

June 7, 1974

MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR
MEETING OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in an Adjourned Regular Meeting on Friday, June 7, 1974, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Geissert; Councilmen Armstrong, Surber, and Mayor Miller. Councilman Brewster arrived at 5:45 P.M. Absent: Councilmen Uerkwitz, Wilson (out of the City).

Also present: City Manager Ferraro, Deputy Attorney Freeman, City Clerk Coil, Finance Director Dundore, Assistant Finance Director Rankin, and Budget Officer Ng.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Water System Manager Borgwat led in the salute to the flag.

4. BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION.

A. BICYCLE PATHS.

The matter of bicycle paths in the City of Torrance was detailed by C.E. Assistant Grosse. It was the recommendation of Director of Transportation Horkay, concurred in by the Council, that any decision regarding bicycle paths be delayed until the Circulation Element of the General Plan has been approved.

B. SUPPLEMENTAL DATA RE: VARIOUS REVENUE SOURCES:

Reviewed by Finance Director Dundore were revenue sources from Refuse Collection charges and Start-up fees for Water and Rubbish (and the surveys thereon) -- the effect of a Utility Users' Tax Exemption for Senior Citizens was reviewed at length, it being agreed that the many details involved in such a program should be worked out by the City Manager and a "pilot program" implemented in the 1974-75 budget. It was the request of Councilwoman Geissert that Staff provide information pertaining to consumption of utilities by this group of people.

C. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESENTATION ON REVENUE SOURCES.

Messrs. Jack Schmidt, Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce; Nelson Rucker, Union Carbide; and John Green, PPG, reviewed at length the devastating effect on Torrance industry were the utility users' tax exemption removed by the Council, and urged that such drastic action not be taken.

Mr. John Rice, member of the Chamber's Budget Review Committee, requested that the findings of this Committee, in the absence of Mr. Ed Boecher this date, be scheduled for the June 13th Budget Workshop session. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

D. SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS.

City Manager Ferraro outlined the budget time schedule, noting public hearing dates of June 11th and 18th, as well as the June 13th date established for presentation by the Chamber's Budget Review Committee.

It was the request of Councilman Brewster that a meeting be set for Monday, June 10th, for the purpose of Staff reports re: alternate sources of revenue were the utility tax exemption retained. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:0 P.M., Councilman Armstrong moved to adjourn to Monday, June 10, 1974, at 5:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and approval was unanimous. (Absent: Councilmen Uerkwitz, Wilson).

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

APPROVED:

Ken Miller
Mayor of the City of Torrance