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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### VOTE BY MAIL FOR MARCH 8, 2011 BELL CITY GENERAL MUNICIPAL AND SPECIAL RECALL ELECTIONS UNDERWAY

Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) Dean Logan reminded registered voters in the City of Bell that they can request Vote by Mail ballots for the upcoming March 8, 2011 Bell City General Municipal and Special Recall Elections through Tuesday, March 1.

#### **Vote By Mail Application / Permanent Vote By Mail Status**

Voters can use the Vote By Mail application on the back cover of their Official Sample Ballot Booklet or request a Vote By Mail ballot online at [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net). Voters who would like to automatically receive a Vote By Mail Ballot every election may request Permanent Vote By Mail status. Simply check the box marked "Permanent Vote by Mail Status" on the Vote by Mail application located on the back cover of the Sample Ballot booklet. Sample ballot mailings by the RR/CC to the more than 10,400 eligible registered voters in the City of Bell began on January 27 for the Bell City General Municipal and Special Recall Elections.

#### **Requesting A Vote By Mail Ballot**

Voters may request a Vote by Mail ballot in one of the following ways:

- Complete the Vote by Mail application on the back cover of the Official Sample Ballot booklet; or
- Submit an electronic request by visiting the RR/CC website at [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net) and click on the *Voting and Elections* button located at the top of the main page; click on the *Vote By Mail Application* link in the *Quick Links* box of the *Voting and Elections* page; or
- Send a letter addressed to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, Vote by Mail Section, P.O. Box 30450, Los Angeles, CA 90030-0450; or

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- Apply in person at the RR/CC Headquarters, 12400 Imperial Hwy., 3rd Floor, Room 3002, Norwalk, CA 90650.

Voters who request a Vote by Mail ballot can check on the status of their request using the RR/CC's online look-up. Visit [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net) and click on the *Voting and Elections* button located at the top of the main page; click on the *Vote by Mail Status* link in the *Quick Links* box of the Voting and Elections page. Voters may also call the RR/CC at (562) 466-1323.

### **Requesting Permanent Vote By Mail Status**

California law allows any registered voter to become a permanent Vote by Mail voter. Voters may request Permanent Vote by Mail status in one of the following ways:

- Complete the Vote by Mail application on the back cover of the Official Sample Ballot booklet and check the "PERMANENT VOTE BY MAIL STATUS" box; or
- Visit [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net) and click on the *Voting and Elections* button located at the top of the main page; click on the *Vote by Mail Information* button in the left navigation column; then click the *Permanent Vote By Mail Application* link in the *Links To Vote By Mail Applications* section located at the end of the Vote By Mail page to download a Permanent Vote By Mail Application;
- Send a letter addressed to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, Vote by Mail Section, P.O. Box 30450, Los Angeles, CA 90030-0450; or
- Call the RR/CC to request an application for Permanent Vote by Mail Status at (562) 466-1323.

### **Returning Your Vote By Mail Ballot**

Voted ballots must be received by the RR/CC no later than Tuesday, March 8, 2011 by 8 p.m. Ballots received after 8 p.m. on March 8, regardless of postmark, will not be processed and counted. In order to be counted, ballots cast by mail must be returned with sufficient time for mail delivery to the RR/CC by 8 p.m. on March 8. Vote by Mail ballots may also be returned in person to the RR/CC Headquarters, or delivered to any polling place in the City of Bell before the polls close at 8 p.m. on Election Day. A voter may authorize a designated family member to return the voted ballot to a polling place or to the RR/CC (See your Vote By Mail Guide for instructions).

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### **About the General Municipal Election**

The General Municipal Election, which will be conducted by the RR/CC, is being held for the purpose of electing three members to the City Council to serve four year terms.

### **About the Special Recall Election**

The Special Recall Election was consolidated by the City Council to occur on the same day, March 8, 2011, as the City of Bell General Municipal Election. The Special Recall Election will submit to the voters of Bell the question of whether Councilmembers Oscar Hernandez, Teresa Jacobo, George Mirabel and former Councilmember Luis Artiga should be recalled.

Because the terms for Councilmembers Hernandez and Mirabal will expire at the same time as the recall election, no vacancies will result in the event the recalls are successful. The full terms will be filled in the General Municipal Election, regardless of the outcome of the recall. Should the recall of Councilmember Teresa Jacobo succeed, voters will also vote for a successor to complete her unexpired term, which ends in April 2013.

### **About Special Vacancy Election**

Former Council Member Luis Artiga resigned his office on October 4, 2010. The vacancy for his unexpired term ending April 2013, will be filled, regardless of the outcome of the recall. The Special Vacancy Election was consolidated by the City Council to occur on the same day, March 8, 2011, as the City of Bell General Municipal Election.

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Persons requiring multilingual assistance in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog/Filipino or Vietnamese can call (800) 481-8683.

### **ABOUT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK**

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