

NOW: SCANDAL IN BELL

THEN: FAILURE IN OAKLAND UNDER JERRY BROWN

Before the **taxpayer scandal** in Bell, California

there was **JERRY BROWN'S Oakland.**



Los Angeles Times

“Maywood, South Gate, Lynwood, Vernon and Compton, which have all been plagued by exploitation, mismanagement and corruption”
—July 24, 2010

THE CITY OF BELL

Former City Manager: Nearly \$800,000 a year; \$600,000 of retirement benefits; Assistant City Manager: Nearly \$400,000 a year; Part-Time City Council: \$100,000 each member.

—Los Angeles Times, July 24, 2010

CITY OF SOUTH GATE

Former Treasurer convicted of soliciting more than \$1.8 million in bribes from bidders on city contracts.

—Los Angeles Times, August 4, 2006

CITY OF LYNWOOD

Former Mayor convicted for steering no-bid contracts worth hundreds of thousands of dollars to a consulting firm he secretly owned; 35 counts of extortion, fraud, money laundering and false statements to investigators.

—Los Angeles Times, November 2, 2005

CITY OF VERNON

Former Administrator: \$600,000 annual salary, taxpayer-paid limousine, \$60,000 in taxpayer money to pay for golf, massages, meals, and political contribution; and a yearly pension of \$500,000.

—Los Angeles Times, May 8, 2009

JERRY BROWN'S OAKLAND: BIG PAYOUTS TO CITY WORKERS, HIGHER TAXES.

Under Mayor Jerry Brown, Oakland suffered from mis-management at the top. Instead of fixing city management problems, Brown supported higher property taxes and increased fees and taxes on cable TV, garbage collection and even burglar alarms.

HERE ARE THE FACTS:

- Brown's City Manager awards herself \$60,000 in bonuses; cashes in \$183,000 in vacation, sick pay, and management leave.
—San Francisco Chronicle, April 11, 2008
- Brown's City Attorney receives big pay increases taking his salary to more than \$180,000 a year.
—Oakland Tribune, April 8, 2003
- Number of city workers earning more than \$200,000 increased by 740 percent from 2003–2006 under Brown.
—Inside Bay Area, January 29, 2007
- Number of city workers earning more than \$100,000 a year grew by 47.5 percent from 2005–2006.
—Inside Bay Area, January 29, 2007
- Brown's personal confidant and guru, Jacques Barzagli, was on the city payroll at \$126,000 a year. He later cost the city \$50,000 because of a sexual harassment lawsuit.
—Oakland Tribune, February 26, 2002



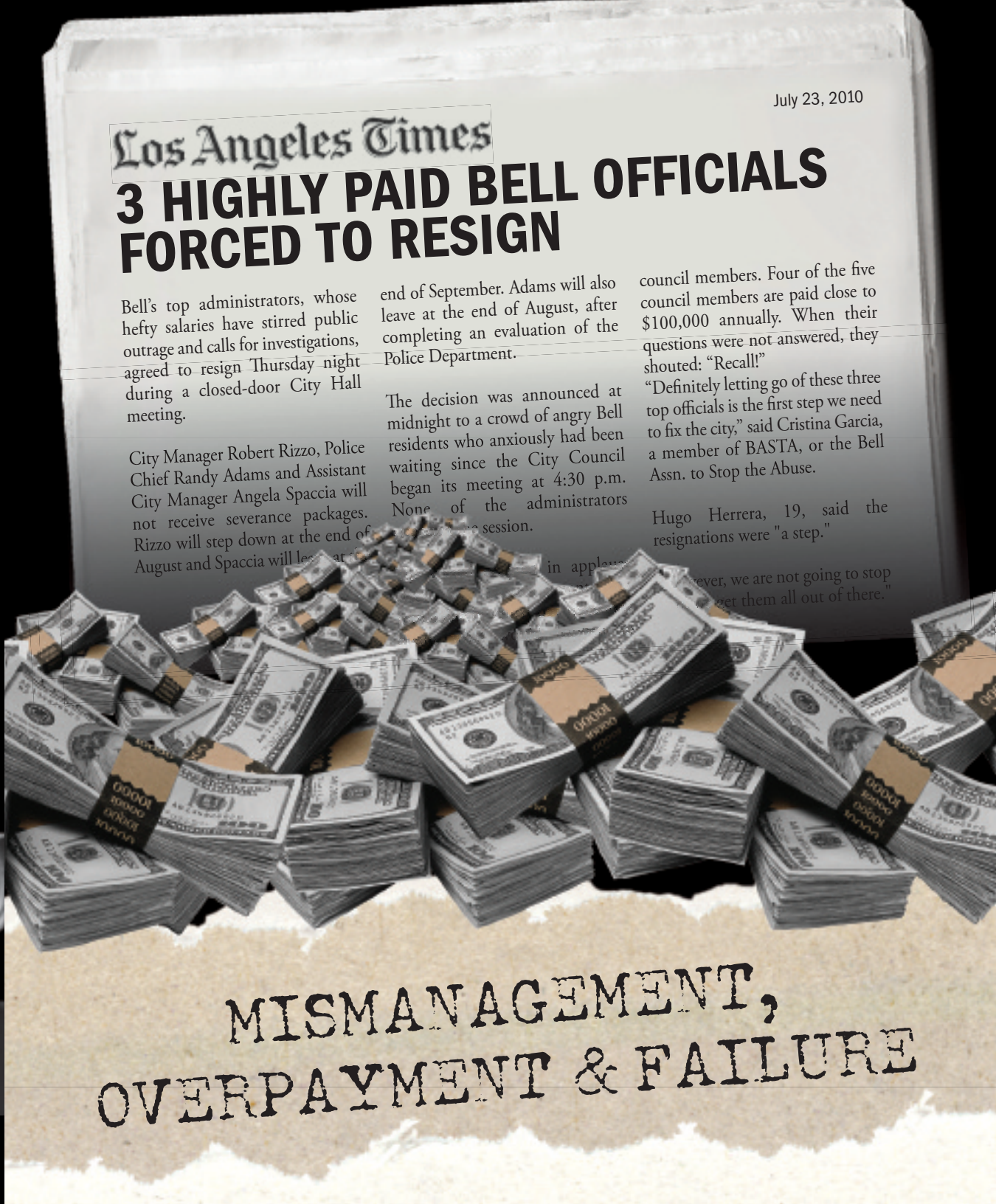
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WE CAN'T AFFORD JERRY BROWN.



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July 23, 2010

3 HIGHLY PAID BELL OFFICIALS FORCED TO RESIGN

Bell's top administrators, whose hefty salaries have stirred public outrage and calls for investigations, agreed to resign Thursday night during a closed-door City Hall meeting.

City Manager Robert Rizzo, Police Chief Randy Adams and Assistant City Manager Angela Spaccia will not receive severance packages. Rizzo will step down at the end of August and Spaccia will leave at the

end of September. Adams will also leave at the end of August, after completing an evaluation of the Police Department.

The decision was announced at midnight to a crowd of angry Bell residents who anxiously had been waiting since the City Council began its meeting at 4:30 p.m. None of the administrators

council members. Four of the five council members are paid close to \$100,000 annually. When their questions were not answered, they shouted: "Recall!"

"Definitely letting go of these three top officials is the first step we need to fix the city," said Cristina Garcia, a member of BASTA, or the Bell Assn. to Stop the Abuse.

Hugo Herrera, 19, said the resignations were "a step."

**MISMANAGEMENT,
OVERPAYMENT & FAILURE**