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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, November 15, 1983, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Applegate, Geissert, Rossberg, Walker, Wilson, Wirth and Mayor Armstrong.

Absent: None.

Also present: City Manager Jackson and Staff representatives.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Water System Superintendent O'Cain led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Paul Nakamura, Lutheran Oriental Church, gave the invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

None available.

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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.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:Transportation:

November 22nd at 5:30 P.M. - Will meet with Torrance Pilots Association re: General Aviation Center at Airport.

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Mayor Armstrong announced, with deep sadness and regret, the death of Mr. Hal Lindborg, a long devoted member of the community and of the Water Commission. It was the Mayor's request that this meeting be adjourned in his memory.

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It was the further request of Mayor Armstrong that City Clerk Babb proceed with the filling of the Water Commission vacancy in that it would have been Mr. Lindborg's desire that the City move forward in its affairs without interruption. Preparation of an appropriate plaque of recognition was desired by Mayor Armstrong and concurred in by the Council.

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8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:

- 8a. PROCLAMATION - "Toys for Tots Month" - November 15-December 15, 1983.

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

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

8c. PRESENTATION OF RETIREMENT PLAQUES.

Retiring employees Police Officer Clayne Virgin and Environmental Quality Officer David Cleveland were honored by plaques presented by Mayor Armstrong. These plaques acknowledged their dedicated service to the City, and were gratefully accepted by Messrs. Virgin and Cleveland.

The Council then returned to:

8b. RESOLUTION re: "Tom Sullivan Day"

RESOLUTION NO. 83-257

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE PROCLAIMING SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 1984, AS "TOM SULLIVAN DAY"

Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-257. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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The hour being 5:45 P.M., a 5-minute recess was ordered by Mayor Armstrong.

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8d. PROCLAMATION - "Winter Storm Preparedness Week" - November 13-19, 1983.

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

9. LIBRARY/PARKS AND RECREATION MATTERS:

9a. REQUEST OF RESIDENTS FOR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AT MIRAMAR PARK.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT:

The Department recommended concurring with the request for playground equipment on Miramar Park.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION:

The Commission did NOT concur with the Staff recommendation for playground equipment at Miramar Park,

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and that the Commission not consider playground equipment at this park.

Staff presentation, and desired clarification, were provided by Parks and Recreation Director Barnett.

Mr. Harvey Horwich, Chairman, Parks and Recreation Commission, reviewed the findings of the Commission relative to their decision against playground equipment: the park process is well along, dedication is at hand; a number of public hearings have been held, with no request at any time for playground equipment; the fact that there is playground equipment presently at the beach in this area, as well as at El Retiro Park; concerns re: view obstruction and the safety of small children playing on this bluff area.

Mr. David Lloyd, 201 Calle Miramar, noted long efforts of the neighborhood to attain a pleasant, attractive park, the intent of the residents being that it would be a passive park -- playground equipment would be offensive to the eye, and would be contrary to what the residents have been trying to achieve for this long period of time. It was the request of Mr. Lloyd that the Council not consider the playground equipment.

Next to speak was Ms. Pam Kelterborn, author of the petition, who stated that the desired playground equipment would not present problems related to views, space, etc. -- the request is for "a couple of small things for children to do while the parents or grandparents or aunts and uncles are sitting in the park."

Council discussion ensued. Councilman Walker stated that small playground equipment should not present problems, and there is an apparent interest in same. Councilman Rossberg noted that this park site is at a very dangerous intersection, and there are no plans for fencing the site; the beach area itself invites problems. Based on these concerns, Mr. Rossberg MOVED to concur with the concerns and recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Commission for denial of playground equipment at Miramar Park. The motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate.

A SUBSTITUTE MOTION was offered by Councilman Wilson: That the Council not take any action at this time, but return the item to the department for further input re: equipment, etc. The substitute motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, but FAILED TO CARRY, with roll call vote as follows:

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

The MAIN MOTION, to concur with the Parks and Recreation Commission that there be no play equipment, CARRIED, with roll call vote as follows:

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

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10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:10a. APPROVAL OF NINE BUS SHELTER LOCATIONS:RECOMMENDATION:

The Engineering, Building and Safety, and Transportation Departments recommend that your Honorable Body approve the nine bus shelter locations listed in agenda item, of record.

CITY ENGINEER'S NOTE:

Because of minimum clearance needs in parkways for pedestrians and wheel chairs, it may be necessary at some locations for Target Media to acquire encroachment permission from adjacent private property owners.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the above stated Staff recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Councilman Applegate expressed his concerns re: problems which might be presented by newspaper vending machines at the shelters. Building and Safety Director Grippo advised that this situation will be monitored by Staff.

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10b. RESOLUTION re: Crenshaw Boulevard - Maricopa Street to Carson Street - Right-of-Way Acquisition.RESOLUTION NO. 83-258

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR A STREET EASEMENT ON CRENSHAW BOULEVARD BETWEEN MARICOPA STREET AND CARSON STREET AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ACCEPT AND EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENT WITH ROSS E. AND RUBY YAMAHATA

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Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-258. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

14. PERSONNEL MATTERS:

- 14a. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION ACTION sustaining the medical disqualification of Jon Ziegler for the position of Groundskeeper (Appeal 83-32).

The recommendation of Civil Service Administrator Ghio that this appeal be returned to the Civil Service Commission for reconsideration of newly submitted medical findings was noted by the Council. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

- 14b. RESOLUTION re: addition of Employment Program Specialists and upgrading of Intake Interviewer Position to Manpower Clerk II position.

RESOLUTION NO. 83-259

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH CERTAIN CHANGES IN WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EXTERNALLY FUNDED AND LIMITED TENURE EMPLOYEES

Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-259. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

- 14c. RESOLUTION re: City Attorneys' Association Memorandum of Understanding.

RESOLUTION NO. 83-260

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH THE WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE CITY ATTORNEYS' ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 30, 1983 TO JUNE 30, 1984

Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-260. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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15. HEARINGS:

- 15a. CUP 83-25, Waldsut-Bauholding N.V. (Lester Kuzmick):
Continued public hearing of a request for City Council consideration of an appeal of a Planning Commission denial of a retail use (sale of wine for off-premise consumption) on a portion of the property in the M-1 (PP) zone at 2565 West 237th Street. THE PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS DENIAL OF THE APPEALED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT. THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS APPROVAL OF THE SUBJECT APPEAL, WITH CONDITIONS.

Proof of Publication was presented by City Clerk Babb, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, and inquired if anyone wished to be heard.

Representing the proponent, Attorney Scott Pollard provided a brief history re: the status of the proposed project. The primary desire is to sell fine wine, per Mr. Pollard, as a low volume sales outlet; this being primarily a hobby for Mr. Kuzmick. Appropriate restrictions and limitations by the Council were recommended by Mr. Pollard. Mr. Kuzmick was available for questions.

Mr. Don Wilson, 21515 Hawthorne Boulevard, stated that he is the owner of substantial property adjacent to the subject property, and expressed his concern regarding this request to sell wine at this location. This would be precedent-setting, according to Mr. Wilson, and would also be a "real bad mistake." Denial was requested.

There being no one else present who wished to be heard, Councilman Rossberg moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Walker moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission for DENIAL of CUP 83-25. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable, "yes" being for denial.

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- 15b. PP 83-1, MANNY H. AND JULIE S. RUBINSTEIN: Appeal of Planning Commission approval of a Precise Plan of Development to allow the construction of a first and second-story addition to an existing one-story residence in the Hillside Overlay District in the R-1 zone at 209 Vista del Sol.

Proof of Publication was presented by City Clerk Babb, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the subject hearing, and, following Staff presentation by Planning Associate Bihn, invited comments from the audience.

Speakers were:

Mr. Steve Kaplan, 1413 Sepulveda Boulevard, Manhattan Beach, representing the applicant: Advised that the second story addition is only 6½ feet higher than the existing one story structure, and the second story addition will only encompass 750 square feet -- these dimensions are the result of his client's efforts and desire to compromise. The letter and the spirit of the Hillside Ordinance have been met, per Mr. Kaplan. Also specifically noted were his clients' continued efforts to redesign this project, a reflection of their sensitivity to development in the hillside area.

Mr. Paul Johnson (who filed the neighborhood appeal) stated that the residents in the area do not feel that there has been a real effort to scale down the model -- there is a better way of designing this project, in his opinion. This is an attempt to construct a huge house on a small lot in a modest area that is not in line with the Hillside Ordinance, per Mr. Johnson.

Ms. Vivienne Jay, 205 Vista del Sol: Reaffirmed comments contained in her communication, of record -- the proposed project will seriously affect her air and sunlight.

Mr. Richard Loftus, 206 Paseo de Suenos: Stated that he had adhered to the letter and the spirit of the ordinance with an addition at his residence -- such compliance has not been evidenced in the subject case.

Mr. Joseph Sullivan, 117 Paseo de Suenos, representing Riviera Homeowners Association: Reaffirmed this Association's opposition to the proposed project.

Resident (name unclear) at 214 Vista del Sol: The proposed project would be detrimental to her property and view.

Ms. Barbara Johnson, 210 Paseo de Suenos, read letter from Lynn Negas, M.D., 218 Vista del Sol, expressing opposition to the proposed second story addition because of view impact and the effect of future market value of the property.

Mr. Robert Kusior, 218 Paseo de Suenos: Deemed the proposed project incompatible with the area; denial was recommended.

A letter of objection from Mr. and Mrs. McSweeney, corner of Vista del Sol and Camino de Encanto, was submitted by Ms. Jay, for the record.

Mr. Kaplan returned at this time to respond to the foregoing comments, stating that each case has its own peculiar and particular facts and should be so reviewed by the Council.

There being no one else who wished to be heard, Councilman Applegate moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

It was the comment of Councilwoman Geissert that while the height of the proposed addition has been reduced rather dramatically, it is still a substantial addition. Mrs. Geissert noted that the building pads in this area are quite small, along with the unique cut in the hillside. Privacy protection is strived for by residents, and it should be maintained as much as possible.

Councilwoman Geissert then MOVED to grant the appeal. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson.

Councilman Rossberg stated that, in his opinion, the proposed addition does not create a substantial view blockage, and it seems to him that the Planning Commission and Planning Department have done their "homework."

The following SUBSTITUTE MOTION was offered by Councilman Rossberg: To DENY THE APPEAL and approve the project. The substitute motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, but FAILED TO CARRY, with roll call vote as follows:

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

The MAIN MOTION to grant the appeal and deny the project, CARRIED, with roll call vote as follows:

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

It was the direction of the Council that the project be denied without prejudice.

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15c. V 83-3, LUZ BURNS. Approval of a Variance to allow a Commercial Use in an R-1 zone at 25506 Crenshaw Boulevard. THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT RECOMMEND DENIAL OF THE VARIANCE.

Proof of Publication was presented by City Clerk Babb, and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the subject public hearing, and inquired if anyone wished to be heard.

The attorney for the proponent, Mr. Edward Seeair (?), reviewed the background history of the subject property and the unique circumstances surrounding same. Also noted was his client's willingness to accept conditions which might be imposed -- the building is small; the use would be limited. There was further input, for purposes of clarification, by Ms. Luz Burns.

The problems presented by the property were reviewed by the Council. Councilman Applegate questioned what could be an allowable use short of tearing down the building, suggesting that perhaps a restricted variance might be granted, with wording, "to the satisfaction of the Planning Director and the City Attorney." City Attorney Remelmeyer indicated that there could be such an arrangement.

There being no one else present who wished to be heard, Councilman Rossberg moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Concurrence with Mr. Applegate's comments was indicated by Councilman Rossberg -- review in one year was also recommended.

It was the suggestion of City Attorney Remelmeyer that he be directed to prepare an appropriate document to be returned to the Council which will embody the above concepts. Councilman Rossberg so MOVED. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

(This item continued to December 6, 1983 - See Page 16.)

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The hour being 7:53 P.M. the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency, returning to its agenda at 7:54 P.M. A 10-minute recess was ordered by Mayor Armstrong at that time.

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At the request of Mayor Armstrong, City Manager Jackson advised that Director of Transportation Horkay had a SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:

After an extensive recruitment and testing process of over 40 applicants, the new Airport Manager has been selected --MR. JOHN CAGAANAN. Warm congratulations were extended by all present.

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17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17a. ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY BY EMINENT DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS FOR CRENSHAW BOULEVARD WIDENING.

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for consideration of the subject matter, first ascertaining that appropriate property owners had been notified re: this meeting, and further noting that prior to the initiation of the condemnation action, the City Council must make the following findings:

1. That the public interest and necessity requires the project;
2. That the project is planned and located in the manner that will be most compatible with the greatest public good and the least private injury;
3. That the property sought to be acquired is necessary for the project;

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4. That the owners of the parcels have been offered the current market value as determined by appraisal.

Formal Staff presentation was made by City Engineer Bourbonnais, as follows:

"To present you with some data in support of the findings that you are asked to make this evening, I present the following:

"Finding No. 1 - That the public interest and necessity requires the project: The average daily traffic on Crenshaw Boulevard in the project area exceeds 35,000 vehicles per day, which is far greater than the 25,000 vehicles per day capacity of the existing four-to-five lane facility. Also, the intersection of Torrance Boulevard and Crenshaw Boulevard left-turning activities warrant separate protected signal phases for those movements. Because protected left turn movements take time away from through movements, the double left turn lanes to be provided by the project are necessary for public convenience and safety. Thirdly, the project area of Crenshaw Boulevard will be widened to provide the same capacity -- that is, six through lanes -- as currently exists north and south of the project area. The public's past investment in improving Crenshaw Boulevard will be fully returned only by removing the existing bottleneck that is, in fact, the project area.

"Finding No. 2 - That the project is planned and located in the manner that will be most compatible with the greatest public good and the least private injury. Crenshaw Boulevard exists and its widening, as opposed to diverting traffic to and widening parallel streets is less costly to the public and involves less intrusion onto existing private property. Also, the specific alignment of the proposed project, as opposed to equal widening in a different fashion; requires the least number of parcel acquisitions, and the fewest number of building remodelings.

"Finding No. 3 - That the property sought to be acquired is necessary for the project. All lane dimensions currently planned are the minimum safe widths necessary to operate the widened Crenshaw Boulevard as a six through lane facility, with double left turn lanes at Torrance Boulevard. Also, the distance from curb faces to proposed property lines will be the minimum required for safe pedestrian passage.

"Finding No. 4 - That the owners of the parcels have been offered the fair market value as determined by appraisal. The City hired Mr. Howard Martin, a professional appraiser, and Mr. Martin did report to the City his appraisal of the fair market values of the parcels recommended for acquisition by eminent domain. His appraisals are in the record of the Engineering Department. Mr. Tom Quan was hired by the City to negotiate for the acquisition of the appraised parcel, and he declares in this document I have with me that he has offered the appraised amount - that is, the amount in Mr. Martin's summary of just compensation to the owners of the parcels recommended for acquisition by eminent domain proceedings."

Persons desiring to speak were invited by Mayor Armstrong to come forward at this time.

Mrs. Mary Jean DeLaContreras, natural daughter of Helen Smithart, 21225 Devan Street, Walnut, California, stated that she was here to speak of behalf of her mother, and advised that they were not in opposition to anything the City of Torrance wants to do to her mother's property; the problem relates to obtaining clear title to the property. (At a question posed by Mayor Armstrong, City Attorney Remelmeyer advised that this is not an appropriate subject for the Council, the matter before the Council being the question of the acquisition of the property and its necessity to eminent domain proceedings, not who will receive the compensation nor the amount of compensation. The Council cannot solve the problem of the Smithart property, per Mr. Remelmeyer; this will perhaps have to be solved by the court or by the parties themselves. It is not related to the question faced by the Council at this time, according to the City Attorney.)

Mayor Armstrong then advised Mrs. DeLaContreras that he would allow her to proceed, but with note of the City Attorney's findings.

The background history of the conflict surrounding the Smithart property was provided by this speaker, with note of the family friction involving her brother, Alvin Smithart. It was the request of Mrs. DeLaContreras that the City acquire title of the property by eminent domain; that the title, if at all possible, be clear for her mother and the City -- that Alvin Smithart not receive any compensation for the easement as he is not legally nor morally entitled to it. It was the further request of Mrs. DeLaContreras that the District Attorney investigate the case for fraud; she and her mother will fully cooperate to bring this matter to a legal and moral end.

City Attorney Remelmeyer reaffirmed that this is a matter that the court will have to decide.

Mr. Alvin Smithart, 3815 Bluff Street, expressed his concern regarding the foregoing remarks, and then recited his version of the background history of the subject property. It was also stated by Mr. Smithart that there is an attempt to circumvent ~~his~~ ownership. Mayor Armstrong reiterated the need for legal interpretation by the courts. It was the added remark of Mr. Smithart re: Item No. 4 that the fee owner was never offered the fair market value of the property.

There were no other speakers.

Councilman Applegate moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

At the request of City Attorney Remelmeyer, the declaration of Mr. Tom Quan was entered into the official record of this meeting, noting that Mr. Quan stated that he did offer Mr. Smithart the value of his interest as determined by the appraisal. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

Mayor Armstrong requested that City Clerk Babb assign a number and read title to the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 83-261

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND NECESSITY REQUIRE

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ACQUISITION BY EMINENT DOMAIN OF AN
EASEMENT FOR STREET PURPOSES IN EACH
OF TWO PARCELS OF LAND LYING ALONG
CRENSHAW BOULEVARD IN THE CITY OF
TORRANCE AND AUTHORIZING THE ACQUI-
SITION OF SAID PROPERTIES BY EMINENT
DOMAIN PROCEEDINGS

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-261. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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The Council returned to the following:

Item 15c: V 83-3, Luz Burns

City Attorney Remelmeyer noted the need to continue the public hearing in this matter to a date certain.

Councilman Applegate MOVED to reopen the subject public hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to continue Item 15c, V83-3, Luz Burns, to December 6, 1983, at 5:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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17b. GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION - March 6, 1984.RECOMMENDATION:

It is the recommendation of the City Clerk that:

1. Precincts for the General Municipal Election be consolidated at a two-to-one ratio, with exceptions as needed for precincts where personnel and polling place restrictions require three- or four-to-one consolidation;
2. The City pay Inspectors, Judges, Clerks and custodians the flat County rate.
3. Council authorize use of Votamatic Ballot;
4. The polls be open from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.;
5. Council authorize the self-mailer sample ballot and voter information pamphlet;
6. Council approve an "English Only" sample ballot and voter information pamphlet containing a statement in Spanish informing those persons that they can obtain a Spanish translation of election materials by contacting the Office of the City Clerk.
7. Council limit the number of words for the candidates' statement of qualifications to 200, and require a candidate who files a statement to pay a proportionate sum of the cost of printing, not to exceed \$300.

There are adequate funds in the City Clerk's Election Budget to handle the expenses of the foregoing recommendations.

MOTION: Councilman Rossberg moved to concur with the above stated recommendations of the City Clerk. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

17c. RESOLUTION re: Calling and Giving Notice of the 1984 General Municipal Election.RESOLUTION NO. 83-262

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD

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IN THE CITY ON TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 1984,
FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS
OF THE CITY AS REQUIRED BY THE
PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-262. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

- 17d. RESOLUTION re: Purchase and Installation of Heavy Duty Truck Hoist - Expenditure: \$17,970.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 83-263

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, APPROVING THE NEGOTIATION OF A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL ONE NEW HEAVY DUTY TRUCK HOIST AT THE CITY GARAGE AT 20466 MADRONA, AND APPROPRIATING \$17,970 FOR SAID WORK

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-263. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

18. SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

- 18a. ORDINANCE NO. 3077.

ORDINANCE NO. 3077

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY WHICH IS LOCATED AT 18208-18260 SOUTH PRAIRIE AVENUE FROM CR TO ZONE C-2 PP
ZC 83-8: JOSEPH BROWN

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3077 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert, Rossberg, Walker,
Wilson, Wirth; Mayor Armstrong.
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate (not present at
first reading).

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18b. ORDINANCE NO. 3078.ORDINANCE NO. 3078

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING ARTICLE 2 OF
CHAPTER 17 OF DIVISION 2 OF THE
TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO
THE PAYROLL REVOLVING FUND

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3078 at its second and final reading. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Wilson, carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert, Rossberg, Walker,
Wilson, Wirth; Mayor Armstrong.
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate (not present at first
reading).

18c. ORDINANCE NO. 3079.ORDINANCE NO. 3079

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 228.14.1
AND REPEALING SECTION 228.14.2 OF THE
TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE FOR
THE ABOLITION OF THE SEVERANCE TAX FUND
AND THE PLACEMENT OF OIL SEVERANCE TAXES
IN THE GENERAL FUND

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3079 at its second and final reading. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert, Rossberg, Walker,
Wilson, Wirth; Mayor Armstrong.
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate (not present at first
reading)

20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

20a. AWARD OF CONTRACT -Re: Purchase of Budgeted Replacement
Heavy Equipment Trailer (12,000 lb. rated capacity)
Ref. Bid No. B83-61
Expenditure: \$6,776.31

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/PURCHASING AGENT:
That Council accept the low bid submitted by the
United Equipment Company of Ontario, California, and

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for Council to award them the contract for the required trailer for the total amount of \$6,844.76 less the 1% invoice pay discount offered, or \$6,776.31 total including tax.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the Staff recommendation on agenda item 20a. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. Councilman Applegate announced: (1) that the Harry Sutter Turkey Trot will be held on Thanksgiving Day; and (2) that the 36th Annual YMCA Pancake Breakfast will be held on November 20th.

22b. Councilman Rossberg commended those responsible for the recognition of Tom Sullivan earlier this evening (agenda item 8b) as well as City Librarian Buckley for the efforts expended re: the Talking World Book.

22c. Councilman Wilson advised that the Independent Cities Association will be meeting on November 17th in Long Beach -- a forthcoming Board vacancy was also noted by Dr. Wilson.

22d. Mayor Armstrong requested that the Hillside Ordinance be referred to Community Design Committee of the Council for review and possible revision.

22e. Mr. Frank Passmore, 2460 - 239th Street, detailed problems he has encountered as Job Training Partnership Act applicant.

It was the direction of Mayor Armstrong that there be a direct investigation by Staff of the charges made by Mr. Passmore.

22f. Mr. Tim Sweetland, representing San Marino Roofing Company, reviewed problems related to a reroofing permit and the construction tax.

Mayor Armstrong referred this matter to the City Manager for resolution.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 9:05 P.M. the Council recessed for an Executive Session, returning at 9:30 P.M. to take the following action:

RESOLUTION NO. 83-264

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH THE WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR CROSSING GUARD EMPLOYEES FOR THE PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER 8, 1983 TO AUGUST 31, 1985

Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 83-264. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 9:32 P.M. Adjournment was dedicated to the memory of Mr. Hal Lindborg.

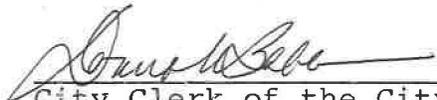
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Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary

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Mayor of the City of Torrance


City Clerk of the City of Torrance