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Adjourned at 7:20 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, February 7, 1978, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

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, Acting Deputy City Clerk Nelson. Absent: City Clerk Coil, City Treasurer Rupert.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

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

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Reverend William Smith, First Pentecostal Church.

STANDARD MOTIONS:5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Armstrong moved to approve the minutes of January 10, 1978 and January 17, 1978, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

6. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Wilson moved that after the City Clerk has assigned 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.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES:Ad Hoc - Oil:

Will meet on February 14th at 4:30 P.M.

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PRESENTATION:

9. PRESENTATION OF PERMAPLAQUED RESOLUTION to the Sisters of Little Company of Mary Hospital.

Mayor Miller made this presentation on the occasion of the one hundred year anniversary of providing quality health services by the Sisters of Little Company of Mary Hospital -- there was grateful acceptance by Sister Damien and Mr. James Lester.

PROCLAMATIONS:

9. NATIONAL DEFENSE WEEK - February 12-22, 1978.  
10. KASHIWA/TORRANCE SISTER CITY DAYS - February 16-21, 1978.

So proclaimed by Mayor Miller.

COMMISSION MATTERS:

11. COMMENDATIONS FOR OUTGOING COMMISSIONERS.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

In accordance with policy established July 18, 1972, it is the recommendation of the City Clerk that all Commissioners who have served at least four years receive a large tile plaque. A Certificate of Appreciation to be given to Commissioners who have served less than a full term.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the City Clerk, with the request that a tile plaque be provided for Planning Commissioner Stenhouse. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PUBLIC WORKS:

12. IMPROVEMENT OF HAWTHORNE/TORRANCE BOULEVARD INTERSECTION.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION:

1. That \$80,000 from 2106 Gas Tax Funds be appropriated for construction of the subject improvement as shown on sketch of record.
2. That a consultant engineer be used for the preparation of plans for traffic signal work.

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

MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

13. RESOLUTION re: 1978 General Municipal Election.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-29

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING

PRECINCTS AND POLLING PLACES FOR THE  
GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD  
IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 1978,  
AND APPOINTING CERTAIN ELECTION OFFICIALS  
THEREFOR

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 78-29. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Brown; was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

- 14. RESOLUTION re: Training Agreement with California Department of Highway Patrol.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-30

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE ATTENDANCE OF OFFICER THEODORE J. LITVIN AND OFFICER JAMES T. ULRICH AT THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY PATROL MOTORCYCLE SCHOOL, CLASS 1-78

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 78-30. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

- 15. RESOLUTION granting CUP 77-46, Thomas K. Fitzpatrick.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-31

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SHOPPING CENTER ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF 238TH STREET AND LOS CODONA AVENUE  
(CUP 77-46, Thomas K. Fitzpatrick)

Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 78-31. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

- 16. ORDINANCE re: ZC 77-9, Home Savings and Loan Association.

ORDINANCE NO. 2806

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 1101 CRAVENS AVENUE AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 77-9  
(Home Savings and Loan Association)

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2806 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

HEARINGS - PLANNING:17. HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION.

Heard later in the meeting - See Page 5.

18. D 77-35, S.J. HONDROS.

Heard later in the meeting - See below.\*

ROUTINE MATTERS:

19. AWARD OF CONTRACT - 1 RUBBER-TIRED DIESEL TRACTOR WITH LOADER AND BACKHOE. Ref. Bid #B78-3  
Expenditure: \$13,303.22.

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That Council accept the overall low bid submitted by Case Power and Equipment Company for their combination bid for the new tractor less trade-in offer, in the total amount of \$15,303.22 - less trade-in offer of \$2,000.00 - for net total of \$13,303.22 including tax.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the Finance Director and Purchasing Supervisor. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

20. Councilwoman Geissert noted that the South Bay County Formation Commission will be meeting on Thursday, February 9th, in the Redondo Beach City Council Chambers at 7:30 P.M.
21. Councilman Brewster requested that a congratulatory message go forward to Dr. Richardson, the new Superintendent of Schools, from this Council.

The Council now returned to:

- \*18. D77-35, S.J. HONDROS. Appeal of Planning Commission denial of a request to relocate a lot line to create an additional buildable parcel in the R-1 zone on property located at 5518 Riviera Way. RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL BY THE PLANNING STAFF/DENIED BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

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. Councilman Brown announced that he would abstain in this matter in that he has recently purchased a home in the subject area.

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

Mr. Paul Hime, 5602 Riviera Way, spokesman for several other property owners, stated that they have achieved, in their opinion, a workable solution to the problem, and requested that Council temporarily deny Mr. Hondros request and return this matter to the Planning Commission and Staff for further study.

Representing the proponent, Mr. Darryl Dalcin reviewed efforts to date to arrive at a solution of the problems, with note of their willingness to deed restrict the 11½ ft. along their easterly boundary, if desired, or to go along with any other feasible alternatives.

Following discussion, Council action is reflected below:

MOTION: Councilman Armstrong moved to refer Item #18 back to Staff and to continue the hearing to February 21st at 5:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

It was the direction of the Council that Staff review the concept proposed by Mr. Hime, make necessary mathematical computations, etc.

17. FIRST PUBLIC HEARING - Application of Housing and Community Development Block Grant Funds - 1978-79 program year.

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 subject public hearing, and, following Staff presentation by Planning Associate Busse, invited comments from the audience.

Mrs. Mary Perry, Cravens Apartments, requested consideration of an extension of rehab financing for apartment houses. Clarification in this regard was provided by Mr. Busse.

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

Mayor Miller announced that the second public hearing would occur on February 14, 1978.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the Staff recommendation: That the City Council open the public hearing for the purpose of obtaining citizen input into the preparation of the 1978-79 Community Development Block Grant at the meetings of February 7 and February 14, and that the Staff be directed to evaluate all proposals submitted for eligibility and prepare a

response and recommendations to the City Council for the meeting of February 21st. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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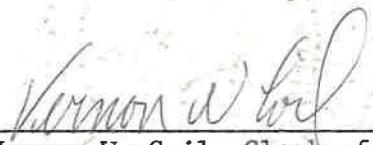
The hour being 6:50 P.M., the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency, returning at 6:52 P.M.

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MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to recess for the purpose of an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Armstrong, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

The Council returned at 7:20 P.M. No action was taken, and the meeting was regularly adjourned at this hour.

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

APPROVED:

  
Mayor of the City of Torrance