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Adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

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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 Tuesday, July 16, 1974, at 5:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Geissert; Councilmen Armstrong, Brewster, Uerkwitz, and Mayor Miller. Absent: Councilman Wilson (out of the country). Councilman Surber arrived at 5:30 P.M.

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:

Councilman Armstrong led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Father Patrick McHugh, Nativity Catholic Church, gave the invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Uerkwitz moved to approve the minutes of June 18, 1974, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Surber, Wilson).

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

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

7. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Armstrong moved that after the City 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 Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Surber, Wilson absent).

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8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Police, Fire, and Public Safety:

Continuing meetings re: Paramedics -- matter now referred back to Staff for additional information. Committee will next meet on July 24th at 5:00 P.M.

Charter Review:

Will meet on July 17th at 4:30 P.M. re: November ballot proposals.

Parks, Recreation, and Community Development:

Met on July 15th re: City/Friends of Madrona Marsh relationship -- areas of agreement were that it's the City's responsibility to develop any Grant applications for Federal and State funds, and that the citizens' group might assist the City in this process by participating in research and soliciting legislative support for such applications. Further, it was agreed that the citizens' group might make applications for Grants from private foundations, this being done with the cooperation and concurrence of City administrative staff, per Councilwoman Geissert.

Another meeting on this matter has been scheduled for Monday, July 22nd, at 4:00 P.M.

Public Works:

Will meet on July 26th re: Maricopa/Alaska matter.

COMMISSION MATTERS:

9. COMMISSION INTERVIEWS:

The following applicants were interviewed for appointment to the Airport Commission or the Human Resources Commission:

Elmira Luongo, Lloyd Brown, Mary Ellen Stanley, Dick Holsman, George White, Melvin Leetz, Joseph Clukey, Robert Morris, Verna Mattox, and Lee Clukey.

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At 5:30 P.M. Councilman Uerkwitz moved to recess for the purpose of an Executive Session to make the subject appointments. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Surber, Wilson).

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The Council returned at 6:00 P.M. Mayor Miller, on behalf of the Council, announced the following appointments:

AIRPORT COMMISSION:

ROBERT MORRIS.

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMISSION:

LLOYD BROWN.

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9A. PRESENTATION BY LAITIN BROTHERS:

At this point in the meeting, Councilman Armstrong introduced Mark Ozawa and young guest Steve Laitin, recently honored by the L.A. Aztecs for his sportsmanship, his desire to win, and his sense of fair play, and named by the Aztecs as their Mascot. Also present for this occasion were Steve's father, Dr. Howard Laitin, and brother, Kenny.

Brothers Steve and Kenny then conveyed their appreciation to the City and all responsible for their good life in the City of Torrance.

It was the request of Councilman Armstrong that there be appropriate recognition for Steve and Kenny.

10. MINORITY GROUP REPRESENTATIVES TO THE MANPOWER PLANNING COUNCIL.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMITTEE:

That Council approve the following names:

Mexican-American Representative:

Joe Solis.

Asian-American Representative:

Carl Nobuyki.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Civil Service Committee and approve the subject nominations. The motion was seconded by Councilman Verkowitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilman Wilson).

Councilman Armstrong announced that there would be a meeting of the Manpower Planning Council on July 18th at 7:00 P.M.

PRESENTATIONS:

11. TORRANCE BEAUTIFICATION SCENE AWARD - SPRING, 1974.

Held for later in the meeting. See Page 10.

REAL PROPERTY:

12. ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FOR OPEN SPACE PURPOSES, east side of Crenshaw Boulevard, north of Rolling Hills Road.

RECOMMENDATION OF LAND MANAGEMENT TEAM:

Land Management Team estimates the cost of the land to range from \$75,000 upward. Based upon that estimate, Land Management Team CANNOT RECOMMEND purchase of the property at this time because those funds are not available, except in the Water Revenue Fund which is presently reserved for future water facility construction. Further, because of the topography involved, the maintenance costs could be excessive.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with the recommendation of the Land Management Team. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

13. RESOLUTION authorizing agreements for the purchase of land and oil interests in Sur La Brea Park and placing the royalty payments therefrom in the Park and Recreation Facilities Fund for Sur La Brea Park.

The request of SETHA to hold this item until August 13th was noted by Mayor Miller. City Attorney Remelmeyer pointed out the long standing review of this matter, including Park and Recreation Commission consideration, and requested that the Council overrule SETHA's request and proceed with the item. Mayor Miller commented on the Council's usual practice of complying with such requests for deferment.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to defer Item #13 until the Council meeting of August 13th. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:

14. RESOLUTION authorizing agreement for construction of Bus Stop Shelter in Del Amo Fashion Square.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-148

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THAT CERTAIN LEASE, AGREEMENT AND GRANT OF EASEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND CARSON-MADRONA COMPANY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BUS STOP SHELTER IN DEL AMO FASHION SQUARE.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-148. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Wilson absent).

15. RESOLUTION authorizing agreement for continuation of County subsidy of the 25¢ flat fare program.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-149

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 OF TORRANCE AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR THE CONTINUATION OF A COUNTY SUBSIDY FOR THE 25-CENT FLAT FARE PROGRAM.

Prior to action on the above resolution, Director of Transportation Horkay confirmed that Senior Citizens would continue to ride the buses free of charge.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved to adopt Resolution No. 74-149. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

- 16. NO STOPPING ANYTIME - TOWAWAY on Hawthorne Boulevard between 182nd Street and 190th Street, and between Del Amo Boulevard and Torrance Boulevard.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

That the existing stopping prohibitions on Hawthorne Boulevard between 182nd Street and 190th Street, and between Del Amo Boulevard and Torrance Boulevard, remain in place.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Department of Transportation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber.

Prior to taking action on the above motion, Staff presentation was made by Traffic Engineering Associate Collins, following which Mayor Miller invited comments from the audience.

Mr. Scott Robinson, spokesman for Hawthorne Boulevard automobile dealers, reviewed the traffic experience on this street, based on their observation and experience; economic considerations and reduced sales of automobiles, etc. Mr. Robinson further noted their "stepchild" feeling, and urged that parking be permitted on Hawthorne Boulevard at other than peak travel hours.

Council discussion ensued -- pointed out by Mayor Miller was the forthcoming Prairie/Madrona opening and the likely beneficial effect on Hawthorne Boulevard traffic; the Mayor indicated his willingness to again review this matter when that opening is a fact.

Roll call vote on the motion to concur with the recommendation of the Department of Transportation was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilman Wilson).

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

- 17. REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss hours, wages, and working conditions.

Held for later in the meeting. See Page 17.

- 18. ORDINANCE/TMEO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING - Revised Class Specification and Classification Report for Building Regulations Administrator (Currently Senior Structural Plans Examiner).

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That Council approve the subject class specification as amended.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Civil Service Commission. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

ORDINANCE NO. 2508

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 17.103.1 OF PART X, CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO SALARY RANGES AND CLASS TITLES.

Councilman Armstrong moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2508 at its first reading. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilman Wilson).

19. RESOLUTION regarding compensation and fringe benefits for phase-down of PEP Program and ORDINANCE/MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING with TMEO (AFSCME) regarding same.

Held for later in the meeting -- clarification desired by John Kirkpatrick. See Page 8.

20. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ATTORNEY:

That Council approve the appointment of William G. Willett, effective August 19, 1974.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Attorney. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

Mr. Willett was in attendance, and expressed his appreciation for the appointment as Deputy City Attorney.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:

21. RESOLUTIONS authorizing the agreements with the U.S. Forest Service as a cooperator, and C.E. Bent and Son, to construct the 1975 Float for the City in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-151

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND C.E. BENT AND SON, INC. FOR THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, ENTRY, DISPLAY AND OPERATION OF A FLOAT IN THE 1975 TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE.

Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-151. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

RESOLUTION NO. 74-152

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE FOREST SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PROVIDING FOR THE SHARING OF COSTS FOR THE FLOAT TO BE ENTERED BY THE CITY OF TORRANCE IN THE 1975 TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-152. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

22. PRESENTATION BY TORRANCE ROSE FLOAT ASSOCIATION OF RENDERING OF 1975 TORRANCE FLOAT ENTRY.

Torrance Rose Float Association president, Mr. Ed Enrietta, presented a rendering of the City of Torrance Float Entry (in cooperation with the U.S. Forest Service) in the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Parade, January 1, 1975. Approval of this most unique float was unanimously voiced by the Council.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

23. ORDINANCE NO. 2493.

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 25 OF DIVISION 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO UTILITY USERS' TAX AND SUBSTITUTING A NEW CHAPTER 25 THEREFOR RELATING TO THE SAME MATTER; AND REPEALING EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 2492 RELATING TO THE SAME MATTER.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2493 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brewster, Surber, Uerkwitz;
Mayor Miller.
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Geissert.
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Wilson.

24. ORDINANCE NO. 2505.

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 97.8.7 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE FOR THE OPERATION TIME OF OIL WELL REPAIR, DRILLING AND MAINTENANCE.

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Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2505 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

25. ORDINANCE NO. 2506.

ORDINANCE NO. 2506

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 97.9.3 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE REQUIRING THE ENCLOSURE OF OIL WELL SITES.

Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2506 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

26. ORDINANCE NO. 2507.

ORDINANCE NO. 2507

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 ON THE NORTH SIDE OF ARTESIA BOULEVARD APPROXIMATELY 675 FEET EAST OF YUKON AVENUE, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 74-6.

(AULDRIDGE & MOORE)

Councilman Uerkwitz moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2507 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

The Council now returned to:

19. MANPOWER PHASE DOWN PROGRAM.

Following review of this item by Messrs. Scharfman and Kirkpatrick, it was indicated that it was mutually agreeable to Delete Item a in Section 2 until Memorandum of Understanding is at hand. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-150

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH SALARIES AND WAGE SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS FOR MANPOWER TRAINING PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS.

Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-150, deleting Section A. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

ORDINANCE NO. 2509

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING A NEW SECTION 17.56.12 OF PART V, CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO EFFECT CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS IN WORKING CONDITIONS.

Councilman Brewster moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2509 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Wilson absent).

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

- 27. HEARING ON APPEAL PP 74-5, P.O. PROPERTIES.
 Appeal of Planning Commission denial of a Precise Plan of Development to allow the construction of a commercial development in the C-2 (PP) zone on property located on the northeast corner of Newton Street and Vista Montana.
 (DENIED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION WITHOUT PREJUDICE.)

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 following Staff presented by Assistant Planning Director Hagaman, invited those desiring to speak to do so at this time.

The proponent, Mr. Emil Britt, 18310 Amie Avenue, described the problems confronted in the development of this difficult piece of property, as well as the problems faced by the overall shopping/dining facilities in this area.

Council discussion ensued -- specific concerns were directed to the fact that the Vista Montana driveways do not line up and the likely traffic problems which will be created thereby; the need for consideration of integration and coordination of the total shopping area, including the vacant restaurant; the possible resiting of U-1, U-2, U-3, and U-4 to the south end of the lot; the possible reduced development on the site, etc.

It was the ultimate consensus of the Council that this matter be referred back to Staff for further efforts at redesign, and that there be a workshop session scheduled with adjacent property owners for consideration of an integrated, coordinated shopping complex.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to refer Item #27 to Staff for study and to hold a workshop session, as above outlined; this item to be returned to the agenda on September 17th, a 5:30 P.M. meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

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PRESENTATIONS:

11. BEAUTIFICATION SCENE AWARD - SPRING, 1974.

Torrance Environmental Quality Commission Chairman Lewandowski honored the following Award winners:

Residential:

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Foreman
1720 Watson Avenue

Commercial:

USEIT Federal Credit Union
2409 Arlington

Industrial:

South Bay Industrial Park
Oregon Court and Maple.

Plaques of recognition were presented by Mayor Miller, on behalf of the Council, and there was grateful acceptance by the recipients.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS (Cont.):

28. CONTINUED HEARING ON APPEAL CUP 74-41 AND PP 74-12,
RODGERS & McDONALD PUBLISHERS, INC.

Automatic Appeal of Planning Commission approval of a Conditional Use Permit and a Precise Plan of Development to allow the remodeling and construction of additional floor area in an existing furniture store in the C-3 zone, located on the south side of Sepulveda Boulevard approximately 200 feet east of Madrona Avenue.

APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the subject hearing -- this being an automatic City Council-directed review of significant developments prior to General Plan adoption.

City Manager Ferraro advised that Staff has now carefully reviewed the plans, and all previously voiced objections regarding right-of-way are now withdrawn.

There being no one present who wished to speak, Councilman Uerkwitz moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission for approval of CUP 74-41 and PP 74-12, subject to conditions. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

29. RESOLUTION approving CUP 74-41.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-153

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE REMODELING AND CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL FLOOR AREA IN AN EXISTING BUILDING IN THE C-3 ZONE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD APPROXIMATELY 200 FEET EAST OF MADRONA AVENUE.

CUP 74-41 (EA 74-13)

RODGERS & McDONALD PUBLISHERS, INC.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-153. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

30. RESOLUTION approving PP 74-12.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-154

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A PRECISE PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOW THE REMODELING AND CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL FLOOR AREA IN AN EXISTING BUILDING IN THE C-3 ZONE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD APPROXIMATELY 200 FEET EAST OF MADRONA AVENUE.

PP 74-12 (EA 74-13)

RODGERS & McDONALD PUBLISHERS, INC.

Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-154. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

31. CONTINUED HEARING ON APPEAL CUP 74-42 & PP 74-12, ROBERT W. GRIMES. Automatic appeal of Planning Commission approval of a Conditional Use Permit and a Precise Plan of Development to allow the construction of a 2-story building and the addition of additional retail floor area to an existing building in the C-3 zone property located on the south side of Sepulveda Boulevard approximately 200 feet east of Madrona Avenue. APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

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City Manager Ferraro advised that Staff has now carefully reviewed the plans, and previously voiced objections regarding right-of-way are now withdrawn.

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

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission for approval of CUP 74-42 and PP 74-13, subject to conditions. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

32. RESOLUTION approving CUP 74-42.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-155

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL RETAIL FLOOR AREA TO AN EXISTING BUILDING IN THE C-3 ZONE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD APPROXIMATELY 200 FEET EAST OF MADRONA AVENUE.

CUP 74-42 (EA 74-13) - ROBERT W. GRIMES

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-155. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

33. RESOLUTION approving PP 74-13.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-156

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A PRECISE PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL RETAIL FLOOR AREA TO AN EXISTING BUILDING IN THE C-3 ZONE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD APPROXIMATELY 200 FEET EAST OF MADRONA AVENUE.

PP 74-13 (EA 74-13) - ROBERT W. GRIMES.

Councilman Armstrong moved to adopt Resolution No. 74-156. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

ROUTINE MATTERS:

34. EXPENDITURES OVER \$300:

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

That Council approve the following purchases:

A. BUDGETED ITEMS:

1. \$725.57 to Graybar Electric Company for various Airport lighting fixtures and accessories, including "runway" lamps, as requested by the Airport Division.
2. \$367.98 to Sopp Chevrolet for miscellaneous Chevrolet parts, as requested by the City Garage.

3. \$1,190.91 to Sears, Roebuck, Inc. for miscellaneous chain link fencing materials, as requested by the Park and Recreation Department for installation at the Airport and Sur La Brea Park.
 4. \$519.29 to Moore Business Forms for a reorder of City of Torrance payroll checks, as requested by the Finance Department.
 5. \$1,278.89 to Osborne, Kemper, Thomas/Colson, c/o Louis F. Almstadt for 200 each City logo tie pins and 150 only ceramic City logo desk emblems, as requested by the City Clerk's Office to be awarded by Council.
 6. \$1,995.00 to Parker Smith Construction Company for the installation of a sewer line at Victor Park, as requested by the Building Maintenance Department.
 7. \$559.04 to Inglewood Stationers for various stationery items, as requested by the Central Services Division.
 8. \$1,982.54 to Baker & Taylor Company for 300 books.
 9. \$625.09 to Needham Book Finders for 146 library books.
 10. \$525.00 to Park-Son, Inc. for one each 8-inch valve, 1 8" tapping sleeve and one 6" tapping sleeve for the new Pep Boys water service, as requested by the Water Department.
 11. \$3,802.68 to Graybar Electric Company for an annual contract to supply various sizes and types of batteries used by City departments on an "as requested" basis.
 12. \$651.22 to GMC Truck & Coach for various GMC bus repair parts, as requested by the City Garage.
 13. \$1,619.10 to Xerox University Microfilms for the purchase of 3 only Xerox microfilm readers, as requested by the Library Department.
35. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Crushed Rock - CRB, Rock & Sand
(Ref. Bid B74-37) - Expenditure: \$41,575.90.

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That Council accept the low bids and approve of the award of contracts, as follows: (Per July 12th communication of record)

- A. Items #1, 2, and 5 be awarded to The Flintkote Company in the total amount of \$7,435.90, including tax.
- B. Items #3 and 4 be awarded to Conrock Company in the total amount of \$34,140.00, including tax.

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36. AWARD OF SIX-MONTH CONTRACT - Insecticides, Weed Killers, Top Dressings and Fertilizers (Ref. Bid B74-32)
Expenditure: \$74,245.22.

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That Council accept the low bid price for each bid-item, and approve of the awarding of contracts, as follows (per July 11th communication of record):

1. Item #17 to be awarded to Preston Weed Control Company in the amount of \$30.21.
 2. Item #52 be awarded to Norwalk Fertilizer Company in the amount of \$16,324.00.
 3. Items #26, 54 and 55 be awarded to Los Angeles Chemical Company in the amount of \$1,221.49.
 4. Items #1,2,16,22,28,33,36,40 and 51 be awarded to Amvac Chemical Corporation in the amount of \$2,987.97.
 5. Items #4-6,8,10,15,19,21,23,25,27, 29-31,42, and 53 be awarded to Target Chemical Company in the amount of \$34,178.09.
 6. Items #3,7,9,11-14,20,24,32,34,35,39,45-48, and 50 be awarded to Foster Gardner, Inc. in the amount of \$9,572.85.
 7. Items 18,41,43,44, and 49 be awarded to Kellogg Supply, Inc. in the amount of \$9,930.61.
37. AWARD OF CONTRACT - A) Liquid Chlorine, Pitt Chlor, and Muriatic Acid Ref. Bid No. B74-41 - Expenditure: \$10,185.00 and B) Slurry Seal - Ref. Bid No. B74-33 - Expenditure: \$25,480.00.

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

A. LIQUID CHLORINE.

That, inasmuch as chlorine is now a Federally-allocated product based on previous usage and source, plus the fact that we must have chlorine for our Municipal Water System, it is recommended that Council accept the bid submitted by Jones Chemical, Inc. of Torrance, and approve of awarding them the contract in the total amount of \$10,185.00, including tax.

B. SLURRY SEAL:

That Council accept the low bid submitted by Pavement Coating Company, and approve of an award of contract to them for the slurry seal in the total amount of \$25,480.00, including tax.

38. AWARD OF CONTRACT - El Retiro Parking Lot (Ref. Bid No. B74-39) Job No. 74138, to Mushroom Construction Company, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That the contract be awarded to Mushroom Construction Company, Inc., and that the other bid be rejected.

39. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION TO COVER CONSTRUCTION COSTS FOR EL RETIRO LIBRARY AND PARK PROJECT.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY LIBRARIAN/PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR:

That appropriations of \$26,500 from the Library Bond Fund, \$26,500 from the Park and Recreation Facilities Fund, and \$3,000 in donations be approved for construction costs.

40. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION FOR ADDITIONAL FURNISHINGS AND EQUIPMENT FOR EL RETIRO LIBRARY.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY LIBRARIAN:

That \$10,131 be appropriated from the Library Bond Fund to cover the cost of additional furnishings and equipment for the El Retiro Library.

41. FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 31881.

Subdivider: Ernest Auerbach Company

Engineer: South Bay Engineering

Location: South side of Lomita Blvd., east of Madison Ave.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/PLANNING DIRECTOR:

That subject Final Tract Map be approved.

42. REFUND OF FEES - Drainage Improvement Fund.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That the sum of \$645.00 be refunded to R.G. Garland Corporation.

43. REVISED CLASS SPECIFICATIONS FOR BUS OPERATOR.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That Council approve the Revised Class Specification for Bus Operator.

44. CLAIM of Ann Hague and David Hague for personal injuries and property damage.

45. CLAIM of Leo R. Alvarez for property damage.

46. CLAIM of Commercial Union Insurance Company for personal injury to Gary A. Ruppel.

RECOMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That Items #44, 45, and 46 be DENIED and referred to the City Attorney. The insurance carrier concurs with the above action.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the recommendations on agenda items #34,35,36,37,38,39,40,41,42,43,44,45 and #46. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Wilson absent).

ADDENDUM ITEM:

47. RESOLUTION in Memory of Earl Warren.

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At 7:55 P.M., Councilman Uerkwitz moved to recess as City Council, and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent). The Council returned to its agenda at 7:59 P.M.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

48. City Manager Ferraro noted Mrs. Iva Cahill's presence in the audience, and advised the Council of her remarkable recovery from major brain surgery.

49. The urgent need to contact the Board of Supervisors in the matter of Harbor General Hospital's desire to store medical supplies on the Naval Annex property, and the negative effect thereof, was described by City Manager Ferraro -- it was his request that Council approve Staff efforts in relocation assistance by working with Congressional delegations, and the presentation of a formal request to the Los Angeles County to withdraw their application in this matter.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above request of the City Manager. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber; there were no objections, and it was so ordered (Absent: Councilman Wilson).

50. Councilman Armstrong, on behalf of City Treasurer Rupert, requested Staff review of desired signing at Sepulveda and Hawthorne for the Lions Club All-Star Football Game event.

51. Consideration of a "City Flag" (per request of Torrance Area Youth Band and other civic groups) was urged by Councilman Armstrong -- it being his recommendation that this be referred to the Fine Arts Commission. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

ADDENDUM ITEM:

47. RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF EARL WARREN.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-157

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE IN MEMORY OF EARL WARREN.

Councilman Armstrong respectfully moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-157. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilman Wilson).

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Cont.)

(attended by her)

52. Councilwoman Geissert reported on the July 12th meeting at Los Angeles City Hall, a meeting to which elected officials of coastal communities in Los Angeles and Orange Counties (not Torrance) were invited to express their concerns about the Department of Interior's proposed leasing of Federal waters for oil and gas exploration and development.

Mrs. Geissert related the highlights of the subject meeting, and noted the concerns voiced by these officials, it appearing that basic decisions and commitments have been made and that there is little room for local option.

It was the strong recommendation of Councilwoman Geissert that Torrance form an alliance with concerned South Bay neighbors and work closely with the County Department of Beaches -- she likewise urged

that every possible means of communication to advise Torrance residents in this matter be employed.

It was the direction of the Council that this item be referred to City Manager Ferraro, with the request that he investigate same and report back.

53. It was the request of Councilman Uerkwitz that a communication conveying the good wishes of this Council for a speedy recovery be sent to Los Angeles Councilman John Gibson.

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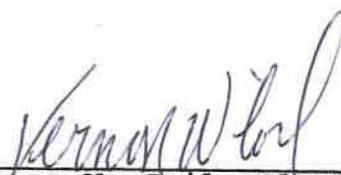
AGENDA ITEM #17:

At 8:10 P.M. Councilman Surber moved to recess for an Executive Session to discuss hours, wages, and working conditions. City Attorney Remelmeyer advised that this is proper subject matter for an Executive Session. The motion was then seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

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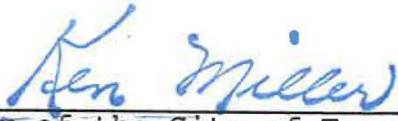
The Council returned at 9:00 P.M. for formal adjournment.

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

APPROVED:



Mayor of the City of Torrance

Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary

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