

**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
AUGUST 14, 2007
REGULAR MEETING
5:30 P.M. - EXECUTIVE SESSION
7:00 P.M. - REGULAR BUSINESS BEGINS
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
LOCATED 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, August 9, 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 ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS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:

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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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.torrcnet.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, August 17

Friday, August 31

Labor Day, Monday, September 3

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

- A. **RESOLUTION NO. 2007-80** honoring **Lolita Shrout Pastran** upon her retirement from the City after thirty-nine years of service.

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. **Police - Authorize purchase order increase for uniforms and equipment. Expenditure: \$10,000.**

The Chief of Police recommends that City Council authorize a \$10,000 increase to Blanket Purchase Order number 24824 issued to Gall's/Long Beach Uniform of Long Beach, CA for a total amount not to exceed \$46,000 and extend the term 30 days to September 30, 2007, for police uniforms and equipment on an as needed basis.

- B. **Police - Authorize purchase order for Police department annual requirement of bullet-resistant vests. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$30,000.**

The Chief of Police recommends that City Council authorize a purchase order to Protective Products International of Sunrise, FL, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000, for the purchase of the Police department annual requirement of bullet resistant vests as needed. The purchase order will be from September 1, 2007 to August 31, 2008.

- C. **Police – Authorize purchase and installation of computer-based audio/video system for the Police department. Expenditure: \$56,748.53**

The Chief of Police recommends that City Council:

- 1) Appropriate and allocate \$56,748.53 from U.S. Treasury Unappropriated Asset Forfeiture; and
- 2) Authorize a purchase order be issued to Hoffman Video Systems of Glendale, CA in the amount of \$56,748.53.

- D. **Community Services - Approve an agreement to provide youth art classes. Expenditure: \$24,969.**

The Acting Community Services Director recommends that City Council approve a one-year agreement with Art to Grow On, Children's Art Center to provide youth art classes at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center for an amount not to exceed \$24,969. Expenditure will be fully reimbursed by class fees.

- E. **Police – Authorize agreement for the joint use of an armored response and rescue vehicle.**

The Chief of Police recommends that City Council authorize the Police Department to join into an agreement between the cities of Redondo Beach, Torrance, Palos Verdes Estates, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Hawthorne, El Segundo, Gardena, and Inglewood for the joint use of an armored response and rescue vehicle.

- F. **Public Works - Award agreement for the Fiscal Year 2007 Residential Slurry Seal Program, I-6. Expenditure: \$266,310**

The Public Works Director recommends that City Council:

- 1) Approve the plans and specifications for Fiscal Year 2007 Residential Slurry Seal Program, I-6 (B2007-31); and
- 2) Award a public works agreement to Pavement Coatings Co. in an amount not to exceed \$253,630 and authorize a 5% contingency in the amount of \$12,680 for construction of the Fiscal Year 2007 Residential Slurry Seal Project, I-6.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

G. Public Works – Approve amendments for the Citywide Sidewalk Ramping and Grinding Program, I-55. Expenditure: \$502,000.

The Public Works Director recommends that City Council:

- 1) Approve first amendment to public works agreement with Hardy & Harper, Inc. (C2006-148) extending the term to August 31, 2008 and increasing the amount \$400,000 for a new total of \$845,510 to construct Phase X of the Citywide Sidewalk Ramping and Grinding Program, I-55.
- 2) Authorize a 5% contingency in the amount of \$20,000 for said amendment, and
- 3) Approve first amendment to consulting services agreement with Project Partners (C2006-149) extending the term to August 31, 2008 and increasing the amount \$82,000 for a new total of \$162,000 for construction inspection services for Phase X of the Citywide Sidewalk Ramping and Grinding Program, I-55.

10. PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A. Public Works – Accept and file report on pilot green waste collection program. Expenditure: Not applicable.

The Public Works Director recommends that City Council accept and file a status report on the pilot green waste collection program.

B. Public Works – Accept and file status report on Sepulveda Boulevard Rehabilitation & Water Main Replacement, T-48/I-89. Expenditure: Not applicable.

The Public Works Director recommends that City Council accept and file a status report on the construction of the Sepulveda Boulevard Rehabilitation & Water Main Replacement, T-48/I-89.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. City Manager – Authorize appropriation of funds to furnish and install an electronic voting system. Anticipated expenditure: \$40,632. Anticipated annual expenditure: \$10,200.

The City Manager recommends that City Council:

- 1) Appropriate \$40,632, plus 5% contingency \$2,032 to furnish and install Granicus Inc. VotingSystem and provide training; and
- 2) Appropriate \$10,200 annually for management, upgrades, and support.

B. City Manager – CalPERS two year service credit. Expenditure: \$72,771.

The City Manager recommends that City Council begin the process of offering a new two year service credit in the CalPERS system to one position whose job has been deleted as a result of a reduction in Workforce Investment Network (W/N) grant funds. The cost to purchase the service credit is \$72,771 and is pursuant to Government Code 20903.

C. City Manager – Consideration of a request to fund and approve installation of banners along Torrance Boulevard. Estimated expenditure: \$2,694.

The City Manager recommends that City Council consider a request from the Torrance Cultural Arts Center Foundation for the City to fund and approve the installation of 24 banners along Torrance Boulevard between Maple Avenue and Hickory Avenue from September 9, 2007 through November 9, 2007 with an estimated expenditure of \$2,694.

13. HEARINGS

A. Community Development - City Council consideration of an appeal denying a Precise Plan of Development and a Waiver on property located in the R-1 zone in the Hillside Overlay District at 330 Calle de Arboles.

The Community Development Director recommends that City Council approve the appeal and take the following action on property located in the R-1 zone in the Hillside Overlay District at 330 Calle De Arboles:

- 1) Adopt a **RESOLUTION** approving a Precise Plan of Development to allow the construction of first and second story additions to an existing one-story single family residence; and
- 2) Adopt a **RESOLUTION** approving a Waiver for a reduction in the front and rear yard average setback requirements.

The Planning Commission recommends that City Council deny the appeal and deny the project.
PRE06-00039 and WAV06-00022 : KANON KOONTZ

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2 Date: August 14, 2007

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 or engaging in discussion on any item not appearing on the posted agenda.

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Council Closed Session

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(California Government Code § 54956.9[a]):

- 1) Michael Cobb v. City of Torrance
WCAB Case No. VNO 0524747
- 2) David Nesthus v. City of Torrance
WCAB Case No. MON0335795; 0335794, and 0346738
- 3) Willett v. City of Torrance
OCSC Case No. 06CC03319

B. REAL PROPERTY - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

(California Government Code § 54956.8):

- 1) Property: Torrance Flite Park
Parcels 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16 except therefrom the easterly 100.50 feet of said parcel 16, of Official Map Number 2 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, Torrance Flite Park, 3481 Airport Drive, Suite 200, Torrance, CA 90505

Under Negotiation: Terms and conditions of lease
- 2) Property: Jacobs Engineering
A portion of the northeast parking lot located at Columbia Park with entrance from 190th Street. Property address is 4045 190th Street.
Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson
Negotiating Parties: City of Torrance and Kristen Ford, Jacobs Engineering, 5665 Plaza Drive, Suite 200, Cypress, CA 90630
Under Negotiation: License agreement

Redevelopment Agency Closed Session – None

19. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Adjourn City Council and Redevelopment Agency to Tuesday, August 21, 2007, at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m.

Sue Herbers, City Clerk

"Try to learn something about everything and everything about something." - Thomas Henry Huxley

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
B2007-32	Bid to furnish annual requirement of uniforms and miscellaneous accessories for the Torrance Police department Questions may be referred to Sally Howard at 310.618.5820.	Thursday August 16, 2007
B2007-33	Bid for the modernization of the Torrance Airport FAA Tower elevator Mandatory job walk Tuesday, August 14 at 10:00 a.m. at the Torrance Airport General Aviation Center, 3301 Airport Drive. Questions may be referred to Leann Vidaillet at 310.781.7141.	Thursday September 13, 2007

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Friday, August 31

Labor Day, Monday, September 3