



**CITY OF BELL GARDENS
THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2017, 6:00 PM
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 SUCCESSOR AGENCY

Pedro Aceituno, Agency Member
Priscilla Flores, Agency Member
Jennifer Rodriguez, Agency Member
Jose J. Mendoza, Vice Chair
Maria Pulido, 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. 1-2)

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 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 OF THE OCTOBER 9, 2017 REGULAR SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETING

October 9, 2017 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Recommendation:

It is staff's recommendation that the Successor Agency approve the minutes of the Regular Successor Agency Meeting of October 9, 2017.

2. WARRANT REGISTER

In approving the action of receiving and filing the warrant register, the official minutes of the Successor Agency 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.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Successor Agency Members receive and file the warrant register dated 10/31/17.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS UNDER THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY

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SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEMBER COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT



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CITY COUNCIL
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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Pedro Aceituno, Council Member
Priscilla Flores, Council Member
Jennifer Rodriguez, Council Member
Jose J. Mendoza, Mayor Pro Tem
Maria Pulido, Mayor

PRESENTATIONS

- **Recognition to John Oropeza for 37 Years of Service**

PUBLIC HEARING (Item No. 1)

**1. FIRST READING OF ZONING CODE AMENDMENT NO. 2017-043 -
ORDINANCE NO. 886 - ELECTRONIC BILLBOARD OVERLAY DISTRICT**

Zoning Code Amendment No. 2017-043 is proposed to create an Electronic Billboard Overlay District, consisting of two specific locations adjacent to the 710 Freeway, to allow for the construction of electronic billboards in a planned manner subject to controls and regulations governing their design and operation.

Recommendation:

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council take the following actions:

1. Approve Zoning Code Amendment No. 2017-043;
2. Adopt a Negative Declaration; and
3. Introduce and waive first reading of Ordinance No. 886 amending the Bell Gardens Municipal Code Title 9 Zoning and Planning Regulations as follows:

1. Amend Title 9, Zoning and Planning Regulations, Chapter 9.06, "Establishment of Zones," and Chapter 9.18, "Overlay Districts," establishing an Electronic Billboard Overlay District,

and Chapter 9.40, "Signs," establishing regulations for electronic billboards located within the Electronic Billboard Overlay District (Zoning Code Amendment No. 2017-043).

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CONSENT CALENDAR (Item No. 2-10)

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2. 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'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.

3. MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 13, 2017 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

November 13, 2017 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Recommendation:

It is staff recommendation that the City Council approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of November 13, 2017.

4. WARRANT REGISTERS AND WIRE TRANSFERS

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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 staff's recommendation that the City Council receive and file the warrant registers dated 10/24/17, 10/31/17 and 11/07/17.

5. CLAIM REJECTION

A claim was filed with the City. Staff directed the claim to the City's general liability claims administrator Carl Warren & Company for processing, review, and investigation. Following the investigation, Carl Warren & Company and City staff determined that the City is not liable for the claim.

Recommendation:

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council reject the following claim and the claimant and/or their representative be notified:

- Dakaira Anderson v. City of Bell Gardens (DOE 9/3/17; DOR 9/6/17)

The City's general liability claims administrator, Carl Warren & Company, recommends that this claim be rejected. The claimant, subject to certain exceptions, shall have up to six months to file a court action subsequent to the City Council's rejection.

6. OCTOBER 2017 TREASURER'S REPORT

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

Recommendation:

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council receive, approve and file the October 2017 Treasurer's Report.

7. LAUSD V. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND RELATED CASES SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS

The City Council will consider the approval of comprehensive settlement agreements in connection with litigation brought by the Los Angeles Unified School District, Los Angeles Community College District, and Montebello Unified School District against the County of Los Angeles and dozens of cities and taxing entities in connection with the County of Los Angeles' incorrect calculation of statutory pass-through payments, which resulted in reduced pass-through payments paid to school districts and the over payment of pass-through payments made to the County, cities, and taxing entities.

Recommendation:

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt the attached resolution approving settlement agreements between the City and LAUSD, LACCD, and MUSD.

8. PARKING RESTRICTIONS AT BELL GARDENS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL - 5841 LIVE OAK STREET

The City Council received a request from concerned parents at Bell Gardens Intermediate School (BGI) requesting additional loading/un-loading zone for buses in front of the school located at 5841 Live Oak Street. After completing a site investigation and having multiple discussions with the school Principal, staff is recommending parking restrictions along Live Oak Street in front of the school to improve safety at designated areas for student drop-off and pick-up.

Recommendation:

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council by motion;

1. Adopt the attached resolution authorizing parking restrictions in Bell Gardens.
2. Authorize the installation of 100' feet of red curb and yellow hash marks, specifically for school bus loading/unloading.
3. Authorize the installation of 100' feet of white curb, which signifies passenger loading/unloading.
4. Authorize the installation of a total of 60' feet of red curb (no parking); and
5. Authorize the installation of the appropriate signage, with specific hour and time designations.

9. PARKING RESTRICTIONS AT 5844 FOSTORIA STREET

In accordance with the City of Bell Gardens' Policy for On-Street Parking for Disabled Persons in Residential Areas, Ms. Jazmine Acevedo submitted an application for herself in front of her residence at 5844 Fostoria Street along with the required submittals. After completing a site investigation, it was determined that parking at the curb on Fostoria Street in front of the home will provide the most convenient access for a handicapped individual.

Recommendation:

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council by motion;

1. Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing parking restrictions in Bell Gardens; and
2. Authorize the installation of 20 feet of blue curb, pavement legend and sign which signifies "disabled persons parking" in front of 5844 Fostoria Street.

10. REPLACEMENT OF TRACTOR SKIP-LOADER

The Public Works Department has two tractor skip-loaders in use; one assigned to the Street Maintenance Division and the other in the Parks/Facilities Division. The tractors are vital to the daily operations of both divisions. The older of the two skip-loaders, from 1993, has completely failed and is unrepairable since the parts are now obsolete. The department is now struggling with one tractor to be used for vital operations between two divisions. Staff has explored the option of renting a tractor; however, it is not feasible. Staff contacted several dealers and received quotes for the purchase of a tractor skip-loader. Staff is recommending the purchase of a 2018 Tractor Skip-Loader from Sonsray Machinery LLC for \$83,000. Since this is an unexpected expense, staff requests that \$83,000 be appropriated from general funds for this purchase.

Recommendation:

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council by motion adopt the attached Resolution:

1. Authorizing staff to purchase a 2018 Tractor Skip-Loader from Sonsray Machinery LLC for \$83,000; and
2. Appropriating \$83,000 of general funds for this emergency expense.

DISCUSSION (Item No. 11-14)

11. COMPLETE STREETS POLICY FOR THE CITY OF BELL GARDENS

The City of Bell Gardens does not have a Complete Streets Policy in place. The policy's objective is to establish guiding principles and practices so transportation improvements are planned, designed, constructed, operated and maintained to encourage walking, bicycling, and transit use while promoting safe operations for all users. This policy will create a safe and efficient transportation system that promotes health and mobility of all Bell Gardens citizens and visitors by providing high quality pedestrian, bicycling, and transit access to all destinations throughout the city, and will design its streets for people to include aesthetics and amenities.

Additionally, in order to be eligible for the next cycle of Metro's capital grant funding programs (Call for Projects), local jurisdictions must adopt a Complete Streets Policy consistent with the California Complete Streets Act 2008.

Recommendation:

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council by motion, approve the attached

Complete Streets Policy for the City of Bell Gardens.

12. SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH GATEWAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (GCCOG) FOR WEST SANTA ANA BRANCH TRANSIT CORRIDOR – ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

As a member of Eco-Rapid Transit (formerly the Orangeline Development Authority), the city has participated in a number of studies leading to the current environmental impact studies for the West Santa Ana Branch transit corridor. Eco-Rapid Transit (ERT) explores routes, transit technologies, environmental justice issues, Transit Oriented Development Guidelines and station area plans, they have worked with the Gateway Council of Governments and designated the development of this corridor as one of the highest priorities in the Strategic Transportation Plan. It is important for agencies to work together within our communities, Metro, our utilities, developers and investors to ensure that we achieve our goals.

The Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG) has entered into a funding agreement with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority ("LACMTA") to provide third-party administration with respect to thirteen GCCOG member cities, including the City of Bell Gardens. The City would be participating in LACMTA's environmental clearance of the West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor ("Project"), to be led by the Eco-Rapid Transit Joint Powers Authority. The funding agreement identifies the City of

Bell Gardens as a subrecipient and sets forth a funding allocation of \$12,000 for the City with respect to the Project.

Recommendation:

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council by motion:

1. Adopt the attached Resolution approving the Subrecipient Agreement with Gateway Cities Council of Governments (GCCOG) and the City of Bell Gardens for West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor – Environmental Clearance; and
2. Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute the Agreement.

13. APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH GAMETIME FOR A PLAY STRUCTURE AT BELL GARDENS VETERANS PARK

The play equipment at Bell Gardens Veteran's Park was installed well over 20 years ago. Through use and normal wear and tear, slides and other pieces of equipment have broken down. The overall play structure, while currently safe, has lived well past its normal life expectancy which is generally 10-12 years. Bell Gardens Veteran's Park is a Community Park and the play structure use is significantly higher than at a local park. Because the City of Bell Gardens met critical criteria regarding a Gametime grant, staff applied for and was awarded a grant with GameTime in the amount of \$19,427.

Recommendation:

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt the attached resolution, approving the contract for playground equipment purchase and installation with GameTime and appropriating funds in the amount of \$176,857.25.

14. CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT TO EXTERNAL COMMITTEES

City Council Members serve on various external boards and committees, representing the City of Bell Gardens. This report provides a listing of all the boards and committees and the names of the Council Members that serve on the boards/committees. The Council may make appointment revisions to this list at this time.

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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