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Adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

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March 14, 1978

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, March 14, 1978, at 7:00 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:

Mrs. Diane Hathaway led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Reverend Boyd Kifer, Church of the Nazarene.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Armstrong moved to approve the minutes of February 14, 1978 and February 21, 1978, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

6. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Brown 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 Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

Civil Service Committee:

Met on February 10th and February 13th; report forthcoming.

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Ad Hoc - South Bay County:

Met on March 13th - Report on Page 7.

ELECTION MATTERS:8. RESOLUTION NO. 78-49 re: General Municipal Election.

Mayor Miller announced that this was the time and place to make official the results of the General Municipal Election held March 7, 1978. His verbatim remarks follow:

"This year the City used the County's mini-computer, known as the CES Ballot Tabulator, and the votes were counted in the Council Chamber in full view of the public.

"The California State Commission on Voting Machines and Vote Tabulating Devices prescribed certain procedures to be followed in the voting and tabulating of ballots.

"One of the requirements of the Commission was the performance of a Logic and Accuracy Test on the computer immediately prior to the tabulation of the ballots, and immediately afterwards. This was to be conducted by an Accuracy Certification Board which was to verify the accuracy of the computer. Serving as the Accuracy Certification Board this year were Councilmembers George Brewster and Dick Rossberg and the Reverend Boyd R. Kifer of the Church of the Nazarene. The City followed these procedures in the conduct of its election.

"The Elections Code provides that the City Council may order the canvass of the election returns to be made by the City Clerk prior to the first Tuesday after the election. The Council authorized the canvass to be made by the City Clerk when they adopted Resolution No. 78-45 on February 28, 1978."

Mayor Miller then inquired of City Clerk Coil: Has the City Clerk conducted the canvass of the returns of the General Municipal Election held March 7, 1978, as directed by the Council? Mr. Coil responded in the affirmative.

Next questioned by Mayor Miller: Have all valid absentee ballots been canvassed and the results included in the semi-official returns? City Clerk Coil responded: Yes, Your Honor.

Mayor Miller then asked: Did the Accuracy Certification Board witness the conduct of the Logic and Accuracy Test by the Ballot Processing Board immediately prior to the processing of the ballots and immediately after processing of the last of the ballots through the computer, to test the accuracy of the computer? City Clerk Coil responded in the affirmative.

Did the Accuracy Certification Board certify the Logic and Accuracy Tests and place them on file with the City Clerk? was asked by Mayor Miller, and City Clerk Coil responded "yes".

The following questions were then posed by Mayor Miller:

Was the Check-in of the returns conducted in the manner prescribed by the State Commission on Voting Machines and Vote Tabulating Devices?

Was the tabulation of the votes conducted in the Council Chamber in the presence of the City Clerk and the Accuracy Certification Board?

Are the results of the voting in each precinct and in the City as a whole accurately enumerated in the proposed resolution declaring the results of the election?

City Clerk Coil answered "Yes, your Honor" to each of the above questions.

Mayor Miller thereupon announced that the City Clerk has canvassed the returns as enumerated in the City Clerk's Certificate of Canvass embodied in Exhibit "A" of the proposed Resolution declaring the results of the election.

The Mayor then inquired if there were any challenges or protests to be lodged respecting the results of votes cast in any precinct or the City as a whole? There was no response.

Mayor Miller declared the official canvass of the returns of the March 7, 1978 General Municipal Election completed.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 78-49

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, RECITING THE FACT OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD IN SAID CITY OF TORRANCE ON THE 7TH DAY OF MARCH, 1978, DECLARING THE RESULT THEREOF AND SUCH OTHER MATTERS AS ARE PROVIDED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Councilman Armstrong moved to waive further reading of Resolution No. 78-49. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

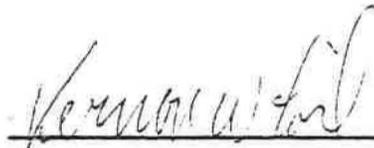
Councilman Armstrong moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 78-49. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

The Minute Secretary was directed by Mayor Miller to enter the City Clerk's Certificate of Canvass in the minutes of this meeting right after the passage of Resolution No. 78-49, and, further, that the full text of Exhibit "A" showing the results of the election, precinct by precinct, be entered in full in the official minutes of the proceedings of this Council meeting. These items are in the pages immediately following.....

CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATE OF CANVASS

I, VERNON W. COIL, City Clerk of the City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California duly authorized by Resolution No. 78-45 adopted by the City Council of said City on the 28th day of February, 1978, do hereby certify that I have canvassed the returns of the regular general municipal election held in said City on the 7th day of March, 1978, and find that the number of votes given at each precinct and the number of votes given in the City to persons voted for, the respective offices for which said persons were candidates and the votes given for and against the measures as set forth on the pages attached, identified as Exhibit "A", which exhibit shall be entered in full on the minutes of the proceedings of the said City Council held on said date.

DATED: March 14, 1978



City Clerk of the City of Torrance

SEAL

PROPS REC.	PROP. NO. 1		PROP. NO. 2		PROP. NO. 3		PROP. NO. 4		PROP. NO. 5		PROP. NO. 6		PROP. NO. 7		VOTES CAST	PERCENT	TOTAL REG. VOTERS
	YES	NO															
1	108	18	115	11	116	12	98	17	114	10	108	16	113	12	137	16.1	846
3	205	29	206	26	212	19	173	41	211	25	190	39	202	27	264	14.2	1848
5	118	27	121	24	124	19	174	31	127	18	103	38	118	24	163	19.0	855
6	158	26	168	20	171	14	143	25	172	13	155	26	164	20	214	22.1	964
8	141	27	126	40	144	24	111	46	143	22	124	41	143	23	190	20.2	940
9	124	9	114	20	130	5	106	21	122	10	114	19	121	10	150	16.7	895
13	168	39	165	42	181	26	128	66	182	24	156	44	176	27	230	21.1	1090
15	133	16	132	15	137	12	118	23	136	12	132	15	131	18	164	17.6	927
16	117	13	117	14	123	8	91	32	118	12	106	24	114	16	143	15.9	897
17	167	34	172	28	180	19	151	37	168	30	158	44	169	30	226	16.9	1333
22	101	28	107	21	114	14	77	39	110	15	95	25	106	16	139	14.2	975
24	81	9	81	10	82	9	59	24	86	5	74	14	82	9	98	10.1	962
26	91	21	89	22	94	15	79	27	97	13	87	22	93	17	122	14.2	859
27	99	24	101	23	103	19	83	38	101	24	89	35	104	22	131	14.1	927
31	168	14	66	16	71	12	57	22	70	10	64	18	70	12	90	10.9	820
33	91	22	84	31	95	16	67	36	91	21	86	20	94	20	124	14.5	855
34	80	14	81	15	84	12	85	9	90	7	78	17	91	5	105	13.6	770
36	97	22	100	20	104	17	91	25	105	12	95	21	101	19	130	16.1	803
37	177	21	165	29	183	12	149	33	171	14	160	26	168	23	215	23.8	901
39	202	23	193	31	209	13	173	34	203	17	178	36	192	28	252	20.3	1241
40	62	7	64	4	62	5	55	10	62	7	55	13	60	9	74	9.6	766
41	105	14	107	13	113	5	90	20	111	6	94	22	109	9	129	10.4	1236
42	76	13	78	14	85	8	67	20	82	7	77	15	81	8	115	10.2	1125
44	163	40	177	32	183	21	133	54	174	25	150	53	167	32	224	22.6	991
46	128	19	125	20	132	13	114	24	131	13	118	24	122	23	161	19.2	836
47	195	30	190	33	196	27	161	50	195	26	175	43	192	27	266	27.9	952
48	116	40	109	45	121	28	88	58	116	35	116	30	119	30	176	20.2	868
53	198	25	191	32	195	18	168	40	195	20	177	35	190	25	257	27.8	924
55	198	39	198	39	210	23	157	68	207	26	185	49	201	33	284	35.4	801
57	146	20	138	25	148	15	118	32	138	18	121	37	137	20	190	20.2	940
58	141	35	149	29	151	24	115	49	150	28	138	38	147	28	213	22.2	957
60	147	23	144	21	149	16	105	46	142	18	117	40	132	30	199	20.6	966
62	158	32	167	22	170	21	134	45	158	28	150	36	164	25	210	24.5	854
64	236	28	237	28	241	22	202	44	242	19	219	41	243	19	301	30.4	988
65	144	23	142	23	152	13	117	40	153	11	135	27	149	14	195	14.6	1332
66	111	11	112	8	116	4	100	14	114	4	110	8	116	6	140	17.6	794
67	202	30	199	34	213	18	174	45	205	22	180	48	200	28	260	26.9	965
68	213	20	205	28	212	18	175	45	217	14	189	34	205	21	257	20.0	1280
71	165	29	167	23	169	21	138	37	166	23	151	35	164	25	209	20.8	1002

GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION - MARCH 7, 1978

EXHIBIT "A"

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CONS. PREC.	PROP. NO. 1		PROP. NO. 2		PROP. NO. 3		PROP. NO. 4		PROP. NO. 5		PROP. NO. 6		PROP. NO. 7		VOTES CAST	PERCENT	TOTAL REG. VOTERS
	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO			
73	204	26	208	20	213	17	177	28	206	13	176	43	200	23	264	26.3	1002
74	214	33	209	42	226	22	181	52	230	15	199	44	220	27	290	33.1	876
76	211	28	214	26	209	26	166	53	211	23	192	41	202	28	274	31.0	882
78	189	23	178	33	193	17	158	37	191	17	167	40	182	24	230	23.4	980
82	128	16	127	19	134	10	108	24	131	10	113	27	130	11	153	15.1	1008
84	172	23	176	21	179	16	163	21	178	14	163	28	168	22	213	15.5	1373
87	203	20	198	27	207	16	172	40	205	15	188	36	200	23	251	25.6	977
90	190	20	188	23	187	22	161	35	189	19	171	36	188	17	233	21.6	1074
92	172	22	164	29	184	9	150	31	181	10	162	28	173	13	203	22.0	939
94	72	18	74	15	78	13	63	17	80	10	67	21	77	10	104	11.4	907
95	75	15	70	19	78	10	62	22	82	8	72	19	71	17	102	14.0	727
96	171	16	172	17	175	13	144	26	170	17	148	33	162	20	216	21.7	995
97	94	10	83	20	93	9	76	16	88	12	83	18	89	13	120	11.6	1034
98	168	22	168	25	174	16	139	42	174	14	149	41	162	20	211	16.5	1277
101	174	35	157	51	181	31	149	45	174	28	148	53	167	37	239	23.9	1000
104	248	31	243	33	257	18	223	33	260	14	229	44	253	18	302	23.5	1285
105	214	25	219	21	227	12	184	40	224	12	202	33	219	19	279	28.5	976
106	198	25	189	33	204	21	172	33	203	13	176	35	201	14	257	27.9	918
108	256	24	239	40	265	13	207	47	253	16	223	44	242	28	306	34.2	893
109	150	18	149	18	151	18	122	34	154	15	134	33	144	26	195	21.4	910
113	148	15	149	16	152	14	137	18	158	10	143	20	153	11	190	20.2	939
115	110	11	110	14	116	8	95	18	112	6	108	14	110	12	133	15.4	863
116	148	31	153	29	153	25	106	58	145	28	129	45	139	35	205	23.2	883
121	235	33	243	30	244	23	202	44	246	18	218	44	236	28	316	34.5	915
122	77	5	80	4	80	3	68	6	77	3	71	8	77	3	93	11.5	804
126	45	10	43	11	43	10	37	16	46	8	37	17	42	11	60	7.0	855
138	101	24	102	24	112	16	92	23	116	11	97	23	111	16	136	17.1	791
139	168	18	169	22	176	14	152	26	173	13	162	23	174	13	210	24.2	866
144	120	18	120	18	127	9	100	24	123	13	103	32	117	16	148	14.6	1010
TOTAL	10,085	1,529	9,993	1,632	10,493	1,068	8,523	2,276	10,355	1,069	9,234	2,091	10,059	1,345	13,084	19.7	66,244
ABSENTEE	179	16	175	18	182	11	163	17	184	10	161	27	183	10	212		
GRAND TOTAL	10,264	1,545	10,170	1,650	10,675	1,079	8,686	2,293	10,539	1,079	9,395	2,118	10,242	1,355	13,296	20.0	66,244

CONS. PREC.	MAYOR		CITY COUNCIL											CITY CLERK					CITY TREAS.	TOTAL VOTES CAST	PERCENT	TOTAL REG. VOTERS	
	CORSI	ARMSTRONG	APFLEGATE	ALLEN	NAVARRO	OGAWA	FREW	UERKWITZ	BROWN	MATTHEWS	JENKINS	GEISSERT	WALKER	NELSON	SNOW	TYRRELL	LONEY	WEDDELL	RUPERT				
1	14	118	24	22	50	59	11	20	62	20	12	55	33	84	14	23	3	10	115	137	16.1	846	
3	33	225	84	33	81	45	21	39	133	27	25	139	99	101	30	112	2	16	207	264	14.2	1848	
5	21	126	46	36	45	24	7	42	74	27	17	70	62	102	19	29	1	10	126	163	19.0	855	
6	24	177	57	27	53	41	13	38	96	18	14	100	105	71	8	121	2	8	167	214	22.1	964	
8	24	153	54	27	56	52	20	30	87	30	25	82	65	78	19	49	2	31	153	190	20.2	940	
9	8	137	28	15	73	69	9	15	57	13	9	67	58	83	11	33	3	16	118	150	16.7	895	
13	33	188	61	37	103	22	18	52	83	40	18	103	92	109	27	65	9	16	185	230	21.1	1090	
15	17	140	45	25	34	55	14	30	81	29	10	96	44	85	23	38	3	8	148	164	17.6	927	
16	17	123	48	22	37	34	9	43	60	25	18	74	41	78	20	26	5	12	114	143	15.9	897	
17	18	199	99	30	39	61	16	46	120	19	16	131	46	109	23	66	2	17	181	226	16.9	1333	
22	8	124	43	38	20	34	13	32	66	11	12	72	53	77	18	33	0	9	108	139	14.2	975	
24	12	84	35	23	14	8	5	16	52	17	6	56	37	65	8	17	0	6	87	98	10.1	962	
26	18	102	40	25	16	33	16	28	57	27	15	50	39	51	10	46	3	12	104	122	14.2	859	
27	23	103	32	35	28	30	11	36	51	25	19	60	34	79	12	28	2	9	115	131	14.1	927	
31	15	74	34	31	4	9	4	24	48	13	18	49	22	48	9	25	3	4	78	90	10.9	820	
33	18	102	47	30	8	14	11	31	57	17	12	57	43	71	13	21	3	14	99	124	14.5	855	
34	11	93	30	11	6	34	8	40	47	12	6	62	24	63	2	28	1	8	87	105	13.6	770	
36	12	114	41	21	7	24	9	29	71	23	13	86	35	80	8	29	1	8	111	130	16.1	803	
37	18	190	94	35	15	38	12	56	113	27	29	131	56	109	8	81	4	11	189	215	23.8	901	
39	30	217	118	21	16	63	14	89	130	29	18	145	55	122	14	91	2	13	208	252	20.3	1241	
40	8	63	31	14	5	13	10	13	40	12	5	39	20	44	7	10	3	9	64	74	9.6	766	
41	11	110	45	24	5	30	6	32	70	21	9	74	32	67	10	37	3	8	114	129	10.4	1236	
42	6	102	34	17	10	23	12	27	53	14	12	50	38	57	9	26	5	7	91	115	10.2	1125	
44	24	195	106	37	15	24	25	66	109	38	17	109	68	134	22	48	5	14	186	224	22.6	991	
46	16	140	55	34	10	28	11	57	84	18	10	89	55	78	17	53	2	11	131	161	19.2	836	
47	25	222	78	46	14	40	15	69	143	66	18	138	80	163	20	49	2	19	202	266	27.9	952	
48	22	143	49	28	22	26	9	47	79	28	18	80	68	102	20	32	3	9	145	176	20.2	868	
53	21	223	57	26	17	41	14	80	126	45	24	179	78	122	21	85	3	18	203	257	27.8	924	
55	43	227	66	29	16	59	13	86	150	69	10	173	102	165	27	60	2	20	230	284	35.4	801	
57	18	163	67	25	18	38	8	67	74	29	9	104	64	98	28	48	0	12	150	190	20.2	940	
58	23	181	54	39	26	28	10	50	93	43	26	96	86	128	32	33	3	8	169	213	22.2	957	
60	14	180	65	28	12	40	11	59	110	32	17	119	65	119	27	39	7	3	163	199	20.6	966	
62	14	191	68	26	3	69	12	50	99	28	18	143	61	132	16	36	7	9	181	210	24.5	854	
64	15	274	114	39	10	145	14	60	155	41	14	180	63	129	30	117	3	8	243	301	30.4	988	
65	29	163	72	26	14	81	21	40	92	22	14	111	43	110	14	49	2	14	148	195	14.6	1332	
66	6	179	46				10	26	68	25		78	27	74	8	39		10		140		17.6	794
67	24		80	40	26	77	14	5	145	27	20	148	73	153	17	65	3	12	210	260		965	

GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION - MARCH 7, 1978 EXHIBIT "A"

CONS. REC.	MAYOR		CITY COUNCIL											CITY CLERK				CITY TREAS.	TOTAL VOTES CAST	PERCENT	TOTAL REG. VOTERS	
	CORSI	ARMSTRONG	APPLEGATE	ALLEN	NAVARRO	OGAWA	FREW	UERKWITZ	BROWN	MATTHEWS	JENKINS	GEISSERT	WALKER	NELSON	SNOW	TYRRELL	LONEY	WEDDELL				RUPERT
71	23	183	81	27	12	22	17	70	114	43	11	132	48	106	27	48	6	14	173	209	20.8	1002
73	48	205	102	39	20	38	19	76	137	73	21	128	68	115	61	59	4	19	221	264	26.3	1002
74	46	241	83	33	15	78	15	71	159	60	20	188	78	144	25	78	9	25	229	290	33.1	876
76	23	234	101	38	12	47	24	97	126	52	22	158	55	166	17	62	5	15	214	274	31.0	882
78	36	189	69	36	19	46	20	81	104	41	26	122	63	118	34	55	5	9	183	230	23.4	980
82	14	133	45	23	12	25	12	52	86	24	10	100	29	68	16	51	5	7	129	153	15.1	1008
84	30	175	81	38	21	35	19	66	117	26	16	124	53	120	21	50	3	15	184	213	15.5	1373
87	21	225	80	34	17	78	21	52	146	35	21	165	53	137	27	64	6	9	212	251	25.6	977
90	44	181	68	16	23	46	22	107	135	20	21	137	48	136	32	45	4	3	193	233	21.6	1074
92	32	167	67	26	7	35	20	74	87	34	28	148	39	92	16	81	6	8	170	207	22.0	939
94	20	76	28	25	8	15	8	30	50	13	13	59	28	66	5	24	0	5	87	104	11.4	907
95	21	75	23	17	9	15	5	43	48	6	12	56	18	62	4	22	1	4	70	102	14.0	727
96	31	172	53	23	7	71	13	55	148	26	12	159	45	99	27	71	1	11	179	216	21.7	995
97	23	90	35	22	5	19	10	52	65	11	13	64	23	66	11	28	2	5	94	120	11.6	1034
98	22	176	76	56	12	33	22	55	110	29	24	122	54	129	18	41	3	14	182	211	16.5	1277
101	49	183	55	36	14	45	30	110	105	18	26	134	57	138	21	55	1	13	182	239	23.9	1000
104	32	262	108	24	12	70	17	71	170	31	15	234	95	155	11	103	4	15	237	302	23.5	1285
105	38	228	111	24	16	53	21	57	169	29	21	202	76	130	12	103	5	17	226	279	28.5	976
106	37	205	63	23	23	80	13	35	172	23	21	201	62	139	9	91	6	5	201	257	27.9	918
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113	20	162	58	34	8	60	9	43	121	19	17	121	33	107	11	55	2	6	155	190	20.2	939
115	21	106	42	17	11	16	17	22	72	13	9	102	34	65	6	53	0	7	98	133	15.4	863
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138	15	119	41	23	20	41	15	27	66	22	16	70	33	74	19	22	1	15	115	136	17.1	791
139	20	187	71	19	9	77	11	49	140	11	12	149	24	73	2	112	1	16	166	210	24.2	866
144	19	122	42	16	15	31	13	40	80	22	13	87	33	72	9	51	4	10	117	148	14.6	1010
TOT.	1,541	11,035	4,190	1,869	1,355	3,026	947	3,363	6,800	1,861	1,098	7,679	3,595	6,875	1,144	3,642	211	781	10,600	13,084	19.7	66,244
ABS.	31	172	52	30	20	44	17	48	122	29	23	147	47	115	11	64	4	11	174	212		
GRAND TOT	1,572	11,207	4,242	1,899	1,375	3,070	964	3,411	6,922	1,890	1,121	7,826	3,642	6,990	1,155	3,705	215	792	10,774	13,296	20.0	66,244

EXHIBIT "A"

GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION - MARCH 7, 1978

It was then formally announced by Mayor Miller that James R. Armstrong has been elected as Mayor; Katy Geissert, Doug Brown and Bill Applegate have been elected to the City Council; Sherie L. Nelson has been elected City Clerk and Thomas C. Rupert has been elected City Treasurer, each for a full term of four (4) years, Mr. Armstrong having received 11,207 votes; Mrs. Geissert received 7,826 votes; Mr. Brown received 6,922 votes; Mr. Applegate received 4,242 votes; Mrs. Nelson received 6,990 votes; and Mr. Rupert received 10,774 votes.

It was the request of Mayor Miller that City Clerk Coil, as required by law, sign and deliver to each newly elected person a Certificate of Election.

The next task -- that of administering the Oath of Office to City Clerk-Elect Nelson by City Clerk Coil -- was successfully accomplished, in spite of some emotional difficulties.

City Clerk Nelson then administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Armstrong, Councilmembers Brown, Geissert and Applegate, and City Treasurer Rupert.

Introductions and farewell speeches were forthcoming--City Clerk Coil, Councilman Brewster and Mayor Miller imparted words of appreciation and gratitude for their years of service to the City and offered their best wishes to their successors. These three highly regarded gentlemen then vacated their long held seats and departed amidst a standing ovation.

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On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Bob McCaman formally commended Mayor Miller for his outstanding contributions to the City of Torrance, and extended best wishes to him.

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At this point, Mayor Armstrong assumed leadership of the meeting. Acceptance speeches, and family introductions, were made City Clerk Nelson, City Treasurer Rupert, Councilmembers Applegate, Brown, Geissert and Mayor Armstrong.

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Representing the Sister City Association, Miss Adrienne Henry presented a gift to Mayor Armstrong from the people and the Mayor of Kashiwa City, conveying their congratulations and good wishes. This gift was most gratefully accepted by Mayor Armstrong.

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A 10-minute recess was ordered by Mayor Armstrong, the hour being 8:05 P.M.

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COMMENDATIONS:

9. RESOLUTION honoring former Mayor Ken Miller.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-50

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING FORMER MAYOR
KEN MILLER FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF DEDICATED
SERVICE TO THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 78-50. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10. RESOLUTION honoring former Councilman George W. Brewster.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-51

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING FORMER COUNCIL-
MAN GEORGE W. BREWSTER FOR HIS MANY YEARS
OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF
TORRANCE

Councilman Rossberg moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 78-51. His motion, seconded by Councilman Brown, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

11. RESOLUTION honoring Vernon W. Coil, retiring City Clerk.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-52

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING VERNON W. COIL,
RETIRING CITY CLERK, FOR HIS MANY YEARS
OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF
TORRANCE

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 78-52. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PROCLAMATION:

12. EMPLOY THE OLDER WORKER WEEK.

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

PUBLIC WORKS:

13. RESOLUTION re: Proposed Vacation of a portion of High Street east of Via Valmonte.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-53

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE DECLARING ITS INTENTION
TO VACATE A PORTION OF HIGH STREET EAST

OF VIA VALMONTE IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE;
FIXING A TIME AND PLACE FOR A HEARING
THEREON AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION
OF THIS RESOLUTION

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 78-53. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:

14. TEMPORARY SIGN ON PUBLIC PROPERTY - Annual Armed Forces Day Parade.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUILDING AND SAFETY DIRECTOR/CITY ENGINEER: Since this is a Torrance civic function, we recommend that the temporary sign be approved, and that the fees and insurance be waived as in past approvals by the City Council for Torrance Rodeo, Lions Football Game, P.T.A., etc., provided that it will be so located as not to impede traffic visibility and will be removed at the end of the stated date.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the above stated Staff recommendation. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg; there were no objections, and it was so ordered.

FISCAL MATTERS:

15. ORDINANCE re: employment compensation for the City Clerk.

ORDINANCE NO. 2810

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING A NEW PART XVII
TO CHAPTER 7, DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE
MUNICIPAL CODE GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT
COMPENSATION FOR THE CITY CLERK

Councilman Brown noted the current study of this matter by the Ad Hoc Committee re: Executive and Exempt Salaries, and offered the following MOTION: That the subject ordinance be adopted as an interim measure with the intent that it be supplanted by a new ordinance when the Committee does come in with its final recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2810 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:

16. RESOLUTION re: Landscape Architect - Columbia Park.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-54

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND SAITO/SULLIVAN ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES AT COLUMBIA PARK

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 78-54. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

17. RESOLUTION re: Landscape Architect - Sur La Brea Park.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-55

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND RECREATION SYSTEMS, INC. FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES AT SUR LA BREA PARK

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 78-55. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Brown; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

18. Ordinance re: Reallocation of two Int. Recreation Leader positions and creation of new class of Senior Citizens' Coordinator.

Held for one week, at the request of Staff.

MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

19. STATUS REPORT from Council Ad Hoc Committee re: South Bay County.

The Committee Report, of record, was reviewed by Councilwoman Geissert.

There was concurrence by the Council with the request that the South Bay County Commission be permitted to use the Council Chambers on Saturday, March 18th, beginning at 10:00 A.M. Council concurrence was also forthcoming on the Committee's request that Staff produce an appropriate number of copies of the Commission's final report so that they may be distributed to all City libraries and also be made available to homeowner and civic groups.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the Ad Hoc Committee report. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg; there were no objections, and it was so ordered.

SECOND READING ORDINANCE:

20. ORDINANCE NO. 2809.

ORDINANCE NO. 2809

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Councilman Brown moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2809 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brown, Geissert, Rossberg, Wilson
and Mayor Armstrong.
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate.

ROUTINE MATTERS:

21. ON-THE-JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS.

RECOMMENDATION OF MANPOWER PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATOR:
That Council approve contracts with Columbia Imports, Inc.; Max Tek, Inc.; Torrance Datsun Corporation; Ampco Metals Company; and Cal Stereo, Inc. -- and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute same on behalf of the City of Torrance.

22. CONTRACT EXTENSION - ON-THE-JOB TRAINING PROGRAMS.

RECOMMENDATION OF MANPOWER PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATOR:
That the contracts with Pioneer Industries and Mobar, Inc. be extended by your Honorable Body.

23. WATER MAIN IN TOLEDO STREET WEST OF CRENSHAW BOULEVARD.
(B77-54) Job No. 77259. NOTICE OF COMPLETION.

RECOMMENDATION OF C.E. ASSOCIATE PERKINS:
That the work be accepted and final payment be made to the contractor.

24. AWARD OF CONTRACT - El Nido Storm Drain, Phase A (B78-9),
Job No. 77563.

RECOMMENDATION OF C.E. ASSOCIATE PERKINS:
That the contract be awarded to Matt J. Zaich, Jr., and all other bids be rejected.

25. AWARD OF CONTRACT - 8 Keene Transit Registering Fare Boxes - Expenditure: \$15,264.00.

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That Council approve of the awarding of a contract for the purchase of these 8 transit-type registering fare boxes to the Keene Corporation based on a previous public transit price of \$1800.00 per fare box in the total amount of \$15,264.00, including tax.

26. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Radio Test Equipment System. Ref. Bid #B78-8 - Expenditure: \$9,042.00

RECOMMENDATION OF BUYER:

That Council approve of the award of a contract for the required radio test equipment system to Tekcom Inc. in the total amount of \$9,042.00, including sales tax.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items #21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and #26. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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The hour being 8:35 P.M., Councilman Wilson moved to recess as the City Council, and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. The Council returned to its agenda at 8:36 P.M.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

27. City Manager Ferraro, on behalf of Staff, congratulated the new Council and Mayor, and offered their pledge of full support in the administration of Council programs. City Attorney Remelmeyer concurred with these comments.

28. Appropriate recognition for the West and South High teams who competed in the Soccer Finals was requested by Councilman Applegate.

29. Councilman Brown requested Council concurrence in the re-establishment of the Ad Hoc Committee re: City Clerk's Salary, with Councilwoman Geissert as Chairman, along with the appointment of one other member. (See item 31, Page 10.)

30. Congratulations and best wishes to the incoming Councilmembers, Mayor, Clerk and Treasurer, and to the outgoing Councilmember, Clerk and Mayor were expressed by Councilman Rossberg, and concurred in by Councilman Wilson. Councilman Wilson specifically commended the unsuccessful candidates for their fine efforts, and encouraged them to "try again".

31. Mayor Armstrong requested that Staff provide the following: (1) a memo re: all appointments to be made to various agencies, groups, councils and committees; (2) the matter of Council standing committees to be placed on the March 21st agenda; (3) a draft of Council procedural rules; and (4) a report reviewing all of the options and their variations for filling the present Council vacancy -- such report to review comparative cost of special elections and combining with regular elections as well as the possibilities, requirements and limitations governing interim appointments.

The following Committee appointments were made by Mayor Armstrong: Ad Hoc Committee on Council Committees to review Council Committee structure, organization and processes: Councilmembers Brown (chairman), Applegate and Geissert; Ad Hoc Legislative Liaison: Councilmembers Geissert (chairman) and Rossberg to serve with the Mayor; Ad Hoc Committee re: City Clerk's Salary: Councilmembers Geissert (chairman), Brown and Wilson.

Clarification regarding the Council vacancy created by his election as Mayor was provided by Mayor Armstrong, as follows: "Although we are a Charter City with substantial independence, we are bound by the Election Code of the State. We have no option to depart from that Code. The fact of the matter is that this same Election Code dictates the Torrance Elections Calendar.

"In response to those who have asked why I did not resign so that my seat might have been filled March 7, I say that under the law, first, we can only call for elections for terms expiring - mine was not - second, under the law I would have had to resign November 7 for my seat to have been filled last Tuesday. The announcement of my candidacy was not made until the last week of November. A resignation at that point would have served no positive or useful purpose. Indeed it would have placed additional burdens on the Council needlessly."

32. Messrs. Floyd Monroe, 2515 Sonoma, and Tom Smoot were present to report their concerns regarding the construction of a concrete block wall on development at 1500 Crenshaw Boulevard -- this apparently is not being done, per Precise Plan requirements.

Building and Safety Director McKinnon will follow through in this matter and report back to the Council.

33. Mr. Bill Hathaway, Southwood Homeowners Association, reported their action opting for a Special Election to fill the vacant Council seat.

34. City Manager Ferraro announced the appointment of Councilman Rossberg as vice president, South Bay Cities Association.

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

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Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary

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City Council
March 14, 1978