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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, December 22, 1981, at 7:00 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:

Ms. Jean Jeffries led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Mike Files, Assembly of God Church, provided the invocation for the meeting.

STANDARD MOTIONS:5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Applegate moved to approve the minutes of November 10, 1981, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brown; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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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.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

None scheduled.

8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:8a. RECOGNITION OF RETIRING CITY EMPLOYEES.

Retiring City employees Robert Moore and Clayton Gage were presented plaques by Mayor Armstrong, on behalf of the Council -- their dedicated efforts to the City were warmly commended by the Mayor; good wishes for their retirement were also extended.

9. LIBRARY/PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:9a. DONATION OF MATCHING FUNDS FOR PARK BENCH IN LEGION PARK.

RECOMMENDATION OF PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT:
That your Honorable Body accept the donation of \$210 for a park bench for Legion Square and direct Staff to prepare letters of appreciation for this donation to the Old Tyme Christmas Committee and the Recycling Committee.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the above stated recommendation. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

9b. RESOLUTION Establishing Fees and Fines for Use of Library Video Cassettes.

Mr. John McDermott, 2207 West 230th Place, protested the proposed fees, particularly the \$25.00 replacement fee, in that the number of times it had been played would be unknown to the borrower; the replacement cost, in the event of loss, was also protested by Mr. McDermott.

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In the opinion of Councilman Walker instructional and educational films should be differentiated from "entertainment" films, with fees being charged only for the "entertainment" films.

Councilman Walker offered the following modifications to Staff recommendations:

"The fee to check out a recreational video cassette....excluding instructional films;

"The fee for damage to a video cassette -- up to \$25.00;

"The fee for loss of a video cassette should be up to the cost of the original video cassette, plus a \$2.25 service charge."

Councilman Walker so MOVED, but the MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved that there be a fee for all video cassettes; concurring with Councilman Walker's recommendations re: "fee up to \$25.00," and "fee for loss of video cassette." The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

Councilman Walker commented that his negative vote was for the reason that he feels there are some areas, such as public safety, where there should not be charges.

At the request of Mayor Armstrong, City Clerk Nelson assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 81-264

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE ESTABLISHING FEES FOR
THE USE, DAMAGE, LOSS AND LATE RETURN OF
LIBRARY VIDEO CASSETTES

Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 81-264, as above modified. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and carried; with roll call vote as follows:

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

10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:

- 10a.
- RESOLUTION
- re: Maple Avenue Crossing of Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company Upgrading Crossing Protection at Civic Center Drive.

RESOLUTION NO. 81-265

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 BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE ATCHISON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF ONE ADDITIONAL NO. 8 FLASHING-LIGHT SIGNAL AT MAPLE AVENUE CROSSING OF THE SANTA FE TRACK ADJACENT TO CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, DESIGNATED BY THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION AS CROSSING NO. 2H-21.32-C

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 81-265. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

- 10b.
- AWARD OF CONTRACT
- for Four Transit Coaches to Flyer Industries, Ltd.
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- Total Expenditure: \$595,583.44, including tax and delivery.

RECOMMENDATION OF TRANSPORTATION AND FINANCE DEPARTMENTS: That your Honorable Body approve ordering four transit coaches from Flyer Industries, Limited of Canada, for a total cost including tax and delivery of \$595,583.44.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the above stated Staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

11. POLICE AND FIRE MATTERS:

- 11a.
- COUNCIL AWARD OF PHASE II FOLLOW-ON CONSULTING SERVICE
- (Police Department)
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- Expenditure: Not to exceed \$29,000.00

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF:
That Council authorize the follow-on Phase II Award for required consulting services associated with the installation of the City's new communication and related systems for the new Police Facility to TeleComm Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$29,000.00.

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

14. PERSONNEL MATTERS:

14a. RESOLUTION re: Information Systems Officer.

RESOLUTION NO. 81-266

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR LIMITED TENURE EMPLOYEES FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 1982 TO JUNE 30, 1982

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 81-266. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert; roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

14b. Safety Management Employees -- re: maximum sick leave accrual.

Held for two weeks, at the request of Assistant City Manager Jackson. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

14c. TEMPORARY STANDBY ATTORNEY FOR CRIMINAL PROSECUTION.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ATTORNEY:

That the City Council authorize me to hire Owen Boon as special counsel for a two-month period beginning January 6, 1982, and appropriate not to exceed \$5,000 from the General Fund Unappropriated Reserve therefor.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the City Attorney. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brown, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17a. Executive Session.

See Page 8 (Redevelopment Agency matter).

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The hour being 7:40 P.M., a 10-minute recess was ordered by Mayor Armstrong, with an invitation to all present to partake of fruit cake and punch -- the traditional holiday festivities made possible by the thoughtfulness of Councilwoman Geissert and the Rose Float Association.

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- 17b. RESOLUTION re: Leases for Airport NAVAIDS (VASI and MALS/R).

RESOLUTION NO. 81-267

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING CERTAIN LEASES BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF LANDING AIDS ON THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THOSE LEASES

It was the recommendation of Councilman Brown, concurred in by the Council, that language be inserted in the lease to the effect that either the Federal government of the City shall have the right to terminate this lease in whole or in part by giving at least 60 days advance notice to the other party.

MOTION: Councilman Brown moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 81-267, with the above stated modification to the lease. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 20a. NOTICE OF COMPLETION - Arlington Avenue from Lincoln Avenue to Sepulveda Boulevard and Lomita Boulevard east of Hawthorne Boulevard (B80-72).

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

1. That the work be accepted and final payment be made to the Contractor; and
2. That fifteen days liquidated damages be assessed the Contractor.

- 20b. AWARD OF ANNUAL CONTRACTS for Purchase of new Truck Tires, utilizing "Cooperative Purchase Agreement" with Los Angeles County.

- Ref. A. Light Truck Tires and Tubes
Los Angeles Agreement #44192
- B. Large Truck and Off-the-Road Tires
and Tubes
Los Angeles Agreement #44193

Annual Anticipated Expenditure: \$20,000.

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RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF:

That Council authorize Torrance's participation with Los Angeles County on their "Cooperative Purchasing Program" for the procurement of Light and Large Truck Tires and Off-the-Road Heavy Equipment Truck Tires (and tubes) and to award the following Annual Contracts for these requirements as follows:

1. To the Hollwood Tire Company of Los Angeles for the purchase of Light Truck Tires and Tubes (Goodyear) to be furnished in accordance with Los Angeles County Agreement #44192, for the anticipated amount of \$10,000, including tax.
2. To the Talin Tire, Inc. company of Long Beach for the purchase of Large Truck Tires and Tubes and Off-the-Road Heavy Equipment Tires (Firestone) to be furnished in accordance with Los Angeles County Agreement #44193, for the anticipated amount of \$10,000, including tax.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items 20a and 20b. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. City Manager Ferraro, on behalf of City Staff members, 1600-strong, extended best wishes for the holiday season to the Council -- Merry Christmas and a Happy 1982. Like good wishes were conveyed by the Council and Mayor Armstrong.

22b. Councilman Applegate requested clarification pertaining to the Planning Director salary indicated in recruitment packet -- Assistant City Manager Jackson provided same.

22c. Councilman Rossberg suggested that Staff investigate the merits of a video camera which would permit the public to see the speaker at the podium during Council meetings.

22d. Councilman Rossberg commended Planning Associate Progen for the wording of the notification letter sent to residents and businesses in the Downtown Redevelopment study area.

22e. Mayor Armstrong reaffirmed his gratitude for the expressions of sympathy at the loss of his father and mother in 1981. The Mayor also expressed appreciation to Staff

for their excellence throughout 1981, and for making his job a lot easier; and to the Council for its dignity and sense of decorum.

22f. Ms. Pauline Greer, president, TME, Local 1117, pointed out the acute need for a meeting of the Council Employee Relations Committee.

Councilman Walker, Committee Chairman, advised that such a meeting will be scheduled early in January.

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The hour being 8:20 P.M., the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency, going into Executive Session at 8:21 P.M. On their return Agency action was taken, per December 22nd minutes. Adjournment to January 5, 1982 was at 8:35 P.M.

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ADJOURNMENT:

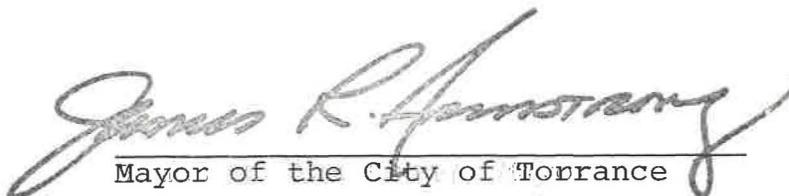
At 8:36 P.M. Councilman Wilson moved to adjourn to Tuesday, January 5, 1982, at 5:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

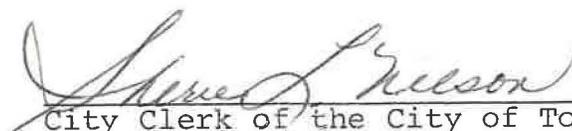
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Mayor of the City of Torrance


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