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Adjourned at 10:30 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, October 14, 1975, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Armstrong, Brewster, Geissert, Surber, Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Miller. Absent: None.

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

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mr. Ron Miller led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Mr. Lee Muckey, Torrance YMCA, provided the invocation for the meeting.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

None available.

6. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Armstrong 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 Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Park, Recreation and Community Development:

Will next meet in November 13th at 8:00 A.M. with School Board representatives.

A meeting on October 23rd at 4:30 P.M. has also been set to discuss priorities for park capital improvements.

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PROCLAMATIONS:

8. "DAY-IN-COURT" for Legal Secretaries.
9. American Production and Inventory Control Week.
10. United Crusade Campaign.

So proclaimed by Mayor Miller.

10A. UPCOMING BICENTENNIAL ACTIVITIES:  
(Information Item B)

Mr. Gary Ushita, representing the Bicentennial Committee, extended a cordial invitation to the Council to be present at the South Bay Bicentennial Band Pageant on October 22nd at El Camino College -- a special treat was promised by him.

Del Amo Rotary Club representatives invited the Council to attend their Bicentennial extravaganza at Del Conte's Restaurant on October 28th.

There was further Bicentennial activity by way of presentation of Alpha Beta's Bicentennial Bread to Councilmembers -- a first! -- by Mr. Joe Banadano.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:

11. REQUEST FROM TORRANCE-SOUTH BAY HOT LINE FOR FUNDING OF PHONE SERVICE AT \$50.00 PER MONTH.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER:

Based on preliminary investigation, the short time frame within which to make a detailed analysis, and, ostensibly, the community need this service is providing, it is recommended that \$50 per month be granted for a period not to exceed three months, during which time City Staff will make a more complete analysis. These monies would come from the Unappropriated Reserve of the General Fund.

Mrs. Doris James, 5012 Zakon Road, was present to describe the "South Bay Hot Line" operation and its value to the community, and to urge Council approval of \$50 per month to continue this service.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Manager. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PUBLIC WORKS:

12. RESOLUTION authorizing acceptance of a future street (Haas Avenue north of 236th Street).

RESOLUTION NO. 75-208

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE ACCEPTING FOR DEDICATION  
FOR STREET PURPOSES LOT 7, TRACT NO. 23394,  
AND NAMING SUCH ACCEPTED LOT HAAS AVENUE

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Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-208. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

13. RESOLUTION re: execution of real property acquisition agreement with Frank Wirz.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-209

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT FOR PURCHASE OF PROPERTY BETWEEN THE CITY AND FRANK WIRZ AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF \$6,850

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-209. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:

14. MICROFILMING OF BUILDING PLANS, ETC.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUILDING REGULATIONS ADMINISTRATOR/ DATA PROCESSING MANAGER: That Council approve the proposed microfilming program in concept with authorization to prepare an ordinance establishing processing fees to be charged, effective January 1, 1976, and to request bids for the conversion, to evaluate proposals and return to Council with a specific recommendation for the award of a contract for microfilm conversion.

CITY MANAGER'S NOTE:

This request is for approval in principle of the concept. A request for first year conversion expenses will be made after bids on equipment and services are received. The necessary monies would come from the Unappropriated Reserve of the General Fund.

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

REAL PROPERTY:

15. RESOLUTION authorizing the purchase of tax delinquent properties.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE LAND MANAGEMENT TEAM:

1. That Council adopt the subject resolution:
  - (a) Authorizing execution of the purchase agreement with the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.
  - (b) Appropriating the sum of \$4,000 from the Unappropriated Reserve of the General Fund.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-210

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 WITH THE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
FOR PURCHASE OF TAX DEEDED LAND

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-210 and to approve an appropriation of \$4000.00 from the Unappropriated Reserve of the General Fund for said purchase. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:

16. JEFFERSON LEASES - Additional Rent Dispute.

RECOMMENDATION OF LAND MANAGEMENT TEAM:

For reasons of record, we recommend that the City Council authorize the Land Management Team to settle the City's claims against Jefferson by:

1. Accepting the sum of \$159.06 as payment in full for office rent and finance fees for the years 1967-70 inclusive.
2. Submitting the continuing claim against Jefferson for the common area charges and additional possessory interest tax charges to arbitration by Eugene P. Fay;
3. Authorizing the payment of fees for said arbitration to Mr. Fay and at this time appropriating therefor the sum of \$1,000.00 from the Airport Fund.

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

FISCAL MATTERS:

17. MADRONA AVENUE BIKE PATH.

RECOMMENDATION OF DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

That Council appropriate \$2,300 from the Bicycle Transportation Fund to cover final implementation of the Madrona Avenue Bike Path between Del Amo Boulevard and Torrance Boulevard.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the recommendation of the Department of Transportation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

18. REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO REVIEW LANDSCAPING PLANS IN THE MEADOW PARK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT.

RECOMMENDATION OF PLANNING DIRECTOR:

That Council appropriate an additional \$1,400.00 from Unallocated Reserves. These monies will be reimbursed to the General Fund from tax increments.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the Planning Director. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert.

Councilman Brewster expressed his concern -- a concern concurred in by the rest of the Council -- regarding the fact that the money has been spent and that there is no alternative for the Council but approval of the payment. Clarification regarding the circumstances in this case was provided by Planning Director Shartle. City Manager Ferraro stated that controls in these matters will be initiated to prevent their reoccurrence.

Roll call vote on Councilman Wilson's motion was unanimously favorable.

ELECTION MATTERS:

19. ELECTION SUPPLIES - General Municipal Election, March 2, 1976.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

1. That the proposal of Martin & Chapman Company for furnishing election supplies for the General Municipal Election to be held March 2, 1976, in the amount of \$11,476.94 if there are no ballot measures (\$11,991.04 if there are ballot measures), including sales tax, plus the cost of printing the pamphlet containing the ballot measures at a cost of \$1,373 for a 4-page brochure, \$1,564 for a 5-to-8 page brochure, or \$2,262 for a 9-to-16 page brochure, including tax, be accepted; and
2. That the submitted resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with Martin & Chapman for furnishing election supplied be adopted. (This is a budget item.)

RESOLUTION NO. 75-211

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 ELECTION SUPPLY CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND MARTIN AND CHAPMAN COMPANY RELATING TO THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION MARCH 2, 1976

MOTION: Councilman Surber moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the City Clerk and for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-211. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

20. STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS - General Municipal Election, March 2, 1976.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

1. That the City Council take no action to authorize an increase in the limitation on words for candidates' statements of qualifications from 200 words to 400 words.
2. That a candidate who files a statement of qualifications at the General Municipal Election to be held March 2, 1976, be required to pay a proportionate sum of the cost of the printing of the qualifications statements.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Clerk. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson.

Councilwoman Geissert discussed the increased costs to candidates because of new requirements re: bilingual statements, and indicated her concern regarding the financial difficulties presented to citizens desiring to run for public office. It was the recommendation of Mrs. Geissert that the Council consider providing, as a public service, a 200-word statement on behalf of the candidates. Council discussion was directed to this recommendation -- noted were the candidates who would file, for one reason or another, not seriously seeking the office; pertinent costs, etc.

A SUBSTITUTE MOTION was offered by Councilwoman Geissert: That Item #20 be held for one week so that the City Clerk can provide more definite costs in this matter, as well as information on procedures in other cities in Los Angeles County. The motion died for lack of a second.

The main motion to concur with the recommendation of the City Clerk carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster, Surber,  
Uerkwitz, Wilson; Mayor Miller.  
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert (more information is  
needed)

MANPOWER MATTERS:

21. RESOLUTION authorizing approval of Comprehensive Employment and Training Act Affirmative Action Plan.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-212

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADOPTING AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION POLICY COVERING STAFF AND PARTICIPANTS EMPLOYED THROUGH THE COMPREHENSIVE EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ACT, PROVIDING FOR AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAM (CETA PROGRAM) AND DESIGNATING AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION OFFICER (CETA PROGRAM)

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-212. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 75-213

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 COBRA AUTO BODY, INC.

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-213. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:

23. RESOLUTION re: Agreement with Torrance Unified School District re: school site night lighting.

RESOLUTION NO. 75-214

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 BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR NIGHT LIGHTING COSTS

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-214. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the recommendation of Park and Recreation Director Van Bellehem that permission be granted to approach AYSO and Junior All American Football organizations with a request that they reimburse the City for Staff time involved. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

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

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SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

25. ORDINANCE NO. 2605.

ORDINANCE NO. 2605

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 5 OF DIVISION 8 IN ITS ENTIRETY AND ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 5 OF DIVISION 8 WHICH ADOPTS BY REFERENCE THE UNIFORM FIRE CODE 1973 EDITION, AS AMENDED

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2605 at its second and final reading. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

26. ORDINANCE NO. 2608.

ORDINANCE NO. 2608

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 21.2.2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE AN EXCEPTION TO THE PROVISIONS THEREOF FOR LIBRARY BOOK SALES

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2608 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ITEMS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

27. DONATION OF 60 LOCKERS FOR CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY AND \$400 FOR BICENTENNIAL FILM SERIES BY FRIENDS OF THE TORRANCE LIBRARY.

RECOMMENDATION OF LIBRARY COMMISSION:

That the gift of the 60 lockers for the Civic Center Library and the \$400.00 donation for the Bicentennial Film Series from the Friends of the Library be accepted by Council.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the recommendation of the Library Commission, and to provide appropriate response. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

28. ORDINANCE re: ZC 75-9, Charles T. Rippy, Jr.

ORDINANCE NO. 2609

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY WHICH IS LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF TORRANCE BOULEVARD APPROXIMATELY 300 FEET WEST OF MADRONA AVENUE AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 75-9 (Charles T. Rippy, Jr.)

Councilman Surber moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2609 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

PLANNING AND ZONING HEARING:

29. APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL of PP 75-1 and CUP 75-3, Plaza Del Amo, a general partnership, to allow the construction of a neighborhood shopping center in the C-5 zone on property located at the northwest corner of Hawthorne and Torrance Boulevards, and consideration of extending Maricopa Street from Hawthorne Boulevard to Earl Street.

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 hearing, and invited comments from the audience.

Present was Mr. Ron Simms, 5456 McConnell Avenue, Los Angeles, one of the developers of the subject project. Also present were

Messrs. Bob Luman, another partner; Traffic Engineer Bill Law; and Architect Jerry Cramer. Mr. Simms then elaborated on the three conditions which have been appealed.

Representing the Little Company of Mary Hospital, Mr. Don Hitchcock indicated the hospital's concerns regarding the Planning Commission recommendation that hearings be held re: the opening of Maricopa between Hawthorne and Earl. Mr. Hitchcock recalled the many, many meetings in 1965 which resulted in Council approval of the hospital development which would terminate Maricopa. It was the opinion of Mayor Miller, concurred in by the rest of the Council, that the present Council would honor that 1965 commitment to Little Company of Mary Hospital.

Mr. Robert Halbert, 4566 Narrot Street, indicated concurrence with the proponent's plan for Maricopa Street. Mr. Halbert is the owner of the adjacent lumber yard property.

Lengthy Council discussion ensued, it ultimately being agreed that conditions #33 re: setback on corner building and condition #36 re: loading dock be held to permit further review with Staff and formulation of the Precise Plan. As to condition #35, it was agreed that there be the full 60 ft. street width in front of the Tally Ho Apartments, that the cul-de-sac be eliminated, and that there be a 30-ft. drive lane off Hawthorne Boulevard, dedication requirements having been acknowledged by the proponent.

There being no other speakers, Councilman Wilson moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Brewster moved, with respect to the appeal on Item #29, Plaza Del Amo, that Council not act at this time, but retain jurisdiction on conditions #33 and #36, with approval of all other items, with the exception that condition #35 be amended to state: "That the full 60 ft. width Maricopa Street be built and approved adjacent to the Tally Ho Apartments." Further, that the cul-de-sac be subject to Staff review and judgment; and that final landscaping plans be subject to approval of the Planning Director. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to deny the request of the Planning Commission to hold public hearings on the continuation of Maricopa Street. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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HEARING - OTHER THAN PLANNING:30. WEED ABATEMENT PROGRAM FOR 1975.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the hearing on the Resolution of Intention declaring parcels described in said Resolution to be a public nuisance and providing for the abatement thereof. City Engineer Weaver advised that there are no exceptions.

City Clerk Coil presented the Affidavit of Mailing. Councilman Armstrong moved that it be received and filed; the motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Mayor Miller then inquired if anyone wished to be heard. There was no response.

Councilman Brewster moved that the hearing be closed. His motion, seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

At the request of Mayor Miller, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 75-215

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND INSTRUCT-  
ING THE CONTRACTOR TO ABATE THE NUISANCE  
LOCATED ON OR IN FRONT OF PROPERTIES IN  
THE CITY OF TORRANCE AS DESCRIBED IN  
RESOLUTION NO. 75-204

Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 75-215. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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ROUTINE MATTERS:31. EXPENDITURES OVER \$300:RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

That Council approve the following purchases:

1. \$655.08 to Chandler Palos Verdes Sand and Gravel for 200 tons of bank sand as requested by the Water Department for use at the Walteria "Pressure Zone" project.
2. \$922.20 to Western Water Works Supply Company for 100 each concrete water meter boxes as requested by the Water Department.
3. \$952.09 to Canvas Specialty for the purchase of 18 salvage covers requested by the Fire Department.
4. \$343.44 to Cable Company for 1,500 ft. of galvanized steel cable as requested by the City Garage.
5. \$363.05 to Yamada Company, Inc. for five (5) gallons of a highly concentrated weed retardant entitled "Roundup" as requested by the Park Division.
6. \$655.08 to Safeway Signs Inc. for 36 traffic control and school crossing signs as requested by the Department of Transportation.
7. \$32,883.50 to Petrolane Company for an annual contract to provide propane fuel "as required" by the City Garage.
8. \$865.00 to Moodys Investors Service Inc. for the renewal of subscriptions to certain Moody Services as requested by the City Librarian.
9. \$375.24 to Action Specialty Company for the purchase of 3,000 Business License vehicle tags as requested by the License Division.
10. \$386.18 to Barnes & Delaney for the purchase of 12 Goodyear motorcycle tires and tubes as requested by the City Garage.
11. \$7,822.80 to Intercontinental Leasing Company for the lease of 5 vehicles for the Police Department per bid #B75-49 for one year on a three year lease program.
12. \$3,918.37 to James Jones Company for the purchase of 12", 8", and 6" water pipe service saddles required by the Water Department.

32. AWARD OF OIL WELL ABANDONMENT CONTRACT - Sur LaBrea Park  
(Formal Bid 75-48)RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR OF BUILDING AND SAFETY:

That Council accept the low bid of Alco Engineering for the project and reject all other bids and that an amount, not to exceed \$45,000, be allocated from the Sur LaBrea Park fund for this purpose.

33. CLAIM of Syed M. Hussain for personal and property damages.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That the above claim be DENIED and referred to the City Attorney. The insurance carrier concurs with the above action.

34. CLAIM of Seiko Instruments, Inc. for property damages.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That the above claim be DENIED and referred to the City Attorney. The insurance carrier concurs with the above action.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items #31, 32, 33 and #34. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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At 9:10 P.M., Councilman Uerkwitz moved to recess as 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 to its agenda at 9:11 P.M.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

35. Congratulations to Building and Safety Director McKinnon on his appointment to the Board of Directors of the International Conference of Building Officials, and the honor thereby represented, was extended by Councilman Brewster.

36. Councilman Brewster expressed appreciation to Staff for the preparation of the Reserve Fund Contingency Summary -- such Summary prior to each week's Council meeting would be helpful.

37. Councilman Brewster referred to the October 3rd article in the Daily Breeze regarding possible inroads by State agencies on local jurisdictions with respect to issuance of building permits for manufacturing plants, and requested a Staff report on the implications of such action for the City of Torrance.

38. Like appreciation for the Reserve Fund Contingency Summary was indicated by Councilwoman Geissert, as was her concern regarding previous budget cuts vs. new programs. Of specific concern to her are the budget cuts in the Library Book Reserve Program and the availability of the Recreation Center on weekends. It was the request of Mrs. Geissert that Staff report back on the possibility of returning these two programs to the budget.

39. Appreciation to all who joined Peggy and him in their marriage ceremony on October 11th was conveyed by Councilman Surber.

40. Councilman Uerkwitz requested Staff follow-up on the recent communication from Mr. Russ Thor re: greening of the peninsula property, noting possible available funding via Supervisor Hayes.

41. Mayor Miller reported on complaints received regarding the unavailability of certain trips for senior citizens due to method of handling reservations and established priorities and procedures. Staff clarification in this matter was requested by the Mayor, with such report to go directly to the Park, Recreation and Community Development Committee for review and recommendation.

Mrs. Rose Craig was present to confirm the reservation difficulties experienced by her, and to urge remedial action.

42. City Clerk Coil requested an excused absence from the Water Commission meeting of October 23rd, on behalf of Commissioner Cargan, due to illness. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

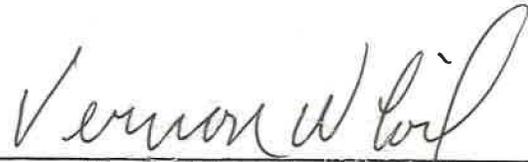
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ITEM #24 - EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 9:30 P.M., Councilman Wilson moved to recess for the purpose of an Executive Session to discuss hours, wages, and working conditions (a proper subject matter, per City Attorney Remelmeyer). The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

The Council returned at 10:30 P.M. for formal adjournment.

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Vernon W. Coil, Clerk of the  
City of Torrance

APPROVED:



Ken Miller  
Mayor of the City of Torrance