

**CITY OF BELL GARDENS
Ordinance Summary**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 25, 2022, the City Council of the City of Bell Gardens, California, introduced Ordinance No. 923 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL GARDENS, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A MILITARY EQUIPMENT POLICY GOVERNING THE USE OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 481

Whereas AB 481 requires, among other things, that a law enforcement agency obtain approval of the governing body, by an ordinance adopting a military equipment use policy that includes a description of the equipment, quantity, capabilities, expected lifespan, purposes and authorized uses, fiscal impact, legal and procedural rules governing authorized uses, required training, and mechanisms to ensure compliance with the agency's use policy, prior to taking certain actions relating to the funding, acquisition or use of military equipment, including military equipment acquired prior to January 1, 2022; and the Bell Gardens Police Department is in possession of certain items of equipment that qualify as "military equipment" under AB 481; and the Bell Gardens Police Department has prepared a proposed Military Equipment Policy, and incorporated herein; and pursuant to Government Code section 7071(a)(2), if seeking to continue the use of any military equipment that was acquired prior to January 1, 2022, the Bell Gardens Police Department was obligated to, and has met the requirement, of commencing a City Council approval process for the Military Equipment Policy no later than May 1, 2022; and the Bell Gardens Police Department made the proposed Military Equipment Policy available on the Police Department's website for at least 30 days prior Ordinance No. 923 to the first public meeting concerning the proposed Military Equipment Policy on April 25, 2022.

The City Council introduced the ordinance for public posting with the following vote:

AYES: Council Members Barcena, Cortez, Flores; Mayor Pro Tem Chavez, Mayor Pulido
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

A copy of the full text of the ordinance is available at the office of the City Clerk at 7100 Garfield Avenue, Bell Gardens, CA 90201. This ordinance is scheduled for further consideration and final adoption at the Council meeting of May 9, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. via teleconference.



Jane Halstead, City Clerk
City of Bell Gardens

Posted: April 28, 2022
Bell Gardens City Hall
Bell Gardens John Anson Ford Park
Bell Gardens Veterans Park – Ross Hall Auditorium
Bell Gardens Department of Public Works