

**MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR
MEETING OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Torrance City Council convened in an adjourned regular session at 7:03 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5, 2009 in City Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Barnett, Brewer, Furey, Numark, Rhilinger, Sutherland, and Mayor Scotto.

Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager Jackson, City Attorney Fellows, City Clerk Herbers, and other staff representatives.

STUDENTS AND GOVERNMENT DAY PARTICIPANTS

Present: Paige Aguirre, Sam Antell, Ruth Barry, Trevor Bellenfant, Sharon Chen, Kyla Diekmann, Kimberly Dung, Brittany Grewell, Chelsie Hodges, Lauren Hugo, Andrew Korshavn, Wyatt Matern, Emily McBeth, Sagar Mittal, Cristal Plantt, Shiloh Schatzkamer, Lynn Song, Jacklyn Suarez, Lauren Sullivan, Zareen Thakor, Duyen Tran, and William Wright.

Mayor Scotto announced that elected officials and department heads would be taking seats in the audience and Students and Government Day participants would be replacing them and conducting a portion of the meeting.

Student Mayor **Lauren Sullivan** called the meeting back to order.

2. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION

Flag salute was led by Student Councilman **Sam Antell**.

Student Councilman **Sagar Mittal** read a quote by former President John F. Kennedy.

Agenda Items 5 and 6 were considered out of order at this time.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Student Councilwoman **Lauren Hugo** announced that the City of Torrance recently launched a twitter account at <http://twitter.com/TorranceCA> and invited residents to log on for regular updates and to monitor the evolving situation with Swine Flu.

Student Councilwoman **Emily McBeth** announced that in anticipation of the 50th Annual Armed Forces Day Celebration, CitiCABLE 3 wants to hear from the public regarding their memories of the parade and what it means to them, please email at ThisWeek@torrnet.com or call CitiCABLE (310) 618-5762.

Student Councilman **Andrew Korshavn** noted that the City's Community Services Department was looking to identify the best way to inform the public about its numerous programs and events and would like the community's input. He encouraged everyone to fill out the brief survey online at www.torrnet.com/news .

Student Councilwoman **Kyla Diekmann** announced that on May 7 the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce would host the 35th Annual Medal of Valor Award Luncheon, which recognizes the conspicuous acts of bravery of our police officers and firefighters as they selflessly serve and protect our communities.

Student City Clerk **Shiloh Schatzkamer** reminded everyone of the upcoming election on May 19th with information about the ballot measures found on www.SmartVoter.org. She noted that the City of Torrance's positions on the various measures are also posted in the News section of torrnet.com, under "Press Releases," and that voter registration forms are in the City Clerk's office or can be found online at www.LAVote.net .

Student City Treasurer **Ruth Barry** reminded the public that all City of Torrance parking tickets can be paid in the City Treasurer's office between the hours of 7:30 a.m. through 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday and every other Friday when City Hall is open, noting that the next scheduled Friday closure is May 8.

Student City Manager **Zareen Thakor** announced that the City Council will be asked to approve the bid for the construction of its "One-Stop Permit Center," which is scheduled to commence construction in June and should be ready to open early spring, 2010. He explained that the proposed center will provide improved customer service because building, planning, engineering, environmental, business licensing, and payments will all be handled at one central location. He noted that the center will be located in the East Annex between the existing City Treasurer's and City Clerk's offices, with a new entry facing Torrance Boulevard.

Student Assistant City Manager **Jacklyn Suarez** announced that a few months ago, the City of Torrance embarked on an effort to improve the safety of Torrance Public Libraries. She reported that following the completion of the Southeast Library, the El Retiro Library was closed for refurbishment and will reopen in mid-July. She noted that patrons can continue to return books into the book drops in El Retiro Park, and visit neighboring libraries for full library service, including the Summer Reading Program.

Student CIT Director **Brittany Grewell** reported on recent efforts to conserve energy with a remodel of the data center for increased efficiency. She noted that staff was also working with Edison to reduce the energy used by personal computers and servers through power management software thereby contributing to Torrance's efforts to "go green."

Student Human Resources Director **Cristal Plantt** announced that the Human Resources Department is currently accepting applications for Torrance Police Officers and that the qualifications are: applicant must be at least 21 years of age, a U.S. Citizen and a high school graduate with a valid California Driver's License. Candidates should submit an application to the HR Department, for more information, please visit www.torrnet.com or call 310-618-2915.

Student Finance Director **Sharon Chen** announced that budget workshops/public hearings would be held on Tuesday, June 2, and Tuesday, June 9, no earlier than 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers as part of regularly scheduled City Council meetings.

Student Public Works Director **Wyatt Matern** announced that due to the success of the pilot program, expansion of the curbside green waste recycling program will begin this summer, doubling the size of the program to 8000 homes. He noted that green waste containers and informational literature will be delivered to homes in the new participating areas the week before collection starts, with information available at www.tornet.com/publicworks or 310-781-6900.

Student Community Development Director **William Wright** announced that the first City of Torrance Environmental Fair would be held at Madrona Marsh on June 13th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., noting that there will be lots of information about ways to go green, including energy conservation tips, electric vehicles, green buildings, solar panels, tankless water heaters and more.

Student Transit Director **Lynn Song** announced that the week of May 11 through 15 is "Bike to Work Week" in the City of Torrance and that Torrance Transit System will offer free bus rides to those who are riding their bikes for part of their commute during the week. She noted that Torrance Transit and the City of Torrance will be hosting a pit stop for those riding to work on May 14 at City Hall with bike tire patch kits, light refreshments, and other special goodies.

Student General Services Director **Duyen Tran** invited everyone to attend the City Yard Open House on Saturday, June 6, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the City Services Facility, 20500 Madrona Avenue, noting that there will be displays of City vehicles and equipment, including buses, refuse trucks, high-rangers, dump trucks, and skip loaders.

Student Community Services Director **Kimberly Dung** invited teens to participate in the 8th Annual Job Fest held at the ATTiC Teen Center on Wednesday, May 20, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. He noted that it is a free event open to all high school students as there will be numerous employers and community resources with potential summer job openings. For more information, please contact the ATTiC at 310-782-8828.

Student Fire Chief **Trevor Bellenfant** announced that the annual Fire Safety Fair and Open House would be held on Saturday, May 9, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. He invited the public to visit all six fire stations and enjoy refreshments, free fire helmets, displays of the Department's frontline equipment, and live demonstrations.

Student Police Chief **Chelsie Hodges** announced that the 50th Annual Armed Forces Day Parade and Celebration would be held May 15 through May 17. She reported that the parade is the longest continuously running Armed Forces Parade in the country and this year's event will pay tribute to the United States Navy. She noted that the celebration will include static displays at the Del Amo Fashion Center Lifestyle Wing, Friday and Saturday, from 10:00 a.m. through 6:00 p.m., and Sunday, 11:00 a.m. through 3:00 p.m.; a free concert by the Navy Band of the Southwest on Friday, May 15, 2009 at 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; and the parade on Saturday, May 16, at 1:30 p.m. passing along Torrance Boulevard between Crenshaw Boulevard and Madrona Avenue. For more information, please visit www.tornet.com/ArmedForcesDay.htm.

Student City Attorney **Paige Aguirre** announced that in conjunction with National Law Week, the South Bay Bar Association will be offering their “Ask a Lawyer” program on Wednesday, May 6, with attorney volunteers available from 8:30 a.m. thru 4:30 p.m. on the first floor of the Torrance Courthouse located at 825 Maple Avenue. She noted that attorneys will be offering free legal advice to South Bay residents on the following topics: general civil litigation, family law, real estate, evictions, and probate and estate planning.

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6A. PROCLAMATION RE “FIRE SERVICE DAY”

Student Councilman Sam Antell read the proclamation declaring May 10, 2008 as ***“Fire Service Day”*** in the City of Torrance.

Student Mayor Lauren Sullivan presented the proclamation to Firefighter/Public Education Officer Paul Vuoso.

6B. PROCLAMATION RE “LETTER CARRIER FOOD DRIVE DAY”

Student Councilman Sagar Mittal read the proclamation declaring May 10, 2008 as ***Letter Carrier Food Drive Day*** in the City of Torrance.

Student Mayor Lauren Sullivan presented the proclamation to Willie Hawkins, Manager; Steve Kelley, Branch President; and Jose Alaniz, United Way Labor Liaison. Residents were encouraged to leave non-perishable food items near their mailbox for pick-up by their letter carrier on Saturday, May 10.

6C. PROCLAMATION RE “MUNICIPAL CLERK’S WEEK”

Student Councilman Andrew Korshavn read the proclamation declaring May 3 through May 9 as ***Municipal Clerk’s Week*** in the City of Torrance.

Student Mayor Lauren Sullivan presented the proclamation to City Clerk Sue Herbers along with Student City Clerk Shiloh Schatzkamer.

6D. PROCLAMATION RE “BIKE TO WORK WEEK”

Student Councilwoman Lauren Hugo read the proclamation declaring May 11 through May 15 as ***Bike to Work Week*** in the City of Torrance.

Student Mayor Lauren Sullivan presented the proclamation to Jim Mills, Transit Administration Manager; Jill Crump, Transportation Planning Associate; and Kim Fuentes, Risk Management/Rideshare. Commuters were encouraged to help reduce traffic and improve air quality by riding bikes work during Bike to Work Week.

STUDENT AND GOVERNMENT DAY CONCLUSION

Student Mayor Lauren Sullivan thanked Mayor Scotto, Councilmembers and City staff for a fun and enlightening day, which provided an opportunity for students to experience the crucial role public servants and local government play in the community.

Mayor Scotto commended the students for doing an exceptional job.

Dr. George Mannon, TUSD Superintendent, thanked Mayor Scotto for initiating this unique program.

Mayor Scotto recognized former mayor Dee Hardison and Cindy Scotto for planning and organizing Student and Government Day and Selection Committee members Donna Duperron, Ann Smisek and Jerry Ronan for handling the selection process.

Student and Government Day participants were introduced and presented with Certificates of Recognition by their counterpart elected official/ department head.

The following principals/vice principals from participating schools were recognized: Vice Principal Okazaki, Bert Lynn; Principal Sheck, Calle Mayor; Principal Lafferty, J. H. Hull; Principal Chou, Jefferson; Principal Voigt, Magruder; Principal Horvath, Richardson; Principal Nollan, Riviera Hall; Principal Gorze, St. Catherine; Sister Lana, St. James. Unable to attend were: Principal Holmes, Casimir; Principal Ammentorp, First Lutheran; and Principal Richardson, Madrona.

Mayor Scotto thanked City staff for assisting with the program.

The City Council recessed from 8:29 p.m. to 8:40 p.m.

The meeting returned to regular order.

3. REPORT OF CITY CLERK ON POSTING OF THE AGENDA / MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING

City Clerk Herbers reported that the agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Boulevard on Thursday, April 30, 2009.

MOTION: Councilmember Barnett moved that after the City Clerk has read aloud the number and title to any resolution or ordinance on the meeting agenda, the further reading thereof shall be waived, reserving and guaranteeing to each Councilmember the right to demand the reading of any such resolution or ordinance in regular order. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rhilinger and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS

None.

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City Clerk Herbers invited the public to view the display of the winners of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Visions of Unity Torrance Student Arts Contest at the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library. She noted that this contest is sponsored by the Human Relations Forum of Torrance, the Torrance Unified School District, the Torrance League of Women Voters, the Torrance Memorial Medical Center and the Volunteer Center of the South Bay-Harbor-Long Beach, as well as by many individual residents. She explained that the purpose of the contest is to encourage youth to artistically express their unique ideas for enhancing unity among diverse groups within their community.

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1

7A. Steve Carroll, Knights of Columbus 4919, invited everyone to attend a spaghetti dinner fundraiser on Saturday, May 9, at the Nativity Annex, 1419 Engracia Avenue from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., with the proceeds to benefit StarHome which assists developmentally disabled adults.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

8A. SALE OF SURPLUS/OBSOLETE VEHICLES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council:

- 1) Authorize the sale of five (5) surplus/obsolete vehicles/equipment to the Torrance Unified School District (TUSD) for a total of \$7,576; and
- 2) Authorize Ken Porter Auctions of Gardena, CA to facilitate the sale of twenty-three (23) surplus/obsolete vehicles/equipment.

8B. MARCH 2009 MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council accept and file the monthly investment report for the month of March 2009.

8C. CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT RE WELL #9 AT MCMASTER PARK

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council approve a request for the assignment of agreement with Boyle Engineering, Inc. (C2008-012) to AECOM USA, Inc. for consulting services for Well #9 in McMaster Park.

8D. ACCEPTANCE OF DONATED PROPERTY FROM CHEVRON U.S.A., INC.

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest to a revised grant deed with use restrictions from Chevron U.S.A. Inc. to the City of Torrance for property located at the corner of Madrona Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard for inclusion into the Madrona Marsh preserve (APN 7359-002-031).

8E. CONTRACT FOR INDEPENDENT COUNSEL

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Attorney that City Council approve four contract amendments with the law firm of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore (C2007-064, C2008-168, C2008-211, and C2008-212), for independent counsel, in an additional amount of \$76,000.

8F. FEE AMENDMENT FOR LEGAL SERVICES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Attorney that City Council approve an amendment to fee agreement with the law firm of Rutan & Tucker (C2008-234) to provide legal services to the City with regard to eminent domain acquisitions for the Del Amo Extension project for an additional \$35,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$70,000.

MOTION: Councilmember Furey moved for the approval of Consent Calendar Items 8A through 8F. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Numark and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

10. PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

10A. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS RE PRE08-00029, WAV08-00013, DIV08-00011: 23710 SUSAN AVENUE AND APN#7531-016-050: IGOR NASTASKIN

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council adopt Resolutions reflecting City Council decision at the April 14, 2009 meeting to deny a Precise Plan of Development to allow the construction of a new two-story residence in conjunction with a Waiver to exceed the maximum height of the residence and retaining walls and a Division of Lot for a lot line adjustment on properties located in the Hillside Overlay District of the R-1 Zone at 23719 Susana Avenue and APN#7531-016-050.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-33

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DENYING A PRECISE PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 41 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW A NEW TWO-STORY SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT IN THE R-1 ZONE AT APN#7531-016-050. **PRE08-00029: IGOR NASTASKIN**

MOTION: Councilmember Brewer moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2009-33. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutherland and passed by unanimous roll call vote, with Councilmember Numark and Mayor Scotto abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-34

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DENYING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW A TWO-STORY RESIDENCE TO EXCEED THE MAXIMUM HEIGHT LIMIT AND TO ALLOW A RETAINING WALL OVER FIVE FEET IN HEIGHT ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT IN THE R-1 ZONE AT APN#7531-016-050. **WAV08-00013: IGOR NASTASKIN**

MOTION: Councilmember Brewer moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2009-34. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutherland and passed by unanimous roll call vote, with Councilmember Numark and Mayor Scotto abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-35

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DENYING A DIVISION OF LOT PERMIT AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE 29 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW A LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT BETWEEN TWO LOTS TO CONSTRUCT A NEW TWO-STORY SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE ON PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT IN THE R-1 ZONE AT 23719 SUSANA AVENUE AND APN#7531-016-050. **DIV08-00011: IGOR NASTASKIN**

MOTION: Councilmember Brewer moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2009-35. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutherland and passed by unanimous roll call vote, with Councilmember Numark and Mayor Scotto abstaining.

10B. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS RE MIS08-00131: 4921 BINDEWALD ROAD – HANI AND KHATOUN ISSA

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council adopt a reflecting City Council decision at the April 21, 2009 meeting to deny a Minor Hillside Exemption to allow the retention and completion of a partially built detached accessory structure with a roof deck and a series of retaining walls that create access to the detached structure located to the rear of the existing residence on property located within the Hillside Overlay District in the R-1 Zone at 4921 Bindewald Road. **MIS08-00131: HANI AND KHATOUN ISSA**

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-36

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DENYING AN APPEAL AND DENYING A MINOR HILLSIDE EXEMPTION AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 41 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW THE RETENTION AND COMPLETION OF A PARTIALLY BUILT DETACHED ACCESSORY STRUCTURE WITH A ROOF DECK AND A SERIES OF RETAINING WALLS THAT CREATE ACCESS TO THE DETACHED STRUCTURE LOCATED TO THE REAR OF THE EXISTING RESIDENCE ON PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT IN THE R-1 ZONE AT 4921 BINDEWALD ROAD. **MIS08-00131: HANI AND KHATOUN ISSA**

MOTION: Councilmember Brewer moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2009-36. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutherland and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

12A. FINANCE AND GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE- SECOND QUARTER BUDGET REVIEW

Recommendation

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

- 1) Accept and file the Second Quarter 2008-09 Budget Review Report;
- 2) Accept the City Treasurer's Investment Report; and
- 3) Approve program modifications for the following departments: City Manager's Office/Cable Television, Community Development and Public Works.

Councilmember Sutherland, chair of the Finance and Governmental Operations Committee, reported that a revenue deficit of approximately \$4 million is projected for this fiscal year and up to \$6 million in the next fiscal year, however, the City has anticipated this shortfall and is weathering the economic downturn fairly well. He reviewed the following program modifications being recommended for approval: City Manager/Cable Television - \$50,000 for Citywide Web redesign Phase III; Community Development - \$275,000 Housing Assistance payments; and Public Works - \$270,000 Automated Meter Reading System.

Finance Director Tsao advised that the budget is expected to remain balanced because revenue shortfalls have been offset by savings in expenditures.

MOTION: Councilmember Brewer moved to concur with the Committee's recommendation and approve the program modifications. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barnett and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

12B. TORRANCE FIRE CHIEF OFFICERS ASSOCIATION MOU

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a Resolution pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding setting forth hours, wages and working conditions for employees represented by the Torrance Fire Chief Officers Association (TFCOA) for the period April 26, 2009 to December 31, 2011 and repealing Resolution No. 2005-105.

MOTION: Councilmember Barnett moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rhilinger and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-37

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE FIRE CHIEF OFFICERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD FROM APRIL 26, 2009 UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2005-105

MOTION: Councilmember Brewer moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2009-37. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutherland and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

12C. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR ONE STOP PERMIT CENTER

Recommendation

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council:

- 1) Reject the bid received from California Averland Construction Inc. as non-responsive and the bidder as not-responsible per the Torrance Municipal Code (TMC);
- 2) Award a contract to Avi-Con Inc. dba CA Construction for \$843,000 with a 10% contingency of \$84,300 for the One Stop Permit Center (FEAP #295)
- 3) Approve a 10% project management fee of \$84,300; and
- 4) Approve \$25,000 for Engineering Services, \$108,180 for Communications, and \$21,300 for Direct Digital Controls (DDC).

Facility Services Manager Landis noted that staff was recommending that the low bid from Averland Construction inc. be rejected as non-responsive and not-responsible for reasons detailed in the staff report. He explained that a 10% contingency fee has been requested instead of the typical 5% because the project involves extensive structural and seismic work and additional items could be discovered during the demolition process.

MOTION: Councilmember Barnett moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rhilinger and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

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The City Council met as the Redevelopment Agency from 8:57 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2

17A. Councilmember Sutherland announced that budget workshops/public hearings would be held on Tuesdays, June 2 and June 9, no earlier than 7:00 p.m. during the regularly scheduled City Council meetings.

17B. Councilmember Sutherland invited everyone to attend the Downtown Sounds event sponsored by the Torrance Rotary Club, the Torrance Education Foundation, and the Depot Restaurant on June 7 from noon to 4 p.m. at the Depot Restaurant, tickets available for \$75 per person with proceeds to benefit music programs at Torrance high schools.

17C. Councilmember Barnett reported that four girls from Girl Scout Troop #973 recently completed Gold Award projects, which is the highest honor a Girl Scout can receive and is equivalent to the Eagle Scout award. With the concurrence of Council, he requested that staff make arrangements for the four girls to be formally recognized at a future City Council meeting.

17D. Councilmember Brewer commented on a recent article regarding the Torrance Police Department's arrest of burglary suspects with the help of neighbors who noticed suspicious activity.

17E. Mayor Scotto, with the concurrence of Council, requested that a resolution be presented at a future City Council meeting recognizing Barbara Glennie upon her retirement from the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce.

17F. Fire Chief Racowski reminded everyone that ExxonMobil would be conducting their monthly siren alert testing on Wednesday, May 6, at approximately 11:30 a.m.

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:05 p.m., the City Council recessed to closed session to confer with the City Manager and City Attorney on agenda matters listed under 18A) Conference with Legal Counsel, - Existing Litigation, and 18B) Real Property – Conference with Real Property Negotiator, pursuant to California Government Code § 54956.9(a) and 54956.8.

The City Council reconvened in open session at 10:18 p.m. No formal action was taken on any matter considered in closed session.

19. ADJOURNMENT

At 10:19 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with the regular meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Attest:

/s/ Frank Scotto
Mayor of the City of Torrance

/s/ Sue Herbers
Sue Herbers,
City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved on July 7, 2009