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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, July 18, 1989, at 5:33 p.m., in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

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

Absent: Councilwoman Hardison.

Also present: City Manager Jackson, City Attorney Nelson, City Clerk Bramhall, and Staff representatives.

3. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION:

Ms. Jamie Watson led in the salute to the flag.

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Reverend Ray Lambert, First Christian Church.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES/MOTION RE FURTHER READING:

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to approve the minutes of the City Council meeting of June 13, 1989, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock and roll call vote was unanimously favorable [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved that after the City Clerk has assigned a number and read title to any resolution or ordinance on the agenda for this meeting, the further reading thereof be waived, reserving and guaranteeing to each Councilmember the right to demand the reading of any such resolution or or-

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dinance in regular order. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock and roll call vote was unanimously favorable [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

5. MOTION RE POSTING OF AGENDA:

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda for this meeting. This motion, seconded by Councilman Mock, carried unanimously by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

6. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS:

None.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

None.

9. LIBRARY/PARKS AND RECREATION MATTERS:

9a. LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON FOR POST SUBSTATION SITE:

RESOLUTION NO. 89-148

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A LICENSE
AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
EDISON COMPANY FOR THE POST SUBSTATION
LITTLE LEAGUE SITE

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-148. His motion, seconded by Councilman Mock, carried unanimously by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

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9b. LEASE EXTENSIONS FOR YOUTH BASEBALL ORGANIZATIONS
USING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON POST SUBSTATION:

RESOLUTION NO. 89-149

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE CERTAIN AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE, TORRANCE LITTLE LEAGUE, TORRANCE NATIONAL LITTLE LEAGUE, SOUTH BAY GIRLS SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION AND TORRANCE AMERICAN BOYS BASEBALL FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING LEASES TO CERTAIN PROPERTY HELD BY THE CITY OF TORRANCE, PURSUANT TO A LICENSE GRANTED BY THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY, FOR USE AS BALL FIELDS, JANUARY 1 THRU DECEMBER 31, 1989

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-149. This motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

9c. CONTRACT FOR CHILD CARE CONSULTANT:

RESOLUTION NO. 89-150

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND BURUD AND ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR CHILD CARE CONSULTING SERVICES

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-150. His motion, seconded by Councilman Mock, carried unanimously by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

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10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:

10a. SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT - CARSON STREET WATER MAIN:

RESOLUTION NO. 89-151

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, ENTERING INTO A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH ASL CONSULTING ENGINEERS FOR PROFESSIONAL WATER MAIN DESIGN SERVICES FOR CARSON STREET FROM CRENSHAW BOULEVARD TO MAPLE AVENUE

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-151. His motion, seconded by Councilman Mock, carried unanimously by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

10b. PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT MICROCOMPUTER METER READING SYSTEM AND RELATED ACCESSORIES:

RECOMMENDATION

It is the recommendation of the Water Department, the Water Commission, the Finance Department, the Information Systems Department and General Services Department that the City Council authorize the following:

1. Purchase of Digital Systems, Inc. IntelliReader Meter Reading System at a cost of \$21,088 and a monthly maintenance fee of \$203.
2. Purchase of an IBM compatible computer to serve as the interface to be procured on a competitive basis.
3. Appropriate \$30,000 from the Water Revenue Fund to pay for the cost of the hardware, software, installation and training services and to provide for contingencies.

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to concur with the above stated staff recommendation, including the appropriation. His motion, seconded by Councilman Mock, was unanimously approved by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

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10c. IN-LIEU WATER PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE CENTRAL AND WEST BASIN WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT (CWBWRD):

RESOLUTION NO. 89-152

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE 1989-90 IN-LIEU REPLENISHMENT PROGRAM SPONSORED BY THE CENTRAL AND WEST BASIN WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-152. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

12. PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

12a. DENIAL OF PRECISE PLAN 89-3, MARK AND LAURIE LLOBELL:

Mayor Geissert announced that this agenda item was for the purpose of adopting a resolution formalizing the July 11, 1989, action of the City Council denying the subject Precise Plan application.

Councilman Mock noted that subsequent to the July 11 meeting, Mr. Llobell has had conversations with Councilmembers during which he indicated his willingness to redesign in a manner more acceptable to the Council. Mr. Mock indicated his willingness to consider a redesign on the condition that Mr. Llobell meet with his neighbors regarding proposed modifications, with Principal Planner Gibson to act as moderator.

MOTION: Councilman Mock moved to reconsider the previous Council action on PP 89-3, Mark and Laurie Llobell, with staff to bring the matter back in a timely manner in order to allow as much public input as possible. The motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, carried by unanimous roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

Mayor Geissert stressed that the above action allows for reconsideration only; it does not constitute a decision in the case.

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14. PERSONNEL MATTERS:

14a. ADOPTION OF VARIOUS MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING;

Held - see Page 10.

15. HEARINGS:

15a. SPRING 1989 WEED ABATEMENT PROGRAM:

Mayor Geissert announced that this was the time and place for the hearing on confirmation of the Spring 1989 Weed Abatement Program, showing the costs to be assessed to the property owners listed thereon.

The affidavit of posting was presented by the City Clerk and was ordered received and filed upon a MOTION by Councilman Applegate to that effect. The motion was seconded by Councilman Mock and roll call vote was unanimously favorable [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

There being no response to the Mayor's invitation for public comment, Councilman Applegate MOVED to close the public hearing. His motion, seconded by Councilman Mock, carried unanimously by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to approve the report of the City Manager on Agenda Item 15a, as submitted. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

RESOLUTION NO. 89-153

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE CONFIRMING THE WRITTEN
REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER SHOWING THE
COST OF WEED ABATEMENT FOR SPRING 1989
(WEED ABATEMENT ASSESSMENT ROLL - 1989)

MOTION; Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-153. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

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RESOLUTION NO. 89-154

SPRING 1989 WEED ABATEMENT ASSESSMENT
ROLL SHOWING COST PER PARCEL

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-154. This motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, was unanimously approved by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

20a. COUNCIL APPROVAL of necessary work performed to remove hazardous materials at Fire Station No. 1 and approval of payment for work.
Expenditure: \$9,124.00.

RECOMMENDATION;

Staff requests that Council approve the following:

1. Approve the necessary work which was performed by Barsotti's, Inc. (a licensed hazardous material abatement company)
2. Authorize payment for the total amount of \$9,124.00.

20b. COUNCIL AWARD OF CONTRACT: Re: Purchase of Computer Disk Drive for Information Systems Department.
Ref. Bid No. B89-48
Expenditure: \$13,581.60.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Purchasing Division and the Information Systems Department recommend that your Honorable Body approve the contract to purchase one (1) computer disk drive from the lowest responsible bidder, System Industries of Gardena. Total expenditure is \$13,581.60.

20c. COUNCIL AWARD OF ANNUAL CONTRACT: To furnish the City's requirement of crushed rock and washed plaster sand.
Ref: Bid No. B89-50
Anticipated Expenditure: \$32,216.25.

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RECOMMENDATION:

The Purchasing Division and the Street Department recommend that your Honorable Body authorize a contract to supply the City's annual requirements of crushed rock and washed plaster sand to the low responsible bidder, Livingston Graham, Inc. of Irwindale, California, in the anticipated amount of \$32,216.25, including tax.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with staff recommendations on Agenda Items 20a through 20c. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

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At 5:47 p.m., the City Council convened in joint session with the Redevelopment Agency, returning to the Council agenda at 6:01 p.m., but remaining in joint session for purposes of a joint executive session to be held later in the meeting [see Page 9.

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22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. Councilman Applegate requested a status report regarding the four-way STOP signs ordered by Council for Earl Street and Michelle Drive, as well as a memo regarding turn restrictions for southbound traffic off of Del Amo Boulevard. Transportation Planner Etherington indicated that the Department of Transportation will follow through.

22b. Councilman Nakano requested that there be an investigation regarding the handling of loud stereo systems in automobiles which cause safety-related problems. City Manager's office to follow through.

22c. Councilman Nakano suggested that restrictions be placed on the number of hostess-type bars allowed in the City of Torrance.

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22d. Councilman Wirth requested that staff check into pending State legislation relative to excessive amplification of automobile stereo systems.

22e. Mayor Geissert announced that she will be in Portland, Oregon to accept an award for the City of Torrance at the Sister Cities International Convention.

22f. Mr. Wilson Tressel, 4558 Cathann Street, submitted a petition [of record] requesting funding from the City of Torrance for continuation of RTD Bus Line 685 until the end of 1989. Information regarding the history of this line, as well as its present status, was provided by Mayor Geissert and by City Manager Jackson.

22g. Mr. Michael Toman, 4006 Emerald Street #307, requested that a City bus line be run down the "Anza corridor" to serve the commuter needs in that area.

23. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

23a. EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS:

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency having remained in joint session [see Page 8] Mayor/Chairwoman Geissert read the following statement into the record.

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency will now recess to closed session to confer with the City Manager and/or the City Attorney on the following subjects:

- Salaries, salary schedules and compensation for certain unrepresented employees, represented employee groups, elected and appointed officials, as well as certain other personnel matters;
- Pending litigation entitled People of the State of California, ex rel., vs. Mobil Oil Corporation, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. C 719953;
- Pending litigation affecting both the City and the Redevelopment Agency entitled The City of Torrance vs. Walter J. Egan, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. C 694935;

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- The acquisition of residential property at 2514 Carson Street for the expansion of Fire Station No. 1; and,
- Potential litigation regarding the dismantling of Building #4 at Charles Wilson Park.

Authority to hold an executive session for these purposes is contained in Government Code Sections 54957 & 54957.6(a); 54956.8; and 54956.9(a); and, 54956.9(b).

Councilman/Agency member Nakano announced that he would not participate in discussions on the Redevelopment issue. He subsequently absented himself from the meeting room during that consideration.

At 6:17 p.m., the City Council/Redevelopment Agency recessed to joint executive session, returning at 7:50 p.m. to take the following Council-related action.

The Council returned to the following agenda item...

- 14a. ADOPTION OF VARIOUS MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING AND RESOLUTIONS PERTAINING TO SALARIES, SALARY SCHEDULES AND WORKING CONDITIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 89-155

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE PROFESSIONAL AND SUPERVISORY ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 2, 1989 TO JULY 1, 1990

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-155. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

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RESOLUTION NO. 89-156

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE FIRE FIGHTERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 2, 1989 TO JULY 2, 1992 INCLUDING CERTAIN CHANGES CONTAINED THEREIN

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-156. This motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, was unanimously approved by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

RESOLUTION NO. 89-157

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION PROVISIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES ORGANIZATION (TMEO)

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-157. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and carried by unanimous roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

RESOLUTION NO. 89-158

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE PROFESSIONAL PARK AND RECREATION EMPLOYEES ORGANIZATION FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 2, 1989 TO JULY 2, 1991

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-158. The motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

RESOLUTION NO. 89-159

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE CITY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 2, 1989 TO JULY 1, 1990

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MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-159. This motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

RESOLUTION NO. 89-160

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING RESOLUTION 88-171 AND ADOPTING A NEW COMPENSATION PROCEDURE FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-160. The motion, seconded by Councilman Mock, carried unanimously by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

RESOLUTION NO. 89-161

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 88-170 AND ADOPTING A NEW PROCEDURE GOVERNING EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-161. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, was unanimously approved by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

RESOLUTION NO. 89-162

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH HOURS, WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EXTERNALLY FUNDED AND LIMITED TENURE EMPLOYEES FOR THE PERIOD STARTING JULY 2, 1989

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-162. This motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur in principle with the Memorandum of Intent for the Engineers. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable [Councilwoman Hardison absent].

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24. ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:58 p.m., the City Council/Redevelopment Agency meetings for this date were formally adjourned to Tuesday, July 25, 1989, 7:00 p.m.

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Mayor of the City of Torrance



Clerk of the City of Torrance

Peggy Laverty
Minute Secretary

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