

**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA  
MARCH 4, 2008  
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. Barnett, Mr. Brewer, Mrs. Drevno, 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 28, 2008 /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 ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS**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 <u>Monthly</u> Community Alert Siren testing Wednesday, March 5 @ approx. 11:30 a.m.  For more information contact ExxonMobil Public Affairs Advisor (310) 212-4756</p>	<p style="text-align:center"><b>CITY COUNCIL FINANCE AND GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY, MARCH 4 AT 5:30 P.M. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER 2007-2008 BUDGET REVIEW</b></p>
<p style="text-align:center"><b>CITY COUNCIL MEETING WEST HIGH SCHOOL 20401 VICTOR STREET TUESDAY, MARCH 18 AT 7:00 P.M.</b></p>	<p style="text-align:center"><b>CITY COUNCIL AD HOC ETHICS COMMITTEE 3:00 P.M. ON THE FOLLOWING TUESDAYS, MARCH 4, MARCH 18, AND MARCH 25 CITY HALL – THIRD FLOOR ASSEMBLY ROOM</b></p>

**COUNCIL MEETING INFORMATION**

All council meetings are open to the public. Oral Communications #1 is set aside after Community Matters for the public to address any matter not on the agenda. A speaker list sign up is at the podium prior to the meeting. An additional Oral Communications period follows the regular business of the City Council.

Those who wish to speak on any matter on the agenda are asked to complete a "Request to Speak" card (available at the back of the Council Chamber) and deposit in the box on the podium before addressing the City Council.

Direct other questions or concerns to the City Council (618-2801), City Manager (618-5880) or individual department head prior to submission to the City Council. Parties will be notified if the complaint will be included on a subsequent agenda.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Manager's office at 618-5880. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. [28CFR35.102-35.104 ADA Title II].

**NOTICE OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

At the time Council convenes or as soon thereafter as Council business can be disposed of, the City Council will take a recess without leaving their seats and meet as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance. As soon as the meeting of the Redevelopment Agency adjourns, the City Council will reconvene as the City of Torrance.

**AGENDA REVIEW**

Complete Council agendas are available for review at City Hall in the Office of the City Clerk, in all public libraries and on City of Torrance Home Page - [www.torrcity.com](http://www.torrcity.com). A brief description of each Council item is available 24 hours day on CitiCABLE Channel 3.

**CITICABLE SCHEDULE AND HOMEPAGE LIVE AUDIO/VIDEO**

City Council meetings are cablecast live Tuesdays in CitiCABLE Channel 3 and CitiSOUNDS AM 1620. Meetings are replayed Wednesday and Thursday at 10:00 p.m. and Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 10:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Channel 3. NOTE: if the meeting is over five (5) hours, the Friday, Saturday and Sunday replay schedule is 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. To watch live streaming and past Council meetings, log on to CitiNET at [www.torrcity.com](http://www.torrcity.com).

**MEETINGS**

Unless adjourned to another time or location the Torrance City Council meets every Tuesday in the City Hall Council Chamber at 3031 Torrance Blvd., at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session with the regular business commencing no earlier than 7:00 p.m.

Holidays falling on a Tuesday, 5th Tuesday of the month or Tuesday following a Monday holiday may be dark.

**CITY HALL HOURS OF OPERATION**

**Monday - Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
with offices closed alternate Fridays.**

**City Hall will be CLOSED:**

Friday, February 29

Friday, March 14

Friday, March 28

## 6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

### A. City Clerk – Appoint members to fill commission vacancies.

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council review applications and make appointments to fill one vacancy on the Airport Commission, and one vacancy on the Water Commission. The City Clerk will administer the Oath of Office to the commissioners 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 action 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. City Treasurer – Accept and file the January 2008 investment report.

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council accept and file the January 2008 monthly investment report. (Companion to Redevelopment Agency Item)

### B. Police – Approve amendment for animal licensing services. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Police Chief that City Council approve an amendment to the contract with PetData, Inc., (C2004-051) for animal licensing services, extending the term from February 29, 2008 to February 28, 2009.

### C. Transit – Authorize participation in the Municipal Area Express (MAX) Commuter Bus Service program. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$247,221.

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council authorize participation in the Municipal Area Express (MAX) Commuter Bus Service program in an amount not to exceed \$247,221 with a term of July 1, 2008 through June, 30, 2011.

### D. Transit - Approve contract for the operation of the Municipal Area Express (MAX) Commuter Bus Service program. Expenditure not to exceed \$3,618,941.

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council approve a contract services agreement with MV Transportation to operate the Municipal Area Express Commuter Bus Service program in an amount not to exceed \$3,618,941 for a term of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011.

### E. Communications & Information Technology – Authorize the modification of a professional staffing services agreement. Expenditure: \$23,000.

Recommendation of the Information Technology Director that City Council authorize an increase of \$23,000 to contract services agreement with Sapphire Technologies (C2007-191) for a new not to exceed total of \$70,000 for a temporary technical network contractor.

## 12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

### A. City Manager - Adopt ORDINANCE for regulation of State Video Franchises and City Video Franchises.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt an ORDINANCE implementing regulation of State Video Franchises and City Video Franchises in the City of Torrance.

### B. City Manager – Concur scheduling a community outreach meeting of the City Council.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council schedule the 4<sup>th</sup> of four Community Outreach Meetings of the City Council for March 18, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the West Torrance High School Library.

### C. City Manager – Amend pay resolutions for Certain Full Time Salaried and Hourly Employees and Certain Part-Time Hourly Employees.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt RESOLUTIONS amending Resolution No. 2007-45 for Certain Full-Time Salaried and Hourly Employees and Resolution No. 2007-46 for Certain Part-Time Hourly Employees which sets forth hours, wages, and working conditions.

### D. City Manager – Approve a second amendment to amended and restated lease for City-owned property located at the Torrance Municipal Airport.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council approve a Second Amendment to amended and restated lease by and between the City of Torrance and Torrance Flite Park, LLC (2001-118) for City-owned property located at Torrance Municipal Airport – Zamperini Field.

### E. City Manager and Finance - Adopt ORDINANCE clarifying the independence of the City's telephone tax from the Federal Excise Tax on Telephony.

Recommendation of the City Manager and the Finance Director that City Council waive full reading and adopt an ORDINANCE amending Section 225.1.3 of the Torrance Municipal Code to clarify that the City's application of the telephone users' tax to intrastate telephone communications services has been and will continue to be consistent with the Internal Revenue Service's interpretation of the Federal Excise Tax prior to May 25, 2006.

### F. City Manager and Finance – Placement of Utility Users' Tax Ordinance on the ballot for voter approval at the June 3, 2008 election.

Recommendation of the City Manager and the Finance Director that City Council direct the City Clerk to place the Utility Users' Tax ordinance on the June 3, 2008 ballot.

### G. City Clerk – Placement of a measure on the June 3, 2008 General Municipal Election ballot regarding the Utility Users' Tax Ordinance. RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCE. Estimated Expenditure: \$10,000.

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council give direction to the City Clerk regarding placing a measure related to the Utility Users' Tax Ordinance on the June 3, 2008 General Municipal Election ballot.

### H. City Manager - Adopt RESOLUTION amending the Certain Full Time Salaried and Hourly Employees pay resolution and adopt supplemental RESOLUTIONS amending Torrance City Employees Association (TCEA), Torrance Professional & Supervisory Association (TPSA), and Engineers Memoranda of Understanding.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION amending Certain Full Time Salaried and Hourly Employees Resolution No. 2007-45 and adopt RESOLUTIONS pursuant to Memoranda of Understanding amending Torrance City Employees Association (TCEA) Resolution No. 2007-48, Torrance Professional & Supervisory Association (TPSA) Resolution No. 2007-56, and the Engineers Resolution No. 2007-39 modifying the benefits section.

**13. HEARINGS**

**A. Community Development – Consider an appeal of a Planning Commission approval of a Precise Plan of Development to allow the construction of a new one-story single family residence in conjunction with a Waiver for reduced setback requirements within the Hillside Overlay District of the R-1 Zone at 109 Via Sevilla.**

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council continue the case regarding property at 109 Via Sevilla to the March 25, 2008 City Council hearing to allow for proper notification of surrounding neighbors.

**PRE08-00018; WAV08-00018: TOMARO ARCHITECTURE (BOB & PAT HOFFMAN)**

**17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2** Date: March 4, 2008

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

*Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the legislative body is prohibited from taking action 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<br>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. REAL PROPERTY - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR**

(California Government Code § 54956.8):

- 1) Property: Torrance Flite Park  
3481 Airport Drive, Suite 200

That property in the City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles, State of California more particularly described as: Parcels 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 except there from the easterly 100.50 feet of said parcel 16, of Official Map Number 2 as per map recorded in Book 5, Pages 44 through 51 inclusive of Official Maps, records of Said County, of that certain land consisting of approximately 260,175 square feet. Known in Lease #C2001-118 as the East Parcel Development.

Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson  
Negotiating Parties: City of Torrance and Ralph Martin  
Under Negotiation: Terms and conditions of lease

Redevelopment Agency Closed Session – None

## 19. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Adjourn City Council and Redevelopment Agency to Tuesday, March 18, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting at West High School Library located at 20401 Victor Street. **Tuesday, March 11 will be a Council dark night.**

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Sue Herbers, City Clerk

**"Speak what you feel, not what you ought to say." — Shakespeare**

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
B2008-06	<b>Bid for Fire Station #3 Renovation</b> Mandatory job walk Wednesday, February 27 at 10:00 a.m. located at Fire Station #3, 3535 W. 182 <sup>nd</sup> Street. Bid packets may be obtained for \$35 if picked up in the City Clerk's office, or \$50 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Diane Megerdichian at 310.781.7151.	Thursday March 20, 2008
RFP B2008-09	<b>Request for Proposal to Furnish Telephone and Voicemail System Replacement</b> Mandatory pre-proposal meeting Tuesday, March 25 at 10:00 a.m. located at Torrance City Hall, West Annex Commission Meeting Room, 3031 Torrance Boulevard. Bid packets may be obtained for \$20 if picked up in the City Clerk's office, or \$25 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Ernest Gallo at 310.618.2885.	Thursday May 15, 2008

City Hall will be closed:

Friday, February 29

Friday, March 14

Friday, March 28