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Adjourned at 11:00 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 21, 1976, at 5:30 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, City Clerk Coil and City Treasurer Rupert.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Police Lieutenant Cook led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Edward L. Hughes, Walteria Assembly of God, gave the invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Armstrong moved to approve the minutes of September 7, 1976, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

6. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Brewster 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.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Agency Selection Committee:

Met this date; report to Council will be forthcoming.

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PRESENTATIONS:8. TORRANCE YWCA - Appreciation for first year HCD Funding.

A public expression of thanks for the first year HCD Funding afforded the YWCA was conveyed by YWCA president, Ms. Mary Castagna.

9. PERMAPLAQUED RESOLUTIONS TO DOUGLAS WORKMAN AND HERBERT SMITH.

Mayor Miller acknowledged the brave acts of Messrs. Workman and Smith in the rescue of traffic accident victims from a car engulfed in flames by way of permaplaqued resolutions commending their life-saving action. There was grateful acceptance by Messrs. Workman and Smith.

PROCLAMATION:

10. "HUNTING AND FISHING DAY" - September 25, 1976.

So proclaimed by Mayor Miller.

11. Withdrawn.

TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:12. RESOLUTION urging the RTD Board of Directors and the transit union to renew and review their efforts to resolve their differences in the present strike situation.RESOLUTION NO. 76-194

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE URGING THE SCR TD BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE TRANSIT UNIONS TO RENEW AND REVIEW THEIR EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THEIR PRESENT DIFFERENCES AND ELIMINATE THE HARDSHIPS ON THE TRANSIT-DEPENDENT POPULATION THAT THE PRESENT STRIKE HAS IMPOSED

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-194. His motion was seconded by Mayor Miller.

Council discussion followed. An updated report on the strike situation was provided by Councilman Brewster, with note of the extensive negotiations in progress, and, hopefully, imminent resolution of the strike. The subject resolution was therefore deemed inappropriate by the Council.

A SUBSTITUTE MOTION was offered by Councilman Armstrong: That the matter be filed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

FISCAL MATTERS:

13. ORDINANCE excepting cooperative governmental purchases and repairs to City equipment from formal bidding requirements.

ORDINANCE NO. 2696

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING SECTION 22.3.15 AND 22.3.16 TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE EXCEPTING COOPERATIVE GOVERNMENTAL PURCHASES AND REPAIRS TO CITY EQUIPMENT FROM THE FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS OF SAID CODE

Councilman Armstrong moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2696 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MANPOWER MATTERS:

14. RESOLUTION re: On-The-Job Training Programs.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-195

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 PARNELLI JONES ENTERPRISES AND ROBERT O. KASSE, GENERAL AGENT, JOHN HANCOCK INSURANCE COMPANY

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-195. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS:

15. RESOLUTION urging the Governor to sign AB 1246 for the betterment of transportation in Los Angeles County.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-196

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO PASS INTO LAW AB 1246 (INGALLS/VICENCIA) CREATING COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSIONS AND THEREBY IMPROVING TRANSPORTATION IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY

It was the direction of Mayor Miller that prior to taking action on Resolution No. 76-196 there be detailed input from Director of Transportation Horkay regarding this legislation.

Accordingly this item was held until later in the meeting - See Page 11.

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

- 16. RESOLUTION authorizing compensation for CETA training unit in Downtown Torrance.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-197

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH SALARIES AND WAGE SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFITS FOR MANPOWER JOB TRAINING UNIT EMPLOYEES

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-197. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE:

- 17. ORDINANCE NO. 2688.

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

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2688 at its second and final reading. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

- 18. RESOLUTION protesting practice of DMV selling names and addresses of citizens upon request.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-198

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE PROTESTING THE PRACTICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES OF SELLING THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF CITIZENS UPON REQUEST TO ANY INDIVIDUAL OR COMPANY SO REQUESTING AND URGING REPEAL OF THE LAW AUTHORIZING THIS PRACTICE

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-198. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

It was the recommendation of Mayor Miller, concurred in by the Council, that Legislative Advocate Rupert prepare appropriate legislation. Councilman Brewster who had requested the subject resolution commended the Daily Breeze for bringing this to the public's attention.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:19. SANTA FE LAND USE STUDY.

This study sets forth a series of alternate land uses and recommendations for the property bounded by Crenshaw Boulevard, Sepulveda Boulevard, Madrona Avenue and Toledo Street.

RECOMMENDATION OF PLANNING DIRECTOR:

That this report be referred to the Planning Commission for study and recommendation. In addition, the City should consider engaging an economic consulting firm to study the fiscal impacts and financial feasibility of alternative uses. This feasibility study should be referred to the City Manager for development of costs and funding before final action.

Staff presentation was provided by Planning Assistant Woodward which highlighted the findings of the Santa Fe Land Use Study.

Council discussion was directed to the complex consideration of the subject property: economic aspects, potential development, time factors, the "give and take" element re: open space, the role of Madrona Marsh, water management problems in the Marsh area, Marsh funding via the Wetlands Bill and other avenues of potential funding, drainage considerations for this large area, the need for meetings with the landowners as to projections for development of the property, etc.

It was the specific request of Mayor Miller that City Manager Ferraro confer with Santa Fe representatives in order to ascertain, based on different alternatives of development, how much land they could dedicate to the City -- 20 acres, 30 acres? -- in view of the fact that there will not be enough money available in any grant program to do what is desired in the development of the Marsh. This would serve to indicate to Marsh supporters just how much ^{additional} money is needed by way of grant programs, per the Mayor. There were no objections to the Mayor's request, and it was so directed.

Councilwoman Geissert stated that, in her opinion, it is now time to come to grips with the matter of Madrona Marsh -- a policy should be adopted regarding the preservation of 54 acres (as established by the Habitat Study) for Madrona Marsh. Mrs. Geissert urged that such action be taken at this time.

The following motions were then offered:

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the Planning Director, with the added direction to the City Manager that he talk with Santa Fe regarding negotiations as related to the Marsh, and their desires as to the development of the land; further, that there be Staff study relative to the water management problems. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved that the City Council adopt a policy of intent to preserve 54 acres - bounded by Madrona, Sepulveda, Maple and Monterey - as a Wild Life Habitat, this being a part of the General Plan rather than a specific zoning matter, which would represent a reduction of open space from 160 acres to 54 acres. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster, Geissert, Wilson.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Rossberg; Mayor Miller (both felt the action premature).

It was the further direction of Mayor Miller that Staff return next week with a report regarding the Keene's Wetland Bill and the disposition thereof.

20. RESOLUTION re: V 65-16, Torrance Rod and Gun Club.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-199

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING A VARIANCE FROM THE PROVISIONS OF DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE AS APPLIED FOR BY TORRANCE ROD AND GUN CLUB AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 65-105 IN PLANNING COMMISSION CASE V 65-16

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-199. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert, Rossberg, Wilson; Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster (not present at hearing).

21. ORDINANCE re: ZC 76-6, Arthur Olson.

ORDINANCE NO. 2697

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 WEST SIDE OF PRAIRIE AVENUE APPROXIMATELY 100 FEET NORTH OF HICKMAN DRIVE AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 76-6
(Arthur Olson)

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2697 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Rossberg, carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert, Rossberg, Wilson;
Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster (not present
at hearing)

PLANNING APPEALS:

22. TT 32816, Carriage Real Estate Group, Inc.

Appeal of a condition of approval of a six-lot subdivision for the construction of residential dwellings on property located between 232nd and 233rd Streets, approximately 130 feet west of Cabrillo Avenue.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS FIVE-LOT SUBDIVISION;
PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVED SIX-LOT SUBDIVISION WITH
LIMITATION ON SQUARE FOOTAGE PER DWELLING.

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

Representing the proponent, Mr. Lloyd Tanner, 1555 Redondo Beach Boulevard, Gardena, requested the deletion of Condition #6 - "That prior to the construction of any residences, approval of a Precise Plan of Development be required, limiting the square footage of each house to 1,500 square feet per recorded deed restriction." Mr. Tanner indicated that homes presently constructed are two-story with more than 2000 square feet, with a ground floor of approximately 1350 square feet -- the Planning Commission restriction would prohibit second story construction, would reduce open space; further, it is unusually restrictive and not economically feasible.

Council discussion was directed to the five-lot subdivision vs. the six-lot subdivision, as well as the matter of the square footage for each house, it being the general consensus of the Council that a one-story house limited to 1500 square feet was not realistic. It was the recommendation of Councilman Brewster that there be a Precise Plan requirement which would permit Staff to work with the proponent to the end that all areas of concern could be controlled minus the stringent aspects of recorded deed restrictions. Mr. Tanner affirmed his agreement with a maximum 1350 square foot requirement for the ground level of the proposed homes.

Mr. Arnold Johnson, representing SETHA, 2278 West 232nd Street, protested condition #3 - "That an avigation easement shall be granted to the City." - and noted the pending report from the City Attorney in this regard. Mr. Remelmeyer indicated that he would expedite this Opinion.

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

MOTION: Councilman Brewster moved to concur with Planning Commission action with the following modification: That Condition #6 be amended to read as follows: "That prior to construction of any residences, approval of a Precise Plan of Development be

required." The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster, Rossberg,
Wilson; Mayor Miller.
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert (prefers a 5-lot
subdivision).

23. HO 76-57, JOHN G. GRAHAM.

Appeal of Planning Commission denial of a Home Occupation Permit to allow a plumbing and heating repair business in the R-1 zone on property located at 3334 Brandywine Way. PLANNING COMMISSION DENIED REQUEST. PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDED APPROVAL WITH CONDITIONS.

Mayor Miller announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing. Staff presentation was made by Planning Assistant Woodward.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham were present to provide desired clarification regarding their business and to confirm the approval of the two adjacent neighbors.

Following discussion, it was the direction of the Council that all residents on the cul-de-sac be contacted regarding the subject request as to approval or disapproval, and that the matter be returned to the Council on September 28th.

MOTION: Councilman Brewster moved to continue the hearing on Item #23 to September 28, 1976, at 7:00 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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The hour being 8:05 P.M., the Council recessed, and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency. A 5-minute recess followed at 8:06 P.M.

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APPEALS - OTHER THAN PLANNING:

24. JOSEPH CAPRIOTTI APPEAL OF CITY MANAGER'S DECISION ON A DISABILITY RETIREMENT.

CONCLUSION OF CITY MANAGER:

We believe that, according to Section 4850 of the Labor Code, the employee is not entitled to a full year of leave of absence without loss of salary. He is only entitled to leave of absence with full pay up to the date of his retirement on permanent disability pension.

The employee has received all leaves with compensation to which he is entitled. Therefore, we recommend that the City Council fix the effective retirement date as September 15, 1976 as determined by the City Manager.

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

Assistant to the City Manager Jackson reaffirmed the recommended retirement date of September 15, 1976.

Representing Mr. Capriotti, Attorney Richard Goldman, 10880 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, reviewed his eminently satisfactory work record, the capable performance of his duties on his return to work, with specific note of his desire to continue to work and his demonstration of ability to do so in his present capacity in the Juvenile Division.

Likewise reviewed by Mr. Goldman was Section 4850 of the Labor Code, and his interpretation thereof.

Rebuttal was made by Mr. Jackson to the effect that Mr. Capriotti is incapable of performing usual Police Officer activities (qualifying on the range, firing of a hand gun, etc.); that time extensions have been granted, in the hope of some improvement -- it still stands, per Mr. Jackson, that Mr. Capriotti was "permanent and stationery" in January, 1976. It was then reiterated by Mr. Jackson that it is the City Manager's recommendation that the Council find the employee can no longer perform a substantial amount of the duties; that he be retired; that the retirement be industrial; and that the date of September 15, 1976 be set as the date of retirement.

It was again pointed out by Mr. Goldman that from January to July of this year Mr. Capriotti may have had his retirement extended, but it should also be noted that during that period of time the City was receiving very competent and efficient service from Mr. Capriotti -- it would be unwise to retire this individual, in view of his established performance record and his desire to serve the best interests of the City.

Council discussion ensued. Discussed were light duty aspects, police officer responsibilities and physical demands, etc. The dedicated efforts of Officer Capriotti were acknowledged by all present, with commendation for his desire to continue working -- specifically noted by City Manager Ferraro was Officer Capriotti's vital role in setting up the South Bay Diversionary Team, a fact confirmed by Councilwoman Geissert who was personally involved in this undertaking.

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 Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Manager. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable, it being indicated by the Council that the "yes" votes were reluctant ones.

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25. APPEAL OF MR. FRITZ SCHEIWE OF DENIAL BY CLAIMS BOARD OF CLAIM REGARDING ALLEGED IMPROPER INSPECTION.

RECOMMENDATION OF INSURANCE CLAIMS BOARD/BUILDING REGULATIONS ADMINISTRATOR: That Mr. Scheiwe's claim be denied in view of the fact that the nature of the inspection oversight is specifically exempt from liability, either as to the individual employee, or the City.

CITY MANAGER NOTE:

If your honorable body does not concur in the recommendation of Staff, Staff would recommend that you authorize an offer of not more than \$150 which is the true dollar value of repairs necessary to matters which might be directly attributable to an error committed by the Inspector.

Mr. Scheiwe was present to elaborate on his displeasure with a recent City housing inspection, his disagreement with the Staff report of September 17th, and his resultant \$1270. worth of damages, it being the position of the City "sorry, buddy, we're not responsible".

Building Regulations Administrator Grippio provided desired clarification, with specific note of the fact that the inspection did not guarantee the total plumbing, electrical and heating systems of the house, but only visible areas at the time of the inspection.

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 Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the recommendation of Staff that the subject claim be denied. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson.

It was the comment of Councilwoman Geissert that the Staff report reflects certain oversights which have been acknowledged by the department, and to correct such oversights, \$150 would be a reasonable reimbursement.

Accordingly, a SUBSTITUTE MOTION was offered by Councilwoman Geissert: That Council authorize a payment of \$150 to Mr. Scheiwe. The substitute motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg.

Council discussion followed. It was noted by City Attorney Remelmeyer that such a payment would be subject to Mr. Scheiwe's waiver of all rights to further sums. The unusual circumstances in this case were generally acknowledged by the Council.

Councilwoman Geissert amended her SUBSTITUTE MOTION to state: That Council authorize a payment of \$150 to Mr. Scheiwe, subject to a waiver by the claimant of all other sums which he claims arising out of this action. The amended motion was

seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Wilson.

ROUTINE MATTERS:

26. AWARD OF CONTRACTS for diesel fuel and various lubricating oils - Bid #B76-47.

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/BUYER:

1. Recommend an award be made to Union Oil Company in the amount of \$79,945.20, including sales tax, to furnish #1 and #2 diesel fuel and gear oil as required by the City.
2. Recommend an award be made to Texaco, Inc. in the amount of \$10,564.49, including sales tax, to furnish automotive motor oil, Series 3 oil, automatic transmission fluid, turbine oil and hydraulic oil as required by the City.
3. Recommend an award be made to Standard Oil Company in the amount of \$771.68, including sales tax, to provide kerosene and stoddard solvent, as required by the City.

27. FINAL TRACTS NO. 31485/31587

Subdivider: Adli Enterprises
Engineer: Winchell Surveying
Location: East side of Paseo de la Playa north of
Via Riviera
No. of Lots: 1 (Condominium)

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/PLANNING DIRECTOR:

That Final Tract Maps 31485/31587 be approved.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items #26 and #27. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

The Council now returned to:

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS:

15. RESOLUTION re: AB 1246.

Desired clarification pertaining to AB 1246 was provided by Director of Transportation Horkay who reaffirmed his recommendation that the subject resolution be adopted. Also noted by Mr. Horkay were opponents of AB 1246: The Office of Planning and Research, SCAG; the Highway people; and RTD.

Discussion ensued regarding the pros and cons of AB 1246; its effect on the City of Torrance; the impact on RTD, SCAG, etc.; the use of SB 325 monies; guaranteed funding aspects; etc.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 76-196. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Geissert, Wilson;
Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brewster, Rossberg.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

28. City Manager Ferraro announced that this is the last Torrance City Council meeting to be attended by the "Big Kahuna", Director of Park and Recreation Harry Van Bellehem, who is retiring on September 24th after 23 years of dedicated service.

The Council expressed its good wishes to Mr. Van Bellehem for a happy, rewarding retirement, and its appreciation for his outstanding contribution to the City's development. Mr. Van Bellehem likewise conveyed his gratitude for the past 23 years and the accomplishments attained.

29. Councilwoman Geissert noted the revived interest in a South Bay County, and recommended renewal of the petition drive in this respect. It was also her recommendation that Torrance serve as a focal point for public discussions, involving South Bay representatives, the South Bay Cities Association, outside experts in the field of institutional mechanisms, etc.

Councilman Rossberg indicated his desire to carry the foregoing suggestion to the South Bay Cities Association -- the Council concurred in this action, and it was so ordered.

It was noted by Mayor Miller that the only truly active movement in this matter is that of Mr. Walker in Manhattan Beach -- however, the success of this undertaking is dependent on dedicated workers in obtaining the necessary support via petitions, contacts, coordination, etc.

Mrs. Rachel Meyer reviewed her past experiences in the South Bay County petition drive and the complications which were presented. Also noted by her was the present crucial time element because of legislation to be introduced in January which would impede efforts such as these -- it was further stressed that there is need for all-out cooperation from the interested communities.

Following discussion, it was the ultimate direction of Mayor Miller that Councilman Rossberg take the matter to the South Bay Cities Association; that Mrs. Meyer contact Mr. Walker to determine the extent of his interest and zeal; that there be further contact by Mrs. Meyer with Councilman Ryan and Mayor Buerk of Palos Verdes; and other interested parties in an effort to ascertain if there is any common ground. The outcome of these combined efforts are to be reported at the earliest possible date to City Manager Ferraro for coordination, per the Mayor.

30. Councilman Wilson requested special recognition for Assistant Water Superintendent Cecil Powell at the Recognition and Awards Banquet on September 24th -- Mr. Powell is retiring after some 40 years with the City of Torrance.

31. It was the request of Councilman Wilson that the Council Legislative Committee review the State Coastal Park Bond Issue legislation, and report back to the Council.

32. Staff investigation of a Daily News article this date regarding negative School Board action relative to the dedication of easements was requested by Councilman Wilson.

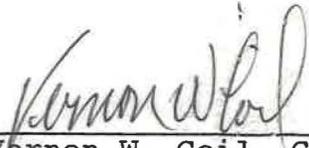
33. Mayor Miller appointed Councilwoman Geissert to serve as an Alternate for the League of California Cities (replacing Councilman Surber).

34. An excused absence for the next three Council meetings was requested by Mayor Miller. There were no objections, and it was so ordered, it being noted that Mayor Pro Tem Wilson will conduct those meetings.

At 10:20 P.M., Councilman Wilson moved to recess for the purpose of an Executive Session to discussion litigation (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 11:00 P.M. for adjournment.
(No action was taken.)

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

APPROVED:


Mayor of the City of Torrance

Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary

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