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Adjournment at 11:41 p.m. to Tuesday, October 21, 1986,
5:30 p.m.

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Peggy Laverty
Minute Secretary

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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, October 14, 1986, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Applegate, Hardison, Mock, Nakano, Walker, Wirth and Mayor Geissert.

Absent: None.

Also present: City Manager Jackson, City Attorney Remelmeyer, and Staff representatives.

3. FLAG SALUTE AND INVOCATION:

Mr. Bill Henderson led in the salute to the flag.

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Reverend Mark Flick, New Challenge Ministries.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to adopt the City Council minutes, of September 23, 1986, as recorded. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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5. 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. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

6. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS:

Item 10c: Widening of SCROC Roadway -- WITHDRAWN.
See Page 11.

City Attorney Remelmeyer noted the necessity to cancel the hearing regarding transfer of the Cable TV franchise which was to have been heard at tonight's meeting (per Council action of October 7, 1986). Mr. Remelmeyer advised that this hearing is now to be rescheduled for November 18, 1986, 5:30 p.m. (See Page 23, Item 22a, for Council action in this regard).

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:Transportation Committee

October 22, 1986 - 6:00 p.m., Room 251

Subjects: Review of Airport takeoff and landing patterns
Possible cooperative transit projects with South Bay Cities.

Ad Hoc Legislative Committee

Report included in Agenda Item 17a (see Pages 5 - 10).

8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:

8a. PROCLAMATION proclaiming October 15, 1986, as "White Cane Safety Day."

SO PROCLAIMED by Mayor Geissert.

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- 8b. PROCLAMATION proclaiming October 19 through 25, 1986, as "California Safe Schools Week."

SO PROCLAIMED by Mayor Geissert, and accepted by Police Chief Don Nash.

- 8c. PROCLAMATION proclaiming October 19, 1986, as "National Catholic Daughters of the Americas Day."

SO PROCLAIMED, and accepted with appreciation by Ms. Evalyn Welly.

- 8d. PROCLAMATION proclaiming the month of October 1986 as "Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Month."

SO PROCLAIMED by Mayor Geissert. This proclamation was accepted by Ms. Betty Turman.

- 8e. PROCLAMATION proclaiming October 19 through 25, 1986, as "National Business Women's Week."

SO PROCLAIMED by Mayor Geissert, and presented to Ms. Kathy Rommel, President of the Redondo Beach Marina Business and Professional Women's Club.

- 8f. PROCLAMATION proclaiming October 15, 1986, as "Quality Day."

SO PROCLAIMED by Mayor Geissert.

Considered out of order at this time --

- 21a. HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION:

RESOLUTION NO. 86-245

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE COMMENDING HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL
CENTER UPON 40 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE
COMMUNITY

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 86-245. His motion, seconded by Councilman Mock, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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The Council now returned to --

9. LIBRARY/PARKS AND RECREATION MATTERS:

9a. DONATION FROM DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB:

RECOMMENDATION:

The Parks and Recreation Commission and the Parks and Recreation Director recommend that the City Council accept this most generous donation (in the amount of \$400) from the Dog Obedience Club and transmit a letter of appreciation. It is also recommended that the money be appropriated for the parks Special Event Account.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the above stated recommendation on Agenda Item 9a. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

9b. BARTLET CENTER EXPANSION - SELECTION OF PRELIMINARY DESIGN FIRM:

RECOMMENDATION

The City's Architect Selection Committee recommends that your Honorable Body:

1. Authorize City staff to negotiate a contract with Black, O'Dowd and Associates, Inc. for preliminary design services for the expansion of the Bartlett Senior Citizens Center for a total sum not to exceed \$25,000;
2. Appropriate \$25,000 from the Parks and Recreation Facilities Fund to finance the work; and
3. Direct the City Attorney to draft an appropriate contract for these services.

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

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10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:10a. FY 1986-87 TDA/STA CLAIM FOR TRANSIT FUNDING ASSISTANCE:

At the request of Mayor Geissert, City Clerk Wilson read title to the following --

RESOLUTION NO. 86-246

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A CLAIM WITH THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS FOR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDS UNDER SB-325 AND STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUNDS UNDER AB-2551 FOR FY 1986-87

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 86-246. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Considered next out of order --

17a. REPORT OF AD HOC LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMITTEE:RECOMMENDATION:

It is the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Legislative Council Committee that your Honorable Body concur with the Committee's positions on ballot propositions as noted.

PROPOSITION 53 - School Building Lease - Purchase Bond
Law of 1986
(See Attachment "A")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - No Position
State Chamber of Commerce - Support
Torrance C of C - Support

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee held No Position

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PROPOSITION 54 - New Prison Construction Bond Act of 1986
(See Attachment "B")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - No Position
State Chamber of Commerce - Support
Calif. Taxpayers Assoc. - Support
Torrance C of C - Support

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee held No Position

PROPOSITION 55 - California Safe Drinking Water Bond Law
of 1986
(See Attachment "C")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - No Position
State Chamber of Commerce - Support
Torrance C of C - Support

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee upheld Water
Commission's position of Support

PROPOSITION 56 - Higher Education Facilities Bond Act of 1986
(See Attachment "D")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - No Position
State Chamber of Commerce - Support
Torrance C of C - Support

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee held No Position

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PROPOSITION 57 - Retirement Benefits for Non-Judicial and
Non-Legislative Elected State Constitutional
Officers
(See Attachment "E")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - Support
State Chamber of Commerce - Support
Torrance C of C - Support

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee held No Position

PROPOSITION 58 - Taxation, Family Transfers
(See Attachment "F")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - Oppose
State Chamber of Commerce - No Position
Torrance C of C - Support

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee held a position
of Support

PROPOSITION 59 - Elected District Attorney
(See Attachment "G")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - No Position
State Chamber of Commerce - No Position
Torrance C of C - Support

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee held No Position

PROPOSITION 60 - Taxation, Replacement Transfers
(See Attachment "H")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - Oppose
State Chamber of Commerce - No Position
Torrance C of C - Support

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee held a position
of Support

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PROPOSITION 61 - Compensation of Public Officials, Employees,
Individual Public Contractors
Constitutional Amendment and Statute
(See Attachment "I")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - Oppose
Calif. Taxpayers Assoc. - Oppose
State Chamber of Commerce - Oppose
League of Women Voters - Oppose
Torrance C of C - Oppose
Torrance City Employees Coalition - Oppose

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee held a Oppose
position

PROPOSITION 62 - Taxation, Local Government and Districts Statute
(See Attachment "J")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - Oppose
State Chamber of Commerce - Support
League of Women Voters - Oppose
Torrance C of C - Support
Calif. Fed. Firefighters - Oppose
Calif. Fire Chiefs Assoc. - Oppose
Calif. Police Chiefs Assoc. - Oppose

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee held a Oppose
position

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PROPOSITION 63 - Official State Language Constitutional Amend.
(See Attachment "K")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - Oppose
State Chamber of Commerce - No Position
Torrance C of C - Support

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee held a No Position

PROPOSITION 64 - Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) Statute
(See Attachment "L")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - Oppose
State Chamber of Commerce - Oppose
Calif. Medical Assoc. - Oppose
Torrance C of C - Oppose

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee held Oppose

PROPOSITION 65 - Restrictions on Toxic Discharges into Drinking
Water; Requirement of Notice of Persons'
Exposure to Toxics Statute
(See Attachment "M")

POSITIONS TAKEN: League of California Cities - (no decision at
present time)
State Chamber of Commerce - Oppose
Torrance C of C - Oppose

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee upheld Water
Commissions position of No Position

PROP. "J" - (L. A. County) - Jail Bond Measure
A \$96 million General Obligation
Bond measure to increase the capacity
and support functions of existing
facilities.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Council Committee upheld
Supervisor Dana's position
of Support

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An official position of the Torrance League of Women Voters was presented by Ms. Frances Tandy, and is part of the official record on this agenda item. The League's position was:

NO on Propositions 61, 62, 63, and 64.

YES on Propositions 53 and 55.

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MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the Ad Hoc Legislative Committee's positions, as indicated. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker.

Prior to roll call vote, Councilman Wirth indicated his support of Proposition 65, and offered the following --

SUBSTITUTE MOTION to concur with the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation with the exception of Proposition 65. This motion was seconded by Councilman Mock.

Council discussion resulted in the following --

The above SUBSTITUTE MOTION failed to carry as shown by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mock and Wirth.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate, Hardison,
Nakano, Walker and Mayor
Geissert.

The MAIN MOTION carried as follows --

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate, Hardison,
Nakano, Walker and Mayor
Geissert.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Mock and Wirth.

Further action was taken as is shown below --

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved that the official ballot measure position of the Torrance City Council be aired on the City's cable network. His motion, seconded by Councilman Mock, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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The Council now returned to its regular agenda order.

10b. ORDINANCE SETTING SPEED LIMITS ON SECTIONS OF AIRPORT DRIVE, CARSON STREET, AND VAN NESS AVENUE:

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation and the Traffic Commission recommend that the City Council adopt the ordinance changing speed limits on sections of Airport Drive, Carson Street and Van Ness Avenue.

During the brief discussion and requested staff clarification which ensued on this item, Councilwoman Hardison requested that staff verify that appropriate speed limit signage has been posted on Van Ness Avenue where a change in the allowable speed is designated. Staff will follow through.

City Clerk Wilson read title to the following --

ORDINANCE NO. 3176

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 61.10.1, 61.10.2, 61.10.3 AND 61.10.4 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO POSTED SPEED LIMITS WITHIN THE CITY

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to approve Ordinance No. 3176 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

10c. WIDENING OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL OCCUPATION CENTER (SCROC) NORTHERLY DRIVEWAY:

Receipt of a request from the SCROC administrators to defer consideration of this item was noted.

In response to Council concerns regarding implementation of the signal at this intersection, City Engineer Burtt explained the significant implementation delays represented by the requested deferral of this agenda item.

It was the request of Councilman Wirth that SCROC administration be advised of the significance of this action. City Manager Jackson indicated that every effort will be put forth for timely action.

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13. ENVIRONMENTAL/BUILDING AND SAFETY MATTERS:

13a. HAZARDOUS WASTE ELEMENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN:

RECOMMENDATION OF BUILDING AND SAFETY DIRECTOR:

Staff recommends that your Honorable Body adopt the resolution asking the County of Los Angeles to incorporate certain specified changes into the Draft Hazardous Waste Element of the Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Plan.

RESOLUTION NO. 86-247

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE CONTAINING CITY COMMENTS ON THE PRELIMINARY DRAFT HAZARDOUS WASTE ELEMENT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND THE ASSOCIATED INITIAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 86-247. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hardison.

Prior to roll call vote, desired staff clarification was provided by Administrative Analyst Karcic.

Concerns regarding the delegation of attendance at hearings as proposed were expressed by Councilman Applegate who advised that, although he supports the above resolution in concept, he does not concur with the delegate substitution aspect.

Roll call vote on Resolution No. 86-247 was as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Hardison, Mock, Nakano, Walker, Wirth and Mayor Geissert.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate.

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15. HEARINGS:15a. CUP 86-47, SEIKI CHIBA:

Mayor Geisert announced that this was the time and place for City Council consideration of an appeal of a Planning Commission denial of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a sushi bar restaurant with on-premise consumption of beer and wine located in the CR Zone at 2202 Artesia Boulevard CUP 86-47, SEIKI CHIBA.

Proof of publication was provided by City Clerk Wilson and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Staff presentation was provided by Planning Associate Gibson, who noted the Planning Commission's recommendation for denial of the appeal and denial of the project; the Planning Department's recommendation for approval of the appeal and approval of the project.

Concerns addressed by Councilmembers encompassed the absence of security in the setback area between the commercial center and adjoining residential uses, and the resultant problems apparent in that area. The need for improved maintenance of the trash enclosures, as well as landscaping in this center was also noted.

Present to represent the proponent was Mr. Louie George, Supervisor of Commercial Properties for the DeMiranda Management Company 18039 Crenshaw Boulevard. This speaker illustrated, with the aid of a plot plan, the distance from the rear of the proposed restaurant use and the existing trash enclosures (a concern voiced at the Planning Commission hearing on this matter).

Continuing, Mr. George maintained, in response to neighborhood concerns regarding insects and vermin, that this property is serviced monthly by a pest control program -- he further advised that the trash dumpsters are emptied and the parking lot swept on a daily basis.

In response to a specific question by Councilman Walker, Mr. George indicated that they would accept an EMERGENCY ONLY exit for the rear door of the restaurant.

A resident of the subject area, Mrs. Tetsuko Asano, 17528 Daphne Avenue, expressed her concern regarding the possibility of a third eating establishment in this center -- noise, hours of operation, and sanitation were all matters of concern to this speaker.

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Mr. Irwin Newman, 2305 Descanso Way, opposed the subject request denoting noise and littering as present problems. This speaker indicated he would find a restaurant use on the north side of the center to be acceptable -- this one on the south side is too close to the residential neighborhood, in his opinion.

The resident of 2221 Descanso Way (immediately behind the proposed restaurant use), Mr. Kucharik expressed particular concerns regarding loitering in the setback area, noting that the latches on the gates at either end are broken and the area attracts uncleanliness, litter, noise, etc. Advising that there are rats in the area now, Mr. Kucharik advised that he would oppose anything that would increase the problem of trash and vermin.

There being no one else in the audience who wished to speak on this item, Councilman Walker moved to close the hearing. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

With the return of Council discussion to the condition of the gates at either end of the setback area, it was suggested by Fire Chief DeYoung that panic hardware might be installed which would allow for exiting of that area only -- no entry. It was the request of Councilwoman Hardison that, regardless of the outcome of this case, staff investigate some type of solution so that the area is not left open to the public.

Expressing his opinion that the rear portion of the restaurant would be far too close to the residential area, Councilman Nakano offered the following --

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and DENY the appeal and DENY the project. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and carried unanimously with the exception of a negative vote by Councilman Walker.

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Councilman Applegate announced that he would abstain from consideration of the following agenda item (for reasons previously stated). He then departed from the Chambers.

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15b. PD 86-6, TT 34533 (MOD), WATT HOMES, INC. (LARRY SCHMIDT):

Mayor Geissert announced that this was the time and place for Council consideration of an administrative appeal of a Planning Commission approval of a Plan of Development and a Modification of a 10-Lot Tentative Tract to allow the construction of 508 Townhomes in the PD Zone between Toledo Street and Sepulveda Boulevard approximately 600 feet east of Maple Avenue; PD 86-6, TT 34533 (MOD), WATT HOME, INC./LARRY SCHMIDT.

Proof of publication was provided by the City Clerk and it was ordered filed without objection.

During the staff presentation by Planning Associate Gibson, it was noted that the Planning Commission and the Planning Department recommend denial of the appeal and approval of the project.

The proponent was then invited by Mayor Geissert to address the Council.

Mr. Larry Schmidt, representing Watt Industries, 2716 Ocean Park Boulevard, Santa Monica, described the proposed project, and reviewed the following conditions.

Condition 27: "That no building permits shall be issued until the City has acquired appropriate title to both the dedicated and sale parcels in the form declared by the Court or approved by the City Attorney and City Council."

Deeming this a moot point, Mr. Schmidt requested deletion of this condition. The Council concurred.

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Condition 18: "That the property line wall adjacent to non-residential uses or land use designations shall be a minimum of eight feet in height above the interior grade."

Mr. Schmidt requested that this condition be modified to indicate subject to approval of the Planning Department as to design, it being their desire to construct the wall along Toledo with a combination of wrought iron and solid block. Clarification was also requested that adjacent to Toledo Avenue the height of the solid block wall be six feet; on the other sides of the property adjacent to commercial uses or the townhouse use that the height of the wall be eight feet.

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Planning Director Ferren concurred with this request.

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Condition 25: "That approval of a site plan showing the location of all abandoned oil wells shall be obtained from the State Division of Oil and Gas prior to issuance of any building permits. Such approval shall include location of all structures, depths of caps, method of abandonment and may require reabandonment of some wells."

Clarification of the intent of this condition was requested by Mr. Schmidt and provided by Building and Safety Director Grippo, who advised that there is no intent to require any other agency's approval, but rather to require a review to assure compliance with DOG requirements.

Mr. Schmidt concurred with the intent of this requirement.

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Condition 23: "That a landscaping plan for the adjacent oil site shall be submitted for approval by the Planning and Building & Safety (Environmental Division) Departments and shall be implemented prior to issuance of any building permits."

Mr. Schmidt deemed this condition an unreasonable requirement, noting as a matter of record that they have closed escrow and do not belong to the Torrance Investment Company, nor do they have an association with Santa Fe Energy Company. It was his request that the condition be modified to state that the plan be submitted but not implemented prior to issuance of any building permit, except for the phase adjacent to the drill site.

Building and Safety Director Grippo recommended that Condition #23 be modified to state: "That a landscaping plan for the adjacent oil site shall be submitted for approval by the Planning and Building and Safety Departments (Environmental Division) prior to issuance of any building permits adjacent to the drill sites."

This suggested modification was acceptable to Mr. Schmidt.

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Condition 22: "That all buildings shall be located a minimum of 100 feet from the perimeter of any adjacent oil site."

Mr. Schmidt objected strenuously to the above condition, advising that if required to comply with the 100-foot setback, approximately 23 residential units would be eliminated from the project.

Building and Safety Director Grippo provided the rationale behind this requested condition, noting that because of numerous noise complaints received from residents of the Springwood development (an earlier constructed phase of this project), staff is now requesting greater mitigation, either by way of distance or acoustical treatment, or both, in the subject development phase.

Council, staff, and the proponent's representative considered various approaches to this question.

Mr. Grippo ultimately suggested that Condition 22, above, be DELETED, and that Condition 24 be MODIFIED to read: "That all units shall be built in accordance with the findings of an independent acoustical consultant to the satisfaction of the Director of Building and Safety, especially those units adjacent to the oil drill sites."

Mr. Schmidt accepted this solution.

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There being no one else in the audience who wished to address the Council on this item, Councilman Walker moved to close the hearing. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hardison.

Prior to roll call vote on the motion to close the hearing, City Attorney Remelmeyer pointed out to the Council that the originally approved Tract contained 554 units, 46 units more than the 508 total units now proposed.

Mr. Schmidt advised that he is authorized by Watt Industries to stipulate that, subsequent to the action of the City Council this evening, they will grant the City the privilege of deleting 46 units from the total of 1482 overall units originally approved. Mr. Schmidt further affirmed that any residential developments to be constructed on Park Del Amo will be on property owned by Watt Industries.

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Roll call vote on the motion to close the hearing proved unanimously favorable (Councilman Applegate abstained).

MOTION: Councilman Walker moved to deny the appeal and approve the project on PD 86-6 and TT 34533 (Mod), Watt Homes, Inc. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and carried by way of the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Hardison, Mock, Nakano, Walker, Wirth and Mayor Geissert.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate.

At the request of Mayor Geissert, City Clerk Wilson read title to --

RESOLUTION NO. 86-248

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF 508 RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUMS IN THE PD ZONE ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF TOLEDO STREET BETWEEN MAPLE AVENUE AND CRENSHAW BLVD.
PD 86-6: WATT HOMES, INC.

MOTION: Councilman Walker moved to adopt Resolution No. 86-248, with the following modifications:

Condition 18 AMENDED as stated - see Page 15.

Condition 22 DELETED - see Page 17.

Condition 23 AMENDED as stated - see Page 16.

Condition 24 AMENDED as stated - see Page 17.

Condition 25 CLARIFIED, per Director of Building and Safety - see Page 16.

Condition 27 DELETED - see Page 15.

This motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and carried as indicated by the following roll call vote.

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AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Hardison, Mock, Nakano,
Walker, Wirth and Mayor
Geissert.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate.

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At 9:20 p.m., Mayor Geissert called a brief recess. The entire Council (including Councilman Applegate) returned to the Chambers at 9:35 p.m., to resume the regular order of Council business as follows.

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17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17a. REPORT OF AD HOC LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMITTEE:

See Pages 5 - 10.

17b. FISCAL YEAR 1987 EXEMPLARY YOUTH CONTRACT RENEWALS:

At the request of Mayor Geissert, City Clerk Wilson read title to --

RESOLUTION NO. 86-249

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING
THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND
ATTEST THESE CERTAIN CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE
CITY OF TORRANCE AND TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL
DISTRICT AND LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL
DISTRICTS

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 86-249. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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17c. RELOCATION OF ROLLING HILLS NURSERY:RECOMMENDATION:

It is the recommendation of the City Manager that Council appropriate an additional \$8,718.25 from Airport Funds for the emergency work performed by Barclay Construction for construction of a private common access drive to the Rolling Hills Nursery and Acura car dealership from Crenshaw Boulevard.

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Manager, with the necessary appropriation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

17d. CHILD CARE CENTER:RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER:

It is recommended that your Honorable Body direct the Child Care Study Team to pursue developing a strategy for providing child care for City employees. Options B through E (below) would be the basis for this study and the preliminary report will be presented no later than January 31, 1987.

OPTION B: The City should be only a resource for child care options and should provide data for the public and for its employees to use.

OPTION C: The City should enter into a partnership with large employers in the area to develop and operate a child care center for the employees of the partnership at Greenwood School.

OPTION D: The City should subcontract with the School District, or another qualified non-profit agency, to operate a child care center at Greenwood School.

OPTION E: The City should develop and operate a child care program for its own employees at Greenwood School.

MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to concur with the recommendation of staff for further study of the Child Care matter. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock.

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Prior to roll call vote on the motion, Mr. Ed Greene, 3205 Onrado, approached the podium as a representative of the Madrona Homeowners' Association. Mr. Greene encouraged consideration of a child day care center at the Greenwood School site on an appropriate time share basis with other compatible uses; recommended that the space be leased to private enterprise rather than City-operated; and opposed the concept of this child care facility as a fringe benefit for City employee, urging instead that it be open to the public.

Roll call vote on the above motion for further study of the matter proved unanimously favorable.

17e. TRANSFER OF MECHANICS FROM FIRE DEPARTMENT TO GARAGE DEPARTMENT:

RECOMMENDATION:

The Fire Chief, Equipment Superintendent, and the City Manager recommend that your Honorable Body authorize the reallocation of the Fire Apparatus Mechanic and Senior Mechanic from the Fire Department budget to the Garage Department budget. The City Manager's recommendation is based on improving the efficiency and service to the existing Fire and City fleets.

Following a brief overview of the subject proposal, City Manager Jackson responded to specific concerns regarding details of implementation as voiced by Councilman Wirth.

In response to Councilwoman Hardison, Equipment Superintendent Ishmael addressed the security problem and described the anticipated corrective measures presently under consideration.

A review of the effectiveness of such a move, with a status report back to the Council in one year's time, was suggested by Councilman Walker, whose principal concern revolved around the high level of service necessary to maintain the fire equipment.

Mayor Geissert stressed the need for these two specially trained mechanics to be available whenever needed to maintain the Fire Department equipment.

The following motion was then offered.

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MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to concur with staff's recommendation on Agenda Item 17e, adding the condition that a status report prepared by both the Fire and the Garage Departments be returned to the Council in one year. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate.

Prior to roll call vote, Mr. Lamont Frederick, President of Torrance Municipal Employees, Local 1117, AFSCME, addressed the Council (per correspondence of record dated October 14, 1986), stressing, particularly, their concerns regarding existing security problems.

Mr. Gary Stahl, Vice President, Torrance Fire Fighters' Association, indicated concurrence with the subject proposal and requested that the Fire Fighters be included in the one-year review of the matter.

Roll call vote on the above motion was unanimously favorable.

17f. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

See Pages 24 and 25.

20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 20a. COUNCIL AWARD OF CONTRACT: For repainting three City buildings at Greenwood School.
REF. BID NO. B86-66
EXPENDITURE: \$8,193.00.

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR OF GENERAL SERVICES:

It is staff's recommendation that your Honorable Body award a contract to the low responsible bidder in the total amount of \$8,193.00 (including tax) to the HERCULES PAINTING COMPANY of Northridge, California for the repainting of three buildings (and adjacent enclosure) at Greenwood School.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with staff's recommendation on Agenda Item 20a. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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At 10:08 p.m., the Council convened as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance, adjourning as Redevelopment Agency and returning to the Council agenda at 10:10 p.m.

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21. ADDENDUM MATTERS:

21a. HARBOR-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION:

See Page 3.

22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. City Attorney Remelmeyer recommended that Council establish November 18, 1986, 5:30 p.m., as the date for the hearing regarding a decision on whether or not to approve the transfer of the Torrance Cable TV franchise and assets to Century Cable.

Councilman Applegate SO MOVED. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

22b. Councilwoman Hardison commented on her attendance at the recent dedication of Fire Station #6 and also at the Crime Prevention Fair at the Del Amo Mall.

22c. Councilman Mock commended the Police Chief on the success of the Crime Prevention Fair, and suggested that the Fire Department investigate the possibility of participating in future such events.

22d. Councilman Walker requested that the Council's Community Planning and Design Committee consider long range plans for the undergrounding of utilities in the City of Torrance.

Councilman Applegate recommended that staff provide information as to the economics and feasibility of this proposal as input to such a Committee meeting.

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22e. Councilman Wirth expressed his concerns regarding current residential development trends in Downtown Torrance, and requested that guidelines in this regard be forthcoming from staff, Planning Commission, and the Community Planning and Design Committee of the Council.

Councilman Walker advised that the Community Planning and Design Committee will schedule a meeting on this subject the first part of November and will subsequently report back to the Council.

Concerns were further expressed by Councilman Wirth regarding the anticipated hearing by the Council of an appeal of a condominium development case in the Downtown area, said appeal scheduled for the Council meeting of October 28th, prior to the anticipated study and establishment of guidelines.

22f. Councilman Wirth complimented the Fire Department and Chief DeYoung on the opening of Fire Station #6.

22g. Mr. Ursel Nolte, 5209 Paseo de Pablo, advised that the Senior Citizens' Council has adopted, per resolution, a recommendation for naming the Ocean Avenue/226th Street Senior Citizen Project, and requested that the Council duly consider their suggestion.

22h. Mr. John Whitebrook, 18823 Patronella, voiced his strong disapproval of Ordinance No. 3153 which prohibits parking of vehicles on front lawns.

The Council now returned to --

17f. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Geissert read the following statement into the record:

The City Council will now recess to closed session for the purpose of conferring with the City Attorney regarding the following pending litigation cases to which the City is a party. The authority for holding a closed session for this purpose is contained in the provisions of Government Code Section 54956.9(a).

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1. The Gerardin Corporation dba Peninsula Aviation Co., et al vs. City of Torrance, et al, United States District Court Case No. 86 5681 WJR (JRx).
2. Lincoln Property Company v. City of Torrance, et al, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. C607339.
3. Lincoln Property Company v. City of Torrance, et al, United States District Court Case No. 86 CIV 4432 FFF (Px).
4. City of Torrance v. Group W Cable, Inc., et al, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. C607766.
5. Ralph Figuera, et al v. Board of Administration of the Public Employees Retirement System, et al, County of San Francisco Superior Court Case No. 790213.

The City Council will also recess to closed session to confer with the City Manager regarding salaries, salary schedules and compensation for certain employee groups. The authority for holding a closed session for this purpose is contained in Government Code Section 54957.6.

NOTE: Councilman Applegate announced that he would abstain from considering the Lincoln Property matters, and he absented himself from the meeting room during discussion of those items.

At 10:45 p.m., the City Council recessed to Executive Session, returning at 11:40 p.m., to take the following action.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the City Attorney's recommendation regarding the Ralph Figuera case. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

At 11:41 p.m., the meeting was formally adjourned to Tuesday, October 21, 1986, 5:30 p.m.

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