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BASTA (The Bell Association to Stop the Abuse) applauds Bell residents for coming out and making their opinions heard; according to police estimates over 2,000 people showed up to today's rally. The event peaceful and demonstrated that Bell residents care, are dignified, and are ready to do their part in bringing good governance to the City of Bell.

Earlier in the day, the District Attorney and Attorney General announced that they will continue with their investigations of these abusive salaries and other malfeasance and misuse of public funds. Later at tonight's council meeting, the council voted to reduce their salaries to be in line with that of council member Velez and 3 council members said they would protect the Bell Police Department. These are all signs that the efforts of BASTA are chipping away at the council, but we still have a long way to go.

Finally, today's council meeting was the first time community was able to address the council and they made it clear that they want the Mayor Oscar Hernandez, Vice Mayor Teresa Jacobo, Councilman George Mirabal, and Councilman Luis Artiga to resign effective immediately.

Per the community's demands we still seek the immediate resignation of Mayor Oscar Hernandez, Vice Mayor Teresa Jacobo, Councilman George Mirabal, and Councilman Luis Artiga. If they do not resign, BASTA will begin the recall process of these 4 elected officials.

BASTA is a coalition of Bell residents and the Bell Police Officers Association seeking to end the abuse of public funds by Bell city officials.

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