



**CITY OF BELL GARDENS  
CITY COUNCIL/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING - CLOSED SESSION  
MONDAY, AUGUST 9, 2010, 5:00 P.M.  
MINUTES**

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

**CALL TO ORDER** – The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEMBERS**

PRESENT: Crespon, Infanzon, Aceituno, Rodriguez, Flores  
ABSENT: None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY (Three minutes per person, subject to a total period of 30 minutes)** – None.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

The Council/Commission recessed to Closed Session to discuss the following matters:

- a. Conference with Labor Negotiators  
(Government Code Section 54957.6)  
Agency Negotiators – G. Steve Simonian, Phil Wagner, Kim Krause, Mary Bradley  
Employee Organizations – Bell Gardens City Employee Association, Department Directors, Bell Gardens Public Works Association, and the Bell Gardens Public Works Supervisors
- b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Pending Litigation  
(Government Code Section 54956.9)  
Montebello Unified School District v. County of Los Angeles, et al.  
Case No. BS127286

The Mayor/Chair reconvened the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**INVOCATION** – was given by John Oropeza, Public Works Director

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - was led by Pamela Yugar, Recreation and Community Services Director

**ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEMBERS**

PRESENT: Crespon, Infanzon, Aceituno, Rodriguez, Flores  
ABSENT: None

**CITY ATTORNEY/AGENCY COUNCIL REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

The City Attorney noted that the City Council/Commission received a briefing on each of the items as listed on the agenda. In regard to Item No. a, the Council received a briefing from the

agency negotiators and no final action was taken. In regard to Item No. b., the Council received briefing from the Legal Counsel and no final action was taken.

## PRESENTATIONS

- Proclamation – National Health Center Week (August 8 – August 14, 2010)

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** - None

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ITEMS

### CITY COUNCIL ITEMS

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

No speakers

## CONSENT CALENDAR (Items No. 1 - 4)

### 1. 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 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/Community Development Commission read all Ordinances by title only and waive the reading in full.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Councilmember Aceituno, and passed (5 – 0) to read all Ordinances by title only and waive the reading in full.

AYES: Crespo, Infanzon, Aceituno, Rodriguez, Flores

NOES: None.

### 2. MINUTES

July 26, 2010 – Regular Meeting Minutes

**Recommendation:** It is staff's recommendation that the City Council/Community Development Commission approve the minutes.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Councilmember Aceituno, and passed (5 – 0) to approve the minutes.

AYES: Crespo, Infanzon, Aceituno, Rodriguez, Flores

NOES: None.

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ITEMS

**3. WARRANT REGISTERS AND WIRE TRANSFERS**

**Recommendation:** It is staff's recommendation that the Community Development Commission receive and file the following transactions:

Warrant Registers	07/13/10 (Check #'s 12323 – 12324)	\$ 115.36
Warrant Registers	07/13/10 (Check #'s 12325 – 12328)	\$1,045,246.57
Warrant Registers	07/19/10 (Check #'s 12329)	\$ 378.00
Warrant Registers	07/19/10 (Check #'s 12330)	\$ 968.84
Warrant Registers	07/26/10 (Check #'s 12331 – 12332)	\$ 414.70

Total \$1,047,123.47

In approving the action of receiving and filing the warrant registers, the official minutes of the Bell Gardens Community Development Commission should state that each individual member of the Community Development Commission 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 Commission member, or pays for any costs or expenses, or otherwise benefits the same named Commission member. Each Commission member will not be participating, influencing, or voting on any such warrant bearing their name or which benefits the same named Commission 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.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Councilmember Aceituno, and passed (5 – 0) to approve the Warrant Registers and Wire Transfers.

AYES: Crespo, Infanzon, Aceituno, Rodriguez, Flores  
NOES: None.

**CITY COUNCIL ITEMS**

**4. WARRANT REGISTERS AND WIRE TRANSFERS**

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

Warrant Registers	07/13/10 (Check #'s 133415 – 133484)	\$ 319,839.26
Warrant Registers	07/13/10 (Check #'s 133485 – 133496)	\$ 61,343.17
Warrant Registers	07/19/10 (Check #'s 133497 – 133537)	\$ 112,704.13
Wire Transfers	07/15/10 (Wire #'s 788 – 789 & Payroll)	\$ 483,054.81
Warrant Registers	07/19/10 (Check #'s 133538 – 133584)	\$ 225,578.24
Warrant Registers	07/26/10 (Check #'s 133585 – 133649)	\$ 283,574.80
Warrant Registers	07/26/10 (Check #'s 133650 – 133691)	\$ 100,333.11

Total \$1,586,427.52

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.

This item was pulled for separate consideration by Councilmember Crespo.

In response to an inquiry from Councilmember Crespo on Warrant Number 133527, the City Manager noted the City cannot stop payments on these services since they would be in violation of the agreement with the company.

Upon reconsideration, a motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Councilmember Aceituno, and carried (5 – 0) to approve, as recommended, with Councilmember Crespo abstaining on warrant number 133527.

AYES: Crespo, Infanzon, Aceituno, Rodriguez, Flores  
NOES: None.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS (Items No. 5-7)**

##### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ITEMS**

##### **CITY COUNCIL ITEMS**

#### **5. DESIGNATION OF VOTING DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES**

**Recommendation:** It is staff's recommendation that the City Council designate a voting delegate and alternate to attend the League of California Cities Annual Business Meeting, scheduled for 3:00 p.m., Friday, September 17, 2010, at the San Diego Convention Center.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, seconded by Mayor Flores, and passed (5 – 0) to appoint Councilmember Infanzon as the delegate to attend the League of California Cities Annual Business Meeting.

AYES: Crespo, Infanzon, Aceituno, Rodriguez, Flores  
NOES: None.

A motion was made by Councilmember Aceituno, seconded by Mayor Flores, and passed (5 – 0) to appoint Councilmember Crespo as the alternate to attend the League of California Cities Annual Business Meeting.

AYES: Crespo, Infanzon, Aceituno, Rodriguez, Flores  
NOES: None.

#### **6. RESIGNATION OF COMMISSIONER JORGE URREA FROM THE TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMISSION**

**Recommendation:** It is staff's recommendation that the City Council accept the resignation of Traffic and Safety Commissioner Jorge Urrea (nominated by Councilmember Aceituno) and appoint a new Commissioner to fill the vacancy.

A motion was made by Councilmember Aceituno, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, and passed (5 – 0) to accept Commissioner Jorge Urrea's resignation.

AYES: Crespo, Infanzon, Aceituno, Rodriguez, Flores  
NOES: None.

**7. COUNCILMEMBER REQUEST TO UTILIZE CITY HALL'S E.O.C. ROOM FOR COMMUNITY ACTIVITY THAT WILL BENEFIT RESIDENTS OF BELL GARDENS AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SOUTHEAST CITIES**

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the City Council authorize the use of the E.O.C. room by personnel from the General Consulate of El Salvador for a Community Activity on Sunday, August 29, 2010 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Councilmember Infanzon provided a brief report on this item.

Councilmember Crespo inquired on the prior location for these types of services.

In response to Councilmember Crespo, Mr. Infanzon noted that these services do not have one location only where these services are provided.

Councilmember Aceituno questioned the different information provided on the staff report and agenda.

In response to Councilmember Aceituno, the City Manager provided further clarification on why both documents were listed differently.

A motion was made by Councilmember Aceituno, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez, and passed (5 – 0) to authorize the use of the E.O.C. room by personnel from the General Consulate of El Salvador for a Community Activity on Sunday, August 29, 2010 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

AYES: Crespo, Infanzon, Aceituno, Rodriguez, Flores  
NOES: None.

**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)**

Rafael Navarro & Ruben Jerard spoke on an event taking place on October 3, 2010 recognizing Eddie Cochran.

Marco Alamillo spoke on concerns related to City's spending.

Cristina Garcia spoke on concerns related to City's spending.

Lissette Saavedra spoke on concerns related to City's spending.

Henri Ventura thanked the City Council for having the General Consulate of El Salvador come to the City to provide their free services to the community.

Luis Arias made positive comments regarding the City.

Yvette Silva spoke on concerns regarding City Council actions.

**CITY COUNCIL/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS**

Councilmember Crespo made general comments.

Councilmember Infanzon made general comments.

Councilmember Aceituno made general comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Rodriguez made general comments.

Mayor Flores made general comments.

**ADJOURNMENT** – The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rosalia A. Conde', written over a horizontal line.

Rosalia A. Conde, CMC  
Interim City Clerk