

Torrance, California.
January 19, 1932.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Torrance, was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, January 19th., 1932, and was called to order at 7:45 P. M. by Mayor Dennis.

The following Councilmen were present: COUNCILMEN: Bell, Smith, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis. Absent: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Nelson moved portion of the minutes of January 5th., 1932, with reference to the \$1500.00 allocation by the Chamber of Commerce be struck out. Councilman Smith seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Bell, Smith, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Steiner moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of January 5th., 1932, as amended, be adopted. Councilman Smith seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

At 8: P.M. Mayor Dennis called for bids for furnishing gasoline to the City of Torrance for twelve months, beginning on February 1st., 1932, and ending January 31st., 1933. The Clerk opened and read the following proposals:

THE TEXAS COMPANY - Net dealers price including State Tax is \$.12 per gallon.

SHELL OIL COMPANY - Net tank truck price is 12 cents per gallon, which is inclusive of the California Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax at Torrance.

UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA - being twelve cents (12¢) per gallon, including State Tax.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA - Price per gallon which the Buyer shall pay the Seller for deliveries of Standard Gasoline hereunder shall be the Seller's current tank truck price.

ELMORE-LAMBING OIL CO. - Agree to deliver said gasoline at a top price of 11¢ per gallon, state tax of 3¢ included.

Councilman Smith moved that the bid of the Union Oil Company of California be accepted, and all other bids be rejected. Councilman Nelson seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Bell, Smith, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Harbor District Chambers of Commerce dated January 15, 1932, expressing the sincere feeling and appreciation of the entire membership of the organization for the courtesies shown at meetings held in the City of Torrance. Councilman Steiner moved the letter be filed. Councilman Bell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A communication, from the Torrance Chamber of Commerce under date of January 19, 1932, was read regarding major highways and their prospective development. Councilman Steiner moved the letter be filed and request be complied with and the City Engineer be instructed to call the matter to the attention of affected property owners. Councilman Bell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A gentleman in the audience requested permission to start an auto wrecking yard at 1817 - 213th Street. All wrecking to be done under cover. Councilman Smith moved request be granted. Councilman Nelson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

At this time the Clerk brought up the matter of closing up and vacating a portion of Park Street and no written or oral objections having been received, Councilman Bell introduced:

ORDINANCE NO. 229

GRANTING VACATION OF THAT PORTION OF PARK STREET.

Engineer Leonard stated that the Neon Electric Sign Company had requested a permit to place an electric sign over Dr. Ingold's place of business to conform with our ordinance. Councilman Steiner moved request be granted. Councilman Nelson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

On Western Avenue widening, the City Engineer had no further report to make except that he had called the matter to the attention of the County Surveyor as directed by the Council.

City Attorney Findley reported he had written to the attorney of the Veterans' Welfare Board and as yet had not received a reply. He believed the Veterans' attorney will attend a meeting of the City Council or he will soon have a reply. Councilman Steiner moved we hold this matter open until next meeting. Councilman Smith seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. He also stated he had no further report on the water litigation. An appeal was filed and it will come up under due course. And, in the matter of the damage suit against the city, the case is being prepared and will come up in regular course.

Councilman Steiner requested that the City Engineer be instructed to report on the expense of repairing the sign on the front of the City Hall and also ascertain the cost of a new sign. Councilman Smith moved the matter be referred to the City Engineer for check up and report. Councilman Bell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Nelson requested that the City Engineer investigate the drainage condition on Sonoma Street and make recommendation as to proper way to handle the drainage problem.

Councilman Steiner moved all bills properly audited be paid.

Councilman Smith seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Bell, Smith, Nelson, Steiner and Dennis.

Councilman Steiner moved that the meeting be adjourned to Tuesday,

January 26th., at 4: o'clock P. M. Councilman Smith seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

J. H. Bartlett
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

John Deane
Mayor of the City of Torrance.