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at 6:00 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 Monday, December 23, 1974, at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Geissert; Councilmen Armstrong, Surber, Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Miller. Councilman Brewster arrived at 6:35 P.M. Absent: None.

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

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mr. James Burger led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Reverend Lloyd Warneke, Ascension Lutheran Church.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Uerkwitz moved to approve the minutes of November 26, 1974, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Geissert, Uerkwitz, Wilson; Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Surber (not present at November 26th meeting).

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brewster (had not yet arrived at meeting).

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

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

7. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Wilson 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 Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

No reports.

PROCLAMATIONS:

9. MARCH OF DIMES MONTH - January, 1975.

So proclaimed by Mayor Miller.

PRESENTATIONS:

9A. RECOGNITION OF RIVIERA HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION AND SERTOMA FOR EL RETIRO PARK CONTRIBUTIONS - DEDICATION.

It was the consensus of the Council that this event should occur on January 23, 1975 at 11:00 A.M.

HEARINGS OTHER THAN PLANNING AND ZONING:

10. CIVIL SERVICE HEARING - MORTON R. HESSE.

Held for later in the meeting -- Mr. Hesse's attorney was not present.

COMMISSION MATTERS:

11. COMMISSION VACANCIES:

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That the date of January 28, 1975, a 7:00 P.M. meeting, be set to interview applicants to fill Commission vacancies.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Clerk. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:

12. GAS TAX APPROPRIATION FOR PROJECT DESIGN - Sepulveda Boulevard, Hawthorne Boulevard to Madrona Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That \$10,000 be appropriated from 2106 Gas Tax Funds for Sepulveda Boulevard from Hawthorn Boulevard to Madrona Avenue (SS Project 287).

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Engineer. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:

13. RESOLUTION and maintenance agreement for maintenance of certain State highways in the City of Torrance.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-280

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR MAINTENANCE OF CERTAIN STATE HIGHWAYS IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE SAME ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-280. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

FISCAL MATTERS:

14. RESOLUTION re: On-the-Job Training Programs.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-281

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 CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND TRIDAIR INDUSTRIES AND COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS, INC. TO INITIATE ON-THE-JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS.

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-281. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:

15. RESOLUTION re: Agreement between the City and Torrance Rose Float Association.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-282

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE TORRANCE ROSE FLOAT ASSOCIATION FOR FURNISHING LABOR NECESSARY FOR THE DECORATION OF A FLOAT IN THE 1975 TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-282. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

- 15A. RESOLUTION re: Parking Facilities (Rose Float Construction)

RESOLUTION NO. 74-283

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO A HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT RELATING TO PARKING FOR ROSE FLOAT CONSTRUCTION.

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-283. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

16. ORDINANCE NO. 2535.

ORDINANCE NO. 2535

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING PART II OF CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROVISIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION LOCAL 1138 IAFF AND ADDING A NEW PART II TO CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT.

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2535 at its second and final reading. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to approve an appropriation of \$29,000 from the General Budget Reserve in this matter. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

17. ORDINANCE NO. 2536.

ORDINANCE NO. 2536

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 NORTH OF ROLLING HILLS ESTATES BOUNDARY BETWEEN HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD AND CRENSHAW BOULEVARD, ALSO IDENTIFIED AS PHASE 1 OF TT 26507 AND ZC 72-10.

(Phillip Nicholson)

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2536 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Uerkwitz, Wilson;  
Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert (not a member of the Council  
at the time this matter was  
considered).  
Surber (not present at hearing).

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brewster (had not yet arrived at  
the meeting).

18. ORDINANCE NO. 2537.

Held for later in the meeting -- See Page 9.

LICENSING MATTERS:

19. REQUEST BY MARTIN J. BARAB, ATTORNEY FOR NATIONAL DISTRIBUTING  
AGENCY, TO ADDRESS COUNCIL REGARDING LICENSE FEES TO DISTRIBUTE  
HANDBILLS.

Held for later in the meeting -- See Page 8.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

20. RESOLUTION approving a modification of CUP 71-22,  
Ronald E. Moran.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-284

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA; APPROVING  
A MODIFICATION OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT  
TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL  
BUILDING AT A NEW CAR DEALERSHIP ON  
PROPERTY IN THE C-3 (PP) ZONE LOCATED AT  
4343 - 190TH STREET.  
(CUP 71-22 (EA 74-120) - RONALD E. MORAN)  
(TORRANCE MAZDA)

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No.  
74-284. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and carried,  
with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Surber, Uerkwitz, Wilson;  
Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Geissert.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brewster (had not yet arrived at  
the meeting).

21. RESOLUTION approving a modification of PP 71-9,  
Ronald E. Moran.

RESOLUTION NO. 74-285

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING  
A PRECISE PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOW  
THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL BUILDING  
AT A NEW CAR DEALERSHIP ON PROPERTY IN THE  
C-3 (PP) ZONE LOCATED AT 4343 - 190TH STREET  
(PP 71-9 (EA 74-120) - RONALD E. MORAN)  
(TORRANCE MAZDA)

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 74-285. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Surber, Uerkwitz, Wilson;  
Mayor Miller.  
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Geissert.  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brewster (had not yet arrived  
at the meeting).

PLANNING AND ZONING HEARINGS:

22. ZC 74-7, KARL D. FECHNER.

Held for later in the meeting and the advertised hour of 7:30 P.M. See Page 10.

HEARINGS OTHER THAN PLANNING AND ZONING:

23. 1974 HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT.

Held for later in the meeting -- See Page 9.

ROUTINE MATTERS:

24. EXPENDITURES OVER \$300:

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

That Council approve the following purchases:

A. BUDGETED ITEMS:

1. \$490.45 to Addressograph-Multigraph for miscellaneous print shop operating supplies as requested by Central Services Division.
2. \$942.34 to La Salle Paper Company for 40 cartons of various color paper stock as requested by Central Services Division.
3. \$439.90 to Capitol Equipment Company for one only "3-Way" hydrant "WYE" as requested by the Fire Dept. for Vehicle #109.
4. \$303.16 to Cal Tek Industries for 55 gallons of "Cal-Strip" paint stripper as requested by the Department of Transportation.
5. \$13,782.70 to Crown Coach Corporation to repower City Fire Engine (Vehicle #108) as requested by the Fire Department.
6. \$731.40 to Target Chemical for 200 pounds "simazine", a chemical requested by the Street Department to be an effective "weed killer".
7. \$636.00 to Occidental Chemical Company for 10 gallons of herbicide identified as "Roundup" as requested by the Park Services Division.

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8. \$524.70 to LeMeur Welding Company to construct three sprinkler controller enclosures as requested by the Park and Recreation Department for the Entradero Park and along Artesia Boulevard.
9. \$709.14 to California Wire Products Corporation to furnish and install a security enclosure for the Police Property Room as requested by the Police Dept.
10. \$887.97 to Johnny Gillette Tire Company to perform necessary tire repair and recapping services as requested by the City Garage.
11. \$335.33 to General Welding Company to fabricate three safety screens to be placed around Garage equipment as a safety measure, as requested by the City Garage.
12. \$559.80 to R.R. Bowker Company for 25 various subscriptions and books as requested by the City Librarian.
13. \$1,011.30 to Western Water Works Supply Company for 18 each 8" and 6" service repair saddles as requested by the Water Department.
14. \$418.39 to Western Water Works Supply Company for various control valve repair parts as requested by the Water Department.
15. \$367.82 to Barnes & Delaney Company for the purchase of 20 only self-aligning flange mounted bearings as requested by the City Garage.
16. \$306.34 to Western Highway Products for the purchase of 100 only NO PARKING TOW-AWAY signs as requested by the Department of Transportation.
17. \$2578.50 to Johnson Stationers of Torrance for the purchase of necessary furnishings for new Police Property Room-high security area.
18. \$523.64 to Hersey Products, Inc. for two only 2" Hersey water meters as requested by the Water Department for installation at Ainsworth and Artesia and Prairie.
- B. REIMBURSABLE ITEM:
19. \$1091.80 to Best Concrete Products for two concrete meter vaults as requested by the Water Department for installation at the Western Auto Sprinkler Company. Payment has already been received for this expenditure.
25. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Improvement of Prairie-Madrona (Phase III) from 190th Street to Del Amo Boulevard (B74-59)
- RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:  
That the contract be awarded to Oberg Construction Corporation, and all other bids be rejected.
26. NOTICE OF COMPLETION - Improvement of Madrona Avenue (Phase I) from North of Del Amo Boulevard to Opal Street (B73-45)

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That the work be accepted and final payment be made to the contractor, Tomei Construction Company.

27. CLAIM of Robert T. Bevan for property damages.
28. CLAIM of Michael Brewer for personal damages.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That the claims on Items 27 and 28 be DENIED and referred to the City Attorney. The insurance carrier concurs with the above action.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items #24, 25, 26, 27, and #28. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

ADDENDUM ITEM:

29. NEW PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYMENT LEGISLATION.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER:

That Council approve the submission of an application for Public Service Employment Funds under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act Title VI.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

Considered at this time:

LICENSING MATTERS:

19. Request by Martin J. Barab, Attorney for National Distributing Agency, to address Council regarding license fees to distribute handbills.

Mr. Barab described the distribution procedures employed by his client, and the problems presented by the prohibitive tax assessed by the City of Torrance.

(Councilman Brewster arrived at this point in the meeting -- 6:35 P.M.)

Following Council review of this operation, and the unique considerations thereof, it was agreed that the matter should appropriately be studied by the Finance Committee. Councilman Surber so MOVED; the motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Taken next, out of order:

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

18. ORDINANCE NO. 2537.

ORDINANCE NO. 2537

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SECTION 14.1.4 OF CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE AND SECTION 1 OF RULE V OF THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 14.1.4.

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2537 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster, Geissert,  
Wilson; Mayor Miller.  
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Uerkwitz.  
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Surber (not present at first  
reading).

HEARINGS OTHER THAN PLANNING AND ZONING:

23. 1974 HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT.

RECOMMENDATION OF HCDA TEAM:

That Council order the following actions:

1. That prior to determination of high priority projects, Staff be instructed to prepare materials for a budgetary workshop on January 2nd.
2. That the outcome of that workshop be documented and organized for integration into a draft Application.
3. That on January 7, 1975, the HCDA Team be prepared to discuss those projects which Council considers of highest priority for first year implementation.
4. That the draft application be brought to public hearing on the 14th of January for determination of adequacy and submittal to SCAG.
5. That the draft application be accompanied by a draft EIR.
6. That the matter be continued to an unspecified date (that coincides with final action on the EIR) for final approval of the Application.

Mayor Miller announced that this matter has been continued from the Council meeting of December 17, 1974 -- Staff presentation was made by Assistant City Manager Scharfman, with a specific report (of record) regarding personnel requirements.

Formal action was taken by the Council, as follows:

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to instruct Staff to proceed and make application for the 1974 Housing and Community Development Act Funds. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster, Geissert,  
Wilson; Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Surber, Uerkwitz.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the HDCA Team. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster, Geissert,  
Wilson; Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Surber, Uerkwitz.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the 10% allocation for planning (apportioned among Staff and materials/supplies), as earlier outlined by Assistant City Manager Scharfman. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster, Geissert,  
Wilson; Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Surber, Uerkwitz.

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HEARINGS OTHER THAN PLANNING AND ZONING:

10. CIVIL SERVICE HEARING - Morton R. Hesse.

At this point in the meeting, City Attorney Remelmeyer <sup>advised</sup> that there will be no representation this date in this matter, it being the contention of Attorney Ramey that there had been no notification to them regarding the subject hearing.

MOTION: Mayor Miller moved to continue the Morton R. Hesse hearing to January 2, 1975, at 6:00 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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At 7:20 P.M., Councilman Uerkwitz moved to recess for the purpose of an Executive Session to consider a pending lawsuit and a Personnel matter, following confirmation by City Attorney Remelmeyer that these are proper subject matters. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

The Council returned at 7:50 P.M. to consider:

PLANNING AND ZONING HEARINGS:

22. ZC 74-7; KARL D. FECHNER. Change of zone from C-2 to R-3, PD or RTH on property located on the north side of 230th Street between Ocean Avenue and Hawthorne Boulevard.  
RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL TO RTH BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

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 ZC 74-7, and following Staff presentation by Planning Director Shartle, invited those desiring to speak to do so at this time.

The proponent, Mr. Karl Fechner, 3655 Lomita Boulevard, reviewed the planning process for the development of the subject property, and indicated concurrence with RTH zoning -- however, per Mr. Fechner, "we do object to the Planning Commission's recommendation that no more than 90 units be placed on this property," for the following reasons: The Gerken property (which the Commission used for comparison) was A-1 or R-1 prior to the zone change whereas the subject property is C-2 and has been so zoned for years; the Gerken property is some 5 miles from the Del Amo Shopping Center--subject property is 1/4-mile from Del Amo Center and can serve more density; there was opposition to the Gerken zone change, but such is not the case on subject property; restricting the number of units below that of the Master Plan will only serve to increase the price per residence to prospective occupants.

Continuing, Mr. Fechner stated that it is proposed to rezone the property to RTH which allows no more than 15 units per acre -- they will present a new plan to the Planning Commission/Department with the 3-story buildings eliminated; it will be a creditable plan which will be an asset to the City of Torrance. As a final guarantee, per Mr. Fechner, rezoning the subject property can be held and adopted with the Final Tract Map, if so desired.

Council discussion was directed to procedures which follow the zone change, Tentative Tract Map controls, the avigation easement requirement, EIR and mitigating measures therein, traffic considerations, etc. A plot plan of the proposed development was presented by architect Earl Mason, with clarification regarding the revisions which will be forthcoming.

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

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission for approval of ZC74-7 for a change of zone to RTH. The motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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The hour being 8:35 P.M., Councilman Uerkwitz moved to recess as the City Council, and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. The Council returned to its agenda at 8:36 P.M.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

30. City Manager Ferraro conveyed the wishes of Staff to the Council for "a joyous Christmas, a prosperous New Year, the best of personal good health, an SC win over Ohio, and a win by the Rams in Minneapolis."

31. The possible loss of the County Health Service office on Carson Street was reported by Councilman Armstrong, with the request that Staff obtain factual information in this regard.

32. The commendable community contribution represented by the Torrance Police Officers Christmas Float, and its activities throughout the City during the holiday season, was noted by Councilman Armstrong.

33. The election of Councilman Surber as the new president of the Los Angeles Police Relief Association was announced by City Manager Ferraro.

34. Councilman Surber expressed his appreciation to all those who displayed such kindness and thoughtfulness to him throughout his illness.

rubbish container

35. Needed review of stringent/ordinance requirements pertaining to fines and/or jail sentences was pointed out by Councilman Surber -- such review will be made by City Attorney Remelmeyer.

36. Councilman Uerkwitz reported on the status of the Corridor Study activities, and noted the need for input from the Council relative to the draft report.

37. Staff investigation and report on the merits of a future overpass at the Crenshaw Boulevard railroad crossing, on the basis of public safety, was requested by Councilman Uerkwitz. City Manager Ferraro reported on the efforts now going forward in this regard, and advised that a report would be forthcoming late in January.

38. Councilman Uerkwitz discussed a recent Daily Breeze article pertaining to the Torrance Airport, Staff comments therein, and the resultant protests by Torrance residents. Mr. Uerkwitz requested that this matter be investigated by City Manager Ferraro and Director of Transportation Horkay.

39. Commendation for the capable Council representation afforded by Mayor Miller on the County Sanitation District and Councilman Armstrong as representative to the National League of Cities Conference in Houston was offered by Councilman Wilson.

40. Mayor Miller: On behalf of the Council, Merry Christmas - Happy New Year!

At 9:05 P.M., Councilman Armstrong moved to adjourn to Thursday, January 2, 1975, at 6:00 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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Ava Cripe  
Minute Secretary

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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