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Adjourned at 8:35 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, June 7, 1977, at 5:35 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Brown, Geissert, Rossberg, and Mayor Miller. Councilman Brewster arrived at 5:55 P.M.; Councilman Armstrong at 6:10 P.M., and Councilman Wilson at 6:25 P.M. Absent: None.

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

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mr. Lawrence Gittschier led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation was provided by Reverend Bob Conden, Walteria Assembly of God Church.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

None available.

6. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilwoman Geissert 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 Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Armstrong, Brewster and Wilson had not yet arrived at the meeting).

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Transportation Committee:

Will meet on June 8th at 4:30 P.M. re: Airport tiedown rates and access fees.

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PRESENTATION:

8. TILE PLAQUE to Mr. Charles R. Hosler - Torrance Senior Citizen of the Year.

Presentation was made by Mayor Miller with acknowledgment of Mr. Hosler's varied community contributions, and with specific note of his efforts in an income tax assistance program. There was grateful acceptance by Mr. Hosler.

TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:

9. RESOLUTION re: South Bay Corridor Study Phase III.

RESOLUTION NO. 77-101

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT BETWEEN SOUTH BAY CITIES (ENUMERATED IN SAID AGREEMENT), THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT OF PHASE III (IMPLEMENTATION) OF THE SOUTH BAY CORRIDOR STUDY

City Attorney Remelmeyer advised that, at the request of the State, some slight technical changes have been made in the resolution, and approval of the resolution should note same.

MOTION: Councilman Brown moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 77-101, with the above noted revisions. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Armstrong, Brewster and Wilson had not yet arrived at the meeting).

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to appropriate \$2,715 from the General Fund Unappropriated Reserve to cover our share of the subject Agreement. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Armstrong, Brewster and Wilson had not yet arrived at the meeting).

FISCAL MATTERS:

10. ASSESSMENT TO MEADOW PARK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT LOT OWNERS FOR MAINTENANCE OF PARKING SPACES.

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION/FINANCE

DIRECTOR: That Council approve the third year (FY 77-78) assessment of \$8,570 for maintenance of the parking district spaces in Meadow Park Redevelopment Project, and that the appropriate lot owners be billed.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the above stated recommendation. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Brown, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilmen Armstrong, Brewster, Wilson not yet at meeting).

11. ANIMAL CONTROL PROGRAM.RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE COMMITTEE:

That the following plan of action be adopted by the City Council and that Staff be directed to prepare the proper contract agreement and resolution documents. It is expected this plan will be integrated into the budgetary review process and Public Hearings scheduled.

PHASE I

1. Torrance should continue to contract (at least for the coming year) with the SPCA, rather than going independent or becoming a party in a joint powers agreement.
2. The present level of service (\$102,983 in FY 1977-78) should be supplemented by a contract for an additional truck and full time person (\$20,544), bringing our SPCA Contract for FY 1977-78 to \$123,527.
3. SPCA would be guaranteed that the City would purchase the truck at its depreciated value if the contract were not renewed over the next four years.
4. Since fees charged by the City for dog licenses are the lowest in the South Bay and Torrance ranks second in the lowest per capita service cost for animal control, the increase of fees for FY 1977-78 appears to be necessary as well as a reasonable undertaking.

A license schedule of \$5-\$10 (as opposed to the current \$3-\$6) and a fine schedule of \$15, should be adopted. This would generate a projected \$148,875 in revenues to the City.

5. CETA personnel might be used to supplement the SPCA services, perhaps by planning and conducting a Citywide license canvass.

If these action steps are adopted, the City would have a surplus of approximately \$25,000, which might be used for some further creative approach to animal control; such as an incentive program for spaying and neutering of animals or an increased service level by addition of personnel.

PHASE II

At the end of the contract year:

1. Analyze the success of the service level expansion proposed above and the reporting and accountability changes as agreed to by the Society and the City.
2. Prepare a formal evaluation of the 1977-78 Animal Control contract performance, including options considered in the Study.

Councilwoman Geissert, Finance Committee Chairman, reported on the Committee findings in this matter. Further clarification was provided by Supervising Environmental Quality Officer Glen Godfrey.

(Councilmen Armstrong and Brewster arrived at the meeting during the above discussion.)

Mr. Bob Fraser, president, Central Torrance Homeowners Association, reported on their concerns regarding the "utter lack of effective animal control", as outlined in their

June 7th communication, of official record. CHAT concerns were also reported by Mr. Fraser.

Representing the North Torrance Homeowners Association, Mr. Bill Largent reported on an unfortunate neighborhood experience involving dogs and the inability of the Humane Society to respond -- it was confirmed that the proposed additional truck and man was solely for use by Torrance residents.

Mrs. Barbara Ziegler, 1632 Fern Avenue, noted the like problems presented by cats and recommended that these animals bear part of the license fee. City Manager Ferraro pointed out past unsuccessful attempts in this regard.

MOTION: Councilman Brown moved for the approval of the Finance Committee report and that the plan be integrated into the budget considerations. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wilson had not yet arrived at the meeting).

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At this point in the meeting, City Manager Ferraro introduced newly appointed Civil Service Administrator, Bill Ghio, who was warmly welcomed to the City of Torrance.

A "thank you" for a fine job was conveyed to Laura Rosenberg by Mr. Ferraro for her valuable interim service as Personnel Consultant.

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MANPOWER MATTERS:

- 12. RESOLUTION re: On-The-Job Training.

RESOLUTION NO. 77-102

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 CONVERT-A-VAN, INC.; MOBAR, INC.; AND TORRANCE DATSUN CORPORATION

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 77-102. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Wilson had not yet arrived at the meeting).

PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:

- 13. CHANGE IN DAY AND LOCATION OF FINE ARTS COMMISSION MEETINGS.

REQUEST OF FINE ARTS COMMISSION:

That Council approve a change in the day and location of of the Fine Arts Commission meetings from the Civic Center

Library Meeting Room on the 4th Tuesday of each month to the Engineering Conference Room on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above stated request of the Fine Arts Commission. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster, Brown,  
Geissert, Rossberg; Mayor Miller.  
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.  
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Wilson (just arrived at the  
meeting).

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

14. APPEAL of TCEA re: MTST/SC Operator.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER:

That Council grant the appeal of the Torrance City Employees Association and deny the continued standing of Donna Babb in the new position of MTST/SC Operator and ask the Civil Service Commission to take appropriate action of filling the position pursuant to Civil Service Rules and Regulations by a qualifying examination.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That Donna Babb be granted continued Civil Service standing in the position of MTST/SC Operator, without examination.

Representing Torrance City Employees Association, Mrs. Kay Kling pointed out their objections of record -- the Civil Service Commission action in this matter is in violation of Rule VII Section 2 (a), Rule XXI Section 6 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations, and Section 14.17.2 of the Torrance Municipal Code. Mrs. Kling then reviewed the history of the MTST position from its inception; the objections of TCEA at that time; the problems presented; etc. It is the hope of TCEA that the Council will order that the examination be given and that the job be filled on the basis of merit, per Mrs. Kling.

Mr. Ben Kidner, president, Torrance Municipal Employees Association, stated his opinion that any job in excess of a 2½% salary increase creates a promotion, and a promotion should be accomplished by way of a competitive examination.

Staff presentations, and desired clarification, were provided by Personnel Consultant Rosenberg, Assistant to the City Manager Jackson, and City Attorney Remelmeyer.

Ms. Donna Babb spoke at this time, reviewed the MTST/SC operator history, and reaffirmed her position of record.

Mr. Alvin Smithart, 22621 Ocean Avenue, stated that if a person is established in a position, and has been doing a good job, there should be no hassle as to qualifications, etc.

Mrs. Carol Wright, Central Services Supervisor (immediate supervisor of Mrs. Babb), stated that some 2½ years ago Donna was the only one who was willing to accept the MTST/SC position; since that time she has done an excellent job, and it is now unfair to ask her to take an examination for a job that she has efficiently performed for the past 2½ years.

Council action is reflected below:

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved that an interdepartmental examination for MTST/SC Operator be given in order to comply with Civil Service rules. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brewster, Brown, Rossberg,  
Wilson; Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Geissert.

It was the comment of Councilman Armstrong that, in his opinion, the 2½ year factor is enough of a qualifying examination -- while he is a staunch friend of Civil Service, in this case, what is fair is fair. Councilwoman Geissert indicated concurrence with this reasoning -- further, the individual was trained specifically for this task, has been performing same for a long period of time, and has no objection to a qualifying examination.

Councilman Brown noted the need for definitive guidelines in matters of this nature -- the extended time factor was noted by Councilman Brewster; there should be much more expediency in such situations.

It was the direction of the Council that Staff, in cooperation with employee groups, work out definitions pertaining to promotions, reclassifications, etc. to the end that there would be findings of fact that the Civil Service Commission would have to go through before an incumbent could be certified as having standing in a class.

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

See Page 14.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:16. ORDINANCE NO. 2748.ORDINANCE NO. 2748

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 97.9.10 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE WHICH REGULATES THE REQUIREMENTS FOR EXISTING FENCES ON OIL WELL SITES, AND ADDING TO SAID CODE SECTION 97.9.36 ESTABLISHING FENCE TEST REQUIREMENTS

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2748 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

17. ORDINANCE NO. 2749.ORDINANCE NO. 2749

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING ARTICLE 10 TO CHAPTER 5 OF DIVISION 4 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO DUST AND MUD GENERATED BY UNIMPROVED LOTS AND REPEALING EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 2557 RELATING TO THE SAME MATTER

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2749 at its second and final reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Armstrong, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

18. ORDINANCE NO. 2750.ORDINANCE NO. 2750

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 13.14.2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF THE MEMBERS OF THE OIL BOARD

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2750 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:19. ORDINANCE re: ZC 76-10, Robert Halbert and Horace Allen.ORDINANCE NO. 2752

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 AT  
THE SOUTHEAST AND SOUTHWEST CORNERS OF DEL  
AMO BOULEVARD AND EARL STREET AND DESCRIBED  
IN ZONE CHANGE 76-10  
(Robert Halbert and Horace Allen)

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2752 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong.

Mrs. Inez Van Lingen, 20221 Earl Street, received desired clarification in this matter.

The above motion carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

20. ORDINANCE re: ZC 76-16, Ralph J. Arceri.

ORDINANCE NO. 2753

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 AT  
THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF 239TH STREET AND  
ARLINGTON AVENUE AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE  
CHANGE 76-16  
(Ralph J. Arceri)

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2753 at its first reading. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Brown, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

21. ORDINANCE re: ZC 76-17, Vernon and Catherine Seuffert.

ORDINANCE NO. 2754

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 AT  
THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF 239TH STREET AND  
ARLINGTON AVENUE AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE  
CHANGE 76-17  
(Vernon and Catherine Seuffert)

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2754 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

22. ORDINANCE re: ZC 77-2, David A. Sheppard.

ORDINANCE NO. 2755

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 SOUTH SIDE OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD APPROXIMATELY 250 FEET EAST OF ANZA AVENUE AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 77-2

(David A. Sheppard)

Councilman Brown moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2755 at its first reading; his motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

23. ORDINANCE re: ZC 77-3, Torrance Planning Commission.

ORDINANCE NO. 2756

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 ARLINGTON AVENUE FROM APPROXIMATELY 80 FEET NORTH OF THE CENTERLINE OF 238TH STREET SOUTHERLY TO THE LOMITA CITY BOUNDARY AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE

77-3

(Torrance Planning Commission)

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2756 at its first reading. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Brown, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

HEARINGS - PLANNING:

24. ZC 77-5 (EA 77-25), JAY KNOTT: Request for approval of a Change of Zone from P-1 to R-1 on property located at 2657 Dalemead 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 was the time and place for the subject public hearing, and inquired if anyone wished to be heard. There was no response.

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

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission for approval of ZC 77-5. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brewster, Brown,  
 Geissert, Rossberg, Wilson.  
 NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.  
 ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mayor Miller (owns property within  
 350 ft. of subject property).

HEARINGS - OTHER THAN PLANNING:

25. PUBLIC HEARING - Proposed Vacation of portions of Bluff Street and Newton Street (formerly California Avenue) southwesterly of Neece Street.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

- 1. That following the public hearing the City Council find from all the evidence submitted, that any street or part thereof, described in the Resolution of Intention, is unnecessary for present or prospective public street purposes.
- \*\* 2. That the City Council approve and adopt the subject resolution ordering the vacation of a portion of Bluff Street and Newton Street.
- \*\* (Resolution held for two weeks - See Page 11.)

Mayor Miller announced that this was the time and place for the hearing on Resolution of Intention No. 77-93 ordering the vacation of Portions of Bluff Street and Newton Street (formerly California Avenue) southwesterly of Neece Avenue.

At the request of the Mayor, City Clerk Coil presented the Affidavit of Publishing and Posting. Councilman Armstrong moved that they be received and filed; his motion, 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 Armstrong moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

City Engineer Weaver delineated, as a matter of official record, the following facts in support of the findings in this matter:

- 1. That a majority of the residents in the neighborhood expressed a desire for the street to be constructed as a cul-de-sac. (Hearings have been held and interested parties have expressed their desire that Bluff Street not be a through street.)
- 2. That Bluff Street is a local street in nature and use. (All homes on that street are residential, per District Map.)
- 3. That all lots having access to Bluff Street and Newton Street will continue to have access after the subject vacation. (Confirmed by Vacation Map).
- 4. That the inclusion of a 25 ft. alley at the easterly terminus of the cul-de-sac will provide for emergency vehicle and pedestrian access. (Approved plan does have this provision.)

5. That the southerly line of Newton Street has been established by previous dedications for street purposes. (This is a fact -- map confirms vacation has been consistent with this finding.)

6. That a portion of the easement for street purposes in Bluff Street and Newton Street (formerly California Avenue) southwesterly of Neece Street in the City of Torrance named in said Resolution of Intention and hereinbefore more particularly described is unnecessary for present and prospective public street purposes and is not useful as a bicycle path or route. (The Master Plan supports this; this was also discussed when the EIR was presented, and it was agreed that there is sufficient right-of-way still remaining and that the vacation would, in fact, accomplish the approve plan -- therefore, the vacated portions are not necessary.)

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved that the City Council find, from the above stated evidence, that any street or part thereof, described in the Resolution of Intention, is unnecessary for present or prospective public street purposes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

\*\* Next reported by City Engineer Weaver was the request of Southern California Edison Company and General Telephone Company that certain reservations be made in the enabling resolution to accommodate their facilities. Accordingly, it was the request of Mr. Weaver that adoption of the subject resolution be held for two weeks in order to permit necessary Staff investigation. There were no objections to this request.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to hold this item to the Council meeting of June 21st, a 5:30 P.M. meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ROUTINE MATTERS:

26. AWARD OF CONTRACT for Portable Noise Monitor (Bid B77-25).

RECOMMENDATION OF BUILDING AND SAFETY DEPARTMENT/  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION: That the contract for portable noise monitor be awarded to Bolt, Beranek and Newman, Inc.; that a Purchase Order be issued to the successful bidder for a sum not to exceed \$6,995; and that all other bids be rejected.

27. ACCEPTANCE OF BID FOR 26 MOTORIZED AND SYNCHRONIZED INDEXED MICROFILM READERS FOR LIBRARY CATALOG.

RECOMMENDATION OF LIBRARY DEPARTMENT:  
That the order for the microfilm readers be awarded to Auto Graphics, Inc. for \$23,784 and that all other bids be rejected.

28. INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT THE INTERSECTION OF CRENSHAW BOULEVARD AND CREST ROAD (B77-28)

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION:

Based on the bids received, the Department of Transportation recommends that the contract for this project be awarded to Phoenix Electrical Service Company, Inc. for \$12,935.00 and that all other bids be rejected.

29. MODIFICATION OF EXISTING TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT THE INTERSECTION OF CARSON STREET AND MADRONA AVENUE.

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION:

Based on the bids received, the Department of Transportation recommends that the contract for this project be awarded to Phoenix Electrical Service Company, Inc. for \$31,950.00 and that all other bids be rejected.

30. RELEASE OF SUBDIVISION BONDS - Tract No. 27763.  
REDUCTION OF SUBDIVISION BONDS - Tract No. 32549.  
SUBDIVIDER: Don Wilson Builders.

BOND TO BE RELEASED - Tract 27763.

<u>Bond Type</u>	<u>Bond No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Underground Utilities	607189	\$8,000

BONDS TO BE REDUCED - Tract 32549.

<u>Bond Type</u>	<u>Bond No.</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reduced to</u>
Performance	70845	\$289,000	\$60,000
Payment	70845	144,500	30,000
Inspection	70846	7.780	2,500

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That the bond for Tract No. 27763 be released and that bonds for Tract No. 32549 be reduced to the above shown figures.

31. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Annual Contract for Chlorine (Liquid and Gas) - (Ref. Bid B77-29) - Expenditure: \$12,071.53

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/BUYER:

That Council accept the bid submitted by Jones Chemical Company and approve of an award of an annual contract to them for required chlorine in the total amount of \$12,071.53 including sales tax.

32. STORM DRAIN IN CYPRESS STREET AND EASEMENT BETWEEN 237TH STREET AND 239TH STREET (B77-5).

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That the work be accepted and final payment be made to the contractor.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items #26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and #32. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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The hour being 7:50 P.M., the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency, returning to its agenda at 7:51 P.M.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

33. City Manager Ferraro reported on notification efforts re: Budget Workshop Sessions.
34. Councilman Armstrong reviewed the timetable for the Airport Master Plan hearing. Following discussion, it was agreed that the hearing should be scheduled at an early date -- Director of Transportation Horkay will follow through in this matter.
35. Councilman Armstrong requested Staff investigation regarding the abandoned Goodhew Ambulance quarters.
36. Legislative Liaison Committee review of HR 77 was requested by Councilman Brewster. The status of SB 164 was provided by City Manager Ferraro, at Mr. Brewster's question.
37. Staff investigation regarding the merits of the CPR technique for emergency lifesaving was requested by Councilman Brewster -- hopefully, classes could be made available to the community.
38. Mayor Miller requested that Staff check out the value of Torrance Memorial Hospital becoming a County certified base station for paramedics.
39. Councilman Brown suggested broadening the scope of the ministers who conduct the invocation at Council meetings -- City Manager Ferraro will follow through in this regard.
40. Councilman Brown requested Staff review of State legislation on age of persons eligible to buy fireworks, and the possible impact on forthcoming 4th of July sales. Councilwoman Geissert reported her knowledge in this matter.
41. Councilman Wilson announced the June 22nd meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on Downtown Torrance -- Dr. Wilson also expressed appreciation for the fine newspaper articles in the Times and the Daily Breeze on this subject.
- Also announced by Councilman Wilson was the June 23rd meeting of the Ad Hoc Oil Committee re: West High parking lot.
42. Appropriate recognition for the North Torrance Lions Club, winner of the Governor's Trophy as "the most outstanding club in the District", was requested by Councilman Wilson.

43. Councilman Wilson appealed CUP 77-37, Samoan United Methodist Church child care center.

44. Mr. Alvin Smithart referred to Item #25 (Bluff Street Vacation) and protested the two-week delay on this item in view of pending development proposed by him in this area. City Engineer Weaver will meet with Mr. Smithart and clarify procedures for him to follow.

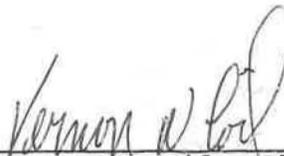
PERSONNEL MATTERS:

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

The Council recessed for the purpose of an Executive Session, the hour being 8:25 P.M.

The Council returned at 8:35 P.M. -- no action was taken. Councilman Wilson MOVED to adjourn to Thursday, June 9, 1977, at 4:30 P.M. for the first Budget Workshop Session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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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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City Council  
June 7, 1977