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December 16, 1969

MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR
MEETING OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in an adjourned regular meeting on Tuesday, December 16, 1969, at 4:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

This being Junior Citizens Day, Mayor Isen relinquished the gavel to Jr. Mayor Schapira who conducted this phase of the meeting.

2. ROLL CALL:

Junior Council: Responding to roll call by Jr. City Clerk Stinchcomb were Junior Councilmen Brennan, Cunerty, Dobson, Portney, Shallies, Stephenson, and Jr. Mayor Schapira.

Senior Council: Responding to roll call by City Clerk Coil were: Councilmen Beasley, Johnson, Miller, Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Isen. Councilman Sciarrotta arrived at 4:40 P.M. (It was necessary for Councilman Miller to leave the meeting at 6:45 P.M.; Councilman Wilson departed at 6:50 P.M.)

Also present - Junior Staff: City Manager Sinclair, City Clerk Stinchcomb, City Treasurer Martin, and City Attorney Ramstead.

Also present - Senior Staff: City Manager Ferraro, Assistant City Manager Scharfman, City Attorney Remelmeyer, City Clerk Coil, and City Treasurer Rupert.

Jr. Mayor Schapira requested the reports from the discussion groups at this time.

Group #1 - Should Torrance have a Youth Center?

The spokesman for this committee reported their findings: there would be merit to such a Youth Center, but it would be feasible only on the following premises - that it would be a place where teenagers could merely meet, talk, listen to music, and possibly study; that it would be centralized in location with only one such Center and informal in nature. It was further thought that maintenance could be on a rotation basis among the students; that no adults be involved, but, rather, a college student should serve as Supervisor.

Discussion followed on the cost (fund raising drives being a consideration), supervision; use of the Recreation Center and school facilities were not favored by this committee. Sr. Mayor Isen suggested that the proposed second story at Joslyn Center might be a practical Youth Center.

Jr. Mayor Schapira MOVED that this matter be referred to the Parks and Recreation Commission to work out the details as to location,

cost, and feasibility. The motion was seconded by Jr. Councilman Dobson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Group #2 - Does Torrance need a Youth Coordinator?

The committee recommendations were: that the Youth Council be expanded and involve not only the six high schools but various organizations such as the YMCA, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, religious groups, Campfire Girls, YWCA, Little League, etc.; that the Youth Coordinator act as adviser and counselor to the Youth Council; that the Youth Council function on an equal basis with the Youth Welfare Commission, with responsibility directly to the Torrance City Council. Further recommended was that the Youth Coordinator be a full-time employee, with a salary of \$12,000 annually; he would also be involved in the area of communication relative to press releases, posters, etc. -- such a Coordinator would extend the effectiveness of the Youth Council.

In response to questions by the Junior Council, it was clarified that it is recommended that the Youth Coordinator be a City employee, rather than of the School District.

The following action was taken: Jr. Councilman Cunerty MOVED that the matter of the Youth Coordinator be referred to the City Manager for study and research and the presentation of a definite proposal. The motion was seconded by Jr. Councilman Stephenson, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: JR. COUNCILMEN: Cunerty, Dobson, Stephenson,
and Mayor Schapira.

NOES: JR. COUNCILMEN: Brennan, Portney, and Shallies.

In reference to his "no" vote, Jr. Councilman Brennan stated that he so voted because he felt it should have been referred to the Youth Council; it should be their decision as to whether or not a Youth Coordinator is feasible. It was added by Jr. Mayor Schapira that the Youth Welfare Commission is in favor of a Youth Coordinator; in fact, such recommendations have been made to the City Council and the City Manager, and there will be such a proposal at budget time.

Group #3 - How could police and youth communications be improved?

The basic problem, according to this committee, is the negative attitude toward policemen and law enforcement resulting from negative family influence; in addition, contacts with police are too infrequent and usually on a negative basis. Programs should be geared to youth/police positive contact at an early age, and it was recommended that a program be initiated in the schools where contact between police and youth is started, preferably when students begin school and continued throughout their entire education, the purpose being to inform students of the basic laws, the policeman's job, and the establishment of a friendly relationship between students and policemen.

Further recommended was a program of involvement with Police Department through high school volunteer work, similar to the "candy-strippers" in hospitals. They would also support the Youth Coordinator idea, with coordination between police and youth activities.

MOTION: Jr. Councilman Stephenson moved that the findings of Group #3 be referred to the Police Chief for study and recommendation. Her motion was seconded by Jr. Councilman Dobson, and carried as follows:

AYES: JR. COUNCILMEN: Brennan, Cunerty, Dobson, Portney,
Stephenson, and Mayor Schapira.
NOES: JR. COUNCILMEN: Shallies.

Group #4 - Should areas of vacant land and individual vacant lots be planted as green areas?

It was determined by this committee that most of the vacant land was privately owned -- the problem is being taken care of in many ways, however, (1) there is a major land area for water facilities, a reservoir completely underground for water storage, with the plan to have some recreational facilities such as tennis courts and/or a pool; (2) at the intersection of Ocean and 226th Street, there is a water tower deemed unsightly by the neighborhood, with a vacant lot on the 226th Street side free of weeds, and a likely park site. Also suggested by the group was that land by freeways be rented in conjunction with park use; further, water companies and other corporations could lease the land more willingly than private owners of small lots because of problems of liability, financing, etc. Two areas presently being improved are the KNX Radio site and some of the empty land on the Edison Company's property -- accomplishments noted by the committee was the beautification of oil wells, and problems are represented by high tension wires, sumps and underground drainage, financing, and City liability. Neighborhood support was recommended by the committee, as well as encouragement of the development of the existing park program to its fullest potential. Community involvement could be accomplished by way of the schools, the PTA, and parents' groups.

MOTION: Jr. Councilman Portney moved that this matter be presented to the City Manager for further study and recommendation. The motion was seconded by Jr. Councilman Shallies.

A SUBSTITUTE MOTION was offered by Jr. Councilman Stephenson who MOVED that an ad hoc committee of the Student City Council be appointed by the Mayor to study its feasibility, its cost, and that a recommendation be made to the City Council. The motion was seconded by Jr. Councilman Dobson, but failed to carry, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: JR. COUNCILMEN: Dobson, Stephenson.
NOES: JR. COUNCILMEN: Brennan, Cunerty, Portney, and
Shallies.
ABSTAIN: JR. COUNCILMEN: Mayor Schapira.

Roll call vote on the main motion, to refer to the City Manager, was as follows:

AYES: JR. COUNCILMEN: Brennan, Portney, Shallies, and
Mayor Schapira.
NOES: JR. COUNCILMEN: Cunerty, Dobson, Stephenson.

The hour being 5:20 P.M. a 10-minute recess was ordered by Jr. Mayor Schapira.

On resumption of the meeting, at the regular meeting hour of 5:30 P.M., the Opening Ceremonies were again reenacted:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 16, 1969, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Responding to roll call by City Clerk Coil were Councilmen Beasley, Johnson, Miller, Sciarrotta, Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Isen. Absent: None.

Also present: City Manager Ferraro, Assistant City Manager Scharfman, City Attorney Remelmeyer, City Clerk Coil, and City Treasurer Rupert

Mayor Isen then returned the gavel to Junior Mayor Lenny Schapira.

Responding to roll call by Jr. City Clerk Stinchcomb were Jr. Councilmen Brennan, Cunerty, Dobson, Portney, Shallies, Stephenson, and Schapira.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mr. James Krembas, West High School, led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation for the meeting was given by Reverend Edward L. Hughes, Walteria Assembly of God Church.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of November 26, 1969 be approved as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and there were no objections.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Beasley moved that all properly audited demands be paid. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Johnson, Miller, Sciarrotta,
Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Isen.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

7. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Uerkwitz 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 Sciarrotta, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS - None scheduled.

9. JUNIOR CITIZENS' DAY - DECEMBER 16, 1969.

So proclaimed by both Jr. Mayor Schapira and Sr. Mayor Isen.

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Deserved recognition was afforded Mr. John Alter by Mayor Isen with the announcement that Mr. Alter had recently passed the bar examination and will be practicing law in the City of Torrance. His accomplishment was warmly applauded.

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COMMENDATIONS:

10. For their part in obtaining as a gift to the Torrance Public Library one of Dewitt M. Lockman's paintings:

A. RESOLUTION in appreciation to Mrs. Dorothy Barnes Beegle.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 69-306

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE EXPRESSING GRATEFUL APPRECIATION TO MRS. DOROTHY BARNES BEEGLE FOR HER PART IN OBTAINING AS A GIFT TO THE TORRANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY ONE OF THE FAMOUS DEWITT M. LOCKMAN "CONNIE" PAINTINGS.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 69-306. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Like action was taken by the Junior Council, with Mayor Isen directing that their signatures appear on these resolutions in appreciation as well.

B. RESOLUTION in appreciation to Mrs. Anton Mare.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 69-307

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE EXPRESSING GRATEFUL APPRECIATION TO MRS. ANTON MARE FOR HER PART IN OBTAINING AS A GIFT TO THE TORRANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY, ONE OF THE FAMOUS DEWITT M. LOCKMAN "CONNIE" PAINTINGS.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 69-307. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Unanimously approved by Junior Council.

C. RESOLUTION in appreciation to Mrs. Evelyn Lockman.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 69-308

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE EXPRESSING GRATEFUL APPRECIATION TO MRS. EVELYN LOCKMAN FOR HER GIFT OF ONE OF THE LATE DEWITT M. LOCKMAN'S FAMOUS "CONNIE" PAINTINGS TO THE TORRANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Councilman Johnson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 69-308. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Unanimously approved by Junior Council.

PRESENTATIONS:

11. Employee Service Awards Program.

On behalf of the Council, Mayor Isen presented Service Award pins to deserving City employees, with appropriate congratulations. Of particular note was the presentation of a watch to Lieutenant D.C. Cook for thirty years of service with the City of Torrance.

NONCONTROVERSIAL ITEMS:

12. CLAIM of Virginia Halstead against the City of Torrance and Torrance Municipal Bus Lines.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That said claim be denied and referred to the City Attorney.

13. REQUEST FOR TERMINATION OF OIL WELL BOND #7236959.

RECOMMENDATION OF LICENSE SUPERVISOR:

That the subject oil well bond be terminated.

14. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Installation of Sanitary Sewer in 236th Place east of Arlington Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION OF ACTING CITY ENGINEER:

That the contract be awarded to Hofmann & Son and all other bids be rejected.

15. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Budgeted air compressor - trailer mounted, Reference Bid #B69-74.

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/PURCHASING SUPERVISOR.

That the low bid submitted by the Savage Equipment Company for a rotary screw compressor be accepted in the amount of \$4,623.15 including tax and all other bids be rejected.

16. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Budgeted new City vehicles for various City departments - Reference Bid #B69-70, Fiscal Year 1969-1970.

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That the following awards be approved by Council:

1. Bid Items 2,3,5,7,8,10 and 12 be awarded to Ted Green Chevrolet in the amount of \$48,656.29 including sales tax.
2. Bid Item 1 be awarded to Ray Vane (South) Inc. in the amount of \$4,334.80 including tax.
3. Bid Items 6 and 13 be awarded to Ray Gaskin Service in the amount of \$63,156.46 including sales tax.
4. Bid Item 11 be awarded to Ira Escobar Ford, Inc. in the amount of \$3,608.29 including sales tax.
5. Bid Item 9 be awarded to Glen Organ Ford in the amount of \$4,112.82 including sales tax.
6. Bid Item 4 - Police Cars: It is requested that Council approve of Purchasing rebidding this item as we are not satisfied with the cars bid.

17. EXPENDITURES OVER \$300:

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That Council approve the following purchases:

A. BUDGETED:

1. \$815.33 to S&J Chevrolet for one only exchanged "Allison" transmission as requested by the City Garage for the repair of a City truck.
2. \$328.53 to Johnson Stationers for one only desk, chair and service cupboard as requested by the Finance Department for a new budgeted employee.
3. \$334.82 to Automatic Printing for 2500 sign application forms and 2500 building inspection record cards as requested by the Building & Safety Department for use in their operations.

4. \$1168.65 to Henry Pratt Company for one 10-inch, one 12-inch and one 16-inch water valve as requested by the Water Department for Project #68040 (Anza and Pacific Coast Highway Project).
5. \$362.72 to James Jones Company for parts and labor necessary to repair eight fire hydrants as requested by the Water Department.
6. \$315.00 to Alex Thompson for 10,000 rounds of reloaded .45 caliber practice ammunition as requested by the Police Department for use on the pistol range.

B. SPECIAL ITEM:

7. \$548.04 to Campbell & Hall, c/o Harry R. Wilson, for 87 adult books.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the approval of agenda items #12,13,14,15,16, and 17, as recommended. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Johnson, Miller, Sciarrotta, Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Isen.
 NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

Junior Council roll call vote:

AYES: JR. COUNCILMEN: Brennan, Cuerty, Portney, Shallies, Stephenson, and Schapira.
 NOES: JR. COUNCILMEN: Dobson.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

18. TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO. 31016, R.G. GARLAND CORPORATION, Subdivider; Lanco Engineering, Engineers. This is an 11-lot tract located between Sara Drive and Spencer Street, west of Reynolds Drive. RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS.

MOTION: Councilman Miller moved to concur with the Planning Commission recommendation for approval subject to conditions. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Unanimously approved by Junior Council.

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

19. Request for Executive Session regarding Torrance Police Officers Association.

The hour of 5:00 P.M. on December 30th was deemed a convenient time for the requested Executive Session. MOTION: Councilman Beasley moved to adjourn this meeting to 5:00 P.M. on December 30, 1969, for such an Executive/Personnel Session -- this to be the first item on the agenda, with the meeting to commence at 5:00 P.M. instead of the usual 5:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Unanimously approved by Junior Council.

20. Classification Study - Intermediate Typist, Airport.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That the subject position be reallocated to the class of Senior Typist Clerk.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the recommendation of the Civil Service Commission. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta; there were no objections and the motion carried.

Unanimously approved by Junior Council.

21. Classification Study - Principal Building Inspector, Building and Safety Department.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That this new position be allocated to the existing class of Principal Building Inspector to be filled in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations.

MOTION: Councilman Johnson moved to concur with the recommendation of the Civil Service Commission. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and there were no objections.

Unanimously approved by Junior Council.

22. Employee Insurance Committee Report:

RECOMMENDATIONS OF EMPLOYEE INSURANCE COMMITTEE:

1. That the City accept the revised life insurance coverage as outlined in communication of December 12, 1969.
2. That the City contract for long term disability insurance with Continental Casualty as outlined in December 12th communication.
3. That any left over contribution be applied toward U.S. Savings Bonds on behalf of the employee.

City Clerk Coil advised that this program will be brought back for Council review in approximately six months to determine its success or otherwise.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the recommendations of the Employee Insurance Committee. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Unanimously approved by Junior Council.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:

23. TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP NO. 1387 - DEL AMO FASHION SQUARE SHOPPING CENTER. Request of Del Amo Properties Company for relief of certain street improvement requirements imposed on Tentative Parcel Map No. 1387.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF ACTING CITY ENGINEER:

1. That request for relief be granted; and
2. That recommendations contained in City Manager's letter of November 24, 1969 be approved.

Mayor Isen stated that, in his opinion, there was need to further analyze the request, and that there should be a more concise presentation of the request; it was the consensus of the Council that this matter be presented again at the December 30th Council meeting.

Mr. Harry Gorman, representing Del Amo Properties, expressed agreement with the December 30th date.

There were no objections by the Junior Council.

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:

24. Appeal of Case S69-47 - Lone Ranger.

Counsel for the LONE RANGER Franchise System, Mr. Aaron Rosen presented a picture of an existing operation, and stated that the sign proposed for the 20304 Hawthorne Blvd. store conforms to the ordinance. Building and Safety Director McKinnon confirmed that the proponent had met all the requirements set forth in the ordinance; nevertheless it is the responsibility of the Sign Review Committee to review the signs and their relationship to adjacent properties; some objection was found on the subject property because of the signing proliferation in this area.

Assistant City Manager Scharfman elaborated on the action taken by the Sign Review Committee in this matter, reiterating the concern for "sign clutter". Mr. Rosen then outlined their need for the sign, the visibility problems, the economic need for attracting fast moving traffic, as well as the considerable amount of money spent in locating the foundation of the building so that there would be enough setback to comply with the requirements of the sign ordinance.

Discussion followed on a possible need for review and revision of the sign ordinance, in view of what has happened in this case, and the inevitable varying interpretations -- it was conceded that the 6 ft. involved (a height of 25 ft. vs. 31 ft.) was a "tempest in a teapot" and that the sign ordinance should remain intact until given a longer trial. It was the comment of Councilman Beasley that he would support the good judgment of the Sign Review Committee and Staff members and that they should be given the benefit of the doubt in this particular case.

MOTION: Councilman Johnson moved to approve the LONE RANGER RESTAURANT sign as originally applied for, i.e. the wall signs as submitted and a 31 ft. ground sign. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Johnson, Miller, Sciarrotta, Uerkwitz,
Wilson, and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley.

Junior Council moved to permit the sign as submitted. Roll call vote as follows:

AYES: JR. COUNCILMEN: Brennan, Cunerty, Portney, Shallies,
Stephenson, and Schapira.

NOES: JR. COUNCILMEN: Dobson.

The hour being 6:30 P.M. Councilman Sciarrotta moved to recess as City Council and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and there were no objections. A 10-minute recess followed at 6:32 P.M.

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(Councilman Miller left the meeting at 6:45 P.M.)
(Taken, out of order, at this time:)

ADDENDUM ITEM:

- 36. VACATION OF HAWTHORNE AVENUE NORTHERLY OF THE A.F. & S.F. RIGHT-OF-WAY.

Mr. Dudley Gray was present on this matter.

It was agreed that this item be continued to January 6, 1970, a 5:30 P.M. meeting.

ORAL COMMUNICATION:

37. Mr. Dudley Gray, representing Mr. Richard Faren, relative to his request for a hearing before the Council asked that the request be withdrawn at this time. A letter of resignation from Mr. Faren has been transmitted by Mr. Gray to the City Attorney. The resignation was accepted by City Manager Ferraro and Fire Chief Lucas -- with Mr. Ferraro advising that, after conferring with the Fire Chief, the resignation of Mr. Faren has been accepted.

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Attention was redirected to the Junior Citizen Day ceremonies by way of formal presentation of a plaque to each of the Junior officials, with appropriate remarks, from their Senior counterpart, as a memento of this occasion.

(Councilman Wilson left at this time, 6:50 P.M.)

The remaining Committee report was now made:

Group #5 - How can City street lighting be improved? Is it possible to have City parks lighted at night?

Two basic suggestions were offered by Group #5 - that Southern California Edison Company expedite Street Lighting District #15; and better illumination of street name signs. As to the parks -- night lighting, from a safety standpoint, is important, as well as providing night recreational use of the parks. Further, were supervision provided in the parks at night, it would furnish worthwhile activity for young people; the hours suggested were to 10:00 P.M. in the winter, and to midnight in the summer.

MOTION: Jr. Councilman Stephenson moved that the recommendations of Group #5 be filed until financing can be determined. The motion was seconded by Jr. Councilman Brennan, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

With the arrival of the hour of 7:00 P.M. and an awaiting bus, it was farewell to the Junior Citizens of December 16th. There was unanimous Junior and Senior acknowledgement of a most successful day.

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BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES, AND SIGNS:

- 25. Policy governing allocation of street frontage where common driveways exist when computing sign allowance.

RECOMMENDATION OF SIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE AND STAFF:

That each case be considered on the individual merits and a decision based on fairness and the attendant circumstances be made.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the above recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and there were no objections.

REAL PROPERTY:

- 26. Communication from Planning Director regarding Substandard size lots resulting from right-of-way acquisition for Del Amo Boulevard.

Held, at the request of the City Manager.

- 27. RESOLUTION authorizing agreement for purchase of Parcel No. 9 required for the widening of Del Amo Boulevard (Bernard Lucero).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 69-309

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF PARCEL NO. 9 REQUIRED FOR THE WIDENING OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD. (Bernard Lucero).

Councilman Johnson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 69-309. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried as follows:

- AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Johnson, Sciarrotta, Uerkwitz, and Mayor Isen.
- NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.
- ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Miller, Wilson.

28. RESOLUTION regarding First Amendment to Airport Lease and First Amendment to Airport Agricultural Lease providing for extension of commencement date.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 69-310

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO AIRPORT LEASE AND THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO AIRPORT AGRICULTURAL LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND ROLLING HILLS NURSERY, INC.

Councilman Beasley moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 69-310. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Miller, Wilson.)

FISCAL MATTERS:

29. RESOLUTION re: Employment of an Engineering Firm to Measure Utility Usage.

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

That the subject resolution be adopted authorizing the employment of the firm of CEME Corporation on an "as directed" basis with the total expenditure of funds not to exceed \$10,000.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 69-311

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY AND CEME CORPORATION.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 69-311. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Johnson, Sciarrotta, Uerkwitz, and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Miller, Wilson.

WATER SYSTEM:

30. CONSTRUCTION OF WATER FACILITIES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE IMPROVEMENT OF ANZA AVENUE.

reported

Water System Manager Borgwat at this time/on the presentation re: the portions of the former Moneta Water System outside the City

of Torrance to be staged by the Department of Water and Power on December 19th at 2:00 P.M. and to which the Council is invited.

As to agenda item #30:

RECOMMENDATION OF WATER SYSTEM MANAGER:

Approval of an appropriation of \$27,500 from the Water Revenue Fund to allow construction of water facilities in conjunction with the improvement of Anza Avenue from 238th Street to Newton Street.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the above recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Miller, Wilson).

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:

31. RESOLUTION supporting the South Bay Councilmen's Association's declaration of their common interest and unanimity of purpose for abatement of noise pollution.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 69-312

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DECLARING ITS INTEREST AND PURPOSE FOR THE ABATEMENT OF NOISE POLLUTION, AND AFFIRMING ITS AGREEMENT WITH THE RESOLUTION AS ADOPTED BY THE SOUTH BAY COUNCILMEN'S ASSOCIATION, AND PLEDGING NECESSARY RESOURCES THEREFOR.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 69-312. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Miller, Wilson).

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

32. ORDINANCE NO. 2042.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil presented for its second reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2042

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING SECTION 81.2.8 TO THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE THE BUILDING & SAFETY DEPARTMENT WITH AUTHORITY TO ISSUE SPECIAL CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY AND CHARGE THE APPROPRIATE FEE THEREFOR.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2042 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Miller, Wilson).

33. ORDINANCE NO. 2044.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil presented for its second reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2044

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING ARTICLE 4 TO PART 1 OF CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 1, OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO DEPARTMENT HEADS.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2044 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Miller, Wilson).

34. ORDINANCE NO. 2046

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil presented for its second reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2046

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING ARTICLE 23 TO CHAPTER 4, DIVISION 1, OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO REINSTATEMENT AND REPEALING RULE XVI OF THE CIVIL SERVICE RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT.

Councilman Johnson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2046 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Miller, Wilson).

ADDENDUM ITEM:

35. AWARD OF DEMOLITION CONTRACTS IN PUEBLO AREA
RE: DEL AMO BOULEVARD WIDENING

RECOMMENDATION OF BUILDING AND SAFETY DIRECTOR:

That Council accept the low bid (Horace G. Allen, \$1,150.00) for the demolition and reject all others.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Building and Safety Director. The motion was seconded by Mayor Isen, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Miller, Wilson).

36-37. (Heard earlier in the meeting)

38. (Information Item A) AIRPORT T-HANGAR DEVELOPMENT - WATER LINE CONSTRUCTION.

REQUEST OF AIRPORT MANAGER:

That he be permitted to advertise for public written bids starting December 26th, take and tabulate bids on January 6,

and return the bids to City Council with a recommendation for award of contract to construct the water line on January 13, 1970.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the request of the Airport Manager. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and there were no objections.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

39. Councilman Beasley commended Airport Manager Egan for his very detailed analysis of all the projects on the Airport -- Mr. Beasley found this one of the finest reports he has ever seen and the content have his complete concurrence.

40. Councilman Johnson reopened discussion on the Sign Review Committee and their necessary function, as well as further review of the Sign Ordinance for possible flaws -- it was the consensus that there be further experience with the ordinance before considering changes.

41. A meeting with the City Manager and Airport Manager at the earliest possible date in reference to the United Artists deal was requested by Councilman Sciarrotta, so that a report may be made to Council.

42. Councilman Uerkwitz commended Staff, particularly Sr. Administrative Jackson, on the outstanding Junior Citizens Day activities.

43. Mayor Isen echoed the comments of Councilman Uerkwitz as to the success of Junior Citizens Day, noting as well the fine caliber of the students participating in this event and the air of cooperation prevailing throughout the entire occasion.

It was the suggestion of News-Advertiser-Press reporter Tim O'Donnell that on future Junior Citizen Days there be counterparts for the press representatives as well. It was the consensus of the Council that this was a very good suggestion.

44. Merry Christmas!

At 7:30 P.M. Councilman Beasley moved to adjourn to 5:00 P.M. on Tuesday, December 30, 1969. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Miller, Wilson).

(Noted by Mayor Isen was the cancellation of the Faren hearing scheduled for Thursday, December 18th, in view of the action earlier in the meeting.)

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Vernon W. Coil
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APPROVED:

Albert Jones
Mayor of the City of Torrance

