

**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
MAY 6, 2008
ADJOURNED 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

STUDENTS AND GOVERNMENT DAY PARTICIPANTS

Alex Baumgartner, Will Bingemann, Jasmine Galvan, Mavrick Gaunt, Amanda Goodwin, Aubree Graham, Richard Herrada, Gina Hong, Jenna Hoover, Grace Huang, Hunter Johnson, Jonathan MacNeil, Makenna Martin, Nicholas Mata, Rebecca Miller, Amie Morales, Leila Northington, Caitlyn Pacina, Ashley Poh, Cassidi Ruggeri, Chad Simon, Michiko Sugimoto, and Nikki Windisch

2. FLAG SALUTE: STUDENT

NON SECTARIAN INVOCATION: STUDENT

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

CLERK NOTE: ITEMS 3 AND 4 WILL BE CONSIDERED OUT OF ORDER AFTER COMMUNITY MATTERS:

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, May 1, 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 ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS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: STUDENTS

**Exxon Mobil Torrance Refinery Monthly Community Alert Siren testing
Wednesday, May 7 @ approx. 11:30 a.m.**

THIS IS ONLY A TEST!

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

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

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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.torrrnet.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, May 9

Friday, May 23

Memorial Day, Monday, May 26

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

- A. **Proclamation** declaring May 6, 2008 as "**Students and Government Day**" in the City of Torrance.
- B. **Proclamation** declaring May 10, 2008 as "**Fire Service Day**" in the City of Torrance.
- C. **Proclamation** declaring May 10, 2008 as "**Letter Carrier Food Drive Day**" in the City of Torrance.

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 March 2008 monthly investment report.**

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council accept and file the investment reports for the month of March 2008.

B. **Community Services – Award contract for 4th of July fireworks show at Wilson Park. Expenditure: \$25,500.**

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council award a contract to Pyro Spectaculars Inc. for \$25,500 for the annual 4th of July fireworks show at Wilson Park.

C. **Community Development - Approve Final Parcel Map No. 64494 and accept a two and half foot (2.5') wide and a five foot (5') wide street easement.**

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve Final Parcel Map No. 64494;
- 2) Accept a 2.5' wide street easement along the westerly property line for the width of the property; and
- 3) Accept a 5' wide street easement along Madison Street for the width of the property frontage.

This Final Parcel Map will create one lot with two detached condominium units. The project was subdivided by Charles C. Fu and located at 24221 Madison Street, which conforms to and meets all conditions of approval of the Tentative Map.

D. **General Services – Reject bids received for the Wilson Park Maintenance Building. Expenditure: Not applicable**

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council reject all bids received for the Wilson Park Maintenance Building bid B2007-42.

E. **General Services - Award contract and appropriate funding for replacement of the partition wall at the Bartlett Senior Center. Expenditure: \$13,052.**

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council award a contract to Accordion Door Distributors, Inc. for \$11,052 with \$2,000 contingency for the replacement of the partition wall at the Bartlett Senior Center and appropriate \$13,052 from the Building Maintenance Capital Project Fund.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

F. General Services - Award contract and appropriate funding for repairs to Sur La Brea Recreation Center. Expenditure: \$17,200.

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council award a contract to A-1 All American Roofing Inc. for \$15,200 with \$2,000 contingency for exterior repairs to Sur La Brea Recreation Center and appropriate \$17,200 from the Building Maintenance Capital Project Fund.

G. General Services – Authorize purchase of five (5) 2009 Toyota Camry Hybrid Sedans. Expenditure: \$128,812.35.

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council authorize the purchase of five (5) 2009 Toyota Camry Hybrid Sedans from West Covina Toyota/Scion of West Covina, CA (B2008-14), in the amount of \$128,812.35 including sales tax and tire fees.

H. General Services - Approve contract amendment for the CIT Radio Shop Renovation. Expenditure: \$6,761.

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council approve an additional funding of \$6,761 and a contract amendment with Envirocon Inc. (C2008-008) for the CIT Radio Shop Renovation (FEAP #493) for a total contract amount of \$109,143.

I. City Attorney – Approve amendment to the post-retirement at-will employment agreement. Expenditure: \$50,000.

Recommendation of the City Attorney that City Council approve an amendment to the post-retirement at-will employment agreement with Robert Acciani for an additional \$50,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$74,000.

J. Police - Appropriate and allocate asset forfeiture funds and authorize a purchase order for X26 Tasers. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$180,000.

Recommendation of the Police Chief that City Council:

- 1) Appropriate and allocate \$180,000 of asset forfeiture funds for the purchase of Tasers; and
- 2) Authorize a purchase order not to exceed \$180,000 to Pro Force Law Enforcement of Prescott, AZ for X26 Tasers and accessories.

K. Community Services - Approve funding for refurbishment of the restroom building at Torrance Park. Expenditure: \$130,000.

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council approve the funding in the amount of \$130,000 for refurbishment of the restroom building at Torrance Park.

L. General Services - Appropriate funds for fire sprinkler and alarm panel inspection and repairs. Expenditure: \$18,000.

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council approve an appropriation of \$18,000 from the Building Maintenance Capital Project Fund for the inspection and repairs to fire sprinkler systems and fire alarm panels at various City Buildings.

M. General Services - Award agreement for installation and sampling of groundwater monitoring wells at Torrance Airport. Expenditure: \$49,078.

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council:

- 1) Award a contract services agreement with Environmental Applications Inc., in the amount of \$49,078 for the installation and sampling of groundwater monitoring wells at Torrance Municipal Airport - Zamperini Field; and
- 2) Appropriate \$49,078 from the Airport Aeronautical Fund Balance.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

N. Public Works - Appropriate funds and authorize purchase order for automated curbside refuse and recycling containers. Expenditure: \$66,485.24

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Appropriate \$66,485.24 from the Sanitation Enterprise Fund for the purchase of automated refuse and recycling containers; and
- 2) Authorize a purchase order with Toter Incorporated of Statesville, NC in the amount of \$66,485.24 for the sole source purchase of 1,272 Toter automated curbside refuse and recycling containers.

O. Public Works – Appropriate funds for emergency water system repair work. Expenditure: \$42,649.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council approve the appropriation of \$42,649 to pay for emergency water system repair work performed by Stephen Doreck Equipment Rentals, Inc.

P. City Manager – Approve use of East T ½ Hangar for meetings and training. Expenditure: \$35,000.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Approve the use of a half size hangar 2735-A, located in the City-owned East T-Hangar area, for use by the Civil Air Patrol for meetings and training of their squadron; and
- 2) Appropriate \$35,000 from the Airport Fund for improvements to the unit.

Q. City Manager – Consent to sub-lease agreements for cell sites on property known as Torrance Towne Center.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council consent to subleases with Royal Street Communications and Los Angeles SMSA Limited Partnership, a California limited partnership, dba Verizon Wireless for the placement of rooftop cell sites at Torrance Towne Center located at the Northwest corner of Pacific Coast Highway and Crenshaw Boulevard.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. City Manager - Appoint chair and members to the Ad Hoc Legislative Committee.

Recommendation of the City Manager that the Mayor appoint an Ad Hoc Legislative Committee to address the City's position on upcoming ballot measures.

B. Human Resources – Approve revised class specification for Fire Chief and authorize an examination to fill the position on a promotional basis.

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director and the Civil Service Commission that City Council approve the proposed revised class specification for Fire Chief and approve conducting the examination on a promotional basis provided that a minimum of eight City employees file applications that are accepted.

13. HEARINGS

A. Finance - 1st public hearing/budget workshop on the proposed budget revisions for the 2nd year of the City's two-year 2007-2009 operating budget.

Recommendation of the Finance Director that City Council open the first public hearing and budget workshop on the proposed budget revisions for the 2nd year of the City's two-year 2007-2009 operating budget and hold the second public hearing on May 13, 2008. (Companion item to Redevelopment Agency Item 5A.)

B. Community Development - Continued consideration of 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 a reduction of the average front, front facing garage, and exterior side yard 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 review the design modifications proposed at the March 25, 2008 City Council meeting, and should the Council determine to approve the request to deny the appeal and take the following actions on property located within the Hillside Overlay District of the R-1 Zone at 109 Via Sevilla:

- 1) Adopt a **RESOLUTION** approving a Precise Plan of Development to allow the construction of a new one-story single family residence; and
- 2) Adopt a **RESOLUTION** approving a Waiver to allow a reduction of the average front, front facing garage, and exterior side yard setback requirements.

PRE07-00018 & WAV07-00018 / TOMARO ARCHITECTURE (BOB & PAT HOFFMAN)

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2 Date: May 6, 2008

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

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18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Council Closed Session

A. REAL PROPERTY - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

(California Government Code § 54956.8):

- 1) Property: A portion of the north side of 242nd Street located between Hawthorne Boulevard to the east and Pacific Coast Highway to the north

Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson

Negotiating Parties: City of Torrance and Raju Chhabria

Under Negotiation: Potential sale of City-owned property

Redevelopment Agency Closed Session – None

19. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Adjourn City Council to Tuesday, May 13, 2008, at 5:00 p.m. for a closed personnel hearing in the Council Chambers, with the regular City Council and Redevelopment Agency meeting to follow.

Sue Herbers, City Clerk

“Successful leaders see the opportunities in every difficulty rather than the difficulty in every opportunity.” - Reed Markham

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
RFP B2008-09	Request for Proposal to Furnish Telephone and Voicemail System Replacement Bid packets may be obtained for \$20 if picked up, or \$25 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Ernest Gallo at 310.618.2885.	Thursday May 15, 2008
RFP B2008-15	Request for Proposal to Provide Security Services for Torrance Transit Pre-proposal conference Thursday, April 24 at 3:30 p.m. located at the Torrance Transit System, 20500 Madrona Avenue. Questions may be referred to Eddie Harris at 310.618.3020.	Thursday May 15, 2008
B2008-16	Bid for the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library 1st Floor Remodel 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 May 8, 2008
B2008-20	Bid for the Roof Replacement at East Annex Building Mandatory job walk Wednesday, April 30 at 10:00 a.m. located at Torrance City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard. Bid packets may be obtained for \$10 if picked up in the City Clerk's office, or \$15 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Diane Megerdichian at 310.781.7151.	Thursday May 22, 2008
B2008-21	Bid for the Replacement of City Hall Static Dampers and Air Filtration Systems and West Annex Air Handler Mandatory job walk Tuesday, April 29 at 10:00 a.m. located at Torrance City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard. Bid packets may be obtained for \$25 if picked up in the City Clerk's office, or \$35 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Diane Megerdichian at 310.781.7151.	Thursday May 22, 2008
RFP B2008-22	Request for Proposal for the Processing and Bank Deposit of Transit System Revenue and the City of Torrance Daily Cash Deposits Mandatory pre-proposal conference Thursday, May 15 at 3:00 p.m. located at Torrance Transit Department (City Yard), 20500 Madrona Avenue. Questions may be referred to Jim Mills at 310.618.6291.	Thursday May 22, 2008

City Hall will be closed:

Friday, May 9; Friday, May 23; and Memorial Day, Monday, May 26