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TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL NOVEMBER 4, 2014

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At 7:41 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with the regular meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber. Tuesday, November 11, 2014 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 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 4, 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) Real Property – Conference with Real Property Negotiator, pursuant to California Government Code §54956.8.

The City Council reconvened at 7:00 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, October 30, 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 WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

No items were withdrawn or deferred; supplemental material was available for Item 12A.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fire Chief Racowschi announced that Exxon Mobil will be conducting their monthly community alert siren testing on Wednesday, November 5, at approximately 11:30 a.m., with additional information available at (310) 212-1852.

Councilmember Barnett reported that the City Council Finance and Governmental Operations Committee had met earlier to discuss the 2014-2015 First Quarter Budget Review and a report will be forwarded to the City Council later this month.

Councilmember Goodrich announced that the City Council State Legislative Advocacy Committee will meet on Tuesday, November 18, at 2:00 p.m. in the City Manager Assembly Room for a state legislative update.

Councilmember Ashcraft announced that the Employee Relations and Public Safety Committee will meet on Thursday, November 14, at 10:00 a.m. in the Third Floor Assembly Room and the topics to be discussed will include an overview of the Crossing Guard Program and the City's Emergency Mass Notification System.

City Clerk Poirier reminded everyone that today is election day and encouraged those who have not yet voted to do so as the polls will remain open until 8:00 p.m.

City Clerk Poirier invited staff and public to view the works of Torrance Artist Guild member and city employee Allan Stansbury on display in the City Clerk's office for the month of November.

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6A. RECOGNITION OF REGINA DELORES TERRAZAS

Mayor Scotto presented a proclamation to World War II veteran Regina "Reggie" Delores Terrazas in recognition of her distinguished service and dedication to her country, city and community.

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1

7A. Roseanne Villalobos, Torrance Rose Float Association, announced that a "Restaurant for Roses" fundraiser will be held at BJ's Restaurant on Thursday, November 6, from 11:00 a.m. to midnight.

7B. Jeannine Madden, Torrance Art Museum Advocates, announced that the next exhibition at the Torrance Art Museum will be "South Bay Focus 2014," a contemporary and traditional art juried exhibition, which will run from November 11 to December 5, with the opening reception on Saturday, November 8, from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

7C. Margaret Kingman announced that the Senior Arts and Crafts Fair will be held on Saturday, November 1, at the Ken Miller Recreation Center from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

7D. Debbie Hays, Torrance Historical Society, announced that the museum will be hosting a book signing featuring Roger Owens author of *Perfect Pitch - Life Story of the Famous Peanut Man from Dodger Stadium* on Sunday, November 9, at 2:00 p.m.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

8A. FEE AGREEMENT RE LEGAL SERVICES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Attorney that City Council approve a fee agreement with Manning & Kass, Ellrod, Ramirez, Trester LLP to provide legal services in the case of J.J.D., a minor, et al. v. City of Torrance, et al., for a total contract amount not to exceed \$250,000.

8B. AGREEMENT RE PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY/ VISTA MONTANA/ ANZA AVENUE INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council award a consulting services agreement to Onward Engineering of Anaheim, CA in the amount of \$290,191 to perform design services, potential right-of-way assessments and acquisitions, project development including obtaining Caltrans permits for the Measure R project F-50 - Pacific Coast Highway at Vista Montana/Anza Avenue Intersection Improvements Project, T-154 (B2014-39).

8C. TORRANCE ROSE FLOAT ASSOCIATION 2013-2014 ANNUAL REPORT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council accept and file the Torrance Rose Float Association 2013-2014 Annual Report.

8D. AGREEMENT WITH THE TORRANCE ROSE FLOAT ASSOCIATION

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council approve an agreement between City of Torrance and the Torrance Rose Float Association to provide funding for the 2015 Torrance Rose Parade Float in the amount of \$100,000.

8E. AGREEMENT AMENDMENT RE VEHICLE TOWING AND STORAGE SERVICES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Chief of Police that City Council approve an amendment to a contract services agreement with Van Lingen Towing Inc. (C2011-169) to extend the term of the agreement through September 15, 2015.

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

10. PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

10A. RESOLUTION OF INTENTION RE TOURISM BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Adopt a Resolution of Intention to renew the Torrance Tourism Business Improvement District (TTBID);
- 2) Declare the intention to renew the assessment on lodging businesses within the district;
- 3) Fix time and place for a public meeting and public hearing thereon and give notice thereof; and
- 4) Approve the continued annual expenditure of \$33,000.

Economic Development Manager Fulton reported that staff was recommending that the Torrance Tourism Business Improvement District be renewed, with the public meeting to be held on January 13, 2015 and the public hearing on January 27, 2015. She noted that staff was also recommending that the City continue its contribution of \$33,000 per year for a voting seat on the Discover Torrance Board of Directors, the governing body for TTBD.

City Attorney Fellows offered a correction to Resolution 2014-124, paragraph 12 – replacing the word “City Clerk” with “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. 2014-124

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO RENEW THE TORRANCE TOURISM
BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (TTBD) AND FIXING THE TIME AND
PLACE FOR A PUBLIC MEETING AND A PUBLIC HEARING THEREON
AND GIVING NOTICE THEREOF

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft moved to adopt Resolution No. 2014-124 as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Weideman and passed by unanimous vote.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

12A. ORDINANCE REGULATING UNATTENDED COLLECTION BOXES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council:

- 1) Adopt an amended Ordinance modifying the Torrance Municipal Code regulating unattended collection boxes; and
- 2) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

Community Development Director Gibson reported that Ordinance 3780 as adopted at last week’s Council meeting, included amendments that were drafted on the spot based on discussion by the Council and the wording of the amendments has since been refined, therefore staff was recommending that the Council adopt the Ordinance again this evening with the revised language.

ORDINANCE NO. 3780

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE,
CALIFORNIA, ADDING ARTICLE 40 TO CHAPTER 2 OF DIVISION 9 OF
THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO REGULATE THE INSTALLATION
AND OPERATION OF UNATTENDED COLLECTION BOXES

MOTION: Councilmember Weideman moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3780 as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rizzo and passed by a 6-1 vote, with Councilmember Ashcraft voting no.

Items 12B and 13A were heard concurrently.

12B. URGENCY ORDINANCE EXTENDING MORATORIUM ON UNATTENDED COLLECTION BOXES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council:

- 1) Adopt an interim Urgency Ordinance extending a moratorium on the issuance of any permits or licenses for unattended collection boxes; and
- 2) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

13. HEARINGS

13A. URGENCY ORDINANCE EXTENDING MORATORIUM ON UNATTENDED COLLECTION BOXES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council:

- 1) Adopt an interim Urgency Ordinance extending a moratorium on the issuance of any permits or licenses for unattended collection boxes; and
- 2) Approve an ordinance summary for publication.

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

Community Development Director Gibson advised that staff was recommending that the moratorium on the issuance of permits or licenses for unattended collection boxes be extended to January 5, 2015 so that it remains in place until Ordinance No. 3780 becomes effective and this added time will also allow staff to organize enforcement efforts for unpermitted boxes.

As no one from the public came forward to speak, the public hearing was closed.

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

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

URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 3781

AN INTERIM ZONING ORDINANCE ADOPTED AS AN URGENCY MEASURE
ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARAY MORATORIUM ON UNATTENDED COLLECTION
BOXES

MOTION: Councilmember Ashcraft moved to adopt Urgency Ordinance No. 3781. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Weideman and passed by unanimous vote.

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2

17A. Councilmember Griffiths announced that the South Bay Environmental Services Center, located at 20285 Western Avenue, Suite 100, will be offering a free holiday light exchange, which will allow residents to exchange one string of incandescent lights for one string of energy efficient LED lights, on November 13 and 14 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

17B. Councilmember Griffiths noted that there was still time remaining for people to vote and wished everyone a happy Veteran's Day.

17C. Councilmember Rizzo also encouraged people to vote and echoed Veteran's Day greetings.

17D. Councilmember Weideman reported on his attendance at the Excellence in Arts Awards and the Adventures in Arts Awards the previous weekend.

17E. Councilmember Ashcraft offered reminders about the Torrance Rose Float fundraiser on Thursday, November 6, at BJ's Restaurant and the Senior Arts and Crafts Fair on Saturday, November 8, at the Ken Miller Recreation Center.

17F. Councilmember Barnett invited the public to participate in the 35th annual Turkey Trot Fun Run on Thanksgiving morning beginning at 8:00 a.m. in the Sam's Club parking lot.

17G. Councilmember Goodrich encouraged the public to personally thank veterans they come into contact with on Veteran's Day.

17H. Mayor Furey commented on the symbolism of Veteran's Day and stated that he was honored to present Ms. Terrazas with the proclamation earlier this evening.

17I. Mayor Furey reported that he opened the Torrance Small Business Seminar this morning at the Ken Miller Recreation Center and approximately 150-200 businesses were attendance.

17J. Mayor Furey encouraged everyone to participate in the Turkey Trot Fun Run on Thanksgiving morning.

17K. Debbie Hays, Torrance, reported that the young readers version of Laura Hillenbrand's best-selling book *Unbroken*, the life story of Louis Zamperini, will be released on Veteran's Day.

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Considered earlier in the meeting, see page 1.

19. ADJOURNMENT

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Attest:

/s/ Patrick J. Furey

Mayor Patrick J. Furey

/s/ R. Poirier

City Clerk Rebecca Poirier, MMC

Approved on November 18, 2014