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Adjournment in memory of Mr. Ralph Torino.

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Peggy Laverty  
Minute Secretary

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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, October 28, 1980, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Applegate, Brown, Geissert, Rossberg, Walker, Wilson and Mayor Armstrong. Absent: None.

Also present: City Manager Ferraro and Staff representatives.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Park and Recreation Commissioner Eliopulos led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation was provided by Councilman Wilson.

STANDARD MOTIONS:5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

None available.

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 Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Citizen Development and Enrichment with TUSD.  
Thursday, October 30, 1980 - 4:00 p.m.

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Mayor Armstrong requested that this meeting be adjourned in memory of Mr. Ralph Torino.

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8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:

8a. PROCLAMATION - "Toys for Tots" - November 1, 1980-December 23, 1980.

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

8b. PROCLAMATION - "Youth Appreciation Week" - second week in November.

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

8c. RESOLUTION - expressing appreciation to the Torrance Jaycees for organizing, promoting and running the Junior Athletic Championships.

RESOLUTION NO. 80-230

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
 TORRANCE EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO THE TORRANCE  
 JAYCEES FOR ORGANIZING, PROMOTING AND RUNNING  
 THE JUNIOR ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved adoption of Resolution No. 80-230. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Rossberg, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

8d. INTERVIEWS to fill vacancies on Park and Recreation Commission, Environmental Quality and Energy Conservation Commission, and Citizens' Advisory Committee on Airport Noise.

Following interviews, appointments were made by the Council as shown below:

Environmental Quality and Energy Conservation Commission:

Mr. William Larson.

Park and Recreation Commission:

Mrs. Helen Laskaris.

Citizens' Advisory Committee on Airport Noise:

Mr. Albert Morris.

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- 8e. PRESENTATION of retirement plaque to Leo Guziak for over 14 years' service to the City of Torrance.

Accepted with sincere appreciation by Mr. Guziak.

9. LIBRARY/PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:

- 9a. RECOMMENDATION of the Park and Recreation Department to award a bid for Phase II of Sur La Brea Park (relocation of oil equipment) to Thomsen Landscape; and authorization for staff to proceed with plans for the final park development (Phase III).

RECOMMENDATION (ORIGINAL) OF PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR:

It is recommended by the Park and Recreation Department staff that your Honorable Body award the bid to Thomsen Landscape for the work at Sur La Brea Park in the amount of \$499,840, and authorize staff to proceed with plans for the final park development.

The above recommendation was superseded by the following, dated October 28, 1980:

REVISED RECOMMENDATION OF PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR:

Staff is now recommending that your Honorable Body reject the low bid and give a direction to the Park and Recreation Director to develop alternatives that would result in a more cost effective utilization of existing funds in the development of the actual recreational aspects of the park.

Park and Recreation Director Barnett provided clarification and expansion relative to the changed thinking of Staff on this matter, and noted their present request that they be allowed to discuss, with the consultant and members of the community, redesign of the present Master Plan around the existing oil facilities, rather than providing for removal of these facilities.

Councilman Rossberg recommended that this item be returned to the Park and Recreation Commission, at which meeting homeowner input be invited. It was also suggested by Mr. Rossberg that a detailed outline of the pros and cons of both alternatives, with an economic overview, be provided.

Councilman Applegate requested that Staff contact Mr. Grainer and ascertain his reason for not bidding on removal of the oil facilities, whether or not he would be interested in moving the equipment, and, if so, at what price.

Mrs. Jane Kamiya, president of SETHA, urged that a timely decision be reached as to the completion of this park.

MOTION: Councilman Bossberg moved to refer Item No. 9a. to the Park and Recreation Commission at their meeting of November 12, 1980, with a recommendation to move as rapidly, but as cautiously as possible, and with a report back to the Council on November 18th. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brown.

Prior to roll call vote on the motion, Mrs. Ruth Dalvin spoke noting her past concerns and past community input with regard to development of the park -- the need for flat play areas was stressed.

Mrs. Dee Hardison, 2024 West 236th Street, related her concerns regarding development of Sur La Brea, and urged that a realistic time schedule be established.

Roll call vote on Councilman Rossberg's above motion proved unanimously favorable.

City Manager Ferraro commended Mr. Barnett's action in reconsidering the original Staff recommendation on this matter.

- 9b. PARK AND RECREATION AND FINE ARTS COMMISSIONS joint request for Council Committee Meeting re Joslyn Center expansion.

RECOMMENDATION OF PARK AND RECREATION AND FINE ARTS COMMISSIONS:

The Park and Recreation and the Fine Arts Commissions recommend that this item be referred to the Council Committee on Citizen Development and Enrichment, and/or other appropriate committees deemed necessary by Council for review and comment.

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION:

Staff believes that a marketing study should be conducted as soon as possible in order to determine the need and cost of expanding the Joslyn Center. The findings of such an analysis could then be used to guide staff in the preparation of a realistic capital improvement request.

Therefore, staff is in concurrence with the Fine Arts and the Park and Recreation Commission's recommendation that the matter be referred to the appropriate City Council committee.

CITY MANAGER'S NOTE:

The City Manager and the Budget Review Team are in the process of evaluating the City's overall capital improvement needs and financing requirements in formulating a recommendation to the City Council. The capital improvement action plan which has been submitted to the City Manager by the Park and Recreation Director and endorsed by the Park and Recreation Commission includes the Joslyn Center expansion project.

It is the consensus of the City Manager and the Budget Review Team that a study should be conducted in order to explore the need, project size, and financing method before deciding on the merit of such an expansion project. The City Manager intends to include in his capital improvement program recommendations to be submitted to the City Council in November, 1980, an appropriation request of \$10,000 for the purpose of conducting such a study and for the development of preliminary plans for this project. It will also be the intent of the City Manager to recommend to the City Council to refer the overall capital improvement program proposal to the Council Finance Committee for review and recommendations upon submittal by the City Manager.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the City Manager's recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg.

Prior to roll call vote, Councilman Applegate clarified his motion to note the intent that the whole issue go to Committee before Staff does anything -- the Committee to give direction to Staff.

The above motion was unanimously approved, there being no objection.

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At 8:00 p.m., a brief recess was called by Mayor Armstrong.

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10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:

- 10a. CRENSHAW BOULEVARD - ATCHISON, TOPEKA & SANTA FE GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT -- allocation of additional funds for consultant's inspection services.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That additional inspection services be approved and the agreement with Moffatt and Nichol be extended by \$5,000.

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

- 10b. RESOLUTION Supporting Proposition 8.

RESOLUTION NO. 80-237

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SUPPORTING PROPOSITION 8 (ACA 90) WHICH INCORPORATES INTO THE STATE CONSTITUTION PROVISIONS PROTECTING DELTA WATER QUALITY AND NORTH COAST RIVERS, AND PROVIDES JUDICIAL REVIEW PROCEDURES FOR SWIFT RESOLUTION OF PERIPHERAL CANAL CONFLICTS AND LITIGATION, WHICH WILL APPEAR ON THE NOVEMBER 1980 BALLOT

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MOTION: Councilman Brown moved adoption of Resolution No. 80-237. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote proved unanimously favorable.

Mayor Armstrong requested that there be special commendation to Mr. Charles Brandt for his diligent efforts on behalf of this program.

10c. RESOLUTION authorizing the Overall Work Program Agreement with the Southern California Association of Governments.

RESOLUTION NO. 80-238

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS TO RECOVER A PORTION OF THE COSTS INVOLVED IN THE PREPARATION OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE'S SHORT-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved for adoption of Resolution No. 80-238. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10d. APPROVAL OF FINAL TRACT NO. 38235.

City Engineer Weaver requested that this item be withdrawn at this time -- to be resubmitted at a later date. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

10e. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Improvement of Arlington Avenue from Lincoln Avenue to Sepulveda Boulevard and Lomita Boulevard near Samuel Street.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

1) That the contract be awarded to GRIFFITH COMPANY and all other bids be rejected, and 2) that \$90,000 be appropriated from Gas Tax funds for the Arlington Avenue roadway construction (Job No. 79227).

MOTION: Councilman Brown moved to concur with the City Engineer's recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10f. Alternative RESOLUTIONS stating the position of the City of Torrance on the Long Beach Offshore Airport as proposed by the Southern California Association of Governments. Resolution A supports the offshore airport and is recommended for adoption by the Department of Transportation. Resolution B opposes the offshore airport.

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Staff presentation was provided by Airport Manager Critchfield, followed by a brief Council discussion. It was the general feeling of the Council that the negative impacts on the area from such an offshore airport would far outweigh any benefits derived therefrom. Councilman Brown, on the other hand, noted the definite need for the Los Angeles area to be served by a larger airport, and deemed the subject study to be a prudent step.

Mayor Armstrong requested that the City Clerk assign a number and read title to Resolution B, opposing the offshore airport.

RESOLUTION NO. 80-239

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO THE LONG BEACH OFFSHORE AIRPORT PROPOSED BY THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

MOTION: Councilman Walker moved adoption of Resolution No. 80-239. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg.

Prior to roll call vote, Mrs. Pat Uerkwitz, 23136 Anza Avenue, expressed concurrence with the above resolution.

Roll call vote on Councilman Walker's above motion was as shown below:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Applegate, Geissert, Rossberg, Walker, Wilson and Mayor Armstrong
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Brown

Councilman Applegate requested that copies of the above resolution be forwarded to all member cities of the South Bay Cities Association. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

12. PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

- 12a. RESOLUTION, V 80-2, Fetu Ao United Methodist Church: Granting a variance to allow the expansion of a legal nonconforming use with no off-street parking in the R-3 zone on property located at 1547 Marcelina Avenue.

RESOLUTION NO. 80-240

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA GRANTING A VARIANCE FROM THE PROVISIONS OF DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW THE EXPANSION OF A LEGAL NONCONFORMING USE WITH NO OFF-STREET PARKING, AS APPLIED FOR BY FETU AO UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
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MOTION: Councilman Brown moved adoption of Resolution No. 80-240. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote proved unanimously favorable.

12b. RECONSIDERATION OF APPROVED PLANNING DEPARTMENT REORGANIZATION.

RECOMMENDATION OF PLANNING DIRECTOR:

Based on the analysis presented, the Planning Department recommends that the City Council rescind its approval of the reorganization concept, reverting departmental organization to the four division organization with minor modifications as shown on Attachment 5.

Staff presentation was provided by Planning Associate Ferren, followed by a brief Council discussion.

Councilman Applegate requested that the City Manager's office provide a written report of the status of vacancies in the Planning Department.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Director. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

14. PERSONNEL MATTERS:

14a. ORDINANCE re Recommendation to shorten the probationary period for Police Officers.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE ADMINISTRATOR/POLICE CHIEF:

Staff, the Torrance Police Officers Association and the Civil Service Commission recommend that your Honorable Body concur in approving the attached ordinance modifying the probationary period for Lateral Entry Police Officers.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the above stated Staff recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 2985

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING  
ARTICLE 5 AND ARTICLE 20 OF DIVISION 1, CHAPTER 4  
OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved approval of Ordinance No. 2985, at its first reading. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

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- 14b. NEW CLASSIFICATION - WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS EXAMINER; with RESOLUTION.

RESOLUTION NO. 80-241

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH CERTAIN CHANGES REGARDING WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EXTERNALLY FUNDED EMPLOYEES AMENDING RESOLUTION 80-158

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved adoption of Resolution No. 80-241. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

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At 8:47 p.m., the City Council/Redevelopment Agency convened in a joint session to consider --

15. HEARINGS:

- 15a. CUP 80-26, FAB, A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP: Joint Public Hearing by the City Council and Redevelopment Agency concerning request for additional approval of a Conditional Use Permit regarding Buildings #1, #2, #5, #4, #7 and #8 within the Skypark Redevelopment Project Area, and accompanying RESOLUTION.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by City Clerk Nelson, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, and invited comments from the audience.

Mr. Dick Huddleson was present to represent FAB; there were no questions of Mr. Huddleson.

There being no one else in the audience who wished to speak, Mr. Walker moved to close the hearing; seconded by Mr. Rossberg, and unanimously carried by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 80-242 (RA 80-17)

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, GRANTING ADDITIONAL APPROVALS OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDING #1 (BANK AND SAVINGS & LOAN OFFICES), BUILDING #2 (A TWO-STORY GENERAL OFFICE BUILDING CONTAINING THE GOOD EARTH COFFEE SHOP REQUESTING SERVICE OF BEER AND WINE), BUILDING #5 (A TWO-STORY GENERAL OFFICE BUILDING), AND BUILDINGS #4, #7 AND #8 (A THREE-STORY GENERAL OFFICE BUILDING AND TWO MEDICAL OFFICE BUILDINGS) WITHIN THE SKYPARK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA, IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED CONCEPT PLAN CUP 80-26; FAB, A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP

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MOTION: Mr. Walker moved adoption of Resolution No. 80-242 (RA 80-17). His motion was seconded by Mr. Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

The Council returned to its regular agenda at 8:53 p.m.

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15b. D 80-15, BILLY D. AND MARY E. GRAY: Appeal of Planning Commission denial of a Division of Lot to allow the creation of three lots from a single parcel in the Hillside Overlay District at 4076 Bluff Street. Planning Commission recommends denial of project. Planning Department recommends approval of project.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by City Clerk Nelson, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing.

Councilwoman Geissert expressed concerns regarding the timely submission of a soil and geologic report on this property, and it was ultimately recommended by Councilman Brown, concurred in by Mrs. Geissert, that this report be tied in with the Precise Plan requirement of the Hillside Overlay District.

Audience comments were then invited by Mayor Armstrong.

Mr. Dudley Gray, 18411 Crenshaw Boulevard, attorney for the proponent, spoke in opposition to the request for a sewer easement across this property to service two existing houses on Mesa Street, and indicated his opinion that this request is beyond reason and one which could not legally be imposed by the City in that it constitutes the taking of property from one property owner for the direct benefit of another, as opposed to imposing a condition for the general health, safety and welfare of the public as a whole.

It was the suggestion of City Attorney Remelmeyer that this matter be held to the next City Council meeting to allow the City Attorney's office an opportunity to respond to Mr. Gray's comments.

Mr. Billy Gray, applicant, 1115 17th Street, Hermosa Beach, noted his concerns regarding the stability of the soil and his desire that the hillside not be disturbed for the provision of such an easement.

MOTION: Councilman Brown moved to hold Item 15b. until the November 18, 1980, City Council meeting with instruction to the City Attorney to come back with a report as to the legal authority of the City to impose the easement condition; further, to instruct the Building and Safety Staff to come back with an additional analysis as to possible alternatives. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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15c. CUP 80-34, GRACE BRETHREN CHURCH: Appeal of Planning Commission denial of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a church at the Sepulveda School site in the P-U zone on property located at 4600 Merrill Street. Planning Commission recommends denial of the project. Planning Department recommends approval of the project.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by City Clerk Nelson, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, following which the Mayor called attention to receipt of one letter of protest this date, and further noted that the Planning Department is now recommending approval, rather than their previous recommendation for denial, because of newly available Code required parking.

It was the recommendation of Councilman Brown that this matter be returned to the Planning Commission in view of the new input.

Councilman Applegate expressed concerns regarding the apparent leasing of property by the School District minus appropriate notification re City requirements -- Mr. Applegate expressed an interest in lease terms, etc., in the subject case.

It was generally agreed by the Council that lines of communication with the School District should be improved. It was suggested by City Attorney Remelmeyer that the Council might request the School District to notify the Planning Department each time one of the school sites is leased.

Mr. Tom Hughes, 24216 Park Street, pastor of the Grace Brethren Church, advised that he had been unaware of the CUP requirement at the time he leased the property. Mr. Hughes also advised that he has received correspondence from the School District requesting that he vacate the premises.

There being no further audience comments, Councilman Applegate moved to close the hearing; seconded by Councilman Brown, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to send Item 15c. back to the Planning Commission for reconsideration based on new information (re parking). The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg.

Councilman Applegate explained that it is his desire to allow for use of this school site by the church in the event that such an arrangement might be made with the new property owners.

Roll call vote on the above motion proved unanimously favorable.

- 15d. CUP 80-29, McDONALD'S CORPORATION: Appeal of Planning Commission approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the construction of a McDonalds restaurant in the Best Plaza development in the C-3 (PP) zone at 20200 Hawthorne Boulevard. Planning Commission and Planning Department recommend denial of appeal.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by City Clerk Nelson, and it was ordered filed, there being no objections.

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, and noted receipt of correspondence dated October 27, 1980, of official record, requesting continuance of this matter to November 18, 1980.

MOTION: Councilman Walker moved to concur with the request to continue Item 15d. to the City Council meeting of November 18, 1980. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate.

Prior to vote on the motion, Mr. Bill Frish, 2418 West 171st Street, proprietor of a store in Best Plaza, submitted a petition to the City Clerk signed by 19 of the 21 members of the Best Plaza Merchants' Association.

The above motion for continuance to November 18, 1980, was carried without objection.

- 15e. RESOLUTION Authorizing FY 1980-81 Application for Operating Assistance under Section 5 of the Urban Mass Transportation Act.

RECOMMENDATION OF DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

The Department of Transportation RECOMMENDS that your Honorable Body adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Director of Transportation to apply for UMTA Section 5 Operating Assistance funds in the sum of \$864,000.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by City Clerk Nelson, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, and inquired if anyone wished to be heard. There was no response.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 80-243

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, FOR AN OPERATING ASSISTANCE GRANT UNDER SECTION 5 OF THE URBAN MASS TRANSPORTATION ACT OF 1964, AS AMENDED.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved for adoption of Resolution No. 80-243. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17a. BALLOT PROPOSITIONS - Review and recommendations of Council Ad Hoc Committee re Legislation.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

SUPPORT: Propositions 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, and B.

OPPOSE: Propositions 10, and A.

NO POSITION: Propositions 2, 3, 6, 11, C, and D.

MOTION: Mayor Armstrong moved approval of the Committee recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg.

Discussion ensued, there being some differing opinions expressed regarding Proposition B, whereupon Mayor Armstrong MODIFIED his above motion to exclude consideration of Proposition B.

From the audience, Mr. William R. Thompson, 3540 Maricopa, Apt. #67, provided his personal views regarding Proposition B.

Councilman Applegate also noted <sup>personal</sup> opinions differing from those of the Committee regarding certain other propositions, in addition to Proposition B.

Roll call vote on Mayor Armstrong's motion for approval of the Committee's recommendation, holding Proposition B, proved unanimously favorable, with the exception of a negative vote by Councilman Applegate.

A MOTION was then offered by Councilman Brown that the position of the Committee in support of Proposition B, be approved by the City Council. This motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg.

A SUBSTITUTE MOTION was offered by Councilwoman Geissert that the Council take a NO POSITION on Proposition B. This substitute motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and carried by way of the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate, Geissert, Walker and  
Wilson

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brown, Rossberg and Mayor Armstrong

Councilman Rossberg then MOVED to make Council action on Proposition B, unanimous. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and, there being no objection, it was so ordered.

17b. RESOLUTION Opposing Proposition A.

RESOLUTION NO. 80-244

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
TORRANCE OPPOSING A ONE-HALF CENT INCREASE IN THE  
SALES TAX IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR EXCLUSIVELY  
TRANSIT PURPOSES

MOTION: Councilman Walker moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 80-244. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote proved unanimously favorable.

17c. REQUEST FOR POLICY DETERMINATION re Rolling Hills Plaza Company Lease Extension Request.

Mr. Jim Bower, 2633 Airport Drive, was present to request favorable consideration of the subject lease renegotiation (per correspondence of record, dated August 21, 1980).

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to direct Staff to begin some in-depth negotiations, with the recommendation that this matter be returned to the City Council and, possibly, the Council Finance Committee. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

20a. APPROVAL OF FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 39350.

SUBDIVIDER: Charles Gotanda

LOCATION: Northeast Corner of Artesia Blvd. and Casimir Ave.

NO. OF LOTS: 1 (79 Unit Condominium)

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/PLANNING DIRECTOR:

That Final Tract Map No. 39350 be approved.

20b. SALE OF SURPLUS 1962 FIRE DEPARTMENT CRASH UNIT.  
AMOUNT OF SALE: \$2651.06.

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

It is recommended that Council accept the high bid submitted by the Beaver Utah Emergency Services Organization and authorize the sale of the surplus unit to them for the total amount of \$2651.06 (including sales tax which the City must charge on the sale of the unit).

20c. AWARD OF CONTRACT -

RE: REROOFING OR RESURFACING FOUR CITY BUILDINGS  
 REF: Bid No. B80-73  
 EXPENDITURE: \$12,652.00

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

It is recommended that inasmuch as the low bidder, Bond Home Roofing of Torrance, has done previous roofing work for the City and said work was satisfactory, it is recommended that Council award them the contract for the roofing work in the total amount of \$12,652.00 including tax.

20d. COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION FOR TORRANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN A "COOPERATIVE CONTRACT" with Los Angeles County for the Purchase of Econolite Traffic Control Signal Parts and Related Hardware.

REF. Los Angeles County Cooperative Contract Agreement No. 39878  
 ESTIMATED ANNUAL EXPENDITURE: \$150,000.00

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

In accordance with the City of Torrance's Purchasing ordinance providing for "Cooperative Purchases" with "other" public agencies, it is recommended that Council do authorize Torrance's continued participation with the Los Angeles County on the ECONOLITE contract in accordance with the original terms, conditions and discounts of Los Angeles County Agreement No. 39878 for the required traffic control signal parts and related hardware for the total estimated amount of \$150,000.00

20e. Held.

MOTION: Councilman Brown moved to concur with Staff recommendations on Agenda Items 20a, 20b, 20c, and 20d. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

20e. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Re: Contract to Provide Technical Consulting Services to Conduct a Study of the Needs for the New Police Facility Regarding: New Telephone System

A Radio-Communication System (including emergency operating center)

And Conduct a Related Study of Other City Departments to Identify and update their needs for telephone and radio-communication service.

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RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

It is the recommendation of Staff that Council approve of the City entering into contracts for TECHNICAL CONSULTING SERVICES to study and analyze the telephone and radio-communication needs of the Police Department and other City Departments for the purpose of identifying those needs as follows:

1. Recommend a contract be awarded to the Communications Resource Company of Santa Ana, California, to conduct the study of "needs" for a telephone system "as specified" in the total amount of \$7150.00.
2. Recommend a contract be awarded to Telecomm Consultants, Inc. of San Gabriel, California, to conduct the study of "needs" on a radio-communications system "as specified" in the total amount of \$26,211.00.

Following receipt of desired clarification by Purchasing Supervisor White, action was taken as shown below:

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with Staff recommendation on Agenda Item 20e. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

21. ADDENDUM MATTERS:21a. COUNCIL APPROVAL FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOUR POLICE SERVICE DOGS:RECOMMENDATION OF POLICE CHIEF:

The Police Department recommends that your Honorable Body approve the expenditure of \$16,000.00 for the purchase of four (4) European German Shepherd Police Service Dogs from the Adlerhorst Kennels of Riverside.

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

22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. Councilman Applegate requested that the policy on tenant relocation be readdressed to determine whether or not this pertains to single-family residences.

22b. Councilman Applegate announced a softball game in the near future between the City and Daily Breeze personnel.

22c. Councilwoman Geissert announced, with considerable grandmotherly pride, the arrival, on October 23, 1980, of Carl William Geissert, who weighed in at 8 pounds 14 ounces. This young man has the distinct honor of claiming both grandmothers as City Government officials -- his paternal grandmother, a Councilwoman for the City of Torrance, and his maternal grandmother, a Councilwoman for the City of Fresno.

22d. It was suggested by Councilman Rossberg that the local Chamber of Commerce might be interested in sending representation to the November 13th Emergency Conference on Housing in Sacramento. The City Manager's office will follow through.

22e. Councilman Rossberg requested that Staff follow up regarding budget responsibilities of the HUD Regional Office.

22f. The idea of a reunion of past and current Mayors and Councilmembers as well as all elected officials who have contributed to the formation and government of this City, was proposed by Councilman Rossberg -- Staff to follow through.

22g. The outstanding efforts of Dave Ferren and Roy Payne in public contact work on the City's behalf, were praised by Councilman Rossberg.

22h. Mayor Armstrong requested that Staff investigate the Urban Grant Program with regard to Cal State Dominguez to explore the University as a resource to the City.

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At 10:10 p.m., the Council recessed in an Executive Session, returning at 10:40 p.m., at which time Councilman Walker moved to adjourn to November 18, 1980, at 5:30 p.m. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and approval was unanimous.

Adjournment was in the memory of Mr. Ralph Torino.

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Peggy Laverty  
Minute Secretary

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Sherie L. Nelson, City Clerk

  
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Mayor of the City of Torrance