

Torrance, California
March 5, 1946

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

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in an Ad-
journed Regular Meeting in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Torrance,
California, on Tuesday, March 5, 1946 at 7:45 P.M.

Mayor Tolson called the meeting to order.

Clerk Bartlett called the roll, those answering present being
Councilmen: Gilbert, Hitchcock, Powell and Tolson. Absent: Coun-
cilmen: Cucci.

Being an adjourned meeting, the regular order of business
was dispensed with.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

A statement of City Clerk Bartlett was read, certifying that
the signatures on the Nomination papers filed in his office for the
offices of City Councilman, City Clerk and City Treasurer of the

City of Torrance had been examined and checked on the Great Register of Voters of Los Angeles County, and it had been found that there are sufficient genuine signatures to said Nomination Papers to place the names of the candidates for the above offices on the ballot for the General Municipal Election to be held April 9, 1946. Matter of record.

Clerk Bartlett presented and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 367

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REGISTRATION OF BICYCLES IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND PROVIDING PENALTY FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.

Councilman Powell moved that further reading of Ordinance No. 367 be dispensed with. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Powell moved that Ordinance No. 367 be adopted for second and final reading. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Hitchcock, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Cucci.

Clerk Bartlett presented and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 368

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE FIXING SALARIES AND PENAL SUMS OF OFFICIAL BONDS OF CITY CLERK AND CITY TREASURER.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that further reading of Ordinance No. 368 be dispensed with. Councilman Powell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Ordinance No. 368 be adopted for second and final reading. Councilman Powell seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Hitchcock, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Cucci.

Councilman Powell presented and read a recommendation of Chief Stroh that G. Morgan, C. Cook, and R. Sullivan be appointed as police officers, to begin their probationary periods March 8, 1946, these names having been taken from the Civil Service eligible list, and moved that the recommendation as submitted be concurred in. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Hitchcock, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Cucci.

Councilman Powell read a report from Chief Stroh that Officer G. Enfield will be relieved as of March 7, 1946 as a police officer and begin working with the City Painting Department. Matter of record.

Councilman Powell moved that an appropriation of \$700.00 be made to defray expenses of Chief J. H. Stroh for attendance of F.B.I. School in Washington, D. C. for a period of fourteen weeks. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Hitchcock, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Cucci.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the City Attorney be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to prepare an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 316 of the City of Torrance by incorporating therein all of the proposed amendments recommended by the City Planning Commission, except the recommended amendment to Subsection F of

Section 8 of Ordinance No. 316 and by incorporating therein an express provision repealing Subsection F of Section 8 and Subsection F of Section 9 of Ordinance No. 316, and submit the same to the City Council at its next regular meeting. Councilman Powell seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Hitchcock, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Cucci.

Councilman Gilbert moved that an appropriation of not to exceed \$700.00 be made for materials for necessary repairs to the grandstand at the City Park. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Hitchcock, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Cucci.

Mayor Tolson moved that, in accordance with a recommendation of Mr. W. H. Stanger, Manager of the Water Company, the salaries of two Water Company employees be adjusted as follows: H. C. Bender, increase of \$25.00 per month and Ellen Blackshere, increase of \$15.00 per month, both increases effective March 1, 1946. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Gilbert, Hitchcock, Powell and Tolson. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Cucci.

Mayor Tolson moved that the Civil Service Board be instructed to call an examination for the position of Deputy City Attorney of the City of Torrance. Councilman Powell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the meeting adjourn. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion.

Attorney McCall advised that this meeting was called for the express purpose of holding public hearings upon various matters now pending before the Planning Commission, and proceeded to read a recommendation from the Planning Commission pertaining to Case No. 30, being a Petition for Change of Zone of Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Company, wherein the company requests that the strip of land 150 feet in depth, along the south side of Carson Street, between Crenshaw Boulevard and Oak Avenue, now zoned R-3 and C-1, be rezoned to M-2.

It was stated that the Planning Commission, after careful consideration of all the facts presented at the hearings, recommends to the City Council that the Petition for Change of Zone be denied, and that a variance be granted to the Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Company to permit the International Derrick and Equipment Company to extend their machine shop and construct a parking lot and hedge, all as, and only as shown on the International Derrick and Equipment Company Lay-out Plan No. 5-T-10-C-7, Sheet No. 18, dated November 9, 1945; and further recommends the closing and vacation of Oak Avenue, between Carson Street and Jefferson Street, subject to the opening and dedication by the Santa Fe Railway Company of Jefferson Street northeasterly to Plaza del Amo, or the opening and dedication of Vine Avenue, either northerly to Plaza del Amo, or northeasterly to Plaza del Amo, to provide access to this industrial property, which will be destroyed by the closing of Oak Avenue.

Councilman Gilbert moved that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be concurred in.

Deputy City Attorney Willett advised that a public hearing is supposed to be held at this time upon this case, and added that the Chanslor-Canfield Midway Oil Company has assembled additional data and a revised plan for presentation to the Planning Commission in connection with the above-mentioned Petition, and requested that action on same be delayed until the Planning Commission has been presented with the latest plan.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the communication from the Planning Commission relative to Case No. 30 be filed for future reference. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilmen Hitchcock and Gilbert withdrew their motion and second, respectively, for adjournment of the meeting.

City Attorney McCall proceeded to read a recommendation of the Planning Commission pertaining to Case No. 28, being a Petition for Change of Zone of Orrie and Mary M. Gray, requesting rezoning of the property lying south of Pacific Coast Highway, between Ocean Avenue and a point 314 feet easterly therefrom, and lying southerly along the easterly side of Ocean Avenue, a distance of 187 feet, from A-1 to C-2 zone.

It was stated that, after considering all the evidence submitted, and hearing oral and written communications in regard to the Petition, the Planning Commission unanimously recommends that the Petition for Change of Zone be rejected, and recommends that all uses of property along Pacific Coast Highway, not now permitted by Land Use Ordinance No. 316, be handled by variance in order that controls can be maintained as to appearances and types of use along this major thoroughfare.

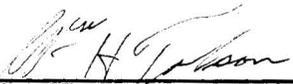
Councilman Powell moved that the recommendation of the Planning Commission in connection with Case No. 28 be concurred in. Councilman Gilbert seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

A Mrs. Lee in the audience advised that her mother had recently received a postcard advising that a change of zone of the property in the vicinity of her home is contemplated, and asked for an explanation of reasons therefor. She was informed that a Planning Commission meeting will be held immediately upon adjournment of the Council meeting, and that she should consult with that Board relative to the matter.

At 8:20 P.M., upon motion of Councilman Gilbert, seconded by Councilman Hitchcock, the meeting adjourned.


CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

APPROVED: .


MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE