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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, January 2, 1990, at 5:40 p.m., in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Applegate, Hardison, Mock, Nakano, Wirth and Mayor Geissert. Councilman Walker arrived at 5:43 p.m.

Absent: None.

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

3. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION:

Police Chief Don Nash led in the salute to the flag.

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Assistant Pastor Glenn Gerdes, Pacific View Baptist Church.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES/MOTION RE FURTHER READING:

No minutes available.

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 [Councilman Walker not as yet arrived].

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 [Councilman Walker not as yet arrived].

6. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS:

15a. PP 89-41, W 89-25 STEVEN KAM: Applicant-requested continuance - see Page 3.

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Councilman Walker arrived at this point in the meeting [5:43 p.m.].

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7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Transportation Committee

January 9, 1990 - 6:00 p.m.

Subject: Torrance Boulevard Study.

8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:

8a. PROCLAMATION declaring Monday, January 15, 1990, as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day in Torrance.

SO PROCLAIMED by Mayor Geissert.

This proclamation will be mailed to the recipient.

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11. POLICE AND FIRE MATTERS:

11a. SALE OF USED SWAT WEAPONS:

RECOMMENDATION:

The Police Department requests approval to sell used Special Weapons and Tactics Unit (SWAT) weapons to Adelanto Police Department. This sale will partially off-set the cost of replacement weapons already received.

MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to concur with the recommendation of the Police Department on Agenda Item 11a. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

15. HEARINGS:

15a. PP 89-41, W 89-25 STEVEN KAM:

Mayor Geissert announced that this was the time and place for City Council consideration of an appeal of a Planning Commission approval of a Precise Plan of Development and a Waiver to allow the construction of a second-story addition to an existing two-story single-family residence with less than the required twenty-foot average front yard setback on property located in the Hillside Overlay District in the R-1 zone at 4438 Vista Largo. PP 89-41, W 89-25: STEVEN KAM.

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

Noting the earlier notice of request for continuance of this agenda item [see Page 2], Planning Director Ferren advised that the applicant had originally requested continuance of this item to January 9; however, upon learning that a full Council would not be present on the 9th, he was now requesting deferment of the item to January 23, 1990, 7:00 p.m.

Councilman Applegate SO MOVED. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth and carried without objection.

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17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17a. ADDENDUM TO ADKINS LEXUS LEASE:

RESOLUTION NO. 90-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING AN ADDENDUM TO THE LEASE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ATTEST AND EXECUTE THE SAID ADDENDUM

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 90-1. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hardison and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

20a. CITY COUNCIL AWARD OF CONTRACT - Re: Purchase of Traffic Signal Equipment Parts and Related Maintenance Hardware
Re: Econolite Signal controls and accessories
Ref: Cooperative purchase with Los Angeles County Contract No. 52070
Anticipated Annual Expenditure: \$200,000.00.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that Council authorize Torrance's participation in Los Angeles County's Agreement #52070 for various traffic signal equipment parts and maintenance hardware and award a contract for the procurement thereof to Econolite Control Products of Anaheim, California for the anticipated annual amount of \$200,000.00.

20b. COUNCIL AWARD OF CONTRACT - To furnish the City's annual requirements of various lubricating oils
Ref: Bid No. B89-75
Expenditure: \$40,782.77 including sales tax.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Purchasing Division and Fleet Services Department request that your Honorable Body award an annual contract for the City's lubricating oils to the low bidder, Union Oil Company of Los Angeles, California in the total amount of \$40,782.77 including tax.

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

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At 5:47 p.m. the City Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance. The meeting of the Redevelopment Agency was adjourned at 5:48 p.m. and the regular Council agenda order was resumed.

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22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. City Clerk Bramhall announced that Los Angeles Times columnist Jack Smith will participate in a program sponsored by the American Field Service at Torrance High School on Sunday, January 28, 1990. All were invited to attend.

22b. Councilman Applegate expressed appreciation for expressions of condolences upon the recent passing of his father-in-law.

22c. Councilwoman Hardison, with the concurrence of each of her fellow Councilmembers in turn, extended heartiest congratulations to the Torrance Rose Float Association for being awarded the Princess trophy at the 1990 Tournament of Roses Parade.

22d. Councilman Mock expressed particular appreciation for the efforts of Ms. Doris Greene, president of the Rose Float Association and her Board of volunteers, as well as Mr. Bob DeArmond, crew chief on the float.

22e. Councilman Nakano noted that award-winning floats were entered by American Honda and by Epson America, both Torrance-based firms.

22f. Mayor Geissert commented on achievements of the City during the past year including: nationally-recognized drug bust activity; successful graffiti eradication and home improvement programs; progress toward commuter service to the aerospace in-

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dustries; opening of the "new" Bartlett Center; recognition of Coleman Court as model senior citizen housing; and winning of a rose float trophy.

22g. Mayor Geissert noted that copies of the Air Quality Management District's [AQMD] draft report on acutely hazardous substances had been received by the Council. The Mayor judged this report to be a "very disappointing document" and she expressed her hope that the report would not be ratified by the AQMD board until cities like Torrance have had an opportunity for proper evaluation and input.

22h. State legislation which would preempt the City's planning authority within a two-mile radius around the Airport was next referenced by the Mayor, who urged that vigorous action be initiated by the City of Torrance in informing affected cities and the League of California Cities. Mayor Geissert also suggested that Senator Berguson's office be contacted and advised of this City's strong opposition regarding the inclusion of general aviation airports and the preemption of local authority in planning matters.

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 and represented employee groups as well as certain other personnel matters;
- Pending litigation entitled John Rastello, et al., vs. Rollo Green, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. SWC 74882;
- Pending litigation entitled People of the State of California vs. Mobil Oil Corporation, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. C 719953;
- Potential litigation with Mobil Oil Corporation;

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- Pending litigation entitled Arleen M. Olmstead v. City of Torrance and Nolan Dane, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 80793;

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

At 6:00 p.m., the City Council recessed to executive session for the above stated purposes, returning at 7:15 p.m., to take the following action.

RESOLUTION NO. 90-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH CERTAIN CHANGES REGARDING HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY TORRANCE MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES - AFSCME, LOCAL 1117, IN THE CLASSIFICATION OF BUS OPERATOR
RESOLUTION NO. 89-188

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 90-2. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 90-3

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH CERTAIN CHANGES REGARDING HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES - AFSCME, LOCAL 1117,
RESOLUTION NO. 89-187

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 90-3. This motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

24. ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:16 p.m., this meeting was formally adjourned to Tuesday, January 9, 1990, 7:00 p.m.

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