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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 15, 1983, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Applegate, Rossberg, Wilson, Wirth and Mayor Armstrong. Councilman Walker arrived at 5:45 P.M.

Absent: Councilwoman Geissert (out of town).

Also present: City Manager Jackson and Staff representatives.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mr. Robert Billett led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The invocation was provided by Pastor Lloyd Newlin, First Baptist Church.

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Considered by the Council at this time, out of order:

11. POLICE AND FIRE MATTERS:

11a. SWEARING IN OF THE NEW POLICE CHAPLAIN.

RECOMMENDATION OF POLICE DEPARTMENT:

That Pastor Lloyd Newlin be sworn in as the Police Department Chaplain.

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Mayor Armstrong formally introduced Pastor Lloyd Newlin, and extended congratulations on behalf of all present. The Oath of Office was then administered by City Clerk Babb -- the Chaplain's Badge and Police Identification Card were presented by Chief of Police Nash, with grateful acceptance by Chaplain Newlin.

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STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Wilson moved to approve the minutes of January 25, 1983, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Walker had not yet arrived at the meeting; Councilwoman Geissert absent).

6. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Applegate moved that after the City Clerk has assigned a number and read title to any resolution or ordinance on tonight's agenda, the further reading thereof 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 Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Walker had not yet arrived at the meeting; Councilwoman Geissert absent).

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

None scheduled.

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With deep regret, Mayor Armstrong announced the passing of Mrs. Gladys Woodall, mother-in-law of Mayor Doerr, City of Redondo Beach; and Mr. Henry Kelley, husband of a long-time City employee -- it was the request of the Mayor that this meeting be adjourned in their memory.

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8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:8a. PRESENTATION OF "WATER CONSERVATION CUP":

The "Water Conservation Cup" was presented members of the Council and the Mayor by representatives of Dominguez Water Corporation in behalf of their water conservation campaign.

8b. PRESENTATION TO STEPHEN COLLINS:

In recognition of his heroic deeds in helping the Police apprehend a bank robbery suspect, a plaque of appreciation was presented Mr. Stephen Collins by Mayor Armstrong, on behalf of the Council and residents of the City of Torrance.

8c. PRESENTATION TO MISS RUTHANNE TEDMAN.

Mayor Armstrong presented a plaque to Miss Ruthanne Tedman, in recognition of her achievement in winning the 1983 Publisher's Award from the California Newspaper Youth Foundation for her outstanding work as a newspaper carrier.

8d. PROCLAMATION - "Employ the Older Worker Week" -  
March 13-19, 19838e. PROCLAMATION - "Medical Assistant Week" -  
March 14-8, 1983

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

8f. RESOLUTION declaring the month of March as "Red Cross Month"RESOLUTION NO. 83-44

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE DECLARING THE MONTH OF  
MARCH AS "RED CROSS MONTH"

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-44. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

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9. LIBRARY/PARKS AND RECREATION MATTERS:

9a. DONATION OF LUMBER AND SUPPLIES FROM THE TORRANCE CRAFTSMANS' GUILD FOR JOSLYN CENTER OF THE ARTS GALLERY.

RECOMMENDATION OF PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR/PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION/FINE ARTS COMMISSION:

1. That your Honorable Body accept this generous donation from the Torrance Craftsmans' Guild; and
2. That a letter be sent to the Torrance Craftsman's Guild President, Mary Ogawa, on behalf of the City, acknowledging our appreciation for the donation.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the above stated recommendation. His motion, seconded by Councilman Rossberg, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

9b. DONATION OF \$50.00 TO THE TORRANCE AREA READING COUNCIL AUTHORS' FAIR BY THE LIBRARY COMMISSION

RECOMMENDATION:

The Library Commission has made a special effort to participate in community groups that support libraries and reading. Commission Chairperson Mary Cooper will be a guest of TARC President Echo Davis throughout the Authors' Fair. The Commission would like to contribute to the success of this event by sponsoring an author. The Library Commission RECOMMENDS that your Honorable Body support their request to expend \$50.00 from their budget to support a local author at the Fourth Annual Authors' Fair, May 17, 1983. The Library Department concurs in this recommendation.

MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the Library Commission and the Library Department. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

9c. RESOLUTION URGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SEPARATE CITY LIBRARIANS' DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES:

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY LIBRARIAN:

This subject has been discussed with the Library Commission and they agree, in concept, with the need for a City Librarians' Department within the League. We would appreciate your adoption of the Resolution urging establishment of a separate City Librarians' Department within the League of California Cities.

CITY MANAGER'S NOTE:

In regard to the establishment of another League department, the City Manager does not believe it is a significant advantage to the City. It will be an additional department of which to keep track; and it may require expenditure by the City for membership and conferences.

Furthermore, the City is well represented in other Library organizations.

In response to questions posed by Councilman Applegate, City Librarian Buckley advised that there are some 10 departments within the League now recognized as separate departments; most departments within the City have their own separate organizations in the League; and there is no additional cost other than that of membership, which the City already has. City Manager Jackson noted likely additional costs by way of conference participation, Commissioner attendance, etc. It was then confirmed by Councilman Applegate that adoption of the subject resolution only urges establishment of the department and is in no way a financial commitment; it would be incumbent upon City Librarian Buckley, under normal budgetary considerations, to make a determination regarding the expenditure of same.

It was the comment of Councilman Wirth that currently libraries are almost an "endangered species" because of the fiscal outlook; the proposed League department might help that situation.

RESOLUTION NO. 83-45

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE URGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SEPARATE CITY LIBRARIANS' DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES

Councilman Wirth moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-45. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:

- 10a. RESOLUTION re: Agreement with Southern California Edison Company for Extension of Underground Electric Line at Rolling Hills Way and Airport Drive.

RESOLUTION NO. 83-46

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT

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AND EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT  
FROM THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON  
COMPANY FOR THE EXTENSION OF UNDER-  
GROUND ELECTRIC LINE AT THE TORRANCE  
AIRPORT (ROLLING HILLS WAY AND  
AIRPORT DRIVE)

Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-46. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

- 10b. RESOLUTION re: Crenshaw Boulevard - Maricopa Street to Carson Street.

RESOLUTION NO. 83-47

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR  
STREET EASEMENTS ON CRENSHAW BOULEVARD  
BETWEEN MARICOPA STREET AND CARSON STREET

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-47. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

- 10c. RESOLUTION OF INTENTION - Proposed Vacation of a Portion of Newton Street west of Neece Avenue adjacent to Lots 34 and 35, Block B, Tract No. 7506.  
Proponent and Beneficiary: Mr. George G. Thompson

RESOLUTION NO. 83-48

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE DECLARING ITS INTENTION  
TO VACATE A PORTION OF NEWTON STREET  
ADJACENT TO LOTS 34 AND 35, BLOCK B,  
TRACT NO. 7506, IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE;  
FIXING A TIME AND PLACE FOR THE HEARING  
THEREON AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION  
OF THIS RESOLUTION

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-48. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

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11. POLICE AND FIRE MATTERS:11a. SWEARING IN OF THE NEW POLICE CHAPLAIN.

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11b. DISPLAY BOARDS FOR THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS DETAIL OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.RECOMMENDATION OF CHIEF OF POLICE:

That the City Council appropriate \$600.00 from the Special Community Relations Donation account for the purpose of purchasing display boards.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the Chief of Police. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

12. PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:12a. REQUEST FOR ONE YEAR EXTENSION -

Tract No. 41168

Subdivider: Ponderosa Homes

Location: 25600 Crenshaw Blvd.

(Former Hillside School site)

No. of Lots: 40

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That the City Council approve a one year extension (to April 1, 1984) to allow the completion of public improvements per Subdivision Agreement dated April 1, 1982.

MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the City Engineer. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

14. PERSONNEL MATTERS:14a. FISCAL YEAR 1983 SUBCONTRACT AGREEMENTS AND REVISED PROGRAM MIX.RECOMMENDATION OF PERSONNEL MANAGER:

That your Honorable Body:

1. Adopt the revised program mix including the provision for individual referrals to identified vocational institutions;
2. Adopt the subject Resolution amending FY 83 contract with the State of California Employment Development Department.

RESOLUTION NO. 83-49

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST A CERTAIN CONTRACT AMENDMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above stated Staff recommendation and for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-49. His motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

- 14b. RESOLUTION re: TIEA - 1982-83 Supplemental #1  
(Deferral of Vacation Pay and Accrued Sick Leave)

RESOLUTION NO. 83-50

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH CERTAIN CHANGES REGARDING WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY TIEA, AMENDING RESOLUTION 82-165

Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-50. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

- 17a. REPLACEMENT OF AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM AT TORRANCE AIRPORT TOWER.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Building and Safety and Transportation Departments jointly recommend that \$24,000 be appropriated from the Airport Fund for the replacement of the air conditioning system at the Torrance Airport, and that the air conditioning system be sent to bid as soon as possible.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the above stated recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

17b. FINANCE DIRECTOR'S FINANCIAL REPORT/INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S OFFICIAL AUDIT OPINION:

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER:

That, by motion, your Honorable Body:

1. Acknowledge acceptance of the Finance Director's Financial Report and the Independent Auditor's Official Audit Opinion for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1982; and
2. Refer the Auditor's recommendations relative to internal controls/accounting procedures and the matter of selection of auditors for the 1982-83 fiscal year to the City Council Finance and Governmental Operations Committee.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the City Manager. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker. There were no objections, and it was so ordered. (Councilwoman Geissert absent.)

17c. RESOLUTION re: Lease Agreement between the City of Torrance and Mr. Roger Keeney, owner of ACME Aircraft.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Department of Transportation and Land Management Team concur in their recommendation that your Honorable Body approve the negotiated lease agreement as presented, and adopt the subject resolution in authorizing the execution of the subject lease agreement.

AIRPORT COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

The Airport Commission recommends approval of the lease agreement, with the exception of paragraph No. 21 (p.7), which shall be amended to read: "Lessee further agrees that it shall not operate or service any aircraft whose approach or departure noise levels exceed present or future established noise levels in existence at Torrance Municipal Airport." The Commissioners also wish to note that the 5-year term of the lease is a departure from the month-to-month terms of the majority of aeronautical lessees.

RESOLUTION NO. 83-51

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING  
THE EXECUTION OF THAT CERTAIN LEASE BETWEEN  
THE CITY OF TORRANCE AS LESSOR AND C.R. KEENEY  
AS LESSEE

Staff input was provided by Director of Transportation Horkay, with note of the fact that the Airport Commission recommendation would permit the lessee to service and sell fuel for jet aircraft. It was the recommendation of Councilman Rossberg

that it be clearly defined re: the dba limit and no jet aircraft service -- the concept could be approved and the lease could be appropriately reworded to include both items, subject to City Attorney approval. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-51, as above modified. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

Mr. Michael Bedinger, 4011 West 232nd Street, questioned agenda material as related to the Airport development diagram -- clarification was provided by Director of Transportation Horkay.

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17d. EXCHANGE OF HULL SUMP PROPERTY FOR JEFFERSON SCHOOL SITE FOR FIRE STATION NO. 6.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the recommendation of the Land Management Team, the Fire Chief and the City Manager that your Honorable Body approve the even-exchange of the Hull Sump property for 25,200 square feet of the Jefferson Middle School site and direct City Staff to transmit this proposal to the Torrance School District Board for consideration and approval.

It was the comment of Councilman Applegate that, in his opinion, the proposal going forward to the School District is extremely fair, from the standpoint of the City and its citizens -- it is simply an exchange of land to further provide and maintain levels of service that Torrance residents have learned to expect. Concurrence was voiced by Councilman Rossberg; "this is a very fair swap."

Mayor Armstrong provided clarification regarding this matter, noting that it is the position of the School District that the proposed land exchange is unacceptable. Comments from the audience were then invited by the Mayor.

Mrs. Dee Hardison, 2014 West 236th Street, recalled past history relating to the filling of the Hull Sump and noted the continuing homeowner interest in this property -- it is felt that this is a fair exchange, and these homeowners will appear at the School Board meeting when this matter is on their agenda.

Councilman Walker stated his observation that the schools provide a great deal of needed open space, and that open space should be preserved. After action is concluded on this specific item, per Mr. Walker, he will then make a motion that the Council research the possibility of purchasing all surplus school sites at reduced prices that are allowed by law.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the stated recommendation approving the subject exchange. The motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate.

Prior to roll call vote on the motion, discussion ensued. It was stated by Councilman Applegate, in reference to the above comments by Councilman Walker, that the matter of surplus school sites are best dealt with on a case-by-case basis -- an overall motion would defeat the purpose of the City's efforts in jointly working with the School Board. Mr. Applegate also elaborated on the token charge of \$1.00 per year for the Hull School Sump lease.

Mr. Bob Billett, 5510 Laurette Street, representing the Southwood Homeowners Association, reaffirmed their position of supporting a fire station in the Southwood area, and urged Council support of any and all measures which would accomplish this goal.

Roll call vote on Councilman Rossberg's motion was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

It was indicated by Councilman Walker that he would like to further consider his earlier suggestion re: the purchase of all surplus school sites -- this would put the School Board on notice that the City is going to be interested in looking at all school sites and the possibility of purchasing those school sites at a price brought forth under the law. This would permit the City, Mr. Walker continued, to have the first opportunity to acquire the property, and "we would not be sitting there finding ourselves bidding against a condominium developer after the fact, rather than before the fact."

Councilman Rossberg noted cooperative City/School Board committee meetings -- it would be his preference that future discussions be on an open basis, rather than on an adopted motion.

It was the feeling of Councilman Wirth that the School Board should be aware of the City's serious intent re: school sites. Councilman Applegate reaffirmed his position of dealing with the matter of school sites on a case-by-case basis.

Mayor Armstrong discussed the growth and decline of the school system, with note of the increased atmosphere of cooperation between the City and the School District during recent years. The Mayor recommended going forward with the present Council Committee arrangement to discuss common problems with the School Board, with judgments and evaluations to be made as they present themselves.

Councilman Walker's MOTION - That the Council research the possibility of purchasing all surplus school sites at reduced prices that are allowed by law - was seconded by Councilman Wirth, but FAILED TO CARRY, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Walker, Wirth.  
 NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate, Rossberg, Wilson;  
 Mayor Armstrong.  
 ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert.

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17e. PURCHASE OF COMMUNITY RECOGNITION ITEMS:RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That your Honorable Body appropriate \$7,000 from the General Fund to the City Clerk's budget for the purchase of 2000 Tile Coasters, 1500 Flat Coins and 250 Enamel Etched Domes.

FINANCE NOTE:

If approved, the appropriation should be from the General Fund Reserve for Contingencies.

Additionally, the Purchasing Division will be instructed to obtain competitive quotations from other responsible vendors to insure that the best prices are found.

CITY MANAGER'S NOTE:

The City Manager recommends that additional information be provided to the Council before the appropriation of \$7,000 is considered.

The information should include the following:

How many coasters, flat coins and etched dome plates does the City currently have in stock?

Why does the City need such a large number of recognition items: 2,000 coasters, 1,500 flat coins and 250 enamel etched domes, for the remainder of the 1982-83 fiscal year?

Can't the remaining balance of \$1,030 purchase enough recognition items until the next fiscal year budget consideration, which will commence within the next several months?

Furthermore, the City has just purchased \$1,470 worth of community recognition items.

Another option the Council may wish to consider is authorizing a portion of the requested appropriation to carry over to the next fiscal year; and request the City Clerk to submit an itemized budget of the community recognition items.

Desired clarification was provided by City Clerk Babb.

It was the comment of Councilman Applegate, pertaining to both the City Manager and City Clerk offices, that the above asked questions should have been resolved prior to

placement on the agenda -- this should be followed on such items in the future. Concurrence with these comments was indicated by Councilman Rossberg -- Mr. Rossberg also noted his desire for a complete inventory of the subject items and an overall projection of needs in this regard.

It was the consensus of the Council that this item be held for one week and returned as a total package. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

17f. EXECUTIVE SESSION re: Litigation.

Cancelled.

20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

20a. COUNCIL AUTHORIZATION:

- A. Purchase of Paramedia Cardiac Care System  
"LifePak 5"
- B. Authorize Sale of Two Existing Datascope  
Cardiac Care Systems

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING AGENT/FIRE CHIEF:

That Council authorize the purchase of the new "Lifepak 5" cardiac care unit from the Physio-Control Company of Redmond, Washington (sole source of supply); and authorize the sale of the two existing City datascope care units to the Schaefer Ambulance Company for the total amount of \$2,800.00.

FUNDING:

Funding to cover the additional amount required is available from within the Fire Department's existing EDUCATION AND TRAINING budget.

20b. AWARD OF ANNUAL CONTRACT Re: Purchase of Incandescent, Fluorescent Tungsten, Halogen, High Intensity Street and Traffic Signal Lamps on a Cooperative Purchase Program with Los Angeles County.

(Ref. Los Angeles County Agreement Nos. 44342 and 44344.)

Estimated Annual Expenditure: \$12,000.00

RECOMMENDATION

Therefore, in accordance with the City of Torrance's purchasing ordinance providing for "Cooperative Purchases" with other public agencies, it is recommended that Council authorize the City's continued participation in these Los Angeles County extended agreement until December 1983 for the purchase of Incandescent, fluorescent, tungsten halogen, high intensity street and traffic lamps and award contracts as follows:

1. Recommend an award be made for the extension of Agreement No. 44342 with West Lite Supply Co., Inc. of Los Angeles for the purchase of required incandescent, fluorescent, tungsten halogen street and traffic lamps in the total anticipated contract amount of \$10,000.00.
2. Recommend an award be made for the extension of Agreement No. 44342 with Lite Sales, Inc. of Glendale, CA. for the purchase of required high intensity discharge lamps in the total anticipated annual contract amount of \$2,000.00.

- 20c. NOTICE OF COMPLETION - Storm Drain in Beech Avenue, El Dorado Street and Cota Avenue -- (B82-40)

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That this project which was contracted through the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance be accepted by the City.

- 20d. NOTICE OF COMPLETION - Water Mains in Arlington Avenue, Cabrillo Avenue and Marcelina Avenue from Carson Street to Van Ness Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the work be accepted by the City.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with Staff recommendations on agenda items 20a, 20b, 20c and 20d. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

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The hour being 6:50 P.M. the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency, returning to its agenda at 6:55 P.M.

22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. Mrs. Dee Hardison, 2024 West 236th Street, Park Chairman, Sur La Brea Park, updated the Council re: vandalism problems at Sur La Brea Park -- there is a critical need for security lighting, tree and shrubbery trimming and increased police surveillance. "We are asking for some help," per Mrs. Hardison.

Parks and Recreation Director Barnett reported on efforts to alleviate the problems at this park.

Mr. Stan Smith, Chairman, Parks and Recreation Commission, pointed out the extensive efforts of the Vandalism Task Force, and their current frustrations, based on the priorities of the Police Department.

It was the direction of the Council that appropriate Staff members review this situation and devise remedial measures.

22b. Councilman Applegate (per prepared statement, of record) regarding the "sphere of influence of the County area known as 'The Estates' condominiums."

Formal action was as follows:

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved that the City Council take action tonight to support the LAFCO Staff recommendation which would change the sphere of influence for "The Estates" condominiums to the City of Rolling Hills Estates where it rightfully belongs. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

requested

22c. Councilman Applegate, that Staff provide a report regarding the bus accident on Narbonne Avenue this date.

22d. Civil Service Administrator Ghio pointed out the March 22nd meeting of the Council will commence at 6:00 P.M. for the purpose of an appeal by a dismissed Police Officer. Material has been provided the Council.

22e. Councilman Wilson announced that the Annual ICA Conference will be held on May 12th - 15th -- City Manager Jackson will be one of the principal speakers.

22f. Councilman Wilson requested Staff investigation re: a new location for the Torrance Mounted Posse Rodeo.

The time constraints faced by Mr. Lippard were noted by Councilman Applegate who MOVED that the Council give approval to the Mounted Posse to proceed in their attempts to obtain the County's permission for ½ of the needed land. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson. There were no objections, and it was so ordered. (Councilwoman Geissert absent.)

22g. Councilman Wirth reported on his recent trip to Washington, D.C. Conferences with Senator Levine and Congressman Anderson were also noted by Mr. Wirth.

22h. Councilman Wirth commended Staff for the successful completion of the Arlington Avenue and Plaza Del Amo corner.

22i. Mayor Armstrong elaborated on the Washington, D.C. trip -- with specific note of Senator Dole's speech re: Federal Revenue Sharing.

Also noted by the Mayor was the defeat of S.B. 66 which would have had an adverse impact on Cable TV.

22j. Mayor Armstrong commented on communication from Police Department advising that there has been a decrease in every category of major crime -- the Police Department was warmly commended for its highly professional Staff.

22k. The substantial victory by City Treasurer Rupert in the obtaining of Skypark project monies from Los Angeles County was praised by Mayor Armstrong.

22l. Mayor Armstrong noted the need to formulate a position on the Los Angeles County Beach Report, per his communication to the Council.

22m. Citizens re: recent storm: Mr. Millano, 3606 Sara Drive - Voiced complaints re: sump at Madrona and Spencer; dissatisfaction with City and Street Department personnel based on inefficiency in meeting storm needs; Mr. Joe Alerio - reviewed flood history in this area, the inadequate sump pumps, the need for quieter pumps, and recommended consideration of selling the sump land; and Mr. Russell West, 3605 Sara Drive, who congratulated the Street Department employees for their promptness and willingness to work with the neighbors -- these neighbors are very appreciative of their dedicated efforts.

22n. Re: Bishop Montgomery Sump:

Mr. John Bedard, 21317 Palos Verdes Boulevard, representing HADAT ("Homeowners Against Drilling in Torrance"), voiced their strong opposition to the Torrance Energy Company proposal for consolidated water injection and oil well operation at Bishop Montgomery Sump. A large number of people stood, at Mr. Bedard's request, to confirm the organized objection to the proposed project.

A formal letter of opposition (of record) was presented the Council by Mr. Bedard.

Other speakers voicing objections were: Mr. Jim Qualey, 5517 Cathann, President, Southwood Homeowners Association; and Mr. Ed Greene, Madrona Homeowners Association.

A lengthy discussion ensued -- a series of motions evolved, as follows:

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved that this matter be returned in two weeks for further review before proceeding. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth.

A SUBSTITUTE MOTION was offered by Councilman Applegate: That the City at this time go on record as being against the lease of this particular piece of property. The substitute motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, in order to get the motion on the floor.

There were further comments from the audience. Joining in opposition to the proposed project were Mr. Jeffrey Bradpiece, 22709 Fern Avenue and Mr. Kevin Brand, 21329 Mildred Avenue. Ms. Sophie Dreyfuss, 5215 Lenore Street, advised that she had advised proponent representative George Brewster re: meeting this date. A resident (name inaudible) at 5215 Lenore Street noted costly aspects of Environmental Impact Reports.

The SUBSTITUTE MOTION FAILED TO CARRY, by way of a tie vote, as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate, Wirth; Mayor Armstrong.  
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Rossberg, Walker, Wilson.  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert.

The MAIN MOTION, to defer the matter for two weeks, CARRIED, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Rossberg, Walker, Wilson, Wirth.  
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate; Mayor Armstrong.  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert.

It was clarified by Councilman Wirth that his affirmative vote on the Main Motion was to avoid another split vote and a "no action" situation.

Mayor Armstrong expressed appreciation, on behalf of the Council, for the courteous, thoughtful manner of those present on this matter.

At this point, Mr. Bedard thanked Planning Department Staff for their gracious assistance, with a special "thank you" to Ms. Venora Lee.

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ADJOURNMENT:

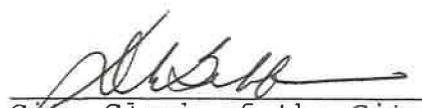
At 8:50 P.M. Councilman Wilson moved to adjourn to 6:00 P.M., Tuesday, March 22, 1983. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilwoman Geissert absent).

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Ava Cripe  
Minute Secretary

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