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At 10:23 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

**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, October 21, 2014 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) Conference with Labor Negotiator, pursuant to California Government Code §54957.6.

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 Ashcraft.

The non-sectarian invocation was given by Councilmember Barnett.

**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, October 16, 2014.

MOTION: Councilmember Goodrich 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 Rizzo and passed by unanimous vote.

4. WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

No items were withdrawn or deferred; supplemental material was available for 10A, 12B and 12C.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Furey announced that the City Council State Legislative Advocacy Committee met earlier to discuss the November 4, 2014 General Election ballot measures and voted to take no position on Proposition 1, to oppose Proposition 47, and to support L.A. County Proposition P and Local Measures T and U. He noted that a full report on the committee's action will be presented at the October 28 City Council meeting.

City Clerk Poirier announced that October 28 is the last day to request a Vote-by-Mail ballot for the November 4 election and this can be done online at www.lavote.net. She noted that mail-in ballots must be received by the L.A. County Registrar-Recorder no later than Election Day and they can also be dropped off at local polling places.

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6A. PRESENTATION BY TORRANCE COMMISSION ON AGING ON BEST CITIES FOR SUCCESSFUL AGING MAYOR'S PLEDGE

Commission on Aging Chairperson Kathleen Davis provided background information about the Best Cities for Successful Aging Mayor's Pledge drafted by the Milken Institute to encourage mayors to take a proactive approach to improving the quality of life for older adults in their communities. Mayor Furey, joined by Chairperson Davis, Vice Chairperson Ghislaine Davis, and Commissioners Paul Cohen, Leilani Kimmel-Dagostino, Lynda Kraemer, Benito Miranda and Bea Virobik, read the pledge into the record and signed it. California State Assembly member Al Muratsuchi commended the Commission on Aging for its leadership and presented the commission with a certificate of appreciation.

6B. PROCLAMATION RE "MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY"

Mayor Furey presented a proclamation declaring October 25, 2014, as **Make a Difference Day** in the City of Torrance to Suzan Hubert, President of Friends of Madrona Marsh.

6C. PROCLAMATION RE "NATIONAL SAVE FOR RETIREMENT WEEK"

Mayor Furey presented a proclamation declaring October 19 through October 25, 2014 as **National Save for Retirement Week** in the City of Torrance to City Treasurer Dana Cortez.

6D. PROCLAMATION RE "RED RIBBON WEEK"

Mayor Furey presented a proclamation declaring October 20 through October 24, 2014 as **Red Ribbon Week** in the City of Torrance to Janet Tajii, Torrance Council of PTAs President and Michele Nadeau, Red Ribbon Week Chairperson.

6E. PROCLAMATION RE "PTA MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT MONTH"

Mayor Furey presented a proclamation declaring the month of October 2014 as **PTA Membership Enrollment Month** in the City of Torrance to Janet Tajii, Torrance Council PTAs President and Nicki Gerdes, Membership Chairman.

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1

7A. John Wood, Jr., candidate for the 43rd Congressional District, expressed concerns about the Congress's lack of action on major issues due to the polarization of Democrats and Republicans and pledged to bridge this divide if he is elected.

7B. Georgean Griswold, Torrance Rose Float Association, announced that a fundraiser will be held on Friday, October 24, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Torrance Elks Lodge, which will include a raffle and silent auction.

7C. Terry Moore, Ocean Avenue, expressed concerns about a malfunctioning alarm at the Souplantation restaurant that is awakening nearby residents in the middle of the night.

7D. Phil Thomas, Ocean Avenue, echoed concerns about the alarm at Souplantation.

7E. Debbie Hays, Torrance Historical Society, announced that there will be a free walking tour of historic Old Torrance on Sunday, October 26, beginning at 1:30 p.m. in front of the museum. She also announced that the museum will be hosting a book signing featuring Roger Owens the "peanut man" at Dodger Stadium and author of *Perfect Pitch* on November 9, at 2:00 p.m.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

8A. PURCHASE ORDER FOR 2015 ROADLINE TPMT STENCIL TRUCK

Recommendation

Recommendation of General Services and Public Works Directors that City Council

- 1) Authorize a purchase order with Roadline Products Inc. USA of Downey, CA in the amount of \$97,173.50 (including sales tax) for the cooperative purchase of one (1) model year 2015 Roadline TPMT stencil truck with Ford F-450 chassis cab; and
- 2) Transfer \$4,092.02 from the Public Works Painting & Signs operating budget to the Fleet Vehicle Replacement Fund.

8B. REVISED CLASS SPECIFICATION FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Human Resources Manager and the Civil Service Commission that City Council approve the revised class specification for Information Technology Specialist.

8C. APPROPRIATION OF 2013 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Fire Chief that City Council:

- 1) Accept and appropriate the 2013 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) grant in the amount of \$25,540 for Fire Ground Survival training; and
- 2) Approve a subrecipient agreement with the County of Los Angeles and authorize the City Manager as the City's signatory for the contract.

8D. CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT AMENDMENT RE TRAFFIC SIGNAL LEFT TURN PHASING UPGRADES, PROJECT T-128

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve an amendment to consultant services agreement with Albert Grover and Associates Inc. of Fullerton, CA (C2012-207) to increase the amount by \$86,002 for a new not to exceed amount of \$201,572 and extend the contract term by 24 months from November 6, 2014 to October 20, 2016; and
- 2) Approve the transfer of \$9,200 from the Public Works Traffic & Lighting Operating Budget to Infrastructure Action Plan (IAP) Project T-128 for a new not to exceed project cost of \$1,159,200.

MOTION: Councilmember Barnett moved to approve Consent Calendar Items 8A through 8D. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Griffiths and passed by unanimous vote.

10. PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

10A. OPTIONS FOR ADDRESSING VIEW IMPAIRMENT FROM TREES/VEGETATION

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council consider options for addressing potential view impairment from trees and vegetation in the Hillside Overlay Zone and provide direction to staff on how to proceed.

With the aid of slides, Deputy Community Development Director Cessna briefly reviewed the following options for addressing view impairment from trees/vegetation in the Hillside Overlay Zone: 1) retaining the status quo since relief from “spite trees” can be obtained through civil action; 2) exploring the possibility of private view easements and 3) beginning the outreach process for creating a view protection ordinance. She provided an overview of ordinances in other cities with various levels of city involvement and discussed the cost of implementing an ordinance, the demands on staff time, and estimated permit fees. She reported that should the Council decide to move forward with the community outreach process, staff will schedule meetings with homeowner associations in the Hillside Overlay, as well as general meetings for those who do not belong to HOAs after the beginning of the year. She suggested that the Council also may wish to consider a statistically valid phone survey as a means of obtaining additional community input.

Councilmember Ashcraft related her belief that any ordinance should be cost-neutral since it would involve only the Hillside Overlay and would not benefit residents city-wide.

Councilmember Barnett questioned whether city trees in parkways would be covered by the ordinance, and Deputy Community Development Director Cessna advised that there is a process in place to address view blockage by city trees.

City Manager Jackson clarified that a resident may request that a city tree be removed or trimmed due to view blockage, but the resident must pay the cost and obtain the approval of the property owner in whose parkway the tree is located.

Mayor Furey invited public comment.

Pat McOsker, Via Linda Vista, commended the Council for tackling this issue and stressed the need to balance the competing interests of residents concerned about protecting their privacy and those who want to preserve/restore their view.

Fin Martin III, Via del Collada, expressed concerns about view blockage caused by a neighbor's trees and the expense involved in trimming them.

Shirley McNair, Calle Mayor, urged the Council to move forward with a view protection ordinance, stating that she and many other residents have been seeking such an ordinance since the Hillside Overlay Ordinance was adopted 40 years ago.

Chris Gatens, Paseo de la Concha, voiced support for creating an ordinance in order to preserve/restore views for which substantial premiums were paid when the home was purchased.

Monica Bhatt, Paseo de la Concha, expressed the hope that an ordinance would help resolve a tree issue with a neighbor since mediation efforts have failed.

Michael Cullen, Calle Mayor, reported that his view has been obstructed by eucalyptus trees at the park on Calle Miramar and urged that these trees be trimmed.

Judy English, Camino de Encanto, voiced support for an ordinance, recounting her experience when a neighbor below her planted 220 fast-growing cypress trees to establish a height line so no one could complain about view obstruction when a second-story addition was proposed.

Carole Mason, Via Atezada, echoed support for an ordinance, noting that she also has issues involving a neighbor's trees.

Patricia McKaig, Calle Mayor, urged the adoption of view preservation ordinance to protect property values in the area.

Judy Brunetti, Greenmeadows Avenue, recommended that the City pattern its ordinance after the ordinance adopted by Rolling Hills Estates in 2010, which is cost neutral and did not necessitate the hiring of any additional staff.

Sandy Bennett, Via los Miradores, voiced support for a view preservation ordinance.

Peter Dabbieri, Via el Chico, stated that he is favor of taking action on this issue and looks forward to working with City staff on the details.

Patti Roderick, Camino de Encanto, pointed out that trees can act as a buffer for noise in addition to protecting privacy and urged that this be considered when drafting an ordinance.

Steve Marcuse, Via los Miradores, thanked the Council for taking up this issue.

Voicing support for an ordinance, Cindy Constantino, Camino de Encanto, recommended using the Rolling Hills Estates ordinance as a model because it is cost neutral to the city without being cost prohibitive to residents and it establishes well-defined guidelines.

Ann Ferrelli, Newton Street, reported that a neighbor has planted an orchard behind her, which has obliterated her view and compromised the hillside due to drainage issues.

Bill Frankos, Via Colusa, related his belief that an economic analysis of a view preservation ordinance would show that it would benefit the City in terms of increased revenue from property taxes due to higher home values.

Mayor Furey noted that property values are only reassessed when a property is sold and the City receives only a small fraction of property taxes.

Loretta (last name inaudible/no speaker card), Mesa Grande, voiced support for a view preservation ordinance.

Stan McKenzie, Via los Miradores, voiced his opinion that views should be protected without an over emphasis on compromise. He doubted that a telephone survey would be useful.

Chris Moreno, Calle Miramar, expressed support for a view protection ordinance.

Pat Mraz, Via Pasqual, voiced support for an ordinance, pointing out that currently residents have no way of addressing overgrown trees if neighbors rebuff requests to trim them.

Myles Lank, Calle de Aragon, echoed support for an ordinance and called for city trees to be included in the process.

Voicing support for an ordinance, Julian Chasin, Via los Miradores, suggested that having an ordinance in place will put property owners on notice that vegetation control is expected and failure to do so may result in enforcement action. He also suggested that the City provide information about drought-tolerant vegetation and offer recommendations for trees and shrubs that won't block views.

Chris Acone, Paseo de la Concha, expressed support for a view protection ordinance.

Jim Delurgio, Via el Toro, stated that he has been a victim of multiple acts of tree vandalism since purchasing his property in 2005 and the City has failed to prosecute neighbors responsible for the crimes despite video evidence and confessions included in police reports. He contended that tree vandalism has become common in this area because neighbors have no fear of being prosecuted. He expressed concerns that this action was an effort to preserve the significant damage that has been done to his property by his neighbors, noting that these neighbors have filed frivolous lawsuits and rejected his attempts to involve them in the mediation process.

Burke Large, Via Anita, urged the Council to move forward with an ordinance as quickly as possible and to include a method for dealing with view-blocking city trees.

James Corezinni, Torrance, echoed support for a view protection ordinance. He encouraged neighbors who have had differences to think of this as a fresh start and an opportunity to heal relationships.

Tim Pettit, Paseo de Granada, recommended that staff look into ordinances in Mountain View and San Jose that have been in effect for many years. He stated that while he agreed the process should be cost neutral for the City, there are people who have lived in the Hillside area for many years and don't have the financial means to fight for their views, therefore there should

be some mechanism for them to participate. He suggested that the process needs to be defined before a telephone survey is conducted because the details will impact the outcome.

Evan Bass, Paseo de Granada, stated that it is clear that rules governing vegetation are needed in the Hillside area and stressed the need for objective standards for ease of enforcement.

Holly Jensen, Via Anita, voiced support for an ordinance, suggesting that the Rolling Hills Estates ordinance would be a good starting point.

Councilmember Weideman related his belief that it was time to move forward on this issue, but noted that there are many details that need to be worked out before an ordinance can be drafted.

Councilmember Goodrich expressed concerns that someone might exploit the private view easement process by deliberately planting view-blocking trees in an effort to obtain a monetary payment from a neighbor for a view easement.

Deputy Community Development Director Cessna advised that staff will look into adding safeguards if the City decides to go in this direction.

Councilmember Goodrich voiced his opinion that it was important for the City to come up with a process for residents to resolve their differences rather than suing each other, which is currently the only remedy. He stressed the need for transparency and community involvement during the crafting of the ordinance.

Councilmember Ashcraft recommended that the viewing area subject to protection be clearly defined along with the date the view protection becomes effective.

Councilmember Griffiths voiced support for exploring options to address this issue. He requested additional information about city trees that are causing view obstruction and the costs associated with correcting the problem and data about the number of cases handled under the Rolling Hills Estates ordinance and residents' level of satisfaction with the outcome.

Councilmember Barnett stated that he was pleased that the Council was moving forward on this issue, which has been a concern of residents for some time. He indicated that he was not in favor of extending the area involved to include the whole city.

Councilmember Rizzo stated that he believes there is a need for a process to help neighbors resolve disputes over vegetation, however, he would not want to see heavy staff involvement and believes the process should be cost neutral.

Councilmember Ashcraft voiced her opinion that spending \$30,000 for a telephone survey would be a waste of money since it's clear the majority of people in the Hillside area want this issue to be addressed, noting that she personally finds unsolicited phone calls to be a nuisance.

Mayor Furey stated that he favored a two-pronged approach, with staff to conduct community outreach and a City Council Committee to review ordinances from other cities to see if one might serve as a model without too many changes. He asked about a budget.

City Manager Jackson advised that community outreach can be covered under the existing budget and staff will be bring forward more detailed information about costs once the various options have been narrowed down.

MOTION: Councilmember Goodrich moved to direct staff to begin the public outreach process in order to draft an ordinance to address view impairment. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Weideman and passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council recessed from 9:43 p.m. to 9:56 p.m.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

12A. RESOLUTION RE COMPLIANCE WITH PATIENT PROTECTION AND AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a Resolution concerning the implementation and compliance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA).

Assistant to the City Manager Chaparyan reported that Resolution states the City's intent to comply with legal requirements under the Affordable Care Act, establishes Safe Harbor provisions to determine full-time status of its employees for Internal Revenue Service reporting requirements, and assigns overall authority for the City's ACA Administrative Policy to the City Manager.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-118

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
ADOPTING SAFE HARBORS UNDER THE PATIENT PROTECTION AND
AFFORDABLE CARE ACT

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft moved to adopt Resolution No. 2014-118. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Weideman and passed by unanimous vote.

12B. U.S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS MEMBERSHIP

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council consider the Mayor's joining the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

Management Associate Jones reported that the cost to join the U.S. Conference of Mayors would be \$9,181, which includes complementary attendance at the conference in January 2015 in Washington, D.C. She noted that the City was previously involved in this organization as detailed in supplemental material.

Councilmember Griffiths questioned why Torrance discontinued membership and whether other local cities participate.

City Manager Jackson advised that Torrance discontinued membership in 2007 due to across-the-board budget cuts. He reported that the City of Los Angeles and Long Beach are members as are most large cities, but he did not have a current membership list.

Councilmember Ashcraft expressed reservations about taking on this obligation at a time when the economy has not fully recovered.

Mayor Furey voiced his opinion that being part of this organization would help energize economic development and provide Torrance with a national presence. He noted that the City will not be rejoining other organizations that have proven to be ineffective, which will help offset this membership fee.

MOTION: Councilmember Goodrich moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rizzo and passed by a 6-1 vote, with Councilmember Ashcraft voting no.

12C. RESOLUTION RE CLASS SPECIFIC FOR REPROGRAPHIC SPECIALIST

Recommendation

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

- 1) Approve the revised and re-titled class specifications for Reprographic Specialist; and
- 2) Adopt a Resolution pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding amending Resolution No. 2014-38 for employees represented by Torrance City Employees Association to reflect the title change for Reprographic Specialist.

Human Resources Manager Lawrence reported that the Reprographic Equipment Operator class specification has been updated and retitled Reprographic Specialist.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-119

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2014-38 SETTING FORTH CHANGES REGARDING HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE CITY EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (TCEA)

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft moved to adopt Resolution No. 2014-119. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Weideman and passed by unanimous vote.

12D. RESOLUTION MODIFYING BENEFITS RE TORRANCE RECURRENT RECREATION EMPLOYEES ORGANIZATION AND CERTAIN PART TIME HOURLY EMPLOYEES

Recommendation

Recommendation of City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Adopt a Resolution pursuant to Memorandum of Understanding amending Resolution No. 2014-39 setting forth changes regarding hours, wages, and working conditions for employees represented by Torrance Recurrent Recreation Employees Organization (TRREO) by modifying the benefits sections in compliance with the Affordable Care Act (ACA) in the amount of \$30,000; and

- 2) Adopt a Resolution amending Resolution No. 2014-61 setting forth changes regarding hours, wages, and working conditions for Certain Part Time Hourly Employees modifying the benefits section in compliance with the Affordable Care Act (ACA) in the amount of \$18,000.

Assistant to the City Manager Chaparyan advised that the Resolutions modify benefits in compliance with the Affordable Care Act.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-120

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2014-39 SETTING FORTH CHANGES REGARDING HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE RECURRENT RECREATION EMPLOYEES ORGANIZATION (TRREO)

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft moved to adopt Resolution No. 2014-120. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Weideman and passed by unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-121

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2014-61 SETTING FORTH CHANGES REGARDING THE HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR THE CERTAIN PART TIME HOURLY EMPLOYEES

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft moved to adopt Resolution No. 2014-121. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Weideman and passed by unanimous vote.

12E. RESOLUTION MODIFYING BENEFITS RE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES – LOCAL 1117

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a Resolution amending Memorandum of Understanding for employees represented by Torrance Municipal Employees - AFSCME, Local 1117 modifying the compensation and benefits sections in the amount of \$76,000.

Assistant to the City Manager Chaparyan reported that the proposed Resolution provides for one-party city-paid health insurance for Apprentice Relief Bus Operators and Relief Bus Operators in compliance with the Affordable Care Act, noting that this benefit will be helpful in recruitment and retention.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-122

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2014-98 SETTING FORTH CHANGES REGARDING THE HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY TORRANCE MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES - AFSCME, LOCAL 1117

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft moved to adopt Resolution No. 2014-122. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Weideman and passed by unanimous vote.

16. SECOND READING ORDINANCES

16A. SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 3778

ORDINANCE NO. 3778

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY CERTAIN PROPERTY REMAINING IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE FROM A-1 (HILLSIDE)/R-1(HILLSIDE) (LIGHT AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT/HILLSIDE AND LOCAL OVERLAY DISTRICT)/ (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT/HILLSIDE AND LOCAL OVERLAY DISTRICT) AND DESIGNATE ANNEXED LAND TO P-1 (HILLSIDE) DISTRICT OPEN AREA, PARKING, PLANTING/HILLSIDE AND LOCAL COASTAL OVERLAY DISTRICT)

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3778. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Weideman and passed by unanimous vote.

16B. SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 3779

ORDINANCE NO. 3779

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND CHANDLER RANCH PROPERTIES LLC, BRI LLC, AND ROLLING HILLS COUNTRY CLUB RELATED TO REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 26311 PALOS VERDES DRIVE

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3779. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Weideman and passed by unanimous vote.

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2

17A. Councilmember Goodrich reported that he was in the process of replacing his lawn with drought-tolerant native plants and noted that the Metropolitan Water District is offering rebates of up to \$3 per square foot for residents who do this.

17B. Councilmember Griffiths announced that the City will be hosting a Halloween Carnival on Friday, October 31, at Wilson Park from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m., which will include the showing of the movie *Hotel Transylvania*.

17C. Councilmember Griffiths encouraged small businesses that wish to participate in “Small Business Saturday” on November 29, which is sponsored by American Express, to register online at www.americanexpress.com/shopsmall to be listed on their website.

17D. Maureen O’Donnell, former City Councilmember, encouraged the Council to continue its long tradition of maintaining decorum at meetings and treating fellow Councilmembers with respect, citing what she perceived to be a disrespectful comment.

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Considered out of order, see page 1.

19. ADJOURNMENT

At 10:23 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

Attest:

/s/ Patrick J. Furey

Mayor Patrick J. Furey

/s/ R. Poirier

City Clerk Rebecca Poirier, MMC

Approved on November 18, 2014