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Adjourned to August 29, 1974, 6:00 p.m., at 12:50 a.m.

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Peggy Laverty
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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCILOPENING CEREMONIES:1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 27, 1974, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Geissert; Councilmen Armstrong, Brewster, Wilson, Uerkwitz and Mayor Miller. Councilman Surber arrived at 7:08 p.m. 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. Sparks led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Mr. Harry Hillyer, First Baptist Church.

STANDARD MOTIONS:5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for approval of the minutes of August 6, 1974, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Councilman Surber not as yet arrived at the meeting).

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Brewster moved that all regularly audited demands be paid. His motion, seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Surber not as yet arrived at the meeting).

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 Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Surber not as yet arrived).

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8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Park, Recreation & Community Development Committee:

To meet August 29th, 7:30 p.m., regarding Battram tract berm.
(See Page 11 for change in meeting date). **

Finance Committee:

To meet regarding compensation of exempt employees August 30th,
5:00 p.m.

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The hour being 7:08 p.m., Councilman Surber arrived at the meeting.

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PROCLAMATIONS:

9. UNION LABEL WEEK.

So proclaimed by Mayor Miller.

10. NATIONAL CANCER DAY.

So proclaimed by Mayor Miller.

COMMENDATIONS:

11. RESOLUTION commending the Torrance Teachers Association on their 25th Anniversary.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-189

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE COMMENDING THE TORRANCE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION ON THE OCCASION OF ITS TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY SERVING TORRANCE TEACHERS, STUDENTS AND THE COMMUNITY

Councilman Wilson moved adoption of Resolution No. 74-189. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote proved unanimously favorable.

Councilman Armstrong accepted the above Resolution on behalf of the Torrance Teachers Association.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS:

12. RESOLUTION requesting \$27,000 from the State of California for installation of a noise monitoring system at the Torrance Municipal Airport.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-190

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REQUESTING FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF

CALIFORNIA, DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS UNDER THE
CALIFORNIA AIRPORT AID PROGRAM FOR THE INSTALLA-
TION OF NOISE MONITORING EQUIPMENT AT THE TORRANCE
MUNICIPAL AIRPORT-ZAMPERINI FIELD

Councilman Armstrong moved for adoption of Resolution No. 74-190. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Mrs. Betty Sanders, 1441 West 215th Street, a private pilot with plane based at the Torrance Airport, requested clarification regarding the proposed noise monitoring equipment installation -- such clarification was provided by Council and Staff. It was additionally noted that this matter will be referred to the Airport Commission for consideration and recommendation.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to appropriate \$27,000 from Airport retained earnings as matching funds for installation of a noise monitoring system at the Torrance Municipal Airport. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

13. ORDINANCE NO. 2513 repealing Part III of Chapter 7, Division 1 of the Code governing Employment Compensation provisions for Employees represented by the "Engineers" and adding a new Part III to Chapter 7, Division 1 of the Code relating to the same subject.

ORDINANCE NO. 2513

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING PART III OF CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROVISIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE "ENGINEERS" AND ADDING A NEW PART III TO CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2513 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

14. ORDINANCE NO. 2518 amending Section 5 of Article 1 of Chapter 25 of Division 2 of the Code to provide an exception for Natural Gas used in the operation of Motor Vehicles.

ORDINANCE NO. 2518

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 5 OF ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 25 OF DIVISION 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION FOR NATURAL GAS USED IN THE OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Councilman Wilson moved for adoption of Ordinance No. 2518 at its second and final reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

15. ORDINANCE NO. 2519 amending Section 17.53.1 of the Code.

ORDINANCE NO. 2519

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 17.53.1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE.

Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2519 at its second and final reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

16. ORDINANCE NO. 2520 repealing Part VI of Chapter 7, Division 1 of the Code governing Employment Compensation provisions for Employees represented by the Torrance City Employees Association and adding a new Part VI to Chapter 7, Division 1 of the Code relating to the same subject.

ORDINANCE NO. 2520

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING PART VI OF CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROVISIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE CITY EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION AND ADDING A NEW PART VI TO CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2520 at its second and final reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

17. Request for Executive Session regarding pending litigation.

Held for the Adjourned Regular meeting of August 29, 1974.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS:

18. REQUEST TO DISPLAY BANNER SIGN.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved to approve the request of the South High Football Boosters Club to display a banner informing the public of football games, per correspondence dated July 15, 1974. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

CONTINUED HEARINGS (PLANNING AND ZONING):

19. CIRCULATION ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the subject continued public hearing, following which Assistant City Manager Scharfman provided background information and history on the General Plan, with progress within the City of Torrance noted to this date, as well as the overall scope and purpose of the plan.

A detailed Planning Staff presentation was then provided by Planning Associate Gomez -- two maps were presented for Council consideration, one depicting recommendations of Staff and one, Planning Commission recommendations, the differences being in the alignment of Prairie/Madrona/Madison south of Pacific Coast Highway and the designation of Arlington and Cabrillo as collector streets.

Major issues under consideration in the Circulation Element were next addressed by Director of Transportation Horkay, who strongly recommended that all known possibilities for future streets be included at this time in the General Plan, in order to protect rights of ways; that all route maps be placed in the appendix; and that a functional street classification be adopted in the Circulation Element. The following specific areas were then addressed by Mr. Horkay:

223rd Street Extension: This was strongly recommended as an additional east/west route between Western and Madrona, as designed in a sketch presented by City Engineer Weaver.

Prairie/Madrona/Madison/Bluff: It was recommended that the missing segments be included in the General Plan at this time, in light of possible future need for an additional north/south route over the hill.

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Audience comments were then invited by Mayor Miller.

Speaking in opposition to the extension of Madrona south of Sepulveda were: Mr. John Wertz, 22835 Nadine Circle; Mr. John LeResche, 3634 West 228th Street; Mr. W. G. Wells, 717 Santa Monica Boulevard, Santa Monica, representing Fujita Corporation -- Mr. Wells also voiced objection to the 235th Street extension, his remarks being a matter of official record, per his correspondence dated August 27, 1974.

Those addressing their remarks to the 223rd Street extension were: Mrs. Pat Tyrrell, 19935 Redbeam, Vice-President of the Torrance League of Women Voters, who read aloud from a prepared statement, of record, recommending that the decision to include this extension be held until such time as data from the Corridor Study is available; Mrs. Grace Lear, President of Friends of Madrona Marsh, referenced her statement, of record, dated May 6, 1974, and recommended that an adequate study be undertaken, noting her opinion that 223rd Street (even though realigned) should not be placed on the General Plan; and Mr. Sam Suitt, 1745 Maple Avenue, indicated opposition to this extension because of its detrimental effect on the marsh.

Mr. Bill Filio, 22917A Nadine Circle, urged the Council to consider the type of city desired for the citizens of Torrance -- one in which there is clean air, green open spaces, and healthful surroundings. Mr. Ray Brown, 221 Paseo de Granada, suggested the implementation of computerized traffic flow; construction of 2-level major intersections; and planning in conjunction with other governments in the area.

Council discussion then ensued, it being suggested by Planning Associate Busse that, for purposes of clarification, the map as recommended by the Planning Commission be designated as EXHIBIT "A" -- there were no objections.

223rd Street Extension:

Councilman Wilson expressed his opinion that further data from the Corridor Study should be forthcoming to back up a decision to place 223rd Street west of Crenshaw on the map at this time. Termination of 223rd Street at Crenshaw Boulevard at this time was likewise favored by Councilwoman Geissert, pending a year-long study of the importance of this area as a wildlife feeding and refuge area.

In favor of the 223rd Street extension, as designed by City Engineer Weaver, were: Councilman Uerkwitz--traffic would not, in all probability, prove detrimental to the marsh; Councilman Brewster--not, at this point, knowing the land uses west of Crenshaw, would deem it advisable to protect an area of right-of-way; Councilman Armstrong--should be planned now, and could be removed in the future should the Corridor Study so indicate; Mayor Miller--as a practical aspect, the proposal as outlined by the City Engineer, which provides a minimal impact on the surrounding areas, should be placed on the plan at this time.

An informal straw vote was then taken, 5 Councilmen indicating favor of the 223rd extension as outlined by City Engineer Weaver being shown on the General Plan.

Prairie/Madrona/Madison Extension:

Relative to the Staff-referenced need for an "over-the-hill" route, Councilman Armstrong noted his opinion that first consideration should be given to minimum impacts on neighborhoods, with no access to neighborhoods short of requirements for public safety. Staff feelings of the necessity for providing the missing links in the system from Los Angeles to the peninsula were reviewed by Planning Director Shartle, who further noted the need to indicate future dedications in the Battram and Gerken tracts, in order to protect these rights of ways.

Mr. Stanley Dunn expressed the opinion that the subject route south of Pacific Coast Highway will have severe adverse affects on the Walteria Elementary School -- Mr. Dunn went on record as " . . . opposing the lessening of an educational program to provide convenience to Palos Verdes residents."

Councilwoman Geissert would give a higher priority to the section between Sepulveda and Lomita Boulevards, than to the section south of Pacific Coast Highway; however would deem it too devastating on the total neighborhoods. Mrs. Geissert would, therefore oppose the extension in both areas.

Councilman Surber indicated his support in terminating the extension at Sepulveda Boulevard at this time.

Opposing the links both south and north of Pacific Coast Highway was Councilman Brewster, who expressed the opinion that the City has a greater responsibility to the residential sections of Walteria and Torrance Heights than to serving the residents of the peninsula.

Mayor Miller indicated support of the deletion of Prairie/Madrona between Sepulveda and 235th; however, favored including the industrial area from Lomita Boulevard to 235th wherein there is an established

railroad right of way which could be utilized for a future street if so desired.

The Council then indicated, by straw vote, concurrence with maintaining the status quo on the portion from Sepulveda to 235th -- it was also the consensus to leave the plan "as is" on the continuation of Lomita Boulevard north and veering to 235th, thence to Maple.

With regard to the area south of Pacific Coast Highway, Director of Transportation Horkay noted the need to protect the right of way on the Battram and Gerken dedications. City Attorney Remelmeyer recommended a new study, in light of the deletion of the portion of Madrona north of Pacific Coast Highway, such study to be completed at the time of the first Circulation Element amendment. Planning Director Shartle suggested an automatic appeal before the City Council on recent Planning Commission action on the Gerken property.

A brief discussion was then directed by Mr. Wells of Fujita Corporation, re abandonment of condemnation on 235th Street -- City Attorney Remelmeyer suggested that this be held in abeyance because it is a question of implementation; condemnation would not necessarily be the necessary means of acquiring same.

There being no one else in the audience who wished to speak, Councilman Armstrong moved to close the hearing; seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote proved unanimously favorable.

20. RESOLUTION adopting the Circulation Element of the General Plan.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-191

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADOPTING THE CIRCULATION ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN AND REPEALING THE CIRCULATION ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN ADOPTED DECEMBER 1, 1964, BY RESOLUTION NO. 64-235.

Prior to adoption of the above resolution, Planning Director Shartle suggested that the City Council approve the recommendations of the Planning Commission with certain changes as outlined in the cover letter on Agenda Item #19; also with changes indicated by the Council at this meeting; i.e., the deletion from the plan of Prairie/Madrona between 235th Street and Sepulveda Boulevard; also with the stipulation that the alignment of 223rd Street be as presented by the Traffic and Engineering staffs at this meeting; and changing the first six lines of the last paragraph on Page 1 of the transmittal letter from the Planning Department to the City Council to read as follows: "In addition, the future operation of the Torrance Municipal Airport will be dealt with in a forthcoming Airport Master Plan. That document must be considered as a subsection of the Circulation Element and the land on which it is located should be designated as a Special Study Area on the Land Use Map. When adopted, via the standard adoption procedures established by the City of Torrance, any differences found among the Airport Master Plan and all the Elements of the Torrance General Plan should be adopted as amendments to the respective Elements. The rationalization for the designation of Special Study Area on the Land Use Map is based on the fact . . ."

Councilman Uerkwitz MOVED that the above information be reflected as part of the motion to adopt the subject resolution. His motion, seconded by Councilman Surber, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Planning Director Shartle then stated that the map before the Council would be marked as Exhibit "A" in connection with this resolution. No objection was indicated.

Councilmen Wilson and Surber noted, for the record, that they had read the minutes and listened to the tapes of the July 23, 1974 hearing on the General Plan Elements.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved adoption of Resolution 74-191, as above amended. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote proved unanimously favorable.

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At 9:55 p.m., Councilman Uerkwitz moved to recess as the City Council, and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote. The Council returned at 9:58 p.m., following which a 10-minute recess was called.

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21. LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the continued public hearing on the Land Use Element of the General Plan.

During Staff presentation by Planning Director Shartle, it was noted that all questions raised at the July 23rd hearing on this matter have been answered in written material, of record, dated August 19, 1974. Areas designated of major concern were: Santa Fe property between Crenshaw and Madrona; Airport and its environs; Butcher/Abeg property; surplus school lands; oil zones; Gerken/Batram properties; and boundary separating the industrial area on Border Avenue from residential area to the west. Considered first was --

Butcher/Abeg Property:

Discussion ensued re commercial/residential vs. entire commercial use for this property. A member of the audience, Ms. Susan Zimmer, 4927 Merrill Street, suggested usage other than commercial -- possibly a park.

It was the ultimate general consensus of the Council that there should be a planned development on this parcel, with commercial orientation to ^{the} Hawthorne Boulevard side and residential medium density orientation to the Ocean Avenue side; details of boundaries to be established with any proposed development that is submitted.

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Santa Fe property:

Council discussion was addressed briefly to the alternatives available for consideration at this time, it being Councilman Wilson's feeling, at this time, that Resolution A, Option #2, would be preferred by him, thus designating a study on the entire undeveloped Santa Fe property between Monterey, Sepulveda, Crenshaw and Madrona; also designating the property for open space use with incorporation of an O-A-R district ordinance giving time for a full study in terms of impact of development of the area, and an opportunity to seek funding sources.

It was the opinion of Councilman Uerkwitz that to place a zoning on the property other than the Planning Commission-recommended M-1, would tend to lessen the value of the property. City Attorney Remelmeyer related the various legal ramifications involved in considering the various options available, noting that, in his opinion, leaving the present zoning as it is, with an Open Space overlay would, in effect, avoid any threat of inverse condemnation.

Discussion continued, Councilman Armstrong favoring the overlay concept, with a study of the ecological system of the area, etc. Councilwoman Geissert indicated concurrence with the concept of a year's study of the total area; also, with Open Space designation of the 54 acres with an O-A-R overlay, and Manufacturing designation with an O-A-R overlay on the balance of the acreage.

Audience comments were invited. Mr. Robert B. Curtis, Jonathan Club, Los Angeles, attorney for Chanslor Oil and Development Company, generally reiterated his comments as recorded in correspondence, of record, dated August 16, 1974. Mr. Curtis suggested that the property be left in Manufacturing zoning; referred to any type of moratorium as a temporary and partial taking of the property; and specified that the property under consideration for overlay, does not include any acreage east of Crenshaw Boulevard (concurrence was indicated by the Council in this regard).

It was ultimately recommended by City Attorney Remelmeyer that a study be instituted on the property that there is reasonable expectancy of acquiring, this Open Space overlay on the present zoning suggesting that the City Council would like some day to acquire this property as Open Space through whatever constitutional means are available. Mr. Remelmeyer further recommended that an Interim Permit Procedure Ordinance not be adopted, and that he meet with Mr. Curtis to the end of hopefully gaining assurance that there will be reasonable time to make the study and come to a definitive conclusion in the matter.

The next speaker was Mrs. Pat Tyrrell, representing the Torrance League of Women Voters, who read aloud from their printed material, of record, urging that the property under consideration be designated for Open Space, and that a 2-year study be initiated. Mrs. Tyrrell also suggested public-use/open-space designation for the Madison and Ocean Avenue school sites.

Mrs. Grace Lear, President of Friends of Madrona Marsh, read aloud from a prepared statement, of record, dated August 27, 1974, strongly urging Open Space designation for the area.

Others who urged saving of the marsh were Mrs. Eunice Hargrove, 705 Calle Miramar; her daughter, Linda; and Mr. Sam Suitt, 1745 Maple Avenue, who related loss of benefits to the citizens of Torrance should the marsh land be developed commercially, etc. -- loss by way of additional pollution from traffic drawn to the area; additional costs for street extension, traffic control, railroad grade and street grade separations; loss of educational opportunities for the students in Torrance; etc. Mr. Suitt recommended that the 164 acres be set aside for study to identify what is needed to save the marsh.

Mr. Larry Bowman, Attorney for the proposed developers (Barclay, Hollander and Curci), expounded on the rights of the private property owner in light of the proposed study; noted that depriving the owner of private property of reasonable use of his land is, in effect, a taking of that land, which should be gravely considered insofar as the consequences to the City are concerned.

City Manager Ferraro informed the Council that the contemplated year's study would allow administrative staff to more accurately advise the City Council on the status and probability of passage of the proposed Bill regarding the Bagley Fund; it would allow the City to become more familiar with the federal Community Development Act; it would allow the City to more accurately advise the Council of the prognosis and the probability of the continuation of the Federal Revenue Sharing Program; and would allow Staff to further explore the pending application with the Federal Government Department of the Interior.

Representing the Department of Fish and Game, was Mr. Jack Sproul, 11735 Crystal Avenue, Chino, who reviewed that department's involvement with the Madrona Marsh since 1973, and indicated their concurrence with the study of the area west of Crenshaw as to its ecological benefits. Mr. Sproul noted that the Department of Fish and Game would be willing to serve in an advisory capacity in this study.

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It was the consensus of the Council, at this point in the meeting, because of the late hour, that the subject hearing on the Land Use Element of the General Plan, as well as the hearings on the Housing and Safety Elements should be continued to Thursday, August 29, 1974, at 6:00 p.m.

It was suggested by Councilman Brewster that the City Manager's office scope out the study concept: who "carries the ball"--perhaps working with the Department of Fish and Game and Friends of the Marsh, and return on Thursday with a concept for the conduct of that study, an estimate of where resources are to come from, either manpower or dollars, etc. Concurrence was indicated by City Manager Ferraro.

Councilwoman Geissert inquired as to the possible impact on the granting agencies if the designation of this area were not of an Open Space nature -- Director of Parks and Recreation Van Bellehem stated his opinion that, as long as this is shown as Open Space in the Open Space and Conservation Elements, the Open Space overlay designation at this time in the Land Use Element should be satisfactory, the intent of the Council having been shown at this meeting.

The Council, at this point, generally voiced support of the overlay position. The following Resolution was then adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. 74-193 (RESOLUTION A)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING
THE CITY MANAGER TO MAKE A REPORT AND
RECOMMENDATION ON CERTAIN PROPERTY (MADRONA
MARSH AND TRIBUTARY AREA)

Councilman Wilson MOVED adoption of Resolution No. 74-193 (Resolution A). His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried unanimously by roll call vote. Councilman Brewster stated, at the time of his affirmative vote, that it was with the loose understanding that the study may be modified based on the City Manager's recommendations; Councilwoman Geissert advised, at the time of her YES vote that she would have preferred an O-A-R designation.

NOTE: City Attorney Remelmeyer requested that the record reflect that the adoption of the above resolution included the designation of the property as M-1 with an Open Space overlay; this being understood by the City Council as part of the motion adopting the resolution.

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Mr. Stanley Dunn outlined procedures to be followed by the School District in requesting the possible future rezoning of the Madison and Ocean Avenue school sites; noted the City's role in such procedures; and indicated their intent, should the City not wish to purchase this land, to request rezoning from P-U to another appropriate zone, prior to sale of the properties.

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MOTION: Councilman Brewster moved to continue the hearings on the Land Use, Housing and Safety Elements of the General Plan to Thursday, August 29, 1974, at 6:00 p.m. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**It was agreed that the Park, Recreation and Community Development Committee meeting previously scheduled for Thursday, August 29th, be rescheduled to Wednesday, September 4, 1974, at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Charles Clark, President of the Walteria Homeowners Association, was present in the audience, and indicated that he would advise interested parties of this change.

22. RESOLUTION adopting the Land Use Element of the General Plan.
23. SAFETY ELEMENT of the General Plan.
24. HOUSING ELEMENT of the General Plan.

Above hearings continued to August 29, 1974, 6:00 p.m. (See action above).

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ROUTINE MATTERS:25. EXPENDITURES OVER \$300:RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

That Council approve the following purchases:

A. BUDGETED ITEMS:

1. \$2,973.22 to Neptune Meter Company for 15 one-inch size and 12 one-and-a-half inch size Neptune Water meters as requested by the Water Department.
2. \$2,157.39 to Ingram Paper Company for 105 cases of miscellaneous printing paper as requested by Central Services Division.
3. \$390.77 to Gaylord Brothers Inc. for library supplies of proprietary style as marketed by Gaylord Brothers.
4. \$2,702.00 to Information Dynamics Corporation for renewal of an annual contract for Micrographic Catalogue Retrieval Service as requested by the Library Department.
5. \$1,426.04 to Torrance Desk & Office Equipment Co. for the purchase of one desk for the Recreation Dept., one table for Personnel, and one table, one desk extension, five file cabinets and one storage closet as requested by the Police Department.
6. \$755.36 to Johnson Stationery for the purchase of (1) desk and (3) chairs for Finance Dept. and (10) replacement card tables as requested by the Recreation Dept.
7. \$940.30 to Inglewood Stationers Corp. for the purchase of quantities of 28 different stationery type items as requested by Central Services.
8. \$500.66 to Johnny Gillette Tire Co. for the purchase of 4 extra heavy duty tires - 12 ply requested by the Fire Dept. as replacements for a fire apparatus.
9. \$594.80 to General Motors Corp. of Oakland for miscellaneous bus repair parts as requested by the City Garage.
10. \$549.88 to Sperry-Remington Co. for the purchase of file folders and Remington filing indicator tabs as requested by the City Clerk's Office.
11. \$362.13 to Noland Paper Company for the purchase of 15,000 sheets of 13"x17" Mead Color stock paper as requested by Central Services Division.
12. \$899.64 to Graybar Electric Co. for the purchase of four (4) McGraw-Edison mercury vapor light fixtures, six (6) replacement ballasts and twelve (12) replacement lenses as requested by the Dept. of Transportation.

13. \$318.85 to Taylor-Jett Co. for the purchase of one (1) only indicator valve and two (2) only tran. gaskets and one (1) post indicator as requested by the Garage to install a water main line to the City's new propane installation.
14. \$2,212.35 to Industrial Wholesale Electric Co. for the purchase of eight (8) 1000 watt light fixtures and mounting hardware as requested by the Dept. of Transportation for LaCarretera tennis court lighting.
15. \$412.23 to Johnson Stationery for the purchase of one (1) drafting table and mechanical square edge as requested by the Park Division for park design and layout work.
16. It is recommended that Council approve of the City of Torrance joining with the State of California on a "Cooperative Purchase Program" for an annual contract for the purchase of 100 gross of 20 minute flares as required by the Police, Fire and "other" Departments. The award of contract is to be made to the low bidder of State of California P.O.#01545 the Olin Corporation, in the total amount of \$4,054.50 including tax.
17. \$3,536.08 to Baker & Taylor Company for the purchase of 497 adult and juvenile books as requested by the Library Department.
18. \$445.20 to Inglewood Stationers Corp. for the purchase of three (3) lateral file cabinets as requested by the Library Department for the El Retiro Library.
19. \$803.05 to Johnson Stationery for the purchase of four (4) file cabinets; two (2) bookcases; one (1) typewriter table; and one (1) secretarial chair as requested by the Fire Dept.

B. REIMBURSABLE ITEMS:

20. \$535.30 to Hersey Products Inc. for the purchase of one (1) only 2" Hersey C.T. Water Meter as requested by the Water Department for the Sequoia-Pacific Service. Money has already been collected for this service.
21. \$811.12 to Smith & Hartford Co. to repair a city bus, Unit #354 involved in an accident. Billing is in process to recover costs from the responsible party.
22. \$676.44 to L.A. County Road Dept. to supply a type 17 signal standard which was knocked down in a traffic accident at Via Val Monte and Hawthorne Boulevard. Billing is in process to recover this charge.

26. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Five (5) Refuse Truck Bodies (Bodies Only) - Expenditure: \$108,453.90.

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

- A. That Council approve an award of contract to Dearth Machinery Co. (representative for Maxon Industry) for five (5) 37 cubic yard Refuse Bodies based on a pricing as bid to the City of Los Angeles earlier this year. (Ref. City of L.A. Bid #2310).
- B. That \$47,274.60 be appropriated from the equipment revolving fund utilizing: A) \$30,850.00 collected from the City's annual surplus vehicle auction, and B) remaining monies to come from budgeted funds in the Equipment Revolving Fund listed in the budget as a Road Maintainer.

27. REQUEST FOR FINAL PAYMENT per Bid No. B74-31.

RECOMMENDATION OF PARK SERVICES ADMINISTRATOR:

That Council approve payment of \$7,573 balance due to Schwall Construction Co., Inc. for repair and refinishing of asphalt game courts as per Bid #B74-31, this work now having been completed.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the recommendations on agenda items #25, #26 and #27. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

28. DE PORTOLA PARK - Recommendation of Acceptance of advance payment from the developer for the hiring of the Architect to do Master Plan and Grading Plan.

RECOMMENDATION OF PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR:

That the City Council accept the \$15,000 advance payment from the developer of Tract 26507 for the hiring of the architect to do the master plan and the grading plan for de Portola Park. It is further recommended at this time that the Council appropriate the \$200,000 for the park subject to the posting of the \$200,000 bond by the developer at the time of the dedication, guaranteeing the development of the park.

Park and Recreation Director Van Bellehem advised that, on the second recommendation, the intent is to have the developer post a bond and then pay the \$200,000 in increments as the tract is developed. The funds will be accrued in the project account as the \$200,000 is paid by the developer to the City. It is not the intent to expend the \$200,000 before it is collected.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the ^{above} recommendation of the Director of Parks and Recreation as modified. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ADDENDUM ITEMS:

29. RESOLUTIONS approving seven Elements of the General Plan.

Held for Council meeting of August 29, 1974.

30. RESOLUTION opposing the offshore oil and gas leasing procedures of the U.S. Department of Interior.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-192

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE OPPOSING THE PROCEDURES OF THE
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
LEADING TO THE LEASING OF TRACTS FOR OIL AND
GAS DEVELOPMENT OFF THE COAST OF SOUTHERN
CALIFORNIA.

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-192. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

31. Legislative Advocate Rupert provided background information to SB 772, continuing the provisions of the Townsend Paramedic Act until 1977, and requested Council support of that Bill.

Councilman Brewster SO MOVED; seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and, there being no objection, it was so ordered.

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The hour being 12:50 a.m., Councilman Armstrong moved to adjourn to Thursday, August 29, 1974, 6:00 p.m. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and there were no objections.

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APPROVED:

Ken Miller

Mayor of the City of Torrance

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

Peggy Laverty
Minute Secretary

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City Council
August 27, 1974