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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, November 24, 1981, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Applegate, Brown, Rossberg, Walker, Wilson and Mayor Armstrong.

Absent: Councilwoman Geissert (out of town).

Also present: City Manager Ferraro and Staff representatives.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Police Captain Bruce Randall led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Ray Lambert, First Christian Church, gave the invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Applegate moved to approve the minutes of October 27, 1981, as recorded. His motion, seconded by Councilman Brown, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Absent: Councilwoman Geissert).

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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 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 Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

None scheduled.

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A warm "welcome back" was extended Councilman Brown by Mayor Armstrong, on behalf of all present, after his most successful back surgery and rapid recovery.

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8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:8a. INTRODUCTION OF HONORED GUESTS from Sister City
Kashiwa, Japan.

Mayor Armstrong introduced and extended good wishes and City mementos to the following delegates:

Terumi Miyama, Principal of Matsuba Junior High School;
Kan Katori, Vice Principal of Sakaine Higashi Elementary School;
Tsuneo Okasa, teacher at Sakasai Elementary School;
Saku Takanoyama, teacher at Yutaka Elementary School; and
Sachiko Morita, teacher, Tomise Higashi Elementary School.

8b. BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS:

Chairman Limbird, Torrance Environmental Quality and Energy Commission, presented the following Beautification Awards:

Residential Land Use:
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dukes
3510 Newton Street

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Industrial Land Use:
Kay Properties
23900 Hawthorne Boulevard.

- 8c. PROCLAMATION - "Family Week" - November 22, 1981.
- 8d. PROCLAMATION - "Red Ribbon - Red Badge of Courage Week" -
November 29-December 5, 1981.

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

- 8e. RESOLUTION extending congratulations to Saint
Andrews Church upon final payment of the church
mortgage.

RESOLUTION NO. 81-251

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS
TO SAINT ANDREWS CHURCH UPON FINAL PAYMENT
OF THE CHURCH MORTGAGE

Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution
No. 81-251. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and
roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert
absent).

Considered by the Council at this time, out of order:

11. POLICE AND FIRE MATTERS:
- 11a. POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS PROGRAM - "Puppets".

RECOMMENDATION OF CHIEF OF POLICE:

That the Council accept and appropriate \$832.50
for the acquisition of "puppets" to be used in
conjunction with the Police Department's school
Community Relations Program.

Staff presentation was provided by Police Officer Ron
Traber, greatly enhanced by his puppeteer talents.

Officer Traber's community efforts were acknowledged
and warmly commended by Councilmen Rossberg and Applegate.
It was the opinion of Councilman Applegate that the puppet
program is an outstanding one, and, accordingly, offered the
following MOTION: That the Council appropriate these monies
from the Reserve for Contingencies. The motion was seconded
by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously
favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

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The Council now returned to:

10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:

10a. PURCHASE OF HEAVY VEHICLE WRECKER UNIT.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF:

That Council authorize the purchase of this new wrecker unit "as built" from Fruehauf Truck Equipment Company of Los Angeles (authorized distributors for the Holmes Wrecker Tow/Lift Systems) for the total BEST PRICE offer of \$46,495.00 plus tax (\$49,284.70 total).

Staff presentation was provided by Director of Transportation Horkay.

Council discussion ensued and concerns were expressed pertaining to the cost effectiveness, overall usage, best use of funds, related expenses of such a unit (personnel, premium pay, maintenance, etc.). Also noted was communication from the Van Lingen Body Shop regarding this matter.

It was the ultimate direction of the Council that this item be returned in two weeks with further input pertaining to the above expressed concerns.

10b. NOTICE OF COMPLETION - Madrona Avenue - Phase II - From Carson Street to Torrance Boulevard (B81-31).

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That the work be accepted and final payment be made to the contractor, CALEX PAVING COMPANY.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Engineer. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

11. POLICE AND FIRE MATTERS:

11a. POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS PROGRAM - "Puppets".

See Page 3.

11b. AWARD OF CONTRACT for Purchase of Communications Logging Tape Recorder System for the new Police Facility.

RECOMMENDATION OF POLICE DEPARTMENT:

That the City Council:

1. Authorize destruction of recordings and radio communications after three months.
2. Authorize Staff to negotiate a contract with Dictaphone Corporation, 1810 - 4th Street,

Santa Monica, California, 90404, for the purchase, installation and 15-month full maintenance of the tape recorder equipment, and tapes in the amount of \$36,977.59, including tax.

It was the consensus of the Council that additional information and clarification was needed re: Staff recommendation #1.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with Staff recommendation #2, Staff to return with input re: recommendation #1. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

It was confirmed by Captain Randall, at Councilman Brown's question, that the existing equipment cannot be upgraded to meet the features of the new system.

17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17a. EXECUTIVE SESSION re: Litigation.

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17b. RESOLUTION re: Contract with Cortex Corporation.

RESOLUTION NO. 81-252

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING
THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND
ATTEST A CONTRACT WITH CORTEX CORPORATION
FOR USE OF THE INFORM LANGUAGE, TRAINING
IN THE LANGUAGE AND DEVELOPMENT OF A
PAYROLL/LABOR SYSTEM

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 81-252. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

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At 7:50 P.M. the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency; the Agency recessed at 7:51 P.M. to await Joint Executive Session at the conclusion of the Council meeting (7:55 P.M. to 9:37 P.M.)

Council business was resumed at this time:

20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

20a. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Furnishing Police Vehicle Light-bars and Sirens - Ref. Bid #B81-84
Expenditure: \$12,033.54

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING AGENT/BUYER:

That your Honorable Body award contracts to the low bidders as follows: (Per bid material, of record)
1. To F. Morton Pitt Company for bid items 3,4 and 5 in the total amount of \$7053.08, including tax.
2. To Davis Company for bid items 1,2,6 and 7 in the total amount of \$4980.46, including tax.

20b. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Furnishing Processed Miscellaneous Base (for street paving work). Ref. Bid #B81-86
Expenditure: \$8,625.00.

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING AGENT/BUYER:

That your Honorable Body award a six-month contract to Blue Diamond Materials Division of Sully Miller Company to furnish this product for the total amount of \$8,625.00, including tax.

20c. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Furnishing Annual Requirements of Asphalt Plant Mix. Ref. Bid #B81-85
Expenditure: \$582,288.00

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING AGENT/BUYER:

That your Honorable Body approve of the award of a 12-month contract and award that contract to Blue Diamond Materials, Division of the Sully Miller Company, for the total amount of \$582,288.00 for the City's annual requirements of asphalt materials.

20d. ENERGY RETROFIT CONTRACT - City Hall and Main Library.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUILDING AND SAFETY DIRECTOR:

That low bidder, Airadiant, Inc. dba Rusher Air Conditioning, be awarded the contract for the modifications, dampers, fans, sensors, electrical wiring and structural modifications to the buildings to perform the retrofitting modifications to the City Hall and Main Library in the amount of \$67,323. No further appropriation is necessary at this time since the money for this work was appropriated at your Council meeting of September 22, 1981.

20e. AWARD OF PHASE II FOLLOW-ON CONSULTING SERVICE CONTRACT. Re: installation of new Telephone System. Expenditure: \$7,020.00

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF:

That Council authorize the award of the follow-on contract for required consulting services associated with the installation of the City's new telephone system to the Communications Resources Company, in the total amount of \$7,020.00.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items 20a, 20b, 20c, 20d and 20e. His motion, seconded by Councilman Applegate, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. City Manager Ferraro noted the traditional Council "dark night" between Christmas and New Years, and requested formal approval of same. Councilman Applegate MOVED that December 29th be a "dark night" for the Torrance City Council. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson; there were no objections, and it was so ordered.

22b. Councilman Applegate commended the Torrance Police Department for both its efficient uniformed and canine personnel -- a recent burglary at his office and the capable handling of the matter by the department prompted these remarks.

22c. Mayor Armstrong noted the forthcoming trip to the Pentagon by him, accompanied by Councilman Applegate and Captain Lanham, on matters affecting the Armed Forces Day Parade -- it is their intent to return in time for next Tuesday's meeting.

22d. Mayor Armstrong wished all present and all members of the City Staff the very best of everything and a "Happy Thanksgiving."

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Item 17a. - EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 7:55 p.m. the Council recessed for a Joint Executive Session with the Redevelopment Agency, returning at 9:35 P.M. Council action was as follows: Councilman Walker moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Attorney in the matter of Durment vs. the City of Torrance. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

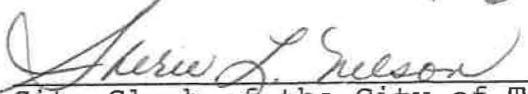
Adjournment was at 9:37 P.M.

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Mayor of the City of Torrance


City Clerk of the City of Torrance