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Adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, February 25, 1975, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Geissert; Councilmen Armstrong, Surber, Uerkwitz, and Mayor Miller. Councilman Brewster arrived at the meeting at 7:35 P.M. Absent: Councilman Wilson.

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

3. FLAG SALUTE:

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

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Robert Dehn provided the invocation for the meeting.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Re: January 28, 1975 Minutes: Page 12, Item 22, per Councilwoman Geissert, should state "refer Item #22 to the Ad Hoc Oil Committee..." (instead of Oil Landscaping Committee).

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to approve the minutes of January 28, 1975, as above corrected. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Geissert, Surber,  
Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.

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

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Uerkwitz (not present at  
January 28th meeting).

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

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

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yet arrived at the meeting; Councilman Wilson absent).

7. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

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

8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Civil Service Committee:

Report on nepotism ordinance will be forthcoming to the Council in approximately ten days.

Corridor Study Committee:

Councilman Uerkwitz commended the Department of Transportation Staff for their contributions to the successful February 19th public hearing on Phase I -- with special praise for the work done by Sr. Associate Transportation Engineer Glass.

PRESENTATION:

8A. Presentation of Plaque to Mr. George Lewison.

In recognition of Mr. Lewison's years of contribution to the development of the City, both as a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee and otherwise, Mayor Miller presented a plaque expressing such appreciation.

PROCLAMATIONS:

9. SAVE YOUR VISION WEEK.

10. RED CROSS MONTH.

11. JUNIOR BOWLING MONTH.

So proclaimed by Mayor Miller.

COMMISSION MATTERS:

12. VACANCY ON SENIOR CITIZENS' COMMISSION.

Held for later in the meeting -- See Page 13.

13. FORMER CITY COMMISSIONERS RECOGNITION FOR SERVICE.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That all Commissioners who have served at least four years receive a large tile plaque -- a Certificate of Appreciation to be given to Commissioners who have served less than a full term.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the City Clerk. His motion, seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting; Councilman Wilson absent).

REAL PROPERTY:

14. COUNCIL T-HANGAR POLICY.

It was the consensus of the Council that this item should first be reviewed by the Airport Commission prior to Council consideration.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to refer the matter of T-Hangar Policy to the Airport Commission for their comments. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber.

Mr. James White, 2162 Westridge Road, Los Angeles, was present to reaffirm his desire to sell 18 hangars to the City, and indicated his willingness to appear before the Airport Commission in this regard.

Roll call vote on Councilman Uerkwitz' motion was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting; Councilman Wilson absent).

FISCAL MATTERS:

15. RESOLUTION re: On-The-Job Training Programs - Culligan Water Conditioning Company and Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-30

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THOSE CERTAIN CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING COMPANY AND TORRANCE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO INITIATE ON-THE-JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-30. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting; Councilman Wilson absent).

PARK AND RECREATION:

16. INTERIM RESOLUTION establishing the management of, a Schedule of Fees to be charged, and a Reservation Policy, for the use of the Walteria Reservoir Tennis Complex.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-31

AN INTERIM RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ESTABLISHING THE MANAGEMENT OF, A SCHEDULE OF FEES TO BE

CHARGED, AND A RESERVATION POLICY FOR THE  
USE OF THE WALTERIA RESERVOIR TENNIS  
COMPLEX OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

There was discussion prior to a motion for the adoption of the resolution. (Councilman Brewster arrived at the meeting during this discussion, the hour being 7:35 P.M.)

Questioned by Councilwoman Geissert was the reservation policy for non-residents, in view of the long awaited desire of Torrance residents for tennis courts. Director of Park and Recreation Van Bellehem noted the "trial basis" aspect of this resolution, as well as the yet undetermined revenues.

Also discussed were hours of operation; staff arrangements; fees; resident vs. non-resident usage and a recommended two days in advance (instead of three days) <sup>notification</sup> requirement for non-residents.

Councilman Brewster noted the need to add to Item A 3 under Schedule of Fees the words "per hour" -- reading "\$ .50 per hour electrical 'use fee' when the tennis courts are lighted."

Speakers on this matter were Mr. Phil Joseph who noted the present crowded tennis courts in the City, and who does not feel that it is necessary to encompass outside residents-- and Mr. Perry Baker, 16834 Glenburn, who noted that other cities charge a fee for the registration card for golf use, and suggested a like arrangement in this case.

Following further discussion, it was the consensus of the Council that the Reservation Policy for Non-residents should be "2 days in advance", instead of three days.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-31, amended to reflect that the Reservation Policy for Non-Residents shall be 2 days in advance; and adding to Item #3, Schedule of Fees, "\$.50 per hour electrical 'use fee'....". The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

17. TPOA Presentation regarding 1975 Salary Discussions.

The request of TPOA to hold this item until a later date was noted. Councilman Armstrong MOVED to concur with the request. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

18. ADJUSTMENT IN RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR RETIRED EMPLOYEES.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER:

Since this is not a meet and confer item it should be considered with the full budget during your budget sessions.

Mr. Joseph Miles was present to confirm that this matter will be a consideration during the budget workshop sessions. Mayor Miller directed that he be notified when these meetings are scheduled.

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

19. STARTING SALARY FOR WILLIAM G. QUALE, DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ATTORNEY:

That Council approve an increase in salary from Step 1 (\$1298.10) to Step 3 (\$1434.80) for Mr. Quale, effective immediately.

It was the opinion of Councilman Uerkwitz that the City should be tightening its hiring policy -- he cannot see the merit of an employee starting out with increased pay prior to any demonstration of ability. City Attorney Remelmeyer pointed out the unique qualifications of Mr. Quale, including his previous employment with the City of Torrance.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the City Attorney. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Uerkwitz.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Wilson.

20. RESOLUTION requesting support for S.B. 312, retirement law amendment excluding Public Service Employees from coverage.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-32

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE  
REQUESTING SUPPORT FOR S.B. 312.

Councilman Surber moved for adoption of Resolution No. 75-32. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Wilson absent).

21. Withdrawn.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

22. RESOLUTION granting V 74-8, American Standard, Inc.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-33

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING A VARIANCE FROM  
THE PROVISIONS OF DIVISION 9 OF THE  
TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE, AS APPLIED FOR  
BY AMERICAN STANDARD, INC. IN PLANNING  
COMMISSION CASE NO. V 74-8 (EA 74-137).

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-33. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

23. RESOLUTION approving a Parcel Map for a Division of Lot on property owned by the U.S. Steel Corporation.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-34

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A PARCEL MAP  
FOR A DIVISION OF LOT ON PROPERTY OWNED  
BY THE U.S. STEEL CORPORATION, LOCATED  
SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD BETWEEN VAN  
NESS AVENUE AND WESTERN AVENUE.

D 74-26 (EA 74-134) - U.S. STEEL CORPORATION

Clarification regarding the compromise achieved was provided by City Attorney Remelmeyer. Noted by the Council was the reference in Item #2 "U.S. Steel has orally agreed that it will construct such curb and gutter.....", it being the consensus that the subject agreement should be a written one. Concurrence with providing such written agreement was indicated by Mr. Peck, representing the proponent.

Also noted by Councilwoman Geissert was the absence of any reference to the curbs and gutters in the resolution -- City Attorney Remelmeyer acknowledged this oversight, and advised that the resolution would be appropriately amended.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-34, subject to an amendment which will provide specifically that upon the widening of Van Ness, U.S. Steel will install the curbs and gutters necessary therefor in accordance with the requirements of the City Engineer; further, that U.S. Steel furnish a letter agreeing to do so. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

PLANNING AND ZONING HEARINGS:

24. CUP 74-68, JORGE CHOQUEHUANCA: Appeal of Planning Commission action on a Conditional Use Permit to allow the serving of alcoholic beverages in a bona fide eating establishment located at 915 Van Ness Avenue.  
DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE 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 subject public hearing, and, following Staff presentation by Planning Director Shartle, invited comments from the audience.

The proponent, Mr. Jorge Choquehuanca, and the former owner (name unintelligible) were present to discuss the operation, both past and future, and to request Council approval of their request with specific note of the problems presented by certain of the recommended conditions. Mr. Choquehuanca also described the proposed restaurant as one to serve the steel mill workers on various shifts, and provided a typical menu for Council review.

Council discussion followed -- the "small business" aspect in a unique downtown area was noted, and it was agreed that some relief from certain conditions (see below) would be appropriate.

There being no one else 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 Surber moved to approve CUP 74-68, subject to Staff conditions, with the following modifications: Condition #1, revised to state: ".....and if the restaurant ceases to serve regular meals....." (instead of "food").

Condition #4, deleted.

Condition #7, revised to state: "That the matter of the existing roof sign shall be resolved to the satisfaction of Staff."

Condition #8, revised to state: "That all new signing shall be approved by Staff."

Condition #9, revised to state: "That the operation shall be open no later than 2:00 A.M., subject to review after six months of operation."

The motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

PARK AND RECREATION:

25. LETTER FROM PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION REGARDING OIL OPERATION AT SUR LA BREA PARK.

The concern of the Park and Recreation Commission, per their communication of February 20, 1975 (of record), was noted, as were the comments of the Park and Recreation Director re: the report of the Environmental Enforcement people that the maintenance and work by Granier was within the legal limits and the fencing installed in place as required by the law -- "There appears to be nothing more the City can do except perhaps enact even more restrictive ordinances to control such activities in the future," per Mr. Van Bellehem.

Building and Safety Director McKinnon reported that there has been proper notification regarding some unattended drilling

rigs in violation of City laws, and advised that there will be tighter future enforcement of this particular site. City Attorney Remelmeyer advised that a letter had gone forward to Mr. Granier this date which listed all the deficiencies which must be corrected; otherwise it will be necessary to move to the courts to enforce same. Mr. Remelmeyer also outlined the history of this unusual case, and the pending litigation pertaining thereto instituted by Mr. Granier. Prudence would dictate, per Mr. Remelmeyer, that the wells remain until a determination has been made by the courts; however, there is no reason why the ordinances of the City cannot be enforced.

Slides of the site, provided by Park and Recreation Commissioner Dougan were viewed by the Council.

Councilman Armstrong expressed his concern at the apparent inability of the City to do anything in this case, and in other instances throughout the City -- in his opinion, this open, unshielded rig, with its falling down chicken wire fence, is an overt and direct threat to public safety. It would appear that it is time to review the Housing Code, per Mr. Armstrong, and to direct consideration of an appropriate emergency ordinance which would give the Environmental Enforcement Staff the power to move, on an emergency basis, on those threats involving public safety. Building and Safety Director McKinnon reported on the action taken in this matter, as well as the current review of the Housing Code by the City Attorney's office.

Inspection of the subject site was reported by Councilwoman Geissert who stated that the fence was nothing but a roll of wire, some 5 feet high, minus posts and supports.

City Attorney Remelmeyer reaffirmed the steps taken to rectify this matter, via notification to Mr. Granier, and results should be apparent in the very near future.

Councilman Uerkwitz deemed this a problem called to the City's attention by Mrs. Marion Lyman, and that the Council should endorse established procedures to move ahead in the correction thereof.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to accept the report and instruct Staff to move forward as soon as possible. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong.

Prior to roll call vote on the motion, Mrs. Marion Lyman, 1922 West 237th Street, reported on the type of maintenance now going on at the subject site -- the use of heavier rigs, the failure to remove the rigs after the job is completed, the heavy, industrial type traffic, etc. Mrs. Joan Curtis, 1915 West 236th Street, confirmed the existence of this problem, along with the added problem of increased noise in the neighborhood.

It was the recommendation of Mayor Miller that this matter be referred to the Oil Committee for the purpose of reviewing the adequacy of appropriate ordinances relative to whether or not rigs can sit indefinitely.

Councilman Uerkwitz thereupon added to his MOTION: That the above matter be referred to the Oil Committee. The amendment was acceptable to Councilman Armstrong who seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

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ROUTINE MATTERS:

26. DISBURSEMENT OF EXCESSIVE FUNDS collected on E.R. #16391 (Dated 10-9-73) as a condition of development of the N/W corner of 190th Street and Western Avenue (D 73-15).  
Developer: Mr. Gene Lemming.  
RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER: That the funds collected on E.R. #16391 (\$5,375.28) be dispersed as follows:
1. That \$2,195.51 be retained in Sewer Reimbursement District #83.
  2. That \$1,371.18 be transferred to the Water Revenue Fund, 90-2152, to cover the charges due and payable for the water main extension.
  3. That \$1,808.59 be returned to the developer (Gene Lemming), said amount being the balance of the excessive funds collected.

27. FINAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE TORRANCE BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENT IN THE VICINITY OF CABRILLO AVENUE - SS-95, Job. No. 64030.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That \$75,000 in 2107 Gas Tax Funds be appropriated to cover final costs for the referenced project.

28. BUDGETED EXPENDITURES IN EXCESS OF \$300:

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

That Council approve the following purchases:

A. BUDGETED ITEMS:

1. \$831.04 to Western Water Works Supply Company for the purchase of 2,000 ft. of 1" pipe - Class 160 - as required by the Water Department.
2. \$1,855.53 to Oranco Supply Company for the purchase of 1 only 3-inch and 1 only 4-inch pressure type vacuum breakers as required by the Park Department to comply with Health Department requirements because of the need to isolate sprinkler water system from drinking water system. These are required to replace existing vacuum breakers.

3. Deleted.
4. \$772.74 to Torrance Sports Shop for the purchase of miscellaneous playground game balls, including footballs, soccer balls, utility balls, basketballs, and tetherballs, as requested by the Recreation Department.
5. \$338.22 to Western Water Works Supply Company for the purchase of 6 only 4-inch pipe size repair clamps, as required by the Water Department.
6. \$392.20 to Pacific Toro Company, Inc. for the purchase of an OSHA required ROLL-OVER PROTECTION package for our Toro 7 gang mower.
7. \$328.57 to GMC Truck and Coach of Oakland for the wholesale purchase of replacement bus parts as required by the Garage Department.
8. \$510.42 to Diesel Service Center, Inc. for a partial overhaul of a City 6V71 diesel engine.
9. \$318.00 to AAAA Used Container Company for the purchase of 100 recycled lightweight 50 ga. trash cans as requested by the Park Department to place in City parks.
10. \$2,193.00 to Globe Gas Company for the purchase of 9153 gal. of propane fuel as requested by the Garage.
11. \$1,824.26 to S&J Chevrolet Company to overhaul two only Allison transmissions (used on City rubbish trucks).
12. \$667.80 to Berry's Bullets for the purchase of 35,000 lead bullets (bullet end only for reloading) as requested by the Police Department.
13. \$1,989.72 to International Harvester Company to overhaul a City-owned Hough Loader transmission which is an International Harvester product.
14. \$489.59 to Pacific Data Forms to print a required supply of "Library Book Request" forms as requested by the Library Department.
15. \$310.74 to Western Security Products for the purchase of a small security alarm system as requested by the Police Property (Evidence) Room.
16. \$3,000.00 to Olin Corporation (current State of California supplier for ammunition) for the purchase of annual requirements of NEW ammunition as bid to the State of California. Ammunition to be included is: 12 ga. shotgun; 45 cal and 38 special ammunition; delivery "as required".
17. \$971.82 to Western Fire Equipment Company for the purchase of 4 nozzles; 4 spanner wrenches and 1 eductor as required by the Fire Department for replacement equipment on fire apparatus.

29. AWARD OF 6-MONTH CONTRACT re: Asphalt Plant Mix  
Expenditure: \$108,285.69

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That Council accept the low bid submitted by Industrial Asphalt Company and approve of awarding them this 6-month contract in the total amount of \$108,285.69.

30. AWARD OF CONTRACT to purchase 1 Bus Brake Drum Lathe and 1 Bus Brake Shoe Arc Grinder.

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That Council accept the low bid submitted by Morris Perell Equipment Company (low bid with 1% invoice payment discount) for the Bus Brake Drum Lathe and Bus Brake Shoe Arc Grinder in the total amount of \$12,617.99, including tax.

31. CLAIM of Brian J. Schmutz for personal damages.
32. CLAIM of Robert Paul and Mary Williams for property damage.
33. CLAIM of John A. Osborn for property damages.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That the above claims on Items #31, 32, and #33 be DENIED and referred to the City Attorney. The Insurance Carrier concurs with the above action.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the above recommendations on agenda items #26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and #33. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

ADDENDUM ITEM:

34. RESOLUTION expressing gratitude to the Friends of Sherry Breedlove.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-29

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
THE CITY OF TORRANCE EXPRESSING  
GRATITUDE TO THE FRIENDS OF SHERRY  
BREEDLOVE FOR THEIR MEANINGFUL ACTS  
OF HUMANITARIANISM.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-29. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

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The hour being 9:10 P.M., Councilman Uerkwitz moved to recess as the City Council, and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent). The Council returned to its agenda at 9:11 P.M.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

35. Councilwoman Geissert noted the petition presented by residents in the vicinity of Calle Mayor and Newton Street which outlined existing traffic problems. Director of Transportation Horkay advised that this matter will be before the Traffic Commission in the near future. It was agreed that notification would be directed to the first 7 to 10 signers of the petition.

36. Councilman Surber pointed out the voluminous information provided Councilmembers by Los Angeles County Supervisors, particularly Supervisor Hayes, and recommended that they be contacted to the end that only one copy of the material would be sent to this Council, with appropriate duplication to be made by the City.

It was the inspired suggestion of Mayor Miller that City Manager Ferraro arrange for the installation of a bulletin board in the Council office area for the posting of one copy of items of this and like nature. Councilwoman Geissert voiced some objections to the "standing and reading" aspect of such an arrangement, but it was generally favored by the Councilmembers, and City Manager Ferraro indicated that he would follow through accordingly.

37. Mayor Miller reported on a communication received by him regarding the posting of a bond for future curbs and gutters which was subsequently forfeited by the builder and the resultant hardship imposed on him, the buyer of the property -- City Engineer Weaver stated that he would investigate this matter and report back.

38. Mr. Dick Rossberg, Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce, announced, with considerable pride, that J. Walker Owens, the Chamber's Executive Vice President, received the 1974 Pettit Memorial Award which is given to the outstanding Chamber Executive Manager in the State of California.

Further, per Mr. Rossberg, the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce was the 20th city in the State of California to be officially accredited by the United States Chamber. Mr. Rossberg then detailed the importance of this accreditation, and acknowledged the importance of the City contract in achieving this recognition.

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Considered by the Council at this time:

ITEM #12: VACANCY ON SENIOR CITIZENS' COUNCIL.

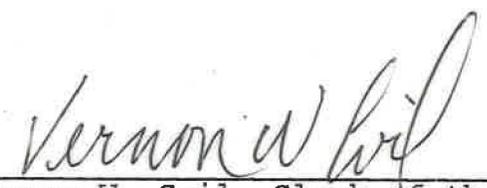
At 9:25 P.M., Councilman Armstrong moved to recess for the purpose of a Personnel Session to consider a Commission appointment, City Attorney Remelmeyer having confirmed this is a proper subject matter. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

The Commission returned at 9:38 P.M., and took the following action:

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved for the appointment of Ms. Velma Harber to the Senior Citizens' Council. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson absent).

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

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

APPROVED:

  
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Mayor of the City of Torrance