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At 8:56 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. for the regular meeting in the Council Chamber, with the first order of business under Community Matters being a Community Workshop regarding the ExxonMobil refinery. September 29 and October 6, 2015 are Council dark nights.

**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 5:32 p.m. on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 in the Council Chamber at Torrance City Hall.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None.

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

Agenda Item 18 was considered out of order at this time.

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council immediately recessed to closed session to confer with the City Manager and the City Attorney on agenda matters listed under 18A) Real Property – Conference with Real Property Negotiator pursuant to California Government Code §54956.8. Mayor Furey announced that Items 18A(2) and 18A(3) had been withdrawn.

The City Council reconvened at 7:02 p.m. with all members present. No formal action was taken on any matter considered in closed session.

2. FLAG SALUTE/ INVOCATION

The flag salute was led by Councilmember Goodrich.

The non-sectarian invocation was given by Councilmember Griffiths.

**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, September 17, 2015.

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 Griffiths and passed by unanimous vote.

4. WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

Agenda Items 8E and 12K were withdrawn and deferred to a later date; supplemental material was available for Items 8D, 12A, 12C, 12F and 12G.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Goodrich reported that the Strategic Plan Committee met this afternoon and received an update on the 2015 – 2nd Quarter Report.

Councilmember Griffiths announced that the Community Planning and Design Committee will meet on Thursday, October 8, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber to discuss the possibilities for historic preservation programs in Torrance.

Mayor Furey announced that the Federal Legislative Advocacy Committee will meet on Thursday, October 8, at 10:30 a.m. in the City Managers assembly room to discuss priority projects and the upcoming trip to Washington DC.

Fire Chief Racowski announced that ExxonMobil will be conducting their monthly testing of the Community Alert Siren on Wednesday, October 7, at approximately 11:30 a.m., with additional information available by contacting ExxonMobil at (310) 212-1852. He advised that should the siren sound at a time other than the monthly testing, the message is to shelter in place and details about the procedure are available on the City's website at www.TorranceCa.gov/TPD/9927.htm.

City Clerk Poirier announced that a Commissioner Certification Training Class will be held on Tuesday, September 29, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Nakano Theatre. She noted that the deadline to register is Wednesday, September 23, and residents may register online at www.torranceca.gov/commissionercert.htm or by calling 310-618-5880.

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6A. PROCLAMATION RE “TORRANCE COMMUNITY TELEVISION DAY”

Mayor Furey presented a proclamation declaring Saturday, October 10, 2015 as “Torrance Community Television Day” in the City of Torrance to Lynn Brennan, chair of the Cable Television Advisory Board.

Ms. Brennan invited the public to attend an Open House at Torrance Community Television on Saturday, October 10, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., which will showcase new high definition equipment and provide a behind-the-scenes look at film production.

6B. PROCLAMATION RE “FIRE PREVENTION WEEK”

Mayor Furey presented a proclamation declaring the week of October 4 through October 10, 2015 as “Fire Prevention Week” in the City of Torrance to Fire Prevention Manager Richard Kazandjian.

Fire Prevention Manager Kazandjian reported that this year's prevention week theme is “Hear the Beep When You Sleep – Every Bedroom Needs a Working Smoke Alarm” to emphasize the life-saving benefits of smoke alarms since half of home fire deaths occur between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. when most people are asleep. He noted that additional information and helpful tips are available at www.firepreventionweek.org.

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1

7A. Ricardo Rosales, director of Midnight Missions, a non-profit social services agency dedicated to helping the homeless, highlighted the agency's "Homelight Family Living" program, which offers transitional housing for homeless families in crisis and provides education and counseling in order to break the cycle of abuse. He reported that Reebok recently donated 2000 pairs of women's tennis shoes to his organization and offered to donate 200 of them to a charity of the City's choice.

7B. Pastor Jhonny Saavedra, Cristo Para Las Naciones/Christ for the Nations Church, 700 Maple Avenue, with Eric Orantes acting as interpreter, reported on his church's efforts to prevent alcohol and drug abuse among young people.

7C. Eric Orantes, youth leader at Cristo Para Las Naciones/Christ for the Nations Church, highlighted the church's "One Generation" program designed to discourage youths from becoming involved in the social use of drugs and alcohol and voiced support for the adoption of a Social Host Ordinance.

7D. Karla Salazar, youth leader at Cristo Para Las Naciones/Christ for the Nations Church, reported that the church wants to work the City to prevent underage alcohol abuse.

7E. Georgan Griswold, Torrance Rose Float Association, reported on upcoming fundraisers, including a Halloween dinner dance and a raffle for an opportunity to ride on the 2016 Rose Float. She submitted a check for \$25,000 to cover TRF's contribution for the 2016 Rose Float.

7F. Leilani Kimmel Dagostino, Japanese American Citizens League, reported that the JACL is now accepting applications for the Kakehashi Project, which is designed to provide students with a better understanding of Japan and includes a nine-day all expenses-paid trip to Japan with visits to historical and educational sites. She noted that up to 185 students will be selected to participate and additional information is available by contacting Craig Shimizo at japanprogram@JACL.org.

7G. Lee Ybarra, Torrance, expressed concerns about traffic on Del Amo Boulevard and requested that the City work with residents to address this problem.

7H. Michael Shafer, chef/restaurantier, invited the public to attend the Downtown Torrance Antique Market and Blues Jam at the Buffalo Fire Department Restaurant on Sunday, September 27.

7I. Debbie Hayes, Torrance Historical Society, announced that there will a free docent-led walking tour of downtown Torrance on Sunday, September 27, beginning at 1:30 p.m. in front of the museum located at 1345 Post Avenue.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

8A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council approve the City Council minutes of September 1, 2015.

8B. CONTRACT AMENDMENT RE AUTOMATIC VEHICLE LOCATOR SYSTEM

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council authorize a third amendment to the agreement with Clever Devices, Ltd. of Woodbury, NY, a New York Corporation (C2013-071) to extend the contract term until June 30, 2016 for the Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) system project.

8C. CONTRACT AMENDMENT RE BUS SIGNAL PRIORITY SYSTEM

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council authorize a second amendment to the agreement with Diversified Transportation Solutions of Eastvale, CA (C2014-028) to extend the contract term until March 31, 2016 for their work as project consultant on the Bus Signal Priority System.

8D. CLASS SPECIFICATION FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES MANAGER

Considered separately, see page 5.

8E. LEASE AGREEMENT WITH TORRANCE AMERICAN BASEBALL FOR USE OF 23009 DORIS WAY

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council re-approve a lease agreement with a modified exhibit for use of City-owned property at 23009 Doris Way as a youth baseball field with Torrance American Baseball of Torrance, CA (C2014-158) for a term of five-years beginning January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2019.

Item was withdrawn and referred to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

8F. REJECTION OF BIDS FOR TORRANCE TRANSIT PARK AND RIDE REGIONAL TERMINAL PHASE I – ROUGH GRADING

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Public Works Director and Transit Director that City Council reject all bids received on September 2, 2015 (B2015-21) for the Torrance Transit Park & Ride Regional Terminal, Phase I - Rough Grading, FEAP #764.

8G. AGREEMENT AMENDMENT RE LANDFILL GAS COLLECTION AND CONTROL SYSTEM AT CITY YARD

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve an amendment to the contract services agreement with CB&I Environmental & Infrastructure Inc. of Baton Rouge, LA (C2012-185) extending the agreement for a one year term ending October 1, 2016 and increase the not to exceed amount by \$100,000 for a new not to exceed total for the contract amount inclusive of this amendment is \$400,000; and
- 2) Approve a name change from Shaw Environmental, Inc. to CB&I Environmental & Infrastructure Inc.

8H. CONTRACT AMENDMENT RE IDENTIFICATION OF CITY-OWNED EQUIPMENT AT NATURAL GAS FUELING FACILITY

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council authorize a second amendment to the agreement with Clean Energy of Newport Beach, CA (C2012-213) to identify City owned equipment at the compressed natural gas fueling facility constructed at the Torrance City Yard for a term of November 20, 2012 through November 19, 2022.

8I. CONTRACT AMENDMENT RE BUS SIGNAL PRIORITY SYSTEM

Considered separately, see page 6.

MOTION: Councilmember Weideman moved to approve Consent Calendar Items 8A, 8B, 8C, 8F, 8G and 8H. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ashcraft and passed by unanimous vote.

Consent Calendar Items 8D and 8I were considered separately at this time.

8D. CLASS SPECIFICATION FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES MANAGER

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Civil Service Commission and the Human Resources Administrator that City Council approve the proposed class specification for Emergency Services Manager.

Councilmember Goodrich asked if the proposed class specification requires the completion of CPR and first aid training.

Human Resources Manager Lawrence reported that such a training requirement was not included.

Police Chief Matsuda advised that all Police Department employees, both civilian and sworn, are required to complete CPR and first aid training, which is done on a three-year cycle.

Noting that the Emergency Services Manager is charged with supervising TARA (Torrance Amateur Radio Association) volunteers, Councilmember Goodrich recommended adding a requirement that a technician class amateur radio license be obtained so the person in this

position would have a better understanding of the technology involved and be more able to communicate with TARA volunteers in the event of an emergency and to help garner their respect.

City Manager Jackson advised that he would not recommend adding this as a requirement because it does not seem to be a defining class requirement for the exam or the appointment of an individual to this position. He proposed instead that employees in Emergency Services positions receive training on amateur radio operations as a matter of policy, without any licensing requirement.

MOTION: Councilmember Weidman moved to concur with the class specification. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ashcraft and passed by unanimous vote.

8I. CONTRACT AMENDMENT RE BUS SIGNAL PRIORITY SYSTEM

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council authorize a second amendment to the agreement with Iteris, Incorporated of Los Angeles, CA A Delaware Corporation (C2013-204) to extend the contract term until March 31, 2016 for the implementation of the Bus Signal Priority System.

Councilmember Ashcraft noted that Attachment A to the staff report indicates that a number of intersections originally scheduled to have Bus Signal Priority (BSP) equipment installed are being bypassed and questioned whether this will result in cost savings.

James Lee, Transit Department, reported that there should be cost savings, but the exact amount is not known at this time. He explained that there have been problems in trying to integrate older equipment installed in some intersections outside the City of Torrance so these intersections will be bypassed, but the impact on the Bus Signal Priority System should be minimal because 80% of the intersections along the route will have BSP.

Councilmember Griffiths noted that most of the intersections to be bypassed are in the City of Los Angeles and encouraged his colleagues in Los Angeles to be more supportive of this project because it benefits the entire region.

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft moved to concur with the class specification. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Weideman and passed by unanimous vote.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

12A. APPROVAL OF STREET CLOSURE FOR SPECIAL EVENT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council approve the closure of Cabrillo Avenue for a Halloween Ball event hosted by Chef Michael Shafer beginning at 4:00 p.m. October 10 and ending at 11:59 p.m. on October 11, 2015.

Jason Minter, Special Events Team, advised that Chef Shafer was requesting permission to close Cabrillo Avenue between Torrance Boulevard and 213th Street from Saturday, October 10, at 12:00 p.m. to Sunday, October 11, at 11:59 a.m. so that set-up for the Halloween Ball can be done during daylight hours to minimize the disturbance to neighbors, however staff was

recommending that the closure start at 4:00 p.m. He noted that residents and businesses within 300 feet were sent notification of the proposed closure.

Chef Michael Shafer provided background information about the Halloween Ball, reporting that the first Halloween Ball was held 20 years ago and had only 47 attendees and last year's event was attended by over 780 people and raised over \$280,000 for the Pediatric Therapy Network. He expressed concerns that if setup for the ball does not begin until 4:00 p.m. nearby residents are going to be disturbed late into the night for two nights in a row and related his experience that there is little activity in this area on Saturday afternoons.

Mayor Furey stated that he thought the earlier setup time was a reasonable request, noting that the only communication the City has received about the closure was from a neighbor who was concerned about late night noise.

In response to Councilmember Ashcraft's inquiry, Chef Shafer reported that the closure does not interfere with access to downtown Torrance and the inconvenience to motorists is minimal.

Police Chief Matsuda indicated that he agreed with Chef Shafer's assessment of the impact on motorists and confirmed that adequate access for emergency vehicles will be maintained.

In response to Councilmember Rizzo's inquiry, Chef Shafer reported that the tent for the event takes 6-8 hours to set up.

Councilmember Rizzo proposed closing the street at 2:00 p.m., and Chef Shafer agreed to this compromise.

MOTION: Councilmember Rizzo moved to approve the street closure from 2:00 p.m. on October 10 until 11:59 p.m. on October 11. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Ashcraft and passed by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 12 D was considered out of order at this time.

12D. CONSIDERATION OF EXEMPTION FROM USE OF ALCOHOL POLICY FOR EVENT AT TORRANCE CULTURAL ARTS CENTER

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager and General Services Director that City Council consider a request for an exemption to the Use of Alcohol Policy for the Torrance Cultural Arts Center to extend the allowed time for serving alcohol for an event from a maximum of 5 hours to a maximum of 7 hours.

Economic Development Manager Fulton reported that it has been requested that City Council allow an exception to the Use of Alcohol Policy for the Torrance Cultural Arts Center extending the maximum time alcohol can be served at an event from 5 hours to 7 hours for the Dylan Fest to be held in May 2016. She noted that the Council approved the same exemption for last year's Dylan Fest held in May 2015 and there were no incidents.

Michael Shafer, caterer for the event, requested that the Council approve the exemption for this event in perpetuity so he does not have to appear before the Council each year.

MOTION: Councilmember Barnett moved to approve the exemption to the Use of Alcohol Policy for the Dylan Fest in May 2016. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Griffiths and passed by unanimous vote.

12B. ALLOCATION OF JUNIOR LIBRARY CLERK II INCUMBENTS TO LIBRARY TECHNICIAN CLASSIFICATION

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Civil Service Commission and the Human Resources Administrator that City Council approve the allocation of two Junior Library Clerk II incumbents to the classification of Library Technician per the Torrance Municipal Code section 14.2.3 c) Allocation of New Positions: Re-Allocations.

Human Resources Manager Lawrence reported that as part of the meet and confer process with Torrance Library Employees Association in conjunction with the restructuring of library support classifications, it was agreed that Junior Library Clerk II incumbents would be offered the opportunity to promote to the position of Library Technician and two incumbents would like to take advantage of this opportunity. She noted that both have spent several years with the City and she believes they will be a valuable addition to library staff.

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

12C. REVIEW OF CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF CITIES RESOLUTIONS

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Council State Legislative Advocacy Committee that City Council approve and concur with the Committee's position on the four League of California Cities resolutions being presented at their annual conference on September 30 through October 2, 2015.

Mayor Furey, chair of the State Legislative Advocacy Committee, reported that the Committee met on September 15 to review the League of California Cities resolutions to be presented at their annual conference and Jeff Kiernan, Regional Public Affairs Manager for the League provided an overview of each of the resolutions. He stated that after reviewing background materials and discussing the issues with staff, the Committee voted as follows:

Resolution 1: League Bylaw Amendment – relates to bylaw amendments regarding succession of League offices to fill vacancies.

Committee Recommendation: Support

Resolution 2: Overconcentration of Alcohol & Drug Treatment Facilities – Calls for legislation to avoid impacts of overconcentration of alcohol and drug abuse recovery and treatment facilities in residential neighborhoods.

Committee Recommendation: Support

Resolution 3: Residential Rentals/Support for SB 593 – Seeks support for AB 593, which allows for local control and assists cities as they address neighborhood and fiscal impacts of temporary rentals of residential units.

Committee Recommendation: Support

Resolution 4: Compensation for Prolonged Electrical Power Outages – Calls for the Governor and Legislature to work with the League to enact legislation or otherwise compel

Southern California Edison to create a program to automatically provide direct compensation to its customers affected by prolonged electrical power outages under specific circumstances.

Committee Recommendation: Support

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft moved to concur with the Committee's recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barnett and passed by unanimous vote.

12D. CONSIDERATION OF EXEMPTION FROM USE OF ALCOHOL POLICY FOR EVENT AT TORRANCE CULTURAL ARTS CENTER

Considered out of order, see page 7.

12E. APPROVAL OF FIRE CHIEF EXAM TO BE CONDUCTED ON PROMOTIONAL BASIS

Recommendation

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

- 1) Approve the examination for Fire Chief be conducted on a promotional basis provided that a minimum of eight City employees file applications that meet the requirements; and
- 2) Approve contingency to cancel the promotional examination and conduct an open examination should less than eight City employees file applications that are accepted that meet the requirements.

Human Resources Manager Lawrence reviewed the staff recommendation.

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

12F. ORDINANCE CREATING SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Adopt an ordinance establishing a Social Services Commission that will address issues relating to veterans, the city's homeless population, special needs youth and intellectually challenged adults in an amount of \$7,500 for one half of fiscal year; and
- 2) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

City Attorney Fellows advised that the ordinance creating the Social Services Commission is formatted the same as ordinances that created other City commissions, which call for commission members to be appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council, however it has been the City Council's practice to appoint commissioners based on nominations and votes of the entire Council. He recommended that the Council adopt the ordinance as proposed and staff will return later with clean-up legislation for all the ordinances so they conform to current practices.

Assistant to the City Manager Sunshine provided an overview of the proposed Social Services Commission, explaining that staff reached out to agencies and organizations that are currently providing assistance to veterans, the homeless, special needs youth and intellectually

challenged adults to determine how they could best be served by this commission. He reported that staff was recommending that the commission be directed to develop a work plan, including its mission and goals, within six months of its first meeting and that the fourth Thursday of the month is available for meetings of the new commission.

Councilmember Griffiths stated that he strongly supports the formation of this commission and encouraged those interested in serving on it to attend Commissioner Certification training on September 29. He also voiced support for amending ordinances so they reflect the appointment process that has been used by the Council for many years.

Councilmember Ashcraft related her belief that the formation of this commission was very timely since there is pending legislation concerning homeless people sleeping in their cars in residential neighborhoods and the commission could be helpful in addressing this topic.

Teri Nishimura, CEO of Pediatric Therapy Network, stated that she wholeheartedly supports the creation of this commission and she was very proud of Torrance for doing this because it shows the city's willingness to embrace diversity and help integrate those who have challenges into the community.

Janet Payne, Torrance, expressed support for the proposed commission.

Mayor Furey stated that he was also very proud of Torrance for creating this commission and while he wished there could be a commission for each of these groups, that's not possible due to budgetary constraints and he believes the proposed Social Services Commission was the best solution.

Councilmember Barnett thanked Mr. Sunshine for all his research on this issue.

MOTION: Councilmember Barnett moved to concur with the staff recommendation and approved an ordinance summary for publication. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Griffiths and passed by unanimous vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 3787

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE,
CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING
THE SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

MOTION: Councilmember Rizzo moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3786. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Goodrich and passed by unanimous vote.

12G. RESOLUTION IMPLEMENTING SALARY RANGE FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES MANAGER

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a resolution amending the Executive and Management Employees Resolution No. 2015-58 to implement the salary range for Emergency Services Manager.

Human Resources Manager Lawrence reported that this is a companion item to Item 8D and implements the salary range for Emergency Services Manager.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-71

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2015-58 SETTING FORTH CHANGES REGARDING THE HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EXECUTIVE AND MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES

MOTION: Councilmember Rizzo moved to adopt Resolution No. 2015-71. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Goodrich and passed by unanimous vote.

12H. PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT AMENDMENT RE MISCELLANEOUS SEWER MAIN IMPROVMENTS AND REPAIRS

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Appropriate \$27,432.98 from Sewer Impact Fee Fund balance to Fiscal Year 2014-2018 Sewer Repairs, I-149 for a new not to exceed budget of \$1,027,432.98; and
- 2) Approve an amendment to the public works agreement with Ramona Inc., of Arcadia, CA (C2015-020) to increase the agreement sum by \$27,432.98 for a new not to exceed agreement sum of \$662,967.98 plus a contingency of \$63,553.50 for the Miscellaneous Sewer Main Improvements and Repairs, I-61/I-149.

Project Manager Overstreet reported that this action will allow sewer main repairs on Crenshaw Boulevard to be incorporated into an ongoing project.

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

12I. RESOLUTION RE HABITAT CONSERVATION FUND GRANT APPLICATION

Recommendation

Recommendation of Community Services Director that City Council adopt a resolution approving the application for grant funds from the Habitat Conservation Fund Program.

Nature Center Manager Drake reported that the grant funds will be used to enhance educational opportunities at the Madrona Marsh Preserve and the Henrietta Basin.

In response to Councilmember Weideman's inquiry, Manager Drake confirmed that the required matching funds will be provided by in-kind contributions of staff time and volunteer hours.

In response to Councilmember Ashcraft's inquiry, Manager Drake provided clarification regarding the proposal to use part of the funds to illustrate and print a short story entitled *The History of Madrona Marsh and Surrounding Areas*, noting that only one copy of the book will be printed, which will be available to visitors at the marsh.

Councilmember Ashcraft suggested the possibility that someone might wish to donate the cost of having the book duplicated in booklet form.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-72

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE HABITAT
CONSERVATION FUND PROGRAM

MOTION: Councilmember Rizzo moved to adopt Resolution No. 2015-72. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Goodrich and passed by unanimous vote.

12J. AGREEMENT RE HAZARDOUS WASTE HAULING AND DISPOSAL SERVICES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Fire Chief that City Council award an agreement to Environmental Recovery Services, dba Enviroserv, Gardena, CA (RFP# B2015-17) in the amount not to exceed \$275,000 to provide hazardous waste hauling and disposal services on an as requested basis for the period of September 15, 2015 through September 14, 2020. The City will have an option to extend the agreement for up to two (2) additional 1-year extensions with the same price, terms and conditions.

Fire Chief Racowski reviewed the staff recommendation and clarified that this agreement is for City-generated hazardous waste.

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

12K. RESOLUTION FINDING PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY REQUIRE ACQUISITION OF EASEMENTS AT 3756-3758 PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Attorney and Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Conduct a hearing for the purposes of permitting comment from the owners or other parties with interests in the property that is being considered for acquisition for the purposes of the Pacific Coast Highway (SR-1) at Hawthorne Boulevard (SR-107) Intersection Improvement Project ("Project") located at 3756-3758 Pacific Coast Highway (APN # 7534-002-008); and
- 2) Adopt a resolution making the appropriate findings and authorizing the City Attorney and Special Counsel to proceed with preparing and filing necessary actions to acquire the interests in property necessary for the project to proceed by way of eminent domain.

Item was withdrawn.

13. HEARINGS

13A. PRE15-00002, WAV15-00009: 5207 PASEO DE LAS TORTUGAS – KENT HOLTORF

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council grant the applicants' request to continue the hearing indefinitely to consider appeal of Planning Commission denial of a Precise Plan of Development to allow a new two-story single

family residence with basement level, in conjunction with a Waiver of the fence height requirement, on property located within the Hillside Overlay District in the R-1 Zone at 5207 Paseo de las Tortugas. The project is categorically exempt from CEQA per Guidelines Sections 15303 - New Construction and 15305 - Minor Alterations.

Community Development Director Gibson reported that the applicant has requested that the hearing be continued indefinitely and the matter will be re-advertised once a new hearing date has been set.

MOTION: Councilmember Weideman moved to continue the hearing indefinitely. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Griffiths and passed by unanimous vote.

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

Councilmember Barnett announced that he was abstaining from Items 15.1A and 15.1B because he is a member of the Successor Agency Oversight Board.

15.1A. RESOLUTION APPROVING RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 1 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016

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 resolution approving the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS) for the period of January 1 through June 30, 2016, in accordance with ABX1-26 and AB 1484.

Planning Assistant Lang reported that once approved, the schedule will be reviewed by the Successor Agency Oversight Board at their meeting of September 23, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, noting there have been no additions since the previously approved Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule.

MOTION: Councilmember Weideman moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Griffiths and passed by unanimous vote, with Councilmember Barnett abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. SA2015-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADOPTING THE RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE (ROPS) FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016

MOTION: Councilmember Rizzo moved to adopt Resolution No. SA2015-04. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Goodrich and passed by unanimous vote, with Councilmember Barnett abstaining.

15.1B. REVISED LONG RANGE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL LETTER

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, accept

and file the letter of approval for the revised Long Range Property Management Plan from the California Department of Finance.

Planning Assistant Lang reported that the California Department of Finance has approved the revised Long Range Property Management Plan and staff will be bringing forward information regarding the implementation of the plan in the future.

Councilmember Weideman asked about the impact of SB 107 that was signed into law today, and Planning Assistant Lang advised that staff was in the process of reviewing the legislation with outside counsel and will keep the City Council apprised.

MOTION: Councilmember Weideman moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Griffiths and passed by unanimous vote, with Councilmember Barnett abstaining.

16. SECOND READING ORDINANCES

16A. SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 3786

ORDINANCE NO. 3786

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE LOCATED AT 17502 VAN NESS AVENUE FROM A-1 (LIGHT AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT) TO R-3 (LIMITED MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT)
ZON15-00001: MICHAEL ROTH

MOTION: Councilmember Rizzo moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3786. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Goodrich and passed by unanimous vote.

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

17A. Councilmember Griffiths announced that the 20th annual Halloween Ball sponsored by Toyota Motor Sales USA and hosted by Chef Michael Shafer will be held on Sunday, October 11, 2015 from 4:00 – 9:00 p.m., featuring a dinner buffet, live music, a costume contest, and live and silent auctions, with all proceeds to benefit the Pediatric Therapy Network, a non-profit organization in Torrance that provides therapy and intervention for over 2500 children with special needs and developmental concerns. He noted that additional information about the event is available by calling 310-328-0276 extension 202, or online at www.PediatricTherapyNetwork.org.

17B. Councilmember Griffiths reported that he participated in Coastal Clean Up Day on Saturday at Torrance Beach and thought Team Torrance did an awesome job.

17C. Councilmember Griffiths encouraged the public to attend Del Amo Fashion Center's grand opening on October 9.

17C. Councilmember Rizzo reported that he also participated in Coastal Clean Up Day at Torrance Beach and appreciated all the volunteers.

17D. Councilmember Weideman stated that he was very proud to be part of the City Council that approved the new Social Services Commission.

17E. Councilmember Ashcraft wished Mayor Furey a happy birthday.

17F. Mayor Furey reported that earlier today, he attended the business leader briefing on international trade hosted by the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce featuring Bill Craft, deputy assistant secretary for the Bureau of Economic Affairs for the U.S. State Department, on the topic of the trade powers agreement and the Trans-Pacific Partnership.

17G. Mayor Furey announced that there will be a “Prescription Drug Take Back” event to provide for the safe disposal of prescription drugs on Saturday, September 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in front of the Torrance Police station.

17H. Mayor Furey offered a reminder about the Open House at Torrance Community Television on Saturday, October 10, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

17I. Mayor Furey announced that there will be a “Bark for Life” event on Sunday, October 18, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Wilson Park, with additional information available at www.relayforlife.org.

17J. Mayor Furey reported that he received a letter from Palos Verdes Estates thanking Torrance firefighters who assisted with a recent wildfire.

17K. Georgean Griswold, Torrance Rose Float Association, offered a reminder about TRFA’s Halloween dinner dance featuring a tri-tip dinner prepared by Torrance firefighters. She noted that there will be an opportunity to sign up to decorate this year’s float on October 15 in the Council Chamber, with additional information available at www.torrancerosefloat.com or (310) 618-2425.

17L. Mayor Furey announced that his State of the City address will be presented on Thursday, September 24, at a luncheon at the Doubletree Hotel beginning at noon.

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Considered earlier in the meeting, see page 1.

19. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:56 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, October 13, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. for the regular meeting in the Council Chamber, with the first order of business under Community Matters being a Community Workshop regarding the ExxonMobil refinery. September 29 and October 6, 2015 are Council dark nights.

Attest:

/s/ Patrick J. Furey

Mayor Patrick J. Furey

/s/ R. Poirier

Rebecca Poirier

City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved on October 13, 2015

