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Adjourned at 6:30 P.M. -- in memory of Mr. Pat Hogue.

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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, August 15, 1972, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmen Armstrong, Sciarrotta, Surber, Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Miller. Absent: Councilman Brewster (vacation).

Also present: City Manager Ferraro, City Attorney Remelmeyer, and Deputy City Clerk Moss. Absent: Asst. City Manager Scharfman, City Clerk Coil, and City Treasurer Rupert.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mr. James Conn led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Reverend Lloyd C. Warneke, Ascension Lutheran Church.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the minutes of August 1, 1972 be approved as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster absent).

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Uerkwitz moved that all properly audited demands be paid. His motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Brewster absent).

7. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Wilson 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 Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster absent).

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8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

No reports.

PRESENTATIONS:9A. SAFETY AWARDS.

On behalf of the South Bay District Automobile Club, of Southern California, and the American Automobile Association, Mr. Hal Noland presented to the City of Torrance a Citation of Excellence for its Pedestrian Safety Program. There was grateful acceptance by Mayor Miller with acknowledgment of the many efforts which made such an award possible.

Awards were also presented to: Arthur Horkay, Traffic Engineer; Lieutenant David Cook, Commander, Traffic Division, Police Department; Mr. Robert Ellsworth, Torrance Unified School District; and Mrs. Carl Kildoo, Torrance Council, P-T-A.

9. PRESENTATION BY TORRANCE SENIOR CITIZENS FROM MAYOR OF WHITEHORSE, IN THE YUKON.

The "California Vagabonds" in a recent tour of Alaska bestowed a plaque on the Mayor of Whitehorse -- there was reciprocation by way of a like plaque for Torrance's Mayor, herewith presented. Sincere appreciation was conveyed by Mayor Miller.

10. PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF TRAINING IN PUBLIC HEALTH ASPECTS OF DOMESTIC WATER SUPPLIES TO WATER QUALITY INSPECTOR DAVIS AND WATER SERVICE LEADMEN MERCER AND LLOYD.

Water System Manager Borgwat described the valuable training achievements of Messrs. Davis, Mercer, and Lloyd -- formal presentation of Certificates by Mayor Miller followed.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:11. CARSON STREET IMPROVEMENT.

(Modification between Gramercy and Andreo Avenues - Flavio Beauty College.)

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That the modification (per Sketch 2) be approved.

Mr. Flavio Bisignano was present and indicated concurrence with what is now proposed.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Engineer. His motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Brewster absent).

It was pointed out by Attorney Alexander Mazzia that Council should take action rescinding the condemnation of Flavio's land for the wrap-around sidewalk, a fact confirmed by City Engineer Weaver. Councilman Sciarrotta so MOVED; the motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilman Brewster.)

TRAFFIC AND LIGHTING:

12. ORDINANCE re: Civic Center Parking Regulations.

ORDINANCE NO. 2347

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING ARTICLE 11 TO CHAPTER 1 OF DIVISION 6 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE ADOPTING TRAFFIC AND PARKING REGULATIONS FOR THE CIVIC CENTER.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2347 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster absent).

FISCAL MATTERS:

13. RESOLUTION authorizing the execution of agreement with Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce relative to advertising and promoting the City for Fiscal Year 1972-1973.

RESOLUTION NO. 72-163

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE TORRANCE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RELATIVE TO ADVERTISING AND PROMOTING THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1972-73.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 72-163. The motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Brewster absent).

AIRPORT MATTERS:

14. APPEALS OF AIRPORT COMMISSION OR AIRPORT DEPARTMENT ACTIONS.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER:

Based on Council action at last week's Council meeting, it is recommended that this item be referred to the Transportation Committee for consideration along with the general policies regarding lease considerations.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Manager, and to refer Item #14 to the Transportation Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong; there were no objections, and it was so ordered.

PARK AND RECREATION:

15. RESOLUTION authorizing the execution of the Extension to a Lease between the City and American-Standard for property to be used by the City for park and recreational purposes.

RESOLUTION NO. 72-164

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN EXTENSION TO A LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY AND AMERICAN-STANDARD FOR LEASE OF AMERICAN-STANDARD PROPERTY BY THE CITY FOR PARK AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES.

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 72-164; the motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Brewster absent).

PLANNING AND ZONING HEARINGS:

The hour of 6:00 P.M., the advertised hearing hour, having not yet arrived, Items #16, 17, and 18 were held for later in the meeting.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

19. ORDINANCES amending the Code to permit the Planning Commission to determine the appropriate density to be permitted in certain areas of the RTH Zone.

The Council indicated reservations as to the apparently arbitrary density standards, the vagueness as to the establishment of a specific density figure, the confusing reference to "5 units per acre", and the overall ambiguity of the proposed ordinance.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to refer the subject ordinance back to Staff for further study, per above discussion, and come back with an amended ordinance. The motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Brewster absent).

The hour of 6:05 P.M. having arrived, the Council returned to:

PLANNING AND ZONING HEARINGS.

16. TENTATIVE TRACT NO. 28989, WILLIAM P. FLOYD. Request for approval of a tentative tract map on property located between Deelane and Halison Streets, approximately 200 feet east of Talisman Street.
PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by Deputy City Clerk Moss, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the public hearing on Tentative Tract No. 28989, and inquired if anyone wished to be heard. There was no response.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the hearing be closed. His motion, seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Brewster absent).

A needed Flood Control Report was noted by Planning Director Shartle, with the request that approval be subject to receipt of an acceptable Flood Hazard Report from the Los Angeles County Flood Control District.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission for approval of Tentative Tract Map No. 28989, subject to certain conditions, and further subject to receipt of acceptable Flood Hazard Report. The motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Brewster absent).

17. TENTATIVE TRACT NO. 28973, WILLIAM P. FLOYD. Request for approval of a tentative tract map on property located at the west side of Anza Avenue, approximately 150 feet north of Deelane Street. PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by Deputy City Clerk Moss, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the subject public hearing -- there was no one present who wished to be heard.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster absent).

The need for a Flood Hazard Report was noted by Planning Director Shartle.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission for approval, subject to certain conditions, and further subject to receipt of an acceptable Flood Hazard Report. The motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz.

It was pointed out by Councilman Armstrong, prior to roll call vote, that the subject area has inconsistent lot sizes, but the difference is insignificant in terms of the way this community views the trade-off of the oil tankage and junk for some nice homes.

Roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster absent.)

18. TENTATIVE TRACT NO. 28893, WILLIAM P. FLOYD.

Request for approval of a tentative tract map on property located between Wilma Street and Carmelynn Street, approximately 500 feet west of Entradero Avenue.

PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by Deputy City Clerk Moss, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the subject public hearing, and inquired if anyone wished to be heard, There was no response.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster absent).

A needed Flood Hazard Report was noted by Planning Director Shartle.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission for approval, subject to certain conditions, and further subject to receipt of an acceptable Flood Hazard Report. The motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz; roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster absent).

19. Heard earlier in the meeting.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:20. ORDINANCE NO. 2346.ORDINANCE NO. 2346

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 99.1.6 AND 99.1.7 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING FILING FEES FOR SUBDIVISIONS AND OTHER DIVISIONS OF PROPERTY; AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2345 RELATING TO THE SAME MATTER.

Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2346 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster absent).

ROUTINE MATTERS:21. EXPENDITURES OVER \$300:RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

That Council approve the following purchases:

1. \$1011.15 to I.B.M. for two I.B.M. electric typewriters as requested by the Police Department for new employees.

2. \$453.60 to Michelin Office Machines of Torrance for two manual Olympia typewriters as requested by the Police Department for new employees.
 3. \$960.75 to American-Pneumatic for one only heavy duty 125-lb. pavement breaker and one only heavy duty dirt tamper as requested by the Water Department as replacement units.
 4. \$435.75 to Western States Envelopes Company for 100,000 envelopes as requested by the Library Department for mail circulation by the City Library System.
 5. \$1890.00 to Columbia Ribbon & Carbon Pacific, Inc. for 50,000 continuous ditto masters to be used for computer print-out as requested by the City Librarian.
 6. \$1176.00 to Los Angeles Ladder Company to furnish and install one only 30-ft. aerial ladder on a City truck as requested by the City Park Services Division.
 7. \$15,441.30 to Motorola Communications & Electronics, Inc. for 17 City vehicle mobile radios complete with antennas for the Police Department and Street Department (1 unit, Street Department) as replacement radios.
 8. \$383.25 to Western Highway Products for miscellaneous street name sign mounting hardware as requested by the Traffic and Lighting Department for stock "as requested".
 9. \$300.30 to Gale Research Company for 15 adult books and one subscription.
 10. \$913.55 to Needham Book Finders for 280 adult books.
22. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Fire Engine.
Reference Bid #B72-21 - Expenditure \$50,612.48.

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That Council accept the low responsible bid submitted by Crown Coach Corporation of Los Angeles for one only 1250 Pumper Fire Engine; and approve of the awarding of the contract to them; also, appropriate \$899.00 from the Fire Apparatus Replacement Fund to purchase this equipment.

23. APPROPRIATION FROM DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF STORM DRAIN BETWEEN HAWTHORNE BLVD. AND OCEAN AVENUE SOUTH OF 226TH STREET.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That \$70,000 be appropriated from the Drainage Improvement Fund for construction of drainage facilities from Ocean Avenue to Hawthorne Boulevard, 693 feet south of 226th Street.
(Drainage District 7A, Phase X.)

24. CLAIM of Dan E. Butcher for property damages.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That the above claim be DENIED and referred to the City Attorney. The Legal Department concurs with the above action.

25. CLAIM of John P. Johnston, Jr. for personal damages.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That the above claim be DENIED and referred to the City Attorney. The insurance carrier concurs with the above action.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the recommendations on agenda items #21, 22, 23, 24, and #25. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson.

Prior to roll call vote, Councilman Uerkwitz (Item #21, 1 and 2) noted the abundance of typewriters presently owned by the City of Torrance, and requested that the City Manager investigate such need, in view of the continuing requests for new typewriters.

Roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster absent).

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The hour being 6:15 P.M. Councilman Sciarrotta moved to recess as City Council and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster absent).

The Council returned to its agenda at 6:16 P.M. to hear:

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

26. City Manager Ferraro reported the honor bestowed on Councilman Armstrong in that he will be a panel member re: youth activities at the League conference in Anaheim, October 15-18.
27. Appreciation to Building and Safety Director McKinnon re: his memo on the Peninsula Enterprises matter before Council on August 8th; the information therein bearing out that there had been fairness of treatment by the City to the proponent.
28. A need to fill Commission vacancies, particularly that on the Traffic Commission, was pointed out by Councilman Armstrong -- it was agreed to proceed in the usual manner and make such determination with a full Council present.
29. A 3-week vacation in Colorado will necessitate his absence from the next three Council meetings, per Councilman Surber. It was Mr. Surber's request that City Manager Ferraro assemble all pertinent information on the Airport problems, so that a meeting may be set immediately on his return.

30. Councilman Uerkwitz referred to earlier Council approval of Item #22 - Fire Engine purchase - and noted findings at a recent tour by the Police and Fire Committee regarding fire wagons, etc. which might prove contrary to the approval of Item #22. It was the recommendation of Mr. Uerkwitz that the Fire Chief be satisfied regarding the subject purchase -- City Manager Ferraro acknowledged that the "door is left open" in this regard.
31. The now famous Guatemala City Ambulance will be on display in front on City Hall on Tuesday, August 22nd, according to Councilman Sciarrotta.
32. The request of the Beach Cities Symphony for financial support was referred to the Cultural Heritage and Arts Committee, with recommendation back to the Council, at the request of Councilman Wilson.
33. The crowning of a Torrance girl as Miss Teen, California was noted by Councilman Wilson, with the request for appropriate recognition.
34. A meeting of an Assembly subcommittee re: power poles and the North Torrance problem at 10:00 A.M. on October 20th in the Council Chambers was noted by Mayor Miller.
35. Congratulations to the Recreation Department Staff for its outstanding Water Festival were extended by Councilman Surber, with the request that the City Manager send a letter of thanks to its director, Marleen Musulin.
36. Adjournment of this meeting in honor of Water Commissioner Pat Hogue who recently passed away was requested by Councilman Surber, a request sincerely concurred in by the Council.
37. A communication from the Department of State acknowledging and commending Councilman Wilson's outstanding contribution to international goodwill by way of his recent trip to the Mideast was read aloud by Mayor Miller, with like congratulations to Dr. Wilson.
38. Budget Officer Ng advised that information re: the assessed valuation has been received from the County Assessor's office; it was Mr. Ng's pleasure to advise the Council that they may maintain the same tax rate for the current year.

The hour being 6:30 P.M. Councilman Surber moved for adjournment -- such adjournment to be in memory of Mr. Pat Hogue. The motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz; approval was unanimous.

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Minute Secretary

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Vernon W. Coil

Vernon W. Coil, City Clerk of the
City of Torrance, California

Ken Miller

Mayor of the City of Torrance