual basis, the City Council must approve the City's Statement of Investment Policy and delegate authority to invest all funds held by the City to the Director of

Finance and Administrative Services as the City's Treasurer for a period of one (1) year (Government Code 53607).

Recommendation:

It is staff recommendation that the City Council by motion approve Resolution No. 2018-40, adopting the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Statement of Investment Policy and delegating the authority to invest all public funds in accordance with such policy to the Director of Finance and Administrative Services as the City's Treasurer for a period of one (1) year effective July 1, 2018.

6. ACCEPTANCE OF EVIDENCE MONEY

The Police Department would like to deposit the current forfeited money held in evidence from narcotic arrests and future forfeited evidence money from Fiscal Year 2018-19 into the police capital replacement fund account and have that money allocated for future K9 program related expenses to include a replacement K9, K9 vehicle, training, and other equipment.

Recommendation:

It is staff recommendation that the City Council by motion adopts Resolution No. 2018-41 approving the deposit of evidence money from the police department for use with the K9 program.

7. ACCEPTANCE OF ABC GRANT FUNDING

The Bell Gardens Police Department applied for, and has been awarded, \$29,333 in grant funding from the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control. The funds are to be used to support enforcement and education efforts of alcohol abuse.

Recommendation:

It is staff recommendation that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2018-42 accepting funds from the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Grant Acceptance Program and appropriate these funds for use by the Bell Gardens Police Department.

- 8. EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO THE UNDERGROUND FUEL STORAGE TANK** This item is for the approval of emergency repairs to the Bell Gardens Police Department underground fuel storage tank. During a routine inspection, Confidence UST Services, Inc. and the County of Los Angeles Fire Department, determined that the tank was leaking and needed immediate repairs. UST Services, as the County's designated tank operator, has performed the first phase of repairs, and is preparing to undertake the second phase. The total cost of the repairs is \$46,911.05.

Recommendation:

It is staff recommendation that the City Council by motion;

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2018-43 approving emergency repairs to the Police Department's underground fuel storage tank by Confidence UST Services Inc. and waiving bidding requirements pursuant to Bell Gardens Municipal Code Section 3.04.100 (A) and (F) and;
2. Authorize staff to pay \$46,911.05 for these repairs.

Council Member Aceituno asked for more information about this item.

City Manager Phil Wagner gave a brief summary of the agenda report.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza, and seconded by Council Member Aceituno, to adopt Resolution No. 2018-43 approving emergency repairs to the Police Department's underground fuel storage tank by Confidence UST Services Inc., waiving bidding requirements pursuant to Bell Gardens Municipal Code Section 3.04.100 (A) and (F) and authorize staff to pay \$46,911.05 for these repairs.

The motion carried 4-0 with the following vote.

AYES: Council Members Aceituno, Rodriguez; Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza; Mayor Pulido
NOES: None
ABSENT: Council Member Flores
ABSTAIN: None

9. **CONTRACT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR FOOD SERVICES TO THE BELL GARDENS POLICE DEPARTMENT JAIL FACILITY**

The Bell Gardens Police Department is requesting to enter into a new five (5) year jail facility food services contract with the County of Los Angeles. The contract would provide prepackaged meals at a cost of \$2.75 per meal. In accordance with the BGMC, staff is requesting to waive the competitive bid process as the County is a government entity and bidding would not likely result in a lower price.

Recommendation:

It is staff recommendation that the City Council by motion adopt Resolution No. 2018-44 approving a five (5) year food service contract with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to provide food services to the Bell Gardens Police Department jail facility.

DISCUSSION (Items No. 10-11)

10. **CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE PARTICIPATION IN MOBILE SOURCE AIR POLLUTION REDUCTION REVIEW COMMITTEE'S (MSRC's) LOCAL GOVERNMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM**

Approval of this item would adopt the Local Government Partnership Program requirements, allowing the City to apply for matching grant funds to support clean air projects. If awarded the funds, City staff is recommending the future acquisition of two (2) compressed natural gas vehicles. The grant monies could be used to pay for 50% of the acquisition, up to \$50,000. Competitive pricing quotes for the vehicles will be presented to the City Council at a later date.

Recommendation:

It is staff recommendation that the City Council by motion:

1. Receive and file the MSRC PowerPoint Presentation (Exhibit A); and
2. Approve Resolution No. 2018-45 (Exhibit B) adopting the MSRC Local Government Partnership Program requirements for MSRC matching funds.

Director of Public Works Chau Vu gave a PowerPoint presentation.

After discussion by Council, a motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza, and seconded by Council Member Aceituno, to receive and file the MSRC PowerPoint Presentation (Exhibit A); and approve the Resolution No. 2018-45 adopting the MSRC Local Government Partnership Program requirements for MSRC matching funds.

The motion carried 4-0 with the following vote.

AYES: Council Members Aceituno, Rodriguez; Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza; Mayor Pulido
NOES: None
ABSENT: Council Member Flores
ABSTAIN: None

11. LEASING OF CITY'S CENTRAL BASIN GROUND WATER PUMPING RIGHTS TO GOLDEN STATE WATER

The City has the right to pump up to 1,914 acre-feet of groundwater from the Central Basin, but reduced demand generally results in surplus pumping rights that can be leased to outside water agencies. The City will lease its surplus pumping rights to 750 acre-feet in Fiscal Year 2018-19 and 750 acre-feet in Fiscal Year 2019-20. Golden State Water Company was the highest bidder, offering \$195 per acre-foot, \$146,250 per year, for a two-year contract.

Recommendation: It is staff recommendation that the City Council by motion:

1. Award a Lease Agreement to Golden State Water Company for the lease of 750 acre-feet of Central Basin Groundwater Annual Pumping Rights with flex rights at the rate of \$195.00 per acre foot for a total of \$146,250 for Fiscal Year 2018-19; and another 750 acre-feet with flex rights at the rate of \$195.00 per acre foot for the total of \$146,250 for Fiscal Year 2019-20.
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute the Lease Agreement on behalf of the City of Bell Gardens with Golden State Water Company and have staff file a copy of the lease with the Central Basin Watermaster.

Director of Public Works Chau Vu gave an oral presentation.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza, and seconded by Council Member Rodriguez, to award a Lease Agreement to Golden State Water Company for the lease of 750 acre-feet of Central Basin Groundwater Annual Pumping Rights with flex rights at the rate of \$195.00 per acre foot for a total of \$146,250 for Fiscal Year 2018-19 and another 750 acre-feet with flex rights at the rate of \$195.00 per acre foot for the total of \$146,250 for Fiscal Year 2019-20; and to authorize the City Manager to execute the Lease Agreement on behalf of the City of Bell Gardens with Golden State Water Company and have staff file a copy of the lease with the Central Basin Watermaster.

The motion carried 3-0 with the following vote.

AYES: Council Members Rodriguez; Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza; Mayor Pulido
NOES: Council Member Aceituno
ABSENT: Council Member Flores
ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS UNDER THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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No comments.

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Council Member Rodriguez congratulated new Chief of Police Scott Fairfield.

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Council Member Aceituno commented on giving community recognition to championship boxer who started his career at the Bell Gardens Youth Center. He also commented on working with the Recreation and Community Services to increase participation at the summer concert series events.

Mayor Pro Tem Mendoza congratulated new Chief of Police Scott Fairfield. He thanked the audience for attending the meeting.

Mayor Pulido thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She congratulated new Chief of Police Scott Fairfield.

ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Pulido adjourned the City Council meeting at 6:35 p.m.



Kristina Santana
City Clerk