

**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
NOVEMBER 20, 2007
REGULAR MEETING
5:30 P.M. – JOINT MEETING WITH LIBRARY COMMISSION
AT THE KATY GEISSERT CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY
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, November 15, 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 ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS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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<u>MEETINGS</u>	<u>CITY HALL HOURS OF OPERATION</u>
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.	Monday - Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with offices closed alternate Fridays. City Hall will be <u>CLOSED</u>:
Holidays falling on a Tuesday, 5th Tuesday of the month or Tuesday following a Monday holiday may be dark.	Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 22 Friday, November 23 Friday, December 7

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

- A. **Proclamation** declaring the month of November 2007 as **“Torrance Education Foundation Month”** 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 Clerk – Approve City Council minutes

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council approve the City Council minutes of September 25, and October 9, 2007.

B. Community Development - Approve Final Tract Map No. 60560.

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve Final Tract Map No. 60560, creating 2 lots for mixed-use development with retail building on Lot 1 and 14-unit condominium on Lot 2; subdivided by Hawthorne Newton, LLC, and located at 24510 Hawthorne Boulevard, which substantially conforms to and meets all conditions of approval of the Tentative Map; and
- 2) Abandon existing slope easement on the Final Tract Map.

C. Police - Accept and file Disaster Council 2006-2007 annual report.

Recommendation of the Police Chief and the Disaster Council that City Council accept and file the Disaster Council 2006-2007 annual report.

D. Public Works - Approve amendment for the Hawthorne Boulevard at Sepulveda Boulevard Intersection Capacity Enhancement. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council approve Amendment No. 1 to Memorandum of Understanding with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MOU P0008082) to extend the lapsing date for the grant funds from June 30, 2007 to June 30, 2008 for the Hawthorne Boulevard at Sepulveda Boulevard Intersection Capacity Enhancement.

E. Fire Department – Authorize agreement extension for provision of emergency telephone notification services. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$15,000.

Recommendation of the Fire Chief that City Council authorize extending agreement with Avtex, Inc. (C2005-154) for provision of emergency telephone notification services (CityWatch) for one year through December 20, 2008. The City will have two remaining options for one-year extensions.

F. General Services – Approve appropriation of funds for repair of City Hall parking gates. Expenditure: \$11,599.50.

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council approve the appropriation of \$11,599.50 from the Building Maintenance Capital Project Fund for the replacement of City Hall parking gates.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

G. Community Services - Approve amendment to existing lease agreement to allow amplified sound.

Recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Acting Community Services Director that City Council approve an amendment to lease agreement with Riviera Little League (C2004-225) to allow amplified sound during closing day ceremonies.

H. General Services – Authorize sale of surplus/obsolete equipment. Expenditure: Not applicable.

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council authorize the sale of two(2) surplus/obsolete equipment to the Torrance Unified School District (TUSD) for a total of \$2,003.

I. City Treasurer - Approve contract for parking citation management services. Expenditure: \$84,000.

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council: approve a contract agreement with the City of Inglewood to provide parking citation management services for a two year period beginning November 1, 2007 through October 31, 2009 with the option of a one year extension. The contract amount for fiscal year 2007-2008 is \$42,000 and fiscal year 2008-2009 is \$42,000.

J. Community Development – Approve agreement amendment for Citywide Traffic Analysis. Expenditure: \$20,000

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve an amendment to the consultant services agreement with RBF Consulting (C2004-209) extending the term until July 30, 2008, to complete Citywide Traffic Study; and
- 2) Authorize the expenditure of an additional not to exceed \$20,000.

K. Community Services - Approve hosting a free concert in February 2008 and offset program costs. Expenditure: \$1,000.

Recommendation of the Acting Community Services Director that City Council approve hosting a free concert performed by the United States Air Force Band of the Golden West in the James Armstrong Theatre on February 16, 2008; and offset program costs.

L. Police - Appropriate and allocate asset forfeiture funds for Vice and Narcotics special programs. Expenditure: \$25,000.

Recommendation of the Police Chief that City Council appropriate and allocate \$25,000 in earned interest from the Asset Forfeiture Special Program account to fund the ongoing operation of the Vice and Narcotics special programs.

11. PUBLIC SAFETY

A. Fire – Adopt RESOLUTION authorizing disposition of two retired surplus fire engines.

Recommendation of the Fire Chief that City Council approve a RESOLUTION authorizing title transfer and donation of one retired surplus fire engine to the Big Canyon Fire District, Peck, ID (Unit #118, License # E767808, VIN F1849) and one retired surplus fire engine to Beaver Fire District #1, Beaver, UT (Unit #119, License # E767809, VIN F1850).

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. City Manager – Adopt RESOLUTION supporting Tom Bradley commemorative stamp.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION in support of a Tom Bradley commemorative stamp

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (Continued)

B. Human Resources – Approve class specifications and adopt RESOLUTION regarding Engineering Manager and Transportation Planning Manager positions.

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director and Civil Service Commission that City Council:

- 1) Approve the proposed class specifications for the positions of Engineering Manager and Transportation Planning Manager;
- 2) Adopt a RESOLUTION amending Resolution No. 2007-67 representing Executive and Management Employees to implement salary ranges for the positions of Engineering Manager and Transportation Planning Manager.

C. Finance and Governmental Operations Committee – Accept and approve the recommendations for First Quarter 2007-2008 Budget.

Recommendation of the Finance and Governmental Operations Committee that City Council:

- 1) Accept the First Quarter 2007-2008 Budget Review Report and the City Treasurer's Investment Report;
- 2) Approve the allocation of Fiscal Year 2006-2007 carryover;
- 3) Approve the program modifications for the following departments: Community Services, Finance, Human Resources, Public Works, and Transit; and
- 4) Approve the capital projects program modifications for the following departments: City Manager, Community Development, Community Services, Finance, General Services, and Human Resources.

D. City Manager – Adopt ORDINANCE placing limitations on campaign contributions.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Adopt an ORDINANCE amending Subsection (b) of Section 4 of Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Division 1 of the Torrance Municipal Code to limit campaign contributions to "Natural Persons"; and
- 2) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

E. City Manager – Adopt ORDINANCE regulating cash campaign contributions.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Adopt an ORDINANCE adding a new Section 6 to Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Division 1 of the Torrance Municipal Code limiting cash campaign contributions to \$20 or less; and
- 2) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

F. City Manager – Adopt ORDINANCE regulating the disclosure of late campaign contributions.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Adopt an ORDINANCE adding a new Section 7 to Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Division 1 of the Torrance Municipal Code regulating the disclosure of late campaign contributions of \$100 or greater to within 24 hours of the time it is received; and
- 2) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

G. City Manager – Adopt ORDINANCE regulating the identification of senders of campaign information.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Adopt an ORDINANCE adding a new Section 8 to Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Division 1 of the Torrance Municipal Code regulating the identification of senders of campaign information; and
- 2) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

H. City Manager – Adopt ORDINANCE prohibiting the use of City buildings and equipment for political fundraising.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Adopt an ORDINANCE of the City Council of the City of Torrance adding Chapter 8 to Division 1 of the Torrance Municipal Code prohibiting the use of City buildings and equipment for political fundraising; and
- 2) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS (Continued)

I. City Manager – Adopt ORDINANCE relating to post employment restrictions on Department Heads and other designated management employees.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Adopt an ORDINANCE adding a new Section 14.4.4 to Article 4 of Chapter 4 of Division 1 of the Torrance Municipal Code restricting paid post employment lobbying by Department Heads and other designated management employees; and
- 2) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

13. HEARINGS

A. Fire – Adopt local amendments to California Fire Code 2007 RESOLUTION and first reading of ORDINANCE - California Fire Code 2007.

Recommendation of the Torrance Fire Chief that City Council:

- 1) Adopt a RESOLUTION with finding of fact in support of certain City of Torrance local amendments to the California Fire Code, 2007 Edition;
- 2) Hold the first reading of a proposed ORDINANCE adopting the California Fire Code 2007 with the local amendments; and
- 3) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

B. Community Development - Adopt local amendments to 2007 California Building Codes RESOLUTION and first reading of ORDINANCE - California Building Codes.

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council:

- 1) Adopt a RESOLUTION with finding of fact in support of certain City of Torrance local amendments to the California Building Codes, 2007 Edition;
- 2) Hold the first reading of a proposed ORDINANCE adopting the California Building Codes, 2007 Edition with the local amendments; and
- 3) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2 Date: November 20, 2007

Council order - Witkowsky Barnett Brewer ~~Drevno~~ Nowatka Sutherland

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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 | |

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION (Continued)

B. REAL PROPERTY - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

(California Government Code § 54956.8):

- 1) Property: South Bay Lexus Service Center
24751 Crenshaw Boulevard
Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson
Negotiating Parties: City of Torrance and Bill Adkins
Under Negotiation: Terms and conditions of lease

C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) (1) Section 54956.9: 1 case

South Bay Independent Physicians is threatening to sue the City if the City continues to bill physicians' offices for paramedic transport services to emergency rooms from physicians' offices.

Redevelopment Agency Closed Session – None

19. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Adjourn City Council and Redevelopment Agency to Tuesday, December 4, 2007, at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 27, 2007 will be a Council dark night.

Sue Herbers, City Clerk

“When things go wrong don't go with them.” — Elvis Presley

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
B2007-39	Bid for CIT Radio Shop Renovation Mandatory job walk Wednesday, November 7 at 10:00 a.m. located at Torrance City Yard, 20500 Madrona Avenue. Plans and specifications 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 Leeann Vidaillet at 310.781.7141	Thursday November 29, 2007
B2007-41	Bid to furnish Automotive Hardware, Fasteners and Electrical Connectors on an As Requested Basis Questions may be referred to Laurie Lim at 310.618.5820	Thursday November 15, 2007 Monday November 19, 2007

City Hall will be closed:

Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 22, Friday, November 23, and Friday, December 7