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Adjourned at 9:30 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, February 13, 1973, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

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

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

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mr. Bud Johnson led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Quincy K. Hamilton, Central United Methodist Church, gave the invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the minutes of January 30, 1973 be approved as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

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

7. MOTION TO WAIVE FUTHER READING:

Councilman Surber moved that after the Clerk has given a number and read title to any resolution or ordinance on tonight's agenda, 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 Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:Finance Committee:

A report on the Committee's findings regarding the use of revenue sharing funds will appear on the February 20th agenda.

Environmental Committee:

The following prepared report was made by Councilman Uerkwitz:

"On January 23, 1973, the Council referred the Environmental Impact Report Procedures to the ad hoc Industrial Environmental Quality Committee for study, review and recommendation.

"After meeting with the Staff and interested citizens, it is apparent that the matter is very complex, very far-reaching in its consequences, and, therefore, should be handled at the highest policy level. Accordingly, in order to save Staff time, to insure that all members of the Council receive the same information, and to protect the public's right to have their inputs properly evaluated, the Industrial Environmental Quality Committee recommends that this matter be returned to the Council, and that a Council Workshop Session be scheduled prior to a regular Council meeting, in order that this matter may be resolved in a public forum.

"I would suggest that, because of the intense public interest in this matter, a Workshop Session be scheduled at 6:00 P.M., prior to a regular 7:00 P.M. meeting."

There were no objections to the above request, and it was so ordered.

South Bay Councilmen's Association:

Participation by its members, according to Councilman Uerkwitz, in the review of night court procedures and the distribution of revenue sharing funds has been requested. It was, therefore, recommended by Mr. Uerkwitz that there be Finance Department and Finance Committee review prior to the Association meeting on February 22nd.

INTRODUCTIONS:

9. Torrance Civic Chorus.

Held for later in the meeting. (Page 6).

10. Women's Fellowship of Seaside Community Church.

Their communication advising that their topic for consideration in February is "City Government" was acknowledged by Mayor Miller, followed by appropriate introductions, and a welcome to this meeting.

PRESENTATIONS:11. COMMENDATION TO WARRIOR BAND, WEST HIGH SCHOOL.RESOLUTION NO. 73-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE COMMENDING THE WARRIOR BAND OF

WEST HIGH SCHOOL UPON THEIR SELECTION AS THE
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENEVA
FETE DE GENEVE.

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-19. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

REAL PROPERTY:

12. RESOLUTION authorizing the execution of an Agreement between the City and the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company for the abandonment of the Madrona Spur Track.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE ATCHISON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY FOR THE ABANDONMENT OF THE MADRONA SPUR TRACK.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-20. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

13. RESOLUTION authorizing execution of grant of easement to the Redevelopment Agency for ingress and egress over Lot 22, Tract No. 21484.

Held for one week, at the request of City Manager Ferraro.

14. BLUE'S FLYING SERVICE REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF LEASE TO 25 YEARS.

RECOMMENDATION OF AIRPORT MANAGER AND AIRPORT NEGOTIATING TEAM:

That action on extension of lease for Donald L. Blue dba Blue's Flying Service to 25 years be delayed until July 1, 1973, pending the outcome of the Master Plan, and extension implemented accordingly.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Airport Negotiating Team and the Airport Manager. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

15. HI-SHEAR CORPORATION REQUEST FOR OPTION TO LEASE 8.35 ACRE PARCEL IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT TO PRESENT HI-SHEAR PREMISES.

RECOMMENDATION OF AIRPORT NEGOTIATING TEAM AND AIRPORT COMMISSION:

That Hi-Shear's request for an option be referred to the Master Plan Study.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Airport Negotiating Team and the Airport Commission. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

FISCAL MATTERS:

16. RESOLUTION AND AGREEMENT providing for payment of \$750 to the Torrance Junior Chamber of Commerce to partially defray the cost of the 1973 Miss Torrance Pageant.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-21

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 JUNIOR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE RELATING TO THE 1973 MISS TORRANCE PAGEANT.

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-21. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ELECTION MATTERS:

17. RESOLUTION re: Special Municipal Election on April 17, 1973.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, CALLING, GIVING NOTICE OF THE HOLDING OF, AND PROVIDING THE BALLOT FORM FOR A SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE CONSOLIDATED WITH THE GENERAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION TO BE HELD IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 1973, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SAID CITY THREE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE REPEAL AND REVISION OF CERTAIN OBSOLETE PROVISIONS OF THE TORRANCE CITY CHARTER AND THE RECODIFICATION THEREOF.

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-18. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Armstrong, Brewster, Sciarrotta, Uerkwitz,
Wilson, and Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Surber.

It was reiterated by Councilman Surber that he is not opposed to the proposed Charter changes, his opposition is to the combined ballot.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Attorney that the Council authorize the Mayor and the members of the Charter Review Committee to prepare arguments in support of these ballot measures. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong; there were no objections, and it was so ordered.

AIRPORT MATTERS:

18. REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR PUBLIC BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A STORM DRAIN AT AIRPORT DRIVE AND CURTISS WAY.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER:

That the City Engineer be authorized and directed to advertise for public bids for the construction of a storm drain at Airport Drive and Curtiss Way, and that \$45,000.00 be appropriated from Airport Retained Earnings for the construction thereof.

(Job No. 731-09).

(Unanimously concurred in by Airport Commission.)

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the above recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:

19. YOUTH RAP SESSION.

REQUEST OF TORRANCE YOUTH COMMISSION:

That Council concur with the desire of the Youth Council to arrange another "Rap Session" to discuss resolutions passed at the recent South Bay Youth Leadership Conference in an attempt to determine the future of these resolutions -- such meeting to be held at the earliest possible convenience.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above request. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:

20. CITY HALL ADDITION AND REMODELING - Change Orders No. 8-A and 8-B.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUILDING AND SAFETY DIRECTOR:

That an amount of \$10,209.02 be approved for the subject work; further, that Change Order No. 8-B be approved to allow the construction of the architectural screening of the roof air conditioning equipment on the old section of City Hall for a figure of \$35 per linear foot not to exceed the figure of \$24,500 or 700 linear feet.

(No appropriation is necessary from the General Fund for these changes in that this is covered in the Contingency Fund for this purpose.)

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Building and Safety Director re: Change Orders 8-A and 8-B. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

21. ORDINANCE re: ZC 72-27.

ORDINANCE NO. 2383

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE

TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY THAT
CERTAIN PROPERTY WHICH IS LOCATED EAST OF
HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD BETWEEN PACIFIC COAST
HIGHWAY AND SKYPARK DRIVE, AND DESCRIBED IN
ZONE CHANGE 72-27.

(Torrance Planning Commission)

Councilman Surber moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2383 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

22. REQUEST FROM TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT re: Waiver of filing fee and cost of zone change for Crenshaw Site.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER:

The filing fee is \$185.00. There is also a \$25.00 fee to cover the City's out-of-pocket costs in obtaining names and addresses for mailing notices of such hearings. It is recommended that, if Council grants the School District's request, it waive only the filing fee of \$185.00, as was done for Grace Wright Elementary School in November, 1971.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to waive both fees. The motion died for lack of a second.

MOTION: Councilman Brewster moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Manager. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

The Council now returned to:

9. TORRANCE CIVIC CHORUS.

A musical presentation was made by the Torrance Civic Chorus, and all present conveyed their considerable enjoyment of these talents.

PLANNING AND ZONING HEARINGS:

23. ZC 72-28, IRENE M. ERWIN (Don Wilson Builders). Change of zone from R-1 to R-3 (PP) on property located at the south side of the Dominguez Channel, approximately 100 feet north of 166th Street.
PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS DENIAL.

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.

The written request of February 12, 1973 from Mr. Don Wilson that the subject application be withdrawn was noted. There was no one present on this matter.

Councilman Brewster moved that the hearing be closed; his motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the request of the proponent to withdraw ZC 72-28, and that same be filed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

24. MASTER PLAN OF STREETS AND HIGHWAYS AMENDMENT. SOUTH TORRANCE OIL FIELDS (Southeast Torrance area) Determination of a possible alternative to the opening of 236th Place between Cabrillo Avenue and Arlington Avenue.
PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS PLAN #1.

TRAFFIC COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

That 236th Place remain on the Master Plan as a full-width street out to Arlington; that for the time being, because of the costs involved and future pending development of this property, etc., only the northern half of the street be opened, and that this 17-foot opening be restricted to one-way traffic going west to Arlington Avenue.

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, following Staff presentation, invited those present on this matter to speak at this time.

Mr. Rich Cornwall, 2070 - 236th Place, noted the petition of record bearing 74 signatures requesting adherence to the "previous time schedule determined for the opening of 236th Place, between Cabrillo Avenue and Arlington Avenue, thereby removing any necessity for the forming of a Special Assessment District to finance any earlier opening." Mr. Cornwall then reviewed the Planning Commission considerations, and the varying petition findings. A visual presentation by Mr. Cornwall followed, in the interest of clarification of the true neighborhood feeling in this matter.

Next to speak was Mr. John Kuhn, 1241 Fifth Street, Manhattan Beach, who reiterated his concern that there be consideration for Mrs. Virginia Fields, owner of the corner property and her home for many, many years. He then introduced Mrs. Fields who was present in the audience and came forward to urge that she be permitted to retain her home for now -- the street will be available in time.

Other speakers: Mrs. Eugene Frazier, 2076 West 236th Place, stated she had participated in obtaining petition signatures, and observed the concern of the entire street for Mrs. Fields property and the protection thereof. Mrs. Thompson, a 237th Street resident with a lot on 236th Place, expressed her concerns regarding the possible effect to her property line were the street opened.

There being no one else who wished to be heard, Councilman Surber moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Council discussion was directed to review of the traffic circulation needs in the subject area, the lack of urgency in the development of 236th Place, emergency vehicle needs, the merits of a half-street restricted to one-way traffic, a "dog-leg" arrangement, etc. -- it was agreed that the recommendation of the Traffic Commission should be followed, a recommendation that would retain 236th Place on the Master Plan as a full width street.

It was the opinion of Councilman Brewster that the Council should not be restricted to four solutions, none of which he favors -- the temporary arrangement proposed is acceptable to him; however, his preference is the "dog leg", and it was Mr. Brewster's request that Staff return with such a concept as another alternative.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with the recommendation of the Traffic Commission: That 236th Place remain on the Master Plan as a full-width street out to Arlington; that for the time being, because of the costs involved and future pending development of this property, etc., only the northern half of the street be opened, and that this 17-foot opening be restricted to one-way traffic going west to Arlington Avenue. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Councilman Brewster indicated that his "yes" vote is for the reason "as a temporary solution" -- Mr. Brewster reiterated his request that Staff return with the concept held by him, a bulb or "dog-leg" which elbows down to 237th Street via Haas Street. Mr. Brewster also stated that too many openings onto Arlington will cause it to fail to function as an arterial to move traffic; there will be requests for stop signs, stop lights, with "stop-and-go" at every block.

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25. ZC 72-26, D & D DEVELOPMENT COMPANY (Don Hill and Delbert Bliss, Partners). Change of zone from A-1 to RTH on property located south of Newton Street and west of Madison Street. PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL TO R-1 WITH R-1 PD OVERLAY.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the continued hearing on ZC 72-26, it being noted that the proponent has now requested withdrawal of this item, per his communication of February 9th.

Councilman Wilson moved to close the hearing. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the request of the proponent for withdrawal of ZC 72-26, and that same be filed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ROUTINE MATTERS:

26. EXPENDITURES OVER \$300:

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

That Council approve the following items:

- A. BUDGETED ITEMS:
1. \$1616.22 to Doubleday & Company for 252 adult and juvenile books.
 2. \$362.51 to Books for Libraries, Inc. for 31 adult books.
 3. \$621.43 to Prentice-Hall, Inc. for 104 adult books.
 4. \$308.82 to Simon & Schuster, Inc. for 115 adult and juvenile books.
 5. \$504.27 to Needham Book Finders for 136 adult books.
 6. \$332.78 to Holt, Rinehart & Winston, Inc. for 169 adult and juvenile books.
 7. \$3518.21 to Campbell & Hall for 473 adult and 146 juvenile books.
 8. \$458.85 to Easi-File Corporation for one only engineering drawing filing cabinet and accessories as requested by the Traffic & Lighting Department for storing street and intersection drawings.
 9. \$598.50 to George F. Cake Company for two Police pursuit overhead lamp assemblies with load public address speakers as requested by the Police Department.
 10. \$1036.88 to Johnsons Stationers of Torrance for 250 Virco folding chairs as requested by the Park and Recreation Department.

11. \$756.00 to Calico Rock Milling Company for 40 tons of California "gold rock" as requested by the Park and Recreation Department for beautification of City streets.
12. \$488.55 to Western Water Works Supply Company for two 6" diameter pipe reducers and nine only 10" and 12" pipe service saddles as requested by the Water Department.
13. \$650.16 to Park-Son, Inc. for six flanged large diameter water valves as requested by the Water Department.
14. \$550.37 to Pacific States Cast Iron for six cement-lined water tees and 12 cement-lined adapters as requested by the Water Department.
15. \$336.00 to Mine Safety Appliance for one only self-contained breathing apparatus as requested by the Water Department.
16. \$558.60 to American Pneumatic for one only heavy duty pavement breaker as requested by the Water Department.
17. \$506.63 to Action Specialties for 3500 each 2" City South Bay logo decals and 500 each 9" size same as requested by the City Garage for use by all departments on City equipment.
18. \$310.76 to Graybar Electric for two only 20-ft. lengths and two only 35-ft. lengths electric cord reels as requested by the Traffic and Lighting Department.
19. \$315.00 to South Bay Reloading Service to reload 25,000 rounds of .38 caliber bullets for the range practice as requested by the Police Department.

B. REIMBURSABLE ITEM:

20. \$952.64 to Smith & Hartford Custom Coach for traffic accident repairs to a City Bus (Unit #351) as requested by the City Garage. Billing to cover this repair is in progress to the responsible party.

27. Considered separately. (Page 11)

28. FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 30610.

Subdivider: Creative Homes.

Engineer: J.H. Edwards

** Location: Between 231st and 233rd Streets, east of Pennsylvania Ave.

** No. of Lots: 17.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/PLANNING DIRECTOR:

That subject final tract map be approved.

**Correction per City Engineer Weaver: There are only 6 lots (instead of 17); the Location is actually between 230th Place and 231st Street (instead of between 231st and 233rd). The accompanying sketch for this item is correct, per Mr. Weaver.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the recommendations on agenda items #26 and #28, with the correction as noted on item #28. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

27. RESOLUTION re: Construction of 1970 Bond Issue Project No. 9819.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING THE 1970 BOND ISSUE PROJECT 9819 AND GRANTING PERMISSION TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN SAID STORM DRAINS WITHIN THE PUBLIC STREETS IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

— Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-22. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ADDENDUM ITEM:

29. TH 73-1, BUILDING CONTRACTORS FAULKNER AND MITCHELL - T-HANGAR CONSTRUCTION LEASE.

RECOMMENDATION OF AIRPORT NEGOTIATING TEAM:

Approval of the lease with the following changes:

- (1) Provision for delivery of the four parcels individually or collectively.
- (2) Extension of the time for payment of the pro rata share from ten days to thirty days.
- (3) Deletion of any provision for the use of Builder Control Service in lieu of the required bonds.

Adoption of the accompanying resolution.

Staff clarification was provided by Assistant City Manager Scharfman and Assistant Airport Manager Critchfield -- The proponent, Mr. Carl Faulkner, was in attendance to reiterate the financial urgency in this matter, the overall history of the subject lease, and to describe the service rendered by Builders Control Service, the arrangement desired by him. City Attorney Remelmeyer pointed out that the Builders Control Service would not protect the City, hence the above condition #3.

The following action resulted:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 73-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THAT CERTAIN AIRPORT HANGAR LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND CARL R. FAULKNER AND JACK W. MITCHELL, DOING BUSINESS AS BUILDING CONTRACTORS FAULKNER-MITCHELL, A PARTNERSHIP.

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-23. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with the recommendations of the Airport Negotiating Team. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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The hour being 9:10 P.M. Councilman Sciarrotta moved to recess as the City Council, and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. The Council returned to its agenda at 9:12 P.M.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

30. Councilman Armstrong noted the fact that trash containers near the Civic Center Library are exposed to public view, and urged early remedial measures. Building and Safety Director McKinnon advised that such measures are underway.

31. The quarterly reports from the Airport and the Transit System were specifically noted and deemed excellent reports by Councilman Brewster, it being pointed out that bus passengers cost approximately \$1.42 per passenger, due primarily to the labor cost -- a factor of concern for the forthcoming budget sessions.

32. Councilman Sciarrotta outlined the plans which have been formulated for the visit of Sister City Kashiwa, Japan dignitaries to Torrance next week.

33. Appreciation for the Lincoln Day flag display, provided by Director of Recreation Van Bellehem and Staff, was expressed by Councilman Surber.

34. Praise for the Building Department by way of a communication from Mrs. William Treadgill was noted by Councilman Surber.

35. The status of the Senior Citizen tax reduction relief proposed by Councilman Uerkwitz some time ago was questioned by him -- the need for a legal opinion by City Attorney Remelmeyer, and Finance Committee review, was pointed out by Councilman Sciarrotta -- a procedure concur in by the Council. A meeting date of February 22nd at 5:00 P.M. for the Finance Committee was agreed upon.

36. Recent correspondence referring to the progress of Columbia Park was noted by Councilman Wilson who joined in urging that every effort be made to bring about favorable action.

It was the request of Mayor Miller that City Manager Ferraro arrange a meeting with Supervisor Hayes, with Mr. Norman Johnson in attendance, and that the Council be advised accordingly, in order to further pursue this matter.

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37. Mayor Miller advised that a report on the Internship Program will be available in approximately two weeks.

38. The need for soccer facilities in Torrance, the tremendous interest in this sport, per a communication from the AYSO president, was reported by Mayor Miller, with the request that same be referred to the Park and Recreation Commission for study and evaluation, with proper notification to these interested parties.

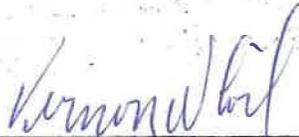
39. Mr. John Houck, 2365 West 235th Place, representing the Surfside Swim Club, advised that their annual invitational swim meet is scheduled for February 24th at El Camino College -- it was his request that the Council again approve a contribution in support of this event.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved that the Council approve at this time the same contribution that was made last year. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

40. City Manager Ferraro advised that Councilman Surber has been elected Treasurer of the Los Angeles Police and Fire Officers Association -- congratulations were extended Mr. Surber on this achievement.

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

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

APPROVED:



Ken Miller
Mayor of the City of Torrance

Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary

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