

Torrance, California.  
February 13th., 1935.

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

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a Regular Meeting in the City Hall, Torrance, California, on Wednesday, February 13th., 1935.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Ludlow at 7:45 P.M.

City Clerk Bartlett called the roll. Those answering present were Councilmen: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. Absent: Councilmen: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved the minutes of the regular meeting of January 22nd., 1935, and the minutes of an adjourned regular meeting of January 23rd., 1935, be approved as written. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Office of the City Engineer, Los Angeles, relative to improvement of Sepulveda Boulevard and Torrance Boulevard. Councilman Hitchcock suggested Engineer Leonard be instructed to take this matter up with Los Angeles City Councilman Buyer.

A communication from the League of California Municipalities was read inviting the City Council and other city officials to a meeting of the Association of City Planners of Los Angeles County to be held Saturday, February 16th.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Torrance Chamber of Commerce commending the promptness and effectiveness with which the City of Torrance through its Engineering and Street Departments met the Hydril Company's appeal for all possible relief in the recent floodwater condition. Mayor Ludlow ordered this communication filed.

A communication from the Associated Oil Company was read reporting that no receipts or earnings were derived by said Company under their franchise. Mayor Ludlow ordered this communication filed.

City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from The National Business and Professional Women of Torrance inviting the Mayor and City Council to their Second Annual Inter-Club Relations Dinner and Program on March 19. City Clerk Bartlett was instructed to advise before meeting in March.

A communication from the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works was read. Mayor Ludlow ordered this letter placed on file.

X City Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works requesting further information in regard to water bond election.

A communication from O'Melveny, Tuller & Myers was read requesting confirmation of their employment with reference to Assembly Bill 827.

A communication from the Torrance Revolver and Rifle Association requesting an appropriation of \$150.00 was read. Councilman Hitchcock moved the request be granted. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock reported that the dry wells on Lomita Boulevard had been completed at a total cost of \$236.32. Councilman Hitchcock moved that the city purchase a 10-ton used roller for the Street Department at a cost of \$675.00. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock reported completion of tree planting that 2514 trees were planted, the balance of the money in the fund will be used for trees to be planted around the bandstand and children's playground at the park.

Councilman Hitchcock stated some new equipment was needed for the sewer system and he then moved that the City Clerk be authorized and directed to purchase under lease contract from the Flexible Sewer Rod Equipment Company one Flexible Sewer Rod complete for the sum of \$239.00 upon the following terms and conditions: \$50.00 cash, the balance payable on or before July 15, 1935, and the City Attorney and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to prepare the proper form of Purchase Agreement for execution. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

x Attorney Rippy stated in accordance with instructions from the State Engineer he had drawn up two sections to be added to Ordinance No. 263. Attorney Rippy read Sections 6 and 7. Councilman Stanger moved that Ordinance No. 263 be amended by adding thereto Sections 6 and 7 as read by the City Attorney and changing the number of former Section 6 to Section 8, and by amending title so as to add the following: "and the sale of said bonds to the United States of America at private sale and authorizing the application to the Superintendent of Banks for certification of said bonds as legal investment for banks." Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMAN: Klusman. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy read title to amended

ORDINANCE NO. 263

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OF ACT OF 1927 MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$128,000.00) AUTHORIZED AT A SPECIAL ELECTION HELD SEPTEMBER 25, 1930, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING AND CONSTRUCTING A WATER WORKS SYSTEM FOR SAID DISTRICT, AND THE SALE OF SAID BONDS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AT PRIVATE SALE AND AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF BANKS FOR CERTIFICATION OF SAID BONDS AS LEGAL INVESTMENT FOR BANKS.

Councilman Stanger moved the further reading of amended Ordinance No. 263 be dispensed with. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. Councilman Hitchcock moved that Ordinance No. 263 be approved for its first reading as amended. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMAN: Klusman. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

x Attorney Rippy stated Engineer Leonard has prepared an application to the P.W.A. for funds in connection with suggested improvements. He then read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 679

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO PERMIT A MODIFICATION OF APPLICATION OF ACT OF 1927 MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 OF SAID CITY OF TORRANCE FOR A LOAN AND GRANT OF \$170,000.00.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Resolution No. 679 be adopted. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMAN: Klusman. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy read title to

RESOLUTION NO. 680

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, REGARDING ELIMINATION OF CITY AND COUNTY PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES ON AUTOMOBILES.

Councilman Stanger moved that Resolution No. 680 be adopted. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 681

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, ACCEPTING CERTAIN BILLS OF SALE AND ASSIGNMENTS FROM TORRANCE WATER, LIGHT & POWER COMPANY.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Resolution No. 681 be adopted. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 682

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONTRACT WITH TORRANCE HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION FOR EMERGENCY AID TO INDIGENT PERSONS INJURED IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Councilman Stanger moved that Resolution No. 682 be adopted. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy read in full

RESOLUTION NO. 683

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REGARDING THE EMPLOYMENT OF SALISBURY, BRADSHAW & TAYLOR, AS CONSULTING ENGINEERS.

Councilman Stanger moved that Resolution No. 683 be adopted. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMAN: Klusman. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy reported a hearing will be held before the Railroad Commission February 21, 1935, with reference to reduction in telephone rates in Los Angeles. The attorney was requested to attend this meeting.

Attorney Rippy further reported he had received a reply from the Torrance Water, Light and Power Company relative to \$50.00 deposit by the Torrance High School Student Body. This was ordered filed.

Attorney Rippy reported he had received a letter from the California Water Service Company transmitting proposed franchise conditions. He was instructed to confer with the attorneys for the Service Company and report to the Council.

Councilman Stanger read two estimates for painting interior of Fire Station, one from C.E. Hoffman for \$199.00, the other from E.N. Tomkins for \$148.00, and moved E.N. Tomkins be given the work. Councilman Klusman moved the bidders submit their bids to the City Council. Motion lost for want of a second. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Stanger called attention to a place of business in the city known as the "K Kowshed Restaurant" conducting a rough place and moved the City Clerk refuse to grant a license. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Tolson stated the Recreation Department was keeping within their budget. He also stated the baseball season would soon start and believed now is the time to seed the ball grounds. Councilman Tolson then moved \$250.00 be appropriated to seed the ball grounds. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Tolson stated the Recreation Department had made a request to use the bus. Councilman Hitchcock moved the request be granted. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

City Clerk Bartlett requested an appropriation be made to remodel the City Clerk's office. Councilman Stanger moved \$100.00 be appropriated for remodeling the office. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Ludlow inquired how plans were getting along for the League meeting Thursday, February 21st. City Clerk Bartlett reported all arrangements have been made to hold the meeting at the Woman's Club.

Mayor Ludlow reported that formal notice had been received by the Metropolitan Sewer District that the owners of the activated sludge disposal patents will sue the Sanitary Sewer Districts for infringement on their patent rights. The Mayor also reported that three bids had been received and opened, for further development of the Sanitary Sewer, but no action had been taken.

Mayor Ludlow expressed/himself as not being in favor of the salary raise contemplated by the Torrance Chamber of Commerce at this time.

Councilman Stanger stated believed it time to have something about the water plans published in the local newspaper. Engineer Leonard to submit plan for publication in the Torrance Herald.

Councilman Stanger moved all bills properly audited be paid. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

A request limiting parking on Arlington Avenue near Sartori and Border Avenue near Double St., was called to attention of the Council. Attorney Rippe read title

ORDINANCE NO. 264

LIMITING PARKING ON ARLINGTON AVENUE  
AND SARTORI AVENUE AND BORDER AVENUE

Councilman Stanger moved the further reading of Ordinance No. 264 be dispensed with. Councilman Klusman seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously. Councilman Klusman moved that Ordinance No. 264 be approved for its first reading. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Klusman moved that the meeting be adjourned to Tuesday, February 19th., 1935, at 7:45 P.M. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mayor Ludlow declared the meeting adjourned at 10:15 P.M.

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

Approved:

L. R. Ludlow  
Mayor of the City of Torrance.