

**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
FEBRUARY 6, 2007
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 P.M. - REGULAR BUSINESS BEGINS
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 3031 TORRANCE BL.**

OPENING CEREMONIES

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Mr. Brewer, Mrs. Drevno, Mrs. McIntyre, Mr. Nowatka,
Mr. Sutherland, Mrs. Witkowsky, Mayor Scotto

2. FLAG SALUTE:

NON SECTARIAN INVOCATION:

The Courts have concluded that sectarian prayer as part of City Council meetings is not permitted under the Constitution.

3. REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA.

The agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Blvd on Thursday, February 1, 2007 /s/ Sue Herbers
MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING OF RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES AFTER NUMBER & TITLE
See Council Rules of Order Section 2.11 (Resolution 2006-65)

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

<p>Exxon Mobil Torrance Refinery Monthly Community Alert Siren testing Wednesday, February 7 @ approx. 11:30 a.m. <i>THIS IS ONLY A TEST!</i></p> <p>A description of the monthly test is as follows: One-minute "chimes" will precede and follow a two-minute testing "wail". Total testing time will not exceed four minutes. It is important to note that the "wail" tone carries a greater distance and may be heard in areas beyond the reach of the "chime." For more information contact ExxonMobil Public Affairs Advisor (310) 212-4756</p>	
<p>JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITIZEN DEVELOPMENT AND ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE AND TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13 AT 6:00 P.M. T.U.S.D. BOARD ROOM, 2335 PLAZA DEL AMO</p>	<p>CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT WILSON PARK GYM TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, AT 7:00 P.M. COMMUNITY WORKSHOP AND OPPORTUNITY FOR INPUT ON THE CITY'S BUDGET</p>

6. **COMMUNITY MATTERS**

A. **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-13** honoring **John Henry Gibbs** upon his retirement from the City after thirty-three years of service.

B. **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-14** honoring **Sterling Hideo Tanouye** upon his retirement from the City after twenty-six years of service.

C. **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-15** honoring **Sanford Jerry Cohen** upon his retirement from the City after twenty-five years of service.

D. **City Clerk – Appoint members to fill Airport Commission vacancies**

City Clerk recommends that City Council review applications and appoint members to fill two vacancies on the Airport Commission. The City Clerk will administer the oath of office to commissioners if present.

7. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1 (Limited to a 30 minute period)**

Comments on this portion of the agenda are limited to items not on the agenda and to no longer than 3 minutes per speaker. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the legislative body is prohibited from taking or engaging in discussion on any item not appearing on the posted agenda.

8. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

A. Approval of minutes of November 21, 2007.

B. City Treasurer - Accept and file December 2006 Investment Report.

City Treasurer recommends that City Council accept and file the monthly investment report for the month of December 2006.

C. Community Development - Approve Final Tract Map No. 54171, and accept a 10' corner cut-off street easement.

Community Development Director recommends that City Council:

- 1) Approve Final Tract Map No. 54171, creating 20 condominium units on one lot, subdivided by Cravens Building, LLC, and located at 1021 Cravens Avenue, which substantially conforms to and meets all conditions of approval of the Tentative Map; and
- 2) Accept a 10' corner cut-off street easement at the alley intersection.

D. Public Works - Appropriate \$33,444.49 from the Water Enterprise Fund balance and approve a supplemental payment for emergency repairs to water main in Western Avenue and for emergency repairs to six water main breaks. Expenditure: \$33,444.49

Public Works Director recommends that City Council:

- 1) Approve an appropriation of \$33,444.49 from the Water Enterprise Fund balance to the Water Operating Budget;
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to approve a supplemental payment to Valverde Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$3,444.49 for emergency repairs performed on a water main repair in Western Avenue; and
- 3) Authorize the City Manager to approve a not-to-exceed payment in the amount of \$30,000 to Robert G. Castongia, Inc, for emergency repairs for six water breaks at various locations throughout the City.

E. Human Resources – Authorize amendment to employment and training agreement with the City of Los Angeles

Human Resources Director recommends that City Council authorize an amendment to employment and training agreement between the City of Los Angeles and the City of Torrance (C2006-177) reducing the amount awarded by \$32,368 for the period of July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007.

F. General Services – Award contract for Police Department jail kitchen renovation. Expenditure: \$13,106

General Services Director recommends that City Council award a contract to Action Contractors of Gardena, CA for \$12,482 with 5% contingency of \$624 for the renovation of the Police Department jail kitchen; and appropriate \$13,106 from the Inmate Welfare Fund to the new FEAP Capital Project.

G. General Services – Award contract for Police Department lunchroom renovation. Expenditure: \$18,294

General Services Director recommends that City Council award a contract to Action Contractors of Gardena, CA for \$17,423 with 5% contingency of \$871 for the renovation of the Police Department 1st floor lunchroom; and appropriate \$18,294 from the Police Department Operating Budget to the new FEAP Capital Project.

H. General Services – Authorize sole-source purchase and installation of two (2) heavy-duty vehicle hoists. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$400,050

General Services Director recommends that City Council authorize issuance of a sole-source purchase order to Peterson Hydraulics of Gardena, CA, to furnish and install two (2) Rotary™ MOD 30 Triple-post heavy-duty vehicle hoists in the Fleet Services Garage for \$381,000 (includes sales tax), with a 5% contingency of \$19,050.

I. Public Works – Approve amendment for the construction of Downtown Sewer (I-37) and Water Main (I-60) Replacement. Expenditure: Not Applicable

Public Works Director recommends that City Council approve an amendment to public works agreement with Robert G. Castongia, Inc., (C2006-032) to extend the term through May 28, 2007 for the construction of the Downtown Sewer (I-37) and Water Main (I-60) Replacement.

J. Police – Approve expenditure funds for support agreement for the Public Safety Information System. Expenditure: \$91,440

Police Chief, Fire Chief, and Information Technology Director recommend that City Council approve the expenditure of \$91,440 to Spillman Technologies, Inc., for a Computer Software End-User Support Agreement for the Public Safety Information System (CAD/RMS), for a one-year period commencing February 15, 2007.

10. PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A. Community Development – Adopt RESOLUTION reflecting their decision to approve a Validation Permit on property located in the R-2 zone at 1007 Cota Avenue. Expenditure: None

Community Development Director recommends that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION reflecting their decision to approve a Validation Permit on property located in the R-2 zone at 1007 Cota Avenue.
VAL06-00001: BRONCO POPOVICH

B. Community Development – Concur with timeline and process for renewal of the City of Torrance Strategic Plan. Expenditure: Estimated \$80,000

Community Development Director recommends that City Council concur with the Strategic Plan renewal timeline and process, including the composition of the Strategic Plan Committee.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. City Manager – Consider a City Council dark night

City Manager recommends that City Council declare March 13, 2007 as a City Council dark night.

B. City Manager – Adopt RESOLUTION amending Resolution No. 2007-10 to expand the scope of the Council Compensation and Charter Study Committee and appoint Council Compensation and Charter Study Committee members for a fixed term.

City Manager recommends that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION amending Resolution No. 2007-10 to expand the scope of the Council Compensation and Charter Study Committee and appoint the eleven members of the Council Compensation and Charter Study Committee to update City Council compensation, benefits, and certain Charter language.

C. City Manager - Adopt ORDINANCE repealing Article 12, Chapter 3 of Division 1 of the Torrance Municipal Code establishing a Chemical Board and Article 2, Chapter 6 of Division 8 requiring a Chemical Permit.

City Manager recommends that City Council adopt an ordinance repealing Article 12, Chapter 3, of Division 1 of the Torrance Municipal Code establishing a Chemical Board and Article 2, Chapter 6, of Division 8 requiring a Chemical Permit.

D. City Manager - Adopt RESOLUTION amending Resolution No. 2005-122 for Safety Management Employees

City Manager recommends that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION amending Resolution 2005-122 for Safety Management Employees amending the grid of the Fire Division Chief.

E. City Manager - Set a date to conduct an employee disciplinary appeal hearing

City Manager recommends that City Council set the date of Tuesday, March 20, 2007 to conduct a hearing on the appeal of the Civil Service Commission decision sustaining the suspension of Laura Patti.

13. HEARINGS

A. Community Development – Adopt RESOLUTION approving a Precise Plan of Development to allow first and second story additions to an existing one-story single family residence located in the R1 zone in the Hillside Overlay District at 4604 Vanderhill Road. Expenditure: None

Community Development Director recommends that City Council grant the appeal and adopt a RESOLUTION approving a Precise Plan of Development to allow first and second story additions to an existing one-story, single-family residence located in the R-1 zone in the Hillside Overlay District at 4604 Vanderhill Road.

Planning Commission recommends that City Council deny the appeal and deny the project.

PRE06-00026: STEVE WUNDERLICH (4C DESIGN GROUP)

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2

Date: February 6, 2007

Council order - McIntyre Nowatka Sutherland Witkowsky Brewer Drevno
Staff & Public Comments

Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the legislative body is prohibited from taking or engaging in discussion on any item not appearing on the posted agenda.

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Council Closed Session

A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

(California Government Code § 54957.6):

Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson

Employee Organization/Association:

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| 1. Certain Full-Time Salaried and Hourly Employees | 11. Torrance Fire Fighters Association |
| 2. Certain Part-Time Hourly Employees | 12. Torrance Fiscal Employees Association |
| 3. Crossing Guards | 13. Torrance Library Employees Association |
| 4. Elected Officials | 14. Torrance Municipal Employees/AFSCME Local 1117 AFL-CIO |
| 5. Engineers Association | 15. Torrance Police Commanders' Association |
| 6. Executive & Management Employees | 16. Torrance Police Officers Association |
| 7. Police & Fire Trainees | 17. Torrance Professional Parks & Recreation
Employee Organization |
| 8. Safety Management Employees | 18. Torrance Professional & Supervisory Association |
| 9. Torrance City Employees' Association | 19. Torrance Recurrent Recreational Employees Organization |
| 10. Torrance Fire Chief Officers Association | |

B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION – CITY ATTORNEY

(California Government Code § 54957):

C. REAL PROPERTY - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

(California Government Code § 54956.8):

- 1) Property: Dow Chemical Company
 305 Crenshaw Boulevard
 A portion of APN 7352-002-017

Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson

Negotiating Parties: City of Torrance and Fred Smalling,
Plant Manager

- Under Negotiation: Price and terms of acquisition
- 2) Property: TMT South Bay Business Park
2807 and 2909 Oregon Court
A portion of APN 7352-009-927 and 7352-009-028
- Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson
Negotiating Parties: City of Torrance and Kevin Moore
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of acquisition

Redevelopment Agency Closed Session – None

19. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Adjourn City Council and Redevelopment Agency to Tuesday, February 27, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting to be held at the Wilson Park Gymnasium located at 2200 Crenshaw Boulevard. **February 13, 2007 and February 20, 2007 will be Council dark nights.**

Sue Herbers, City Clerk

“By three methods we may learn wisdom: First, by reflection, which is noblest; second, by imitation, which is easiest; and third by experience, which is the bitterest.” -- Confucius

ALL BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE BY 2:00 P.M., BIDS WILL BE OPENED IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 2:15 P.M.		
BIDS	DESCRIPTION	OPENING DATE
B2007-03	Bid for Modification and/or Removal of Underground Storage Tanks and Related Piping Systems at Various Sites Within the City of Torrance Mandatory job walk/pre-bidders conference Tuesday, January 23 at 10:00 a.m. at Torrance Municipal Airport, 3301 Airport Drive Questions may be referred to Tina White at 310.784.7951	Thursday February 22, 2007
B2007-04	Bid to Furnish and Install New Lockers Plus Removal and Disposal of Existing Lockers Mandatory briefing session for prospective bidders to be held on Tuesday, January 30 at 1:30 p.m. at Torrance Police Department (Front Lobby), 3300 Civic Center Drive Questions may be referred to Sally Howard at 310.618.5820	Thursday February 8, 2007
B2007-06	Bid for Replacement of Fire Station #1 Main Electrical Switchboard and Distribution Panels Mandatory job walk to be held Wednesday, February 7 at 10:00 a.m. at Fire Station #1, 1701 Crenshaw Boulevard. Plans and specifications may be obtained for \$10 if picked up in the City Clerk's office and \$30 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Diane Megerdichian at 310.781.7151	Thursday February 22, 2007
B2007-07	Bid to Furnish (5) Latest Production Model Chevy Tahoes with Police Package Questions may be referred to Laurie Lim at 310.618.5820	Thursday February 15, 2007
B2007-08	Bid to Furnish (8) Latest Production Model LT 2LT Chevrolet Impalas	Thursday February 15, 2007

	Questions may be referred to Laurie Lim at 310.618.5820	
RFP B2007-09	<p>Request for Proposal to Provide Assessment Engineering Services for Lighting District No. 99-1 of the City of Torrance for Fiscal Year 2007-2008</p> <p>Mandatory pre-proposal conference to be held on Thursday, February 15 at 1:30 p.m. in the Finance Department South Conference Room, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Second Floor</p> <p>Questions may be referred to Sally Howard at 310.618.5820</p>	Thursday February 22, 2007

City Hall will be closed:

Friday, February 2

Lincoln's Birthday, Monday, February 12

Friday, February 16

President's Day, Monday, February 19