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Adjourned at 7:00 P.M. to Tuesday,
January 11, 1972, at 6:00 P.M.

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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, January 4, 1972, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present were Councilmen Brewster, Johnson, Sciarrotta, Surber, Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Miller. Absent: None.

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

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Water System Manager John Borgwat led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Lloyd Newlin, First Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the minutes of December 14, 1971 be approved as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Johnson moved that all regularly audited demands be paid. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

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 was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS.Public Works Committee:

A full report and presentation on the Civic Center Master Plan will be before the Council on January 11th, at 6:00 P.M.

The storm drain problems are still being analyzed by this committee.

PRESENTATIONS:

9. PRESENTATION OF PERMAPLAQUE expressing appreciation and thanks to Pacific Outdoor Advertising Company for its civic participation in the promotion and advertising of community events.
10. PRESENTATION OF PERMAPLAQUE expressing appreciation and thanks to Foster and Kleiser Outdoor Advertising for its civic participation in the promotion and advertising of community events.

Representatives were present to gratefully accept the permaplaques from Mayor Miller following his "thank you" on behalf of the Council.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

11. RESOLUTION granting Conditional Use Permit No. 71-10.

RESOLUTION NO. 72-1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT IN CASE NO. CUP 71-10, RINKER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, TO ALLOW A SERVICE STATION AND CONVENIENCE MARKET AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF ARTESIA BOULEVARD AND VAN NESS AVENUE.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 72-1. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

12. RESOLUTION approving Variance 71-11.

RESOLUTION NO. 72-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A VARIANCE FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE R-2 ZONE OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE, AS APPLIED FOR BY THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF TORRANCE IN PLANNING COMMISSION CASE NO. V71-11.

Councilman Johnson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 72-2. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES & SIGNS.

13. EMERGENCY ORDINANCE repealing provisions of the Code which permit garages with a 5-ft. setback on hillside lots; ORDINANCE regarding same; and EMERGENCY ORDINANCE extending the Moratorium on the Vista Montana access study for an additional 60-day period.

Notification procedures were reviewed by Councilman Johnson, it being noted that the City Attorney's office is presently working on this matter as it relates to Waivers. It was Councilman Johnson's recommendation that the new procedure be expanded to include the same concept in the Variance procedure, in order to insure notification to all interested parties.

MOTION: Councilman Johnson then moved that it be made Council policy that on Waivers and Variances that there be notification to people considered by Staff to be affected by such request. The motion was seconded; there were no objections, and it was so ordered, with the understanding that a Policy Statement would be drawn up.

Mayor Miller then requested that title to the Emergency Ordinance be read:

ORDINANCE NO. 2301

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SECTION 92.5.9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE REGULATING FRONT YARD SETBACKS FOR GARAGES AND DECLARING THE PRESENCE OF AN EMERGENCY.

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Emergency Ordinance No. 2301 at its first and only reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ORDINANCE NO. 2302

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SECTION 92.5.9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE REGULATING FRONT YARD SETBACKS FOR GARAGES AND REPEALING EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 2301 RELATING TO THE SAME MATTER.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2302 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Brewster, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 2303

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE EXTENDING A MORATORIUM PREVIOUSLY IMPOSED ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF DWELLING UNITS WITHIN THE AREA DESCRIBED HEREIN AND DECLARING THE PRESENCE OF AN EMERGENCY.

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Councilman Surber moved for the adoption of Emergency Ordinance 2303 at its first and only reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

TRAFFIC AND LIGHTING:

14. Resolution requesting the State Division of Highways to furnish additional information as alternatives to the construction of the proposed Torrance Freeway.

Councilman Uerkwitz indicated a need for answers to questions prepared by him, and it was agreed to defer Item #14 for one week. Councilman Brewster so MOVED; his motion, seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

15. RESOLUTION re: traffic signals at 190th Street and Anza, and at 190th Street and Inglewood Avenue.

RESOLUTION NO. 72-3

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH FOR THE MODIFICATION OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS ON 190TH STREET AT THE INTERSECTION OF ANZA AVENUE AND INGLEWOOD AVENUE.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 72-3. His motion, seconded by Councilman Surber, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

MOTION: Councilman Brewster moved to approve an appropriation of \$11,000 from 2106 Gas Tax monies to cover the City's share of the above improvement. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

16. STATE DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS REQUEST to reduce Prima Facie speed limits on Hawthorne Boulevard.

RECOMMENDATION OF TRAFFIC COMMISSION/TRAFFIC AND LIGHTING DEPARTMENT: The following change of speed limits, both north and southbound on Hawthorne Boulevard:

1. Pacific Coast Highway to Carson Street from 45 to 40 MPH.
2. Spencer Street to 190th Street from 45 to 40 MPH.
3. 190th Street to 182nd Street from 40 to 35 MPH.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Traffic Commission/Traffic and Lighting Department. His motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

POLICE OPERATIONS:

17. RESOLUTION re: Grant proposal for a Regional Explosive Action Control Team (Bomb Squad)

RESOLUTION NO. 72-4

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN APPLICATION TO THE CALIFORNIA COUNCIL ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE FOR A CERTAIN GRANT TO THE CITY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES.

Councilman Uerkwitz moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 72-4. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and, following clarification by Chief Nash, roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

18. (No item.)

LIBRARY OPERATIONS:

19. AWARD OF CONTRACT for printing 1972 Library Book Catalog.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY LIBRARIAN:

That Council award the contract to George Lithograph for printing the Torrance Public Library annual catalog. Funds are available in the Library budget under Data Processing to cover costs.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Librarian. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES.

20. ORDINANCE NO. 2299.

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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 BETWEEN HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD AND ASHLEY AVENUE, AND BETWEEN 182ND STREET AND 186TH STREET, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 71-23.

(Torrance Planning Commission)

Councilman Johnson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2299 at its second and final reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Brewster, Johnson, Sciarrotta, Surber, Uerkwitz, and Wilson.
 NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.
 ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEN: Mayor Miller (not present at hearing).