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Adjourned at 10:25 P.M.

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCILOPENING CEREMONIES:1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 3, 1978, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Armstrong, Brewster, Brown, 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:

Water System Manager Borgwat led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation was provided by Reverend Bellamy, South Bay Church of God.

STANDARD MOTIONS:5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Armstrong moved to approve the minutes of November 15, 1977 and November 22, 1977, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert abstained from voting on the November 22nd minutes in that she was not present at that meeting).

6. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Wilson moved that after the City Clerk has given a number and read title to any resolution or ordinance on tonight's agenda, the further reading thereof be waived, reserving and guaranteeing to each Councilmember the right to demand the reading of any such resolution or ordinance in regular order. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

South Bay County Formation - Ad Hoc Committee:
Will meet on January 5th at 4:00 P.M.

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PROCLAMATION:

8. MARCH OF DIMES MONTH - January, 1978.

So proclaimed by Mayor Miller.

PUBLIC WORKS:

9. HOLLYWOOD RIVIERA STORM DRAINS, PHASE I.
(Project No. 21 of ACTION PLAN)

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

1. That the firm of J.H. Edwards Company, Inc. be selected for consultant services for the Hollywood Riviera Storm Drains, Phase I, for a fee not to exceed \$9,800.
2. That Staff be directed to prepare an appropriate agreement with J.H. Edwards Company and return to City Council for approval.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the City Engineer. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS:

10. EA 77-75, G.L. SCHULER..

Held for the advertised hearing hour of 6:00 P.M.
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11. APPOINTMENT OF HEARING PANEL - SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT.

RECOMMENDATION OF STREET MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT:

That the City Council appoint itself as the Hearing Panel as required by the Z'berg-Kapiloff Solid Waste Control Act of 1976. It is our belief that this action would insure the best representation of the interests of the citizens of Torrance in matters relating to the proper operation of solid waste facilities.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the Street Maintenance Superintendent. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Brewster, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

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TRANSPORTATION MATTERS:

12. A. AWARD OF CONTRACTS - Minibuses and handicapped lifts.
Award of Contract for purchase of 4 new 1976 Mercedes
Benz Mini-Buses: 2 - 19-passenger buses;
2 - Buses converted with Wheel
Chair Lifts

Ref. Bid #B77-81
Expenditure: \$150,998.06

- B. HANDICAPPED BUS SERVICE - Implementation Status Report.

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That Council approve the purchase of four (4) Mercedes
Benz Mini-Buses as bid by Walter's Auto Sales and Service,
Inc.

Staff presentation was provided by Director of Transportation
Horkay, with specific note of the fact that Mrs. Betty Schapira
concurs with the Staff recommendation (per January 3, 1978 com-
munication, of record).

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to concur with the
above stated recommendation. His motion was seconded by Council-
man Wilson; and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MANPOWER MATTERS:

13. RESOLUTION re: CETA YOUTH PROGRAMS.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-1

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 SUBGRANTS AND CONTRACTS
BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE TORRANCE
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE SOUTH BAY
YOUTH SERVICES CENTER TO PROVIDE PROGRAMS
UNDER TITLE III OF THE COMPREHENSIVE EMPLOY-
MENT AND TRAINING ACT

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No.
78-1. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson; roll call vote
was unanimously favorable.

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS:

14. SOUTH BAY COUNTY.

RECOMMENDATION OF COUNCIL AD HOC COMMITTEE RE: PROPOSED
SOUTH BAY COUNTY: That your Honorable Body endorse the
subject Supervisorial Districting Plan for South Bay County

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and authorize Mr. Rupert to make a formal presentation to the South Bay County Formation Review Commission.

Formal presentation was provided by Legislative Advocate Rupert, and desired clarification was provided.

Representing the Southwood Homeowners Association, Mrs. Rachel Meyer presented their recommended boundary revisions (per January 3, 1978 communication, of record).

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the Committee recommendation. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

The Council now returned to:

ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS:

10. EA 77-75 (ZC 77-13, TT 34003, CUP 77-63) G.L. SCHULER.
Appeal of Environmental Review Board determination that an Environmental Impact Report be prepared for a proposed 34-unit condominium project on property located at 4558 West 182nd Street.

RECOMMENDATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW BOARD AND PLANNING STAFF: That a focused Environmental Impact Report be prepared.

Mayor Miller announced that this was the time and place for the subject appeal, and, following Staff presentation by Planning Assistant Cox, invited comments from the audience.

Attorney Don Hitchcock, representing the proponent, reviewed Staff comments pertaining to park site acquisition, traffic, day school use, the historical aspects of the church building, etc. In the opinion of Mr. Hitchcock, there is not sufficient justification for an Environmental Impact Report.

Mrs. Dorothy O'Brien, 2306 West 180th Street, a member of the Torrance Historical Society, advised that a form is being prepared for national registration of the subject historical building, and that the Society is concerned with the preservation of the 1902 portion of the building. It is not the desire of the Historical Society, per Mrs. O'Brien, to infringe on the property owner's rights nor do they want to cause financial hardship -- with that in mind, it is hoped that the historical building could be used and that the developer could proceed with some plans of developing his property.

Next to speak was Mr. Roy Bingham, administrative secretary of the church, who advised that it is not feasible to function as a church, and it is desired to develop the property as now proposed.

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 Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Formal action taken by the Council is reflected below:

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the appeal and not require a focused EIR in the matter of EA 77-75. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved that Staff be directed to conduct structural and historical assessments, and to address the following: cost of refurbishment, structural soundness, cost of relocation, opportunities for grants and tax relief, and all other opportunities that they may make themselves available as they consider the possibility of preservation, maintenance or restoration of the structure -- these assessments to be with the participation and cooperation of all interested parties, and to be returned to the Council in four to six weeks. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Mr. Hitchcock affirmed the cooperation of the proponent in the above undertaking.

APPEALS - OTHER THAN PLANNING:

15. CITIZEN APPEAL OF TRAFFIC COMMISSION DENIAL of request for red curb at 516 Via Monte D'Oro.

Mayor Miller announced that this was the time and place for the subject appeal, and, following Staff presentation by Sr. Associate Transportation Engineer Collins, invited comments from the audience.

Mr. Lawrence Wing, 516 Via Monte D'Oro, reaffirmed his opinion, of record, that there is no parking problem in the area, with specific note of his unresolved drainage problems.

Reviewed were the recent placement of sandbags on the subject curb, and the success thereof, and the imminent storm drain construction in this area.

Mrs. Fifi Moore, 527 Via Monte D'Oro, voiced her objections, of record, to red curbing on the east side of Monte D'Oro, along Mr. Wing's property. Discussion regarding the elimination of the red curb on the west side of Monte D'Oro ensued, and this matter was referred to Staff and the Traffic Commission for further review.

There being no one else 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 Armstrong moved that the sandbags remain, that they be properly maintained and be removed no earlier than April 1st -- further, that the Engineering Department return with

this at the appropriate time with a design for that project, it being stipulated that this particular drainage problem be corrected. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, 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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PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

16. REPORT ON TECHNIQUES TO MAXIMIZE THE COMPATIBILITY BETWEEN INDUSTRIAL AND RESIDENTIAL USES IN THE EAST VICTOR PRECINCT IF CERTAIN AREAS ARE REZONED TO RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSE.

Staff presentation was provided by Planning Technician Progen, following which Mayor Miller invited comments from the audience.

Mr. Jim Hennefer, proponent of the rezoning, stated that they are now advocating only R-TH zoning for the strip of land adjacent to the Anza Avenue Apartments for the reason that they have concluded an agreement with the church for a swap of properties, per the earlier suggestion of Councilman Brewster. Mr. Hennefer reiterated their position of record regarding the merits of residential development in this area. Proponent Robert Klein likewise reviewed the plans for their proposed development and the resultant restoration of residential land to the East Victor Precinct.

Speaking in favor R-TH zoning were: Neal Anderson, pastor, Pacific View Baptist Church; Michael Kasha and Fay Lauderdale, Torrance Evangelical Church; and Paul Mikas, owner of Skateboard Park.

Opposed to R-TH zoning: Mr. Winkler, Guardian Electric; Don Tinnell, 4720 Emerald; Inez Van Lingen, 20621 Earl Street; Charlie Goode, 7323 Via Laredo, Rancho Palos Verdes; and Pat Uerkwitz, 23136 Anza Avenue.

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

The following motion (later withdrawn) was offered by Councilman Rossberg: To approve the going ahead with an EIR on the "westerly slot coming down" for R-TH which would exclude the tennis courts and the sump, but would include the "church swap area". The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown.

It was the direction of Mayor Miller that a recess be called at this time in order that there might be an Executive Session on this matter, in view of the pending litigation on the subject property. City Attorney Remelmeyer concurred in this procedure.

and the Council recessed for this purpose; the hour was 9:35 P.M.

The Council returned at 9:55 P.M., and took the following action:

Councilman Rossberg withdrew his earlier motion, as did Councilman Brown his second, and the following action was taken:

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved that Staff be instructed to have the EIR prepared, based upon the zone change application and the Master Plan Amendment. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

17. RESOLUTION approving CUP 77-41, Tumanjan & Tumanjan Investments, Inc.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF A THREE-STORY OFFICE BUILDING ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD AND 230TH STREET (CUP 77-41, TUMANJAN & TUMANJAN INVESTMENTS, INC.)

Councilman Brown moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 78-2. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

HEARINGS - OTHER THAN PLANNING:

18. CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODES.

Mayor Miller announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, and, following Staff presentation by Administrative Trainee Thuy Dao, inquired if anyone wished to be heard. There was no response.

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

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to approve the hiring of one additional person temporarily for three months, from January through March, to help with the filing in the City Clerk's office, and to concur with the recommendation of the City Manager

and the City Attorney to approve (1) the Conflict of Interest Codes for the Commissions and Departments as presented, and (2) the aforesaid requests for exemption from adoption of a Conflict of Interest Code. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

19. RESOLUTION establishing revised rate of compensation for Census Crew Leaders.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-3

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE TO ESTABLISH A RATE OF COMPENSATION FOR CENSUS CREW LEADERS FOR THE SPECIAL CENSUS

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 78-3. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

20. REALLOCATION OF BUDGETED FUNDS - Light Equipment Operator, Park Equipment Operator.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF/CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That the City Council approve the reallocation of budgeted funds from Light Equipment Operator to Park Equipment Operator.

Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the above stated recommendation. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Brown, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

21. REALLOCATION OF BUDGETED FUNDS - Utility Maintainer, Swimming Pool Maintainer.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF/CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That the City Council approve the reallocation of budgeted funds from the vacant Utility Maintainer position to the Swimming Pool Maintainer position. Councilman Wilson MOVED to concur with the recommendation, seconded by Councilman Armstrong; roll call vote was unanimously approved.

22. ORDINANCE re: Supplemental Memorandum of Understanding - mousl
Engineers - Employee Insurance. approved.

ORDINANCE NO. 2801

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE MODIFYING SECTION 17.34.1 OF PART III, CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO EMPLOYEE INSURANCE

Councilman Wilson moved to approve Ordinance No. 2801 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

23. ORDINANCE NO. 2800.

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 33.5.9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE A LICENSE TAX FOR MAP VENDING MACHINES

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2800 at its second and final reading. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ROUTINE MATTERS:

24. WATER MAIN IN SKYPARK DRIVE BETWEEN MADISON STREET AND GARNIER STREET (B77-79) JOB NO. 78148.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/WATER SYSTEM MANAGER:

That the contract be awarded to PIPELINE CONSTRUCTORS, INC., and that all other bids be rejected.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above stated recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

25. Councilman Brewster commended the extensive television coverage afforded the City of Torrance float in the Rose Parade.

26. It was the recommendation of Councilman Wilson that City Manager Ferraro provide City representation at the forthcoming Art and Public Buildings Town Meeting. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

27. The problems of Southwood Little League in meeting bond requirements was noted by Councilman Wilson who referred the matter to Staff for further input.

28. Mr. Ed Greene, 3205 Onrado, inquired as to the status of the following: (1) The boarding house ordinance; (2) The primary oil abatement ordinance; and (3) The secondary oil recovery ordinance. The requested information was provided by City Attorney Remelmeyer.

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 10:25 P.M.

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

APPROVED:


Mayor of the City of Torrance