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Adjourned at 12:30 A.M.

Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary

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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 14, 1976, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Armstrong, Brewster, Geissert, Rossberg, 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:

Building Regulations Administrator Grippio led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Boyd Kifer, First Church of the Nazarene, gave the invocation for the meeting.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Wilson moved to approve the minutes of August 24, 1976, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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:

Agency Selection Committee:

Will meet on September 15th at 5:00 P.M.

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PRESENTATION:8. MUSICAL PRESENTATION BY SOUTH BAY WALKONS.

The South Bay Walkons, a local barbershop quartet, presented several special numbers, to the pleasure of all present.

PROCLAMATION:9. CONSTITUTION WEEK, 1976.

So proclaimed by Mayor Miller.

PUBLIC WORKS:10. UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 7.RESOLUTION NO. 76-190

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING SPECIAL PERMISSION FOR EXEMPTION OF TWO POLES WITHIN UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 7

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-190. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

REAL PROPERTY:11. RESOLUTION authorizing Clarice Ward's request for lease amendment.RESOLUTION NO. 76-191

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE CONSENTING TO AND RATIFYING A HANGAR ASSIGNMENT BETWEEN ROBERT C. CLAYTON AND ROBERT WILLIAM WARD EXECUTED IN 1975

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-191. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-192

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST CONSENTS TO ASSIGNMENT OF AIRPORT HANGAR LEASES OF CLARICE R. WARD AND ROBERT WILLIAM WARD TO CLARICE R. WARD AND VIOLET F. LaFOND

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-192. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:

12. PETITION REQUEST for four-way stop signs on Cabrillo Avenue at 237th Street.
Traffic Commission recommendation for approval;
Department of Transportation recommendation for denial.

Staff presentation was made by Traffic Engineering Associate Collins.

Mrs. Nancy Bartelt, 1976 West 237th Street, representing Southeast Torrance citizens, reaffirmed their concerns regarding pedestrian safety in the subject area -- particularly the safety of school children -- per written material, of record, dated June 7, 1976. Four-way stop signs were urged by Mrs. Bartelt; petitions in support of this request, bearing some 272 signatures, were presented to the Council.

Council discussion ensued, it being the ultimate consensus that the intersection is a most unique one and deserving of four-way stop signs.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the recommendation of the Traffic Commission - approval of the request for four-way stop signs. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

It was the request of Councilman Wilson that Staff review the safety aspects of the pedestrian walkways in the area.

PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:

13. ORDINANCE NO. 2688 re: City retention of Unclaimed Property for Public Use.

ORDINANCE NO. 2688

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 62.3.5
OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE PERMITTING
THE CITY MANAGER TO RETAIN UNCLAIMED
PROPERTY FOR PUBLIC USE

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2688 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

14. ORDINANCE NO. 2694.

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;

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

15. ORDINANCE NO. 2695.

ORDINANCE NO. 2695

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SUBSECTION (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 SUBSECTION (g)
TO SECTION 17.136.5

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of
Ordinances No. 2694 and 2695 at their second and final readings.
His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and carried, with
roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster, Rossberg,
Wilson; Mayor Miller.
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert (not present at first
readings).

MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

16. RTD STRIKE SITUATION LETTER.

Councilman Brewster provided a detailed, informative report
on the past and present history in this matter.

Following discussion, it was the general conclusion of the
Council that the matter was a most complicated one, in need of
additional input -- it was further felt by the Council that both
sides should be made aware of the keen concern for a speedy
resolution of this situation. Action taken is reflected below:

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved that the Council go on
record as urging both sides to take immediate steps toward
resolution of the problem, and that Staff return with an
appropriate resolution on September 21st. The motion was
seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and carried, with roll call
vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Geissert, Rossberg,
Wilson; Mayor Miller.
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brewster.

It was the direction of Mayor Miller should the matter
remain unresolved and it be the desire of the Council that
there be further presentations, that arrangements be made for
representation on both sides of the issue.

17. VOTING REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE VOTING REPRESENTATIVE -
League of California Cities Conference - October 17-20, 1976.

Mayor Miller designated Councilman Armstrong as Voting Representative, Councilwoman Geissert as Alternate Voting Representative.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

18. RESOLUTION approving CUP 76-32.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-193

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE OPERATION OF A DAY CARE CENTER IN AN EXISTING CHURCH BUILDING ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF MARICOPA STREET AND MAPLE AVENUE (700 MAPLE AVENUE)
(CUP 76-32, Torrance Church of the Nazarene)

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-193. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

PLANNING HEARING:

19. ZC 75-3, GREAT LAKES CARBON CORPORATION.

Change of Zone from O-2 to O-1 on property located at the s/w corner of Madrona Avenue and Torrance Boulevard to facilitate establishment of a drill site as part of a secondary oil recovery project.

RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND APPROVAL BY THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT.

PP 75-13, GREAT LAKES CARBON CORPORATION.

Appeal of Planning Commission denial of Precise Plan of Development in conjunction with ZC 75-3. RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS BY THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT.

Mayor Miller announced that this was the time and place for the continued public hearing in the subject matter. Planning Department Staff members Warot and Koch made a detailed presentation regarding the activities of the past sixty days in following through on comments and material presented at the July 13th meeting, along with a report re: drill site beautification, visual impact, mitigating measures, etc.

City Manager Ferraro made formal presentation of his written recommendation of September 13, 1976, of record, wherein it is recommended that City Council action be deferred to permit further meetings with potential developers and tenants

and Planning Commission study of the subject area as a redevelopment project and the substantial considerations pertaining thereto.

In response to the above remarks, Councilman Brewster reiterated his objections to the redevelopment approach in this undertaking, and indicated his preference that the appropriate landowners negotiate with potential developers and tenants, without the cloud of redevelopment.

Mayor Miller reviewed the overall concept of private redevelopment and its acceptability in many areas.

Mr. Peter Lacombe, representing Great Lakes Carbon Corporation, requested a brief recess to counsel with his client, in view of the foregoing discussion. Mayor Miller concurred with the request, and ordered a 10-minute recess (the hour was 8:40 P.M.).

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On resumption of the meeting, Mr. Lacombe requested that the material referred to in the City Manager's September 10, 1976 communication (Items 1 through 4), as well as the detailed Index which accompanied that communication, be made a part of the Environmental Impact Report. It was so ordered by Mayor Miller.

It was the further comment of Mr. Lacombe that it is the opinion of the proponent that the EIR is replete with necessary information in this case.

Attorney Larry Tracy, on behalf of Great Lakes Carbon Corporation, stated their opinion that commercial development can exist compatibly with^{an} oil project such as is proposed -- further, in light of City Manager Ferraro's earlier presentation regarding pending meetings with potential developers, it is thought that 90 days would be more appropriate than 60 days. However, per Mr. Tracy, it now seems that the only way to demonstrate this compatibility is to develop their property themselves; what they intend to do, regardless of Council action this date, is "starting tomorrow morning, to go out and talk to the same people Mr. Ferraro has been talking to -- and Robinson's has already told us they don't have any problem with the drill site... put together our own plan, talk to your Planning Staff, and then come back and demonstrate to you that, in fact, we can develop our own property....."

Added by Mr. Tracy: "The point is that during the next 90 days we expect to go out, and bring back to you our own proposal for our own development of our own property. That necessarily means that Great Lakes does not require the participation of any other private or public interest, except to the extent that the City Planning Staff may be available to us to discuss the merits of our particular proposal on our property."

Council discussion followed this announcement by Mr. Tracy. Considered were the merits of independent development, possible alternate locations for the oil project, the pending redevelopment study by the City, etc. Mayor Miller indicated his understanding

that there has been an impasse on the development of the subject property, and that Great Lakes had contacted the City with regard to a possible redevelopment study for the area. It was confirmed by City Manager Ferraro that initially there was a firm negative response on the part of Great Lakes Carbon regarding the development process; however, after a period of time, Great Lakes contacted the City and negotiations were opened which resulted in the subsequent action taken by the City.

Speaking at this time, Mr. Tracy affirmed that Great Lakes had originally opposed any kind of redevelopment proposals on its property -- it was subsequently indicated to the City by them that they would be willing to cooperate with the City in exploring the possibilities of redevelopment of their property. The sole extent of their discussions, per Mr. Tracy, has been with respect to the fair market value -- they have never proposed to be the developer in the redevelopment process nor have they participated in the planning of the expansion of Fashion Square itself nor have they ever indicated any kind of approval of that plan. So long as the redevelopment plan does not take into consideration the compatibility of commercial development and an oil project, it is not acceptable to Great Lakes. "At the present time the only way we can see to dispose of the property, to take care of it, is to develop it ourselves, and that's what we intend to do," according to Mr. Tracy.

City Manager Ferraro, at the request of Councilman Wilson, reported on the status of the City's redevelopment study: extensive efforts have gone forward to put together some sort of a proposition which would, under the law, require the taking of the property at the highest market value and move it over to some developer. Also noted by Mr. Ferraro was the fact that a crucial meeting with representatives of Robinson's on September 15th at 9:00 A.M. has been scheduled regarding this site.

It was the consensus of the Council that the next 90 days would provide the needed time for all interested parties to follow through in this matter.

Next to speak was:

Mr. Arthur Greenberg, attorney for Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association, the lender and option-holder on a portion of Del Amo Fashion Square, urged Council denial of ZC 75-3 and PP 75-13, deeming it a cloud which must be removed. Specifically noted was the indication on Page 89 of the EIR that Bullocks Department Store is not opposed to the drill site -- such is not the case, in that Mr. Greenberg has been advised by Federated Department Stores (owners of Bullocks and I. Magnin) that they are opposed to oil development in the heart of the Torrance commercial district nearby and adjacent to Del Amo Fashion Square.

Continuing, Mr. Greenberg pointed out that this matter has been riding since February, 1975, and has been of grave concern to the residents, businessmen and investors in Torrance who are

entitled to a decision as to whether or not the City will tolerate a major industrial development of 70+ wells in the heart of its commercial district.

Mr. Greenberg then reported on his extended investigation in this matter, and the expertise made available to him, all included in the written report provided the Council -- it was his request that this report likewise be included in the Environmental Impact Report. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

Reviewed by Mr. Greenberg were earthquake potentials; oil rig noise levels vs. Code requirements (not discussed in the EIR); the hydrogen sulphate factor; absence of solution for the abandoned wells; the detrimental appearance of oil well sites; General Plan requirements; risks to the City in the event of approval of oil development on the subject property -- claims, litigation, liability, etc.; impact on the existing commercial development; City revenues; etc. A pertinent slide presentation accompanied Mr. Greenberg's remarks. In conclusion, it was the recommendation of the speaker that the Council take action at this time in order that all concerned may know where they stand.

Other speakers were:

Mr. Gilford Glazer, major owner and managing partner, Carson-Madrona Company, denied its support of the project, as stated by Great Lakes on Page 89 of the EIR. "This 74 oil well project, if approved, would constitute a most grave breach of faith by the City to the 180 merchants in Del Amo Fashion Square and to the Carson-Madrona Company, as well as to Teachers Insurance," per Mr. Glazer, who urged denial of this distasteful project, and who indicated every cooperation for proper commercial development of the land adjoining Del Amo Fashion Square.

Mr. Dick Krebs, 5206 Ruby Street, representing Southwood Homeowners Association, stated that the proposed oil project will have long term adverse environmental impacts on the community -- denial of the zone change at this time was requested.

Mr. Charles Yelverton, representing Southwestern Enterprises, noted their comments of record, and deemed this an inadequately planned waterflood project. Further, per Mr. Yelverton, the EIR, as prepared, does not comply with State and City laws.

Attorney Bob Snader, associated with E. Arnold Oppenheim, also representing Southwestern Enterprises, expressed opposition to the proposed project, and specifically noted the absence of information in the EIR pertaining to locations of abandoned wells. A decision "here and now" was urged by Mr. Snader.

Mr. E. Arnold Oppenheim, 9777 Wilshire Boulevard, Beverly Hills, representing Southwestern Enterprises, voiced strenuous

objections to the proposed waterflooding, and pointed out the need for additional information pertaining to the project.

Mrs. Virginia Constantino, 22219 Redbeam, representing Sunset Homeowners Association, recorded their opposition to the Great Lakes Carbon Waterflood request.

Mrs. Dorothy Settridge, 3309 Opal Street, protested the project for the reason that residences in the affected area will be put in jeopardy; there will be problems and inconveniences, with resultant home devaluation.

A representative (name unintelligible) for Ohrbach's urged Council denial of the project at this time.

Mr. Bernie Hollander, 22959 Nadine Circle, reviewed the negative aspects, from the standpoint of unpleasant odors, etc., of the project. He further recommended that the Council rescind any balance of the redevelopment study appropriation.

Ms. JoAnne Berger, Del Amo Fashion Square, pointed out their extensive advertising efforts to draw more customers to Torrance -- an oil drilling development adjacent to Fashion Square would have a devastating effect on these efforts. Speaking for Montgomery Ward, Desmond's, I. Magnin, Ohrbach's, plus 150 other Fashion Square stores, Ms. Berger conveyed their desire that the Council deny the application for zone change proposed by Great Lakes Carbon Corporation., and that it be done tonight thereby eliminating the continued spending of tax dollars and City personnel time in endless discussions regarding the project.

Mr. Spencer Willens, Riviera Homeowners Association, requested that the oil issue be solved tonight -- the opposition of the people has been established. No crisis exists which warrants the possible disaster, both financial and physical, which could result from this project, per Mr. Willens.

Mr. Lee Smith, 2132 West 235th Place, representing SETHA, indicated their support of the opposition of homeowners in the affected area.

Mr. Bill Sweeney, 1059 Union Bank Tower, attorney for Del Amo Fashion Square Merchants Association, registered their continuing opposition in this matter, and requested that action be taken at this time in a negative manner.

Mr. Ed Greene submitted letters of opposition to the request from the Hillside Homeowners Association, Southwood Riviera Homeowners Association, and the North Torrance Property Owners Association. Mr. Greene further presented a petition of opposition, bearing some 500 signatures. Mr. Greene then elaborated on the hazards of the proposed project, questioned the role of Staff members in the matter, and urged Council denial tonight.

Mr. Tom Hammack, 3110 Antonio Street, outlined the confusion in this matter; further delay will only result in more confusion and more dollars -- the vast recorded opposition to the project was noted by Mr. Hammack, and denial was requested.

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

Council discussion followed.

Mayor Miller questioned the compatibility of the project in view of the tremendous work which must be undertaken to make it so and what could be accomplished by the Staff-requested time extension. The Mayor added that he simply cannot accept the thought that this kind of development has any degree of compatibility with the balance of the land at this location; he is concerned about the fiscal impact on the City, etc. Mayor Miller then stated that he would oppose the project at this time, in order that commercial development might proceed -- postponement would only waste time for Great Lakes, in that ultimate denial appears inevitable.

Concurrence with the Mayor's remarks was expressed by Councilman Armstrong who agreed that 60, 90 or 120 days delay would only bring denial. It was the request of Mr. Armstrong that Staff stay abreast of the matter, and commented that their input has been of great value to the community.

Councilman Wilson indicated his mixed emotions -- the energy crisis vs. the appropriateness of the proposed development at this particular site. In view of the indication by the proponent that he desires to return with a different project, Dr. Wilson can concur with denial at this point.

It was the comment of Councilwoman Geissert that there has been monumental information provided in this case-- however, the basic question is the proper use of the land and the Council's long term commitment for the best use of that land insofar as the total City is concerned. Mrs. Geissert stated that the General Plan denotes that the subject property be for commercial use, and this is a commitment which should be kept.

Councilman Brewster reaffirmed his opposition to the redevelopment concept, and encouraged Great Lakes and Carson-Madrona and all other interested property owners to move forward with proposals for private development, working with City Staff. Mr. Brewster indicated that he would join in denial of the request, without prejudice.

The desirability of this property as a commercial site, as opposed to a drill site, was reviewed by Councilman Rossberg, the serious need for oil being acknowledged by him.

Formal action taken by the Council is reflected below:

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved that all materials received, including testimony this date, for incorporation in the Final EIR be received and filed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission for DENIAL of ZC 75-3. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable, "yes" being for denial. It was specifically indicated by Councilman Brewster that his affirmative vote was "without prejudice".

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A 5-minute recess was ordered by Mayor Miller, the hour being 11:25 P.M.

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APPEALS - OTHER THAN PLANNING:

20. SIGN APPEAL REQUEST for time extension on permit for flags, banners and pennants, Lyons Buick GMC, Inc., 18800 Hawthorne Boulevard.

RECOMMENDATION FOR DENIAL FROM ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION AND BUILDING AND SAFETY DEPARTMENT.

Mayor Miller announced that this was the time and place for the subject hearing.

Mr. James Lewis, 606 South Olive Street, Los Angeles, attorney for Lyons Buick, described difficulties in locating Lyons Buick because their signing is obliterated by Moran Cadillac immediately next door, and requested retention of a temporary banner to alleviate their visibility problems. Approval of the request was urged by Mr. Lewis who deemed it a very reasonable one.

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

Mayor Miller noted the "track record" of Lyons Buick in its total lack of cooperation with the City and total disregard for established laws, and MOVED to concur with the recommendation of the Environmental Quality Commission for DENIAL of the subject request. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable, "yes" being for denial.

ROUTINE MATTERS:21. FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 29773.

Subdivider: Chacksfield Merit Homes

Location: Ocean Avenue between 230th and 226th Street

No. of Lots: 16

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/PLANNING DIRECTOR:

That Final Tract Map No. 29773 be approved.

22. AWARD OF ANNUAL CONTRACT for processed miscellaneous base material - Bid #B76-41 - \$23,930.00 Annual Expenditure.RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/BUYER:

That Council award two contracts as follows:

1. An award be made to Sully Miller for 3,000 tons of processed miscellaneous base material delivered to City Yard in the total amount of \$11,300.00 including tax.
2. An award be made to Mid City Granite Company for 3,000 tons of processed miscellaneous base material delivered to various Torrance locations in the total amount of \$12,630 including tax.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items #21 and #22. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ADDENDUM ITEM:23. TEMPORARY SERVICES OF LAURA ROSENBERG TO PERFORM CERTAIN FUNCTIONS OF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That the City Council authorize the Civil Service Commission to obtain services from Laura Rosenberg at the hourly rate of \$12.50, averaging 20 hours weekly, and commencing September 20, 1976. The services are to terminate upon filling of the position of Executive Officer or upon order of the Commission whichever is earlier.

It was the recommendation of Assistant City Manager Scharfman, concurred in by the Council, that termination should be upon order of the Commission or the City Council; in any event, employment should not exceed six months.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the recommendation of the Civil Service Commission, as amended by Mr. Scharfman. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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The hour being 11:58 P.M., the Council recessed as City Council and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency. The Council returned to its agenda at 11:59 P.M.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

24. Councilman Armstrong commended Police Officer David Bullock, the number one cadet in a recent graduation at the Police Academy -- Mayor Miller directed that a congratulatory letter go forward to Officer Bullock, on behalf of the Council.
25. Councilman Brewster requested Staff follow-through on the matter of information which may be attained from the Department of Motor Vehicles via license tags.
26. Councilwoman Geissert requested information pertaining to the California Redevelopment Act which will go into effect the first of the year.
27. Mayor Miller announced the meeting of Mayors slated for September 15th at Del Conte's, as well as the meeting featuring Supervisor Hayes on September 15th at the Holiday Inn.
28. Mrs. Pat Tyrrell, on behalf of the League of Women Voters, noted their Candidates Night on Thursday, September 16th, at the Recreation Center. (Senate and Assembly races)
29. Mr. Fritz Scheiwe reported on difficulties encountered by him in a recent housing inspection by the Building and Safety Department.

Mayor Miller directed that this matter be returned to the September 21st Council agenda with a report by Staff.

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 12:30 A.M.

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APPROVED:

Ken Miller

Mayor of the City of Torrance

Vernon W. Coil

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

Ava Cripe
 Minute Secretary

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