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Adjourned at 8:31 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, September 2, 1975, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Armstrong, Brewster, Surber, Wilson; Mayor Miller. Councilwoman Geissert arrived at 5:35 P.M. Absent: Councilman Uerkwitz (vacation).

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

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mr. Ken Garcelon led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Reverend Edward Hughes, Walteria Assembly of God Church.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

None available.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Wilson moved that all regularly audited demands be paid. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert had not yet arrived at the meeting; Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

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 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 (Councilwoman Geissert had not yet arrived at the meeting; Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

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8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:Public Works Committee:

Met on August 28th re: Wildan matter and Flagler Lane.
Reports are forthcoming to the Council.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:9. ORDINANCE amending Code regarding the Manpower Planning Council.ORDINANCE NO. 2591

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING ARTICLE 17 TO CHAPTER 3 OF DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE CREATING A MANPOWER PLANNING COUNCIL, AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2490 RELATING TO THE SAME MATTER.

Councilman Armstrong moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2591 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Geissert, Surber,
Wilson; Mayor Miller.
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brewster (only because he dis-
agrees with the quorum aspect).
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Uerkwitz.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:10. RESOLUTION correcting legal descriptions on assessed properties.RESOLUTION NO. 75-175

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 75-167 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)

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-175. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

PUBLIC WORKS:11. ORDINANCE providing for the dedication of street right-of-way.ORDINANCE NO. 2592

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 74.3.3 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE PROVIDING FOR THE DEDICATION OF STREET RIGHT-OF-WAY.

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2592 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Gessiart, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Absent: Councilman Uerkwitz).

REAL PROPERTY:

12. RESOLUTION authorizing Clark V. Wiedmann assignment of Hangar "I", 2751 Airport Drive, from Edwin N. Saville.

RECOMMENDATION OF LAND MANAGEMENT TEAM:

Adoption of the subject Resolution, subject to the following conditions:

1. Reimbursement of the City in the amount of \$28.30 for preparation of the necessary documents.
2. One hour fire wall separation from adjoining hangars, if determined necessary after inspection by the Building Department.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-176

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST A CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT OF ONE (1) AIRPORT HANGAR LEASE OF EDWIN N. SAVILLE TO CLARK V. WIEDMANN

Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-176, subject to Land Management Team conditions, as stated above. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

13. RESOLUTION authorizing the execution of a Grant Agreement between the City and the Switzer Center for Educational Therapy.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-177

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE SWITZER CENTER FOR EDUCATIONAL THERAPY

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-177. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

14. ROLLING HILLS NURSERY, INC. - Request for One Year Extension for Construction Improvements.

RECOMMENDATION OF LAND MANAGEMENT TEAM:

That Mr. Tom Akiyama, Rolling Hills Nursery, Inc., be granted a one-year extension due to the fact that negotiations are still pending with Northern Properties, and although the Airport Master Plan may be adopted within six to eight months the plan would probably not be implemented during the one-year period.

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

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS:

15. PUBLIC HEARING FOR UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT #7.

RECOMMENDATION OF ASSISTANT TO THE CITY MANAGER:

1. That the City Council set October 7, 1975 as the date and time for a public hearing on this matter;
2. The City Council designate the areas indicated on the subject map as proposed District #7;
3. The City Council direct the City Clerk to notify all property owners in the affected areas.

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

TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:

16. TRAFFIC CONTROL MEASURES - Calle Mayor in the vicinity of Pacific Coast Highway.

RECOMMENDATION OF DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

1. We have no objections to the installation of a southbound right turn only lane on Calle Mayor at Pacific Coast Highway, provided signs, pavement and curb markings on this approach are also installed as indicated on the "Staff Design Diagram"; and
2. We would not expect parking lane striping to reduce speeds, and thus we do not recommend its installation. However, if Council chooses to try it on a limited basis, we have no strong objections to the installation of parking space stalls on Calle Mayor between Via Los Altos and Pacific Coast Highway provided a northbound right turn only lane and red curb are installed on Calle Mayor at Pacific Coast Highway and the stall design is as shown on the "Staff Design Diagram"; and
3. We recommend DENIAL of the request for replacement of the existing back-to-back left turn lanes with two-way left turn lanes on Calle Mayor between Pacific Coast Highway and Newton Street; however, we have no objections to the installation of raised reflectorized center lane markers; and
4. We recommend against installation of left turn signal phases on Pacific Coast Highway at Palos Verdes Boulevard at this time.

Present, representing the Riviera Homeowners Association, was Mr. Tom Nosek, 4422 Paseo de las Tortugas, who indicated general concurrence with the professional findings of Staff -- however, they do not concur with the above stated condition #2, it being their opinion that there should be a parking/bike/pedestrian lane, clearly delineated, which would make Calle Mayor a 1-lane street.

Council discussion was directed to areas of concern: the traffic created by school children, bicycles, and attendant hazards; appropriate striping for the recommended parking lane; safety factors/accident ratio; etc.

Also present to point out the traffic problems in the subject area were Mr. Bhuta, 5307 Calle Mayor and Mr. Rye (?), 5208 Calle Mayor.

Action taken by the Council is reflected below:

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with Staff recommendations #1, #3, and #4 -- further, that a parking lane be established, width and design (solid line with hash marking) to be determined by Staff; said lane to go to Los Altos. Also, this matter is to be returned in six months with a report on the results of this undertaking, with appropriate notification to homeowners. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

Staff review of the length of the right-turn pocket to go east on Pacific Coast Highway was requested by Councilman Brewster.

It was the request of Mayor Miller that there also be a Staff report, at the end of the six-month period, regarding the accident rate at this location, based on past experience and the six-month period experience.

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FISCAL MATTERS:

17. 1975-76 PROPERTY TAX LEVY, appropriation of funds for salary and fringe benefit adjustments and approval of reserves:

ORDINANCE NO. 2593

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY NEEDED TO MEET THE TOTAL ESTABLISHED EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1975-76 LESS THE AMOUNTS RAISED BY REVENUES COLLECTED OR TRANSFERRED FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2593 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilman Uerkwitz).

It was the comment of Councilman Brewster, at the time of his "yes" vote, that he had so voted because he has no other option at this point.

ORDINANCE NO. 2594

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE FIXING THE RATES OF TAXES AND LEVYING TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1975

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2594 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Absent: Councilman Uerkwitz).

Councilman Brewster reaffirmed the above stated comment.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-178

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING THE 1975-76 BUDGET TO PROVIDE FOR INCREASES IN SALARIES, BENEFITS AND TRAVEL EXPENSES

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-178. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Surber, Wilson; Mayor Miller.
 NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brewster.
 ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert (not present at Executive Session where this was discussed).
 ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Uerkwitz.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to approve the reserve amounts related to self-insurance, tax interim financing, accrued sick leave and 1976-77 budget as recommended by the City Manager in his August 27, 1975 report to the City Council on the City's financial position. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

The need for long range fiscal plans and forecasts during the budgetary process was discussed by Councilman Brewster -- concurrence was generally indicated by the Council. Councilwoman Geissert noted the need for review of the impact of unfilled positions, delayed purchases, etc. in the current budget at the mid-year budget review session.

Assistant City Manager Scharfman acknowledged like concerns, and pointed out the need for an Economic Element of the General Plan -- the Council was in agreement; a Staff report will be forthcoming in this regard.

- 18. REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF FEES - Switzer Center for Educational Therapy - CUP 75-41.

The precedent-setting aspect of this request was pointed out by Staff.

Dr. Janet Switzer, Executive Director, Switzer Center, was present to request the subject waiver of fees, in light of the financial problems faced by the Center.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to waive change of zone fees (\$210), minus \$25.00 for processing and posting; noting that this was a Planning Commission requirement, and waiver was granted on individual merit. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

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19. RESOLUTION re: service agreement with Kautz and Company for general liability claims servicing.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-179

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THE SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND KAUTZ AND COMPANY FOR THE LATTER TO PERFORM THE GENERAL LIABILITY CLAIMS SERVICING

Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-179. His motion, seconded by Mayor Miller, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

20. EMERGENCY AND REGULAR ORDINANCES delegating authority to handle more routine claims processing functions to a Claims Board.

ORDINANCE NO. 2595

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING ARTICLE 3 TO CHAPTER 2, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING A CLAIMS BOARD AND VESTING IN THE BOARD AND IN THE CITY ATTORNEY AUTHORITY TO SETTLE CERTAIN CLAIMS, AND DECLARING THE PRESENCE OF AN EMERGENCY

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Emergency Ordinance No. 2595 at its first and only reading. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

ORDINANCE NO. 2596

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING ARTICLE 3 TO CHAPTER 2, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING A CLAIMS BOARD AND VESTING IN THE BOARD AND IN THE CITY ATTORNEY AUTHORITY TO SETTLE CERTAIN CLAIMS, AND REPEALING EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 2595 RELATING TO THE SAME MATTER

Councilman Armstrong moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2596 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

21. ATTENDANCE AT INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PUBLIC PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

REQUEST OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

Authorization for the attendance of four Commissioners and the Executive Officer -- the only expense involved would be registration fees totalling \$450.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to grant the subject request, and to approve an appropriation not to exceed \$450, to be used for registration only. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

MANPOWER MATTERS:

- 22. RESOLUTION re: EMPLOYMENT FOR ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED YOUTH PROGRAM.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-180

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST A CONTRACT FOR WORK EXPERIENCE SERVICES BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-180. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

- 23. RESOLUTION re: Comprehensive Employment and Training Act.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-181

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 75-13 SETTING FORTH SALARIES AND WAGE BENEFITS FOR EMPLOYEES UNDER THE COMPREHENSIVE EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ACT
TITLE VI

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-181; his motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the following recommendations of Manpower Programs Administrator: (1) adopt the Fiscal Year '76 allocation for Title VI, CETA; (2) expand the Work Experience Program with continued emphasis on accomplishment of projects relating to community improvement, and (3) adopt the amended salary resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilman Uerkwitz).

- 24. RESOLUTION re: contract of CETA with United Community Efforts, Inc. for a testing service.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-182

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 AGREEMENT FOR TESTING SERVICES FOR PROPOSED CETA EMPLOYMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY AND UNITED COMMUNITY EFFORTS, INC.

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Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-182. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

PARK AND RECREATION:

25. POSTING FLAGS ON HOLIDAYS.

RECOMMENDATION OF PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR:

That the Council approve the posting of flags according to Plan A (per August 28th communication), and also that an appropriation of \$870 be made to the Department Budget for the cost of flags and labor for the program.

It was the recommendation of Councilman Surber that Bicentennial flags likewise be posted on an every-other-flag arrangement. Concurrence was indicated by the Council.

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with Plan A, replacing half the flags with Bicentennial flags, subject to Staff investigation as to availability, etc. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

26. RESOLUTION NO. R75-170 - Manpower Program Specialist.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMITTEE:

1. Adopt the subject resolution assigning Manpower Program Specialist to the Professional and Supervisory Association representative unit establishing appropriate hours, wages, and working conditions;
2. Authorize and direct the representatives of Management to meet with the various employee organizations and the Employee Relations Committee of the Civil Service Commission in an effort to clarify existing language of the Employee Relations Ordinance (to establish a procedure for such assignment of new classifications to representation units);
3. Refer to the Civil Service Commission and our representatives the responsibility of reviewing selective certification and recommending, where necessary, modification in or alternatives to the current Memoranda of Understanding provisions for selective certification.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above stated recommendations of the Civil Service Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

RESOLUTION NO. 75-170

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH RIGHTS, BENEFITS, AND PRIVILEGES FOR THE CLASS OF MANPOWER PROGRAM SPECIALIST.

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-170. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

27. EMERGENCY AND REGULAR ORDINANCES - Contract Amendment between City and the Public Employees' Retirement System.

ORDINANCE NO. 2597

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND DECLARING THE PRESENCE OF AN EMERGENCY

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Emergency Ordinance No. 2597 at its first and only reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

It was stated by Councilman Brewster: "Until such time as somebody could detail for me what, if any, were the added costs of going that way rather than staying as is, my vote is a 'no' vote."

ORDINANCE NO. 2598

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND REPEALING EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 2597

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2598 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

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28. REVISION OF CURRENT POLICE OFFICER MEDICAL STANDARDS.

RECOMMENDATION OF PERSONNEL MANAGER:

That Council concur in the Civil Service Commission and Staff's proposed medical standards and adopt them so they may be used in time to evaluate the eligibles for the next Police Officer's examination.

Councilman Surber indicated his reservations relative to the proposed revisions, particularly as they relate to height requirements.

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

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

29. EXECUTIVE SESSION re: hours, wages, and working conditions.

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SECOND READING ORDINANCE:

30. ORDINANCE NO. 2590.

ORDINANCE NO. 2590

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 62.1.9 OF ARTICLE 1 AND ALL OF ARTICLE 2, BOTH OF CHAPTER 2, DIVISION 6 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO BICYCLE LICENSING AND REGISTRATION

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2590 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

31. ORDINANCE re: ZC 75-8, Torrance Planning Commission.

ORDINANCE NO. 2599

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY CERTAIN PROPERTIES WHICH ARE LOCATED SOUTH OF 190TH STREET, WEST OF HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD, NORTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD, AND EAST OF LINDA DRIVE AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 75-8 (Torrance Planning Commission)

Councilman Surber moved to approve Ordinance No. 2599 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster, Geissert,
Surber; Mayor Miller.
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Wilson (not present at hearing).
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Uerkwitz.

32. LATEST REVISED DRAFT - GOVERNMENT POWERS AND FUNDING ELEMENT OF THE STATE COASTAL PLAN.

The August 26th communication presented by the Director of Building and Safety and the Planning Director was reviewed by the Council, as was the dissenting Opinion of August 29th by City Attorney Remelmeyer.

The complexities of this matter, following lengthy discussion, were acknowledged by Councilmembers who deemed that there should be further deliberations via a Council Committee.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to refer Item #32 to the Park, Recreation, and Community Development Committee for study and recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

HEARINGS - OTHER THAN PLANNING AND ZONING:

33. 1975 TRAFFIC SIGNAL GUIDELISTS.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by Deputy City Clerk Moss, and it was ordered filed, there being no objections.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the public hearing re: 1975 Traffic Signal Guidelists, and invited comments from interested members of the audience.

Mrs. Linda Wilson, 2520 Dalemead Street, pointed out the acute need for a traffic signal at Crest Road and Crenshaw (Priority #28), and urged the assignment of a higher priority thereto. Council discussion was directed to the problems at this location, and the need for further Staff study was noted.

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

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with the recommendation of the Traffic Commission and Department of Transportation for acceptance and approval of the 1975 Traffic Signal Guidelists. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

Further action was taken by the Council, as reflected below:

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to refer the matter of the intersection of Crest Road and Crenshaw Boulevard to Staff for review and recommendation as to possible alternatives. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson; there were no objections, and it was so ordered.

ROUTINE MATTERS:

34. EXPENDITURES OVER \$300:

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

That Council approve the following purchases:

A. BUDGETED ITEMS:

1. \$1224.00 to Conrock Company for ready-mix concrete required in between contracts, as requested by the Street Department.
2. \$928.56 to Xerox Corporation for Xerox toner and developer required on Xerox electrostatic copiers, as requested by Central Services Division.
3. \$4384.00 to Torrance Car Wash for contract to purchase 8000 gallons of gasoline "as required" by the Police Department at a special price of \$.548/gal.
4. \$62,000.00 to Standard Oil of California for an annual contract to furnish the City of Torrance gasoline as a secondary supplier, in accordance with the "Federal Allocation Program".
5. \$376.10 to G.K. Hall & Company for library books.
6. \$550.00 to Standard & Poor's Corporation for miscellaneous subscriptions.
7. \$10,449.48 to McNaughton Book Service for Torrance's participation in McNaughton's book rental program for all City library branches.
8. \$1955.70 to General Electric Supply for 12 each street light fixtures and replacement ballasts, as requested by the Department of Transportation for installation on Carson and Cota Avenues.
9. \$352.98 to Sears Roebuck Company for 24 replacement shirts and 36 pairs of replacement pants, as requested by the Police Department for jail inmate clothing.
10. \$3010.53 to Motorola Communications & Electronics, Inc. for three replacement mobile radios as required by the Fire Department.
11. \$322.24 to Torrance-Gardena Reproduction Company for the printing of "Safe School Route Maps" for 25 Torrance schools requested by the Department of Transportation.

12. \$3,231.96 to Southern California Fence Company for chain link fence materials as requested by the Engineering Department to close off Lomita Boulevard between Palos Verdes Blvd. and Kathryn Avenue.
13. \$706.31 to Johnny Gillette Tire Company for necessary tire repairs and recapping services "as required" by the City Garage.

B. REIMBURSABLE ITEMS:

14. \$2175.00 to Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Los Angeles for 500 cases of cold drinks as requested by the Park and Recreation Department for use at the Las Canchas Tennis Courts. The City is reimbursed for this expenditure via the sale of soft drinks at Las Canchas Tennis Courts. In addition, there is a need to rent a soft drink dispensing machine from Coca Cola in the amount of \$29.00 per month, of which this cost will be offset by the sale of soft drinks. Total cost to rent is \$348.00 per year - reimbursable.

35. AWARD OF CONTRACT - 4 Trucks, Cab and Chassis - B75-41 (refuse bodies to be mounted); Expenditure: \$100,042.80

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR/EQUIPMENT SUPT.

That Council accept the bid submitted by White Motor Corporation for the four trucks in the total amount of \$100,042.80, including sales tax.

36. AWARD OF CONTRACT - 4 Refuse Bodies, side loading. Bid #B75-42, bodies only. Expenditure: \$96,536.32

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That Council accept the revised price as negotiated for these refuse bodies and approve of awarding a contract to Dearth Machinery Company for four refuse bodies in the total amount of \$24,134.08 each, including tax, for a grand total of \$96,536.32.

37. DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS CITY VEHICLES - Re: Public Auction - October 4, 1975.

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR/EQUIPMENT SUPT.:

That Council approve of the City holding its annual surplus vehicle and equipment auction on Saturday, October 4, 1975.

38. DESIGN WORK ON LOMITA BOULEVARD - Hawthorne Boulevard to Crenshaw Boulevard.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That Council appropriate \$20,000 of 2106 Gas Tax Funds for completion of design work on Lomita Boulevard between Hawthorne Boulevard and Crenshaw Boulevard. (Job No. 70007).

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items #34, 35, 36, 37, and #38. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

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The hour being 8:15 P.M., Councilman Wilson 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 (Councilman Uerkwitz absent). The Council returned to its agenda at 8:17 P.M.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

39. Assistant City Manager Scharfman requested an excused absence for Water Commissioner John Dunbar from the August 21st meeting of the Commission. Councilman Wilson so MOVED; the motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

40. It was the request of Councilman Armstrong that Staff investigate the feasibility of development of the old Torrance Memorial Hospital site as a parking district -- this would, in his opinion, provide a use complimentary to the neighborhood, and much needed parking relief to the residents and adjacent commercial interests.

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ITEM #29 - EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:25 P.M., Councilman Armstrong moved to recess for the purpose of an Executive Session to consider hours, wages, and working conditions (a proper subject matter, per City Attorney Remelmeyer). The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Uerkwitz absent).

The Council returned at 8:30 P.M., and took the following action:

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to adopt the new Memorandum of Intent for TPSA, as submitted by Staff. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

At 8:31 P.M. Councilman Armstrong moved to adjourn to Tuesday, September 16, 1975, at 5:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilman Uerkwitz).

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APPROVED:

Ken Miller
Mayor of the City of Torrance