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Adjourned at 8:20 P.M. to Tuesday, October 30, 1973 at
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Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary

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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, October 16, 1973, at 5:30 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, City Clerk Coil, and City Treasurer Rupert.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mr. George McMullen led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation was provided by Councilman Wilson:

"OUR DEAR HEAVENLY FATHER, AGAIN WE COME BEFORE THEE TO ASK FOR THY GUIDANCE AND DIRECTION IN ALL THINGS. AT THIS TIME IN HISTORY, WITH THE TURMOIL OF WORLDLY AFFAIRS, HELP US CONCENTRATE ON THE THINGS AT HOME THAT WE MAY DO THY WILL TO THE BEST OF OUR ABILITY."

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the minutes of October 2, 1973 be approved as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the approval of all regularly audited demands. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

7. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Surber 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 Armstrong, and approval was unanimous.

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8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:Legislative Liaison Committee:

Met this date re: Proposition 1 -- no report at this time; held for October 30th meeting.

Police, Fire, and Public Safety:

Will next meet on October 17th at 5:00 P.M.

PROCLAMATIONS:

8A. "NATIONAL CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA" DAY -
October 21, 1973.

8B. "NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN'S WEEK" - October 21-27, 1973.

So proclaimed by Mayor Miller.

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Specifically noted by Mayor Miller and Mrs. Barbara Werre was the formal opening of the Historical Room at Post Avenue Library on Sunday, October 28, 1973, at 2:00 P.M.

PRESENTATION:

8C. Permaplaque to Building and Safety Director McKinnon - Page 12.

COMMISSION MATTERS:9. RECOGNITION FOR FORMER CITY COMMISSIONERS.RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE COMMITTEE:

1. That, in the future, the City Clerk be requested to notify the Council, via the agenda, regarding the length of service of former City Commissioners, as he has done in the past, together with a standard recommendation to the Council that the matter of appropriate recognition be referred to the Finance Committee for recommendation.
2. That on the October 9th list of former Commissioners, plaques be presented to former Commissioners Nolte and Tyrell; and that letters of commendation be presented to all others on the list who have not been previously recognized.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the above recommendations of the Finance Committee. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10. REPORT FROM COUNCIL AD HOC COMMITTEE ON APPOINTED GROUPS.RECOMMENDATION OF SUBJECT COMMITTEE:

1. That the summary report of October 12, 1973 be adopted;
2. That the City Attorney be directed to draw all appropriate ordinances for transmission at the earliest possible date;
3. That Staff schedule orientation and articulation meetings as may be appropriate;

4. That Staff be directed to develop a new pamphlet designed to inform citizen lay members, applicants, and the general community with the nature and character of the role of citizen groups in the government of Torrance. Such pamphlet should be designed to stand alone or to supplement particular Commissioner's Manuals.
5. That the City Manager review the minute taking and staffing of the various groups and prepare recommendations for consideration by the Committee; and
6. That upon receipt and filing of the requisite annual reports of the various Commissions and other citizen groups for the current year, this Ad Hoc Committee be reconvened to review this program of citizen involvement.

The subject ordinances and resolutions were presented by City Clerk Coil, as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2432

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING ARTICLE 8, CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE YOUTH COMMISSION; AND ADDING A NEW ARTICLE 8, CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 TO SAID CODE ESTABLISHING A HUMAN RESOURCES COMMISSION.

Councilman Armstrong moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2432 at its first reading; the motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson.

Prior to roll call vote on the motion, Councilman Uerkwitz confirmed that additional Minute Secretary services would not be required; that the Committee-recommended "motion only minutes" would prevail for Commissions without quasi-judicial responsibilities, with assignments, etc. to be determined by the City Manager's office. On that basis Mr. Uerkwitz cast an affirmative vote.

Roll call vote to approve Ordinance No. 2432 was unanimously favorable.

ORDINANCE NO. 2433

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SECTION 13.2.7 OF ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION, AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 13.2.7 OF ARTICLE 2, CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT.

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Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2433 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-196

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE ESTABLISHING A TORRANCE
CITY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL.

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-196. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-197

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE ESTABLISHING A TORRANCE
CITY YOUTH COUNCIL.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-197. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of the Ad Hoc Committee's Amended Final Report and Summary Recommendations, dated October 12, 1973, incorporating the above stated Committee Recommendations. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster.

Prior to roll call vote, Councilman Uerkwitz indicated his preference for "positive appointment" of Commissioners, rather than the present elective system -- Commissioner Armstrong confirmed the intent of the Committee that the "elective system" be retained.

The motion carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Uerkwitz. (Because of the "elective"
appointment only; the rest of
the report is satisfactory to him).

Councilman Armstrong expressed his appreciation to fellow Committee members -- Councilmen Surber and Wilson -- for their untiring efforts in these lengthy considerations of approximately one year's duration -- with particular praise for the substantial Staff input and support.

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REAL PROPERTY:

11. RESOLUTION re: Grant of Easement for the purpose of providing Underground Electrical Service.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-198

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST A GRANT OF EASEMENT TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY.
(Walteria Park - Electrical Underground Service for Taco Bell Restaurant.)

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-198. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

FISCAL MATTERS:

12. RESOLUTION re: agreement with State Board of Equalization to administer the collection of local sales and use taxes; ORDINANCE repealing Code section re: "Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax" and substituting a new Article 3 relating to the same matter.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-199

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION TO ADMINISTER THE COLLECTION OF LOCAL SALES AND USE TAXES.

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-199. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ORDINANCE NO. 2434

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPLACING ARTICLE 3, ENTITLED "UNIFORM LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX", OF CHAPTER 20, DIVISION 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE WITH A NEW ARTICLE 3 RELATING TO THE SAME MATTER; IMPOSING A ONE (1) PERCENT TAX ON ALL RETAIL SALES OF TANGIBLE ^{PERSONAL} PROPERTY IN THE CITY AND A ONE (1) PERCENT TAX ON THE STORAGE, USE, OR OTHER CONSUMPTION OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY.

Councilman Surber moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2434 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

13. RESOLUTION re: Agreement with the firm of Diehl, Evans and Company, Certified Public Accountants, for Fiscal Year 1973-74.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-200

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 AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND DIEHL, EVANS AND COMPANY FOR AUDITING SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR.

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-200. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

14. ATTENDANCE OF YOUTH COMMISSION MEMBER AT LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES CONFERENCE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

REQUEST OF TORRANCE YOUTH COMMISSION:

That a member of the Youth Commission be permitted to attend the League of California Cities Conference in San Francisco, October 21-24. Additionally, we request that the City allocate an amount not to exceed \$250 from the Unappropriated Reserve of the City to cover the necessary expenses.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above request of the Youth Commission. His motion; seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS:

15. ORDINANCE NO. 2418 - SECOND AND FINAL READING - re:
Oil Severance Tax Code Revision.

ORDINANCE NO. 2418

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 228.2.1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE SEVERANCE TAX ON OIL PRODUCTION AND REPEALING EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 2417 RELATING TO THE SAME MATTER.

Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2418 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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LAND MANAGEMENT MATTERS:

16. RESOLUTION re: Chanslor-Western Oil and Development Company Franchise.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-201

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO AWARD A FRANCHISE TO CHANSLOR-WESTERN OIL AND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN PIPELINES FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF HYDROCARBON SUBSTANCES IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING THEREON.

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-201. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

17. ORDINANCE NO. 2431.

ORDINANCE NO. 2431

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION 2 (c) OF SECTION 97.7.4 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE REQUIRING THE REMOVAL OR FILLING OF ALL BURIED PIPELINES.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2431 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

18. ORDINANCE re: ZC 73-13, Rod Barker.

ORDINANCE NO. 2435

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 APPROXIMATELY 170 FEET EAST OF CRENSHAW BOULEVARD BETWEEN 238TH STREET AND 239TH STREET, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 73-13.
(Rod Barker)

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Councilman Surber moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2435 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Armstrong, Brewster, Surber,
Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Miller.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEN: Sciarrotta (not present at hearing).

19. ORDINANCE re: amendment to Code clarifying definition of hotels, motels and apartments, and the off-street parking requirements.

ORDINANCE NO. 2436

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 2, AND SECTIONS 93.2.15 AND 93.2.20 OF DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO CLARIFY THE DEFINITION OF HOTELS, MOTELS AND APARTMENTS AND THE OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2436 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Review of the condominium ordinance was requested by Councilman Surber, in view of the increased conversions -- Planning Director Shartle will follow through with such review, along with consideration of updating the PD overlay zone.

PLANNING AND ZONING APPEALS:

20. D 73-16, ROD BARKER & E.N. PAPADAKIS.
Appeal of Planning Commission conditions of approval for a Division of Lot into three parcels on property located approximately 75 feet east of Crenshaw Boulevard between 238th Street and 239th Street.
APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS.

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

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the advertised public hearing on D 73-16, and inquired if anyone wished to be heard.

Mr. Tom Papadakis, seller of the subject property, voiced his objections to conditions no. 4 through 12 -- he is neither requesting a zone change nor seeking a permit for any improvements, and yet is burdened with the above conditions which represent a substantial expense. Of particular concern were conditions #9 --

"That driveway access onto Crenshaw Boulevard be eliminated and the driveway opening be closed;" -- and condition no. 11 -- "That the driveways on 238th Street and 239th Street be a minimum of 24 feet wide." Council discussion ensued regarding access needs for commercial development,^{and} like developments throughout the City, it being the general consensus that conditions #9 and #11 would inflict hardship on the Crenshaw Boulevard commercial property owned by Mr. Papadakis. Safety hazards would be presented as well, in the opinion of Councilman Surber, were the subject conditions 9 & 11 imposed.

It was the further feeling of the Council that the remaining conditions would serve to upgrade the property, with resultant good for the community.

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

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission for approval of D 73-16, subject to conditions, deleting conditions #9 and #11. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES:	COUNCILMEN:	Armstrong, Sciarrotta, Surber, Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Miller.
NOES:	COUNCILMEN:	Brewster (he would concur with the deletion of condition #9; however, condition #11 should remain.)

21. PP 73-15, FRANCES PIKUSH.

Held for later in the meeting -- see page 12.

ROUTINE MATTERS:

22. EXPENDITURES OVER \$300:

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

That Council approve the following purchases:

A. BUDGETED ITEMS:

1. \$544.32 to M&W Electric of Torrance for six heavy duty 60 AMP electric contactors, as requested by the Department of Transportation.
2. \$1031.10 to Pacific States Cast Iron for 40 each 6" 45-degree pipe fittings, as requested by the Water Department.
3. \$1362.22 to Dearth Machinery Company for various replacement items including a complete replacement hydraulic pump for a rubbish truck, as requested by the City Garage.

- 4. \$389.34 to Moore Business Forms for 30,000 printed City of Torrance payroll checks, as requested by the Finance Department.
- 5. \$3074.06 to Vanier Graphics for an annual contract to supply Data Processing "continuous forms" for high speed printer, as requested by the Data Processing Department on an "as needed" basis.
- 6. \$13,700.00 to Inglewood Stationers for an annual contract to supply "as required" over 220 different stationery items, as requested by Central Services Division.
- 7. \$1485.43 to West State Books, Inc. for 193 library books.
- 8. \$984.84 to Southern California Trophy Company for 129 various City of Torrance employment service pins, as requested by the Personnel Department to be presented to long-term employment employees.

B. REIMBURSABLE ITEMS:

- 9. \$518.18 to Crown Body & Fender for necessary repairs to City Truck Unit #7126 involved in an accident, as requested by the City Garage. Billing is in progress to responsible party for reimbursement.
- 10. \$359.38 to A.B.C. Body Shop for necessary repairs to a 1969 Dodge, Unit #7104, involved in an accident, as requested by the City Garage. Billing is in progress to responsible party for reimbursement.

23. RENEWAL OF BUS LEASE-TIRE AGREEMENT - B.F. GOODRICH COMPANY, 1973-74 FISCAL YEAR.

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/PURCHASING SUPERVISOR/DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION: That Council approve of the renewing of this lease-tire contract for another year at the mileage rate of .011874 per bus mile (six tires) for 1000-20; and .011058 per bus mile (six tires) for 1100-20 which is subject to minor variation based on a periodic check of actual Torrance bus mileage experience. This rate is subject to change due to approved changes of the "average hourly wage rate" experienced by the B.G. Goodrich Tire Company which is reviewed every six months.

24. RELEASE OF SUBDIVISION BOND - Tract 23103.

Subdivider: Don Wilson Builders
 Bonding Company: General Insurance Co. of America.

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>BOND NO.</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Performance	566040	\$4,800.00

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That subject bond be released.

25. CLAIM of Janis LaRue Clifton Landon for property 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.

26. CLAIM of Lloyd E. Kefauver for property 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.

27. CLAIM of Clarence Buddy Landon for personal damages.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

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

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the recommendations on agenda items #22, 23, 24, 25, 26, and #27. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ADDENDUM ITEM:

28. RESOLUTION re: State EIR Guidelines.

RESOLUTION NO. 73-202

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE STATING THE POSITION OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE IN REGARD TO CERTAIN PROPOSED
AMENDMENTS TO THE STATE GUIDELINES FOR
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTS PROPOUNDED
BY THE SECRETARY OF RESOURCES.

Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 73-202. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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The hour being 6:40 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 approval was unanimous. The Council returned to its agenda at 6:42 P.M.

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PRESENTATIONS:

8C. PERMAPLAQUE to Building and Safety Director McKinnon.

The dedicated efforts of Building and Safety Director McKinnon in the concept, construction, and ultimate evolution of the new City Hall were tangibly acknowledged by way of a permaplaque illustration of this edifice, such illustration appearing as the Pacific Telephone South Bay directory cover. Presentation was made, and appreciation conveyed, by Mayor Miller and Councilman Uerkwitz.

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The Council returned to:

PLANNING AND ZONING APPEALS:

21. PP 73-15, FRANCES PIKUSH. Appeal of Planning Commission action approving a Precise Plan of Development to allow construction of a duplex in the R-1 zone on property located on the south side of 227th Place approximately 100 feet west of Madison Street.
APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

Affidavit of Publication was presented by City Clerk Coil, 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 invited those desiring to speak in this matter to do so at this time.

Mr. John LaResche, 3634 West 228th Street, president, Torrance Heights Civic Association, pointed out the absence of access to the single-family residence (constructed in approximately 1959) at the rear of the subject property. Mr. LaResche also pointed out the specific direction of the Council that the proponent conceive a plan agreeable to these residents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Diebold.

Also present on this matter were the proponent, Mr. Gil Sellen who was of the opinion that there had been compliance with Council's direction, and Mrs. Lawrence Diebold, owner of the above referred to single-family residence, who detailed the access problems presented them by the proposed development.

A lengthy discussion ensued as to Council intent regarding access, the problems in this regard now confronting the Diebolds, the apparent absence of communication, etc., it being the consensus of the Council that this matter should be continued to permit resolution of a manner of access to the Diebold property.

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

It was the direction of the Council that the proponent confer with Staff and all interested parties to determine a walkway location or otherwise feasible arrangement to provide access to the Diebold property.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to continue the public hearing on PP 73-15 to the Council meeting of October 30, 1973, a 5:30 P.M. meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

29. At the request of City Manager Ferraro, League of California Cities Conference Delegate and Alternate were formally appointed, as follows:

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved that Mayor Miller be the delegate for the League of California Cities Conference, with Mayor Pro Tem Sciarrotta to be the Alternate. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

30. Councilman Armstrong reported on the SCAG hearing on October 11th re: Airports, with vote on the citizens' recommendations to take place at the November meeting.

31. It was the request of Councilman Armstrong that City Clerk Coil institute the necessary public advertising to fill present Commission vacancies.

32. Councilman Armstrong reported on the status of the Naval Supply Annex property -- the fact that it has been declared surplus, and no other agency is interested in the land, and that acquisition by the City of Torrance appears most likely, representing a milestone in the City's history.

There is now need, per Mr. Armstrong, to submit a park plan acceptable to the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, and it was his request that the City Manager be directed to assign a high priority to the project, to enlist all his resources to comply with the Department of Interior and Bureau of Outdoor Recreation policies, regulations, and schedules -- his efforts should include an active role for the Park and Recreation Commission and Staff in establishing design and development criteria. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

In conclusion, it was stated by Councilman Armstrong "dreaming about such achievements, no matter how great the desire, is never enough; it's the doing that makes the difference. Congressman Wilson has pursued this objective diligently and professionally from the first. His determination and commitment and all of his efforts in our behalf have been the essential ingredients for success and have brought us to this point." Mr. Armstrong then requested that Staff prepare a program of appropriate recognition for Congressman Wilson, his effort, and achievement which will symbolize the City of Torrance's appreciation. There were no

objections, and it was so ordered.

It was the added request of Mayor Miller that there be Staff cooperation with the School District in the plans for the fantastic buildings and the property potential -- particularly in the area of freezer-locker use. It was the Mayor's comment that "I really feel they have a share in this, and when they have a share the taxpayer profits equally, whether it be the schools or the City."

Concurrence with the foregoing comments was indicated by Councilman Brewster -- however, potentially great problems must be acknowledged as well. There is a need to fully understand what the potential problems might be, Mr. Brewster added, as well as determining what options are available to the City with regard to use of the land -- such information likewise should be provided by Staff.

Councilman Surber also concurred with the foregoing comments, and added that it might be well to think along the lines of maybe reducing some of the ambitious goals of too many parks -- perhaps there can be some trade-offs in view of the need for a new City Yard and like needs.

The value of the subject property was noted by Councilman Uerkwitz, with particular note of the large buildings and their potential use -- praise is due Congressman Wilson for his efforts in the achievement of this site acquisition.

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33. The availability of some \$36,000 in S.B./Funds -- subject to matching City funds -- was pointed out by Councilman Brewster who requested clarification regarding the use of same.

Assistant City Manager Scharfman reported on the administrative decision not to pursue the matter in that there is an absence of purpose, in view of the ample funds in the budget at the present time for the bus system.

Discussion ensued regarding the S.B. Funds, it being noted by Councilman Brewster that good use of the funds could be made by SCRTD and that this would give the City of Torrance an opportunity to demonstrate its goodwill by relinquishing the funds to this agency. It was the direction of the Council that the City Manager so communicate to SCRTD.

34. Councilman Brewster reaffirmed the SCRTD invitation to tour the BART System on October 21st in San Francisco, a tour especially arranged for the League of California Cities Conference representatives.

35. It was the recommendation of Councilman Sciarrotta that a get-together with City of Carson officials be reviewed by Staff.

36. Councilman Sciarrotta requested that the Recreation Department investigate the merits of a teenage car repair center for one of the buildings on the Naval Supply Annex property.

37. Removal of the oil well at Hickory Park was noted, with pleasure, by Councilman Sciarrotta who requested that Staff arrange a meeting with appropriate parties to discuss acquisition of this land, with an eye to extension of the Hickory Park site.

38. Councilman Surber requested Staff research re: California's 1976 Bicentennial activities, and recommended that there be a task force of Commissioners invited to formulate plans, along with possible incorporation of the Armed Forces Day Parade event.

39. Councilman Surber displayed the latest and up-to-datest in smog control devices, and described what is to come in the world of smog control devices and the hazards thereof.

40. In reference to the BART System, it was the comment of Councilman Surber that the economics of same should be investigated, with skyrocketing fares predicted unless new tax support is forthcoming.

41. Mayor Miller provided a most interesting, illuminating report on his recent trip to Kashiwa, Japan -- the warmth and hospitality of the Japanese people, the sincere respect for the Sister City program, and the many noteworthy events arranged for City of Torrance representatives were lauded by the Mayor.

42. Mr. Orin P. Johnson, 23810 Stanhurst, president, Southeast Torrance Homeowners Association, advised that the Los Angeles City Council has continued the Superior Oil, Joughin Unit matter until Tuesday, October 23rd -- it was his request that a letter go forward to the Los Angeles City Council urging consideration of an EIR requirement on the Superior-Joughin Unit.

It was next requested by Mr. Johnson that the Los Angeles City Council direct Superior Oil to stop injecting water into the three wells in question, or, alternatively, to reverse their injection process and make those wells into producers, thereby relieving pressures which may be building under the Torrance area.

City Attorney Remelmeyer indicated concurrence with Mr. Johnson's request, and advised that an appropriate letter would be drafted for Mayor Miller's signature to go forward to the Los Angeles City Council.

Pictures depicting the resultsof an improperly abandoned well at Newport Beach were furnished the Council by Mr. Johnson. It was the suggestion of City Attorney Remelmeyer that the Division of Oil and Gas provide a report and analysis with reference to like situations in the Torrance field. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

At 8:20 P.M. Councilman Surber moved to adjourn to Tuesday, October 30, 1973, at 5:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and approval was unanimous.

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Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary

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APPROVED:

Ken Miller
Mayor of the City of Torrance