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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, May 11, 1982, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

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

Also present: City Manager Ferraro and Staff representatives.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Captain Randall led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Pastor Lloyd Newlin, First Baptist Church, provided the invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Applegate moved to approve the minutes of April 6, 1982 and April 13, 1982, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, 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 waived, reserving and guaranteeing to each Councilmember the right to demand the reading of any such resolution or ordinance in regular

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order. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Community Planning and Design:  
Thursday, May 20th, at 4:00 P.M.

Armed Forces Ad Hoc Committee  
Armed Forces Day Celebration/2nd Annual 10K Run -  
Saturday, May 15th.

8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:

8a. PROCLAMATION - "Police Week" - May 9-15, 1982.

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong, with acceptance by Chief of Police Nash. Chief Nash also announced that there will be Inspection of Police Officers, followed by the annual memorial to slain police officers, at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday, May 15th; further, there will be an "Open House" for viewing of the new Police Facility from noon until dark on that date.

TPOA president Harold Maestri expressed appreciation for this Proclamation and the kind words contained therein.

8b. PRESENTATION TO THE CITY of a Scroll.

Presentation to the City of a scroll adapted from Francis of Assisi's "Letter to the Rulers of the People" Circa 1220, to commemorate the 800th anniversary of the birth of St. Francis was made, with grateful acceptance by Mayor Armstrong.

8c. RECOGNITION OF AYSO CHAMPIONS.

Appropriate presentations of recognition and awards to AYSO Section 1, League Champions, from South Torrance Region 12, Division II to players and coaches were made by Councilmembers Geissert, Rossberg and Mayor Armstrong -- with warm congratulations for this outstanding accomplishment.

8d. RESOLUTION commending Mr. D. Loring Marlett.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-101

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY  
OF TORRANCE COMMENDING MR. D. LORING MARLETT  
ON HIS SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-101. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

8e. RECOGNITION OF CITY EMPLOYEES.

Recognition and presentations were made to John Hoffman, George Papac, Stanley Remelmeyer, Jose Solis and Philip Wall -- employees with twenty-five years of service with the City of Torrance -- by Mayor Armstrong, with sincere congratulations, on behalf of the Council and all present. (Unable to be present were Harold Clayton and Ernest Mata.)

8f. PROCLAMATION - "Municipal Clerk's Week" - May 10-15, 1982.

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

City Clerk Babb accepted this proclamation, introduced Staff members of the City Clerk's office, and invited all present to attend the "Open House" now under way in the City Clerk's office.

Mayor Armstrong declared a recess for this purpose, the hour being 7:35 P.M.

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10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:

10a. RESOLUTION to Levy Assessment Amount in Street Lighting District #17.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-102

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, LEVYING THE ASSESSMENT FOR THE SIXTH YEAR (OF THE TWENTY YEAR PERIOD) BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 1982, AND ENDING OCTOBER 31, 1983, PURSUANT TO PROCEEDINGS UNDER RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO. 77-133; ORDERING THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSMIT DIAGRAM AND ASSESSMENT TO THE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR AND EMPOWERING SAID TAX COLLECTOR TO MAKE COLLECTION OF SAID ASSESSMENTS FOR THE SAID SIXTH YEAR  
(TORRANCE STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 17)

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Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-102. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

- 10b. RESOLUTIONS re: Lease of Water Rights for the Remainder of Fiscal 1981-82 (Arco; Texaco, Incorporated; Johns-Manville Sales Corporation.)

RESOLUTION NO. 82-103

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WATER RIGHT LICENSE AND AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE ATLANTIC RICHFIELD COMPANY FOR LEASING 500 ACRE-FEET OF WATER RIGHTS ADJUDICATED TO THE ATLANTIC RICHFIELD COMPANY

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-103. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Applegate, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-104

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WATER RIGHT LICENSE AND AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND TEXACO INCORPORATED FOR LEASING 700 ACRE-FEET OF WATER RIGHTS ADJUDICATED TO TEXACO INCORPORATED

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolutin No. 82-104. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-105

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WATER RIGHT LICENSE AND AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE JOHNS-MANVILLE SALES CORPORATION FOR LEASING 300 ACRE-FEET OF WATER RIGHTS ADJUDICATED TO JOHNS-MANVILLE SALES CORPORATION

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-105. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

- 10c. 1982 WEED ABATEMENT PROGRAM.

See Page 11.

11. POLICE AND FIRE MATTERS:

- 11a.
- AWARD OF CONTRACT
- for Professional Services to Implement a Police Records Keeping-Management Information Computer Program.

RECOMMENDATION OF CHIEF OF POLICE:

That the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing a contract to Police Data Systems in the amount of \$80,000.00 for software, and direct Staff to proceed with securing the necessary hardware with the balance of the capital improvement request authorized toward Phase I of the total system.

FINANCE NOTE:

The recently approved Capital Improvement Program included \$100,000 for police computer systems.

Approval of this item should include authorization to charge the balance of the cost - \$87,083 - to the unexpected balance in the Police Building General Fund appropriation.

There is a more than adequate balance of project funds, a combination of bond proceeds and City appropriations, to cover the first year building rental payments to the Joint Powers Authority.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-106

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH POLICE DATA SYSTEMS FOR COMPUTER SOFTWARE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$80,000, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE SAID CONTRACT

Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above stated recommendations of the Chief of Police and the Finance Director, and for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-106. His motion, seconded by Councilman Applegate, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

12. PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

- 12a.
- RESOLUTIONS
- for CUP 81-65, V 81-11 (EA 81-41), Gramercy Avenue Partnership, Ltd. to allow the construction of an eight-unit townhouse condominium with unit-density exceeding Code in the R-3 zone at 2721 Gramercy Avenue.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-107

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, GRANTING A VARIANCE

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FROM THE PROVISIONS OF DIVISION 9 OF THE  
 TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW THE  
 CONSTRUCTION OF AN EIGHT-UNIT TOWNHOUSE  
 CONDOMINIUM PROJECT WITH UNIT-DENSITY  
 EXCEEDING CODE IN THE R-3 ZONE ON PROPERTY  
 LOCATED AT 2721 GRAMERCY AVENUE  
 V 81-11, CUP 81-65, (EA 81-41): GRAMERCY  
 AVENUE PARTNERSHIP LIMITED

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-107. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 82-108

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
 CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A  
 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE  
 CONSTRUCTION OF AN EIGHT-UNIT TOWNHOUSE  
 CONDOMINIUM IN THE R-3 ZONE ON PROPERTY  
 LOCATED AT 2721 GRAMERCY AVENUE -  
 CUP 81-65, V 81-11, (EA 81-41): GRAMERCY  
 AVENUE PARTNERSHIP LIMITED

Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-108. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

14. PERSONNEL MATTERS:

14a. MODIFICATION OF CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION - Senior Engineering Assistant.

RECOMMENDATION OF PERSONNEL SERVICES/CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION: That your Honorable Body adopt the modified classification specification for Senior Civil Engineering Assistant (Subclasses: Traffic and Engineering).

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

15. HEARINGS:

- 15a. ZC 81-9 (EA 81-40), ROY L. BUTLER request for Change of Zone from R-P to C-1 (PP) or any and all zones at 23991 Arlington Avenue. THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THIS REQUEST.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by City Clerk Babb, 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.

The proponent, Mr. Roy Butler, was present to provide desired clarification.

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

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and Planning Department for approval of ZC 81-9. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

It was the comment of Councilwoman Geissert re: her "no" vote that she has serious reservations on such a narrow lot going to C-1 zoning, even though there is a Precise Plan Overlay -- it appeared to her that the light could possibly be totally blocked off.

ORDINANCE NO. 3041

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING  
DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE  
TO RECLASSIFY THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY WHICH  
IS LOCATED AT 23991 ARLINGTON AVENUE FROM  
R-P TO C-1 OR ANY AND ALL ZONES -- ZC 81-9:  
ROY L. BUTLER

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 3041 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman

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Rossberg, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

- 15b. EA 81-37 (CUP 81-61), WALDER DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, INC.  
(Jules Walder, President) Administrative Appeal of  
ERB issuance of a Negative Declaration for a request to  
construct a three-story office building with subterranean  
parking at the southeast corner of Crenshaw Boulevard and  
Sierra Street. THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW BOARD AND THE  
PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOMMEND THE ISSUANCE OF A NEGATIVE  
DECLARATION.

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

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and  
place for the subject public hearing, noting that this is  
an Administrative Appeal of the issuance of a Negative  
Declaration based on the possible adverse effects of the  
proposed project abutting an R-1 neighborhood. Staff  
presentations were provided by Planning Associate Woodward  
and Environmental Review Board Chairman McKinnon. Mr. McKinnon  
commented that it was the opinion of the Board that in this  
case the substantial problems could be identified without  
requiring an Environmental Impact Report -- traffic, height,  
density impact, air circulation, pollution, light and view  
blockage, aesthetic considerations, etc. are easily recognized;  
it is so obvious to all that this is an overbuilt project that  
no purpose can be served by requiring a full EIR. It was the  
opinion of Councilwoman Geissert that an Environmental Impact  
Report is not only supposed to identify the negative impacts  
but is supposed to present alternatives, remedies and mitigating  
measures.

Comments from the audience were then invited by Mayor  
Armstrong.

Mr. Dave Rankin, 1011 Beech Avenue, pointed out his  
concerns relative to air quality in a unique neighborhood  
surrounded by heavily trafficked streets, heavy industry  
emitting odors and pollution, etc. -- there is need for a  
study addressing these peculiar conditions.

It was stated by Mr. John Christage, 915 Beech Avenue,  
that the substantial concerns are well known -- traffic,  
aesthetics, hugeness of the project, etc.

Mr. David Foust, 1019 Beech Avenue, reaffirmed the concerns expressed at the Environmental Review Board hearing, of record, and presented an updated version of the drawings prepared by him.

The deterioration of the environment, both physically and aesthetically, is most apparent in this case, per Ms. Gayle Crumma, 1019 Beech Avenue -- this project, if approved, would have a profoundly adverse cumulative effect on the quality of life in the neighborhood. Ms. Crumma cited the major increase in traffic, safety hazards, unreasonable size and bulk to the character of the area, noise pollution, loss of privacy, the blockage of already marginal air quality, the barrier of light and view and the westerly breezes, the intolerable parking spillover and the reduction of property values as a basis of her strong recommendation that an Environmental Impact Report be required.

Also present to comment on traffic impacts were: Mr. Gilbert Gaier, 1016 Beech Avenue, and Ms. Alice Rankin, 1011 Beech Avenue - a detailed study should be provided.

Present to provide desired clarification were Mr. Jules Walder, president, Walder Development Company, the project architect and Mr. Tom Montgomery, traffic consultant.

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

Councilman Applegate indicated concurrence with the earlier comments made by Environmental Review Board Chairman McKinnon -- the problems are known; the City's streets have "been studied to death;" and, in his opinion, there is adequate information just to go forward so that a decision may be made on the project.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to DENY THE APPEAL and concur with the recommendation of the Environmental Review Board for the issuance of a Negative Declaration. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg.

It was the comment of Councilwoman Geissert that she has a different point of view -- this seems to be a very clear cut instance of where an Environmental Impact Report is needed in view of the many environmental issues involved with the proposed project.

Accordingly, a SUBSTITUTE MOTION was offered by Councilwoman Geissert: That the Council grant the appeal and require an Environmental Impact Report. The substitute motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, but FAILED TO CARRY, with roll call vote as follows:

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

The MAIN MOTION to deny the appeal and to concur with the recommended Negative Declaration CARRIED, with roll call vote as follows:

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

It was the direction of Mayor Armstrong that the Council be kept advised regarding the progress of this case, and at this time reserved the right to appeal this case at the time of the Planning Commission decision, if so desired.

15c. 1982 WEED ABATEMENT PROGRAM (B82-25).

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the hearing on the Resolution of Intention declaring parcels described in said Resolution to be a public nuisance, and providing for the abatement thereof. City Engineer Bourbonnais advised that there were no exceptions.

An Affidavit of Mailing was presented by City Clerk Babb, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection. Councilman Applegate MOVED to receive and file. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Mayor Armstrong then inquired if anyone wished to be heard.

Ms. Eva Bailey, 2245 West 233rd Street, advised that the weeds have all been cleaned off her property. City Engineer Bourbonnais responded that this property would be removed from the program.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 82-109

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE ABATEMENT OF THE NUISANCE LOCATED ON OR IN FRONT OF PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AS DESCRIBED IN RESOLUTION NO. 82-78

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-109. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Applegate, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Considered by the Council at this time:

10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:

10c. AWARD OF CONTRACT - 1982 Weed Abatement Program (B82-25).

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That the contract be awarded to HAROLD WATTS.

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

15. HEARINGS (Cont.):

15d. PP 81-39, WILLIAM K. SWANSON. Request for continuance of Public Hearing for Precise Plan of Development to allow the construction of two single-family residences in the Hillside Overlay District in the R-1 zone on the north side of Paseo de las Tortugas, south of Bluff Street and 200 feet west of Via Valmonte.

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

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, with note of the Supplemental Material from the Planning Department indicating that there has been a resolution of differences among affected parties and delay is now unnecessary.

The proponent, Mr. William K. Swanson, was present to affirm that the neighbors now seem satisfied and "everything seems to be okay."

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Dr. Manjula Katakia, 3809 Paseo de las Tortugas, also representing Dr. Yuvienco, 3819 Paseo de las Tortugas, stated that they were now of the opinion that there will not be a substantial view obstruction by the proposed development; their objections, therefore, are withdrawn.

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

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved for denial of the appeal and approval of the proposed project. The motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-110

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A PRECISE PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES IN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT IN THE R-1 ZONE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF PASEO DE LAS TORTUGAS, SOUTH OF BLUFF STREET AND 200 FEET WEST OF VIA VALMONTE  
PP 81-39: WILLIAM K. SWANSON

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-110. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17a. PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE REMODELING OF CITY HALL WEST ANNEX.

RECOMMENDATION OF CAPITAL PROJECTS ADMINISTRATOR:

That the firm of H. Wendell Mounce A.I.A. and Associates be hired to prepare the plans and specifications for the remodeling and upgrading of the City Hall West Annex for the first phase fee of \$30,000, and a not-to-exceed fee to be established and approved by the City before Phase II or Phase III are commenced. Funding for the work will be from the approved 1981-82 Capital Projects Budget.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the Capital Projects Administrator. The motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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17b. AUTHORIZATION TO SELL TWO ADMINISTRATIVE VEHICLES.

Ref. Formal Bid No. B82-26  
 Total Sale Amount: \$10,510.55

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff is recommending that inasmuch as the rejection of these bids and a repeat of the Sealed Bid process would not guarantee receiving any better bid response (or comparable bid amounts), or disposing of the vehicles by public auction likewise would not guarantee receiving comparable bids; that we proceed with the sale of both vehicles based upon the bids received (both of which were for more than the established minimum bid amount).

As such, it is recommended that Council authorize the sale of the 1979 Buick 4-door sedan Vin #4P69R9X150247 to Mrs. Carmen DeVine of Torrance for the amount of \$5,555.55; and authorize the sale of the 1979 Buick coupe Vin #4P37R9X150218 to Mr. Richard Rankin of Torrance in the amount of \$4,955.00.

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

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The hour being 9:00 P.M. the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency, returning at 9:01 P.M. A 10-minute recess followed at that hour.

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17c. PARK DEL AMO PROJECT.RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER:

That your Honorable Body select a date to reconsider Ordinance 3036 and Resolution 82-45.

Appropriate reconsideration procedure was outlined by City Attorney Remelmeyer. Council options were reviewed, and desired clarification was provided by Mr. Remelmeyer. Of particular interest was the possibility of consolidation with the November 2nd Statewide General Election.

Mr. DeVere Anderson, representing the Torrance Investment Company, noted current discussions between the developer and the coalition, the pending "goals and objectives" being prepared by the coalition, etc. -- they would not oppose this item being carried over to the June 1st meeting of the Council, and are "most desirous that the issue be resolved in the most meaningful way to all the citizens of Torrance."

Mr. Bernie Hollander, 22959B Nadine Circle, speaking for "STOP", noted that the Park Del Amo Project would impact residents unfavorably in many ways -- despite the clear presentation of the dangers and repeated indications of opposition to the project by Torrance residents, the City Council has ignored these factors and adopted an ordinance which enable the project to be built. "STOP" recommends that the Council rescind this action or submit the matter to an early vote.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved that the City Attorney investigate and report back re: possible validation of November 2nd election date. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved that reconsideration of this matter be scheduled for the Council meeting of June 1st. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

It was the request of Councilwoman Geissert that Staff provide definitive material at the June 1st meeting regarding the actual cost of a special election as opposed to combining with the General Election -- also, if possible, some input re: the anticipated length of the November ballot.

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20. CONSENT CALENDAR:20a. PARCEL MAP NO. 13850.

Owner: La Contesa Apartments (F. Torino and R. Collins)  
 Engineer: Lanco  
 Location: 23930 Los Codona Avenue (47 condominium units)

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/PLANNING DIRECTOR:  
 That the City Council approve Parcel Map No. 13850.

20b. PARCEL MAP NO. 13848

Owner: Copa Ladeene Apartments (F. Torino and R. Collins)  
 Engineer: Lanco  
 Location: 23925 Ladeene Avenue (105 condominium units)

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/PLANNING DIRECTOR:  
 That the City Council approve Parcel Map No. 13848.

20c. NOTICE OF COMPLETION - Madrona Avenue - Phase III -  
Torrance Boulevard to Carson Street (B81-69).

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:  
 That the work be accepted and final payment be made to the contractor, DAMON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY.

FINANCE NOTE:

This is a multi-faceted project for which all costs are not finalized. It will probably be necessary to return for an additional gas tax appropriation when all cost phases are known.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items 20a, 20b and 20c. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable, with the following exceptions: Councilman Applegate ABSTAINED on Items 20a and 20b; Councilwoman Geissert voted NO on Items 20a and 20b.

22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. City Manager Ferraro noted the Ecology Award recently won by the Southern California Edison Company, and recommended that the Council provide appropriate recognition for this accomplishment. The Council concurred.

22b. City Attorney Remelmeyer reported on the recent World's Fair devoted to Energy attended by him in Knoxville -- hopefully, some of the exhibits can be obtained by the City of Torrance; a communication regarding this possibility will be sent by Mr. Remelmeyer.

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22c. Councilman Applegate commended City Clerk Babb for the new Roster of Public Officials.

22d. Councilman Applegate commended all who have contributed so much in the pre-Armed Forces Day preparations, with particular note of the outstanding efforts of Recreation Supervisor Allen Shall relative to the 10K Run.

22e. Councilman Rossberg extended congratulations to Mr. Bill Henderson, the new president of the Historical Society, and acknowledged the fine efforts of retiring president Stanley Remelmeyer.

22f. Councilman Rossberg added his praise to City Clerk Babb for the new Roster and for the outstanding "City Clerk's Open House."

22g. Councilman Rossberg noted Captain Popp's "Letter to the Editor" in the Daily Breeze re: the activities of Police Dept. dogs -- his comments were well done and Mr. Rossberg is most appreciative.

22h. Councilman Rossberg requested that the "shabby cardboard drawing" posted at the old Police Department with directions to the new Police Facility be replaced at the earliest possible date, particularly before the Armed Forces Day Parade. Police Chief Nash advised that a new sign is in preparation.

22i. Councilman Wilson requested appropriate recognition for the Torrance woman co-pilot who recently won a cross-country air race, per recent news story.

22j. Councilman Wirth noted that the restrooms at the Historical Museum have not been working for some time, and requested Staff attention regarding same. Mr. McKinnon commented on attempts to obtain a new sewer line at this location.

22k. Councilman Wirth again affirmed his appreciation to Staff members who have been so helpful to him as a new member of the Council.

22l. Mayor Armstrong asked that Staff check the Sur La Brea oil operation regarding the clunking, clanging noises being emitted.

22m. Mayor Armstrong reviewed the need for review of the wording "Negative Declaration Recommended," in order that the public and all interested parties can really understand what is being said.

22n. Mayor Armstrong requested appropriate recognition for the Valedictorians from the various high schools.

A reception -- along the lines of the City Clerk's "Open House" -- in honor of these students was recommended by Councilman Rossberg.

22o. Mr. Hal Lippard, Torrance Mounted Posse, advised that their Annual Rodeo will be held on July 31-August 1, 1982, and requested permission to again hold this event on the Columbia Park site at 190th and Prairie. Mr. Lippard acknowledged his understanding that this would delay the park construction for approximately two weeks. Parks and Recreation Director Barnett stated that he could "live with" a two-week delay, although he has concerns regarding the reaction of the residents who keep waiting to see something happen.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved that the Council allow the Rodeo to utilize the subject property for the above noted dates, subject to standard conditions employed in the past. The motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

It was the request of Councilwoman Geissert that Staff try to have the invitations for the groundbreaking mailed out prior to the Rodeo.

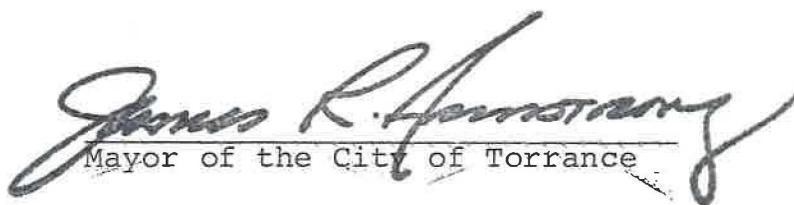
The meeting was regularly adjourned at 10:45 P.M.

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Ava Cripe  
Minute Secretary

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