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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 6, 1981, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at 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:

Planning Associate Rosalie Woodward led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Bill Norton, South Bay Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Applegate moved to approve the minutes of December 2, 1980, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

6. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Applegate 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

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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 Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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Mayor Armstrong regretfully announced the passing of Mrs. Frank (Bess) Paour, Jr., a lifetime Torrance resident; and of Reverend Milton Sippell, past pastor of Torrance's First Christian Church and former member of the Park and Recreation Commission. The Mayor directed that this meeting be adjourned in memory of these two fine Torrance citizens.

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7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

City Council Workshop:

City Manager's Proposed Action Plan
January 13, 1981 - 5:30 P.M.
Council Chambers

Council/Planning Commission Committee:

January 15th at 11:30 A.M.

8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:

8a. RECOGNITION OF SERVICE to Youth Council member.

Recognition of the outstanding service of Mr. Kenny Chen as a Youth Council member was made by way of a plaque presented by Mayor Armstrong, on behalf of the Council. Mr. Chen expressed his sincere appreciation for this recognition.

8b. RECOGNITION OF RETIRING EMPLOYEES.

Plaques in recognition of the dedicated public service to the City of Torrance were presented retiring employees Ken Turner and Bill Hashimoto by Mayor Armstrong, on behalf of the Council. Messrs. Turner and Hashimoto conveyed their gratitude for the long association with the City of Torrance and for this tribute.

9. LIBRARY/PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:9a. CHARLES H. WILSON PARK - Phase II Completion.RECOMMENDATION OF PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR:

Since all of the contract items have been completed for the Phase II area of Wilson Park, it is the recommendation of Staff that the City Council approve the final payment to Victor Construction Company, Inc., and accept the park work as completed.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the Park and Recreation Director. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:10a. LITTER CONTROL GRANTS - State of California.

RECOMMENDATION OF STREET MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT/ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST: That the City Council approve, by resolution, the filing of an application implementing the litter education program as outlined in communication of December 26th (of record). The completion of this action needs to be taken immediately given the January 15, 1981 application deadline.

Councilmembers Rossberg and Geissert warmly commended the Staff report in this matter -- the author of the report, a new member of the Staff, Administrative Specialist Jacqui MacCrossen was introduced and welcomed by the Council.

: RESOLUTION NO. 81-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS UNDER THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT OF 1980

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above stated Staff recommendation and for the adoption of Resolution No. 81-1. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10b. AUTOMATED REFUSE COLLECTION.RECOMMENDATION OF STREET MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT:

That your Honorable Body:

1. Authorize Staff to continue providing the automated refuse collection program;

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2. Expand the automated refuse collection program to include 489 additional homes with alley pick-up; and
3. Authorize Staff to purchase an additional automated refuse truck through Federal Revenue Sharing Funds.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the Street Maintenance Superintendent. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

14. PERSONNEL MATTERS:

- 14a. RESOLUTION adopting the Torrance Police Officers' Association 1980-82 MOU.

RESOLUTION NO. 81-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 27, 1980 TO JULY 31, 1982

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 81-2. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

15. HEARINGS:

- 15a. CUP 80-26, F.A.B., A General Partnership.

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22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. Councilman Applegate announced that a 10K Run will be scheduled on Armed Forces Day prior to the Parade.

22b. Councilwoman Geissert reported the request of retired Police Officer Joe Miles re: PERS cost of living adjustments for retirees, and requested that this matter be returned as an agenda item in the near future.

22c. Councilman Rossberg provided a report on the status of preparations for Armed Forces Day.

22d. Councilman Rossberg requested Staff input regarding commercial condo conversion and paid parking; these are matters which should not be "held in abeyance." The Council was in concurrence, and it was so ordered.

22e. Councilman Wilson commended the Rose Float Association for its untiring efforts; however, Dr. Wilson expressed his disappointment at the second place showing, and suggested that Staff review other options relative to sponsorship and float building abilities.

22f. Councilman Wilson requested that Staff investigate the feasibility of having the Torrance bus line come down Figueroa instead of Hill Street, based on a citizen's concern.

22g. Mayor Armstrong extended warm wishes for a Happy New Year to all.

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At 6:10 P.M. the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency -- this a JOINT SESSION.

Considered was:

15. HEARINGS:

- 15a. CUP 80-26. F.A.B., A General Partnership: Joint public hearing by the City Council and Redevelopment Agency concerning request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the construction of Building #3 (T.G.I. Friday's, a bona fide eating establishment serving alcoholic beverages) within the Skypark Redevelopment Project Area, in conformance with the previously approved Concept Plan.

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

Mayor/Chairman Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, and following presentation by Planning Director Shartle, invited comments from the audience.

Desired clarification was provided the Council/Agency by Messrs. Dick Huddleston, 24050 Madison, representing FAB, and Greg Michel from Dallas, Texas, representing T.G.I. Friday.

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There being no one else present who wished to be heard, Mr. Applegate moved that the hearing be closed. His motion, seconded by Mr. Walker, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

At the request of Mayor/Chairman Armstrong, Deputy City Clerk Babb assigned numbers and read titles to:

RESOLUTION NO. 81-3 (Council)
RESOLUTION NO. RA 81-1 (Agency)

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, GRANTING APPROVAL OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDING #1 (BANK AND SAVINGS AND LOAN OFFICES); BUILDING #2 (A TWO-STORY GENERAL OFFICE BUILDING CONTAINING "THE GOOD EARTH" COFFEE SHOP REQUESTING SERVICE OF BEER AND WINE); BUILDING #3 (T.G.I. FRIDAY'S, A BONA FIDE EATING ESTABLISHMENT SERVING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES); BUILDING #4 (A THREE-STORY GENERAL OFFICE BUILDING); BUILDING #5 (A TWO-STORY GENERAL OFFICE BUILDING); BUILDING #6 (A TWO-STORY GENERAL OFFICE BUILDING); BUILDING #7 (A THREE-STORY MEDICAL OFFICE BUILDING); BUILDING #8 (A THREE-STORY MEDICAL OFFICE BUILDING) WITHIN THE SKYPARK REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA, IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED CONCEPT PLAN CUP 80-26; FAB, A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP

Councilman Walker moved for the adoption of Resolutions No. 81-3 and RA 81-1. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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The Council returned to its agenda at 6:25 P.M.

22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Cont.):

22h. Mrs. Peggy Meade(?), 2418 Loftyview, related the tragic murder of her daughter, Laura Lesinski, in March, 1980--to date, some nine months later and after hundreds of hours of investigation by the Torrance Police Department, there is no suspect. It is desired to establish a reward fund for information leading to the arrest of her killer; City support was solicited.

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Mayor Armstrong conveyed the deep sympathy of the Council in this matter. The Mayor then noted the inability of the City to make a gift of public funds, but directed that every possible Staff effort be made in this campaign.

At 6:30 P.M. Councilman Wilson moved to adjourn to Tuesday, January 13, 1981, at 5:30 P.M. for the Workshop re: City Manager's Proposed Action Plan. The motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. This meeting was adjourned in memory of Mrs. Frankie Paour, Jr. and Reverend Milton Sippell.

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Sherie L. Nelson

Sherie L. Nelson, City Clerk

James R. Armstrong

Mayor of the City of Torrance