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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, December 14, 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:

Mr. Gerald Alter led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

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

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Applegate moved to approve the minutes of November 16, 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:

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 Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

None scheduled.

8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:

8a. PROCLAMATION - "Bill of Rights Week" - December 12-18, 1982.

8b. PROCLAMATION - "National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week" - December 12-18, 1982.

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

8c. PRESENTATION OF "CONCERN AWARD".

The presentation of the "Concern Award" to the City of Torrance was made by Mr. Bill Gilchrist, representing the Southern California Gas Company. This Award was in recognition of the City's outstanding efforts in the conservation of natural gas, and most gratefully accepted by Mayor Armstrong.

9. LIBRARY/PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:

9a. MIRAMAR PARK AGREEMENT.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF:

That your Honorable Body adopt Option 3: "Option 3 would involve negotiations between your Honorable Body and the Board of Supervisors (through Supervisor Dana's office) toward removing the unnecessary deed restrictions. If this option is chosen, it should be implemented immediately. The grant funds with which the County hopes to fund its share must be expended by June 30, 1983, or the dollars will revert back to the State. County staff would like to avoid this situation and select another project provided the City does not wish to jointly develop Miramar Park at this time."

Parks and Recreation Commission Chairman, Mr. Stan Smith, reaffirmed the Commission's desire that this matter be expedited.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the Staff recommendation for adoption of Option 3. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS

10a. TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT OCEAN AVENUE AND PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY.

RECOMMENDATION:

If Council wishes to install an intersection device, the Department of Transportation, Police Department, Engineering Department and the Parks and Recreation Department recommend Option A:

OPTION A

This would require all traffic on Ocean Avenue to turn left or right at Pacific Coast Highway (PCH), thus prohibiting "through traffic" on Ocean Avenue (see attached sketch). All four left-turn movements would be signalized with protective arrows. Pedestrians would cross the highway with pedestrian "walk" signal protection.

This option is equivalent to what was proposed at Hickory/Sepulveda to mitigate potential shortcut problems, and is similar to the signal operations at Redondo Beach Boulevard/Osage/Fwy. ramps and at Crenshaw/237th.

CALTRANS advises that, while they are generally opposed to this type of control for enforcement reasons, they will abide by Council's decision to locally regulate Ocean Avenue traffic in this manner. We have also learned that a supplemental agreement would be required because the estimated additional cost of this option is approximately \$4,500, and may not be offset by the contingency. There will be sufficient time to process the supplemental agreement with your Honorable Body to still accomplish installation of the signal by the summer of 1983.

Staff input was provided by Director of Transportation Horkay, with further clarification of the background history of this matter provided by Mayor Armstrong, with note of the various options now before the Council.

Comments from the audience were then invited by the Mayor. Speakers were:

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Mrs. Carole Sussman 3904 West 234th Place: Reaffirmed contents of December 9, 1982 letter (of record) which opposes signal installation and supports the option which would have a raised median on Pacific Coast Highway across the intersection with left turn pockets on Pacific Coast Highway to permit left turns onto Ocean Avenue.

Mr. Jerry Detwiler, 23335 Los Codona: Recommended that the Council rescind its approval of a traffic signal at the subject intersection -- traffic controls, as follows, were suggested: (1) The through traffic on Ocean Avenue should be restricted; (2) A safe right-turn activity should be provided; and (3) A safe, controlled pedestrian crosswalk should also be provided. Mr. Detwiler reviewed at length the traffic problems and needs in this area.

Mr. Stanford Ofila, 23204 Ocean Avenue: The intended use of Ocean Avenue is for residential access and not as a thoroughfare -- increased traffic means increased hazards. A "no signal" decision is an appropriate one; alternatives should be considered for control of the intersection.

Mr. Phillip Mannis, resident at the corner of Audrey and 234th Street: Criticized present signalization on Hawthorne Boulevard and Anza Avenue -- there should be further study by the Director of Transportation regarding the facilitation of traffic flow.

Ms. Diana Simon, 20465 Ocean Avenue: As a resident across from Walteria Park, pointed out the traffic problems in this area -- particularly the U-turn activities. Also noted by this speaker was the need for a pedestrian crossing.

The last speaker was Mr. Michael Bedinger, 4011 West 232nd Street: Right-turns only, signalized or not, would be the solution, in his opinion.

Council discussion ensued. Considered were the problems of record, remedial efforts, possible solutions, projections for 238th Street; alternative considerations; the pros and cons of a "status quo" at this intersection; etc.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved that there be no signal -- that the "status quo" be retained. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth.

Discussion resumed; the following SUBSTITUTE MOTION resulted:

Councilman Wilson offered a SUBSTITUTE MOTION that there be a raised median on Pacific Coast Highway across the intersection, and that there be left turn lanes in the median, along with Staff study re: a pedestrian signal. The substitute motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, but FAILED TO CARRY,

with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert, Wilson.

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

The MAIN MOTION by Councilman Applegate for "no signal" was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

It was the direction of Mayor Armstrong that Staff continue to study this situation and the suggestions offered at this meeting; further, that there be a review and analysis of all devices at the disposal of the City; and that there be a report on the impact of the opening of 238th Street. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

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The hour being 8:20 P.M., Mayor Armstrong ordered a 10-minute recess.

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13. ENVIRONMENTAL/BUILDING AND SAFETY MATTERS:13a. REQUEST OF CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON AIRPORT NOISE for Extension to January, 1983 for final meeting.REQUEST OF CACAN:

That the scheduled December meeting be cancelled and a time extension for the Committee be granted to January 20, 1983.

RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF:

That the "sunset" action be delayed until February 8, 1983 to allow a final meeting for the CACAN.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the above stated recommendations. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walker. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

15. HEARINGS:15a. FIRST PUBLIC HEARING re: First Quarter Budget Review for Fiscal Year 1982-83 and the Capital Improvement Budget Proposals and Use of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds.

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the First Public Hearing on the subject matter.

City Clerk Babb presented the Affidavit of Publication. Councilman Applegate moved that same be received and filed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

There being no objections, Councilman Applegate MOVED to continue the subject public hearing to December 21, 1982. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

15b. V-365 (Modification) GENERAL TELEPHONE COMPANY. Request for approval of a modification of a Variance to allow a basement and ground floor addition to an existing structure with less than Code-required parking in the R-1 zone at 650 Palos Verdes Boulevard. THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE 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.

Councilman Wirth advised that he would ABSTAIN in this matter inasmuch as he is employed by General Telephone Company; he then departed from the Council Chambers.

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, and, following presentation by Planning Associate Woodward, inquired if anyone wished to be heard.

Representing General Telephone Company, Mr. Clarence Hauke provided desired clarification relative to noise levels; acute need for facility due to growth; parking projections; etc.

It was the recommendation of Councilman Applegate that General Telephone include in the CC&Rs of this property a condition that in the event of sale or change in use of this property it would be a requirement to come back to the City re: the provision of Code parking at that time. Mr. Hauke indicated concurrence with this recommendation.

Comments from the audience were invited by Mayor Armstrong.

Mr. James R. Murray, 649 Paseo de la Playa, reaffirmed the position of D'Azur Villas, Inc., as expressed before the Planning Commission and outlined in November 3, 1982 communication, of record, which details their substantial concerns relative to traffic and noise. Mr. Murray also elaborated on the considerable activity at the telephone answering service in a private residence adjacent to General Telephone Company -- a further source of parking and noise problems in an R-1 area.

(Further discussion: See Page 9.)

Council discussion ensued. In response to questions posed, Mr. Hauke advised that there will be seven employees on the "A" shift, and five employees on the "B" shift, after the requested Modification is effected; further, no portion is to be used for warehouse storage -- it will only be used for the "network" -- as was stipulated as a condition at the Planning Commission, per Mr. Hauke.

Concerns re: future growth needs were also addressed -- Mr. Hauke advised that "with the 'new switch' we will be able to expand to 185,000 lines...." which should serve their needs until the year 2050.

There being no one else present who wished to be heard, Councilman Wilson moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and approval was unanimous, with Councilman Wirth abstaining.

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MOTION: Councilman Walker moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and Planning Department for approval of the subject Modification. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson.

It was the request of Councilman Applegate that the motion be amended to include the following added conditions:

- (1) That General Telephone be required to submit an ultimate parking plan during the construction period, to be approved by the City; and
- (2) That there be an addition to the CC&Rs on the property which would place a restriction on any other use of the property without meeting the current parking requirements of the City of Torrance.

The above amendment was acceptable to both Councilman Walker, the maker of the motion, and Councilman Wilson who seconded the motion.

The MOTION was then restated by Councilman Walker: That Council concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and Planning Department for approval of the subject Modification, with the above stated added conditions. The amended motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Wirth abstained).

RESOLUTION NO. 82-284

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, GRANTING A VARIANCE FROM THE PROVISIONS OF DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW A BASEMENT AND GROUND FLOOR ADDITION TO AN EXISTING STRUCTURE WITH LESS THAN CODE REQUIRED PARKING IN THE R-1 ZONE AT  
650 PALOS VERDES BOULEVARD  
V 365 (MODIFICATION): GENERAL TELEPHONE COMPANY

Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-284. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote, with Councilman Wirth abstaining.

(Councilman Wirth returned to the Council Chambers at this time.)

15c. PROPOSED VACATION OF A PORTION OF NEWTON STREET adjacent to Lots 34 and 35, Block B, Tract No. 7506 in the City of Torrance.

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. There was no response.

Councilman Applegate moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-283

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE ORDERING THE VACATION  
OF A PORTION OF NEWTON STREET ADJACENT  
TO LOTS 34 AND 35, BLOCK B, TRACT NO. 7506  
IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-283. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

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At this point in the meeting, Mayor Armstrong referred back to Item 15b, and requested Staff review and report back on the telephone answering service referred to by Mr. James Murray. Councilwoman Geissert also requested Staff input re: satellite dish in the back yard of this answering service residence.

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15d. PP 80-38, PONDEROSA HOMES (George R. Putnam, Senior Vice President): Request for approval of a Precise Plan of Development to construct 37 single-family residences in the Hillside Overlay District in the R-1 zone at 25600 Crenshaw Boulevard (Hillside School Site). THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE CURRENT 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 hearing, and, following Staff presentation

by Planning Associate Woodward, invited discussion on this item. Specifically noted by the Mayor was the Supplemental Material wherein Staff recommended that the project be considered as submitted in Item 15d (37 residences) and, provided the appropriate agreement between Mr. Nichols and Ponderosa is evidenced, that development plans for the three additional lots be considered at a subsequent meeting with the requisite advertising for the reason that Staff has not had sufficient time to review the newly submitted plans.

Representing Ponderosa Homes, Mr. Dick Munsell, Director of Forward Planning, reviewed the current project, stating that, in their evaluation, short of the two homes on Crest Drive adjacent to Crenshaw Boulevard, there are essentially no homes which will have view blockage as a result of the homes to be constructed. It was added by Mr. Munsell that the project Civil Engineer will certify the pad for the grading plan, and they feel confident the pads will be where they are supposed to be. It is hoped that all concerned neighbors have been satisfied, per Mr. Munsell; it is their desire that all 40 lots be resolved at this meeting.

Continuing, Mr. Munsell stated that they have worked with adjacent residents in terms of the individual design of the homes; a home has been selected which meets with the approval of the neighbors, such plan to be submitted to the City -- for additional consideration, the homeowners have agreed not to protest any two-story structure on the entire site.

It was the request of Mr. Munsell that if the Supplemental Material is not discussed at this meeting that Condition #14 be removed since this condition speaks to Lots 27, 28 and 29 and should be appropriately dealt with at the next hearing.

Clarification regarding Condition #27 ("That Lots 20 and 21 shall have a minimum 15-foot front yard setback for living area.") was requested by Mr. Munsell; such clarification was provided by Building and Safety Director Grippo, it being understood that this condition could be worked out with Staff.

Other speakers were:

Mr. Allan Scott, 25718 Crest Road: Stated the view from his home will be obstructed, and this fact is of considerable concern to him. Mr. Scott further noted that trees will be planted and there will be more view obstruction.

Mr. David Lewis, 2517 Nearcliff Street: Commended the efforts of Ponderosa Homes in solving the long standing drainage problems at this site. Mr. Lewis is in favor of the

project; it is his hope that the City can expedite this development and "get this rolling along."

Mr. Lee Green: Expressed concurrence with the above remarks of Mr. Lewis.

Mr. Dave Kline, 2537 Nearcliff: Voiced his concern regarding the trees on the slope of his property. It was the suggestion of Mayor Armstrong that Mr. Kline confer with Building and Safety Director Grippo regarding this matter.

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.

Council discussion ensued. Councilman Rossberg stated that he is very uncomfortable with the reference to "additional consideration" by the proponent; the City has a Hillside Ordinance and it should be enforced. If the Hillside Ordinance lends itself to negotiations between developers and private property owners, per Mr. Rossberg, then the Ordinance is in bad taste -- the City should make the decision re: view impairment and what should or should not be constructed; it should not be financially decided. Concurrence was generally indicated by the Council.

It was the comment of Councilman Applegate that while he does not like the "selling off" aspect, property rights are involved, and property owners have the right to decide. It is the responsibility of the Council to protect the uninformed, according to Mr. Applegate; he requested the "worst case" profiles of view impairment, in order that affected property owners know exactly where they stand.

Councilwoman Geissert MOVED that the subject hearing be continued for thirty days, and that the proponent submit plans for Lots 27, 28 and 29 for review by Staff; further, that outline silhouettes be constructed by the City on Lots 27, 28 and 29, as well as any other lots which might conceivably have significant view impact. Also, that there be notification to affected residents. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walker.

Mr. Dick Munsell indicated his desire to speak at this time. Councilman Rossberg MOVED to reopen the hearing. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

It was stated by Mr. Munsell that Ponderosa Homes had agreed to allow silhouettes on the three lots in question in discussions with the City Attorney, at the City's expense,

at a point when they were able to be under construction with their production models, and it is extremely important to be under construction in January. Since Ponderosa has effectively acquired the view rights, Mr. Munsell continued, of affected properties, they believe it is unreasonable for the City to even request that the City construct silhouettes on those lots; Ponderosa would not agree to construction by the City of such silhouettes.

There being no one else who wished to be heard, Councilman Rossberg moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and approval was unanimous.

Discussion followed as to the appropriate manner of procedure -- formal action was, as follows:

Councilwoman Geissert RESTATED HER MOTION as follows: That this hearing be continued until January 11, 1983, at 7:00 P.M.; that the item be returned with the tract as a totality, with the plans for all forty lots (including Lots 27, 28 and 29). Further, that during that period of time that the Planning and Building & Safety Departments develop visual elevations to the best of their ability, and with the best legal advice available, ranging from silhouettes, scale models or detailed engineering elevations. Specifically, that Lots 27, 28 and 29 and other lots which in the opinion of Staff might have significant view impact be delineated. Further, that the Council approve an appropriation for necessary funding in this undertaking. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walker.

Mayor Armstrong reaffirmed the Council's intent of cooperation -- a like desire for cooperation was indicated by Mr. Munsell. Mr. Munsell further stated that they have no objection to drawing cross-sections, and he would be pleased so that the City does not have to burden itself with that cost.

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There being no one else who wished to be heard, Councilman Rossberg moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and approval was unanimous.

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Mayor Armstrong reaffirmed the Council's intent of cooperation -- a like desire for cooperation was indicated by Mr. Munsell. Mr. Munsell further stated that they have no objection to drawing cross-sections, and he would be pleased so that the City does not have to burden itself with that cost, to pick lots which the Council feels are of concern, and draw an array of cross-sections to cover every possible problem. This can be worked out with Staff, if the Council will accept their determination re: the lots, per Mr. Munsell. It was his request that Council allow Staff to get into Plan Check so that they might be able to construct their models in January. There were no objections to this request (per motion below\*).

Roll call vote on Councilwoman Geissert's motion was unanimously favorable.

\*MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to grant permission for the above requested Plan Check, with the understanding that Ponderosa should then waive any rights that it may obtain from the Plan Check in case that the Precise Plan is not granted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walker.

It was stated by Mr. Munsell at this point that this action would have to be reviewed by Ponderosa attorneys to see if they would be willing to initiate the early plan check under those conditions. Understanding of this position was acknowledged by the Council.

Roll call vote on Councilman Rossberg's motion was unanimously favorable.

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17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

Considered by the Council, out of order:

17c. GROUND LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND MR. ARTHUR VALDEZ, PRESIDENT OF VAL-CO ENTERPRISES, INC., FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN OFFICE BUILDING AT 2790 SKYPARK DRIVE.

RECOMMENDATION OF LAND MANAGEMENT TEAM AND CITY MANAGER:

That your Honorable Body take the following action:

- 1. Approve the negotiated lease package as presented;
- 2. Adopt the subject Resolution authorizing the execution of the lease agreement.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the above stated recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and there were no objections.

RESOLUTION NO. 82-282

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THAT CERTAIN LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AS LESSOR AND ARTHUR L. VALDEZ AND G. ARLEEN VALDEZ, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS LESSEE

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-282. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

- AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate, Geissert, Rossberg, Wilson, Wirth; Mayor Armstrong.
- NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.
- ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Walker.

The Council now returned to its regular agenda order.

17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:17a. EXECUTIVE SESSION re: Litigation.

See Page 16.

17b. RESOLUTION re: wages, hours and working conditions for certain Management employees (City Manager).RESOLUTION NO. 82-285

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH CERTAIN  
CHANGES REGARDING HOURS, WAGES AND  
WORKING CONDITIONS FOR CERTAIN MANAGEMENT  
EMPLOYEES

It was the direction of City Attorney Remelmeyer that Section 7) be revised to state: "The City will pay the 1983-84 premium for long term disability for both the incoming and retiring incumbents in the class of City Manager, in consideration of the retiring City Manager being available for advice and consultation during the thirty day transition period following his retirement on January 15, 1982."

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 82-285, as above amended. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

## 17c. Lease Agreement with Arthur Valdez.

See Page 13.

18. SECOND READING ORDINANCES:ORDINANCE NO. 3049

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 95.3.29  
OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD THE  
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUIREMENT FOR  
COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS HAVING A FLOOR AREA  
RATIO OF .5 TO 1.00 OR GREATER, AND  
PROVIDING DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES

Councilman Walker moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3049 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 20a. AWARD OF ANNUAL CONTRACT - To Furnish Miscellaneous Stationery and Office Supply Items for City Departments. Ref. Bid No. B82-70  
Anticipated Expenditure: \$28,608.48

RECOMMENDATION

It is, therefore, recommended that Council award four (4) annual contracts to the low bidders of each of the 265 items with the understanding that firm prices were bid by each of the bidders for only the first six (6) months of the contract and that only price adjustments will be authorized within the limits set forth by the bid specifications.

It is recommended that:

1. A contract be awarded to the low bidder of 202 of the bid items, the EASTMAN, INC. COMPANY of Long Beach, in the total amount of \$20,004.07 including tax.
2. A contract be awarded to the low bidder of 28 of the bid items, the BAYLESS STATIONERS, INC. COMPANY of Inglewood, in the total amount of \$3,984.36 including tax.
3. A contract be awarded to the low bidder of 19 of the bid items, the BEVCO OFFICE PRODUCTS COMPANY of Carson, in the total amount of \$1,930.73 including tax.
4. A contract be awarded to the low bidder of 16 of the bid items, the PARAMOUNT STATIONERS, INC. COMPANY of Paramount, in the total amount of \$2,689.32 including tax.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate 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 10:20 P.M. the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency, returning to its agenda at 10:21 P.M.

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22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. Councilman Applegate requested appropriate recognition for the West High Football Team - C.I.F. champions.

22b. Councilman Applegate noted problems related to the Village Del Amo signal and the backup to Hawthorne Boulevard, and requested Staff review of this.

22c. Councilman Rossberg expressed appreciation to Street Superintendent Garcia for his recent memorandum regarding the large item pickup. Hopefully, this will be an annual event, per Mr. Rossberg.

22d. Councilman Rossberg inquired as to the status of the requested Staff study of the night lighting problems at Del Amo Mall -- a report is forthcoming, per Building and Safety Director Grippo. Early remedial action was requested by Mr. Rossberg, a request concurred in by the Council.

22e. Councilman Walker reported on his attendance at the grand opening of the Redondo Beach recycling facility -- a Staff report on this facility was requested.

22f. Councilman Wirth advised that Ms. Sonia Anderson, Children's Librarian, has been chosen as "California Librarian of the Year." Appropriate recognition was requested by Mr. Wirth.

22g. Mayor Armstrong directed that appropriate Staff members report on the status of the Lomita Boulevard improvement; it was also indicated by the Mayor that he would like the Council to take another look at the opening of the now closed Samuel and Madison Streets. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

22h. Appropriate recognition for championship tennis players Woody Hunt and Darren Yates from South High was requested by Mayor Armstrong.

22i. Mr. Roy Stone, 3436 West 229th Street, reviewed observations relative to the Street Department and other City happenings.

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17a. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 10:35 P.M. the Council recessed for an Executive Session, returning at 10:45 P.M. to take the following action:

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MOTION: Councilman Walker moved that the Council authorize the filing of a Petition for Certiorari to the United States Supreme Court in the case of the City of Torrance vs. Workers Compensation Appeals Board, et al (Kenneth Atkinson case). The motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to authorize payment of the judgment in the case of Dodt vs. the City of Torrance (\$6500.00, plus a sum not to exceed \$1000.00 for court costs). The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ADJOURNMENT:

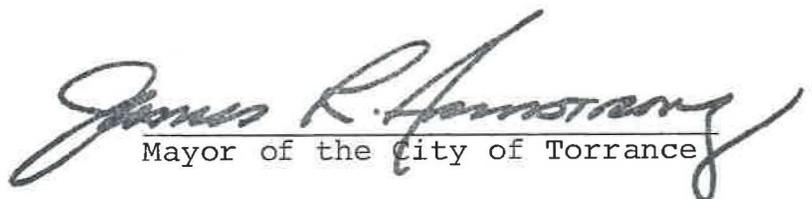
The meeting was regularly adjourned at 10:50 P.M.

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Ava Cripe  
Minute Secretary

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City Clerk of the City of Torrance