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Adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 18, 1972, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present were Councilmen Brewster, Johnson, Sciarrotta, Surber, Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Miller. Absent: None.

Also present: City Manager Ferraro, Assistant City Manager Scharfman, City Attorney Remelmeyer, City Treasurer Rupert, and Deputy City Clerk Mcss. Absent: City Clerk Coil (illness).

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mr. Fred Henry led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Councilman Wilson gave the invocation for the meeting.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the minutes of March 28, 1972 be approved as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Uerkwitz moved that all properly audited demands be paid. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

7. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Uerkwitz moved that after the Clerk has given a number and read title to any resolution or ordinance on tonight's agenda, the further reading thereof be waived, reserving and guaranteeing to each Councilman the right to demand the reading of any such resolution or ordinance in regular order. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Environmental Committee: April 19th meeting postponed to a later date, to be announced.

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ELECTION MATTERS:

9. GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION, April 11, 1972.
Results of Votes Cast -- Installation of Officials.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place to make official the results of the General Municipal Election held April 11, 1972.

It was further stated by Mayor Miller that the California State Commission on Voting Machines and Vote Tabulating Devices prescribed certain procedures to be followed in the voting and tabulating of ballots. Further, one of the requirements of the Commission was the performance of a Logic and Accuracy Test on the computer immediately prior to the tabulation of the ballots, and immediately afterwards. This was to be conducted by an Accuracy Certification Board which was to verify the accuracy of the computer. Serving as the Accuracy Certification Board were the Reverend Robert W. Kornegay, Councilman Ross A. Sciarrotta and Councilman George Surber. The City followed these procedures in the conduct of its election:

The law provides that the City Council may order the canvass of the election returns to be made by the City Clerk prior to the first Tuesday after the election. The Council authorized the canvass to be made by the City Clerk when they adopted Resolution No. 72-54 on March 28th, according to the Mayor.

Mayor Miller then inquired of the Deputy City Clerk, "has the City Clerk conducted the canvass of the returns of the General Municipal Election held April 11, 1972 as directed by the Council?" Mrs. Moss responded in the affirmative.

Next questioned by Mayor Miller: "Have all valid absentee ballots been canvassed and the results included in the semi-official returns?" Deputy City Clerk Moss answered "Yes, your Honor."

Mayor Miller: "Did the Accuracy Certification Board witness the conduct of the Logic and Accuracy Test by the Ballot Processing Board immediately prior to the processing of the ballots and immediately after processing of the last of the ballots through the computer, to test the accuracy of the computer?" Mrs. Moss' response was "Yes, your Honor."

The next question posed by the Mayor was: "Did the Accuracy Certification Board certify the Logic and Accuracy Tests and place them on file with the City Clerk?" An affirmative answer was furnished by the Deputy City Clerk.

Mayor Miller: "Was the Check-in of the returns conducted in the manner prescribed by the State Commission on Voting Machines and Vote Tabulating Devices?" Deputy Clerk Moss responded, "Yes, your Honor."

"Was the tabulation of the votes conducted under the direction of the Data Processing Manager?" was Mayor Miller's next question; Mrs. Moss' answer: "Yes, your Honor."

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Mayor Miller then inquired: "Are the results of the voting in each precinct and in the City as a whole accurately enumerated in the proposed resolution declaring the results of the election?" Deputy City Clerk Moss responded "Yes, your Honor."

It was then announced by the Mayor that the City Clerk has canvassed the returns as enumerated in the City Clerk's Certificate of Canvass embodied in Exhibit "A" of the proposed Resolution declaring the results of the election, and inquired if there were any challenges or protests to be lodged respecting the results of votes cast in any precinct or the City as a whole? There was no response.

There being no protests or challenges, Mayor Miller thereupon declared the official canvass of the returns of the April 11, 1972 General Municipal Election completed.

At the request of Mayor Miller, Deputy City Clerk Moss assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 72-61

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DECLARING RESULTS OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE ON APRIL 11, 1972, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THREE COUNCILMEN FOR THE FULL TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to waive further reading of Resolution No. 72-61. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Councilman Sciarrotta then moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 72-61. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Mayor Miller then addressed Minute Secretary Cripe to be sure that the City Clerk's Certificate of Canvass be entered in the minutes of this meeting right after the passage of Resolution No. 72-61, and that the full text of Exhibit "A" showing the results of the election precinct by precinct be entered in full in the official minutes of the proceedings of this Council meeting. Mrs. Cripe responded: "Yes, your Honor."

The City Clerk's Certificate of Canvass is reflected in the pages immediately following:

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CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF CANVASS

I, VERNON W. COIL, City Clerk of the City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California duly authorized by Resolution No. 72-54 adopted by the City Council of said City on the 28th day of March, 1972, do hereby certify that I have canvassed the returns of the regular general municipal election held in said City on the 11th day of April, 1972, and find that the number of votes given at each precinct and the number of votes given in the City to persons voted for, the respective offices for which said persons were candidates as set forth on the pages attached, identified as Exhibit "A", which exhibit shall be entered in full on the minutes of the proceedings of the said City Council held on said date.

DATED: April 12, 1972.

VERNON W. COIL, City Clerk

BY Marjorie P. Moss
Marjorie P. Moss, Deputy City Clerk
of the City of Torrance, California

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