

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE TORRANCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Torrance Redevelopment Agency convened in joint session with City Council on Tuesday, June 23, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Members Barnett, Brewer, Furey, Numark, Rhilinger, Sutherland and Chairman Scotto.

Also Present: Agency Director Jackson, Agency Attorney Fellows, Agency Secretary Herbers and other staff representatives.

At 7:33 p.m. the Redevelopment Agency re-opened the hearing on Agenda Item 5a and discussed concurrently with City Council Agenda Item 13A, FY2009-2010 Operating Budget, and 13B, User Fees.

**5. HEARINGS**

- a) Recommendation of the Deputy Executive Director and the Agency Executive Accountant that City Council re-open the continued public hearing and budget workshop on the City of Torrance proposed two-year operating budget for fiscal years 2009-2011. (Companion Item to Council Item)

Chairman Scotto announced that this was the time and place for a public hearing on this matter. Agency Secretary Herbers confirmed that the hearing was properly advertised.

After discussion the following motions were approved (see City Council minutes for discussion).

**MOTION:** Member Barnett moved to concur with the following Internal Adjustments: Tax Revenue Anticipation Notes \$540,000; GASB 45 \$500,000; One-time use of reserves (2009-10 only) \$620,000. The motion was seconded by Member Rhilinger and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Brewer moved to concur with the proposed fee adjustments totaling \$868,276. The motion was seconded by Member Rhilinger and the motion passed by a 4-3 roll call vote, with Members Furey, Numark and Sutherland dissenting.

**MOTION:** Member Rhilinger moved to implement the ALS Assessment fee and dedicate the fees collected to the EMS Enterprise Fund to enhance paramedic services. The motion was seconded by Member Brewer and passed by a 5-2 roll call vote, with Members Furey and Sutherland dissenting.

**MOTION:** Member Brewer moved to concur with the recommended reduction in funding for Fire Department apparatus replacement (\$100,000). The motion was seconded by Member Sutherland and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Brewer moved to approve the modification of the response plan for automatic fire alarms as proposed (single engine) during daytime hours, with an engine and truck to respond during nighttime hours (\$23,000). The motion was seconded by Member Sutherland passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Sutherland moved to retain the existing response plan for Emergency Medical Services calls. The motion was seconded by Member Rhilinger and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Sutherland moved to concur with the recommended reduction in funding for the Fire Department recruit academy (\$111,000). The motion was seconded by Member Rhilinger and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Sutherland moved to concur with the recommended reduction in the Fire Department Critical Stress Management contract (\$8,000). The motion was seconded by Member Brewer and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Sutherland moved to concur with the recommendation to reduce the Hazardous Materials Team from nine to five members. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Brewer and passed by a 5-2 roll call vote, with Members Furey and Numark dissenting.

**MOTION:** Member Brewer moved to concur with the recommendation that paramedic continuing education be conducted in-house (\$92,000). The motion was seconded by Member Barnett and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Sutherland moved to concur with the recommended elimination of .5 Fire Suppression Aid (\$18,600). The motion was seconded by Member Brewer and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Brewer moved to civilianize the Fire Department Public Education Officer position (\$102,000). The motion was seconded by Member Rhilinger and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Rhilinger moved to concur with the reductions to the Police Department budget as proposed (\$933,245). The motion was seconded by Member Sutherland and passed by a 5-2 roll call vote, with Members Furey and Numark dissenting.

**MOTION:** Member Brewer moved to modify the proposed Airport Field Operation Changes as follows: Retain 2 of 4 Airport Worker positions; allocate funding from the Airport Fund to offset the cost of 2 Public Works maintenance workers; delete the proposed .5 Customer Service Representative; and retain the Business Manager position, with the Airport Operations Supervisor position to be eliminated in the future by attrition. The motion was seconded by Member Numark and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Rhilinger moved to concur with the budget reductions for non-safety departments as proposed, restoring funding for two maintenance works in the Public Works Department (Airport Fund) and restoring funding for one park maintenance worker in the Community Services Department. The motion was seconded by Member Brewer and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Numark moved to concur with the staff recommendation regarding the consolidation of the NPDES program and the shifting of Outdoor Lighting from General Services to Public Works. The motion was seconded by Member Brewer and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Brewer moved to approve the following Capital projects: 1) Funding for Americans with Disabilities Act compliance (\$360,000), and 2) Purchase of brush chippers (\$99,000). The motion was seconded by Member Barnett and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**MOTION:** Member Barnett moved to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Member Rhilinger and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

The Agency reconvened at 1:31 a.m. Wednesday, June 24, 2009 to continue with regular business with all members present.

2. **REPORT OF THE AGENCY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AGENDA**

Agency Clerk Herbers reported the agenda was posted on Thursday, June 18.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 9, 2009**

**MOTION:** Member Furey moved to approve the June 9, 2009 minutes. The motion was seconded by Member Numark and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

4. **COMMUNICATIONS AND OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

5. **HEARINGS**

a) Recommendation of the Deputy Executive Director and the Agency Executive Accountant that City Council re-open the continued public hearing and budget workshop on the City of Torrance proposed two-year operating budget for fiscal years 2009-2011. (Companion Item to Council Item)

Item 5a was considered out of order earlier in the meeting (see pages 1-3). Action taken jointly with City Council Items 13A and 13B.

6. **REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR AND OTHER OFFICERS**

None.

7. **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

None.

8. **ADDENDUM MATTERS**

None.

9. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

10. **REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:32 a.m. Wednesday, June 24, 2009 Member Rhilinger moved to adjourn the Redevelopment Agency. The motion was seconded by Member Barnett. Hearing no objection, Chairman Scotto so ordered.

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