

**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
FEBRUARY 2, 2010
REGULAR MEETING
5:30 P.M. - EXECUTIVE SESSION
7:00 P.M. - REGULAR BUSINESS BEGINS
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 3031 TORRANCE BL.**

OPENING CEREMONIES

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Mr. Barnett, Mr. Brewer, Mr. Furey, Mr. Numark,
Ms. Rhilinger, Mr. Sutherland, Mayor Scotto

2. FLAG SALUTE:

NON SECTARIAN INVOCATION:

The Courts have concluded that sectarian prayer as part of City Council meetings is not permitted under the Constitution.

3. REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA.

The agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Blvd on Thursday, January 28, 2010 /s/ Sue Herbers

MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING OF RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES AFTER NUMBER & TITLE

See Council Rules of Order Section 2.11 (Resolution 2006-65)

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

<p>Exxon Mobil Torrance Refinery Monthly Community Alert Siren testing Wednesday, February 3 @ approx. 11:30 a.m. For more information contact ExxonMobil Public Affairs Advisor (310) 212-4756</p>	<p>2010 CENSUS BY COMPLETING AND RETURNING YOUR CENSUS FORM, YOU HELP GUIDE FUNDING DECISIONS FOR OUR SCHOOLS, HOSPITALS AND EMERGENCY SERVICES, AS WELL AS AFFECT OUR VOICE IN CONGRESS. PLEASE COMPLETE AND MAIL BACK YOUR FORM. FOR MORE INFORMATION WWW.2010CENSUS.GOV</p>
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COUNCIL MEETING INFORMATION

All council meetings are open to the public. Oral Communications #1 is set aside after Community Matters for the public to have three minutes to address the City Council on any matter not on the agenda. Speakers may sign up at the podium prior to the meeting. An additional Oral Communications period follows the regular business of the City Council. No speaker under Oral Communications may speak more than one time per meeting.

Those who wish to speak on any matter on the agenda are asked to complete a "Request to Speak" card (available at the back of the Council Chamber) and deposit in the box on the podium before addressing the City Council.

Direct other questions or concerns to the City Council (618-2801), City Manager (618-5880) or individual department head prior to submission to the City Council. Parties will be notified if the complaint will be included on a subsequent agenda.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Manager's office at 618-5880. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. [28CFR35.102-35.104 ADA Title II].

NOTICE OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

At the time Council convenes or as soon thereafter as Council business can be disposed of, the City Council will take a recess without leaving their seats and meet as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance. As soon as the meeting of the Redevelopment Agency adjourns, the City Council will reconvene as the City of Torrance.

AGENDA REVIEW

Complete Council agendas are available for review at City Hall in the Office of the City Clerk and in all public libraries during all normal business hours as well as on City of Torrance Home Page - www.TorranceCA.Gov. Materials related to an item on the agenda submitted to the Council or Redevelopment Agency after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the City Clerk's office at 3031 Torrance Blvd. during normal business hours. Such documents are also available on the City of Torrance website at www.TorranceCA.Gov subject to staff's availability to post the documents before the meeting. A brief description of each Council item is also available 24 hours day on CitiCABLE Channel 3.

CITICABLE SCHEDULE AND HOMEPAGE LIVE AUDIO/VIDEO

City Council meetings are cablecast live Tuesdays in CitiCABLE Channel 3 and CitiSOUNDS AM 1620. Meetings are replayed Wednesday and Thursday at 10:00 p.m. and Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 10:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Channel 3. NOTE: if the meeting is over five (5) hours, the Friday, Saturday and Sunday replay schedule is 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. To watch live streaming and past Council meetings, log on to CitiNET at www.TorranceCA.Gov/2372.htm#

<p>MEETINGS</p> <p>Unless adjourned to another time or location the Torrance City Council meets every Tuesday in the City Hall Council Chamber at 3031 Torrance Blvd., at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session with the regular business commencing no earlier than 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Holidays falling on a Tuesday, 5th Tuesday of the month or Tuesday following a Monday holiday may be dark.</p>	<p>CITY HALL HOURS OF OPERATION</p> <p>Monday - Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. with offices closed alternate Fridays. City Hall will be CLOSED:</p> <p>Friday, January 29 Friday, February 12 President's Day, Monday, February 15</p>
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6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6A. Recognition of Pacific Lutheran High School Girls Volleyball Team.

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1 (Limited to a 30 minute period)

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8. CONSENT CALENDAR

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

8A. Public Works – Approve agreement amendment for inspection services for Water Well No. 9. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council approve a third amendment to consulting services agreement with AECOM USA, Inc. (C2008-012) extending the term of the agreement for inspection services for Water Well No. 9 for an additional twelve (12) months, through February 5, 2011.

8B. Community Services – Accept donation of sculpture to be installed in Miramar Park. Expenditure: Not applicable.

Recommendation of the Cultural Arts Commission and the Community Services Director that City Council approve a donation to the City of Torrance of a bronze sculpture called “Dreaming of the Kiss” for permanent installation in Miramar Park.

8C. Community Services – Award grant to Torrance Sister City Association and accept the 2009 annual report. Expenditure: \$1,500.

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council:

- 1) Award the Torrance Sister City Association (TSCA) a 2010 grant in the amount of \$1,500 and
- 2) Accept the Torrance Sister City Association 2009 Annual Report to City Council.

8D. Community Services – Approve 2009-2010 Grant Funding for Non-Profit Social Services Agencies. Expenditure: \$41,530.

Recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Community Services Director that City Council approve a total of \$41,530 for twenty applicants for the year 2009-2010 Grant Program for Non-Profit Social Services Agencies.

8E. Communications & Information Technology and Human Resources – Approve name change on workers compensation software maintenance and services contract. Expenditure: Not applicable.

Recommendation of the Information Technology Director and Human Resources Director that City Council approve an Assignment and Assumption agreement to change the name on the existing contract services agreement from GenSource to P&C Claims, Inc. (C2006-045) for workers compensation software maintenance and services.

8F. Communications & Information Technology – Approve purchase of annual software maintenance and support for Permit Plan/Business License/Interactive Voice Response (IVR) software. Expenditure: \$62,001.95

Recommendation of the Information Technology Director that City Council approve the purchase of annual software maintenance and support for the Tidemark Advantage Permit Plan/Business License/IVR software from Accela, Inc., of Palatine, IL, for an amount not to exceed \$62,001.95.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

8G. City Treasurer – Accept and file December 2009 monthly investment report.

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council accept and file the monthly investment report for December 2009.

8H. Public Works – Authorize payment for litigation expenses associated with West Coast Basin water judgment. Expenditure: \$28,194.35.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council authorize the payment of the West Basin Water Association assessment for litigation expenses associated with the amendment to the West Coast Basin water judgment in the amount of \$28,194.35.

8I. Public Works – Award agreement for construction of Storm Water Retention Basin and Channel Perimeter Fencing and Gates. Expenditure: \$66,239.25.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve the plans and specifications for construction of Storm Water Retention Basin and Channel Perimeter Fencing and Gates, FEAP #471 (B2009-44) on file in the Public Works Department;
- 2) Accept the error in the total bid price of the lowest bidder, Dash Construction Company, Inc. that was corrected from \$63,785 to \$63,085;
- 3) Award a public works agreement, with a 12-month term, to Dash Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$63,085; and
- 4) Authorize a 5% contingency in the amount of \$3,154.25 for the construction of Storm Water Retention Basin and Channel Perimeter Fencing and Gates, FEAP #471.

8J. Human Resources – Approve revised re-titled class specification for Traffic Signal Technician and approve revised class specifications for Electrician and Traffic Painter. Expenditure: Not applicable.

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

- 1) Approve the revised and re-titled class specification Traffic Signal Technician;
- 2) Approve the revised class specification for Electrician; and
- 3) Approve the revised class specification for Traffic Painter.

8K. Transit – Approve Memorandum of Understanding for allocation of Proposition A Interest funds. Expenditure: Not applicable.

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) for the allocation of Proposition A Interest funds for the period from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.

8L. Transit – Approve Memorandum of Understanding for allocation of Measure R 20% Bus Operation Funds. Expenditure: Not applicable.

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) for allocation of Measure R 20% Bus Operation Funds for the period of July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2015.

8M. Transit – Approve Memorandum of Understanding for allocation of Measure R Municipal Operators Regional Clean Fuel Bus Capital Facilities and Rolling Stock Funds. Expenditure: Not applicable.

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) for the allocation of Measure R Funds to Municipal Bus Operators Regional Clean Fuel Bus Capital Facilities and Rolling Stock Program for the period of July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2020.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

12A. City Manager – Adopt ORDINANCE granting pipeline franchise in the City of Torrance and repealing Ordinance No. 3448.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt an ORDINANCE granting Crimson California Pipeline System, LP, a California Limited Partnership a pipeline franchise to repeal and replace expired Franchise Ordinance No. 3448 to construct, lay, operate, test, maintain, use, renew, repair, replace, move, change the size and number of, and remove or abandon in place a system of pipelines and appurtenances, for the purpose of conducting, transporting, conveying and carrying gas, oil, petroleum products and water, on, along, in, under and across public streets, ways, alleys and places within the City of Torrance.

12B. City Manager – Adopt ORDINANCE granting pipeline franchise in the City of Torrance and repealing Ordinance No. 3092.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt an ORDINANCE granting Crimson California Pipeline System, LP, a California Limited Partnership a pipeline franchise to repeal and replace expired Franchise Ordinance No. 3092 to construct, lay, operate, test, maintain, use, renew, repair, replace, move, change the size and number of, and remove or abandon in place a system of pipelines and appurtenances, for the purpose of conducting, transporting, conveying and carrying gas, oil, petroleum products and water, on, along, in, under and across public streets, ways, alleys and places within the City of Torrance.

12C. Human Resources – Adopt RESOLUTION amending Torrance Municipal Employees – AFSCME Local 1117 Memorandum of Understanding for Traffic Signal Technician.

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION amending the Memorandum of Understanding for the Torrance Municipal Employees - AFSCME, Local 1117 (Resolution No. 2007-78) to implement the proposed salary range and premium for Traffic Signal Technician. The cost to implement the premium is \$9700 and funds are available in the Wage Reserve.

12D. Finance and Public Works – Adopt RESOLUTION approving an increase in refuse rates.

Recommendation of the Finance Director and the Public Works Director that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION approving an increase to monthly refuse rates by \$5, which would be increased by the May to May Consumer Price Index (five years), with an implementation loan from the General Fund to reduce the rate by \$2 the first year and \$1 the second year.

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2 Staff & Public Comments

Council order - Rhilinger Sutherland Barnett Brewer Furey Numark

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18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Council Closed Session

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

(California Government Code § 54956.9 (b)(1):

- 1) Significant exposure to litigation (1 case)

19. ADJOURNMENT

- 19A.** Adjourn City Council to Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.



Sue Herbers, City Clerk

"Every now and then a man's mind is stretched by a new idea or sensation, and never shrinks back to its former dimensions." - *Oliver Wendell Holmes*

ALL BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE BY 2:00 P.M., BIDS WILL BE OPENED IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 2:15 P.M. http://www.TorranceCa.Gov/Bids		
BIDS	DESCRIPTION	OPENING DATE
2010-01	Bid to furnish the City's requirement of chemicals for the Goldsworthy Desalter Facility located at the Torrance City Services Facility. Questions may be referred to Felice Fromm at 310.618.5820.	Thursday February 11, 2010

City Hall will be closed:

Friday, January 29
 Friday, February 12
 President's Day, Monday, February 15