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Adjournment at 10:05 p.m.

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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 12, 1975, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmen Armstrong, Surber, Uerkwitz, Wilson and Mayor Miller. Absent: Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert (vacations).

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

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mrs. Henry led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Father Felix Tang, Nativity Catholic Church, provided the invocation for the meeting.

STANDARD MOTIONS:5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

None available.

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 (Absent: Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert).

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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 such resolution or ordinance in regular order. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmembers Brewster, Geissert absent).

8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

None.

PRESENTATIONS:

9. TILE PLAQUE for resigned Library Commissioner Lankford; CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION for resigned Fine Arts Commissioner DeCamp and Environmental Quality Commissioner Berwanger.

Presentation of the above recognition-for-service awards was made by Mayor Miller, with grateful acceptance thereof.

10. TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL AWARDS TO THE TORRANCE VIKINGS SOCCER TEAM, 1975 State Champions.

Tile plaques in appropriate recognition for the outstanding accomplishments of the Torrance Vikings soccer team, were presented to team members and management representation present by Mayor Miller and Councilman Wilson. Grateful acceptance was expressed by the recipients.

11. PLAQUE TO MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM DEMPSTER in recognition of their community service.

Councilman Wilson acknowledged the many humanitarian services performed by Mr. and Mrs. William Dempster in assisting their fellow man at sea. Appropriate commendation by way of a tile plaque was presented by Mayor Miller, with appreciation for this honor expressed by the Dempsters.

STREETS & SIDEWALKS:

12. 190th ST/HAWTHORNE BLVD. intersection realignment (RR Grade Separation) County proposal for cost sharing.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

1. That the City respond favorably to the offer of the County as stated in Supervisor Hayes' letter specifying use of Urban Funds for our share.

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2. That this department be instructed to take the necessary steps to accomplish the transfer of \$367,000 in Urban Funds to the 190th St. project.

Following presentation of background information on the subject project by City Manager Ferraro and by Mr. Bob McCaman of Supervisor Hayes' office, action was taken as shown below:

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the above-stated recommendation of the City Engineer. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried unanimously by roll call vote (Councilmembers Brewster, Geissert absent).

13. RESOLUTION granting permission to enter Mobil Oil property to construct a bicycle path - improvement of 190th St. from Prairie Ave. to Crenshaw Blvd.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-164

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 MOBIL OIL CORP. FOR PERMISSION TO
ENTER MOBIL OIL CORP. PROPERTY TO CONSTRUCT A
BICYCLE PATH.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-164. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert).

14. ELIMINATION OF TRACT CONDITION (Landscaping Maintenance Assessment Dist.) on final Tract Map 32149 (Total Concepts Corp.) & Tentative Tract 26294 (Carriage Real Estate Group).

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

1. That Engineering condition No. 12 of Final Tract No. 32149 be deleted.
2. That Engineering condition No. 11 of Tentative Tract No. 26294 be deleted.

Following a brief discussion, Councilman Armstrong called the attention of the Council to the City Manager's Note on written material regarding this item: "It still should be understood that the City retains as a condition that the developer submit plans for the landscaping of these areas to the City for their review and approval."

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Engineer. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, with the stipulation as specified in the City Manager's note and also noting, as stated by Mayor Miller, that as soon as the tracts are developed and occupied, a public hearing will be called for a landscaping maintenance assessment district. Roll call vote on the motion was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson casting a "reluctant yes" and Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

15. FENCING OF LOMITA BOULEVARD EXTENSION westerly of Anza Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR/
PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

1. That \$4,450.00 be appropriated from the General Fund un-appropriated surplus for the project.
2. That the bid of Southern California Fence Co. in the amount of \$3,231.96 be accepted for the material and all other bids be rejected.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above stated recommendation. His motion, seconded by Councilman Surber, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Absent: Councilmembers Brewster; Geissert).

It was the request of Councilman Uerkwitz that Staff forward a copy of this item to the South Bay Corridor Study Coordinator, Mr. Bryce Stevens.

FISCAL MATTERS:

16. RECOMMENDATION RE TORRANCE TRANSIT SYSTEM EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE:

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK/CITY MANAGER:

It is the recommendation of the City Manager and the City Clerk that Council accept the offer of Columbia Casualty Company for excess liability insurance to \$1,000,000 at an annual premium of \$36,190.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Clerk. His motion, seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, carried unanimously by roll call vote (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

MANPOWER MATTERS:

17. RESOLUTION re On-The-Job Training Program:

RESOLUTION NO. 75-165

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 FOR ON-THE-JOB TRAINING BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND ALFLEX CORP., PAT SERVICES INC., AND TORRANCE SCREEN AND GLASS CO.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-165. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

PARK AND RECREATION:18. RESOLUTION re Madrona Marsh:RESOLUTION NO. 75-166

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST A SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO THAT LICENSE AGREEMENT DATED NOVEMBER 19, 1974 BY AND BETWEEN THIS CITY AND CHANSLOR-WESTERN OIL AND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY TO PROVIDE THAT THE CITY INDEMNIFY SAID COMPANY FOR ANY INJURIES SUSTAINED WHILE CONDUCTING A WILDLIFE STUDY UPON THE MADRONA MARSH

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-166. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried by the following roll call vote:

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

Following advice by City Attorney Remelmeyer that four positive votes are required to effect the above action, Council discussion ensued, and action was ultimately taken as follows:

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved for reconsideration of the above item. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, carried by the following roll call vote:

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

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to continue Agenda Item #18 to the Council meeting of August 19, 1975. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and carried as shown below:

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

PERSONNEL MATTERS:19. RESOLUTION establishing hours, wages, and benefits for Classification of Manpower Program Specialist with opinion of City Attorney:

Councilman Armstrong noted receipt of correspondence from the Civil Service Commission requesting that the subject matter be held -- concurrence with this request was voiced by Assistant to the City Manager Jackson. The following action was taken:

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the recommendation of Staff to continue this item until the City Council meeting of August 19th. His motion, seconded by Councilman Surber, carried unanimously by roll call vote (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

20. EXECUTIVE SESSION regarding hours, wages and working conditions:

Held later in the meeting - See Page 14.

MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:21. REPORT ON PROPOSAL OF CONVERSION OF NORTH TORRANCE FIRE STATION:RECOMMENDATION OF PLANNING DIRECTOR:

That Park and Recreation staff be authorized to proceed with the proposed selection of an architect to convert the North Torrance Fire Station into a multi-purpose community center.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Director on the above matter. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber.

Prior to roll call vote, the concept of the proposed revision was clarified by City Manager Ferraro, who noted that the revision is to accommodate senior citizen use, as well as community use. It was understood that the above motion was qualified to include the following parameters under which the architect will be operating, as specified in written material, of record:

"It is envisioned that the center would provide the following features:

- A. A social hall which can be used for dancing, dining, or meetings, with a bandstand or small stage.
- B. Two or more small craft, game and/or meeting rooms.
- C. Kitchen with provision for locked storage, commercial type stove, sink, dishwasher, and refrigerator.
- D. Additional restroom for a total of two.
- E. Sound system to allow for announcements, paging, live music, etc.
- F. Small enclosed office with provision for two-compartment floor safe.
- G. Suitable storage space for folding chairs and tables, craft materials, and recreation equipment.
- H. Entryways, doors, restrooms, etc., to be constructed so that they may be used by handicapped persons.
- I. Provision for easy access from Tillim Senior Citizen Center next door.
- J. Expanded parking to meet increased demand.
- K. Landscaping of the entire complex to include the library, recreation building, Tillim Center, and the project building with a common theme."

Roll call vote on Councilman Wilson's motion to concur with the recommendation, with the noted qualifications, proved unanimously favorable (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

Following action on this item, an audience member, Mrs. Velma Harber, 16821 Yukon Avenue, requested clarification of the subject proposed plans -- such information was provided by Mayor Miller. Mrs. Harber expressed an interest in being notified upon return of this matter before the Council (following selection of the architect); Staff will follow through in this regard.

PLANNING & ZONING MATTERS:

22. CUP 74-25, COBABE, MILLER & COBABE: Time-extension request for a previously approved Conditional Use Permit to allow the construction of two office buildings in the C-2 zone located on the east side of Crenshaw Boulevard approximately 150 feet north of Rolling Hills Road.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING DIRECTOR:

The Planning Staff has no objections to the Council granting a time extension on CUP 74-25 to September 10, 1976, subject to the same conditions as formerly imposed.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the requested time extension on CUP 74-25, to September 10, 1976. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, carried unanimously by roll call vote (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

PLANNING & ZONING HEARINGS:

Considered together:

23. D 75-14, SOL MILLOT: Appeal of Planning Commission conditions of approval of a Division of Lot to create 2 parcels on property in the C-3 (PP) and C-R zones located at the northeast corner of 182nd Street and Van Ness Avenue.
APPROVED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS.
24. V 75-4, FIRST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH: Request for a Variance of the C-R zone requirements to permit church and educational facilities in an existing building located on the north side of 182nd Street between Van Ness Avenue and Wilton Place (2115 West 182nd Street).

Affidavits of Publication were presented by City Clerk Coil, and ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the above subject public hearings, followed by Staff presentation by Planning Director Shartle. Audience comments were then invited by Mayor Miller.

Pastor W. D. Smith, First Pentecostal Church, home address 2127 West 237th Street, provided background information on their attempts to relocate their church facilities to the above subject property; noted problems involved in complying, at this time, with conditions as set forth; Mr. Millot's desire for 24 months' time in which to comply with lot split conditions, etc; and his request that, in the meantime, the Variance allowing church use be granted.

Planning Director Shartle noted his understanding, by way of a telephone conversation between his office and Mr. Millot (who was not present at this meeting), of Mr. Millot's feeling that all conditions^{imposed} are unreasonable, and that it is his desire to be released from them. Council discussion then encompassed the unique circumstances surrounding the subject property; the urgent need for upgrading same; costs involved in complying with conditions; and the possibility, as well as desirability of requiring bonding for conditions not to be fulfilled at this time.

There followed further audience input -- Mrs. Barbara Nesbitt, 18216 Wilton Place (across the street from the subject property), expressed specific concern regarding noise and traffic problems which would result from church use of the property -- Mrs. Nesbitt also referenced the great need for raising of the rear fence height; repair of the rear gate; and removal of roof air conditioning equipment.

Next to speak was Mr. Ray Rivera, 177th Street and Gramercy, ^{who}voiced objection to church use because of increased traffic problems in this residential area which would be represented thereby, and because of the probable use of the nearby neighborhood park by church attendants and the possible abuse of the park by these non-residents of the community.

Further objections to the proposed church use were expressed by Mr. Terry Heath, 2001 West 177th Street, because of the resultant effect on the surrounding neighborhood with added traffic congestion, etc; Mr. Ogawa, 2070 West 181st Street, who, although not specifically objecting to the church, would oppose any additional noise which would result from same; Mr. Jim Knoll, 18039 Wilton Place, who urged that adequate and satisfactory soundproofing be required, drainage problems be solved, and all Planning Commission conditions be adhered to -- in that event, Mr. Knoll would not object to church use.

There being no one else in the audience who wished to speak on these items at this time, Councilman Armstrong moved to close the hearings on D 75-14 and V 75-4. His motion, seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, carried unanimously by roll call vote (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

An extensive Council discussion ensued encompassing the merits of church occupancy of the property vs. possible alternative uses; the extreme need for proper soundproofing; the need for "locking in" the conditions, by way of bonding, etc. It was suggested by City Attorney Remelmeyer that there be a continuance of Council decision on these items for a 2-week period in order to allow a meeting with concerned parties and responsible City Staff to establish an understanding of parameters involved, an agreement with Mr. Millot regarding bonding, and specific responsibilities for various conditions (whether the church or Mr. Millot).

There was specific reference by Mayor Miller to Condition #4 of the Variance: "That all conditions of D 75-14 shall be met;" and Pastor Smith's objection to this condition -- it was suggested by Planning Director Shartle that this be reworded to indicate that all conditions of D 75-14 applicable to the easterly lot be met. General concurrence was indicated by the Council to this change. The following action was then taken:

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to continue the decision on D 75-14 until the City Council meeting of August 26, 1975, at 7:30 p.m. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, carried unanimously by roll call vote (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to continue the decision on V 75-4 until the City Council meeting of August 26, 1975, at 7:30 p.m. That motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, carried unanimously by roll call vote (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

HEARINGS - OTHER THAN PLANNING:

25. PUBLIC HEARING on report of cost of construction of curb, gutter, sidewalk, and driveway at five locations as shown on sketches entitled Chapter 27, 1911 ACT (74-3, 74-4, 74-5, and 74-6).

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

1. That after the public hearing, the City Council pass upon objections or protests, if any.
2. That the City Council approve and adopt the resolution confirming the assessment.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the subject public hearing. In response to an inquiry by Mayor Miller, C.E. Associate Bourbonnais advised that there has been proper mailing and posting of notices in this regard -- City Clerk Coil and C.E. Associate Bourbonnais announced that there have been no written protests on the subject hearing received by the City.

Audience comments were invited. There being no response, Councilman Wilson moved to close the hearing; seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and unanimously carried by roll call vote (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

RESOLUTION NO. 75-167

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ASSESSING THE COST OF CONSTRUCTION OF CURBS, GUTTERS, SIDEWALKS AND DRIVEWAYS IN FRONT OF CERTAIN PROPERTIES IN SAID CITY PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 27, DIVISION 7, OF THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE (SHORT FORM IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 1911) (74-3, 74-4, 74-5, AND 74-6)

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-167. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

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ROUTINE MATTERS:26. EXPENDITURES IN EXCESS OF \$300:RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

That Council approve the following purchases:

A. BUDGETED ITEMS:

1. \$1014.61 to GMC Truck and Coach for various GMC bus repair parts as requested by the City Garage.
2. \$1270.94 to Park Son Inc. for ten (10) each 12-inch tees and adapters requested by the Water Department for water service for track #32149.
3. \$431.53 to Pacific States C. I. for four (4) each 12-inch pipe fittings as requested by the Water Department for tract #32149.
4. \$574.52 to American Aerial Survey for two (2) aerial photographs of our City Airport; 1 each 400' = 1" and 1 each 200' = 1" as requested by the Department of Transportation.
5. \$2036.99 to Petrolane Transport for a supplemental shipment of 8497 gallons of propane fuel as required by the City.
6. \$2027.25 to Olin Corporation for a six (6) month extension of contract to supply red fuses "as required" by the Police Dept.
7. \$1603.25 to Los Angeles Chemical Company for an annual contract to supply a special weed killer chemical called "round up" as requested by the Park Division.
8. \$597.00 to Major Partitions to furnish and install a small office partition in the Finance Department.
9. \$889.01 to Johnny Gillette Company to provide necessary tire recapping and repair services as required by the City Garage and Fire Departments.
10. \$1806.24 to California Electronic and Police Equipment Company to provide 8000 rounds of .223 cal. ammunition required by the Police Department.
11. \$399.19 to F. Morton Pitt Company for the purchase of one (1) only Fire emergency roof top red light systems with public address speaker as required by the Fire Department.
12. \$362.27 to Motorola Teleprograms Inc. for the purchase of a training film on police report writing improvement.

13. \$840.07 to Wheel Industries for the purchase of four (4) Budd type truck wheels "as required" by the City Garage.
14. \$932.32 to Paramount Equipment Rental and Sales Inc. for the necessary repairs to both differentials of a tandem axle truck.

B. REIMBURSABLE ITEMS:

15. \$7996.50 to Dependable Trophy for an annual contract to supply trophies for our city recreation programs "as requested" by the Recreation Department. The City is reimbursed for this expenditure by means of fees collected from participants.

27. PURCHASE OF EARTH BALL - NEW GAMES CONCEPT.

RECOMMENDATION OF PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR:

That the City Council of the City of Torrance approve an expenditure of \$200 from the Recreation Program Development Fund to purchase one Earth Ball to be used in the New Games concept.

28. PURCHASE OF MOTOROLA MOBILE RADIOS.

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION/FINANCE DIRECTOR:

In order to meet F.C.C. standards, avoid possible F.C.C. citations, eliminate lost crew time and continuous repair costs, it is recommended that Council approve of an award to Motorola Communications for 25 replacement mobile radios in the amount of \$22,832.40, including tax.

29. CURB, GUTTER, AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS - FINAL PAYMENT CORRECTION.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That \$381.15 be paid to N.D.L. Cement Contractors for work done on Assessment Districts 74-3, 74-4, 74-5, and 74-6 (final payment correction).

30. STORM DRAIN IN MADISON STREET IN VICINITY OF 229TH PLACE (B75-43) -- Award of Contract.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That the contract be awarded to S and S Construction and all other bids be rejected.

31. RELEASE OF SUBDIVISION BONDS - Tract No. 32459.
 Subdivider: Carriage Real Estate Group
 Bonding Company: Western Surety Company

<u>TYPE BOND</u>	<u>BOND NO.</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Performance	225-18-48	\$8,600
Payment	225-18-49	\$4,300
Inspection	225-18-50	\$1,000

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:
That subject bonds be released.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items #26, 27, 28, 29, 30, and #31. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

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The hour being 8:42 p.m., Councilman Wilson moved to recess as City Council, and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency; the motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmembers Brewster; Geissert). The Council returned to its agenda at 8:45 p.m.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

32. City Manager Ferraro introduced a new member of the City Manager's Staff, Ms. Janet Caprioglio, an interested observer at this meeting.

33. The Council was advised, by City Manager Ferraro, of approval by the Board of Supervisor's, for appropriation to the City of Torrance of SB 325/326 monies for the bus system.

34. City Manager Ferraro advised that "all systems are GO" with the Park and Ride -- goal for putting this program into operation is September 1st.

35. City Attorney Remelmeyer noted, in the absence of City Engineer Weaver, an Acting Superintendent of Streets is needed, and he requested that the Council appoint Mr. Gene Bourbonnais to serve in this capacity. Councilman Surber SO MOVED; seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and there were no objections (Councilmembers Brewster; Geissert absent).

36. Councilman Armstrong noted the interest of the City of Torrance in several pending Park and Recreation Bills, and the funding which successful passage of these Bills would represent.

37. The oil well site immediately adjacent to Hickory Park was noted, by Councilman Armstrong, as a problem matter insofar as drainage, spillage, etc. is concerned. Building & Safety Director McKinnon indicated he would check into this and report back.

38. The following report regarding the recent Assembly Hearing on Madrona Marsh funding was presented by Councilman Armstrong:

"At the end of a long day, Senate Bill 431 was reported out of the Resource and Land Use Committee of the Assembly. It now goes to the Ways and Means Committee of the Assembly and will probably be heard by them on Tuesday, August 19. Unless the Assembly Ways and Means Committee gets in a bind, all Senate Bills must report out of that Committee no later than October 25.

"The problem that Senate Bill 431 has run into is a lack of a source of funding. At the last minute, the Environmental Protection Fund (personalized license plates) was withdrawn at the request of the State Fish and Game, who said they needed it for their operating budget. This week Senator Stevens will be working on 'financing language' of Senate Bill 431. He hopes to find sufficient funds uncommitted in the 1964 Park Development Bond Act regarding such unexpended funds. It is speculated that there are 5.5 million dollars in this fund. However, to the best of our knowledge, we found last night that it is very possible this 5.5 million dollars has already been appropriated or committed to other current bills, i.e. Baldwin Park.

"Therefore, it is very important that Senator Stevens work diligently on the financing language of Senate Bill 431 before it is heard before the Assembly Ways and Means Committee on August 19. I would personally urge supporters of the Marsh project to let Senator Stevens know of your continued interest in this project, so we can reaffirm the importance of this project. However, after consultation with Fish and Game representatives and State Park and Recreation representatives, I feel that the availability of monies for this project is very remote. This is critical because the present year is the budget year, and, if SB 431 is not approved this year, it will be two years before it can be reintroduced."

39. Councilman Surber referenced City Council meeting of March 18th, wherein it was indicated that a meeting would be held on the "Assisted Housing Program" some time during the latter part of September, with appropriate written notification. A report in this regard will be forthcoming to Councilman Surber, per City Manager Ferraro.

40. Councilman Uerkwitz requested that Staff see that the plaque for Ed Mehler is available to be presented at the next South Bay Corridor Study meeting -- Director of Transportation Horkay indicated this would be taken care of.

41. A status report regarding Eshelman Avenue south of Sur La Brea Park was requested by Mayor Miller; C.E. Associate Bourbonnais indicated that the Engineering Department would follow through in this regard.

42. Mr. John Alter, 2305 Torrance Boulevard, was present to represent Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Skelton, owners of property at 4343 West 179th

Street. Mr. Alter questioned Planning Commission action of June 4th (minus any public hearing process) in granting certificates of compliance on two undersized lots in this vicinity; requested that a hearing be required in order that adjoining land owners might express opinions and concerns; and suggested that the outstanding building permits on these lots be suspended pending the hearing process.

It was the ultimate consensus of the Council that the City Attorney would pursue this matter immediately and report the results of his investigation to the Council by way of their boxes, and also to Mr. Alter. Mayor Miller further requested that Staff provide a report to the Council specifying areas of authority of the Planning Commission, with, or without the requirement of a public hearing process.

43. Mrs. Pat Brunton, 5010 Paseo de Pablo, requested permission to display banners on the overpass near South High School advertising soccer league try-outs. Building and Safety Director McKinnon requested that, if this request is approved, it be subject to the approval of the State and City of Torrance Building Department regulations.

MOTION: Mayor Miller moved to grant the request, subject to conditions. His motion, seconded by Councilman Surber, carried unanimously by roll call vote (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

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ITEM NO. 20 - EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 9:17 p.m., Councilman Surber moved to recess for the purpose of an Executive Session concerning hours, wages, and working conditions, this being deemed appropriate subject matter, per City Attorney Remelmeyer. The motion, seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, carried unanimously by roll call vote (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

The Council returned at 10:00 p.m., and took the following action:

ORDINANCE NO. 2581

(ORDINANCE "A")

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING PART XI OF CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR THE CITY MANAGER, CITY CLERK, CITY TREASURER, AND OTHER EXEMPT EMPLOYEES AND ADDING A NEW PART XI DEALING WITH THE SAME SUBJECT.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2581, at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, carried unanimously by roll call vote (Councilmembers Brewster; Geissert absent).

ORDINANCE NO. 2582
(ORDINANCE "B")

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING PART X OF CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROVISIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES ORGANIZATION AND CERTAIN EMPLOYEES REPRESENTING THEMSELVES ADDING A NEW PART X TO CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved approval of Ordinance No. 2582, at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilmembers Brewster and Geissert absent).

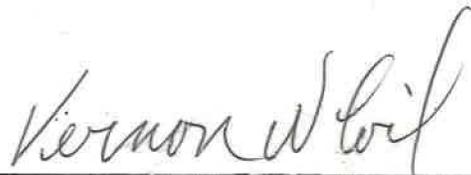
ORDINANCE NO. 2583
(ORDINANCE "C")

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING A NEW PART XIV DEALING WITH HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR CERTAIN MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved for approval of Ordinance No. 2583, at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmembers Brewster; Geissert absent).

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

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Vernon W. Coil, Clerk of the City of Torrance

APPROVED:



Mayor of the City of Torrance

Peggy Laverty
Minute Secretary

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City Council
August 12, 1975