

**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
 SEPTEMBER 11, 2007
 REGULAR MEETING
 5:30 P.M. - EXECUTIVE SESSION
 7:00 P.M. - REGULAR BUSINESS BEGINS
 IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 3031 TORRANCE BL.**

OPENING CEREMONIES

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
 ROLL CALL: Mr. Barnett, Mr. Brewer, Mrs. Drevno, Mr. Nowatka,
 Mr. Sutherland, Mrs. Witkowsky, Mayor Scotto
2. FLAG SALUTE:
 NON SECTARIAN INVOCATION:
 The Courts have concluded that sectarian prayer as part of City Council meetings is not permitted under the Constitution.
3. REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA.
 The agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Blvd on Thursday, September 6, 2007 /s/ Sue Herbers
 MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING OF RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES AFTER NUMBER &
 TITLE
 See Council Rules of Order Section 2.11 (Resolution 2006-65)
4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS
5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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| AD HOC FACILITY NAMING COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 AT 4:30 P.M. CITY HALL - THIRD FLOOR ASSEMBLY ROOM | COMMUNITY PLANNING & DESIGN COMMITTEE THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 AT 4:30 P.M. CITY HALL - THIRD FLOOR ASSEMBLY ROOM |
| CITY COUNCIL JOINT MEETING WITH COMMISSION ON AGING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16 AT 5:30 P.M. CULTURAL ARTS CENTER, GARDEN ROOMS A & B | COMMISSION CERTIFICATION CLASS (PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED) THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2007 TO REGISTER - CONTACT CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE 310.618.5880 |

COUNCIL MEETING INFORMATION

All council meetings are open to the public. Oral Communications #1 is set aside after Community Matters for the public to address any matter not on the agenda. A speaker list sign up is at the podium prior to the meeting. An additional Oral Communications period follows the regular business of the City Council.

Those who wish to speak on any matter on the agenda are asked to complete a "Request to Speak" card (available at the back of the Council Chamber) and deposit in the box on the podium before addressing the City Council.

Direct other questions or concerns to the City Council (618-2801), City Manager (618-5880) or individual department head prior to submission to the City Council. Parties will be notified if the complaint will be included on a subsequent agenda.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Manager's office at 618-5880. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. [28CFR35.102-35.104 ADA Title II].

NOTICE OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

At the time Council convenes or as soon thereafter as Council business can be disposed of, the City Council will take a recess without leaving their seats and meet as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance. As soon as the meeting of the Redevelopment Agency adjourns, the City Council will reconvene as the City of Torrance.

AGENDA REVIEW

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6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

- A. **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-85** honoring **Dianne Rita Pales** upon her retirement from the City after twenty-eight years of service.
- B. **Proclamation** declaring Saturday, September 15, 2007 as **Coastal Clean Up Day** in the City of Torrance.
- C. **Proclamation** declaring the month of September 2007 as **National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month** in the City of Torrance.

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1 (Limited to a 30 minute period)

Comments on this portion of the agenda are limited to items not on the agenda and to no longer than 3 minutes per speaker. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the legislative body is prohibited from taking or engaging in discussion on any item not appearing on the posted agenda.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

A. City Clerk – Approve City Council minutes

The City Clerk recommends that City Council approve the City Council minutes of July 17, July 24, and August 7, 2007.

B. General Services – Authorize purchasing agreement for Toro brand lawnmower replacement parts. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$40,000.

The General Services Director recommends that City Council authorize an annual sole-source purchasing agreement with Turf Star Inc. of Brea, CA in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 to furnish Toro brand lawnmower replacement parts on an as needed basis, effective October 6, 2007 through October 5, 2008.

C. General Services – Authorize purchasing agreement to furnish automotive parts and supplies. Expenditure: \$50,000.

The General Services Director recommends that City Council authorize a purchasing agreement with Peerless Auto Parts of Torrance, CA in the amount of \$50,000 to furnish automotive parts and supplies on an as needed basis, effective October 6, 2007 through October 5, 2008.

D. General Services – Authorize purchase agreement for Ford brand repair parts for passenger vehicles, light trucks, and emergency vehicles. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$40,000.

The General Services Director recommends that City Council authorize an annual purchase agreement with Power Ford of Torrance, CA in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 to purchase Ford brand repair parts for passenger vehicles, light trucks, and emergency vehicles on an as needed basis, effective October 20, 2007 through October 19, 2008.

E. Public Works – Approve agreement to temporarily lease water rights to the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles. Expenditure: None.

The Public Works Director recommends that City Council approve an agreement to temporarily lease water rights to the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Los Angeles during the remaining 2007-2008 fiscal year.

F. City Treasurer - Accept and File the July 2007 Investment Report.

The City Treasurer recommends that City Council accept and file the monthly investment report for the month of July 2007.

G. Community Development – Approve agreement for ground monitoring wells.

The Community Development Director recommends that City Council approve an application by Honeywell International, Inc. for the renewal of a license agreement, previously held under two (2) license agreements, for two (2) existing groundwater monitoring wells for a period of ten (10) years.

H. Public Works – Approve an increase in the amount of matching funds for the Reuse Grant and agreement with Trash for Teaching. Expenditure: \$437.

The Public Works Director recommends that City Council:

- 1) Approve an appropriation increase of \$437 in the amount of matching funds approved for the Reuse Assistance Grant; and
- 2) An amendment to non-profit grant agreement with Trash for Teaching (C2006-108) increasing the not to exceed amount by \$437.

These adjustments are needed as the matching fund section of the grant was not approved by the City at the same amount as the granting agency.

I. Public Works – Approve agreement for sewer cleaning and digital video review of sewers. Expenditure: \$49,140.

The Public Works Director recommends that City Council:

- 1) Accept the proposal submitted by Advanced Sewer Technologies for sewer cleaning and digital video and reject all other proposals; and
- 2) Approve a contract services agreement with Russell Warner, Inc., dba Advanced Sewer Technologies, in the amount of \$46,800 and authorize a 5% contingency in the amount of \$2,340.

J. General Services – Authorize purchase order to furnish and install diesel particulate filters and appropriate \$403,200. Expenditure: \$403,200.

The General Services Director recommends that City Council:

- 1) Authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Ironman Parts & Services of Corona, CA to furnish and install diesel particulate filters (DPF's) on seventeen (17) Solid Waste Collection Vehicles (SWCV), and twelve (12) miscellaneous heavy-duty on-road diesel-fueled vehicles, as cooperative purchases with the Metropolitan Water District of Los Angeles and the City of Santa Clarita, CA. Total not to exceed \$403,200 includes outfitting of twenty-nine (29) vehicles with DPF's at \$384,000, including sales tax and a 5% project contingency of \$19,200; and
- 2) Appropriate \$403,200 from the Fuel Mitigation Reserve to the Fleet Services Fund to fund the purchase and installation of diesel particulate filters.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. City Manager - Set a Compliance Schedule to Comply with a Writ of Mandate from the Los Angeles Superior Court in a Personnel Matter

The City Manager recommends that the City Council comply with the writ of mandate issued by the Los Angeles Superior Court ordering the City to hold a hearing regarding the extent to which Petitioner, a former Torrance police officer, has a revived interest in employment. Specifically, the City Manager recommends that the City Council set a briefing schedule and hearing date as follows:

- 1) Order Petitioner and Respondent to exchange and file briefs with the City Council by 5:00 p.m. September 17, 2007, outlining their respective positions regarding the Petitioner's revived interest in employment.
- 2) Allow the parties to file reply briefs, if they so choose. Order that reply briefs be submitted and exchanged between the parties and submitted to the City Council no later than 5:00 p.m. September 21, 2007.
- 3) Set a hearing regarding the status of the Petitioner's revived interest in employment for September 25, 2007.

B. City Manager – Approve request for proposal for beverage vending services.

The City Manager recommends that City Council approve a Request for Proposal (RFP) for beverage vending services.

13. HEARINGS

A. Community Development - City Council consideration of an appeal of a Planning Commission denial of a Conditional Use Permit on property located in the R-3 zone at 1217 Arlington Avenue.

The Community Development Director recommends that the City Council grant the appeal and approve the project.

The Planning Commission recommends that the City Council deny the appeal and take the following actions:

- 1) Adopt a **RESOLUTION** denying a Conditional Use Permit to allow construction of a three-unit condominium project; and
- 2) Adopt a **RESOLUTION** denying a Division of Lot for condominium purposes on property located in the R-3 zone at 1217 Arlington Avenue.

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2 Date:

Council order - Sutherland Witkowsky Barnett Brewer Drevno Nowatka
Staff & Public Comments

Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the legislative body is prohibited from taking or engaging in discussion on any item not appearing on the posted agenda.

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Council Closed Session

**A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
– CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY MANAGER**

(California Government Code § 54957):

Redevelopment Agency Closed Session: None

(California Government Code § 54956.8):

19. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Adjourn City Council and Redevelopment Agency to Tuesday, September 18, 2007, at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m.

Sue Herbers, City Clerk

“Not a day passes over this earth, but men and women of no note do great deeds, speak great words and suffer noble sorrows.” — Charles Reed

| ALL BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE CITY CLERK’S OFFICE BY 2:00 P.M., BIDS WILL BE OPENED IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 2:15 P.M. | | |
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| BIDS | DESCRIPTION | OPENING DATE |
| B2007-33 | Bid for the Modernization of the Torrance Airport FAA Tower Elevator Mandatory job walk Tuesday, August 14, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. located at the Torrance Airport General Aviation Center, 3301 Airport Drive, Torrance, CA Questions may be referred to Leeann Vidaillet at 310.781.7141 | Thursday September 13, 2007 |
| B2007-34 | Bid for Testing of Fire Alarm Panels and Fire Prevention Equipment in City Buildings Mandatory job walk Wednesday, September 19, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. located at Torrance City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, CA 90503 Questions may be referred to Leeann Vidaillet at 310.781.7141 | Thursday October 11, 2007 |

City Hall will be closed: Friday, September 14, 2007, Friday, and September 28, 2007