

Torrance, California
October 7, 1930.

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Torrance, was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, October 7th., 1930, and was called to order at 7:45 P. M. by Mayor Dennis.

The following Trustees were present: Trustees: Bell, Nelson, Smith, Steiner and Dennis.

Absent: Trustees: None.

Trustee Steiner moved that the minutes of the adjourned regular meeting of September 29th., 1930, be adopted.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the League of California Municipalities, under date of September 26th., 1930, addressed to the Honorable City Council, inviting the Board to attend the meeting of the League of California Municipalities at Long Beach, October 6th., to 11th.

Trustee Steiner moved that the invitation be filed, and all those who possibly can attend the meeting.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from Messrs. W. H. Gilbert and Daniel A. Barnard, under date of September 16th., 1930, addressed to the Honorable City Council, stating that they are owners of that forty (40) foot strip of land known as Vista Avenue and situate between Lots 9 and 10, Block 9, Tract 4070, in the City of Torrance, and running north from Sonoma Street Two Hundred Fifty (250) feet and desire to dedicate this strip of land to the City of Torrance as a public street.

Trustee Steiner moved that the proposition be accepted.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Clifford F. Reid, Inc. under date of September 29th., 1930, addressed to Mr. F. R. Leonard, City Engineer, enclosing bill of sale for the street lights which they have installed at Hollywood Riviera, together with their equipment and appurtenances. Mr. F. W. Marlow, Vice President of the Clifford F. Reid, Inc., also stated that breakdown tests and other required tests have been arranged to be made through the contractor, Mr. Davies, and in co-operation with the Edison Company, and copy of the tests will be furnished Engineer Leonard.

Engineer Leonard stated that he did not think this should be accepted until there was a clearance on it.

Trustee Steiner moved that the communication be filed for future action after the tests have been made.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Southern California Edison Company, under date of September 29th., 1930, addressed to Mr. F. R. Leonard, City Engineer, giving him desired information relative to the street lights in Hollywood Riviera.

Trustee Steiner moved that proposition No. 2 be accepted from the Southern California Edison Company, where by the company will purchase units from dealers as replacements are needed and bill consumer actual cost of glassware. Company's agent will made replacements without any cost to consumer other than the units themselves, as was stated in the letter received.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Smith, Steiner and Dennis.

NOES: " None.

ABSENT: " None.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from Clifford F. Reid, Inc., under date of September 20th., 1930, addressed to Mr. F. R. Leonard, City Engineer, stating that they had checked over the agreement drawn by the California Water Service Company covering the installation of fire hydrants at Hollywood Riviera, and as far as their interests are concerned, will be satisfied for the City of Torrance to enter into

this agreement as it is written, providing, of course, that the City feels that its own interests are amply protected. The company in approving this form of agreement does not assume any liability or responsibility of any kind.

Engineer Leonard stated that this agreement is probably in good form and he could see no reason for not accepting it.

Attorney Briney recommended that the Council accept the agreement.

Trustee Steiner moved that the proposition be accepted.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Mayor of the City of Lynwood, California, under date of September 24th., 1930, addressed to the Honorable Council, inviting the Board to attend a meeting to be held in the Council Chamber of the City Hall of the City of Lynwood on Saturday, October 18th., 1930, at two (2) o'clock P. M. to consider the water situation in Southern California.

Trustee Steiner moved that the invitation be accepted and the City Clerk be instructed to recognize same, and all those who possibly can attend the meeting.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from Mr. D. W. Pontius, President of the Pacific Electric Railway Company, under date of September 25th., 1930, addressed to Mr. F. R. Leonard, City Engineer, concerning street crossings on Redondo Boulevard over the Pacific Electric right-of-way.

After a lengthy discussion, Trustee Steiner moved that the correspondence be filed until such time as the council has an opportunity to go into the matter.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from Wm. O. Harris, Controller, of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, under date of October 2nd., 1930, addressed to Mr. A. H. Bartlett, City Clerk, in reference to the application of the City of Torrance for certain information affecting the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Attorney Briney read:

RESOLUTION NO. 475.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE THAT THE CITY CLERK BE AUTHORIZED TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, REQUESTING THAT SAID CITY OF TORRANCE BE ANNEXED TO AND BECOME A PART OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

Trustee Nelson moved that Resolution No. 475 be adopted.

Trustee Smith seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

- AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Smith, Steiner and Dennis.
- NOES: " None.
- ABSENT: " None.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Standard Oil Company of California, under date of October 7th., 1930, addressed to the Honorable, the Trustees of the City of Torrance, requesting the Council to rescind their previous preliminary resolution granting consent to the County, for a different type of improvement and adopt a resolution substantially in accordance with this request for another type of pavement.

Mr. Coffin in the audience from the Standard Oil Company stated that all he wanted was a verbal statement from the Council that they were willing to co-operate with the County.

After a lengthy discussion, Mayor Dennis stated that he was willing to co-operate with the County, and that is what the Council thought they were doing when they passed the former resolution.

No further action was taken.

Attorney Briney gave the final reading of:

ORDINANCE NO. 210.

REGULATING THE PEDDLING OF FOODS ON PUBLIC STREETS WITHIN THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Trustee Bell moved that Ordinance No. 210 be adopted, for its final reading.

Trustee Steiner seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Smith, Steiner and Dennis.
 NOES: " None.
 ABSENT: " None.

Mr. Leonard stated that a request for the erection of an electric sign in front of Butler's Men Shop had been made. This sign is to be similar to other signs erected in Torrance.

Trustee Steiner moved that this permit be granted.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Trustee Nelson moved that several items that the City has been carrying on their books for some time be charged off so that the books can be cleared. (See Journal, Page 76.)

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Smith, Steiner and Dennis.
 NOES: " None.
 ABSENT: " None.

Mr. Sam Levy in the audience stated that the Southern Midway Oil Company owned a derrick on Sonoma Street, Block 10, Tract No. 4070, that has not been operating for over a year, and is in a dangerous condition, as there are no guy wires on same. This is also a fire menace.

Engineer Leonard stated that the Ordinance required a company to keep a watchman on duty, but that he would look into the matter.

At 9:25 P. M. a recess was declared.
 The Council convened at 10:15 P. M.

A gentlemen, Mr. A. W. Johnson, in the audience, applied for a pool and billiard parlor license, and stated that he wished to take over the place recently run by Mr. Hayes on Cabrillo Avenue.

Trustee Steiner moved that a license be granted Mr. A. W. Johnson to run a pool and billiard parlor.

Trustee Bell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Trustee Steiner moved that warrants be drawn, for all bills, properly audited.

Trustee Nelson seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: TRUSTEES: Bell, Nelson, Smith, Steiner and Dennis.
 NOES: " None.
 ABSENT: " None.

Trustee Smith read a report from Fire Chief Hannebrink on this year's convention, and stated that the Chief was returning (\$50.00) that had not been expended.

This report was ordered filed.

Trustee Nelson moved that the meeting be adjourned to Thursday, October 9th., 1930, at 5:30 P. M.

Trustee Steiner seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 P. M.

A. H. Bantler
 City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

John Dennis
 Mayor of the City of Torrance.