



**CITY OF BELL GARDENS
BELL GARDENS PARKING AUTHORITY
SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2015, 6:00 P.M.
AGENDA**

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

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CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL OF PARKING AUTHORITY MEMBERS

Priscilla Flores, Authority Member
Jose Mendoza, Authority Member
Maria Pulido, Authority Member
Pedro Aceituno, Vice Chair
Jennifer Rodriguez, Chair

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

(Three minutes per person, subject to a total period of 30 minutes)

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CONSENT CALENDAR (Item No. 1)

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and can be acted on by one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless members of the Parking Authority request specific items to be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action. Items called for separate discussion will be heard as the next order of business.

1. MINUTES

January 12, 2015 – Special Meeting Minutes

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the members of the board of the Bell Gardens Parking Authority approve the minutes of the Special Bell Gardens Parking Authority Meeting of January 12, 2015.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS UNDER THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE PARKING AUTHORITY

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PARKING AUTHORITY MEMBER COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT



**CITY OF BELL GARDENS
 SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COMMUNITY
 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
 REGULAR MEETING
 MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2015, 6:00 P.M.
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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL OF SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEMBERS

- Priscilla Flores, Agency Member
- Jose Mendoza, Agency Member
- Maria Pulido, Agency Member
- Pedro Aceituno, Vice Chair
- Jennifer Rodriguez, Chair

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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CONSENT CALENDAR (Item No. 1 – 5)

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and can be acted on by one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless members of the Successor Agency to the Community Development Commission request specific items to be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action. Items called for separate discussion will be heard as the next order of business.

1. MINUTES

January 12, 2015 and January 26, 2015 – Regular Meeting Minutes

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the Successor Agency to the Community Development Commission approve the minutes for the Regular Successor Agency Meeting of January 12, 2015 and January 26, 2015.

2. WARRANT REGISTERS AND WIRE TRANSFERS

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the Successor Agency receive and file the following transactions:

Warrant Registers	01/27/15 (Check #'s 12724-12725)	\$	1,316.50
	Total	\$	1,316.50

In approving the action of receiving and filing the warrant registers, the official minutes of the Bell Gardens Successor Agency to the Community Development Commission should state that each individual member of the Successor Agency 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 Successor Agency member, or pays for any costs or expenses, or otherwise benefits the same named Successor Agency member. Each

Successor Agency member will not be participating, influencing, or voting on any such warrant bearing their name or which benefits the same named Successor Agency 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.

3. APPROVAL OF CITY LOANS TO THE FORMER BELL GARDENS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

On June 27, 2012 AB 1484 was signed into law. The bill established the process for a city to be repaid for these loans specifically through Health and Safety Code 34173 (h) which stated: In order for the City to be repaid they need to enter into a loan agreement with the Successor Agency and create an enforceable obligation for these loans, include them on the Recognized Obligated Payment Schedule (ROPS) and obtain approval by the Oversight Board.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the Successor Agency to the Community Development Commission adopt Successor Agency Resolution No. 2015-03, approving loan agreements between the City of Bell Gardens and the Successor Agency for project loans made between 1973 and 1991 and for a bridge loan made to cover the short-fall in ROPS II funding.

4. APPROVAL OF THE DRAFT RECOGNIZED OBLIGATIONS PAYMENT SCHEDULE AND ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR THE SIX MONTH FISCAL PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2015

Pursuant to AB 26, the Successor Agency is required to file with the Department of Finance ("DOF") an approved ROPS for the six-month fiscal period of July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 no later than March 3, 2015 (ROPS 15-16A). Like previous ROPS, the ROPS 15-16A lists bond related payments (including principle and interest, bond trustee costs and bond disclosure costs), costs associated with the maintenance of the Berk Oil property (a Successor Agency owned property) and administrative costs to run the Successor Agency. As part of the Successor Agency's obligations under AB 26, the Successor Agency is tasked with preparing a proposed Administrative Budget which sets forth the Successor Agency's proposed administrative costs for the upcoming six-month fiscal period from July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. The Administrative Budget includes the estimated costs for all administrative costs necessary for the operation of the Successor Agency and its expanding obligations to wind down the former redevelopment agency required under AB 26. Such administrative costs include, but are not limited to, successor agency employee salaries and benefits, utilities, use of City facilities, staff training, office supplies, outside consultant costs such as legal costs, accounting costs, auditing costs, banking fees and all other overhead expenses reasonably related to the winding down of the redevelopment agency.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the Successor Agency to the Community Development Commission adopt Successor Agency Resolution No. 2015-01, approving the draft Recognized Obligations Payment Schedule (ROPS) and Administrative Budget for the six-month fiscal period beginning July 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015.

5. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH PRIME DEMOLITION FOR SITE CLEAN-UP AND MAINTENANCE AT 5614, 5622, 5636 SHULL STREET (BERK OIL)

The redevelopment dissolution laws codified by AB 1x 26 ("AB 26") and amendments thereto such as AB 1484 establish a comprehensive statutory process for the dissolution and wind down of all redevelopment agencies and its assets. The City of Bell Gardens Redevelopment Agency purchased the former Berk Oil site approximately 30 years ago for the purpose of assisting in the removal of blight and developing the site for a more productive use. The site consists of seven (7) contiguous parcels and is located in a mixed industrial and residential setting. The site is bounded to the north by Shull Street, to the west by the Long Beach (I-710)

Freeway, to the east by commercial/industrial businesses, and to the south by Southern Pacific Railroad. South of the railroad corridor is Atlantic Richfield Company's (ARCO) Vinvale Terminal, to the north of Shull are residences, and to the west of the 710 Freeway is the concrete-lined Los Angeles River. The site remains undeveloped and has been maintained by city forces through weed control, trash abatement, graffiti removal, and code enforcement. Despite these concerted efforts, the site requires additional clean-up and maintenance in order to better address the chronic trespassing, illegal dumping, and graffiti. In collaboration with the adjacent property owner, staff is proposing a plan to enhance the area and deter blighting activities and prevent future nuisance activities. The scope of work for the improvements include: clearing the entire site of all trash and concrete debris, concrete piles, trees, and vegetation. Additionally, the ground will be roughly graded to a flat level so that there are no obstructions of view to the site. Better visibility will prevent trespassing and undesirable activities. Staff solicited bids from three (3) companies: Wrecking Demolition, Horeb Bobcat Services, and Prime Demolition for the abovementioned scope of work. The lowest bid was Prime Demolition for \$24,900. Under Health and Safety Code Section 34177.3(b), the Successor Agency "may create enforceable obligations to conduct the work of winding down the redevelopment agency. It should be noted that the Oversight Board and Department of Finance previously authorized the expenditure of up to \$60,000 on the Successor Agency's FY 2014-2015 ROPS B (January 1 through June 30 period) to be used towards maintenance and ongoing clean-up of the Berk Oil Site. As such, staff recommends that the Successor Agency award the contract to Prime Demolition in the amount not to exceed \$24,900. If approved, the contract with Prime Demolition will be submitted to the Oversight Board at the February 26, 2015 special meeting and then forwarded to the Department of Finance for final approval.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the Successor Agency to the Community Development Commission adopt Successor Agency Resolution No. 2015-04, approving the contract for site clean-up and maintenance at 5614, 5622, 5636 Shull Street, formerly the Berk Oil Site.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS UNDER THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS

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CONSENT CALENDAR (Item No.'s 1 – 16)

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1. GENERAL MOTION TO READ ALL ORDINANCES BY TITLE ONLY

In order to expedite the conduct of business at 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's 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

January 12, 2015 and January 26, 2015 – Regular Meeting Minutes

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council approve the minutes for the Regular City Council Meeting of January 12, 2015 and January 26, 2015.

3. WARRANT REGISTERS AND WIRE TRANSFERS

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council receive and file the following transactions:

Warrant Registers	01/27/15 (Check #'s 152483 – 152553) &		
Wire Transfers	01/22/15 (Wire #'s 1026 – 1027)	\$	454,730.99
Payroll Transfer	01/22/15 Net Payroll	\$	374,386.05
Warrant Registers	02/03/15 (Check #'s 152554 – 152626)	\$	616,560.20
	Total	\$	1,445,677.24

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4. APPROVAL OF PITNEY BOWES LEASE AGREEMENT

The current 60-month lease agreement with Pitney Bowes for the City's postage equipment will expire in March 2015. The lease payment under the current agreement is \$298 per month. The City's current postage machine (which has been around for over 10 years) is being phased out, and Pitney Bowes is transitioning their customers to the Connect+1000. Based on the needs of the City, staff recommends that the City enter into a five year agreement for the lease and maintenance of the Connect+1000 postage equipment with the ability to imprint colored images onto envelopes. The cost of this lease would be \$274 per month, which is twenty-four dollars (\$24) less than our current lease payment. The City, as a public agency, is able to procure equipment, services, and other items through Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA). WSCA is a non-profit cooperative purchasing program that facilitates public procurement solicitations and agreements using a lead state model. In addition to the procedures followed by WSCA, the City reached out to the other two vendors who sell or lease postage equipment (NeoPost and FP Mailing Solutions). FP Mailing Solutions responded to our solicitation with a quote of \$287 per month, which is thirteen (\$13) more than the price negotiated by WSCA.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2015-10, approving a lease agreement with Pitney Bowes for the use and maintenance of their Connect+1000 postage machine with the additional capacity of placing color images on envelopes.

5. AGREEMENT FOR SPECIALIZED SERVICES WITH LIEBERT, CASSIDY, WHITMORE AND ANDELSON, LOYA, RUDD, & ROMO

Periodically, the City has the need to retain legal services related to employment law that are highly technical and require the services of legal practitioners with a particular expertise in this field. Such matters include employee training, contract negotiations, workplace investigations, disciplinary appeals, and litigation. Staff respectfully requests that the City Council authorize the procurement of such legal services on an as needed basis from the law firms of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore (LCW) and Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo (AALRR). The City has a long standing relationship with LCW. However, as a result of recent transition at the firm, staff explored alternatives and conducted extensive research to determine which firms' services best suit the needs of the City. Staff analyzed a variety of factors, including cost, experience, reputation, and expertise to determine the best fit for the City. LCW and AALRR's rates were

comparable to those of similar firms, but they are ultimately being recommended based on their demonstrated ability to provide high level employment law services, particularly in the areas of labor negotiations, employee discipline, and training. The ability to secure the services of two established and highly respected law firms will offer the City flexibility in terms of cost and efficiency. Additionally, there may be circumstances where one firm is unable to represent the City in a particular matter due to conflict of interest concerns. In such cases, it will become necessary to retain the alternate firm for representation. The agreement with LCW will supersede the existing agreement signed in 2007. There is no existing agreement in place with AALRR.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2015-12 authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Agreement for Special Services with the law firms of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore (LCW) and Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo (AALRR) to provide legal services pertaining to employment law matters.

6. **APPROVAL OF CITY LOANS TO THE FORMER BELL GARDENS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

On June 27, 2012 AB 1484 was signed into law. The bill established the process for a city to be repaid for these loans specifically through Health and Safe Code 34173 (h) which states: In order for the City to be repaid they need to enter into a loan agreement with the Successor Agency and create an enforceable obligation for these loans, include them on the ROPS and obtain approval by the Oversight Board.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2015-23, approving loan agreements between the City of Bell Gardens and the Successor Agency for project loans made between 1973 and 1991 and for a bridge loan made to cover the short-fall in ROPS II funding.

7. **ZONING CODE AMENDMENT NO. 2014-053 – ORDINANCE NO. 863**

At the regular meeting of February 9, 2015, the City Council approved Zoning Code Amendment 2015-053 to adopt Ordinance No. 863, amending the Zoning Ordinance to eliminate the requirement that an emergency shelter be located a minimum distance of 600 feet from any public park or school. The requirement that an emergency shelter be located a minimum distance of 300 feet from any other shelter would be maintained.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council waive the second reading and adopt Ordinance No. 863, amending the Zoning Ordinance to eliminate the requirement that an emergency shelter be located a minimum distance of 600 feet from any public park or school. The requirement that an emergency shelter be located a minimum distance of 300 feet from any shelter would be maintained.

8. **APPROVAL OF NEW CARD GAME AT BICYCLE CASINO: ROYAL MATCH 21 PROGRESSIVE JACKPOT**

The Bicycle Casino has the desire to add a new game to its existing list of approved games. Bicycle Casino Management has requested that the City approve the addition of the Royal Match 21 Progressive Jackpot. The Bell Gardens Police Department and the State of California Division of Gambling Control have reviewed the modifications requested and its existing rules. This card game is not specifically banned under § 330 of the Penal Code. In addition, the California Division of Gambling Control has already approved the games for play at other California clubs.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2015-14, approving the playing of a new game at the Bicycle Casino entitled Royal Match Progressive Jackpot.

9. **REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL FOR TRANSFER OF POINTS IN THE BICYCLE CASINO**

Several transactions and transfers were recently approved by the California Gambling Control Commission and now require approval by the City of Bell Gardens. The transactions are as follows:

1. The sale of 10.6% of the limited partnership interest to existing partners. This interest was redeemed from Walter Lack in 2010 and reissued directly by the Partnership to the individual partners.

Leo and Ivy Chu.....	4.6%
Melinda Longaker.....	2.0%
Hashem Minay.....	2.0%
Carter LCP Partnership, LP.....	2.0%

2. The Haig Kelegian Grantor Retained Annuity Trust No. 1 ("GRAT") has expired and per the terms, the interests were distributed to licensed beneficiaries.

Haig Kelegian, Sr.....	2.428%
Haig Kelegian, Jr.....	2.428%
Mark Kelegian.....	2.428%
Michelle Shrikian.....	2.428%

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2015-15, approving the transfer of interest from between existing partners.

10. **APPROVAL OF NEW CARD GAME AT BICYCLE CASINO: 21ST CENTURY BACCARAT 10.0**

The Bicycle Casino has a desire to add a new game to its existing list of approved games. Bicycle Casino Management has requested that the City approve the addition of the 21ST CENTURY BACCARAT 10.0. The Bell Gardens Police Department and the State of California Division of Gambling Control have reviewed the modifications requested and its existing rules. This card game is not specifically banned under § 330 of the Penal Code. In addition, the California Division of Gambling Control has already approved the games for play at other California card clubs.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2015-19, approving the playing of a new card game at the Bicycle Casino entitled 21st Century Baccarat 10.0.

11. **REQUEST TO WAIVE THE BID PROCESS PER BGMC SECTION 3.04.100(E) FOR THE REPAIR OF THE 2013 BMW TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT MOTORCYCLE**

On November 3, 2014, the Police Department BMW Motorcycle was involved in a non-injury traffic collision at 5900 Clara Ave, Bell Gardens. The traffic collision report concluded that the police department was not at fault. However, a severe amount of damage was sustained to the front and suspension areas of the motorcycle which required repairs. Due to the uniqueness of the damages, it was determined that Long Beach BMW Motorcycle should handle the repairs. They were the company used for the installation of the emergency and electronic equipment on the BMW when it was purchased. The total cost to repair the motorcycle back to its original condition is \$14,022.71. The insurance deductible of \$1,000.00 will be the only cost as the insurance company will pay the remaining balance of \$13,022.71. The Police Department does not have a budget for traffic collision repairs, but money from the Asset Forfeiture account

will be used to cover the cost of the repairs until reimbursed by the insurance company. At such time, the \$13,022.71 will be returned to the AF account.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2015-22, thereby waiving the bid process and authorizing payment to Long Beach BMW for repairing the Police Department's 2013 BMW Motorcycle.

12. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-21 ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT OF EASEMENT FROM THE BICYCLE CASINO FOR RIGHT TURN LANE ON EASTERN AVENUE

On April 17, 2013, Planning Commission of the City of Bell Gardens, as a Condition of Approval for the Bicycle Casino's proposed seven-story hotel and adjacent maintenance building, included the requirement to construct a right turn deceleration lane on the west side of Eastern Avenue at the northerly entrance into the Bicycle Casino property (Bicycle Casino Drive). Further, per Section 66475 of the Government Code, the Bicycle Casino was required to dedicate the additional necessary right of way for the right turn lane. On February 3, 2015, the Bicycle Casino executed a Grant of Easement for public street, sewer, water drainage purposes for the additional right of way on the west side of Eastern Avenue. The accuracy of legal descriptions and exhibits for the Grant of Easement was certified by the City Engineer. A resolution approving the aforementioned Grant of Easement has been prepared and staff recommends that City Council accept the Grant of Easement and authorize the City Manager to sign the Certificate of Acceptance on behalf of the City Council. In addition, staff recommends that City Council authorize the City Clerk to file with the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office both the Grant of Easement and the Certificate of Acceptance.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2015-21, accepting the Grant of Easement and authorizing the City Manager to execute and record the Certificate of Acceptance.

13. LEASING OF CITY'S WATER RIGHTS TO GOLDEN STATE WATER

Since 1991 the City has owned a water system that has 1,650 connections and serves the northerly portion of the City. The main source of supply since 1998 has been Well No. 1. To use the well, the City has 1,914 acre-feet of Groundwater Pumping Rights in the Groundwater Basin pursuant to a Court Adjudication of the Basin. The Water System uses approximately 1,200 acre-feet annually of those rights. The City has generally leased out annually the unused rights with an outside water agency on an annual basis with revenue going to the Water Fund. The leasing can only be with other pumpers in the Central Basin. For the past five years the City has leased 700 acre-feet per year of pumping rights to City of Lynwood. For 2014/2015, the City will have approximately 250 acre-feet of unused rights. Golden State Water Company, which serves 70% of the City has offered to lease these rights at the price of \$150 per acre-foot.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council award the lease of 250 acre-feet of annual pumping rights to the Golden State Water Company for Year 2014-2015 and authorize the City Manager to execute the Lease Agreement on behalf of the City of Bell Gardens with the Golden State Water Company and have staff file a copy with the Central Basin Wastemaster.

14. ACCEPTANCE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE FLORENCE PLACE STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FROM SUDAN AVENUE TO SCOUT AVENUE

The City of Bell Gardens receives an annual allocation of Surface Transportation Program-Local (STPL) funds each year through the Transportation Equity Act. These funds are set aside for the maintenance and upgrading of local streets. On June 23, 2014, City Council authorized staff to solicit bids for the project based on the plans, specifications and construction cost estimate prepared by the engineering team. On July 23, 2014, the City Clerk received six (6) bid proposals and it was determined that Sully-Miller Contracting Co. was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder. On August 25,

2014, City Council awarded a construction contract to Sully-Miller Contracting Co., in the amount of \$192,046.00. The improvements included excavation and/ or cold milling of existing AC Pavement, removing AC Pavement, base and sub-base material, overlay Asphalt Rubber Hot Mix (ARHM), reconstruction of driveway approaches, curb and gutter, AC pavement, removal and replacement of AC pavement, striping and markings. On October, 9 2014, Sully-Miller Contracting Co. completed construction of the Florence Place Improvement Project from Sudan Avenue to Scout Avenue. The City Engineer and the Inspector have conducted their final inspection, reviewed the project documents and both have determined that the project was completed satisfactorily and in conformance with the project's plans and specifications. It should be noted that no change orders were issued during the course of construction. The final construction contract cost of the project is \$190,953.57.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council by motion accepts the construction contract for the Florence Place Improvement Project from Sudan Avenue to Scout Avenue as complete and authorizes staff to file the Notice of Completion.

15. AB 1234 CONFERENCE REPORT

Pursuant to the requirements of AB 1234, a report is required by any elected official attending a conference or seminar at the City's expense. Mayor Rodriguez, Mayor Pro Tem Aceituno, and Councilmember Flores attended the Inauguration Ceremony of Assemblymember Cristina Garcia in Sacramento.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council receive and file the AB 1234 Conference Report.

16. LOCAL COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENTS LIST

The local appointments list includes the Bell Gardens Commissions and Commissioners. The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 825 on July 13, 2009 which consolidated the existing City Commissions and established minimum requirements for service. It should be noted that all Commission Members must reside within the City of Bell Gardens and may only serve on one Commission at a time. Once appointed, each Commissioner must adhere to the requirements of the City's Conflict of Interest Code and state-mandated AB 1234 ethics training. Ordinance 825 allows each Council Member to nominate one (1) candidate per Commission, subject to the approval of the Council majority. The appointed Commission Member will serve a term that coincides with the term of the Council Member who made the original nomination. Once appointments are made, the City Council will recognize all outgoing and incoming Commissioners. The new members will receive their Oath of Office and will begin service with their respective Commission at the next regularly scheduled Commission meeting. The City Clerk's Office will arrange for the proper filing of Conflict of Interest Code paperwork and schedule AB 1234 ethics training.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council receive and file the local commissions appointments list.

DISCUSSION (Item No. 17)

17. CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO EXTERNAL COMMITTEES

The City of Bell Gardens resides within a larger geo-political environment with a variety of complex issues and concerns. Councilmembers are typically appointed as representatives on various external boards, commissions, and committees who serve the larger geo-political region. The City Council typically makes revisions to the list yearly following the annual Council reorganization. It is now the appropriate time to review the matrix and make the appropriate changes, reappointments, or appointments, as necessary.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council make changes, reappointments, or appointments as necessary to the attached matrix of Council Appointments to External Regulatory and Advisory Boards, Commissions, and Committees.

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