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**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL – JULY 8, 2014**

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At 7:42 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting in the Council Chamber.

July 8, 2014

**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 7:04 p.m. on Tuesday, July 8, 2014 in the Council Chamber at Torrance City Hall.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmembers Ashcraft, Brewer, Sutherland and Mayor Scotto.

Absent: Councilmembers Barnett, Furey and Weideman.

Present: City Manager Jackson, City Attorney Fellows,  
Deputy City Clerk Poirier and other staff representatives.

**2. FLAG SALUTE/ INVOCATION**

The flag salute was led by Councilmember Sutherland.

The non-sectarian invocation was given by Councilmember Ashcraft.

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

Deputy City Clerk Poirier reported that the agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Boulevard on Thursday, July 3, 2014.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Brewer 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 Sutherland and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett, Furey and Weideman).

**4. WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

Item 12A was withdrawn and deferred to a later date.

**5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Fire Chief Racowschi announced that the Del Amo Boulevard overpass will be closed between Crenshaw Boulevard and Maple Avenue on Wednesday, July 9 from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. so the ExxonMobil refinery can conduct tests on its barrier system, with additional information available by calling the refinery's public affairs office at 310.212.1852.

Deputy City Clerk Poirier invited staff and public to view the works of Torrance Artist Guild member Douglas Stenhouse on display in the City Clerk's office for the month of July.

Mayor Scotto asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Louis Zamperini who passed away July 2 at the age of 97 and a moment of silence was observed in his memory.

**7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1**

**7A.** Debbie Hays, Torrance Historical Society, invited everyone to attend the 10<sup>th</sup> annual “Rock Around the Block,” a ‘50s themed block party, to be held on Thursday, July 17, from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. in front of the museum at located at 1345 Post Avenue.

**7B.** June Lee, Torrance, expressed concerns about misleading information on donation collection bins operated by for-profit textile recycling companies. She recommended that the ordinance the City is drafting to regulate the bins require that the name of the company and the fact that it is “for profit” be prominently displayed on bins; require that a copy of the Torrance Business License be attached so residents will know the bin is permitted; require the payment of an annual fee of at least \$100 per bin; and include an escape clause in the event the City decides to have all bins removed.

Mayor Scotto explained that it was probably not feasible to have a copy of the business license attached to a bin and suggested that the City post a list of permitted bins on its website as an alternative.

**7C.** Lloyd Brown, Torrance, requested that the City provide a report of the economic benefit versus the money spent by the City on hosting the 2014 AYSO National Games.

**12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**12A. VERIFICATION OF LEASE OF CITY-OWNED LAND AT 3481 AIRPORT DRIVE #200**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council approve a Verification of Lease (C2001-118) for City-owned property located at 3481 Airport Drive #200 known as Torrance Flite Park.

Item was withdrawn and deferred to a later date.

**13. HEARINGS**

**13A. EXTENSION OF LEASE OF CITY-OWNED LAND AT 2780 SKYPARK DRIVE**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Conduct a public hearing and consider public input;
- 2) Adopt an Ordinance to extend an existing lease for City-owned property located at 2780 Skypark currently leased to Skypark RPR Associates I and Skypark Associates II and being assigned to WCCP Airport Atrium, LLC; and
- 3) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

Mayor Scotto announced that this was the time and place for a public hearing on this matter. Deputy City Clerk Poirier confirmed that the hearing was properly advertised.

Assistant City Manager Giordano briefly reviewed the proposed lease extension for the City-owned property at 2780 Skypark, commonly referred to as the Airport Atrium building.

Councilmember Sutherland voiced his opinion that the lease extension will benefit the City because the company taking over the lease will be investing \$800,000 to upgrade the property.

In response to Councilmember Brewer's inquiry, City Attorney Fellows advised that the adoption of an ordinance was necessary because the cumulative term of the lease exceeds 55 years.

Mayor Scotto invited public comment, and no one from the public came forward to speak.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Brewer moved to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutherland and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett, Furey and Weideman).

**MOTION:** Councilmember Brewer moved to concur with the staff recommendation and approve an ordinance summary for publication. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutherland and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett, Furey and Weideman).

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 3774**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADOPTING PROCEDURES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 37380 FOR LEASING PROPERTY FOR A CUMULATIVE TERM IN EXCESS OF 55 YEARS AND FOR EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE AIRPORT ATRIUM BUILDING LEASE.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Brewer moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3774. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutherland and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett, Furey and Weideman).

#### **15.1. OTHER – SUCCESSOR AGENCY to the former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance**

##### **Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council, acting as the Successor Agency to the former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance, adopt a Resolution amending the Long Range Property Management Plan for the properties located at 1919 Torrance Boulevard and Torrance Boulevard and Bow Avenue.

Planning Assistant Lange reported that staff was recommending that the Long Range Property Management Plan be amended to reflect purchase prices for the properties at 1919 Torrance Boulevard and Torrance Boulevard and Bow Avenue, noting that the amended plan will be forwarded to the Oversight Board for review at its regularly scheduled meeting on July 16, 2014.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Brewer moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutherland and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett, Furey and Weideman).

#### **RESOLUTION NO. SA2014-03**

A RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE TO AMEND THE LONG RANGE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT PLAN

**MOTION:** Councilmember Sutherland moved to adopt Resolution No. SA2014-03. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Brewer and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett, Furey and Weideman).

**17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2**

**17A.** Councilmember Ashcraft expressed concerns about the proliferation of unsightly newspaper racks and with the concurrence of Council, requested that Community Development Department staff conduct a survey of existing newspaper racks and begin abatement of those in violation of the Torrance Municipal Code.

**17B.** Councilmember Brewer commended retiring City Clerk Herbers for her 20 years of service, noting that a reception was held in her honor earlier this afternoon.

**17C.** Councilmember Brewer asked about fireworks activity on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, and Fire Chief Racowschi reported that most of the activity was outside the boundaries of Torrance.

**17D.** Councilmember Sutherland related his belief that a report on the economic benefits of the 2014 AYSO National Games per Mr. Brown's request (Item 7C) would be helpful.

**17E.** Councilmember Ashcraft relayed positive comments she received in a letter about the City's summer reading program.

**17F.** Mayor Scotto reported on the 2014 AYSO National Games held the previous week, which brought thousands of visitors to the City of Torrance. He commended City staff who assisted with the event on their own time and congratulated the North Torrance U-19 boys team and South Torrance U-10 girls team on winning their divisions.

**18. EXECUTIVE SESSION** – None.

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:42 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. for the regular meeting in the Council Chamber.

***Adjourned in Memory of  
Louis Zamperini***

Attest:

/s/ Patrick J. Furey  
Mayor Patrick J. Furey

/s/ R. Poirier  
City Clerk Rebecca Poirier, MMC

Approved on August 5, 2014