

SPECIAL MEETING



CITY OF BELL GARDENS CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION JOINT MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2024, 5:30 PM AGENDA

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

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CALL TO ORDER

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

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

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.

DISCUSSION (Items No. 1 - 2)

1. REORGANIZATION AND SELECTION OF MAYOR/CHAIRPERSON AND MAYOR PRO TEM/VICE CHAIRPERSON

The City Council may consider by motion to organize and select a Mayor/Chair and Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair of the City of Bell Gardens City Council and Successor Agency to the Community Development Commission.

Recommendation:

The City Council may consider by motion to organize and select a Mayor/Chairperson and Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairperson at such time as majority of the Council shall so order per Bell Gardens Municipal Code 2.04.020(c).

2. 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.

ADJOURNMENT

Daisy Gomez, City Clerk

Agenda posted on April 10, 2024.



**CITY OF BELL GARDENS
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER**

AGENDA REPORT

Item 1.

TO:	Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM:	Michael B. O'Kelly, City Manager
BY:	Daisy Gomez, City Clerk
SUBJECT:	REORGANIZATION AND SELECTION OF MAYOR/CHAIRPERSON AND MAYOR PRO TEM/VICE CHAIRPERSON
DATE:	April 11, 2024

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Council may consider by motion to organize and select a Mayor/Chairperson and Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairperson at such time as majority of the Council shall so order per Bell Gardens Municipal Code 2.04.020(c).

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

Bell Gardens Municipal Code 2.04.020(c) and Government Code 36801 provides Council the option to organize and select a mayor/chairperson and mayor pro tem/vice chairperson at either: (1) the first regular meeting in December in odd-numbered years; (2) at the time designated by applicable provisions of the Government Code for even-numbered years; or (3) at such other time as a majority of the council shall so order.

At this time, a majority of the Council has ordered a reorganization and selection of Mayor/Chairperson and Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chairperson.

CONCLUSION:

Bell Gardens Municipal Code 2.04.020(c) and Government Code 36801 provides Council the option to organize and select a mayor/chairperson and mayor pro tem/vice chairperson at either: (1) the first regular meeting in December in odd-numbered years; (2) at the time designated by applicable provisions of the Government Code for even-numbered years; or (3) at such other time as a majority of the council shall so order.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

APPROVED ELECTRONICALLY BY:

Michael B. O'Kelly, City Manager

Stephanie Vasquez, City Attorney and/or Susie Altamirano, Assistant City Attorney

Manuel Carrillo, Director of Finance and Administrative Services



**CITY OF BELL GARDENS
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER**

AGENDA REPORT

Item 2.

TO:	Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM:	Michael O'Kelly, City Manager
BY:	Daisy Gomez, City Clerk
SUBJECT:	CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT TO EXTERNAL COMMITTEES
DATE:	April 11, 2024

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.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

The City of Bell Gardens resides within a larger geo-political environment with a variety of complex issues and concerns. Council Members are typically appointed as representatives on various external boards, commissions, and committees who serve the larger geo-political region.

Revisions to the list (Exhibit 1) are typically made following the annual Council reorganization. Exhibit 2 gives a brief description of what each board or committee does. The Council may also make appointment revisions to this list during the year as needs arise.

CONCLUSION:

By updating the Council Appointments to External Regulatory and Advisory Boards, Commissions and Committees Matrix, the City Council is assuring proper representation for the City of Bell Gardens in the larger geo-political region.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Exhibit 1 - External Committees Matrix
- Exhibit 2 - External Committees Description

APPROVED ELECTRONICALLY BY:

Michael B. O'Kelly, City Manager
Stephanie Vasquez, City Attorney and/or Susie Altamirano, Assistant City Attorney
Manuel Carrillo, Director of Finance and Administrative Services

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO EXTERNAL REGULATORY AND ADVISORY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

NO.	ORGANIZATION	MEETING DATE AND TIME	DELEGATE	ALTERNATE
1	California Cities for Self-Reliance Joint Powers Authority	3rd Wednesday of each month, 10:00 a.m. Rotating locations	Francis de Leon Sanchez	Marco Barcena
2	California Contract Cities Association	3rd Wednesday of each month, 6:30 p.m.	Jorgel Chavez Mayor Automatic Appointment	Gabriela Gomez
3	California Joint Powers Insurance Authority	4th Wednesday of each month, 5:30 p.m. Annual Board of Directors Meeting is held the 3rd Wednesday in July	Marco Barcena	Francis de Leon Sanchez
4	Gateway Cities Council of Governments	1st Wednesday of the month, 5:30 p.m.	Francis de Leon Sanchez	Jorgel Chavez
5	Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District	2nd Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m.	Pedro Aceituno (thru Jan. 2, 2025)	NO ALTERNATE NEEDED
6	HUB Cities Consortium	3rd Thursday of each month, 5:15 p.m.	Maria Pulido	Marco Barcena
7	Independent Cities Association	2nd Thursday of each month except for August 7:00 p.m.	Gabriela Gomez	Francis de Leon Sanchez
8	League of California Cities Los Angeles County Division	1st Thursday of each month, 6:00 p.m. Annual Conference is held in September.	Jorgel Chavez	Marco Barcena
9	Los Angeles County City Selection Committee	Meets as needed, approximately three to four times a year.	Jorgel Chavez Mayor Automatic Appointment	Gabriela Gomez
10	Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County	2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month, 1:30 p.m.	Jorgel Chavez Mayor Automatic Appointment	Marco Barcena
11	Southeast Area Animal Control Authority (SEAACA)	3rd Thursday of each month, 2:00 p.m.	Marco Barcena	Francis de Leon Sanchez
12	Southeast Community Development Corporation	Quarterly, no set meeting, date/time.	Jorgel Chavez	Marco Barcena
13	Southern California Association of Governments	The General Assembly is held once a year on the first Thursday and Friday in May.	Marco Barcena	Jorgel Chavez

BELL GARDENS CITY COUNCIL EXTERNAL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

This list offers a brief description of each of the external committees and their regular meeting dates, times, and locations.

California Cities for Self-Reliance Joint Powers Authority

DELEGATE: FRANCIS DE LEON SANCHEZ

ALTERNATE: MARCO BARCENA

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of each month, 10:00 am

12616 Central Ave., Chino CA

FORM 700 & AB1234 FILING REQUIRED

The Cities for Self-Reliance Joint Powers Authority was formed in July 2001 by the Cities of Bell Gardens, Commerce, Gardena, and Hawaiian Gardens. In July 2006, the existing Cities of the JPA admitted the Cities of Compton and Inglewood as Members of the JPA. The JPA's purpose is as follows: "To promote and protect the card club gaming economy of the State of California and of the Member Cities of this JPA"

California Contract Cities Association

DELEGATE: JORGEL CHAVEZ (Mayor automatic appointment)

ALTERNATE: GABRIELA GOMEZ

Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of each month, 6:30 pm

17315 Studebaker Rd., Suite 210, Cerritos, CA 90703

AB1234 FILING REQUIRED

California Contract Cities Association (CCCA) is a collection of member cities united for a common cause. CCCA has grown from eight contracting or member cities to 67 member cities today with more than ten million residents. The general purpose of CCCA is to serve as a rallying point for cities contracting for municipal services so that we ensure our constituents the best service at the minimum cost. Through municipal seminars, education, and the exchange of ideas and information, our association combines resources to influence policy decisions affecting our member cities.

California Joint Powers Insurance Authority

DELEGATE: MARCO BARCENA

ALTERNATE: FRANCIS DE LEON SANCHEZ

Meetings: 4th Wednesday of each month, 5:30 pm

Annual Board of Directors Meeting 3rd Wednesday in July, 7:00 p.m.

8081 Moody St., La Palma, CA 90623

Cities have joined together to form the CJPIA for the purpose of providing liability protection for their members. The CJPIA is one of the largest municipal self-insurance pools in the state. The members take an active role in determining the programs and services that will be provided. A Board of Directors, consisting of one elected official appointed by each member City, governs the CJPIA.

Gateway Cities Council of Governments

DELEGATE: FRANCIS DE LEON SANCHEZ

ALTERNATE: JORGEL CHAVEZ

Meetings: Board of Directors – 1st Wednesday of each month, 5:30 p.m.

16401 Paramount Blvd., Paramount, CA 90723

FORM 700 FILING REQUIRED

The Gateway COG consists of 27 cities in Southeast Los Angeles County and numerous unincorporated communities of the County. The County of Los Angeles and the Port of Long Beach are also member agencies. The core mission is improving the region's transportation, air quality, housing, and economic health.

Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District

DELEGATE: PEDRO ACEITUNO (through Jan. 2025)

ALTERNATE: NO ALTERNATE NEEDED

Meetings: 2nd Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m.

12545 Florence Ave., Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

FORM 700 & AB1234 FILING REQUIRED

A California governmental agency committed to promoting community health, comfort, and welfare through effective and responsive vector control. The staff of California-certified vector control professionals are experts in mosquito abatement operations, disease surveillance, and public health outreach. Protecting the health of the public in the 34 cities and areas of Los Angeles County served is our number one priority. We strive to accomplish our mission with care, courtesy, and professionalism.

Hub Cities Consortium

DELEGATE: MARIA PULIDO

ALTERNATE: MARCO BARCENA

Meetings: 3rd Thursday of each month, 5:15 pm

2677 Zoe Ave. 2nd Floor, Huntington Park, CA 90201

FORM 700 & AB1234 FILING REQUIRED

Hub Cities Consortium's (HCC) mission is to develop a world-class workforce by providing universal access to information and resources for jobseekers, businesses, and the community at large. By serving as the access point to workforce systems, empowering jobseekers, and by working with the business community to meet their needs, the HCC will advance the economic wellbeing of the region.

Independent Cities Association

DELEGATE: GABRIELA GOMEZ

ALTERNATE: FRANCIS DE LEON SANCHEZ

Meetings: 2nd Thursday of each month, 7:00 pm

1049 Havenhurst Drive, #5 West Hollywood, CA 90046

Independent Cities Association is a nonprofit organization made up of 32 Southern California member cities focused on education, legislative advocacy, intergovernmental relationship, and other major issues that exceed the boundaries of its member cities.

League of California Cities

DELEGATE: JORGEL CHAVEZ

ALTERNATE: MARCO BARCENA

Meetings: 1st Thursday of each month, 6:00 p.m. (Los Angeles County Division)
Annual Conference

1400 "K" St., Suite 400, Sacramento, CA 95814 (Sacramento)

P.O. Box 1444 Monrovia, CA 91017 (Los Angeles County Division)

The League of California Cities is an association of California city officials who work together to enhance their knowledge and skills, exchange information, and combine resources so that they may influence policy decisions that affect cities. The Los Angeles County Division is the largest of 16 regional divisions of the League of California Cities and is comprised of 86 cities in Los Angeles County, from the smallest in population (City of Vernon) to the largest (City of Los Angeles) of the state's 480 cities.

Los Angeles County City Selection Committee

DELEGATE: JORGEL CHAVEZ (Mayor automatic appointment)

ALTERNATE: GABRIELA GOMEZ

Meetings: Meets three or four times a year

Metropolitan Water District, 700 N. Alameda Street, LA, CA 90012

Their duties are to appoint City representatives to such Boards, Commissions, and Agencies as may be required by law, i.e., LAFCO, South Coast Air Quality Management District, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Los Angeles County Hazardous Waste Management Advisory Committee; and to nominate for appointment Members to the California Coastal Commission. Members of the LA County City Selection Committee include the Mayor of each city within Los Angeles County. Each city appoints an elected official as a delegate to the City Selection Committee; it usually is the Mayor. The term of office for each Member of the LA County City Selection

Committee coincides with City Mayor terms, and the Committee meets three or four times a year, at the call of the Chairman.

Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (District No. 2)

DELEGATE: JORGEL CHAVEZ (Mayor automatic appointment)

ALTERNATE: MARCO BARCENA

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month, 1:30 pm

1955 Workman Mill Rd., Whittier, CA 90607

FORM 700 & AB1234 FILING REQUIRED

The Sanitation Districts protect public health and the environment through innovative and cost-effective wastewater and solid waste management, and in doing so convert waste into resources such as reclaimed water, energy, and recycled materials. To maximize efficiency and reduce costs, the 23 Districts work cooperatively under a Joint Administration Agreement with one administrative staff headquartered near the City of Whittier. Each Sanitation District has a Board of Directors consisting of the mayor of each city, and the Chair of the Board of Supervisors for unincorporated territory within the District. Each District pays its proportionate share of joint administrative costs.

Southeast Area Animal Control Authority (SEAACA)

DELEGATE: MARCO BARCENA

ALTERNATE: FRANCIS DE LEON SANCHEZ

Meetings: 3rd Thursday of each month, 2:00 p.m.

9777 SEAACA St., Downey, CA 90241

FORM 700 & AB1234 FILING REQUIRED

Founded in 1975, SEAACA is a municipal joint-powers agency serving 13 cities in Los Angeles County. SEAACA provides Animal Services to the cities of Bell Gardens, Bellflower, Buena Park, Downey, Lakewood, La Palma, Montebello, Norwalk, Paramount, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, South El Monte, South Gate, and Vernon. SEAACA's Shelter and Animal Wellness Clinic are open to all.

Southeast Community Development Corporation

DELEGATE: JORGEL CHAVEZ

ALTERNATE: MARCO BARCENA

Meetings: Quarterly, no set meeting date/time

6423 E. Florence Place Suite 103, Bell Gardens, CA 90201

The Southeast Community Development Corporation (SCDC), a non-profit organization, was incorporated on May 4, 1994, and was conceived from the realization that serious social and economic problems existed in the Southeast's eight-member cities. Elected officials from the cities of Bell, Bell Gardens, Commerce, Cudahy, Huntington Park, Maywood, South Gate, and Vernon were brought together to address issues of economic development from a regional perspective. The SCDC was created on the belief that community problems must be solved by the community itself and is committed to utilizing resources within the community. With local funding sources, the SCDC has continued to be a strong investment in the communities it serves.

Southern California Association of Governments

DELEGATE: MARCO BARCENA

ALTERNATE: JORGEL CHAVEZ

Meetings: Executive Board and subcommittee meetings are called as necessary. The General Assembly is held once a year on the first Thursday and Friday in May.

900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017

FORM 700 FILING REQUIRED

SCAG is the nation's largest metropolitan planning organization, representing six counties, 189 cities, and more than 19 million residents. SCAG undertakes a variety of planning and policy initiatives to encourage a more sustainable Southern California now and in the future. Under the guidance of the Regional Council and in collaboration with its partners, SCAG's mission is to facilitate a forum to develop and foster the realization of regional plans that improve the quality of life for Southern Californians.