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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, August 8, 1989, at 7:04 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 Nelson, City Clerk Bramhall, and Staff representatives.

3. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION:

The flag salute was led by Ms. Terese Condon.

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Reverend Yung C. Kim, Hope United Methodist Church.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES/MOTION RE FURTHER READING:

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to approve the minutes of the City Council meeting of July 11, 1989, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock and roll call vote was unanimously favorable [Councilman Nakano ABSTAINED].

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

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Councilmember the right to demand the reading of any such resolution or ordinance in regular order. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hardison and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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 Councilwoman Hardison, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

6. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS:

City Manager Jackson/City Attorney Nelson announced the following agenda changes.

Item 10c - SHORT-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN UPDATE -  
to be heard as a public hearing.

Item 17a - ACUTELY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REGULATION -  
WITHDRAWN - to be rescheduled for  
August 29, 1989 [see Page 14].

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

None scheduled.

8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:

8a. INTRODUCTION OF KASHIWA EXCHANGE STUDENTS:

Mikko Henson and Irene Harter of the Torrance Sister City Association joined Mayor Geissert and Councilman Nakano in introducing the following visitors from Kashiwa, Japan.

Kentaro Hayashi  
Makoto Hosoya  
Naoko Kandori  
Keiko Nozawa  
Yukako Oyama  
Noriko Tabata  
Naoko Takemoto  
Yuko Tsukamoto and...

Adult leader Yoko Nakano.

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Mementos of this occasion were presented the visitors by Mayor Geissert and each individual graciously responded with remarks of appreciation.

Considered next out of order...

21a. INTRODUCTION OF ROTARY EXCHANGE STUDENTS:

Mr. Rich Cornwall of the Del Amo Rotary Club introduced the following exchange students.

From Fareham, England - Edward Gray  
Caroline Trowbridge

From Urawa, Japan - Hiromitsu Sakayori  
Maiko Suzuki.

Mayor Geissert presented mementos of this visit which were acknowledged with appreciation by the students.

Continuing out of order...

22a. Mayor Geissert acknowledged receipt by the City of a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers' Association of the United States and Canada.

A companion Award of Financial Reporting Achievement was then presented by the Mayor to the City's Finance Director, Mary Giordano, as the individual designated as primarily responsible for this achievement. Mayor Geissert noted that this certificate of achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting.

This singular honor was accepted with sincere appreciation by Ms. Giordano.

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Returning to regular agenda order...

9. LIBRARY/PARKS AND RECREATION MATTERS:

9a. MICROFILM/MICROFICHE READER-PRINTERS - LIBRARY:

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Librarian recommends your Honorable Body approve a five year lease/purchase plan at \$447.60 + tax for three Minolta RP 605Z coin-operated micro-film/microfiche reader printers, using library equipment maintenance funds for the current year. Revenue (at 10 cents a page) is expected to exceed the cost of this lease-purchase, although that revenue will go to the General Fund.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Librarian on Agenda Item 9a. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:

10a. REDUCTION OF SUBDIVISION BONDS

TRACT NO.	43219
SUBDIVIDER	Torrance Business Park
ENGINEER	Consolidated Consultants
LOCATION	NW Corner of Del Amo Boulevard and Prairie Avenue (Union Carbide Site)
NO. OF LOTS	11.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Engineering Department recommends that the subdivision bonds be reduced as indicated and that the City Council approve a 6-month extension to February 4, 1989 [should correctly read February 4, 1990] to allow completion of public improvements per Subdivision Agreement dated August 4, 1986.

MOTION: Councilwoman Hardison moved to concur with the above stated staff recommendation. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and carried by unanimous roll call vote [Councilman Applegate ABSTAINED].

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10b. NOTICE OF COMPLETION - Old Torrance Area Street Light Improvement Project (B 87-24)

RESOLUTION NO. 89-179

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA ACCEPTING THE WORK FOR THE OLD TORRANCE AREA STREET LIGHT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (B 87-24)

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-179. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

[PUBLIC HEARING]

10c. FY 1990-92 TORRANCE SHORT-RANGE TRANSIT PLAN UPDATE:

Mayor Geissert announced that this was the time and place for the public hearing to receive comments from any and all interested parties who wish to address any aspect of the FY 1990-92 Torrance Short-Range Transit Plan Update

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation recommends that Council approve the FY 1990-92 Torrance Short-Range Transit Plan for submittal to the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission [LACTC].

A brief summary of the written material of record on this agenda item was provided by Director of Transportation Horkay, who then responded, as did Transit Manager Schmidt, to specific inquiries from Councilwoman Hardison regarding the transit terminal at Del Amo and proposals for Line #8 peak hour service.

From the audience Ms. Kim Semel, representing Douglas Aircraft Company, 19503 Normandie Avenue, requested commuter service on 190th to benefit Douglas employees.

Mr. Richard Tamira, International Light Metals, 19200 South Western Avenue, encouraged implementation of commuter service to their employees.

There being no one else in the audience who wished to speak, Councilman Applegate moved to close the hearing. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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MOTION; Councilman Wirth moved to concur with staff's recommendation on Agenda Item 10c. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10d. APPLICATION FOR \$30,000 STATE GRANT FOR TREE PLANTING IN CITY STREETS:

RESOLUTION NO. 89-180

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR THE URBAN FORESTRY GRANT PROGRAM UNDER THE CALIFORNIA WILD-LIFE, COASTAL, AND PARK LAND CONSERVATION BOND ACT OF 1988 FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:  
CITY-WIDE STREET TREE PLANTING

MOTION; Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-180. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker.

Prior to roll call vote Councilman Wirth inquired regarding the scope of this project and its possible relationship with the interest of the "Tree People" organization. Street Superintendent Garcia advised that this proposal is to augment the purchase of trees for the City's tree planting program.

Roll call vote on the motion to adopt Resolution No. 89-180 was unanimously favorable.

10e. PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES - CITY-WIDE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM STUDY:

RECOMMENDATION:

The Engineering and Street Departments recommend that the Resolution be adopted authorizing the execution of an Agreement with CH2M Hill to perform a city-wide Sanitary Sewer System Study and that \$210,000 be appropriated from the Sewer Revolving Fund to finance the Sanitary Sewer System Study.

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RESOLUTION NO. 89-181

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS OR AGREEMENTS NECESSARY TO RETAIN PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES WITH CH2M HILL TO PERFORM A COMPREHENSIVE CITY-WIDE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM STUDY

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-181. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to approve the appropriation as indicated for Agenda Item 10e. This motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

10f. APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AND NOTICE OF COMPLETION -  
Via Corona/Vista Largo Hillside Restoration  
(Buttress Fill):

RECOMMENDATION:

The Engineering Department recommends that your Honorable Body: (1) adopt the Resolution to accept the work and to file a Notice of Completion; and (2) appropriate \$155,000 from the reserve for Self-Insurance Catastrophes to cover the final costs associated with the buttress fill.

RESOLUTION NO. 89-182

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, ACCEPTING THE WORK FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE HILLSIDE (BUTTRESS FILL) BETWEEN VIA CORONA AND VISTA LARGO

MOTION; Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-182 including the appropriation as noted. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hardison and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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14. PERSONNEL MATTERS:

14a. FISCAL YEAR 1989-90 JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP ACT (JTPA)  
EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING CONTRACTS:

RESOLUTION NO. 89-183

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 THE ITT TECHNICAL INSTITUTE, AUTOMOTIVE TRAINING CORPORATION OF AMERICA, AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ELECTROLOGY, UAW - LABOR EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING CORPORATION, OFFICE OF SAMOAN AFFAIRS, GRAHAM ASSOCIATES, INC., LIFESTEPS FOUNDATION, INC., AND ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES EDUCATION AND WELFARE CORPORATION

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-183. This motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

14b. ADOPTION OF VARIOUS MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING:

Held until after executive session - see Pages 19-20.

15. HEARINGS:

15a. CUP 70-38 (MOD), ARCO PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, INC.

Mayor Geissert announced that this was the time and place for Council consideration of an appeal by the applicant of a Planning Commission approval of a Modification of a previously approved Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a mini-mart in an existing service station on property located in the C-5 zone at 23510 Crenshaw Boulevard. CUP 70-38 (MOD), ARCO PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, INC.

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

Staff presentation was provided by Sr. Principal Planner Gibson who noted that the Planning Commission and Planning Department recommend denial of the appeal and approval of the project as conditioned by the Planning Commission [including

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restriction of hours from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. seven days a week, the condition upon which the applicant has based his appeal].

Mr. Gibson explained that in the opinion of staff, the operation of a minimart at this location could have potential adverse impacts on the nearby single-family residential neighborhood, thus staff's recommendation for limiting the hours of operation.

Council discussion developed regarding the matter of restricted hours and, in response to individual Councilmember inquiries, the following information was provided.

- While there are currently no limits imposed for hours of operation [the station could operate on a 24-hour basis], it is presently operated from 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. seven days a week.
- The Standard station north of this site is open 5:00 a.m. to midnight 7 days a week for gasoline service; 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. 5 days a week for service operations.
- Restricted hours for service station/minimart operations have not heretofore been imposed in the City of Torrance except for the station at Sepulveda and Kent [no longer in business].

Councilwoman Hardison indicated particular concerns regarding traffic circulation because of the large amount of business conducted at this site and the fact that the northerly driveway on Crenshaw is no longer chained, as it was by a previous operator of the facility. Principal Planner Gibson suggested that, if a serious problem develops in that regard, the Conditional Use Permit can then be brought back for review; however, conditions of approval at this time must relate to the type of improvement proposed [minimart facility].

Councilman Applegate voiced his opinion that the addition of a minimart facility and seven additional parking spaces for the maintenance operation, along with the extensive gasoline purchasing activity at this station will only compound an existing circulation problem.

The proponent's representative was invited to address the Council at this time.

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Mr. William Beverly, 21515 Hawthorne Boulevard, Suite 1030, noted the applicant's opposition to Condition #15 restricting hours of operation from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. for the minimart/service station operation. This speaker pointed out that the minimart portion of this facility is only 10 x 15 feet in size and includes two cold boxes and a candy rack. This arrangement, in his opinion, does not represent a major modification in use, and is merely proposed as a convenience for individuals purchasing gasoline at the site.

Mr. Beverly also noted that, while there are no chains on the driveways at this time, there is an EXIT ONLY sign on the southerly-most driveway in an attempt to alleviate the traffic problem at the corner.

Audience input was invited.

Mr. Robert Lingley, Jr., representing the Chevron Station at 23420 Crenshaw Boulevard [across the street from the subject site], advised that their current hours of operation are 5:00 a.m. to midnight and they may consider changing to a 24-hour operation in the future.

Mr. Merrell Sale, 2434 West 235th Place [directly east of the station], urged compliance with the original Conditional Use Permit for this site and requested that hours of operation be restricted to non-sleeping hours for the nearby residential neighborhood.

Traffic problems related to the subject station were stressed by Mr. Stanley Bender, 2442 West 235th Place.

Mr. Dan Rickard, 2443 West 235th Place, reported that gasoline is delivered to the subject station at 2:15 a.m., thus disturbing residential neighbors.

In response to a comment by Councilman Wirth regarding the trend of service stations in the City to charge for air and water, Sr. Principal Planner Gibson advised that this is a violation of the current Code.

Representing ARCO, Mr. Ron Carlock, 17315 Studebaker, Cerritos, responded to Councilwoman Hardison by advising that the current franchisee does considerably more volume in gasoline sales than past operators, and because of this volume, frequent petroleum tanker deliveries are required.

An extensive discussion developed centering around the question of hours of operation in consideration of the nearby residential development.

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Mr. Beverly returned to the podium to point out that the station now has the ability to operate on a 24-hour basis and the question to be considered, in his opinion, is whether it is worthwhile for the applicant to relinquish the existing 24-hour right for the privilege of adding the minimart feature. It was further noted by this speaker that it is unlikely the proponent would ever wish to be open past midnight during the week or 2:00 a.m. on weekends, and he deemed it "unfair" to restrict the hours of operation for this station when their competitors in the area are operating until midnight or 2:00 a.m.

Mr. Sale, 2434 West 235th Place, returned to urgently request restriction of hours because of the noise emanating from the station.

It was confirmed, in answer to a question by Councilman Walker, that no hourly restrictions have heretofore been imposed for either the repair or retail aspects of the business; therefore, should the applicant choose to withdraw his application [for a minimart] and retain the operation "status quo" the City would then have no control at all over hours of operation at this location.

Mr. Dick Johnson, 23059A Nadine Circle, described traffic circulation problems at the subject site.

The applicant's representative, Mr. Beverly, returned to suggest that, as a matter of clarification, Condition #16 [which specifies that a maximum of seven vehicles awaiting service shall be stored on the property] be modified to indicate that the seven vehicles are awaiting mechanical service.

There being no further audience comments, Councilman Applegate moved to close the hearing. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Councilman Walker voiced some hesitation with the concept of hourly restrictions for the business, noting that he would be comfortable with a statement from the applicant regarding his intent not to remain open after midnight, thus leaving the City with the ability to restrict hours for mechanical repairs from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. [Condition #14, to which the applicant does not object].

Councilwoman Hardison pointed out that the mechanical portion of this operation is very small, gasoline sales being the major part of the business. Because of the proximity to residential, Mrs. Hardison strongly favored the condition [#15] restricting hours of operation in order to provide some relief for the neighborhood; however, in light of the fact that such

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restrictions are not imposed elsewhere in the City, she indicated a willingness to modify the hours to between 6:00 a.m. and midnight.

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to modify the Planning Commission requirement as stated in Condition #15 to stipulate the hours of 6 a.m. to midnight; Condition #16 to be modified to indicate vehicles awaiting mechanical service. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hardison and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

RESOLUTION NO. 89-184

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A MODIFICATION OF A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE OPERATION OF A MINI-MART IN AN EXISTING SERVICE STATION ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE C-5 ZONE AT 23510 CRENSHAW BOULEVARD  
CUP 70-38 (MOD):  
ARCO PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, INC.

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-184 as amended. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hardison and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Mayor Geissert suggested that the City might consider a mechanism for imposing controls on hours of operation for service stations located within a certain distance of residential areas.

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At 8:50 p.m. a recess was called. The meeting reconvened at 9:12 p.m.

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15b. CUP 89-4, D 89-9, PATRICK H. CHOY:

Mayor Geissert announced that this was the time and place for City Council consideration of an applicant appeal of a Planning Commission denial of a Conditional Use Permit and a Division of Lot to allow the construction of four two-story attached condominium dwelling units in the R-3 zone located at 2436-2438 Arlington Avenue. CUP 89-4, D 89-9: PATRICK H. CHOY.

Proof of publication, presented by the City Clerk, was filed without objection.

During the brief staff presentation on this agenda item, Principal Planner Gibson noted that the proponent has redesigned the project to address concerns voiced by the Planning Commission -- staff is now recommending approval of the appeal and approval of the application as resubmitted.

Mr. Patrick Choy, 2545 West 237th Street, Suite I, was present to request approval of the project.

There being no further audience comments, Councilman Applegate moved to close the hearing. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Acknowledging the reduction in density and bulk represented by the redesign, as well as the provision of additional guest parking and elimination of the need for a setback Waiver, Councilwoman Hardison offered the following.

MOTION: Councilwoman Hardison moved to grant the appeal and approve CUP 89-4, D 89-9, PATRICK H. CHOY. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

RESOLUTION NO. 89-185

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF FOUR TWO-STORY ATTACHED CONDOMINIUM UNITS ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-3 ZONE AT 2436-2438 ARLINGTON AVENUE  
CUP 89-4: PATRICK H. CHOY

MOTION; Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-185. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17a. ACUTELY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REGULATION:

Mayor Geissert recalled the earlier recommendation of the City Attorney that this matter be withdrawn, to be resubmitted to Council on August 29 [see Page 2]. It was the Mayor's direction that, although no action will be taken on this matter tonight, questions might be considered and comments offered at this time.

In response to inquiries, Fire Chief Adams related the current status of the City's efforts in dealing with recent changes in the various regulations pertaining to the control and management of acutely hazardous materials. Chief Adams provided a lengthy explanation of his Department's involvement with the overall hazardous materials issue as well as the ongoing efforts regarding Mobil Oil, and he indicated that the Council will be provided, in the future, with an update of the process as it relates to various other operators in the City.

Councilman Mock, whose earlier suggestions precipitated this agenda item, expanded upon the rationale behind his desire that the City actively enter into the regulation process regarding hazardous materials and expressed concerns relating to the assessing of actual risks involved.

It was the request of Mayor Geissert that, when this agenda item is returned to Council [August 29], there be input from a staff team assessing the need for further local law in order that the safety of the public might be further guaranteed.

Information as to the transportation of acutely hazardous materials to various sites within the City was requested by Councilwoman Hardison.

[This agenda item will be returned to Council August 29, 1989, 5:30 p.m.]

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At 9:37 p.m., the City Council convened in joint session with the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance. During this joint session City Council Agenda Item 17b was considered as a companion to Agency Agenda Item 3a. The relevant portion of the Redevelopment Agency minutes of this date is therefore inserted in this document.

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Councilman/Agency Member Nakano announced that upon the advice of the City Attorney/Agency Counsel he would abstain from consideration of the following agenda items due to a possible future conflict of interest. Mr. Nakano then departed from Chambers.

Companion Council Agenda Item  
17b. FORMATION OF JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY:

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Treasurer and the Finance Director recommend the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement between the City and the Agency creating the Torrance Financing Authority.

At the request of Mayor/Chairwoman Geissert, Finance Director/Agency Chief Accountant Giordano provided background information and clarification on the subject matter.

RESOLUTION NO. 89-186

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION  
AND DELIVERY OF A JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS  
AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF  
TORRANCE AND THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-186. This motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, carried by way of the following roll call vote.

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

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: Councilman Nakano.

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Councilman/Agency Member Nakano rejoined his colleagues at this time.

At 9:43 p.m., the Redevelopment Agency meeting was formally adjourned and the regular Council agenda order was resumed.

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18. SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

18a. ORDINANCE NO. 3281:

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 13.10.1  
OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING  
TO COMPENSATION OF THE CIVIL SERVICE  
COMMISSION

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 3281 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

20a. COUNCIL AWARD OF CONTRACT - Renewal Maintenance for  
Fifteen (15) Xerox Copiers  
Expenditure: \$41,000.00.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended by the Purchasing Division and Central Services Division that your Honorable Body authorize the renewal of an annual maintenance agreement with the Xerox Corporation in the amount of \$41,000.00.

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- 20b. FIRST PROGRESS PAYMENT - Via Corona/Vista Largo  
Hillside Landscaping (B 89-22)

RECOMMENDATION:

The Engineering Department recommends that your Honorable Body approve the first progress payment to Ryco in the amount of \$47,475.00.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with staff recommendations on Agenda Items 20a and 20b. The motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

21. ADDENDUM MATTERS:

- 21a. INTRODUCTION OF ROTARY EXCHANGE STUDENTS:

See Page 3.

22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

- 22a. See Page 3.

- 22b. Councilman Applegate requested that staff investigate the potential of establishing the Lomita Boulevard extension [between Anza and Palos Verdes Boulevard] as a green belt.

City Manager Jackson indicated his office will follow through and return the matter to Council for consideration. Mayor Geissert requested that there be direct involvement with the homeowners group in the area.

- 22c. Councilman Walker requested staff investigation of the increase in County rehabilitation facilities of various types in the community and possible controls which the City might be able to impose, because of the great concern this represents to the citizens living in these areas.

- 22d. Councilman Wirth referenced correspondence from the Southeast Torrance Homeowners Association requesting support for the Assembly Select Committee on Hazardous Materials to hold a hearing in this area. Mr. Wirth suggested that the City support that request and offer these Council Chambers for that purpose.

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22e. Councilman Wirth expressed appreciation for staff's timely follow-through relative to the dumping of tires at a vacant commercial facility on Hawthorne Boulevard.

22f. Councilman Applegate requested investigation of a high stack of tires at an abandoned tire store at Cabrillo and Border.

22g. Mayor Geissert requested that the matter of the meeting of the Assembly Select Committee on Hazardous Materials be returned to the Council as an agenda item of an informational nature [see 22d, above].

22h. Mayor Geissert congratulated Councilwoman Hardison on a recent career promotion.

22i. Mayor Geissert extended congratulations to City Manager Jackson and his wife, Connie, on their 25th wedding anniversary.

22j. Mayor Geissert requested appropriate Council recognition of Mr. Michael Jackson who has notified the City of the necessity to vacate his position on the Visitors' Bureau Board of Directors. The Mayor also requested that an agenda item be prepared for filling that vacancy on the Visitors' Bureau Board.

22k. Mayor Geissert requested that an agenda item be prepared to provide for her replacement as the City's representative on the Policy Board of the Commuter Transit Program

22l. Mayor Geissert inquired regarding a report from the Street Department relative to curbside pickup of recyclables. City Manager Jackson advised that three refuse issues are under study at the present time, including the recycling matter, and a time frame on these reports will be submitted to the Council.

22m. Ms. Pam O'Brien, 5005 Sepulveda, strongly recommended that any interim action on the Lomita Boulevard extension not preclude the possibility of putting that street through at some time in the future.

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22n. Mr. Dick Johnson, 23059A Nadine Circle, expressed appreciation, on behalf of the Senior Citizens Council, for Councilman Nakano's attendance at their meeting this date.

Mr. Johnson also expressed his desire that 223rd Street be extended from Western to Plaza Del Amo at some point in the future.

23. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

23a. EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS:

Mayor Geissert read the following statement into the record.

The City Council 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;

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

At 10:12 p.m., the City Council recessed to executive session, returning at 11:22 p.m. to take the following action.

The Council returned to...

14b. ADOPTION OF VARIOUS MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING:

RESOLUTION NO. 89-187

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH HOURS, WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 30, 1989, TO JUNE 30, 1992

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MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-187. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

RESOLUTION NO. 89-188

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH CERTAIN MODIFICATIONS TO THE TME LOCAL 1117 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING CONCERNING HOURS OF WORK, WORKING CONDITIONS AND WORK RULES FOR EMPLOYEES IN THE CLASSIFICATION OF BUS OPERATOR

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-188. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 89-189

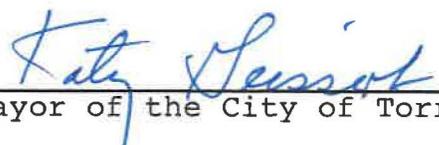
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH HOURS, WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS [FOR] RECURRENT POLICE RECRUITS FOR THE PERIOD STARTING AUGUST 13, 1989

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-189. This motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

24. ADJOURNMENT:

At 11:25 p.m., this meeting of the City Council was formally adjourned to Tuesday, August 15, 1989, 5:30 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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