

Torrance, California  
August 16, 1949

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 Adjourned Regular Meeting on August 16, 1949, at 8:13 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall, Mayor Sherfey presiding.

Clerk Bartlett called the roll, those answering being:  
COUNCILMEN: Drale, Haggard, Jackson, Powell and Sherfey. Also present were City Attorney Smith and City Manager Stevens.

All persons present participated in the Salute to our Flag.

This being an Adjourned Regular Meeting, Mayor Sherfey announced the regular order of business would be dispensed with.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

The following correspondence was read by City Clerk Bartlett:

Letter from William Creighton suggesting that the space between curb and sidewalk, at bus stops, be concreted. Councilman Drale moved the communication be referred to City Manager Stevens for study. Motion, seconded by Councilman Jackson, carried unanimously.

Request from Tandang Sora Lodge No. 46 for permission to hold a benefit Filipino motion picture and dance on August 28th at Atterberry Hall. Councilman Jackson moved matter be referred to the Chief of Police for investigation and report at next meeting. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

Letters urging a municipal swimming pool from: Torrance Optimist Club; Dr. Don C. Moshos; Bert Scott; Tweed Jolly. Councilman Drale moved these letters be filed as a matter of record. Motion, seconded by Councilman Jackson, carried unanimously.

Letter from the Walteria Civic Organization commending the Council on its fine work, good management, and the organization and planning which has gone into the proposed 1949-1950 budget. Matter of record.

Memo from the Recreation Commission requesting a meeting with the Council and Board of Education re a swimming pool. Councilman Powell moved that the Mayor arrange for such a meeting as soon as possible. Motion, seconded by Councilman Jackson, carried unanimously. Councilman Powell requested that Clerk Bartlett put all correspondence on the matter, together with minutes covering same, into a folder to be available for discussion at the joint meeting.

Letter from the Square Dance Group requesting permission to continue indefinitely; also advising the group had \$100 to be turned over to someone. Memo from the Recreation Commission was attached, recommending request be granted. Councilman Powell moved request be granted with the understanding that books shall be kept on all money taken in, reports regularly made to the Recreation Commission and City Council, and funds deposited with the City Clerk. Motion, seconded by Councilman Jackson, carried unanimously.

Report from Union Oil Co. for period ending June 30, 1949, and enclosing check for \$816.09 under Franchise Ordinance No. 417, and check for \$7.34 for period ending August 12, 1948. Matter of record.

Memo from City Treasurer requesting transfer of \$20508.61 from Motor Vehicle License Fund, and \$648.17 from Street Bond Fund, to General Fund to reimburse General Fund for advances. Councilman Jackson moved the request be granted. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

Mayor Sherfey instructed City Manager Stevens to proceed with the second reading of the proposed budget. Request was made by the Chairman of the Youth Band that the appropriation for the Music Fund be increased from \$1800 to \$2400. Discussion followed. Mr. Arthur Sues requested the appropriation for a new police station, and other departments, be cut to provide more recreation money. Discussion followed. Mr. Percy requested some of the Park Fund money be spent for a new P.A. system at the ball park and Mr. Stevens advised this has been provided for. City Auditor Logan R. Cotton advised the people that the City was in better condition financially than it has ever been but that all of the surplus should not be spent.

Councilman Powell moved that inasmuch as there is a building made available to the Chamber of Commerce, the same courtesy should be extended to the Junior Chamber of Commerce, with the hope that the Sr. Chamber could find desk space for the Jr. Chamber. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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City Manager Stevens reminded the Council of the City's incinerator needs and stated the appropriation probably would not be sufficient. City Attorney Smith added that something HAD to be done as the City has been violating the law and was subject to prosecution.

There being a vacancy on the Recreation Commission, Councilman Drale proposed the name of Arthur Sues. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously.

Councilman Powell asked for a report on the buildings on Hollywood Parkway. City Attorney Smith advised that Mr. O'Brien was to have his buildings off by August 17th and that attorneys for Haddock Engineering Co. were investigating the matter.

At 9:03 p.m., Councilman Jackson moved meeting be adjourned. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

*A. H. Bartlett*  
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

APPROVED:

*Hugh Sherfey Jr*  
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE