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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, June 15, 1982, at 5:30 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.

(It was necessary for Mayor Armstrong to be absent from 7:45 P.M. to 8:20 P.M.)

Also present: City Manager Ferraro and Staff representatives.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

City Librarian Buckley led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation was provided by Pastor Steve Mays, Calvary Chapel of South Bay.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Applegate moved to approve the minutes of May 11, 1982, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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6. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilwoman Geissert moved that after the City Clerk has assigned a numbers 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.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

None scheduled.

8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:8a. PROCLAMATION - "Flag Day" - June 14, 1982.

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

8b. RESOLUTION honoring Colonel Leo Draper, United States Army, for his years of dedicated service to his country.RESOLUTION NO. 82-120

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING COLONEL LEO DRAPER, UNITED STATES ARMY, FOR HIS YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO HIS COUNTRY

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-120. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

8c. PRESENTATION TO C.I.F. TENNIS CHAMPION BARRY BUSS.

A plaque in recognition of his outstanding achievement as C.I.F. Tennis Champion was presented Barry Buss, with warm congratulations, by Mayor Armstrong, on behalf of the Council -- like recognition was afforded Coach Wally Griggs.

8d. PRESENTATIONS TO TORRANCE HIGH SCHOOL VALEDICTORIANS.

Mayor Armstrong presented plaques, accompanied by the good wishes of the Council, to Valedictorians of the Torrance high schools.

9. LIBRARY/PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS.9a. SUR LA BREA PARK COMPLETION.RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION:

As all of the items in the original contract and Change Orders #1 and #2 have been completed and the park is now ready for use by the general public, it is recommended that the City Council accept the work as completed and approve the final payment to Thomsen Landscape. It is also recommended that the City Council approve the payment for the extra cost of the well testers amounting to \$6,154.

CITY ATTORNEY'S NOTE:

The well testers, pressure vessel and metering devices, which are the subject of the \$6,154.00 extra, are part of the original settlement agreement with the Graners. They permit metering the oil production from each well, thus allowing the use of only one oil storage tank. The City promised they would be installed as part of the overall oil site improvement.

FINANCE NOTE:

Existing appropriations, mainly from Federal Revenue Sharing, are adequate to cover these final costs.

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

10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:10a. RESOLUTIONS re: Water Right License Agreements.RESOLUTION NO. 82-121

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 COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR LEASING 100 ACRE-FEET OF WATER RIGHTS ADJUDICATED TO THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-121. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

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RESOLUTION NO. 82-122

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 LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 13 FOR LEASING 500 ACRE-FEET OF WATER RIGHTS ADJUDICATED TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 13

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-122. His motion, seconded by Councilman Applegate, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-123

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 ALLIED CORPORATION FOR LEASING 255 ACRE-FEET OF WATER RIGHTS ADJUDICATED TO THE ALLIED CORPORATION

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-123. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

- 10b. REQUEST FOR VARIANCE FROM REQUIREMENTS OF FLOOD HAZARD ORDINANCE - Robert K. Ellis, 5427 Reese Road.

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Engineer recommends denial of the exception request for a variance to construct an addition with the lowest floor below the Base Flood Elevation.

Staff presentation was provided by City Engineer Bourbonnais.

Mrs. Pat Ellis, 5427 Reese Road, stated that the area involves only some 40 homes, at least half of which have been improved prior to adoption of the Flood Hazard Ordinance. It was her understanding that were the variance granted, they would still be able to obtain flood hazard insurance. Further, they would be happy to sign a waiver as well as a document to make future buyers aware of this situation.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to grant the subject variance, subject to the following conditions: That the

appellant be required to sign documentation to the satisfaction of the City Attorney to relieve the City of Torrance of any responsibility in terms of the flood aspect, issuance of building permits and the legal end of it; also, a requirement to have documentation added to the CC&R's on the property for perpetual notification in future sale of the property. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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At 6:00 P.M. Mayor Armstrong ordered a 15-minute recess for refreshments and congratulations to the City's high school valedictorians, the guests of honor.

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- 10c. RESOLUTION establishing rental rates for City-owned aircraft hangars.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-124

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 78-113 ESTABLISHING RATES AND CHARGES FOR CERTAIN FACILITIES/SERVICES AT THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-124. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

12. PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

- 12a. ORDINANCE to repeal Ordinance 3036 and RESOLUTION to rescind Resolution 82-45 (PARK DEL AMO PROJECT).

Planning Associate Woodward advised that the Planning Department is in receipt of a request from the proponents to withdraw their Precise Plan and their Tentative Tract.

ORDINANCE NO. 3042

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 3036, WHICH REZONED THAT CERTAIN LAND LOCATED NORTH OF SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD, WEST OF CRENSHAW BOULEVARD, SOUTH OF MONTEREY AND TOLEDO STREETS, AND EAST OF MADRONA AVENUE, REFERRED TO AS THE PARK DEL AMO PROJECT OF THE TORRANCE INVESTMENT COMPANY

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Councilwoman Geissert moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 3042 at its first reading. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 82-125

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 82-45, WHICH PROVIDED FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE TORRANCE GENERAL PLAN CONCERNING THAT LAND LYING NORTH OF SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD, WEST OF CRENSHAW BOULEVARD, SOUTH OF TOLEDO AND MONTEREY STREETS, AND EAST OF MADRONA AVENUE, REFERRED TO AS THE PARK DEL AMO PROJECT OF THE TORRANCE INVESTMENT COMPANY

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-125. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to withdraw the Precise Plan and Tentative Tract for the Park Del Amo Project, as requested by the proponent. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

(Added by Mayor Armstrong: "Let it be recorded that we were unanimous on a Park Del Amo question!")

13. ENVIRONMENTAL/BUILDING AND SAFETY MATTERS:

13a. APPEAL OF SIGN CASE S72-64 (Rev II) Eagle Tires,
22910 Hawthorne Boulevard.

Environmental Quality Administrator McElroy advised that the proponent has requested a one-week postponement. There were no objections. Councilman Applegate so MOVED; his motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

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

17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17b. RECONSIDERATION OF FIREWORKS ORDINANCE.

Letter dated June 15, 1982, of record, from Southeast Torrance Homeowners Association Board of Directors requesting that the issue of the use of fireworks be placed upon the ballot for decision of the voters of the City of Torrance was noted.

Mayor Armstrong reviewed the past history of this matter and the options now before the Council, with further clarification provided by City Attorney Remelmeyer, per Staff material, of record.

Following discussion, formal action taken by the Council is reflected below:

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved that the Council not reconsider the ordinance in front of it at this time but that we proceed with the placement of the matter on the ballot. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved that the Council affirm its desire for a consolidated election and instruct the City Attorney to come back at the appropriate time with an appropriate resolution calling the election. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved for an Emergency Ordinance, the essence of which would be to allow the sale of fireworks within the City of Torrance for a four-day period, as previously allowed under the old ordinance, but to restrict the use of safe and sane fireworks within the City only to the Fourth of July holiday. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth.

Councilwoman Geissert deemed it impractical to expect young people to purchase fireworks three days in advance and then put them away to await the Fourth of July; she will, therefore, oppose the motion.

Also speaking in opposition to the motion were Councilman Wilson: the intent of the petition is being circumvented, in his opinion -- Councilman Walker: He deemed this a "subterfuge" -- Councilman Rossberg concurred in the above statements.

Mayor Armstrong then invited comments from the audience.

Mr. Scott Nichols, 4909 Lakewood Boulevard, Lakewood: Representing "Torrance Citizens for Safety," the proponents of the referendum, indicated that trying to deal with the issue of fireworks while the referendum is pending, is a subterfuge; the will of the people should be respected and the matter should be set to election and not "fool with the existing ordinance."

Mr. Bill Uerkwitz, 23136 Anza Avenue: Deemed the referendum a "suspect document," stating that the support is not there. Mr. Uerkwitz then recalled last year's problems with fireworks in his area, noting fireworks already in evidence this year, and the information via a local liquor store that "you can buy anything you want to buy if you have enough money." The assignment of special protection for this area was requested by Mr. Uerkwitz. It was the request of Mayor Armstrong that Fire Chief DeYoung return with a "battle plan," and that Chief DeYoung confer further directly with Mr. Uerkwitz regarding his specific concerns.

It was the comment of Councilman Wirth at this time that there is no relationship between the subject referendum and the Park Del Amo Project referendum -- Park Del Amo had twice as many signatures; there have been very questionable methods in the obtaining of signatures on the fireworks referendum, etc. In the opinion of Mr. Wirth, the fireworks referendum does not represent how the community feels, hence his support of the motion.

Mr. Bob Billett, 5510 Laurette Street, representing the Southwood Homeowners Executive Board: They support a vote by the people on this matter. He added his personal opinion that the proposed ordinance would satisfy all conditions; it would allow the traditional celebration and still have some measure of control over the use of fireworks.

Mr. Charles Dunn, 872 Calle de Arboles: Related his personal experiences in obtaining signatures on the fireworks petition and the substantial support evidenced by Torrance residents.

Councilman Applegate's motion for an Emergency Ordinance, FAILED TO CARRY, with roll call vote as follows:

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AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate, Wirth; Mayor
Armstrong.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert, Rossberg, Walker,
Wilson.

Ms. Fay Shop, 2348 West 247th Street, noted the fact that advance monies have been deposited by service organizations to cover the cost of permits. It was the request of Mayor Armstrong that Staff look at this matter with an eye to an appropriate adjustment.

The Council now returned to:

14. PERSONNEL MATTERS:

14a. SELECTION OF CONTRACTOR FOR MEDICAL SERVICES.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF:

That your Honorable Body authorize Staff to enter into negotiations for a one-year contract with Family Practice Associates.

Staff presentation was provided by Personnel Manager Winer.

Council discussion followed. Councilman Rossberg indicated his concerns pertaining to the fact that the present service has been in effect approximately ten years without any record of problems with the arrangement -- has there been any discussion with the doctor regarding desired changes, etc.? Ms. Winer responded regarding her knowledge of past efforts, noting that the City has now reached a "turning point" in the area of medical services -- further input was presented by Assistant City Manager Jackson.

Mayor Armstrong stated that this matter would be more appropriately addressed in an Executive Session, in his opinion. City Attorney Remelmeyer advised that in view of these unique circumstances an Executive Session would be in order.

It was the added comment of Councilman Rossberg that in a service of this type so long as there is a good relationship and the prices are fair, it is important to continue such a relationship unless there are reasons not now evident in the Staff report. It was also the opinion of Mr. Rossberg that medical people should have provided the information relating to the quality of the medical facilities.

Councilwoman Geissert commented that somehow in spite of all the meticulous work and detail that has been presented, and the objectivity in this report, something is not being fully said.

In looking at all the information, per Councilman Wirth, there does not seem to be a lot of reasons why the City should change -- there, in fact, might be a lot of problems if a change is made.

Councilman Applegate stated that it seems the City is in the very difficult position of evaluating the technical aspects of a field it knows little about -- one of the most difficult tasks in the City is the ability to build confidence in these sensitive areas and attainment of this confidence is very valuable. It is his opinion that underlying this matter may be personality problems. "Dr. Annable survived for nigh onto thirteen years; I think he has done an absolutely commendable job."

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved that the Council accept the Torrance Associates' Medical Group as the City's doctor, and that we instruct Staff to negotiate a contract with this Group. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walker.

It was the comment of Councilman Walker that while City Staff seemed very concerned with the team relationship with the doctor, he is much more concerned with the long standing harmonious employee relationship with Dr. Annable.

Speaking at this time, Mr. Jack Salling, chairman, Civil Service Commission, stated that the Commission favors a change -- there have been problems with the existing medical facility. An Executive Session would be appreciated, per Mr. Salling, in that the Commission has things they would like to present to the Council; this would also permit expansion of Staff's position in this sensitive situation.

A SUBSTITUTE MOTION was offered by Councilwoman Geissert: That the subject item be brought back to the Council in thirty days with material appropriate for consideration in Executive Session. The substitute motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg.

It was the request of Councilman Applegate that Staff put down in writing what "they are not saying tonight." This report is to be provided to Dr. Annable, with his response, for the Executive Session -- "I want both sides when we walk in that room."

City employee James Murphy stated that he has been, and is, a patient of Dr. Annable's and lauded his service -- "he is doing his job."

Representing the Torrance Fire Fighters, the Torrance Police Officers Association and Torrance Municipal Employees, Mr. Mack Oetting noted their letters of recommendation on behalf of Dr. Annable, of record.

Dr. Terence Hammer, Family Practice Associates, provided input regarding his background and the history of his practice in this and other communities, along with discussion of the substantial responsibilities now faced by cities and medical facilities.

It was stated by Assistant City Manager Jackson at this point that all of the firms were acceptable; it's a matter of degree of their ability or inter-relationship with the agency -- there would be no idea of going into Executive Session to discuss professional competency.

The SUBSTITUTE MOTION was unanimously approved by roll call vote, and Item No. 14a was continued for thirty days.

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The hour being 7:45 P.M. the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency, returning 7:47 P.M. A 10-minute recess followed. It was necessary for Mayor Armstrong to leave the meeting at this time; he returned at 8:20 P.M. Mayor Pro Tem Applegate conducted the meeting during Mayor Armstrong's absence.

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15. HEARINGS:

15a. PUBLIC HEARING re: Torrance Transit Line No. 1.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Applegate announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, and, following presentations by Transit Manager Schmidt and Director of Transportation Horkay, invited comments.

Council discussion ensued. Councilman Rossberg indicated that he would have preferred internal improvement of the bus system, questioning the need and demand for the proposed extended line. Like concerns were expressed by Councilwoman Geissert --

possible interfacing with RTD was questioned by Mrs. Geissert. Ms. Sandra Learman, Public Relations, RTD, advised that they do not have a line which exactly duplicates the proposed Line No. 1; also noted was RTD's agreement with extension of Line No. 1.

(Mayor Armstrong returned to the meeting at this time, 8:20 P.M.)

Next reviewed were the matters of fund expenditures, ridership projections, alternatives. etc.

Formal action taken by the Council is reflected below:

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to continue the public hearing on this item for two weeks; Staff to return with input re: the scheduling of peak hours, alternatives for off hours, best use of monies, etc. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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Mayor Armstrong resumed leadership of the meeting.

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- 15b. PP 82-6, PAUL AND EDNA SCHUMACHER: Administrative Appeal of Planning Commission approval of a Precise Plan to allow a first and second-story addition to an existing single-family residence in the Hillside Overlay District in the R-1 zone at 321 Via Colusa. THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS APPROVAL WITH THE IMPOSED CONDITIONS. THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS DENIAL OF THE PROJECT.

Proof 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, following Staff presentation by Planning Assistant Venora Lee, invited comments.

The proponents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schumacher, and Architect John Ferguson were present to provide any desired clarification -- a petition of support was presented. Mr. Ferguson elaborated on the efforts made to make the proposed addition acceptable to the neighborhood.

Speaking in opposition to the addition were: Ray Brown, 221 Paseo de Granada; Ursel Nolte, 5209 Paseo de Pablo; Lawrence Gitschier, 1303 Acacia; Art McCarns, 924 Calle Miramar; Virgil Morton, 209 Paseo de Granada; Ms. Mary Ann Brown, 221 Paseo de Granada; Dick Rector, 125 Via Colusa; Mrs. Graff, 320 Via Colusa; Raymond Laird, 325 Via Colusa;

Ms. Patricia Jackson, 850 West 27th Street, San Pedro (speaking in support of Mrs. Graff's position re: her loss of view); Ms. Paula Owen, 120 Via Seville; Ms. Inez McGee, president, Riviera Homeowners Association. Reasons cited were: precedent-setting aspects; loss of view, light, privacy; detrimental impacts on property values; neighborhood friction which has been created; the need for support of the Hillside Ordinance, etc.

Voicing approval of the subject request were: Ms. Karen Finesse, 249 Paseo de Granada (also presented letter of approval from Ms. Patricia Selby, 250 Paseo de Granada); Ms. Barbara Albees, 138 Via Pasqual; Ms. Rita Herbrans, 820 Calle Miramar; Ms. Sandra London, 429 Via Anita; Mike Serosi, 253 Calle de Madrid; Helen Phillips, 333 Via Colusa; and Bradford Stone, 841 Calle Miramar. It was the consensus of these speakers that the plans presented are in good taste, unobtrusive and considerate of the neighborhood; the Planning Commission recommendation for approval should be supported; any enhancement of any home will enrich the area; the proposed project will provide sorely needed living space for this family. Also noted was the loss of view via growth of trees.

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The hour being 9:15 P.M., a 5-minute recess was ordered by Mayor Armstrong.

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On resumption of the meeting, Mayor Armstrong invited further comments from the audience.

Mr. Paul Cardenas, 740 Calle de Arboles: Reviewed earlier considerations of the Hillside Ordinance by the Riviera Homeowners Association, it being felt that this would be a "check and balance" for conflicting interests to be heard before a City body. Mr. Cardenas added his opinion that the Schumachers have gone out of their way to meet the spirit of the Hillside Ordinance.

Mr. Bruce Bernard, 433 Via Anita: This case should be decided on the basis of enforcement of the ordinance -- not on petitions and emotions. Concurrence with the Planning Commission recommendation was urged.

Architect John Ferguson returned to review overall interpretations of the Hillside Ordinance and responded to general comments made by speakers expressing opposition to the project.

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 Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

The substantial determinations to be made in this matter were reviewed by Councilman Rossberg, with acknowledgment of the problem and appreciation of the input -- it is his opinion that there is not a substantial view impairment, and, based on his interpretation of the Hillside Ordinance, he would favor approval of the addition. Mr. Rossberg indicated the hope that the size of the balcony would be reduced, along with removal of the tree affecting Mrs. Graff's property.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to DENY THE APPEAL and approve PP 82-6. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth.

Councilwoman Geissert commented on the value of views, whatever the span, and the importance of preserving same -- there are no compromises in the subject plan. Mrs. Geissert further stated that she had filed the appeal because of the severe differences of opinion and the need for the opportunity of review by the Council.

Councilman Rossberg's motion for denial of the appeal carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

Councilman Rossberg requested that Staff check out what appears to be a double unit in a single family area, per material provided on this case.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-126

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 A FIRST AND SECOND-STORY ADDITION TO AN EXISTING SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE IN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT IN THE R-1 ZONE AT 321 VIA COLUSA -
PP 82-6: PAUL AND EDNA SCHUMACHER

Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-126. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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

It was the request of Mayor Armstrong that the Council again review the Hillside Ordinance in the interest of some "fine tuning," updating, new ideas, etc.

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17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17a. EXECUTIVE SESSION re: Hours, Wages and Working Conditions and Litigation.

See Page 19.

17b. RECONSIDERATION OF FIREWORKS ORDINANCE.

See Page 7.

17c. SIERRA CLUB LAWSUIT OPPOSING OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF OIL AND GAS LEASE SALE #68.

RECOMMENDATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADMINISTRATOR:
Because direct City of Torrance participation in the Sierra Club's case is not likely to substantially improve chances of a favorable disposition, Staff RECOMMENDS that the City NOT participate.

Environmental Quality Administrator McElroy reported that she has been advised that the Sierra Club may not take further action on their case; therefore, they are asking that Torrance not take a stand on this at this time but that the City be sympathetic to the cause in the future.

MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved that the Council take no action at this time. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walker. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

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19. MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:19a. RESOLUTION re: Destruction of City Records.RESOLUTION NO. 82-127

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO DESTROY CERTAIN UNNEEDED CITY RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS WITHOUT MAKING COPIES THEREOF

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-127. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

19b. RESOLUTION re: Destruction of City Records.RESOLUTION NO. 82-128

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO DESTROY CERTAIN UNNEEDED CITY RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS WITHOUT MAKING COPIES THEREOF

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-128. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

20. CONSENT CALENDAR:20a. AWARD OF CONTRACT - To Provide Aerial Fireworks Show for 4th of July Celebration (30-minute show).
Expenditure: \$8,000RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING AGENT:

That Council authorize the award of this very special contract, to provide an Aerial Fireworks Show for 4th of July celebration, to PYRO-SPECTACULARS for the total amount of \$8,000.

20b. WALKWAY LIGHTING SYSTEM AT DePORTOLA AND VICTOR PARKS.RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION:

That your Honorable Body award the contract for the Security Walkway Lighting at Victor and DePortola Parks to Steiny and Company, Inc. for the amount of \$47,744.00.

- 20c. REQUEST FOR COUNCIL AUTHORITY re: Disposal of Surplus City Vehicles via Commercial Public Auction.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF:

That Council authorize the sale of the listed surplus City vehicles and other equipment, per written material, of record, utilizing the services of a commercial vehicle auction outlet, the Ken Porter Auction Company.

- 20d. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Re: Purchase of New Factory Ammunition on Cooperative Purchase Program with State of California.

Ref: Agreement 1-82-13-02

ANTICIPATED ANNUAL EXPENDITURE: \$15,472.37

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING AGENT/BUYER:

That your Honorable Body authorize Torrance's continuing participation in the State's "cooperative" Purchase Program for new factory ammunition and authorize the award of contracts to the low bidders of the State Bid as follows: (Per Staff material, of record)

1. Recommend the award of a contract to Winchester Western, Division of Olin Corporation, for Item #8 in the total amount of \$1,484.00, including tax.
2. Recommend the award of a contract to Remington Arms Corporation for Items #1 through #7 in the amount of \$13,988.37, including tax.

- 20e. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Re: Purchase of Budgeted Motorola Radio Equipment per Federal G.S.A. Agreement #GFOOC-90109
Expenditure: \$28,563.82

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING AGENT/COMMUNICATIONS PLANNER:

That Council award a contract for the required budgeted Motorola radio equipment to the Motorola Communications and Electronics Company with pricing to be per Federal G.S.A. Agreement #GFOOC-90109, in the total amount of \$28,563.82, including tax.

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

22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. City Manager Ferraro reported on recent attendance at League of California Cities budget conference and noted the state of fiscal affairs in the State.

There was further input by Councilwoman Geissert who recommended that meetings with Councilmembers/business representatives and legislators be arranged re: budget matters. Concurrence was indicated by Councilman Rossberg.

22b. City Attorney Remelmeyer requested an extension of time re: the Union Oil pipe line matter -- from June 22nd to June 29th. This is agreeable with both Union Oil and SETHA representative, John Bailey. There were no objections by the Council, and it was so ordered.

22c. Councilman Applegate stated that he would like to participate in the authoring of the fireworks ballot measure.

22d. Councilman Rossberg requested an excused absence from the Council meeting of July 20th as he will be vacationing out of the country on that date. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

22e. Councilman Walker suggested that in future Staff presentations the practice of using initials, such as RFP's, etc., be discontinued, and that the full phrases be used for the benefit of the audience who might not be quite so versed in the terminology.

22f. Councilman Wirth reviewed report received by him on the concerns of the Children's Center; he has referred the concerned citizens to the School Board.

22g. Councilman Wirth requested that his name be added to the authoring of the Fireworks argument -- he would like to participate in anything on this matter.

22gg. Councilman Wirth reported on the trip to Sacramento and the League activities, it being his feeling that there was positive response -- hopefully, City representatives can go to Sacramento on a frequent basis.

22h. Mayor Armstrong noted the request of the Planning Commission that they be given an opportunity to provide input re: "the transportation improvement fund." There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

22i. Mayor Armstrong noted outstanding report from Environmental Quality Administrator McElroy re: signing -- the report was referred to the Community Planning Committee for evaluation.

22j. Mayor Armstrong, in a prepared oral communication (of record), covered the following points:

- a. The outstanding potential of history-making video tapes for inclusion in the Cable TV Library;
- b. The results of the Primary Election and the regretful defeat of Proposition 9 - the Peripheral Canal;
- c. That there be a Resolution of Commendation for Water Commissioner Charles Brandt for his untiring efforts in behalf of Proposition 9;
- d. That Staff return at the earliest possible time with a report on the City's water reserve and reservoir capacity. Councilman Wirth offered the added comment that State and MWD should be encouraged to do like research. Water Commission involvement was also recommended by Councilman Applegate.

22k. Mr. James R. Mathison, 25908 Matfield Drive, referred back to Item 10c. re: hangar rents, and requested that Trojanaire Corporation be exempted from electrical charges on their hangar. Director of Transportation Horkay will confer with Mr. Mathison on this matter.

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ITEM 17a. - EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 10:15 P.M. the Council recessed for an Executive Session, returning at 10:59 P.M. to take the following action:

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved that the Council concur with the recommendation of the City Attorney on the Clemon Parsons case. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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ADJOURNMENT:

At 11:00 P.M. Councilman Applegate moved to adjourn to Monday, June 21, 1982, at 4:00 P.M. for an Executive Session at that hour, followed by a Budget Workshop Session at 4:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary

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City Council
June 15, 1982


Mayor of the City of Torrance


City Clerk of the City of Torrance