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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in a regular meeting on Tuesday, August 10, 1971, at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present were Councilmen Brewster, Johnson, Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Miller. Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta and Surber (vacation).

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

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Members of Girl Scout Troop No. 1740 led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Reverend Charles E. Robinson, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the approval of the minutes of July 20th as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Johnson moved that all properly audited demands be paid. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

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

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any such resolution or ordinance in regular order. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

PARK, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

Report to Council in two weeks.

PRESENTATIONS:

9. Permaplaque to Excellon Industries.
10. Permaplaque to Victoria State Centre of Australia Surf Lifesaving Team.

Both presentations withdrawn from agenda; presentations to be made at a later date.

PROCLAMATION:

11. Proclamation designating the week of August 8, 1971 as "BETTER WATER FOR TORRANCE WEEK".

So proclaimed by Mayor Miller.

PLANNING AND ZONING HEARINGS:

12. ZC 71-6, W.H. CAMPBELL, R.A. LOWE AND L.E. WILLIAMS.  
Change of zone from R-3 to R-P or C-R on property located at the southwest corner of Pacific Coast Highway and Rolling Hills Road.  
RECOMMENDED FOR DENIAL BY THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

An Affidavit of Publication was presented by Acting City Clerk Ferraro, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Miller announced that this is the time and place for the public hearing on ZC 71-6, and invited those present on this matter to speak at this time. There was no response.

Councilman Wilson moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

It was pointed out by Councilman Johnson that the subject property has been considered several times -- it is a small parcel of land and the owners have a right to develop it or to sell it, and he would welcome some recommendations from Staff as to its logical development. Noted by Mayor Miller were the zones NOT RECOMMENDED: R-1, R-3, R-P, C-R -- what, then, is recommended?

Planning Director Shartle referred to the forthcoming consideration of the new L-P (Limited Professional) zone in connection with the subject property. Mr. Shartle added that property owners in the area have indicated to the Planning Commission that they are opposed to commercial

or apartment zoning in the area, but they are not opposed to professional offices. The Planning Commission likewise, according to Mr. Shartle, does not desire commercial or apartment zoning, and it is their feeling that this particular lot, by itself, is too small for development for professional offices -- were it combined with additional lots, it might be practical and worthy of consideration.

Discussion returned to the L-P zone and its likely application to the subject property. An L-P overlay zone was suggested by Councilman Johnson, in that it would leave the existing residences intact, but would allow for such future development. In concurrence was Councilman Wilson who specifically pointed out the recommendation of Planning Commissioner Hall that a zone change study be initiated, taking into consideration this factor.

Noted by Councilman Brewster was the fact that east of Crenshaw, along the access road, between this access road and Dalemead, this very thing was done a few years ago, with resultant speculation and deterioration of R-1 properties.

Mayor Miller pointed out the absence of development in this area because of the difficulties in packaging the land -- to tie in the other R-3 properties will open up a Pandora's Box, with opposition voiced at the public hearings from all directions, and the little guy on the corner, trying to get his rezoning there, caught in the middle, and it will never come about, as is evidenced all over Torrance.

The following action resulted:

MOTION: Councilman Brewster moved to DENY ZC 71-6 without prejudice, and at the appropriate time have the case reappear before the Council advertised for the L-P zone, with the filing fees waived for the proponent. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

13. Communication re: MORATORIUM ON SERVICE STATIONS.

The Planning Commission-recommended moratorium on service stations, per communication of August 3rd, was reviewed by Planning Director Shartle.

The Conditional Use Permit procedure for service stations was noted by Mayor Miller, and, in his opinion, represents sufficient control -- if a moratorium is recommended for a service station, why not, then, for beer bars, or other businesses? Further, according to the Mayor, such studies are time consuming and can put people out of business. Concurrence was expressed by Councilman Uerkwitz.

The concept of having a company do something about its rundown and abandoned stations met with favor by Councilman Brewster -- however, he would question whether or not such a condition could be tied on other properties.

Councilman Johnson stated that he could see no legal basis whatsoever for establishing a moratorium on service stations, nor of trying to control the precise number by brand name -- there undoubtedly would be cooperation when the oil companies recognize the City's concern.

MOTION: Councilman Johnson moved to file the subject letter. His motion was seconded by Mayor Miller, and carried, with roll call vote unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

It was then requested by Councilman Johnson that the Planning Department and Planning Commission conduct an informal study, in cooperation with the oil companies, to determine what is proposed for dilapidated, run-down service stations, to the end that they would either be updated and put back into operation or otherwise developed. Councilman Johnson so MOVED; his motion was seconded by Mayor Miller, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

- 14. APPEAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION denying a request to conduct a tent revival on property located at the south side of Sepulveda Boulevard between Madrona Avenue and Maple Avenue. GOSPEL LIGHTHOUSE CHURCH, REVEREND JOHNSON.

Following clarification of Planning Commission findings in this case by Planning Director Shartle, Reverend Johnson, 4410 West 147th Street, Lawndale, stated this was the first denial of a request made many times in behalf of his church and that all previous tent revivals have been successful and trouble-free.

Discussion by the Council followed; Reverend Johnson indicated concurrence with the Planning Department recommendations, in the event of approval.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to approve the subject request, subject to conditions imposed by the Planning Department. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson. Specifically noted was condition #4: "That the approval be for 30 days only." The proponent indicated his understanding of this condition.

The motion carried, with roll call vote as follows:

- AYES: COUNCILMEN: Brewster, Johnson, Uerkwitz, \*\* (See below) and Wilson.
- NOES: COUNCILMEN: Mayor Miller.
- ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Sciarrotta, Surber.

It was the comment of Mayor Miller that his "no" vote was for the reason that residents backing up to the property will be involved, and they should have been notified.

Discussion returned to traffic control and the policing thereof; upon learning that this would have to be done by a police officer on assigned duty, Councilman Uerkwitz changed his vote to "NO". \*\*

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:15. APPEAL OF CASE S71-43, MADDALONE'S PIZZA SHACK.

The findings of the Sign Review Committee were reported by Building and Safety Director McKinnon.

Present were Mr. Fred Vaquera, Rich Sign Company, and the proponent, Mr. Fred Maddalone who described the unique circumstances of their location and their request for approval of proposed signing.

Additional clarification was deemed necessary by the Council, and it was agreed that this matter be held for one week so that the signing might be personally viewed, with the full facts for the August 17th Council meeting.

It was the request of Councilman Brewster that the Council be furnished a copy of the sign company's typical lease.

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REAL PROPERTY:

- 16. RESOLUTION re: purchase of Parcel No. 1 required for widening of Del Amo Boulevard at Madrid.

RESOLUTION NO. 71-175

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. 1, REQUIRED FOR THE WIDENING OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AT MADRID.

(Anthony S. and Lydia E. Galisky)

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 71-175. His motion, seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, was unanimously approved by roll call vote. (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

TRAFFIC AND LIGHTING:

- 17. SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER:

That the existing Crossing Guard be retained at the intersection of Carson and Kent until the Council Public Works Committee reevaluates the warrants for the placement of School Crossing Guards and other traffic control devices.

MOTION: Councilman Johnson moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Traffic Engineer. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson.

Prior to roll call vote, Mayor Miller invited anyone desiring to speak on this matter to do so at this time.

Mr. Charles Murray, 21838 Grant Avenue, indicated his concern for the safety of school children, and requested that Grant Avenue not be opened into their tract. The residents are in concurrence with the recommendation of the Traffic Commission last April for a push-button activated pedestrian signal at Kent, according to Mr. Murray, and petitions in support of this have been submitted.

Next to speak was Mr. Walt Barnes, 21837 Grant Avenue, who indicated concurrence with retention of the Crossing Guard at Kent, not at Grant; the school gate is at Kent and it is unlikely that the school children would walk the extra distance. The push-button activated pedestrian signal is also desirable in that it can be used all year by all ages, according to Mr. Barnes, and would cost considerably less than the full signal with the opened intersection at Grant recommended by the Traffic and Lighting Department.

Mayor Miller pointed out that the recommendation is to retain the Crossing Guard and that the matter is to be reviewed by the Public Works Committee.

It was reported by Councilman Brewster that the Public Works Committee has developed a revised set of warrants, with Staff assistance, for Crossing Guards, and a study in this regard is underway.

Roll call vote on Councilman Johnson's motion was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

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At 8:05 P.M. Councilman Wilson moved to recess as City Council and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

A 10-minute recess followed at 8:06 P.M.

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ITEMS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

18. ORDINANCES with reference to DANCING IN BARS AND RESTAURANTS.

ORDINANCE "A" - Amending provisions concerning businesses requiring approval of the License Review Board.

ORDINANCE "B" - Amending provisions establishing rules and regulations for public dance halls.

ORDINANCE "C" - Amending provisions governing the uses permitted in the C-1 commercial district.

ORDINANCE NO. 2266 ("A")

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 31.7.3 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE CONCERNING BUSINESSES REQUIRING APPROVAL OF THE LICENSE REVIEW BOARD.

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2266 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Johnson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

ORDINANCE NO. 2267 ("B")

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 35.4.3 AND 35.4.4, ARTICLE IV, OF CHAPTER 5, DIVISION 3, OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE, ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR PUBLIC DANCE HALLS.

Councilman Johnson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2267 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

ORDINANCE NO. 2268 ("C")

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 91.20.1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE GOVERNING THE USES PERMITTED IN THE C-1 COMMERCIAL DISTRICT.

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2268 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:19. ORDINANCE NO. 2264.ORDINANCE NO. 2264

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 THE EAST SIDE OF HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD BOUNDED BY NEWTON STREET AND PARK STREET, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 71-7.

(Albert Levitt)

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2264 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

20. ORDINANCE NO. 2265.ORDINANCE NO. 2265

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING ARTICLE 10, SECTION 1, TO DIVISION 6 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO SPEED LIMIT ON PALOS VERDES BOULEVARD.

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2265 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Brewster, Johnson, Wilson, and  
Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Uerkwitz. (For reasons previously stated).

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Sciarrotta, Surber.

It was noted by Councilman Johnson that his previous "no" vote was changed to "yes" in order to prevent the speed limit from going higher.

NONCONTROVERSIAL ITEMS:21. EXPENDITURES OVER \$300:RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

That Council approve the following purchases:

A. BUDGETED ITEMS:

1. \$845.15 to Brooks Products for six only meter vaults with lids and twelve only 10-inch extensions requested by the Water Department.
2. \$346.50 to Zumar Industries for six only replacement City of Torrance "Entrance Signs" requested by Traffic and Lighting.
3. \$427.50 to Blakeslee Dishwasher Service to repair a Blakeslee commercial dishwasher located at the Recreation Center as requested by the Recreation Department.
4. \$3696.42 to Oranco Supply for forty different vacuum-breakers to be used for installation in the City's park sprinkler systems, as per directive from the County Health Department.
5. \$1102.50 to South Bay Reloading Service for 30,000 rounds of reloaded .45 caliber ammunition as requested by the Police Department for use on the police target range.
6. \$654.76 to Taylor Manufacturing Company for 16 police vehicle "push bumpers" as requested by the Police Department.
7. \$1306.98 to W.B. Equipment Company for one only replacement training tower safety net per Mil Spec. #N-18313-A complete with shock absorbers as requested by the Fire Department.
8. \$725.55 to Schaefer Chemical Company for an annual contract for Water Treatment Control (to prevent rust and scaling) for air condition equipment at the Civic Center Library, as requested by the Director of Building and Safety.
9. \$716.79 to Water Conditioning Company of America for 536 bags of replacement water filter material consisting of silica sand and gravel requested by Building Maintenance to maintain the filters at Benstead Plunge.
10. \$330.75 to J.O. Dircks for 15 pounds of pistol powder and 50,000 ammunition primers requested by the Police Department for use on the pistol target range.
11. \$1419.60 to Gaylord Brothers, Inc. for 15,000 clear book covers and 10,000 "date due" book slips requested by the Library Department for use in their operations.

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12. \$625.89 to Perc B. Sapsis Company for 135 adult books.
13. \$367.25 to Collier MacMillan for one set of Encycloped on Education.
14. \$2046.99 to Campbell & Hall, c/o Harry R. Wilson, for adult books.
15. \$543.40 to Needham Book Finders for 126 adult books.
16. \$1224.32 to Harry Rinehimer for 223 adult and 45 juven books.
17. \$519.75 to W.W. Norton and Company, Inc. for one year' subscription to the Library "Greenway" Plan.
18. \$1000.00 to Superintendent of Documents for "Deposit fo Government Documents" as needed by the Library Departma

B. REIMBURSABLE:

19. \$436.80 to Hersey Products, Inc. for one only 2-inch Hersey Meter requested by the Water Department for installation at the Gattman & Mitchell - Tonio's Restaurant. Payment has been received for this service
20. \$892.50 to National Color Company for 850 photo butto requested by the Recreation Department for the Girls Sports Division activities. The City is reimbursed this expenditure via fees collected from participants

22. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Annual Fine Paper Requirement. Reference Bid No. B71-32, for 1971-72.

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/BUYER:

1. That \$14,690.80, including tax, be awarded to Zeller for all items in August 5th communication, except those noted #2 below.
2. That \$3063.76, including tax, be awarded to Noland Pa Company for items #68, 459, 487-489, 501, 515-519, 526, and 653 per August 5th communication.

23. CLAIM of Robert E. Lee for personal damages.
24. CLAIM of Margaret Kneller for property damages.
25. CLAIM of Fount C. Sorenson for property damages.
26. CLAIM of Jeffrey Scott Hudson for personal damages.
27. CLAIM of Raymond Scott for property damages.
28. CLAIM of Frank C. Mauro for property damages.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That above claims be DENIED and referred to the City Attor

MOTION: Mayor Miller moved to concur with the recommendations on agenda items #21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, and #28. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

ADDENDA ITEMS:

29. AIR CONDITIONING FOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS/STRUCTURAL STEEL IMPROVEMENT - CITY HALL ADDITION.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF BUILDING AND SAFETY DIRECTOR:  
(Per August 6th communication)

1. That Council approve the adding to the existing contract with Collins & McPherson the amount of \$6,049.25, so that the City Hall Council Chambers can be air conditioned with exactly the same equipment as will be provided in the balance of the City Hall remodeling. Further, in the event of approval, that the Council recommend to the Los Angeles County-Torrance Civic Center Authority that the contract be amended for the air conditioning work.

2. That Council approve additional steel and refabrication of steel in critical areas of the City Hall addition, necessitating an increase in the contract of approximately \$7,500. Further, in the event of approval, that the Council recommend to the Los Angeles County-Torrance Civic Center Authority that the contract be amended for the structural steel improvement.

MOTION: Councilman Johnson moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Building and Safety Director. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

MOTION: Councilman Brewster moved that the Council recommend to the Los Angeles County-Torrance Civic Center Authority that the contract be amended, as above stated. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

30. CITY OF TORRANCE vs. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ATTORNEY:

That Overton, Lyman and Prince be employed to represent the City before the Public Utilities Commission and in court on such fee basis (per August 10th communication) with the total fee not to exceed \$10,000. If this litigation continues, the total fee may exceed the sum of \$10,000; in such an event, however, the City Attorney will return to the Council for review of the situation.

It was the suggestion of Councilman Wilson that other South Bay cities share such cost, in that they will be facing the same battle. City Attorney Remelmeyer outlined efforts in this regard specifically with the City of Inglewood, and that there have been conversations with Hawthorne and Lawndale along these lines.

Mayor Miller stated that the interests of the City of Torrance are the same as other South Bay cities -- it is necessary that there be a leader in this common cause, and it is hoped that others will join in this cause.

The Mayor thereupon MOVED that the Mayor and City Council request the Mayors and City Councils of all South Bay cities to join Torrance in the subject litigation, and that the City Attorney be directed to forward an appropriate letter of transmittal. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and there were no objections. (Absent: Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber).

MOTION: Councilman Johnson moved to concur with the City Attorney's recommendation on agenda item #30, and to approve the appropriation not to exceed \$10,000 for this purpose. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson.

Prior to roll call vote on the motion, Councilman Uerkwitz questioned whether or not delay of the litigation would be possible in order to assure a sharing of cost. City Attorney Remelmeyer indicated that any chance of delay appears unlikely.

The motion carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Brewster, Johnson, Wilson, and  
Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Uerkwitz.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Sciarrotta, Surber.

It was stated by Councilman Uerkwitz that he voted "no" for the reason that there can be a sharing of cost of this phenomenal amount of money, in his opinion.

In the interest of obtaining a unanimous vote, Councilman Johnson amended his motion to incorporate the request that other South Bay cities be contacted regarding sharing the cost, and there were no objections. Councilman Uerkwitz thereupon changed his vote to "YES" and the motion, therefore, was unanimously approved (Councilmen Sciarrotta, Surber absent).

It was the request of Councilman Brewster that Staff provide additional information relative to proposed service for the Palos Verdes hills.

Present considerations surrounding the 232nd Street area, and the undergrounding thereof, were reported by Planning Director Shartle -- as was the fact that communications from residents in this regard likely will be sent to the Council.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

31. Councilman Johnson corrected an erroneously published meeting date for the Independent Cities Installation (where he will be installed as President) -- the correct date is November 6th in San Diego.

32. Problems surrounding the installation of a large oil pumper in the Palo del Amo area, at 226th and Fonthill, were recited by Councilman Johnson, with a request to Staff to ascertain (1) the understanding

between the homeowners and Chanslor-Western; (2) why was it changed; (3) why the size of the pumper?; (4) how long will it be there; and (5) why were the people not so informed during a recent meeting? A report from Staff in two weeks was requested by Mr. Johnson.

33. A recent resolution enacted by the City of Pomona relative to regulations against the 236 Program was noted by Councilman Johnson.

City Attorney Remelmeyer interrupted to point out that one of the key differentiations between those cities and the City of Torrance, fortunately, was the fact that the City Council of Torrance took no action against the 236 housing -- in fact, 236 housing projects were permitted to go in Torrance. The action taken by the Torrance City Council, Mr. Remelmeyer continued, was directed only at zoning and to place a moratorium on the construction in order that there be opportunity to complete the prior existing zoning study; this is an essential differentiation between Torrance and those other cities -- a change of position would be regrettable, in Mr. Remelmeyer's opinion,

It was the further comment of Councilman Johnson that he is not suggesting any type of moratorium -- he certainly favors continuation of the Senior Citizens 236 Project, a matter of record -- but he is impressed with the fact, in view of the public uprising on the 236 Project, and that perhaps the general pattern of the Pomona resolution should be followed.

Mayor Miller reiterated his position -- he has been opposed to the R-3 zoning in that area, supported by his record, and he is still opposed to the R-3 zoning, unrelated to the 236 Project.

City Attorney Remelmeyer again stated that the Council action was not directed at the 236 Project -- certainly the success to date rests heavily on the fact that this is a zoning matter. Any consideration of 236 Housing should take place only after the rezoning is resolved, per Mr. Remelmeyer.

It was the consensus of the Council to resume considerations in this matter at a later, more appropriate, date.

34. Councilman Uerkwitz referred to the Traffic Commission and to the Citizens' Advisory Committee Transportation Committee the recently completed study of Downtown Torrance by U.S.C. in view of the major traffic problems outlined therein -- with recommendations back to the Council. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

It was the further request of Councilman Uerkwitz that a status report regarding the recommended railroad track crossing with Torrance Boulevard be returned to the Council, along with the above requested program.

35. Noted by Councilman Wilson was the recent report from the Chamber of Commerce regarding the movement of traffic at Del Amo Shopping Center, and there was review of the problems to be solved in this

regard. Councilman Wilson moved that the subject matter be referred to Staff to determine procedure to be followed. The motion was seconded by Mayor Miller, and there were no objections.

36. Mayor Miller referred to the recently formed ad hoc committee on signs and appointed Councilman Johnson as chairman thereof.

At 9:10 P.M. Councilman Uerkwitz moved to recess for the purpose of an Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and approval was unanimous. Mayor Miller announced that no further business would be conducted by the Council.

The Council returned to formally adjourn at 10:10 P.M.

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*Vernon W. Coil*

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

*Ken Miller*

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Mayor of the City of Torrance