



**CITY OF BELL GARDENS**  
**CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COMMUNITY**  
**DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**  
**JOINT MEETING**  
**MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2023, 6:00 PM**  
**AGENDA**

**LOCATION: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 7100 GARFIELD AVENUE, BELL GARDENS, CA 90201**

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**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** The members of the public may address the City Council / Agency Members on any item listed on the agenda or on matters which are not listed on the agenda but are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council / Successor Agency. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes per person for each designated public comment period(s). Public comments for non-agenda items will be limited to a total of 30 minutes. Public comments can be made by any of the following ways:

**IN-PERSON:** Members of the public can provide in-person comments at the podium in the Council Chamber. The Council Chambers will have seating available for members of the public to attend the meeting in person, subject to capacity limits. Public comments are limited to three (3) minutes for each designated public comment period(s) per speaker, unless a different time is announced by the presiding chair. Speakers who wish to address the City Council / Agency Members should do so by submitting a "Public Comment Card" card by 5:00 p.m. for Closed Session items and by 6:00 p.m. for all other designated public comment periods as listed.

**BY TELEPHONE:** Phone Number: [\(669\)900-9128](tel:(669)900-9128) Webinar ID: [813 3236 4343#](#) Passcode: [2021#](#)  
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comments no later than one (1) hour prior to the meeting. Those comments, as well as any comments received after, will be distributed to the members of the City Council / Successor Agency and will be part of the official public record of this meeting.

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

## **INVOCATION**

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS / SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Marco Barcena, Council Member / Agency Member  
Gabriela Gomez, Council Member / Agency Member  
Maria Pulido, Council Member / Agency Member  
Jorgel Chavez, Mayor Pro Tem / Vice Chair  
Francis De Leon Sanchez, Mayor / Chair

## **PRESENTATIONS**

- **FAMILY COURT AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION**

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS UNDER THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

During this time, the members of the public may address the City Council / Successor Agency regarding any items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council / Successor Agency. Public comments are limited to 3 minutes per person subject to an overall 30-minute period for non-agenda items. Government Code Section 54590 prohibits the City Council / Successor Agency from taking action or engaging in discussion on a specific item unless it appears on the agenda.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

During this time, the members of the public may address the City Council / Agency Members regarding any items listed on the agenda. Public comments are limited to 3 minutes per person.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

## **CONSENT CALENDAR (Item Nos. 1 - 10)**

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 City Council / 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. **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.

2. **APPROVAL MINUTES OF OCTOBER 09, 2023 CITY / SUCCESSOR AGENCY JOINT MEETINGS**

Approve the minutes of the October 09, 2023 City/Successor Agency Joint Meetings.

**Recommendation:**

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council approve the minutes of the October 09, 2023 City/Successor Agency Joint Meeting.

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 staff's recommendation that the City Council receive and file the warrant registers, wire transfers, and net payrolls dated 09/21/23, 09/26/23 and 10/03/23.

4. **SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 937 (ZONING CODE AMENDMENT NO. 2023-062)**

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 937 amending Title 9 (Zoning and Planning Regulations) of the Bell Gardens Municipal Code ("BGMC") to accommodate vehicle parking/storage for automobile repair facilities as stand-alone parking lots when in connection to, or in the vicinity of, automobile repair facilities.

**Recommendation:**

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council waive the full reading and adopt Ordinance No. 937 to comply with Bell Gardens' General Plan policies and programs to promote economic vitality and opportunity and compatible neighborhood development.

5. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL GARDENS APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BELL GARDENS AND SAESHE, INC. FOR BROADBAND AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM OUTREACH CONSULTATION SERVICES**

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Bell Gardens approving a professional services agreement between the City of Bell Gardens and SAESHE, Inc. to partner with staff and community-based organizations to promote broadband affordable connectivity.

**Recommendation:**

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt the attached resolution approving a Professional Services Agreement with SAESHE, Inc. (SAESHE), for the broadband Affordable Connectivity Program Outreach (ACPO) consultation services.

**6. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL GARDENS APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BELL GARDENS AND ONLINE SOLUTIONS, LLC (DBA, CITIZENSERVE)**

A resolution of the City Council of the City of Bell Gardens approving a professional services agreement between the City of Bell Gardens and Online Solutions, LLC (DBA, Citizenserve) for permit tracking and land use management software.

**Recommendation:**

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council adopt the attached resolution approving a Professional Services Agreement with Online Solutions, LLC (DBA, Citizenserve), subject to City Attorney approval as to form, for the development of an electronic permit tracking and land use management system and software implementation.

**7. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AND FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR THE JOHN ANSON FORD PARK REGIONAL AQUATICS CENTER PROJECT**

Approval of funding agreement for the John Anson Ford Park Regional Aquatic Center.

**Recommendation:**

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council:

1. Adopt the attached resolution; and
2. Approve FY 2023 Community Project Funding Grant Agreement No. B-23-CP-CA-0202 with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the John Anson Ford Park Regional Aquatics Center Funding.

**8. AWARD OF PROFESSION SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR SECURITY GUARD SERVICES FOR THE BELL GARDENS SPORTS CENTER, VETERANS PARK AND CITY HALL PARKING LOT**

Adoption of resolution and award of professional services agreement with American Global Security for the Bell Gardens Sports Center, Veterans Park and City Hall Parking Lot security guard services.

**Recommendation:**

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council:

1. Adopt the attached resolution; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement for security guard services with American Global Security, for a three-year term with the option of two one-year year extensions and subject to approval by the City Attorney.

**9. INSTALLATION OF RED CURB "NO PARKING" RESTRICTIONS FRONTING 6872 GAGE AVENUE**

Consideration of a Resolution to authorize the installation of an additional 11 feet of red curb 'no parking' restrictions fronting 6872 Gage Avenue to improve sight distance conditions for vehicles exiting the driveway onto Gage Avenue.

**Recommendation:**

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council:

1. Adopt the attached Resolution establishing parking restrictions in the City and authorizing the installation of 11 feet of additional red curb 'no parking' restrictions fronting 6872 Gage Avenue to improve sight distance conditions; and
2. Rescind Resolution No. 2005-15.

**10. APPROVAL OF ELIMINATION OF PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SECRETARY POSITION AND REPLACING IT WITH A SENIOR MANAGEMENT ANALYST POSITION; BUDGET AMENDMENT APPROPRIATING MEASURE W FUNDS TO THE STORMWATER COMPLIANCE CONTRACTUAL SERVICES ACCOUNT; AND TRANSFER OF GENERAL FUNDS FROM STORMWATER COMPLIANCE CONTRACTUAL SERVICES ACCOUNT TO THE PUBLIC WORKS PERSONNEL SERVICES ACCOUNT**

Consideration to eliminate a Public Works Department Secretary position and replace it with a Senior Management Analyst position; approve a budget amendment to appropriate Measure W funds to Stormwater Compliance Contractual Services account; and approve a transfer of general funds from the Stormwater Compliance Contractual Services account to the Public Works Personnel Services account, to fund the new position.

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize elimination of Public Works Department Secretary position and replace it with a Senior Management Analyst position;
2. Approve a FY 2023-2024 budget appropriation of \$60,000 in Measure W funds to the Stormwater Compliance Contractual Services account; and
3. Approve a FY 2023-2024 budget transfer of \$60,000 in general funds from Stormwater Compliance Contractual Services account to the Public Works Personnel Services account for the hiring of one full-time Senior Management Analyst position.

**DISCUSSION (Item Nos. 11 - 15)**

**11. LOCAL COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENT LIST**

The Local Commissions Appointments List outlines the City of Bell Gardens Commissions and Commissioners. Per the Bell Gardens Municipal Code, City Commissions consist of Bell Gardens residents appointed by each member of the City Council. Council Members may remove commissioners during any regular City Council meeting and may appoint commissioners following 10 working days after the posting of the vacancy notice.

**Recommendation:**

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council review the Commissions Appointments List and by motion, remove commissioners and/or make appointments to the posted vacancies.

**12. KOUNKUEY DESIGN INITIATIVE (KDI) PROP 1 GRANT -BELL GARDENS GOLF COURSE RECOVERY PROJECT RESULTS**

A presentation outlining Kounkey Design Initiative's (KDI) findings and vision for the Bell Gardens Golf Course Prop 1 Grant.

**Recommendation:**

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council receive and file the KDI Prop 1 Grant Project update.

**13. REQUEST FUNDS TO PURCHASE VEHICLES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The Bell Gardens Police Department assessed their vehicle fleet to keep the Police Department's operations at peak efficiency and readiness. The assessment revealed that numerous vehicles are over 10-years-old with most of them operating with approximately 80,000 to 100,000 miles. Therefore, the Police Department is requesting funding to replace these vehicles.

**Recommendation:**

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager to execute a procurement agreement with 72 Hour LLC dba : National Auto Fleet Group, subject to City Attorney approval as to form, for 24 vehicles for a not to exceed amount of \$1.5 million for FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25; and
2. Appropriate \$1.5 million from the general fund to the Police Department's budget for FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25.

**14. CITY WATER SYSTEM UPDATE AND RECOMMENDED NEXT STEPS**

Update on the City Water System grant application and consideration of Requests for Service for the design of the Well # 1 Ion Exchange PFAS Treatment Plant, the Proposition 218 process to evaluate and recover costs, the development of a Request for Proposals for the sale of the City Water System, and an appropriation of funds to cover the City Water System-related costs.

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize staff to issue a Request for Services (RFS) to Bowman Infrastructure Engineers Ltd. (Infrastructure Engineers) to initiate the design of the Ion Exchange PFAS Treatment Plant in the amount of \$454,200;
2. Authorize staff to issue a RFS to Infrastructure Engineers to initiate the Proposition 218 process to evaluate and recover water costs, construction costs, operation and maintenance costs for the Ion Exchange PFAS Treatment Plant in the amount of \$65,200;
3. Authorize staff to issue a RFS to Infrastructure Engineers to initiate the development of the request for proposals (RFP) to sell the City Water System in the amount of \$55,340; and
4. Appropriate \$574,740 from the General Fund into the FY 23/24 Budget to cover the City Water System-related costs.

**15. FINAL DESIGN OF THE INDOOR MURAL ARTWORK FOR THE VETERANS PARK ADMINISTRATION BUILDING HALLWAY**

Final design of the Veterans Park Administration Building Hallway Mural Design.

**Recommendation:**

It is staff's recommendation that the City Council receive and file this report.

**CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEMBER COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Daisy Gomez, City Clerk**

Agenda posted on October 19, 2023.