

**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
AUGUST 28, 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. 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 23, 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 ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS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:

**Exxon Mobil Torrance Refinery Monthly Community Alert Siren testing
Wednesday, September 5 @ 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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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.tornet.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 31

Labor Day, Monday, September 3

Friday, September 14

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6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

A. Presentation - Certificate of appointment to Councilman Gene Barnett.

B. City Clerk – Appoint members to fill commission vacancies

The City Clerk recommends that City Council review applications and make appointments to fill one vacancy on the Civil Service Commission and one vacancy on the Environmental Quality and Energy Conservation Commission. The City Clerk will administer the oath of office to the commissioners if present.

C. Fire – Approve placement of Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker at Fire Station 4 and agreement for marker installation and maintenance. Expenditure: None.

The Fire Chief recommends that City Council:

- 1) Approve the placement of a Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker – a tribute to the nation's armed forces – at Fire Station 4 next to the wall along Pacific Coast Highway; and
- 2) Approve license agreement with Riviera Garden Club and its contractor, Bulldog Plumbing Heating and General Contracting, allowing access to Fire Station 4 property located at 5205 Calle Mayor for marker installation and maintenance.

D. Proclamation commending organizations supporting the 22nd annual *Oktoberfest Fundraiser* at Alpine Village on Saturday, September 8, 2007.

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. Community Services - Accept and file the Parks and Recreation Commission 2006-2007 annual report.

The Acting Community Services Director recommends that City Council accept and file the Parks and Recreation Commission annual report for 2006-2007.

B. Public Works - Approve filing an application to the State Grade Separation Fund for Plaza Del Amo at the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railroad. Expenditure: None.

The Public Works Director recommends that City Council approve filing an application for ranking on the State Grade Separation Priority List for Plaza Del Amo at the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe (BNSF) Railroad.

C. Community Services – Approve contract amendment for adult dance classes. Expenditure: \$7,385.

The Acting Community Services Director recommends that City Council approve an amendment to contract service agreement with Roger Rod (C2005-247) increasing \$7,385 for a total not to exceed amount of \$53,865 for adult dance classes. The expenditure will be fully reimbursed by class fees.

D. Human Resources – Authorize subcontract agreement for the operation of the Harbor WorkSource Center.

The Human Resources Director recommends that City Council authorize a subcontract agreement between the City of Torrance and the City of Long Beach for the continuation of employment and training services at the Harbor WorkSource Center from July 1, 2007, to September 30, 2007 with the City of Long Beach as operator of the center.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

E. Fire Department – Approve an amendment to Cardiac Care Program equipment agreement and authorize purchase of monitor defibrillators. Expenditure: \$33,501.21.

The Fire Chief recommends that City Council:

- 1) Approve an amendment to Cardiac Care Program equipment agreement with County of Los Angeles (C2006-223) extending the term through September 30, 2007 and appropriate the amount of \$33,501.21 (FEAP #627); and
- 2) Authorize a purchase order be issued to ZOLL Medical Corporation in the amount of \$33,501.21 for the sole-source purchase of two E Series 12-lead monitor defibrillators.

F. General Services and Human Resources – Approve extension of lease agreement for Rideshare vans and liability insurance with an appropriation to the Rideshare/Vanpool fund. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$113,000.

The General Services Director and the Human Resources Director recommend that City Council approve a two-year extension with VPSI for the lease of five (5) vehicles and liability insurance for eleven (11) vehicles currently operating in the City's Vanpool Program, for the period of October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2009, in an amount not to exceed \$113,000 and appropriate these funds to the Rideshare/Vanpool fund.

G. Public Works - Authorize purchase order for green waste automated curbside containers for the expansion of the green waste recycling pilot program. Expenditure: \$124,656.

The Public Works Director recommends that City Council:

- 1) Appropriate \$124,656 from the Sanitation Enterprise Fund for the purchase of automated green waste containers; and
- 2) Authorize a purchase order with Toter Incorporated of Statesville, NC in the amount of \$124,656 for the sole source purchase of 2,544 Toter automated curbside green waste containers. These additional containers are needed to expand the green waste collection pilot program with two additional routes.

H. Public Works – Approve contract extension for large meter testing and repair services. Expenditure: None

The Public Works Director recommends that City Council approve an amendment to contract services agreement with Wheeler Meter Maintenance (C2006-113) extending the term through July 1, 2008 for providing testing and repair services for large meters.

I. Transit – Approve an agreement extension for bus shelter maintenance. Expenditure: None.

The Transit Director recommends that City Council approve a three-month extension of the agreement between Torrance Transit System and CBS Outdoor, Inc. (C90-099) for the maintenance of bus shelters, for the period from September 5, 2007 through December 4, 2007.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. Community Development – Adopt RESOLUTION approving a Precise Plan of Development at 5108 Newton Street.

The Community Development Director recommends that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION reflecting City Council decision on August 21, 2007 approving a Precise Plan of Development to allow the construction of first and second story additions to an existing one story single family residence on property located in the R-1 Zone in the Hillside Overlay District at 5108 Newton Street.

PRE06-00041: Najib & Nahla Al-Samarrai

B. City Manager – Adopt RESOLUTION for Elected Officials.

The City Manager recommends that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION setting forth hours, wages, and working conditions and new health insurance coverage for Elected Officials effective August 19, 2007 and repeal Resolution No. 2005-121.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (Continued)

C. City Manager – Approve agreement for government consulting and advocacy services. Expenditure: \$42,000.

The City Manager recommends that City Council approve a consulting services agreement with Rice/Englander & Associates for government consulting and advocacy services for the period September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2008.

D. City Manager – Adopt RESOLUTION designating window period for two year service credit under the California Public Employees Retirement System.

The City Manager recommends that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION to grant a designated period for two year additional service credit under the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS).

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2 Date: August 28, 2007

Council order - Sutherland Witkowsky Barnett Brewer Drevno Nowatka
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 - None

Redevelopment Agency Closed Session – None

19. ADJOURNMENT

A. Adjourn City Council and Redevelopment Agency to Tuesday, September 11, 2007, at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 4 will be a Council dark night.

Sue Herbers, City Clerk

“Don’t cry because it’s over, smile because it happened.”

- Dr. Seuss

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
B2007-33	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

City Hall will be closed:

Friday, August 31, **Labor Day**, Monday, September 3, and Friday, September 14