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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, May 21, 1991, at 5:35 p.m., in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

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.

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With sadness Mayor Geissert announced the recent passing of long-time Torrance resident Jacob Pauly. The Mayor directed that this meeting be adjourned in memory of Mr. Pauly.

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2. FLAG SALUTE

The salute to the flag was led by Boy Scout Troop #706 - Assistant Scout Master, Walt Rubio.

INVOCATION

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Reverend Randy Rhoades, Jubilee Fellowship.

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3. MOTION RE FURTHER READING

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 ordinance in regular order. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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.

4. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS

None.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Ad Hoc Committee re Opening of Arts Center
Wednesday, May 29, 1991, 4:30 p.m.
Subject: Planning for Opening of Arts Center.

Finance Committee
Tuesday, June 11, 1991, 6:00 p.m.
Subject: Metropolitan Water District Water Rate Policy.

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6a. COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD - IRENE HARTER

Mayor Geissert presented a plaque to Ms. Irene Harter in recognition of her years of service as a member of the Human Resources Commission.

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6b. SERVICE AWARD - SR. PRINCIPAL PLANNER JEFFREY GIBSON

Mayor Geissert presented a ten-year service award to Senior Principal Planner Jeff Gibson.

6c. RECOGNITION OF LOCAL PREP BASKETBALL ALL-STARS

Mayor Geissert presented plaques to the following individuals in recognition of their achievement as the LA Times [South Bay] and Daily Breeze 1990-91 Prep Basketball All-Stars.

- Robin Kirksey
- Joe Zaletel
- Tiffany Fujimoto
- Lily Cabaleiro.

Considered next - out of order...

19. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

19a. Mayor Geissert announced that at the Transportation and Public Works Conference, the City of Torrance Department of Transportation was the recipient of an award as lead agency for the MAX system.

The Council returned to regular agenda order...

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

7a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - April 9, 1991 and April 16, 1991.

7b. JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP ACT [JTPA] FISCAL YEAR 1991-92
SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING CONTRACTS

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that your Honorable Body authorize the execution of contracts for Summer Youth Employment and Training services with vendors listed in agenda material of record.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with agenda items 7a and 7b. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hardison and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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8. LIBRARY/PARKS AND RECREATION MATTERS

8a. GIFT FUNDS FROM FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Librarian recommends that your Honorable Body accept and appropriate \$27,465 from the Friends of the Library to be used for adding magazine indexing to the Library's on-line catalog.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the above stated recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock and carried without objection.

Ms. Teresa Covey was present to present a check from the Friends for \$27,465. This generous gift was received with appreciation by Mayor Geissert.

8b. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH C. E. BENT AND SONS, INC. FOR 1992 PASADENA TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE ENTRY

RESOLUTION NO. 91-64

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND C. E. BENT AND SON, INC., FOR THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, ENTRY, DISPLAY AND OPERATION OF A FLOAT IN THE 1992 PASADENA TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 91-64. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

8c. LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR POST SUBSTATION SITE

RESOLUTION NO. 91-63

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

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MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 91-63. This motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

8d. LEASE EXTENSIONS FOR YOUTH BASEBALL ORGANIZATIONS USING SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON POST SUBSTATION, 235TH AND ELM STREETS

RESOLUTION NO. 91-65

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, 1991

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 91-65. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker.

Prior to roll call vote Councilwoman Hardison requested that staff return to Council with options that might be explored with Southern California Edison as well as possible alternative plans which could be pursued.

Mayor Geissert recommended that the City's policy on use of sumps be re-examined.

Roll call vote on the motion was unanimously favorable.

8e. ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKSHOP DATE FOR CONSIDERATION OF CULTURAL ARTS CENTER ISSUES

RECOMMENDATION:

The Parks and Recreation Director is recommending that your Honorable Body select a date for a workshop to discuss policies related to the operation of the Cultural Arts Center.

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By consensus, the Council established Tuesday, June 25, 1991, 5:30 p.m., for the subject workshop session.

9. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS

9a. ANIMAL CONTROL CONTRACT FOR FISCAL YEARS 1991-93
AND ORDINANCE INCREASING DOG LICENSE FEES

RESOLUTION NO. 91-62

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT FOR POUND SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (SPCA) DOING BUSINESS AS THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HUMANE SOCIETY

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Resolution No. 91-62. This motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 3330

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 41.3.2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE GOVERNING LICENSE FEES FOR KEEPING AND MAINTAINING A DOG IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to approve Ordinance No. 3330 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hardison and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

13. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

13a. INSTALLATION OF AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE (ATM) AND
LEASE AGREEMENT WITH TORRANCE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council...

- o Authorize the installation of a full service, through-the-wall NCR 5085 automated teller machine on the west side of the Personnel Building;

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- o Authorize the expenditure of a not-to-exceed amount of \$26,000 from the 1991 Capital Improvement Budget for the purchase and installation of the ATM;
- o Authorize the execution of a ten-year no-fee lease agreement between the City and the Torrance Federal Credit Union, with a cancellation provision of 90 days exercisable by either party, for the space located within the Personnel Building.

Senior Management Assistant Brian Sunshine provided the staff report on this agenda item explaining that the question of liability is currently at issue; therefore, conceptual approval only was requested at this time pending return of a report by staff relative to the liability matter.

It was Councilman Applegate's opinion that the City should have total indemnification from the Credit Union on the subject and he suggested that the matter be held until there has been further investigation by the Credit Union Board and a report is returned to Council.

Councilman Applegate SO MOVED. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker.

Concerns were voiced during the discussion which followed. Those concerns centered around issues of liability, security, parking availability, etc. Councilman Wirth requested that Council be provided with information regarding the ATM facility proposed for the City Yard with a cost analysis of various approaches available.

The motion on the floor carried without objection.

13b. MINI GRAND PRIX FUND-RAISING EVENT

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Manager recommends that the City Council approve "in concept" the proposal by the Arthritis Foundation to conduct a Mini Grand Prix fund-raising event in Torrance, with details to be worked out between organizers and the city's Special Events Review Team and, if appropriate, the Parks and Recreation Commission and Department before final review and approval by the City Council at a later date.

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Sr. Management Assistant Gary Flod presented a video tape illustrating a Mini Grand Prix event, following which he responded to Council questions.

Ms. Lysa Agundez, Arthritis Foundation, 4311 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 530, Los Angeles; Mr. Mel Matsuda, Chairman of the Torrance Mini Grand Prix; and Mr. Bob Boyd, Sports Car Club of America, 7709 Eastwood Avenue, Rancho Cucamonga, were present to address Council on the subject request.

Concerns of individual Councilmembers and areas in which additional information is desired are noted below.

Councilman Walker:	expanded financial data;
Councilman Nakano:	noise level [if held at Wilson Park];
Councilwoman Hardison:	further Council review if proposed site is Wilson Park.
Councilman Mock:	critique by cities where this event has been held;
Councilman Applegate:	safety a major consideration; also a concern that participants must purchase the cars.

Mayor Geissert suggested that the City Council instruct the Special Events Team to continue working with the Arthritis Foundation for the development of a more specific plan. Councilwoman Hardison SO MOVED. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Mock and roll call vote proved unanimously favorable.

13c. METRO GREEN LINE EXTENSION - EXAMINATION OF EIR PROCESS

RECOMMENDATION:

To further examine issues such as traffic, alternative alignments and ridership figures for this extension, the City Council Transportation Committee recommends that the City Council request the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission (LACTC) to proceed with the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Metro Green Line Extension; the City Council will forward its recommendation to LACTC.

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The Committee reiterates that participation in this EIR process will not commit the City to support a particular light rail alignment at this time.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE NOTE:

As a follow-up to the Transportation Committee meeting discussions, the Committee would further recommend that City of Torrance staff be directed to study and suggest alternative light rail routes and station locations. Believing that the consideration of alternative routes is a necessity, this would allow Torrance the initiative in recommending preferred routes to the Transportation Commission.

[SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA MATERIAL included correspondence from LACTC revising the start of Green Line construction from 1994 to 2014.]

Councilman Wirth, Chairman of the Council Transportation Committee, furnished the committee report.

The staff report was provided by Transportation Planner Helene Buchman who related recent history and future projections involving the Los Angeles Transportation Commission [LACTC] multimodal Metro plan.

Mayor Geissert noted that after meeting with Mr. Cashin of LACTC some months ago there was indication, with the passage of Proposition "C", that construction could start on the Metro Green Line extension as early as 1995. The Mayor questioned the reason for the present anticipated start dates of 2014-2018 and the further statement that a new funding source must be found.

Mr. Bob Cashin, Area Director for the South Bay for the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission, 818 West 7th Street, Los Angeles, responded to the Mayor's concerns. He explained that the priorities currently envisioned have resulted in a change in timing for rail lines. He requested Council support of the Environmental Impact Report [EIR] for the Green Line so that in the future, "as things change" construction of that line might possibly be moved up in priority.

As discussion continued, Mr. Cashin responded to questions and comments by members of Council. In addressing the matter of funding, this speaker indicated that they would be funding in Torrance for conversion of the Torrance Transit fleet to "clean" vehicles, as mandated by the Clean Air Act.

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Concerns were expressed by the Mayor that any EIR prepared at this time will be badly out of date in 25 years.

Councilman Nakano touched on his concerns related to a light rail line on Hawthorne Boulevard: short- and long-term negative impact on businesses; aesthetics; failure to address traffic from the hill; etc. It was Mr. Nakano's recommendation that serious consideration be given to the utilization of the Santa Fe Railroad right-of-way as a possible light rail route.

Councilman Walker expressed opposition to a light rail extension in the City of Torrance and he also voiced opposition to the "massive expenditure of public money because it is available." Mr. Walker's concerns included the outmoded technology represented by the Green Line, as well as the inherent problems which would be imposed on the community.

Opposition to ANY light rail line at this time was also expressed by Councilman Applegate who noted that past presentations before the Council have revealed that rather than helping the traffic in the City of Torrance, a light rail line would compound that traffic problem. Other concerns voiced by Mr. Applegate included aesthetics, terminus of the line as an "attractive nuisance", irrelevancy of an EIR for a project some 25 years in the future, etc.

Serious doubts were expressed by Councilwoman Hardison as to the effectiveness of an EIR that will not be utilized for 25 years, the preparation of which she deemed a waste of tax payers' money.

Mayor Geissert agreed, noting her disenchantment with past treatment of the City of Torrance regarding County-related transportation matters. The Mayor expressed her opinion, however, that there will be a future need for a rapid transit system in the South Bay.

Councilman Wirth pointed out that the Council Committee's recommendation in support of an EIR was based on the 1995 construction date and was issued prior to the letter from LACTC [supplemental material] advising of the later date. Although there was support on the Committee for light rail, Mr. Wirth noted that there were serious questions as to the route and he recommended that alternate routes be considered because of the need to save rights-of-ways.

Mr. Cashin responded to concerns noting that, for the first time, impacts and elements are being considered on a County-wide basis which resulted in the development of the scenario presented. This speaker advised that, although the

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plan calls for start of construction of light rail in Torrance in the year 2014, LACTC will not fund such a project over the objections of the local agency.

The following motion was ultimately offered.

MOTION: Councilman Walker moved to file Agenda Item 13c. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock. [This motion was later modified - see below.]

Councilwoman Hardison stated, for the record, that she is not opposed to a Green Line extension if the right route can be found because, in her opinion, something like that will be required in the future. However, Ms. Hardison stated that she is opposed to an EIR at this time because of the 2014 - 2018 construction date. In her opinion, it would be a waste of money on something that would have to be extensively updated.

Councilman Wirth noted that while he, along with certain other members of Council, would support light rail under certain circumstances, the conditions of support are extremely important. He was urged that that point be made clear to LACTC.

Responding to Councilman Wirth's concerns that the issue of saving rights-of-ways be addressed, City Manager Jackson explained that any change in those individual lots would require consideration by the City, thus the City has some control over most of the rights-of-ways for possible re-use. A feasibility study along these lines was proposed by Mr. Jackson.

Discussion continued. Mayor Geissert suggested that she would prefer, rather than just filing the item, that the Council's feelings that an EIR would be premature be transmitted very clearly to the Commission [LACTC]. Should the timetable change making an EIR relevant, the Mayor advised that the City of Torrance would like to consider the matter at that time.

Councilman Walker SO MODIFIED HIS MOTION.

Mayor Geissert and Councilman Wirth indicated their intent to testify before the Commission on the subject issue.

Councilman Wirth reiterated his concerns that the "whole message" be communicated to the Commission, not merely that the Council had rejected light rail.

Mr. Cashin stressed that LACTC would not move ahead with the EIR if the schedule set forth in the draft 30-year multimodal Metro plan is adhered to [and the schedule not moved ahead].

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Councilman Applegate agreed regarding the concept of transmitting the City's position; however, he cautioned against including the Transportation Committee's report as that report does not reflect the most current information received. Mr. Applegate also noted that the City's position should not include a minority opinion.

Noting his intent to vote NO on the motion on the floor, Councilman Wirth stated his opinion that more of the Council Committee's recommendation should be expressed.

Public input was invited.

Ms. Sara Horne, president of the Torrance League of Women Voters, 412 Via El Chico, urged that the Council consider light rail as an alternative mode of transportation which will move people efficiently.

Roll call vote on the motion was as follows...

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

NOES: Councilman Wirth.

In explaining his negative vote, Councilman Wirth emphasized, in addition to his previous comments, that he has not seen the draft of the letter to be sent to LACTC; therefore, he is not able to support same.

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At 8:05 p.m., Mayor Geissert called a recess. The Council returned at 8:32 p.m.

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14. HEARINGS:

14a. APPEAL 90-48: ROBERT COTTONE

Mayor Geissert announced that this was the time and place for City Council consideration of an appeal of a Planning Commission denial of a request to allow seasonal sales on property located in the M-2 zone at 3323 Sepulveda Boulevard. APPEAL 90-48: ROBERT COTTONE.

Proof of publication was filed without comment.

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Senior Principal Planner Gibson pointed out that this item was advertised to the applicant; however, the applicant did not appear to be present in the audience. Mr. Gibson advised that the Planning Commission and Planning Department recommend denial of the appeal and denial of the request.

Public comment was invited by the Mayor.

Ms. Adrian Stevenson, President of Friends of Madrona Marsh, recommended denial of the request and submitted a letter from the Friends dated May 21, 1991 [of record], supporting their recommendation.

Councilman Walker agreed that the subject business created problems in the past; however, he did not agree with the statement in the Friends' letter opposing the operation of any business adjacent to the Marsh. Mr. Walker cautioned that such a suggestion not be implied in any way by the Council.

Ms. Shirley Turner, 23216 Juniper Avenue, concurred with the recommendation for denial and submitted related photos for the record.

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

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the Planning Department and the Planning Commission for denial of Appeal 90-48. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

14b. FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON CITY MANAGER'S PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEARS 1991-93

Mayor Geissert announced that this was the time and place for the first public hearing on the City Manager's proposed budget for 1991-93.

The affidavit of publication was filed without comment.

There being no one who wished to address the matter of the budget at this time, Councilman Applegate MOVED to close the public hearing. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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City Manager Jackson noted that matters as discussed during the budget workshop meetings will be brought forward to Council for formal consideration at the end of the second public hearing on Tuesday, May 28, 1991 -- no further action is required at this time.

16. SECOND READING ORDINANCES

16a. ORDINANCE NO. 3327

ORDINANCE NO. 3327

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING ARTICLE 7 CHAPTER 1 TO DIVISION 8 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING NUISANCES ASSOCIATED WITH VACANT BUILDINGS AND PREMISES

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3327 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

16b. ORDINANCE NO. 3329

ORDINANCE NO. 3329

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 220 VIA RIVIERA, FROM PU (PUBLIC USE) TO PD (PLANNED DEVELOPMENT)

ZC 91-1: KNICKERBOCKER AND ASSOCIATES

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3329 at its second and final reading. This motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

17. MATTERS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED

17a. COUNCIL AWARD OF CONTRACT - To furnish, deliver and install a diesel generator for the City of Torrance. Ref: Bid No. B91-26. Expenditure: \$102,746.00 including sales tax.

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RECOMMENDATION:

The Purchasing Division and the Information Systems Department request that your Honorable Body award a contract to Lawrence Electrical Construction Inc. of Long Beach, California, the lowest responsible bidder, to furnish, deliver and install a diesel generator for the City of Torrance.

MOTION: Councilman Walker moved to concur with the above stated recommendation on Agenda Item 17a. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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At 8:48 p.m., the City Council met in joint session with the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance. At 8:49 p.m., the regular Council agenda order was resumed, Council/Agency remaining in joint session for purposes of a joint executive session to be held later in the meeting - see Page 17.

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19. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

19a. See Page 3.

19b. Deputy Police Chief Popp reported that Police Chief Don Nash is at home recuperating from recent surgery.

19c. Councilman Applegate expressed appreciation to all who contributed toward making the recent Armed Forces Day Parade an outstanding success. Mr. Applegate specifically thanked Police Captain Larry Robinson and Pattie Lanier, Chief Nash's secretary. Parks and Recreation, Transportation, Street, and Finance Departments were also noted by this Councilman as among those who contributed a great deal to the success of the event.

19d. Councilwoman Hardison commented on the success of the Armed Forces Day parade, as did other members of the Council in turn.

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19e. Councilwoman Hardison requested that a community bulletin be displayed regarding the success of water conservation efforts in the City of Torrance.

19f. Councilman Nakano expressed disappointment regarding the lack of network news coverage of Torrance's recent parade.

19g. Councilman Nakano requested that staff analyze materials from the recent League of California Cities meeting regarding clean fuel buses.

19h. Councilman Walker wished his wife, Sandi, a Happy Birthday.

19i. Councilman Wirth expressed appreciation for efforts of the Transportation Planning Division -- Helene Buchman and Pat Blumen -- for their input to the Transportation Committee item on tonight's agenda [see Item 13c, Pages 8-12].

19j. Councilman Wirth requested that a recent recommendation of the Traffic Commission relative to Maple/235th Street be brought to the Council for consideration.

19k. Councilman Wirth noted receipt of citizens' complaints regarding utilization of the vacant lot at 182nd and Yukon for construction equipment. Mr. Wirth inquired as to how long this lot will be so used, and suggested a means be found to control the activity. The review process in this instance was also questioned by Mr. Wirth.

Planning Director Ferren indicated that his department will investigate the matter.

19l. City Clerk Bramhall announced that the State Legislature is considering the possibility of changing the National Primaries to the second Tuesday in March.

19m. Councilman Applegate expressed appreciation for coverage in the Daily Breeze of the Armed Forces Day Parade.

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19n. Ms. Shirley Turner, 23216 Juniper Avenue, invited interested parties to join the Marsh walk on Saturday, May 25, 8:00 a.m.

20. EXECUTIVE SESSION

20a. EXECUTIVE SESSION MATTERS

The City Council/Redevelopment Agency having remained in joint session, Mayor/Chairwoman 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 personnel matters;
- Pending litigation entitled People of the State of California vs. Mobil Oil Corporation, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. C 719953;
- Pending litigation entitled John Rastello, et al., vs. Rollo Green, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. SWC 74882;
- Potential litigation involving El Camino College;
- Lease amendment negotiations update regarding Madison Park Ground Lease with Cohen and Torino;
- Lease Negotiations with non-profit corporation regarding Greenwood School site;
- Potential litigation concerning disruption of City activities.

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

The City Council, acting as the Redevelopment Agency will confer with Agency Counsel regarding the request of the Volunteer Center for exclusive purchase of Agency property at 1230 Cravens Avenue.

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Authority to hold an executive session for this purpose is contained in Government Code Section 54956.8.

At 9:16 p.m., the City Council/Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance recessed to executive session, returning at 10:34 p.m. No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

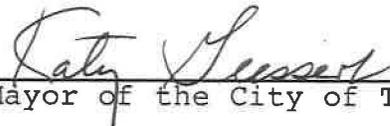
21. ADJOURNMENT

At 10:34 p.m., this meeting of the City Council was formally adjourned to Tuesday, May 28, 1991, 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment was dedicated to the memory of

Mr. Jacob Pauly.

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Mayor of the City of Torrance



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