DATE: January 31, 2023

TO: Mayor and Council Members

FROM: City Manager’s Office

SUBJECT: Third Amendment to California Cities Gaming Authority Agreement to Admit the City of Bell as a Member

RECOMMENDATION:
It is recommended that the Mayor and Council Members approve a third amendment to Agreement No. 20-031 (the California Cities Gaming Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement) to admit the City of Bell as a Member.

BACKGROUND:
On November 5, 2019, the Mayor and Council Members authorized the City of Inglewood to join the California Cities Gaming Authority (“CCGA”) as an Original Member for the purpose of promoting and protecting the common economic interests of its member cities.

On November 13, 2019, CCGA was established by the execution of a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement (“Agreement”) by the City of Gardena and the City of Inglewood.

On May 26, 2020, the Mayor and Council Members approved an amendment to the Agreement to admit the Town of Colma.

On January 12, 2021, the Mayor and Council Members approved a second amendment to the Agreement to admit the City of San Jose.

On January 11, 2023, the City Council of Bell elected to become a member of the CCGA.

On January 18, 2023, the Board of Directors of the CCGA voted to admit the City of Bell as a full voting member.

DISCUSSION:
The City of Inglewood sought to ensure the successful and orderly operation of the card room, due to its profound economic and social impacts on residents. To achieve this goal, on November 5, 2019, the City of Inglewood approved Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement No. 20-031 and adopted Resolution No. 2019-01, joining the City of Gardena as Original Members to create the California Cities Gaming Authority for the protection of shared interest in promoting and securing the operation of the card rooms in each respective jurisdiction, and contribute funding in order to ensure the financial viability of the CCGA.
The November 5, 2019 City Council Actions were in response to State regulatory agencies that oversee gaming at local card clubs providing guidance that they will target the way clubs do business by changing the rules under which card clubs have operated for decades. The establishment of the CCGA allows Member Cities to leverage their combined financial and political resources on the State and federal levels to promote and protect economic development, employment, municipal revenues, and other benefits.

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FINANCIAL/FUNDING ISSUES AND SOURCES:
None.

DESCRIPTION OF ANY ATTACHMENTS:
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COUNCIL PRESENTER:
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Mayor and Council Members

Third Amendment to CCGA Agreement

Admit the City of Bell as a Member

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CITY MANAGER APPROVAL: [Signature]

Artie Fields, City Manager
Attachment No. 1
AMENDMENT TO
CALIFORNIA CITIES GAMING AUTHORITY
JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS AGREEMENT
TO ADMIT THE CITY OF BELL

This Amendment ("Amendment") to the California Cities Gaming Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into by and between the City of Gardena, the City of Inglewood, the Town of Colma, the City of San Jose and the City of Bell (hereafter "Party" or "Parties").

RECITALS

A. The California Cities Gaming Authority, a Joint Powers Authority, (hereafter “CCGA”) was established on November 13, 2019 by the execution of the Agreement between the City of Gardena and the City of Inglewood and Amendments to the Agreement to add the Town of Colma and the City of San Jose.

B. Section 7.1 of the Agreement of the CCGA provides for the admission of additional governmental entities as Members of the CCGA upon such terms and conditions provided by the Board with the consent of a two-thirds vote of the Board and by the execution of a written Amendment to the Agreement by all Members of the CCGA including the additional Member.

C. The Board of Directors of the CCGA has consented, by a two-thirds vote, to admit the City of Bell as a Member to the CCGA subject to the terms and conditions of Agreement and this Amendment to the Agreement by the City of Bell and the Members of the CCGA.

D. The City Council of the City of Bell has voted to become a Member of the CCGA subject to the terms and conditions of Agreement and this Amendment to the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

1. The recitals herein are true and correct.

2. The California Cities Gaming Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement is approved and incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

3. Paragraph 3.10 of the Agreement is amended to read as follows:

The Directors shall appoint the following officers from among its Members: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Secretary. The Treasurer of the Authority shall be the Treasurer of a Member of the Authority, an offer or employee of a Member or the Authority, or a certified public accountant, as determined by the Board, for the term and on the conditions provided herein. The Treasurer shall also serve as the Auditor except where a certified public accountant has been designated as the Treasurer. The Board shall have the power
to appoint such additional officers as it deems necessary or desirable. All checks drawn on the Authority’s accounts shall be signed by the Chairperson or the Vice Chairperson and by the Treasurer.

4. The City of Gardena, the City of Inglewood, the Town of Colma and the City of San Jose hereby agree to admit the City of Bell as a Member to the CCGA and to be bound by the terms and conditions of the Agreement and this Amendment to the Agreement.

5. The City of Bell hereby agrees to be admitted as a Member of the CCGA and to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Amendment to the Agreement and the terms and conditions of the Agreement as though it had duly executed the Agreement. The City of Bell further agrees that:

   (a) It will participate actively in the governance of the CCGA and it acknowledges that the CCGA shall be governed by a Board of Directors.

   (b) It will designate one of its council members to serve as a Regular Director of the Board of Directors of the CCGA who will agree to attend its meetings.

   (c) It will designate another of its council members to serve as an Alternate Director of the Board of Directors of the CCGA who will agree to attend its meetings, in the absence of its Regular Member.

   (d) It will pay its pro-rata share of the annual contribution set forth in Paragraph 4.1 of the Agreement in the amount of $30,000 to the Authority in the manner set forth in Paragraph 4.2 of the Agreement.

6. Each party hereto enters into this Amendment on the date its Presiding Officer signs it; and this Amendment to the Agreement shall be effective on the date that it is signed by the last Presiding Officer of a party to sign it. Each party hereto understands and agrees that this Amendment effectively modifies the Agreement in that the City of Bell is hereby added as a Member to the Authority with a seat on the Board of Directors of the CCGA, Paragraph 3.10 of the Agreement is modified as set forth in Paragraph 3 hereof, and the City of Bell is deemed to have signed the Agreement.

7. Each party may sign this Amendment on a separate page and each such signature page shall constitute the whole hereof.

**CITY OF GARDENA**

By: ____________________________

Its Mayor

Date: ____________________________

**CITY OF INGLEWOOD**

By: ____________________________

Its Mayor

Date: ____________________________