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Adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

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MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR
MEETING OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in an Adjourned Regular Meeting on Tuesday, September 7, 1976, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Armstrong, Brewster, Rossberg, Wilson and Mayor Miller. It was necessary for Mayor Miller to leave the meeting at 7:22 P.M. Absent: Councilwoman Geissert.

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

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Director of Recreation Van Bellehem led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Boyd Kifer, Church of the Nazarene, gave the invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Wilson moved to approve the minutes of August 17, 1976, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Rossberg, Wilson; Mayor Miller.
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster (not present
at August 17th meeting).
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert.

6. 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 absent).

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

No report.

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PRESENTATION:8. ANNUAL AAA PEDESTRIAN SAFETY INVENTORY PROGRAM AWARD.

Mr. Hal Nolan, Manager of the Automobile Club of Southern California, presented to Police Chief Nash, for the City of Torrance, the annual AAA Pedestrian Safety Inventory Program Award.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS:9. ANTONIO STREET OIL SPILL.RECOMMENDATION OF BUILDING AND SAFETY DIRECTOR:

That the City Council direct this matter and the report to the Oil Board for discussion, evaluation and report on the appropriateness and degree to which the City should become involved in such matters in the future. After the evaluation of the report by the Oil Board, it should then be sent back to the Council Ad Hoc Committee on Oil Matters for recommendations and course of action to the full City Council.

Mr. Ed Greene, 3205 Onrado Street, noted the need for added information pertaining to the Public Resources Code. Mayor Miller directed that this be considered at the Committee meeting, and that Mr. Greene be notified of the meeting date.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the Building and Safety Director. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

PUBLIC WORKS:10. BOND RELEASE - Tract 26294 - Corner of Crenshaw Boulevard and 230th Street.RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That the subject bonds be released subject to the developer posting a \$1,000 cash deposit to cover remaining incidental work.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Engineer. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Absent: Councilwoman Geissert).

TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:11. TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS AT MAJOR INTERSECTIONS ON ANZA AVENUE.

RECOMMENDATION OF TRAFFIC COMMISSION/DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION: That signal improvements, including left-turn signalization at major intersections on Anza Avenue, described in material of record as a \$145,000 project, be approved in concept; and that

\$7,000 of the \$72,163 currently appropriated from the 2106 Gas Tax Funds be used to cover the cost of design.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the recommendation of the Traffic Commission and the Department of Transportation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilwoman Geissert).

12. TORRANCE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT RUNWAY MARKINGS.

RECOMMENDATION OF AIRPORT COMMISSION:

That the Department of Transportation be directed to comply with FAR Part 77.25 by tying in the taxiway centerlines with runway 29R centerline, and 3 arrows be delineated on the approach end of 29L to clearly indicate the touchdown zone.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NOTE:

The Department of Transportation cannot agree to providing these markings for the following reasons: (1) They are non-standard markings for this type runway; (2) there is no pavement upon which to place the requested arrows; and (3) the end of this runway has been provided with a non-usable paved blast pad to prevent erosion from propeller wash. This blast pad had been marked with yellow chevrons, standard markings for unusable paved runway areas.

RECOMMENDATION OF TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT:

That this item be received and filed.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the recommendation of the Department of Transportation that the item be received and filed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

13. INSTALLATION OF STOP SIGNS ON KATHRYN AVENUE.

RECOMMENDATION OF TRAFFIC COMMISSION:

1. That 4-WAY STOP SIGNS be installed at the intersection of Kathryn Avenue and Sharynne Lane.
2. That the Department of Transportation recommendation for installation of "SLOW-SCHOOL X-ING" pavement markings on Kathryn Avenue approaching Sharynne Lane be DELETED.

RECOMMENDATION OF DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION/POLICE DEPT.

1. That the petition request for installation of 4-WAY STOP signs at the intersection of Kathryn Avenue and Sharynne Lane be DENIED.
2. That "SLOW-SCHOOL X-ING" pavement markings and symbolic SCHOOL CROSSING signs be INSTALLED on the Kathryn Avenue approaches to Sharynne Lane.

Staff presentation was provided by Associate Transportation Engineer Collins.

A petition with 41 signatures in favor of 4-way stop signs was presented by Mr. Raymond Opp (?). Also present and requesting

approval of 4-way stop signs was Mr. Michael Tamble, 22316 Charlotte Drive.

Council discussion ensued, and the following action resulted:

MOTION: Councilman Brewster moved to concur with the recommendation of the Department of Transportation; further, that Staff report back in six months on the effectiveness of the arrangement, along with PTA and school input. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster, Rossberg; Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Wilson (would prefer 4-way stop signs)

ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert.

It was the request of Councilman Armstrong that the school crossing signs and markings be accomplished, if possible, prior to the opening of school.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved that the Department of Transportation make a study and analysis of the intersection of Carlow Road and Sharynne Lane, and report back to the Council. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

14. AIRPORT OPERATION RULE RE: MEADOW PARK REDEVELOPMENT AREA ACCESS TO TORRANCE AIRPORT.

RECOMMENDATION OF AIRPORT COMMISSION:

That an Airport Operation Rule be approved stating that no person, partnership or corporation engaged in profit motivated business shall have access to active aeronautical areas of the Torrance Airport unless they have an approved working agreement with the City of Torrance via the Airport Commission, and they abide by the regulations set forth under Airport Operating Procedures.

RECOMMENDATION OF DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

That the Airport Commission's recommendation be referred to the City Attorney for review and inclusion in the prepared Access Agreements if consistent with Council policy and intent.

Assistant City Manager Scharfman clarified recent events which prompted the above action.

Mrs. Alice Maguire, 5302 Via del Valle, representing the Airport Committee of the Riviera Homeowners Association, pointed out that there is a moratorium on any growth of the Airport -- to permit such access would be in contradiction to this moratorium, as well as to the EIR and the Airport Master Plan -- of specific concern: the flight school.

Mr. Bernie Hollander, 22959 Nadine Circle, requested, and received, clarification regarding determinations to be made by the City Attorney.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the recommendation of the Department of Transportation to refer Item #14 to the City Attorney. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

MANPOWER MATTERS:

15. APPROVAL OF FY 1977 PLANNING ALLOCATIONS FOR TITLES I AND II OF THE COMPREHENSIVE EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ACT.

RECOMMENDATION OF MANPOWER PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATOR:

That Council:

1. Adopt the proposed allocation of CETA Title I funds for FY 1977 amongst the various program categories as detailed on the subject chart; and
2. Adopt the Title II allocation to serve an additional 20 participants in a structured Public Service Employment program as described in report of September 7, 1976.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur in the above stated recommendation of the Manpower Programs Administrator. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 76-182

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 COMPANY

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-182. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:

17. RESOLUTION re: De Portola Park funding.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-183

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND WATT INDUSTRIES, INC., RELATING TO COMPLETION OF A PREVIOUS AGREEMENT FOR FUNDING DE PORTOLA PARK

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-183. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

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18. RESOLUTION re: use of Post Substation Site for recreation purposes.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-184

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 LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY FOR THE USE OF THE POST SUBSTATION SITE FOR RECREATION PURPOSES (235th and Elm Streets)

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-184. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

19. DELTHORNE PARK.

RECOMMENDATION OF PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR:

1. That Council approve the Master Plan as presented.
2. That Council approve retaining Recreation Land Planners, Inc., as the architect for preparation of the plans and specifications for the basic park improvements and additive alternates at a fee not to exceed \$26,700, plus normal reimbursable expenses not to exceed \$3,000 (\$29,700 total).

FINANCE DEPARTMENT NOTE:

As part of the 1976-77 budget, \$302,000 was appropriated from the Park and Recreation Facilities Fund for Delthorne Park.

Architect Paul Saito was introduced by Park Services Administrator Hoffman. An informative slide presentation re: the Master Plan for Delthorne Park was provided by Mr. Saito.

Representing Delthorne residents, Mrs. Patty Mock expressed their pleasure with the plans as presented.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the Park and Recreation Director. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

20. ORDINANCE - Supplemental Memorandum of Understanding between the City and AFSCME to modify lay-off procedures re: limited funded positions.

ORDINANCE NO. 2694

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION (i) TO SECTION 17.56.4 LAYOFF PROCEDURE;

AND MODIFYING SECTION 17.54.9, UNIFORMS,
OF PART V OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE
CONCERNING EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Councilman Armstrong moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2694 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

21. ORDINANCE - Supplemental Memorandum of Understanding between Torrance Professional Park and Recreation Employees and Management relating to leaves of absence.

ORDINANCE NO. 2695

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SUB-SECTION (g) OF SECTION 17.136.5 OF ARTICLE 6, PART XIII, CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE DEALING WITH LEAVES OF ABSENCE AND ADDING A NEW SUB-SECTION (g) TO SECTION 17.136.5

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2695 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Absent: Councilwoman Geissert).

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

22. ORDINANCE NO. 2683.

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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 BETWEEN CRENSHAW BOULEVARD AND VINE AVENUE AND BETWEEN SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD AND TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT PROPERTY AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 76-1 (P.Y.C. Builders)

23. ORDINANCE NO. 2684.

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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 BETWEEN VINE AND ORANGE AVENUES AND BETWEEN SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD AND TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 75-12 (Wilcraft Development, Inc.)

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Ordinances No. 2683 and 2684 at their second and final readings. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

24. ORDINANCE NO. 2693.

ORDINANCE NO. 2693

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

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2693 at its second and final reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

25. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CODE RE: HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.

RECOMMENDATION OF PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

That the entire matter be referred to the Staffs of the Legal Department, Environmental Division of the Building and Safety Department and the Planning Department to study in detail. After the study is completed, we recommend it be sent to the Planning Commission, along with material of record, for their reconsideration.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Department. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

26. RESOLUTION granting CUP 76-40, Soterios J. Menzelos and Ernest G. Hovivian.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-185

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE USE OF AN EXISTING BUILDING FOR A BEAUTY SALON IN THE L-P ZONE ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2252 CARSON STREET

(CUP 76-40, Soterios J. Menzelos
and Ernest G. Hovivian)

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-185. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

27. CUP 76-57, Marcella Reichersamer and Martha Flores.
Appeal of Planning Commission denial of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the on-premise sale and consumption of beer and wine in conjunction with the sale of sandwiches on property located at 17312 Crenshaw Boulevard. PLANNING COMMISSION DENIED. PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDED APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS.

Affidavit of Publication was presented by City Clerk Coil, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Miller announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, and, following Staff presentation by Planning Director Shartle, invited comments from the audience.

Mr. Sol Levine, 3743 West 171st Street, owner of the bar since 1957, reviewed its past history and absence of problems. A letter from Mr. Ira Lipstein, owner of Patterson's Hardware on Artesia Boulevard, stating that he had absolutely no objection to the proposed beer bar was presented to the Council, in his behalf, by Mr. Levine.

Next to speak was Mr. Richard Trevino, owner of the subject property as well as nearby Romero's Restaurant, who indicated that there would be every cooperation, in the event any problems should arise.

The proponent, Ms. Marcella Reichersamer, reported on their successful experience in operating a similar beer bar in Long Beach for the past three years. Ms. Reichersamer also advised that the sandwiches are pre-packaged for use in an infra-red oven furnished by the sandwich company.

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

It was the comment of Mayor Miller that such a place has obviously enjoyed some success, and has been trouble-free, as was true of the operation in Long Beach -- the Mayor would concur with Staff in its recommendation for approval. Concurrence was generally indicated by the Council.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Department for approval of CUP 76-57, subject to conditions. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilwoman Geissert).

28. CUP 76-60, Engracia Associates: Appeal of a condition of approval by the Planning Commission for a Conditional Use Permit to allow the construction of an industrial warehouse/manufacturing building in the M-2 zone on property located on the southwest corner of Engracia

and Llewellyn Avenues (1000 Engracia Avenue). Planning Commission and Planning Department recommend approval with conditions.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by City Clerk Coil, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Miller announced that this was the time and place for the advertised public hearing; Staff presentations were made by Planning Director Shartle and Fire Marshall Agapito. It was stated by Mr. Agapito that the matter of compliance with Planning Commission condition #2 - "That the proponent shall meet with the Fire Department to resolve Code requirements for this structure before any building permits are issued." - has reached an impasse because of the prohibitive cost and attendant complications. Fire Marshall Agapito recommended that this matter be referred to the Public Works Committee for further review and recommendation. City Attorney Remelmeyer outlined the legal aspects of this item.

Representing Engracia Associates, Mr. Ralph Bernstein confirmed the hardship represented by Condition #2, reviewed present and proposed construction in the area, etc. He indicated his willingness to consent to Fire Department requirements which can be removed when the water situation is cleared up; however, per Mr. Bernstein, he cannot agree to build a building which in two years, if the water condition is cleared up, would represent extra cost to future occupants. Hopefully, this can be cleared up in a manner economically feasible to all was the concluding remark of Mr. Bernstein.

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

It was the unanimous consensus of the Council that there was need for further review via the Public Works Committee, with Water Commission representation as well as that of Staff and the proponent.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to refer Item #28 to the Public Works Committee, with input from all interested parties, to be returned to the October 26th Council agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

HEARINGS - OTHER THAN PLANNING:

29. RESOLUTION adopting Conflict of Interest Code for members of the City Council.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by City Clerk Coil, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 76-186

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADOPTING A CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE APPLICABLE TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL PURSUANT TO THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT OF 1974

Mayor Miller then announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, and inquired if anyone wished to be heard. There was no response.

Councilman Armstrong moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-186. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

ROUTINE MATTERS:

- 30. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Improvement of Crenshaw Blvd. at 237th Street - B76-45.

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION:

That the contract for this project be awarded to Trend Equipment for \$20,344, and that all other bids be rejected.

- 31. AWARD OF ANNUAL CONTRACTS FOR PASSENGER CAR, TRUCK AND SPECIAL "OFF THE ROAD" TIRES.

Re: Cooperative Contract with the County of Los Angeles.
(Ref. Agreements #36602, 36603 and 36604)
Annual Expenditure: \$28,000.00

RECOMMENDATION OF BUYER:

That Council approve of awarding the following annual contracts to the low bidders of L.A. County - Bid #S2125.

- 1. \$10,500.00 to Sudduth Tire Company for required passenger car and "off the road" equipment tires.
- 2. \$7,500.00 to B.F. Goodrich Company for required special truck tires.
- 3. \$10,000.00 to Talin Tire, Inc. for highway truck tires and other special truck tires.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items #30 and #31. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

- 32. AWARD OF ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR GASOLINE RE: SHELL OIL COMPANY.

It was the request of City Attorney Remelmeyer that this item be held for two weeks. Councilman Wilson so MOVED; the motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

ADDENDA ITEMS:

- 33. RESOLUTION re: Application for Land and Water Conservation Funds, Charles H. Wilson Park, Phase 2.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-187

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 APPROVAL OF THE APPLICATION FOR LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUNDS, CHARLES H. WILSON PARK, PHASE 2

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-187. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

- 34. RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION for Retired Councilman George Surber.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-188

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING FORMER COUNCILMAN GEORGE B. SURBER FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-188. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

- 35. EXECUTIVE SESSION.

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The hour being 7:20 P.M., the City Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency, returning to its agenda at 7:22 P.M.

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(Mayor Miller left the meeting at this time (7:22 P.M.) and Mayor Pro Tem Wilson conducted the balance of the meeting.)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

- 36. Councilman Armstrong noted the Department of Labor commendation regarding the Torrance Manpower Program, and joined in the praise for Mrs. Elaine Winer and her staff.

- 37. Councilman Armstrong requested that the Department of Transportation item pertaining to stop signs at 237th and Cabrillo be scheduled for the September 14th Council meeting.

38. Councilman Armstrong expressed his pleasure at being back and his gratitude for the thoughtfulness extended him and his family following his recent surgery.
39. Councilman Brewster requested that the RTD mailgram re: meet and confer be placed on the September 14th agenda.
40. Councilman Rossberg noted the well attended Taxpayer meeting, arranged by the North Torrance Homeowners Association, on August 27th.
41. Appropriate recognition for Torrance's championship womens softball team was requested by Councilman Wilson.
42. Councilman Wilson reported on his recent visit to Sacramento, with City Engineer Weaver, to appear before the California Highway Commission regarding the Prairie off-ramp on the San Diego Freeway, with specific note of the vital assistance provided by Senator Wedworth.
43. Councilman Brewster requested a report regarding the status of the Torrance Soccer Hall of Fame. It was the further direction of the Council that this matter be referred to the Park and Recreation Commission for review and recommendation.

ADDENDUM ITEM: # # #

35. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:30 P.M. Councilman Armstrong moved to recess for the purpose of an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation (a proper subject matter, per City Attorney Remelmeyer). The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilwoman Geissert; Mayor Miller).

The Council returned at 7:40 P.M., and took the following action:

RESOLUTION NO. 76-189

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT OF A DECLARATORY RELIEF ACTION TO DETERMINE THE LIABILITY OF THE CITY UNDER CERTAIN DRAINAGE AND SEWER REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENTS (City of Torrance v. Boise Cascade Building Company, Torrance Knolls, R.A. Watt and Don Wilson (Superior Court No. C-106514)

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-189. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilwoman Geissert; Mayor Miller).

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

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Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary

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

APPROVED: Ken Miller
Mayor of the City of Torrance