

**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
DECEMBER 18, 2007
REGULAR MEETING
5:30 P.M. - EXECUTIVE SESSION
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, December 13, 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 ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS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:

<p>FACILITIES NAMING COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18 AT 3:00 P.M. CITY HALL - THIRD FLOOR ASSEMBLY ROOM</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

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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.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, December 21

Monday, December 24

Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25

Monday, December 31

New Years Day, Tuesday, January 1, 2008

Friday, January 4, 2008

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

A. Presentation of the **Jared Sidney Torrance Award of Merit** to Dee Hardison.

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. Transit – Authorize purchase of bus engines. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$250,000.

Recommendation of the Transit Director that Council authorize purchase orders with Cal Cummins Pacific and Valley Power Systems for the purchase of bus replacement engines at an aggregate cost not to exceed \$250,000.

B. Transit- Approve agreement to create a transit service enhancement and rapid bus plan. Expenditure: \$29,095.

Recommendation of the Transit Director that the City Council approve a consulting services agreement with Diversified Transportation Solutions (DTS) to create a transit service enhancement and Rapid Bus operating plan.

C. Community Services – Approve agreement to provide dance and exercise classes. Expenditure: \$59,797.50.

Recommendation of the Acting Community Services Director that City Council approve a two year contract service agreement with Roger Rod for a total not to exceed amount of \$59,797.50 to provide dance and exercise classes. The expenditure will be fully reimbursed by class fees.

D. Community Services – Approve contract for senior citizens excursions for the months of January through June 2008. Expenditure: \$87,280.

Recommendation of the Acting Community Services Director that City Council approve a contract with MS Tours, Inc. dba Main Street Tours in the amount of \$87,280 for senior citizens excursions planned for the months of January through June 2008.

E. Community Development – Approve release of cash bond for Tract Map No. 66741.

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council approve the release of a \$40,000 cash bond for Tract Map No. 66741, which was subdivided by Madrona Medical Plaza, LLC. The project is located at 3220 - 3302 Sepulveda Boulevard.

F. Human Resources - Approve contract for American with Disabilities Act consulting services. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$75,000.

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director that City Council approve a one-year contract, starting January 1, 2008, with National Access Consultants to provide American with Disabilities Act (ADA) consulting services in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.

G. Community Development – Consider planning commissioner attendance at the 2008 National American Planning Association Conference.

Recommendation of the Planning Commission and the Community Development Director that City Council allow two planning commissioners to attend the 2008 National American Planning Association Conference held out of state.

H. Police - Appropriate and allocate asset forfeiture funds and authorize blanket purchase orders for .223 caliber ammunition. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$100,000.

Recommendation of the Police Chief that City Council:

- 1) Appropriate and allocate \$100,000 of asset forfeiture funds for the purchase of .223 caliber ammunition;
- 2) Authorize a blanket purchase order to San Diego Police Equipment Co., of San Diego, CA for .223 caliber ammunition on an as needed basis, in an amount not to exceed \$55,000, for a 12-month term beginning December 19, 2007 and ending December 18, 2008; and
- 3) Authorize a blanket purchase order to Advanced Tactical Firearms International Corp., of Pahrump, NV for .223 caliber ammunition on an as needed basis, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000, for a 12-month term beginning December 19, 2007 and ending December 18, 2008.

I. Community Development – Approve Second Amendment to agreement to provide design services for the median landscaping on Hawthorne Boulevard and Western Avenue. Expenditure: \$58,870.

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve a Second Amendment in the amount of \$58,870 to contract services agreement with Albert Grover & Associates (C2006-237) for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$151,520 to provide design services for median landscaping on Hawthorne Boulevard and Western Avenue; and
- 2) Authorize the extension of the term of the agreement for one year to December 19, 2008.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. City Manager – Consideration of City Council dark nights

Recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council approve the following four Tuesdays as City Council dark nights from February through June 30, 2008: February 12, February 19, April 29, and May 27.

B. Community Development – Adopt RESOLUTION reflecting City Council approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a take-out only restaurant on property located at 20305 Anza Avenue.

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION reflecting City Council action at the December 4, 2007 meeting to approve a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a take-out only restaurant on property located at 20305 Anza Avenue.

CUP07-00017 / MERCY GO (ETEHAD, LLC & REFONA, LLC)

C. Human Resources – Approve revised class specifications for the positions of Water Service Technicians I, II and III and adopt a RESOLUTION.

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director and the Civil Service Commission that City Council approve the revised class specifications for the positions of Water Service Technician I, II and III.

In addition, the Human Resources Director recommends that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION amending Resolution No. 2007-78 governing employees represented by Torrance Municipal Employees – AFSCME Local 1117 to implement the salary ranges for Water Service Technicians I, II and III.

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2

Date: December 18, 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 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
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 | |

Redevelopment Agency Closed Session – None

19. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Adjourn City Council and Redevelopment Agency to Tuesday, January 8, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m. December 25, 2007 and January 1, 2008 will be Council dark nights.**

Sue Herbers, City Clerk

“What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal.”
— *Albert Pike*

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
B2007-42	Bid for Wilson Park Maintenance Storage Building Renovation Mandatory job walk Tuesday, December 11 at 10:00 a.m. at Wilson Park, located at 2200 Crenshaw Boulevard. 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 Leeann Vidaillet at 310.781.7141.	Thursday January 17, 2008
B2008-01	Bid for Construction of Zamperini Field Security Project Bid packets may be obtained for \$50 if picked up in the City Clerk office or \$75 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Key Ebarle at 310.781.6900.	Thursday January 24, 2008
RFP B2008-02	Request for Proposal for the Provision of Operations and Maintenance Services for the Municipal Area Express (MAX) Commuter Bus Service Questions may be referred to Dennis Kobata 310.618.3029.	Mid-January
B2008-03	Bid to Furnish Specialty Office Paper Questions may be referred to Laurie Lim at 310.618.5820.	Thursday January 10, 2008

City Hall will be closed:

Friday, December 21, Monday, December 24, **Christmas**, Tuesday, December 25, and Monday, December 31