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Adjourned at 11:42 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, March 4, 1975, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilwoman Geissert; Councilmen Armstrong, Brewster, Surber, Uerkwitz, and Mayor Miller. Councilman Wilson arrived at 5:35 P.M. Absent: None.

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

3. FLAG SALUTE:

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

4. INVOCATION:

City Clerk Coil provided the invocation for the meeting.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Armstrong moved to approve the minutes of February 4 and February 11, 1975, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson had not yet arrived at the meeting). Councilman Uerkwitz abstained in the approval of the February 11th minutes in that he was not present at that 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 Wilson had not yet arrived at the meeting).

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 Councilmember the right to demand the reading of any

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such resolution or ordinance in regular order. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson had not yet arrived at the meeting).

8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Ad Hoc Committee - Soccer Hall of Fame:  
Will meet on March 5th at 5:00 P.M.

Police, Fire, and Public Safety:  
Will next meet on March 25th.

FISCAL MATTERS:

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Wages, Hours, and Working Conditions

City Manager Ferraro outlined the format for this procedure of an Executive Session for the purpose of developing an instruction regarding wages, salaries and working conditions, and noted the demands which have been filed by certain employee groups, hence the need for the subject Executive Session in order to commence necessary negotiations.

Mr. Ferraro likewise advised that should there be any cutbacks as to programs or people which would become effective on July 1st, that information will be in the City Manager's Preliminary Budget -- this Budget will be filed at an early date and will permit full review by all interested parties.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

10. Lieutenant Charles Oates, representing TPOA, questioned the accuracy of figures contained in a report to the Council from Assistant to the City Manager Jackson relative to cost of living retirement benefits for retired Police personnel.

Mr. Jackson advised that it is necessary to abide by actuarial figures provided by PERS -- which figures are incorporated in this report. It was agreed that Messrs. Oates and Jackson should further research this matter and return with a possibly adjusted report.

11. Councilman Uerkwitz requested Staff review of the ordinance recently passed by the Los Angeles City Council which would increase the Senior Citizen exemption on utility tax to \$7,500.

Councilwoman Geissert and Councilman Armstrong reaffirmed their past expressed interest in this matter -- Councilman Surber indicated his interest in knowing the cost of administering such a program, as well as the extent of participation in same.

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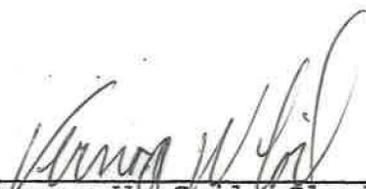
At 6:00 P.M., Councilman Armstrong moved to recess as the City Council, and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. The Council returned at 6:01 P.M.

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At 6:01 P.M., Councilman Uerkwitz moved to recess for the purpose of an Executive Session to discuss hours, wages, and working conditions and to give instructions pertaining thereto -- this being a proper subject matter, per City Attorney Remelmeyer. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

The meeting was formally adjourned at 11:42 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

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