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Adjourned at 12:15 A.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, August 2, 1977, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Armstrong, Brown, Geissert, Rossberg, Wilson and Mayor Miller. Councilman Brewster arrived at 6:45 P.M. Absent: None.

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

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Sr. Associate Transportation Engineer Collins led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Dennis Bentley, Church of the Nazarene, provided the invocation for the meeting.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Armstrong moved to approve the minutes of June 29, 1977, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

6. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Brown 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 (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

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7. COUNCIL COMMITTEES:AD HOC COMMITTEE RE: DOWNTOWN TORRANCE.

It was the request of Councilman Wilson that Staff arrange a meeting with the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce Committee on Downtown Torrance Redevelopment.

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The request of Mr. James R. Matheson to videotape this Council meeting was noted by Mayor Miller -- the Mayor indicated that he had no objections to the request; however, anyone who did want to be taped had the right to request such exclusion.

City Manager Ferraro requested a signed statement from Mr. Matheson affirming that: a copy, at Mr. Matheson's expense, of the complete videotape, including sound, will be provided the City; there will be no videotaping of any person who objects thereto; and that Mr. Matheson will not intentionally disrupt the meeting -- should such disruption occur, the filming will cease. Further, it is to be agreed by Mr. Matheson that such videotape is for his own personal use, and will not be sold, licensed, given, or sold to any other person for any commercial purpose or any purpose except as a record of said meeting; said tape not to be edited in any way.

Mr. Matheson declined to sign the statement, and the videotaping of the meeting did not occur.

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BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:8. WAIVER OF TEMPORARY SIGN REQUIREMENTS - Greek Festival Committee.RECOMMENDATION OF BUILDING AND SAFETY DEPARTMENT:

DENIAL of waiving the LIABILITY INSURANCE, but recommends APPROVAL of the \$500 bond waiver request.

A representative of the Greek Festival Committee was present to request withdrawal of waiving the liability insurance requirement in that the advertising company will provide adequate insurance. Waiver of the bond, however, was requested.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to approve the \$500 bond waiver request. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

FISCAL MATTERS:

- 9. RESOLUTION re: Distribution of Safer Off-System Roads Funds.

RESOLUTION NO. 77-147

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES' FORMULA FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FEDERAL FUNDS UNDER THE SAFER OFF-SYSTEM ROADS (SOS) PROGRAM

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 77-147. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:

- 10. RECREATION REPORTER - Change in manner of distribution and mail-in registration format.
- 11. AWARD OF CONTRACT - "Recreation Reporter" (Ref. Bid B77-43) - Annual Expenditure: \$24,404.00

Items #10 and #11 were held for the arrival of Councilman Brewster, per his request. See Pages 13, 14.

APPEALS - PLANNING:

- 12. APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION DENIAL of a request to maintain one Nubian goat on property located at 201 Via la Soledad in the R-1 zone, William A. Goodman.

Mr. William Goodman was present to reaffirm his written desire for Council approval of his maintaining a Nubian goat at his residence, and to relate the beneficial aspects of the animal. Mr. Goodman also protested the manner in which his application has been handled by City Staff.

It was pointed out by Deputy City Attorney Freeman that this particular case involving Mr. Goodman and his goat is scheduled for trial on August 4th in South Bay Municipal Court for a violation of Section 608 of the County Public Health Code.

Council discussion ensued. It was the opinion of Councilman Wilson that there has been compliance with the County Public Health Code in that there is one point on the property which is 34½ ft. from any structure. Further, per Dr. Wilson, with current concerns regarding nutrition, growing your own vegetables, etc., it should be noted that this is a prize 4-H animal which provides nutritious milk.

It was the comment of Councilman Armstrong that "this is not the place for the maintenance of a farm-type animal," and thereupon MOVED TO DENY THE APPEAL. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown.

Further comments from the audience were invited by Mayor Miller, prior to roll call vote on the motion.

Representing the Riviera Homeowners Association, Mr. John van Oppen, 440 Via el Chico, very strongly urged that the City Council deny the request to keep a farm animal in an R-1 zone -- removal of the "eyesore" structure was also requested.

Mr. Carl Van Meter, 202 Via Mesa Grande, noted their letter, of record, which outlines their objections.

Roll call vote on Councilman Armstrong's motion for denial of the appeal was as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Armstrong, Brown, Geissert,  
Rossberg; Mayor Miller.  
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Wilson (reasons previously stated).  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brewster (had not yet arrived  
at the meeting).

Staff investigation of Mr. Goodman's complaints and understanding that there has been approval of other exotic animals in the City was requested by Mayor Miller, with the direction to Mr. Goodman that same be put in writing.

HEARINGS - OTHER THAN PLANNING:

13. 1976 AND SPRING 1977 WEED ABATEMENT PROGRAM.

Mayor Miller announced that this was the time and place for the hearing on confirmation of the 1976 and Spring 1977 Weed Abatement Program, showing the costs to be assessed to the property owners listed thereon.

At the request of the Mayor, City Clerk Coil presented an Affidavit of Posting. Councilman Armstrong MOVED that the Affidavit of Posting be received and filed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

Mayor Miller then inquired if anyone wished to be heard; there was no response. Councilman Wilson moved that the hearing be closed, and his motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert. Roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to approve the report of the City Manager as submitted. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 77-148

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
 CITY OF TORRANCE CONFIRMING THE WRITTEN  
 REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER SHOWING THE  
 COST OF WEED ABATEMENT FOR 1976 AND SPRING  
 1977  
 (Weed Abatement Assessment Roll,  
 1977-78)

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 77-148. His motion, seconded by Councilman Brown, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

14. PUBLIC HEARING RE: STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT  
 NO. 17.

Mayor Miller announced that the hour of 6:00 P.M. having arrived, this was the time and place fixed by Resolution No. 77-133 when and where any and all persons having any protest or objection to said proposed work, or to the extent of said assessment district, may appear before the City Council of said City of Torrance and show cause why said proposed work should not be carried out in accordance with said resolution.

City Clerk Coil presented an Affidavit of publication of resolution of intention, and an Affidavit of posting of "Notice of Improvement" -- these Affidavits were ordered received and filed.

Director of Transportation Horkay was duly sworn in by City Clerk Coil and gave testimony concerning the nature of the work and the extent of the assessment district.

Written protests, of record, from Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burger, Jr.; Ms. Naomi A. May; and Mr. Martin Michael, were read in full by City Clerk Coil. Mayor Miller then inquired if any person who had filed a written protest, or his representative, desired to be heard in support of such protest; there was no response.

Oral protests were invited by Mayor Miller:

Mr. Preston Howard, 3110 Merrill Drive, reviewed the contents of the assessment notice, and noted the absence of information relative to the projected costs of the assessment. Desired clarification was provided by Mr. Horkay and Assessment Engineer Patrick Rossetti.

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 (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 77-149

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING THE REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION; CONFIRMING THE PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, ESTIMATE, DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT CONTAINED IN SAID REPORT; OVERRULING PROTESTS AND OBJECTIONS IN THE PROCEEDINGS UNDER RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO. 77-133; ORDERING THE WORK AND LEVYING THE ASSESSMENT FOR SERVICE NECESSARY TO INSTALL, MAINTAIN AND ILLUMINATE BY ELECTRIC ENERGY THE STREET LIGHTS AS SHOWN ON SAID DIAGRAM FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY (20) YEARS, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 1977, AND ENDING OCTOBER 31, 1997; ORDERING THE CITY CLERK OF SAID CITY TO TRANSMIT DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT TO THE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR; AND EMPOWERING TAX COLLECTOR TO MAKE COLLECTIONS (Torrance Citywide Street Lighting District No. 17)

Councilman Armstrong moved to waive further reading of Resolution No. 77-149. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 77-149. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

RESOLUTION NO. 77-150

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, DETERMINING THAT THERE IS ONLY ONE CONTRACTOR PRACTICALLY CAPABLE OF SERVING THE STREET LIGHTING SYSTEM WITHIN TORRANCE STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 17 IN ACCORDANCE WITH DIAGRAM AND PLAN NO. L-17-77 AND ORDERING THE IMPROVEMENT TO BE CARRIED OUT BY SUCH CONTRACTOR

Councilman Armstrong moved to waive further reading on Resolution No. 77-150. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 77-150. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Brewster had not yet arrived at the meeting).

15. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING - TORRANCE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT  
1977 MASTER PLAN DRAFT.

Mayor Miller announced that this was the time and place for the continued hearing on the Airport Master Plan, and also reviewed what had transpired to date and procedures to be followed in the hearings on this matter.

(Councilman Brewster arrived at this time, the hour being 6:45 P.M.)

First considered was the OPERATIONAL ELEMENT, with Staff presentation by C.E. Assistant Grosse. Council discussion followed, it being the consensus that the Helistop aspect of this Element be considered separately at a later date.

Comments from the audience were invited by Mayor Miller.

Mrs. Alice Maguire, Riviera Homeowners Association:

In concurrence with Operational Element projects with one exception: the construction of a transient helistop north of the Control Tower; this proposed helistop is not discussed in 1973 DMJM Draft Master Plan nor is it covered in the EIR. Further, in view of the adopted 90 SNEL, it is requested that all helicopters, with the exception of emergency vehicles, be banned from the Torrance Airport.

Ms. Evelyn Eggleston, Torrance Pilots Association: It should be made sure that the helistop area is kept clear and set apart from fixed wing aircraft even in the transient parking area; there should be consideration of alternate places for a helistop (suggested areas: just east of Collins/Dietrich, or just north of what is presently an open field). Also, it might be well to use the warm-up areas for the south runway as a potential helistop.

Mr. Bernie Hollander, New Horizons: Helistop considerations should be delayed until the environmental process has been accomplished. Reviewed were the hazardous aspects of helicopter activities -- since 50% of the helicopter traffic is emergency in nature, subject to fine control by the various agencies, helicopter traffic at the Airport should be restricted to those services immediately.

Mr. Chuck Belba, City of Lomita: This City is unalterably opposed to any type of development which would lend itself to more traffic and increased noise to the existing noise problem.

Mr. Leland Dolley, City Attorney, City of Lomita: A transient helistop was not considered in the EIR, to his knowledge, and this should be done before going forward. It was further suggested that there be a ban on helicopters by type.

Mr. Jim Frasso, Southwood Riviera Homeowners Association: Goals re: the operational level should be set so that decisions can be made by the Department of Transportation.

Mrs. Yvonne Tresselt, Southwood Homeowners Association:  
Expressed approval of the emergency helistop and firm disapproval of any other sort of heliport. Speaking as a private citizen, Ms. Tresselt recommended guidelines of "control and communication".

Mr. Joe Arciuch, 23521 Kathryn Avenue: One of the Operational Elements could be "close the Airport" and should perhaps be explored. Mr. Bernie Hollander also spoke at this time with the question "what about a quit claim deed from the Federal Government". Clarification was provided by Mr. Gerald Dallas, chief of the Airport District Office regarding the reversion of airport property to the government.

Mr. Virgil Morton, 209 Paseo de Granada: A pilot who wonders why anyone who want to get rid of the Airport.

Mr. John Kirk, 4078 Russo Lane, Rancho Palos Verdes: Commended the Staff presentations in this matter. Answers to the Airport problems are in discussions between interested parties, not in ordinances. Mr. Kirk is interested in seeing the emergency helicopter pad being developed -- catch phrases such as "touch-and-go landings" and "helicopter" should be forgotten; Council consideration should be directed to noise levels and safety.

Mr. Marion Mason, 5 Bridle Lane, Rancho Palos Verdes:  
(Prepared statement of record) Attempting to control the noise level through controlling operations at Torrance Airport is wrong - technically, morally, and legally, per Mr. Mason.

There were no other speakers, and Council action is reflected below:

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with Staff recommendations re: the Operational Element, with the exception of that which pertains to helistops -- the matter of helistops to be returned to Staff for study and recommendation --further, that there be a general statement of Operational Goals at a compatible level. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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Considered by the Council at this time:

AERONAUTICAL LAND USE ELEMENT.

Staff presentation was provided by C.E. Assistant Grosse; comments from the audience followed this presentation.

Mr. John LaResche, Torrance Heights Civic Association:  
(Statement of record) The recommendations of the Association regarding this Element were related by Mr. LaResche.

Mr. Roy Young, architect; Distributed pictures of proposed building which, in his opinion, would be very appropriate for the Airport General Aviation Center.

Mrs. Betty Sanders, Torrance Pilots Association: (Prepared statement of record).

Mrs. Polly Watts, Torrance League of Women Voters:  
The League supports upgrading of aircraft-related facilities; however, there should be strong noise control clauses in every lease on the Airport. They take issue with the concept of City-owned hangars; there are concerns as well regarding the General Aviation Center as proposed -- the facility should be adequate but utilitarian. Further, the Airport Manager's Office should have direct visual access to the runway in the interest of noise control at the Airport.

Mr. Chuck Belba, City of Lomita: It is their request that there be control on the growth and a reduction in noise at the Airport.

Mrs. Alice Maguire, Riviera Homeowners Association:  
Requested clarification regarding the status of the noise event level adopted at the last meeting. Response was forthcoming from Building and Safety Director McKinnon: it was indicated by the Council that 90 would be consideration, but there was to be further input from Staff; no level was established.

It was the added comment of Mrs. Maguire that they do not want any increase in the number of tie-downs and T-hangars; an exchange of tie-downs to T-hangars would be welcome. Further, the change from training operations to executive craft should be accomplished without overloading the Airport with both operations.

Mr. Bill Moss, 157 Via Monte d'Oro: Hopefully, it is not intended to eliminate training flights, in view of the contribution they make for pilot efficiency -- further, corporate aircraft would represent more weight and noise than training craft. There should be an in-depth study of such concept.

Mr. Joe Arciuch, 23521 Kathryn Avenue: A study should be made to determine gains and losses, with consideration of possible trade-offs. The wisdom of a cocktail lounge at the Center was questioned by Mr. Arciuch, as well as the source of the funds for what has been proposed.

Mr. Marion Mason, Torrance Pilots Association: To turn the Airport into an executive airport might be a good example of a misdirected attempt to control noise through controlling operations -- appropriate methods for noise control were noted.

Mr. Dick Kirkrupp, representing Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce: Reviewed the value of the Master Plan and how it will serve the community.

Mr. John Hoy, 1541 Steinhart Avenue, Redondo Beach: Rents airplanes to one of the Airport's fbo's, as well as using an airplane for salesman activities -- indicated approval of expanded facilities at the Airport.

Ms. Yvonne Tresselt: Described the extreme irritation of airplane noise.

Mr. John Kirk: Described executive-type aircraft, which does not mean large transport-type aircraft; also indicated opposition to City-built T-hangars. Further, Mr. Kirk stated his preference for a fixed base operation right at the point in the lower left hand corner of the site now shown as a commercial off-site operation -- this, in his opinion, should be Airport property.

Ms. Evelyn Eggleston, Torrance Pilots Association: The Torrance Airport serves an airport-oriented community of 430,000 people, and is one of the few airports with more than one runway -- this should be considered in discussions re: "compatible operations".

Mr. Michael Moody, Rolling Hills: Two Council considerations are citizen approval of the operation of the Airport and the fiscal aspect of the Airport -- additional, improved tiedown and hangar facilities represent a strong asset for the City of Torrance.

Mr. Bernie Hollander, speaking for himself: Executive aircraft can be very large and very plush. Further, indicated concurrence with the Staff recommendation that T-hangars be under the control of the City rather than private enterprise.

Mr. Ed Greene, Madrona Homeowners Association: (Prepared statement of record).

There were no other speakers. Council discussion ensued. Of specific concern: tie-downs and T-hangars, it being agreed that any expansion in this regard should be held in abeyance until the matter of noise is resolved; the importance of limiting based aircraft at the present approximately 823 figure; the need for caution in the labeling of "executive aircraft", "training aircraft", etc.; the varied financial aspects; the pros and cons of airport restaurants; etc.

Formal action taken by the Council is reflected below:

MOTION: Mayor Miller moved that the Aeronautical Land Use Element be adopted, with the exception of that portion pertaining to tie-downs and T-hangars, these items to be referred back to Staff for further input, with no total increase in same for the time being. Further, that the issue of financing the T-hangars be held in abeyance. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to continue the hearing on the Airport Master Plan to the Council meeting of August 9, 1977, a 7:00 P.M. meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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The hour being 9:35 P.M., the Council recessed for the purpose of an Executive Session. The Council returned at 10:05 P.M., and resumed its regular agenda order.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

16. RESOLUTION granting PP 77-6, Gene and Dorothy Duley.

RESOLUTION NO. 77-151

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING A PRECISE PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITION TO AN EXISTING SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 945 CALLE MIRAMAR  
(PP 77-6, Gene and Dorothy Duley)

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 77-151. His motion, seconded by Councilman Brown, carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

MANPOWER MATTERS:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 77-152

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 CAL STEREO, INC.; LARRY REED, INC.; AND TOOKER MANUFACTURING COMPANY

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 77-152. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

18. WITHDRAWN.

ROUTINE MATTERS:

19. RELEASE OF SUBDIVISION BONDS - Tract No. 31334  
Subdivider: Sunnyglen Corporation  
Bonding Co.: American Motorists Insurance Company

| <u>TYPE BOND</u> | <u>BOND NO.</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Performance      | 6SM 166 847     | \$206,300     |
| Payment          | 6SM 166 847     | 103,150       |
| Inspection       | 6SM 166 848     | 6,200         |

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:  
That subject bonds be released.

20. ACCEPTANCE OF WORK PERFORMED - Installation of Traffic Signals at Crenshaw Boulevard and 237th Street.

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION:

- 1. That the work be accepted as performed by Trend Equipment under City Contract No. B 76-45 and that final payment be made to the contractor.
- 2. That the City Treasurer be authorized to collect or refund any of the \$40,000 from Don Wilson Builders which is being held in trust when all other charges for contract administration and inspection are determined under Job No. 76163.

21. AWARD OF ANNUAL CONTRACTS for gasoline, diesel fuel, various lubricating oils, propane and solvents.  
(Ref. Bid #B77-33) Annual Expenditure: \$328,481.10

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That Council approve the awarding of the following contracts for required petroleum products:

A. GASOLINE:

Recommend Council accept the "letter offer" from Shell Oil Company to continue to furnish premium, regular, and no-lead gasoline in accordance with the Federal Mandatory Allocation Program in the total amount of \$171,385.00.

In addition, it is requested that Council approve of Shell's assignment of smaller tank wagon deliveries of gasoline to M.O. Dion & Sons in accordance with Shell's pricing schedule for required smaller deliveries to City satellite fuel tanks in the total amount of \$8,560.00.

B. DIESEL FUEL: (#1 and #2 DIESEL)

It is recommended that Council approve of the awarding of a contract for required #1 and #2 diesel to the low bidder for both truck and trailer deliveries and tank wagon deliveries in the total amount of \$106,007.50.

C. SOLVENTS: (KEROSENE + STODDARD SOLVENT)

It is recommended that Council approve of the award of an annual contract for both solvents to the low bidder, M.O. Dion & Sons, in the total amount of \$987.60.

D. LUBRICATING OILS:

It is recommended that Council approve of the awarding of a contract for various lubricating oils as specified herein to the low bidder, Texaco, Inc., in the total amount of \$13,270.40.

E. PROPANE:

It is recommended that Council approve of the award of a contract for propane to the low bidder, California Liquid Gas Corporation, in the total amount of \$18,410.00.

22. FINAL TRACT 32886.

Subdivider: Cap Brothers Construction, Inc.  
 Engineer: Lanco Engineering  
 Location: South side of Del Amo Boulevard between  
 Western and Van Ness  
 No. of Lots: 15

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/PLANNING DIRECTOR:

That Final Tract No. 32886 be approved.

23. AWARD OF ANNUAL CONTRACT - Re: Ready-Mixed Concrete  
 Ref. Bic #B77-44 Expenditure: \$36,029.40.RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/BUYER:

That Council accept the low bid submitted by Greene's Ready-Mixed Company and approve of the awarding of an annual contract to them, in the total amount of \$36,029.40 for a twelve month period.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items #19, 20, 21, 22, and #23. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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

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The Council now returned to:

PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:10. RECREATION REPORTER - Change in manner of distribution and mail-in registration format.RECOMMENDATION OF PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR:

That City Council authorize the internal program budget change and approve the mail-in registration format for the fiscal year 1977-78.

Councilman Brewster stated that he is philosophically opposed to what is proposed -- reviewed were mailing costs and methods of distribution; the status of present Recreation Department programs; etc. Desired clarification was provided by Park and Recreation Director Milkovich. Of concern to Councilman Brewster was the aspect of the City forcing its publication onto every household in the City, whether or not desired, and the use of tax money to accomplish this. A \$1.00 per year subscription fee for interested parties would be a better arrangement, per Mr. Brewster.

The positive impact of this publication on a Citywide basis was noted by Councilwoman Geissert -- the importance of implementing

the mail-in registration procedure was pointed out by Councilman Brown. Also reviewed were budgetary considerations. Councilman Rossberg deemed a 52,000 direct mailing four times per year excessive and expensive; a subscription basis would be more sensible, in his opinion.

The tremendous public relations contribution of the Recreation Reporter in Torrance residences was lauded by Mayor Miller -- were this instrument destroyed, a valuable relationship between City officials and the general public likewise would be destroyed.

MOTION: Councilman Brown moved to concur with the recommendation of the Park and Recreation Director. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

- 11. AWARD OF CONTRACT for "Recreation Reporter".  
Ref. Bic B77-43 - Annual Expenditure: \$24,404.00

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/BUYER:  
That Council award a contract for the 1977-78 "Recreation Reporter" to John M. McCoy Printers, Inc. (the low bidder) in the amount of \$24,404.00, including taxes. It should be noted that John M. McCoy Printers, Inc. satisfactorily printed the 1976-77 "Recreation Reporter".

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above stated recommendation. His motion, seconded by Councilman Brown, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

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The hour being 10:25 P.M., the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency, returning to its agenda at 10:28 P.M.

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ADDENDUM ITEM:

- 25. RESOLUTION re: Liquified Natural Gas Terminals.

See Page 15.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

- 26. Appropriate recognition for Todd Subdona, a member of the United States Junior National Soccer Team, was requested by Councilman Armstrong.

27. Councilman Armstrong commended Legislative Advocate Rupert's fine presentation before the Assembly Subcommittee on Community Development re: Preprint AB3 -- this was concurred in by Councilman Rossberg.

28. Councilman Brewster noted the draft report re: Energy Conservation prepared by the Building and Safety Director, and was advised that a formal Council presentation will be made on this matter in the near future.

29. Councilman Brown noted recent letter from Riviera Homeowners Association re: NAVAIDS, and requested Staff investigation prior to completion of Master Plan hearings.

Further Staff clarification re: FAA navigation aids requirements (per page 74 of the EIR) was requested by Councilwoman Geissert.

30. Councilman Rossberg commended Legislative Advocate Rupert for his informative presentation re: "Money Management" at a recent meeting of the South Bay Cities Association.

31. It was the request of Councilman Rossberg that the City direct a letter to the L.A. County Board of Supervisors urging that they reconsider and join Phase III of the South Bay Corridor Study. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

ADDENDUM ITEM #25.

A lengthy report re: S.B. 1081 (Alquist) - Liquefied Natural Gas Terminals - was provided by Councilman Wilson and Mr. George Whittlesey, president, Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce. Reviewed were the natural gas needs, appropriate siting of terminals, economic impacts, safety factors, time elements, etc. Council discussion ensued, with some concern expressed regarding the need for further review of the legislation. Action taken is reflected below:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 77-153

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE IN SUPPORT OF S.B. 1081 (ALQUIST) RELATING TO LIQUIFIED NATURAL GAS TERMINALS

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 77-153. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg.

Following discussion, Councilman Wilson AMENDED THE ABOVE MOTION to add Item #3 -- That the City Council is opposed to the Goggin Bill.

A SUBSTITUTE MOTION was offered by Councilman Brown: That the Council oppose the Goggin Bill, and that a copy of the Alquist Bill be brought back to the Council next week.

The SUBSTITUTE MOTION was subsequently restated by Councilman Brown, following discussion, in two parts: That the Council oppose the Goggin Bill. The substitute motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

A second SUBSTITUTE MOTION by Councilman Brown: That a copy of the Alquist Bill be brought back to the Council next week, was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, but failed to carry, with roll call vote as follows:

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

Roll call vote on the original motion for the adoption of Resolution No. 77-153, as amended, was unanimously favorable.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Cont.):

32. Mr. James R. Matheson, 25908 Matfield Drive, reviewed the earlier hearing this date on the Airport Master Plan, and questioned: How can a commercial, non-airport related lease be made of Airport property without breach of covenants as contemplated in the Master Plan? Clarification was provided by Assistant City Manager Scharfman.

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33. Mr. Joe Arciuch, 23521 Kathryn Avenue, requested Homeowner Association representation on the Ad Hoc Noise Committee. City Manager Ferraro advised that he would follow through in this regard, per the indication of such intent from the Council.

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The Council now returned to:

ITEM #24 - EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Council recessed for an Executive Session at 11:15 P.M., returned at 12:10 A.M., and took the following action:

ORDINANCE NO. 2774

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING PART XI OF CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR THE CITY MANAGER, CITY TREASURER, AND EXECUTIVE EMPLOYEES, AND ADDING A NEW PART XI DEALING WITH THE SAME SUBJECT

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2774 at its first reading, with the incorporation of Section 17.113.1, as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

RESOLUTION NO. 77-154

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 Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 77-154. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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It was reaffirmed by the Council that the Deputy City Attorney had authority to file Notice of Intent to Appeal re: sludge suit, and authority to proceed with settlement in court re: La Palama Kennels.

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The meeting was regularly adjourned at 12:15 A.M.

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

APPROVED:

  
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Mayor of the City of Torrance

Ava Cripe  
Minute Secretary

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