



CITY OF BELL GARDENS
CITY COUNCIL/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2009, 6:00 P.M.
AGENDA

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

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CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEMBERS

Daniel Crespo, Council/Commission Member
Mario Beltran, Council/Commission Member
Priscilla Flores, Council/Commission Member
Pedro Aceituno, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair
Jennifer Rodriguez, Mayor/Chair

REPORT FROM CITY ATTORNEY/AGENCY COUNSEL ON CLOSED SESSION - None

PRESENTATIONS – None

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Item No. 1)

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ITEMS - None

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

1. Community Development Block Grant Program – Fiscal Year 2009-2010

Allocation of the City's FY 2009-2010 CDBG Funds for various projects and programs.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council conduct a public hearing to solicit community input on the proposed use of Fiscal Year (FY) 2009-2010 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and approve Resolution No. 2009-01, a Resolution of the Bell Gardens City Council approving the City's Community Development Block Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2009-2010.

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

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Any writings or documents provided to the majority of the City Council regarding any item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection at the Receptionist Counter, City Hall, 7100 S. Garfield Avenue, Bell Gardens, CA, during normal business hours

Commission and we ask that proper decorum be practiced during the meeting. State law prohibits the City Council/Community Development Commission from discussing any item not appearing on the posted Agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items No 1 – 13)

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/Community Development Commission requested 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.

2. General Motion to read all Ordinances by title only

In order to expedite the conduct of business at Council/Commission meetings, California state law (California Code Section 26934) allows Ordinances to be read by title if a majority of the legislative body supports the motion to waive the full reading.

Recommendation: Read all Ordinances by title only and waive the reading in full.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ITEMS

3. Minutes

December 8, 2008 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Recommendation: Approve the minutes

4. Warrants

Warrant Registers dated 12/18/08 (CK#11923-11926, \$381,707.83) for a total amount of \$381,707.83.

Warrant Registers dated 12/22/08 (CK#11919-11922, \$73,023.22) and 01/12/09 (CK#11927-11938, \$15,043.50) for a total amount of \$88,066.72.

Recommendation: Approve the warrants

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

5. Minutes

December 8, 2008 – Regular Meeting Minutes

Recommendation: Approve the minutes

6. Warrants

Warrant Registers dated 12/04/08 (CK#126894-126937, \$438,253.96), Wire transfer dated 12/04/08 (CK#694 & 696, \$522,751.75), Warrant Registers dated 12/18/08 (CK#126708-126770, \$405,147.34), and Wire Transfer dated 12/18/08 (CK#697 & 699, \$787,490.08) for a total amount of \$2,153,643.13.

Warrant Registers dated 12/22/08 (CK#126938-127037, \$342,838.59), 01/12/09 (CK#127084-127210, \$333,023.50) for a total amount of \$675,862.09.

Recommendation: Approve the warrants

7. Local Appointments List

Updated list of Council appointments to City Boards and Commissions

Recommendation: Receive and file.

8. Designating the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (DPH) as the Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) for the City's Solid Waste Management Program

Los Angeles County is requesting that the City designate the DPH Environmental Health Solid Waste Management Program Division as the appropriate enforcement agency for the City's management of solid waste pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 43203(c).

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution 2009-02, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bell Gardens designating the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health as the Local Enforcement Agency (LEA) for the Solid Waste Management Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989.

9. Records Management Program

The City of Bell Gardens seeks to establish a legal Records Management Program which will govern the appropriate organization of business records.

Recommendation: It is staff's recommendation that the City Council establish the City's Records Management Program by approving Resolution No. 09-03, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Bell Gardens adopting a Records Management Program and records retention schedule, authorizing the disposition of certain City records, and rescinding all previous resolutions.

10. Audit of the Finance and Administrative Services Department

An independent review of the Finance and Administrative Services Department will provide management and the City Council with fair, objective and reliable assessment of the City's finances as well as the Department's performance, management, staffing and accountability. The review and assessment will include examination of all cash and investments balances, reconciliation of all bank accounts, a workload study and an assessment of the Department's organizational structure and internal control over financial transactions.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council approve an agreement with Macias Consulting Group, certified public accountants and management consultants to conduct a comprehensive financial audit and organizational analysis of the City of Bell Gardens Finance and Administrative Services Department.

11. Ordinance No. 813 (Second Reading) articulating Zone Code Amendment #2008-082

This Ordinance was introduced for first reading at the December 8, 2008 City Council meeting.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 813, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Bell Gardens approving an amendment to Title 9, Bell Gardens Zoning Ordinance, of the Bell Gardens Municipal Code (Zoning Code Amendment File #2008-082).

12. Award of Construction Contract for the Safe Routes to School SR2S Cycle 7 Project

The project will provide safety enhancements and traffic calming applications in the vicinities of Bell Gardens Elementary, Suva Elementary, Suva Intermediate School and critical intersections on Garfield Avenue.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council 1) Award a construction contract to TDS Engineering in the amount of \$210,810.30 for the Safe Routes to School SR2S Cycle 7 Project and 2) authorize a 10% contingency in the amount of \$21,080.00 to be set aside for incidentals for this project.

13. AB 1234 Conference Reports

AB 1234 requires a local agency whose elected officials receive compensation or reimbursement for expenses related to travel incurred while carrying out their official duties to give a brief report to the governing body about the meetings and conferences they attend.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council review and approve the brief report pertaining to the regulations under AB 1234.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ITEMS - None

CITY COUNCIL ITEMS:

14. Contribution to Latino Diabetes Foundation

(Requested by Councilmember Beltran)

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS UNDER THE SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (Three minutes per person, subject to a total period of 30 minutes)

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CITY COUNCIL/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT

Posted by: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____
Vida Barone