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Torrance, California
January 2, 1968

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

A meeting of the Torrance City Council, regularly adjourned from December 19, 1967, was held at 5:30 p.m., on January 2, 1968, in the Council Chambers of Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Those responding to roll call by City Clerk Coil were: Councilmen Beasley, Miller, Sciarrotta, Talbert, Vico and Mayor Isen. Councilman Lyman arrived a few minutes later. Also in attendance were City Clerk Coil, City Treasurer Rupert, City Attorney Remelmeyer and City Manager Ferraro.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Isen welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Al Steenblock, El Camino students, to the meeting and at his request, Mrs. Steenblock led the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Chaplain Gary Rippstein of the Torrance Police Department opened the meeting with an invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Minute Secretary noted the following correction to the minutes of the December 19, 1967 meeting:

Page 3, Item 31 - second line of the last paragraph on the page: Place a "." after the word "recommendation" and eliminate the balance of that sentence. The next sentence starts "The conditions are: . . ."

With this correction, on motion of Councilman Sciarrotta, seconded by Councilman Vico, there being no objection, the minutes of December 19, 1967, were approved.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Beasley moved all properly audited bills be paid. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta and carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Miller, Sciarrotta, Talbert,
Vico and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Lyman (had not yet arrived).

7. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that after the Clerk has given a number and read title to any resolution or ordinance on tonight's agenda, the further reading thereof be waived, reserving and guaranteeing to each councilman the right to demand the reading of any such resolution or ordinance in regular order. The motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote (Councilman Lyman absent).

Mayor Isen noted the unique gavel which had been presented by Jerry Alter of the Planning Commission and said he would use it, if necessary, during this meeting.

A brief explanation of Council procedure was furnished to the audience by Mayor Isen.

PRESENTATIONS:

8. Presentation of permaplaque resolution to Torrance Rotary Club for its outstanding contribution to the development of Pueblo Center.

Mayor Isen presented the plaque with appropriate remarks to Mr. Don Meyer, representing the Torrance Rotary Club and Mr. Meyer responded

PLANNING AND ZONING HEARINGS:

9. VARIANCE 67-28, THE GARRETT CORPORATION: Request to allow a 60 degree overlapped parking lot layout, using 50 foot aisles in lieu of 54 foot aisles, and 4 inch of base material in lieu of 6 inch in parking stall areas, 6 inches to be used in main driveways.

Affidavit of Publication was presented by City Clerk Coil and, there being no objection, ordered filed.

Mayor Isen asked if anyone wished to be heard; there was no response.

On motion properly made and seconded, the hearing was ordered closed and there was no objection.

Councilman Beasley moved to grant the requested variance and his motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman (who arrived just prior to the presentation of the permaplaque). Roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

As to the recommendation of the modification of aisle widths and thickness of base material in the parking stall areas, Councilman Sciarrotta moved approval. His motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman and there was no objection. Mayor Isen commented that there would be a hearing on an ordinance to this effect at a later date and City Attorney Remelmeyer confirmed his comment. A further comment by Mayor Isen was addressed to Public Works Director Nollac regarding modification of the ordinance on this subject and Mr. Nollac said there is to be an amendment to permit administrative relief on base material thickness. City Manager Ferraro said the whole matter is under study.

10. PROPOSED ORDINANCE RE Sarver property on Neece Avenue.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1841

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY WHICH IS LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF NEECE AVENUE APPROXIMATELY 100 FEET NORTHERLY OF 242nd STREET AND DESCRIBED IN ZC 67-11. (Harvey Sarver).

Councilman Beasley moved to approve Ordinance No. 1841 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Talbert and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

11. VARIANCE NO. 67-19, MAR-LOMA, INC. Letter with three recommendations from City Council Public Works Committee.

Councilman Lyman, Chairman of the Committee, commented that the letter speaks for itself and moved concurrence in the recommendations set forth therein:

1. That the variance be granted subject to all conditions imposed by the Planning Commission;
2. That Staff attempt to secure agreement from the property owners adjacent to the unpaved portions of the alley that they will pave said portions, and
3. That in the event such agreement cannot be obtained the City Council initiate an assessment district for the completion of the alley.

Councilman Sciarrotta seconded the motion and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

12. RE NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC HEARING CASES BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND CITY COUNCIL.

As a part of this communication, there is included a request for an additional employee, a Planning Aide, to accomplish the various tasks enumerated in the eight sub-paragraphs. In Mayor Isen's opinion, such a request should wait for budget time and he asked how many variances are usually processed within any given time, a month, for instance. Neither the City Manager nor the Planning Director could give this information but stated they had understood that the Council had ordered that the work be done for which it is felt an additional employee would be needed.

Councilman Talbert moved to put this matter aside and go on with other agenda items pending Mr. Shartle's making the information available. Councilman Vico seconded.

Councilman Beasley moved as a substitute that the matter be referred to the City Manager - for a report in writing, based upon the last year's transactions of the workload. In the meantime, the Planning Department is to do the work as requested by the Council. Mr. Shartle said as of now, the work is not being done as requested by the Council and he would like to be authorized to hire temporary help. Mayor Isen spoke on the subject of hiring temporary employees who in time prove to have obtained some "edge" or advantage over other people on the civil service eligible lists, a policy of which he does not approve.

Mayor Isen asked City Manager Ferraro for a breakdown and analysis of all Planning Department staff members and exactly what each employee does; he expressed the opinion that too much Planning Department time is devoted to Cloud Nine projects.

There was no objection to either Councilman Beasley's substitute motion, nor to Mayor Isen's supplement thereto.

13. STUDY OF TORRANCE BOULEVARD AND CRENSHAW BOULEVARD LAND USE TRANSITION PROBLEMS. The Planning Commission recommends approval, as to alternative recommendation numbered 3 with modifications.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission and Planning Department for a proposed ordinance on the subject. Councilman Vico seconded and the motion carried unanimously except for abstention by Councilman Miller who owns property in the area.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:

14. SANTA CLARA INDUSTRIAL AREA MASTER PLAN: Recommendations of Planning Director, Public Works Director, Fire Chief and Police Chief, with concurrence of City Manager, that (1) City Council adopt the master plan in accordance with Planning Commission recommendation and (2) that Santa Clara Avenue be widened to sixty feet between Engracia Avenue and Torrance Boulevard.

15. SANTA CLARA INDUSTRIAL AREA: Recommendations of Council Public Works Committee as outlined in letter of transmittal.

Councilman Beasley moved the item be filed and Councilman Talbert seconded and the motion presumably applied to Item 14. City Manager Ferraro's idea was that they were out of sequence - Item 15 should have preceded Item 14, but Mayor Isen did not agree and stated the two should be consolidated and considered as one item.

Mr. Nickolas O. Drale came forward with a question, but he had not read the Committee's recommendation and the item was held until later in the meeting.

16. VACATION OF PEARL STREET WESTERLY OF HOWARD AVENUE: Recommendation of Public Works Director, with concurrence of City Manager, that the City Council approve and adopt the resolution attached.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 68-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE ORDERING THE VACATION OF PEARL STREET
WESTERLY OF HOWARD AVENUE, IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 68-1 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Miller, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

17. This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

18. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR CURB, GUTTER, SIDEWALK AND DRIVEWAY ON OCEAN AVENUE: Recommendation of Public Works Director and Water Systems Manager that (1) contract for subject improvement be awarded to Ned Spears and (2) an additional \$100 be appropriated for the project from the Water Revenue Fund.

Councilman Beasley moved to award the contract to Ned Spears for \$1,675.50 total bid and reject all other bids and to appropriate \$100 as recommended. Councilman Vico seconded and roll call vote was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Sciarrotta,
Talbert, Vico and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

SEWERS AND DRAINAGE:

19. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR INSTALLATION OF DRAINAGE FACILITIES IN NEWTON AND PARK STREETS AND PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY (B67-56) Recommendation of Public Works Director that contract be awarded to Kral-Masonovich and all other bids be rejected. The amount is \$5,968.90.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur in both phases of the recommendation as stated. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

20. NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWERS (PHASE III) AT TORRANCE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT (B67-42) JOB No. 51032. Recommendation of Public Works Director and Airport Manager that (1) Council accept the work on the subject improvement; (2) an additional \$1500 be appropriated to cover job costs; and (3) final payment be made to the contractor in accordance with "as built" quantities.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur as to all three phases of the recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Talbert and carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Sciarrotta,
Talbert, Vico and Mayor Isen.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: None

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:

21. PROPOSED ORDINANCE adding Article V to Chapter 8 of Division 8 to provide regulations for billboards.

City Attorney Remelmeyer asked that in Section 1 "That Section 88.3.6 be repealed" there be added Sections 88.4.15 and 88.4.16 which he said are contradictory existing provisions. With this change, at the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1842

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE ADDING ARTICLE V TO CHAPTER 8 OF DIVISION 8
OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS
FOR BILLBOARDS.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to approve Ordinance No. 1842 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Talbert and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING:

22. UPGRADING OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS: Recommendation of Traffic Engineer with approval of Public Works Director that appropriation of \$14,301 from 2106 Gas Tax Funds for upgrading of traffic signals at various locations be approved by the City Council.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in the recommendation and so appropriate the amount mentioned. His motion was seconded by Councilman Talbert and carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Sciarrotta,
Talbert, Vico and Mayor Isen.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

23. PROPOSED RESOLUTION making Sartori Avenue a "through street" at its intersection with Engracia Avenue.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 68-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III OF RESOLUTION
NO. 63-35 WHICH ESTABLISHES "THROUGH STREETS"
BY ADDING CERTAIN LOCATION THERETO.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 68-2 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Lyman, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

24. PROPOSED RESOLUTION to prohibit parking on both sides of Hawthorne Boulevard between Del Amo Boulevard and 190th Street.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 68-3

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III OF RESOLUTION NO. 63-33 WHICH PROHIBITS PARKING AT ANY TIME BY ADDING A CERTAIN LOCATION THERETO.

Councilman Lyman moved to adopt Resolution No. 68-3 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

25. RE APPOINTMENT OF SENIOR DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY: Communication from City Attorney Remelmeyer recommending appointment of Thomas McNary as Senior Deputy City Attorney at the third salary step.

Councilman Lyman moved to concur in the recommendation as stated. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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At the suggestion of Mayor Isen, Councilman Sciarrotta moved to declare a recess in order to hold the Redevelopment Agency meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried, there being no objection. The time was 6:00 p.m., and the Council returned to its agenda at 6:12 following a general recess.

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15. Following the recess, the Council returned to its consideration of Items 14 and 15 and Mr. Drale expressed concurrence with the opinion of the Public Works Committee of the Council, Item 15. City Attorney Remelmeyer said there would later be a public hearing after the Resolution of Intention is published. The hearing now being held is informal only and there was no objection to its being closed when no one else appeared to speak.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur in the recommendations of the Public Works Committee as expressed in the letter of transmittal. Councilman Beasley seconded. Both Mayor Isen and Councilman Beasley have spent considerable time in on-site inspection of what is being discussed. Roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

26. PROPOSED ORDINANCE amending the Civil Service Rules and Regulations to add thereto Section C of Rule XV to provide for the transfer of employees where a City function has been abandoned or transferred.

This item was considered along with Item 32 of this evening's agenda, as they relate to the same general transaction and subject. Copies of the pertinent ordinance were distributed by the City Clerk. Mayor Isen asked if anyone wished to be heard, stating the ordinance would be considered in the nature of a public hearing.

Mr. Sam Hunegs spoke representing Local 1117 of Torrance City Employees and Philip Joseph, President of Torrance Police Officers Association and Ray Saukkola, President of the Torrance City Employees Association, each spoke on behalf of their respective group.

With Item 32, there were submitted petition for Writ of Mandate, Points and Authorities Alternative Writ of Mandate and a proposed resolution establishing a special fund.

Mayor Isen stated his position with respect to the proposed lawsuit documents which had been prepared by the City Attorney. He said he is not being arbitrary in refusing to sign the contract with SCRTD; there are several legal issues to be decided, and which obviously must be decided by the courts before any such transaction can be consummated.

An amendment of the ordinance was suggested by Councilman Sciarrotta, to change the word "may" to "shall", so that the first sentence of Section 5, SALE OR ABANDONMENT OF CITY FUNCTION would read:

"When a city department, function or activity is sold or otherwise transferred outside the city, or is abandoned, any permanent or probationary employee of such department or an employee who was performing such function or activity shall be reassigned with the approval of the City Manager and the Civil Service Commission," . . .

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1843

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS TO ADD THERETO SECTION 5 OF RULE XV TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEES WHERE A CITY FUNCTION HAS BEEN ABANDONED OR TRANSFERRED.

Councilman Miller moved to waive further reading of Ordinance No. 1843 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1843 with the change set forth above and suggested by Councilman Sciarrotta. Councilman Lyman seconded. Roll call vote was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Sciarrotta,
Talbert and Vico.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Mayor Isen.

Following a ten minutes recess, the Council returned to its agenda at 7:18 p.m.

FISCAL MATTERS:

27. CLAIM OF WILENE TAYLOR for damages allegedly sustained as the result of water and flooding to building at 1702 South Elena, Redondo Beach, on November 21, 1967. Recommendation of City Clerk that said claim be denied and referred to the City Attorney.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to deny and refer this claim to the City Attorney. Councilman Miller seconded and there was no objection.

28. EXPENDITURES OF OVER \$300.

Councilman Beasley moved to approve the following ten listed items of expenditure:

A. BUDGETED:

1. \$596.77 to United Desk for three secretarial desks and chairs required by the Library Department.
2. \$417.38 to Southwest Flexible Co. for 300 feet of 3/4" x 48" sewer rod required by the Street Department.
3. \$546.63 to Remington Rand for one only Chainindex Cabinet required by the City Clerk for listing pertinent information.
4. \$415.80 to J. Jones Co. for 400 service couplings required by the Water Department for stock as needed.
5. \$428.40 to Park-Son, Inc. for ten full-seal clamps required by the Water Department for stock as needed.
6. \$1,946.64 to Western Water Works for 3180 feet of 3/4" copper tubing required by the Water Department for stock as needed.
7. \$556.47 to Motorola Communications, Inc. for seven frequency modification kits requested by the Police Department for increasing vehicle radios operation from one to two frequency.
8. \$386.86 to Western Water Works for 24 corporation stops and 50 1-1/2" copper couplings required by the Water Department for stock as needed.

B. REIMBURSABLE:

9. \$915.60 to Hersey-Sparling Meter Co. for one only 4 x 2" meter with check valves on main and intermediate flow lines required by the Water Department for the Southern California Regional Occupation Center. Payment for this service has been received.

C. SPECIAL CATEGORY - LIBRARY BOOKS:

10. \$3,044.48 to N. A. Kovach Co. for 250 reference books requested by the Library Department, to be paid from bond proceeds when available.

Councilman Vico seconded and roll call vote was:

YES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Sciarrotta,
Talbert, Vico and Mayor Isen.

NO: COUNCILMEN: None.

PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:

29. Request for \$500 additional sprinkler lines at Victor Park.

The recommendation of the Finance Director is to so appropriate \$500 from General Fund unappropriated surplus for the purpose stated.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur in that recommendation and his motion was seconded by Mayor Isen, carried as follows:

YES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Sciarrotta,
Talbert, Vico and Mayor Isen.

NO: COUNCILMEN: None.

30. ALTA LOMA PARK: Recommendation of Park and Recreation Commission to use money obtained in exchange of property with Chandler Sand & Gravel to purchase access property to Alta Loma Park and begin initial development of the park.

In accordance with the City Manager's note attached to the communication, Councilman Beasley moved to concur in principle and refer the item to the City Manager for arrangement of details and processing. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

31. RESTROOMS FOR WALTERIA PARK: Recommendation of Recreation Director that an appropriation of \$12,000 from General Fund Surplus be made to construct outside restrooms at Walteria Park.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur in the recommendation as above stated and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Sciarrotta,
Talbert, Vico and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

32. SALE OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL BUS LINES: Cover letter, petition for Writ of Mandate, Points and Authorities, Alternative Writ of Mandate and Resolution establishing special fund.

Although Item 32 was discussed in a general way in connection with Item 26, it was also introduced at its regular sequential point on the agenda, with lengthy discussion.

At the request of Mayor Isen, a verbatim transcript of the proceedings at this Council meeting on both Items 26 and 32 has been prepared by the Minute Secretary and is on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Mayor Isen raised four points: 1. as to the legality of the contract or if the question is merely as to a ministerial act. 2. sale of the bus system's legality in view of Section 10051 and 10052, Article 2, General Laws. 3. Is the resolution proposed, setting up a future fund of \$70,000 a legal move; due to the constitutional inhibitions which prohibit cities in certain instances to contract beyond the year of the particular budget? 4. Can the City in connection with the sale of its public utility pay a subsidy to another public entity? He asked for a written formal legal opinion from City Attorney Remelmeyer on these four questions, by motion which was seconded by Councilman Miller for the purpose of getting it before the Council. Roll call vote was:

AYES: Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Sciarrotta,
Talbert and Vico.

Councilman Miller commented that he would have voted "Yes" if Mayor Isen had included a condition that the legal opinion be brought to the Council within a week. Mayor Isen again moved for the opinion, adding "within seven days". Councilman Miller seconded and roll call vote was:

AYES: Councilman Miller and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Sciarrotta,
Talbert and Vico.

Mayor Isen then moved that at the next municipal election, April 9, 1968, the City Council place as a proposition before the electorate of the City of Torrance the proposition as to whether or not the Municipal bus system should be sold to the Rapid Transit District under the terms of the contract which calls for a sale plus a subsidy as indicated of \$70,000 a year for two years and other provisions. There was no second and the motion died.

Councilman Talbert quoted figures from a booklet called Review and Analysis of Municipal Bus Operations in the City of Torrance published in 1963 by a previous City Administration and moved that the Council eliminate the two year subsidy and cut it down to a one-year subsidy or payment of \$70,000. Councilman Beasley seconded.

A suggestion by Councilman Sciarrotta to modify or amend the motion of Councilman Talbert was rejected by Councilman Talbert and roll call vote on his motion as originally stated was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Sciarrotta,
Talbert and Vico.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Mayor Isen.

The resolution to provide a special fund was not acted upon.

Mayor Isen asked for a motion that he be provided with legal counsel in the lawsuits to be filed with respect to the sale of the bus lines and Councilman Beasley moved that the Mayor be provided with legal counsel. Councilman Sciarrotta seconded. City Attorney Remelmeyer said he would prepare a proper written demand in accordance with Mayor Isen's wishes. Roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Three citizens set forth their views during the discussion:

Mrs. Helen Heffler, 1317 Acacia Avenue
Mr. Earl Gandrau, 20520 Amie Avenue, and
N. O. Drale, former Councilman.

ITEMS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

33. Letter from Los Angeles County Delinquency and Crime Commission with recommendation from the City Manager.

Councilman Beasley moved to refer the item to the Youth Welfare Commission of the City of Torrance. His motion was seconded by Councilman Talbert and there was no objection.

SECOND READINGS:

34. ORDINANCE NO. 1832:

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil presented for second reading and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1832

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY WHICH IS LOCATED AT 2814 WEST 182nd STREET, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 67-10 (Vida and Bernard Basse):

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1832 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

35. ORDINANCE NO. 1833:

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil presented for second reading and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1833

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA,
PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION
LIBRARY BONDS OF SAID CITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800,000.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to waive further reading of Ordinance No. 1833. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Sciarrotta then moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1833 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

36. ORDINANCE NO. 1838:

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil presented for second reading, and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1838

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE REPEALING SUBSECTION A OF SECTION 3 OF
ORDINANCE NO. 1771 ENTITLED "PAY PLAN" AND
SUBSTITUTING NEW PROVISIONS THEREFOR ADOPTING A
REVISED UNIFORM THREE-STEP PAY PLAN AND REPEALING
EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 1837 RELATING TO THE SAME
MATTER.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1838 at its second and final reading and his motion, seconded by Councilman Lyman, carried by unanimous roll call vote. (Councilman Beasley out of the room).

37. ORDINANCE NO. 1840:

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil presented for second reading, and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1840

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE REPEALING SECTIONS 2 AND 3 OF ORDINANCE
NO. 1780 AND SUBSTITUTING NEW PROVISIONS THEREFOR
RELATING TO SALARIES FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES OF THE
CITY WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL SERVICE
SYSTEM.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1840 at its second and final reading and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote (Councilman Beasley temporarily out of the room).

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

38. Councilman Talbert inquired about the action taken on the City Attorney's opinion on recent state law regarding political activities of employees. Mr. Remelmeyer said this subject is to be considered by the Charter Review Committee, as a part of a package deal of things which are to be repealed. Mayor Isen believed putting it in the policy manual would be sufficient.

39. Councilman Vico spoke of some property purchased by Southern California Edison Company from Don Wilson and which is to be given to Little League. They would like to have a water line and Councilman

Vico asked what is the policy of the City on such matters. City Manager Ferraro asked for a week to study this matter. Mr. Van Bellehem said Don Wilson has given the easement and the figures are correct; a 4" line is needed for 1900 feet plus the meter. The closest hydrant is at 235th Street. The cost would be around \$1500.

Mr. Jerry Richardson, 23021 Adolph Avenue, spoke on behalf of the Little League.

Councilman Beasley moved to refer this item to Management for a solution within the next two weeks. Building and Safety Superintendent McKinnon said the same problem will have to be faced with respect to sewerage, electrical services, and construction. He suggested all these problems be solved at one time by an agreement on a master plan by all the Little Leagues. Mayor Isen said the motion by Councilman Beasley would be understood as including these other problems also.

Councilman Vico asked City Manager Ferraro also for a report on the amount of water used in the various parks of the City by kids playing baseball. Mayor Isen suggested that Mr. Richardson talk with him after the meeting about a possible donor.

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



Vernon W. Coil, Clerk of the
City of Torrance, California

APPROVED:



Mayor of the City of Torrance