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TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL – JULY 26, 2016

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At 7:45 p.m., the City Council adjourned to Tuesday, August 9, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. for a closed session, with the regular meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber. Tuesday, August 2, 2016 will be a Council dark night.

**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 5:31 p.m. on Tuesday, July 26, 2016 in the Council Chamber at Torrance City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Ashcraft, Goodrich, Griffiths, Herring, Weideman and Mayor Furey.

Absent: Councilmember Rizzo.

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

Mayor Furey announced that this afternoon, subsequent to the posting of the agenda, the City received a request for a conflict waiver from Manning & Kass, Ellrod, Ramirez, Trester LLP in the case of John Doe, et al. v. County of Los Angeles, et al. Case No. BC625892 and the City Attorney and the City Manager need immediate instruction regarding this matter, therefore the City Attorney has requested that the City Council consider adding it to the closed session agenda. In order to take action on a matter not of the agenda, the California Government Code requires a determination by two-thirds vote of the Council that immediate action is necessary and the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

MOTION: Councilmember Weideman moved to add the request for a conflict waiver to the closed session agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Griffiths and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmember Rizzo).

Agenda Item 14 was considered out of order at this time.

14. CLOSED SESSION

The City Council immediately recessed to closed session to confer with the City Manager and the City Attorney on the above-mentioned item and agenda matters listed under 14A) Conference with Labor Negotiator, 14B) Real Property – Conference with Real Property Negotiator, and 14C) Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation, pursuant to California Government Code § 54957.6, 54956.8 and 54956.9(d)(4).

The City Council reconvened at 7:01 p.m. with all members present except Councilmember Rizzo. No formal action was taken on any matter considered in closed session.

2. FLAG SALUTE/ INVOCATION

The flag salute was led by Councilmember Weideman.

The non-sectarian invocation was given by Councilmember Ashcraft.

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

City Clerk Poirier reported that the agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Boulevard on Thursday, July 21, 2016.

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft 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 Goodrich and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmember Rizzo).

4. WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

Agenda Item 9A was withdrawn; there was no supplemental material.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Furey asked for an excused absence for Councilmember Rizzo and received full concurrence from the Councilmembers present.

Councilmember Herring announced that the "BMW Charge the Workday Tour" will take place on Tuesday, August 2, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in front of the Torrance Cultural Arts Center located at 3330 Civic Center Drive.

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6A. RESOLUTION NO. 2016-76 RE LEANN VIDAILLET

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
HONORING LEANN VIDAILLET OF THE GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
UPON HER RETIREMENT AFTER TWENTY-THREE YEARS OF SERVICE

MOTION: Councilmember Weideman moved to adopt Resolution No. 2016-76. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Herring and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmember Rizzo).

To be presented at a later date.

6B. PROCLAMATION RE "NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME"

Mayor Furey presented a proclamation declaring Tuesday, August 2, 2016 as "National Night Out Against Crime" in the City of Torrance to Police Sergeant Paul Solorzano.

6C. COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Recommendation if the City Clerk that City Council review applications and appoint members to fill unscheduled vacancies on the Planning, Traffic, and Water Commissions.

City Clerk Poirier reviewed the staff report.

A brief discussion ensued concerning the possibility of delaying the appointment to the Traffic Commission because there was only one applicant, who is already serving on another Commission.

MOTION: Councilmember Goodrich moved to defer the Traffic Commission appointment. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ashcraft and the motion passed by a 4-2 vote, with Councilmembers Herring and Weideman voting no (absent Councilmember Rizzo).

City Clerk Poirier introduced the applicants for the Planning Commission and the Water Commission, and they were given an opportunity to briefly address the Council.

Scott Gobble was appointed to the Planning Commission via a coin toss after nominations resulted in the following tie vote (absent Councilmember Rizzo):

Scott Gobble – Councilmembers Ashcraft, Griffiths and Mayor Furey
Asam Sheikh – Councilmembers Goodrich, Herring and Weideman

John Walser was appointed to the Water Commission as reflected in the following vote (absent Councilmember Rizzo):

Lynn Brennan – Councilmembers Herring and Weideman
John Walser – Councilmembers Ashcraft, Goodrich, Griffiths and Mayor Furey

City Clerk Poirier administered the oath of office.

6D. SOUTH BAY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT NETWORK BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council appoint Kirk Rossberg from Torrance Bakery and Glenn Grindstaff from L-3 Communications as South Bay Workforce Investment Network Board representatives for the City of Torrance.

Kirk Rossberg was present for the appointment, and Mayor Furey thanked both Mr. Rossberg and Mr. Grindstaff for agreeing to serve on the Board.

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Goodrich and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmember Rizzo).

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1

The following 3 people spoke: Jerry Herbers, Debbie Hays, and Janet Payne.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

8A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council approve the City Council minutes of July 12, 2016.

8B. AGREEMENT RE CITYWIDE SIDEWALK RAMPING AND GRINDING PROGRAM

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council approve a consulting services agreement with Project Partners, Inc. of Laguna Hills, CA in the amount of \$73,944 for inspection services for the Citywide Sidewalk Ramping and Grinding Program, I-152 for the term beginning July 26, 2016 and ending December 31, 2017.

MOTION: Councilmember Weideman moved for the approval of Consent Calendar Items 8A and 8B. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Griffiths and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmember Rizzo).

9. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

9A. ORDINANCE AMENDING TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO SMOKING REGULATIONS

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Adopt an Ordinance amending Section 45.15.1 (f); Section 45.15.1; Section 49.2.11 and Section 44.3.26 of the Torrance Municipal Code (TMC) regarding Smoking Regulations; and
- 2) Approve an Ordinance Summary for publication.

Item was withdrawn.

10. HEARINGS – None scheduled.

11. APPEALS – None scheduled.

12. SECOND READING ORDINANCES – None scheduled.

13. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2

Councilmember Ashcraft spoke.

Councilmember Goodrich, with the concurrence of Council, requested that the Traffic Commission study traffic calming measures for Camino de las Colinas, which is being used as a cut-through for traffic.

Councilmember Griffiths spoke.

Councilmember Herring spoke.

Councilmember Weideman spoke.

Mayor Furey spoke.

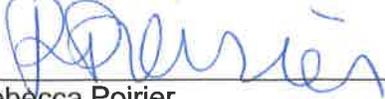
14. CLOSED SESSION

Considered earlier in the meeting, see page 1.

15. ADJOURNMENT

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Attest:



Rebecca Poirier
City Clerk of the City of Torrance



Mayor of the City of Torrance

Approved on August 9, 2016