

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Torrance City Council convened in a regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 25, 2002, in Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Lieu, Mauno, McIntyre, Nowatka, Scotto, Witkowsky and Mayor Walker.

Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager Jackson, Assistant City Attorney Pohl, City Clerk Herbers and other staff representatives.

Mayor Walker announced that subsequent to the posting of the City Council agenda on June 20 staff received information regarding unused water rights that requires immediate action. In order to take action on a matter that is not on the agenda, the California Government Code requires a determination by a two-thirds vote of the Council.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to add Item 11G regarding Temporary Lease Water Rights to California Water Company. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed unanimously.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Council immediately recessed to closed session to confer with the City Manager and the City Attorney on the agenda matters listed under 16.a) Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation and 16.b) Real Property – Conference with Real Property Negotiator pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54956.9 (b) and 54956.8.

The Council reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

2. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Lieu.

The invocation was given by Reverend Daniel Keeton, Torrance Church of the Nazarene.

3. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING/WAIVE FURTHER READING

MOTION: Councilmember Nowatka moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda for this meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Witkowsky and a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

MOTION: Councilmember Nowatka 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 Witkowsky and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

4. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS

None.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Jackson noted that item 11g. had been added to the agenda.

Mayor Walker announced the 22nd Annual Fourth of July Celebration at Wilson Park from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. with arts, crafts, games, food booths, train rides, and family entertainment. He indicated that there would be a fireworks display at 9:00 p.m. (wind conditions permitting) and limited on-site parking would be available for \$5 with free shuttle buses from the Del Amo Fashion Center and Civic Center from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Councilmember Nowatka announced a meeting of the City Council Ad Hoc Armed Forces Committee to discuss the 2002 Armed Forces Day Parade on Thursday, June 27 at 11:30 a.m.

Mayor Walker asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of former City Planner and charter member of the League of Women Voters, Rosalie Woodward.

Mayor Walker further asked that the meeting be adjourned in the memory of former Airport and Planning Commissioner Jack LeResche and former Civil Service Commissioner Harmon Belcher.

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6a. RESOLUTION NO. 2002-63 RE POLICE SERGEANT JAMES THOMAS ULRICH

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-63

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING POLICE SERGEANT JAMES THOMAS ULRICH UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY AFTER THIRTY-TWO YEARS OF SERVICE.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt Resolution No. 2002-63. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

Councilmember Nowatka read the resolution and Mr. Ulrich stated that being a Torrance Police Officer had been the greatest honor. He thanked Police Chief Herren for allowing him to be a leader within the Police Department and the City and thanked his wife for her support and everyone for their faith in him.

Police Chief Herren stated that Mr. Ulrich had had a phenomenal career, made significant contributions to the City, was the first recipient of the School District's Golden Apple Award and has received numerous awards from the school district and the City.

6b. **RESOLUTION NO. 2002-64 RE POLICE OFFICER JEFFREY ALAN LANCASTER SR.**

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-64

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING POLICE OFFICER JEFFREY ALAN LANCASTER SR. UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY AFTER THIRTY-TWO YEARS OF SERVICE.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt Resolution No. 2002-64. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

To be presented at a later date.

6c. **RESOLUTION NO. 2002-65 RE POLICE OFFICER THOMAS EUGENE NANCARROW**

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-65

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING POLICE OFFICER THOMAS EUGENE NANCARROW UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY AFTER THIRTY-ONE YEARS OF SERVICE.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt Resolution No. 2002-65. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

Councilmember Scotto read the resolution and Mr. Nancarrow thanked the Council for the resolution. Police Chief Herren indicated that Mr. Nancarrow had a passion for police work, his focus on juvenile issues helped the children of Torrance and his enthusiasm had never waned.

6d. **RESOLUTION NO. 2002-66 RE SERVICES OFFICER ROGER "DALE" WILLIAMS**

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-66

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING SERVICES OFFICER ROGER "DALE" WILLIAMS UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY AFTER TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS OF SERVICE.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt Resolution No. 2002-66. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

To be presented at a later date.

6e. **RESOLUTION NO. 2002-67 RE POLICE OFFICER STEVEN ARTHUR BOUTWELL**

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-67

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING POLICE OFFICER STEVEN ARTHUR BOUTWELL UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY AFTER TWENTY-THREE YEARS OF SERVICE.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt Resolution No. 2002-67. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

To be presented at a later date.

6f. PROCLAMATION RE PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

Mayor Walker presented a proclamation declaring the month of July 2002 as "Parks and Recreation Month" in the City of Torrance and urging all residents to enjoy, recognize and help promote the benefits derived from participation in programs offered by the Torrance Parks and Recreation Department, which provide something of value to everyone, to Steve Robbins, Chairman of the Parks and Recreation Commission. Mr. Robbins thanked the Council and Mayor for the proclamation and for their continued support which enables programs to continue.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

7a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES JUNE 4, 2002

Recommendation

Approval of minutes of June 4, 2002.

7b. AGREEMENT RE BANK OF AMERICA

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest to an amendment to an agreement with Bank of America to extend the current agreement C97-142 for three years to provide banking services for a cost not-to-exceed \$34,800 annually.

7c. MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT – MAY 2002

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council accept and file the monthly investment report for the month of May 2002.

7d. **PURCHASE ORDER RE DELL COMPUTER**

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Information Technology Director that City Council authorize an annual purchase order in an anticipated amount not-to-exceed \$260,000 for the purchase of new and replacement computer servers and laptops over a one-year period (July 1, 2002 – June 30, 2003) to Dell Computer Corporation of Round Rock, TX.

7e. **PURCHASE ORDER RE TIDEMARK SOLUTIONS**

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Information Technology Director that City Council authorize a purchase order to Tidemark Solutions in the amount of \$25,486.38 for one year of Permit Plan/Business License maintenance and support.

7f. **PURCHASE ORDER RE ROBINHOOD ENTERPRISES**

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Finance Director and the Parks and Recreation Director that City Council authorize a renewal purchase order to be issued for an annual anticipated amount not-to-exceed \$90,000 for use by the Parks & Recreation Department, to Robinhood Enterprises, Torrance, CA. Another purchase order will be issued to the same vendor for a not-to-exceed amount of \$20,000 for use by other departments (citywide) for the purchase of t-shirts, sweatshirts, jackets, etc. The purchase orders will be for one additional year.

7g. **2002 BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT AND ASSET FORFEITURE FUNDS**

Recommendation of the Chief of Police that City Council authorize:

- 1) The acceptance of the 2002 Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) Local Law Enforcement Block Grant in the amount of \$95,149; and
- 2) The appropriation and allocation of \$10,572 of Asset Forfeiture funds for the cash match, for a total grant award of \$105,721.

7h. **FINAL PARCEL MAP NO. 26413 APPROVAL AND CORNER RADIUS STREET EASEMENT**

Recommendation of the Engineering Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve Final Parcel Map No. 26413 for three lots in the R-1 zone located on the southeast corner of Juniper Avenue and Sonoma Street, which substantially conforms to and has met all conditions of approval of the Tentative Map; and
- 2) Accept a corner radius street easement.

7i. **TORRANCE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AGREEMENT RE MANAGEMENT OF TORRANCE INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND VISITORS CENTER**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council approve a one-year agreement with the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$59,448 for management of the Torrance International Trade & Visitors Center for 2002-2003.

7j. CONTRACTS RE SENIOR CITIZENS PROGRAM EXCURSIONS

Recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Director that City Council approve contracts with Main Street Tours in the amount of \$18,216 and with American Travel Club Tours in the amount of \$48,500, for a total amount not-to-exceed \$66,716 for Senior Citizens Program excursions planned for the months of July through December, 2002.

7k. DRIVER-ALLIANT CO., EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director that City Council approve the renewal purchase of excess liability insurance for the period of July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, from Driver-Alliant Co., at a premium of \$298,859. Due to a dividend (credit) of \$12,453, the net premium will be \$286,406.

7l. EXECUTION OF AMENDMENT ONE

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director that City Council approve the execution of Amendment One to include additional language as required by the State of California for:

- 1) Agreement #C2001-102 Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD)
- 2) Agreement #C2001-103 Southern California Regional Occupational Center (SCROC)
- 3) Agreement #C2001-114 Jag Tag Enterprises
- 4) Agreement #C2001-115 Liz Mohler and Associates
- 5) Agreement #C2001-116 Joint Efforts

7m. SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT DUES

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council authorize payment in the amount of \$29,149 for South Bay Cities Council Of Government (SBCCOG) dues for fiscal year 2002-2003.

7n. PROPOSAL RE USA WASTE OF CALIFORNIA

Recommendation of the Street Services Director that City Council:

- 1) Accept the proposal submitted by USA Waste of California, Inc. (DBA Waste Management), Carson Transfer Station #0169, to provide transfer station services for the City's residential waste;
- 2) Award a contract to USA Waste of California for services at the proposed rates of \$27.80/ton for waste disposal, \$22.00/ton for green waste diversion, \$28.50/ton for street sweeping diversion, and \$20.00/ton for construction /demolition diversion. The contract term is three years, with two additional one-year extensions should the City wish to use those options;
- 3) Reject all other proposals; and
- 4) Authorize the Mayor to execute and City Council to attest to said contract.

7o. GOLDSWORTHY DESALTER OPERATIONAL ALTERNATIVES

Recommendation of the Engineering Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve an agreement regarding operational alternatives for the Goldsworthy Desalter; and
- 2) Authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest to said contract.

7p. SAM'S CLUB FOUNDATION DONATION

Recommendation of the Fire Chief that City Council accept a donation in the amount of \$600 from Sam's Club Foundation. Funds will be used by the Fire Department to purchase firefighter equipment or supplies.

7q. ADDITIONAL MEETING ROOM LABOR EXPENDITURES APPROPRIATION

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council approve an appropriation of \$81,720 for additional meeting room labor expenditures for the remainder of the 2001-2002 fiscal year. Funding for this appropriation is available from the additional meeting room revenues collected at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center.

7r. TORRANCE CULTURAL ARTS FOUNDATION AGREEMENT

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council approve an amendment of the Torrance Cultural Arts Center Foundation Agreement to extend the Agreement for a period commencing July 1, 2002 and expiring June 30, 2003, in an amount not-to-exceed \$80,000.

7s. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DELINQUENCY PREVENTION PROGRAM CONTRACT

Recommendation of the Chief of Police that City Council accept and endorse the County of Los Angeles Delinquency Prevention Program contract in the amount of \$29,069.66 so that the needed assistance to our children can continue.

7t. CONTRACT RE SOUTHERN COUNTIES OIL COMPANY

Recommendation of the General Services Director, Transit Director, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Communications and Information Technology Director and the Engineering Director that City Council authorize the award of a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$1,800,000.00, to Southern Counties Oil Company of Orange, California (d.b.a. Total Energy Products), to provide gasoline and diesel fuel to the City for a one (1) year period (July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003).

7u. PURCHASE ORDER RE SYS TECHNOLOGIES INC.

Recommendation of the Information Technology Director that City Council authorize a purchase order be issued for an anticipated amount not-to-exceed \$314,259.40 for the purchase of new and replacement personal computers covering the period of July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003 to SYS Technologies,

Inc. of Cypress, California, and appropriate \$213,939 from the PC Replacement Fund to cover the cost of 177 replacement personal computers.

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowsky moved to approve Consent Calendar items 7a through 7u as written. Councilmember Scotto seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

8. COMMUNITY SERVICES

8a. RESOLUTION NO. 2002-68 RE VEST POCKET PARK FUNDING

Recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Director that City Council approve a Resolution to apply for excess revenue in the amount of \$80,000 available through the Los Angeles County Proposition A Grant Program for the construction of a Vest Pocket Park located at 226th and Ocean Avenue.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-68

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT FOR PROPOSITION A (NOVEMBER 1992 AND 1996) "SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS" ADDITIONAL EXCESS REVENUE MADE AVAILABLE BY THE DISTRICT TO APPLY FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A VEST POCKET PARK LOCATED AT 226TH AND OCEAN AVENUE.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt Resolution No. 2002-68. Councilmember Witkowsky seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

11. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

11a. RESOLUTION NO. 2002-69 RE STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council adopt a Resolution to establish the Statement of Investment Policy for Fiscal Year 2002-2003.

City Treasurer Barnett presented the material of record noting that the item came before the Council each year.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-69

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ESTABLISHING THE STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003 IN ACCORDANCE WITH CERTAIN GUIDELINES.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt resolution No. 2002-69. Councilmember McIntyre seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

11b. CONTINUED STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR CAROLWOOD DRIVE AND SINGINGWOOD DRIVE

Recommendation of the City Manager and the City Attorney that City Council continue the state of local emergency, proclaimed March 2, 2001 for properties located on Carolwood Drive and Singingwood Drive.

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowsky moved to continue the state of local emergency for properties located on Carolwood and Singingwood Drive. Councilmember Scotto seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

11c. RESOLUTION NOS. 2002-70 AND 2002-71 RE TORRANCE LIGHTING DISTRICT

Recommendation of the Planning Director that City Council take the following action:

- 1) Adopt a Resolution approving the Engineer's Report for the City of Torrance Lighting District No. 99-1; and
- 2) Adopt a Resolution of Intention to levy assessments within the City of Torrance Lighting District No. 99-1 for Fiscal Year 2002-2003 and rescinding Resolution No. 2002-60 which had set July 9, 2002 as the date for the public hearing.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-70

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING THE REPORT OF THE ENGINEER IN CONNECTION WITH THE LEVY AND ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE CITY OF TORRANCE LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 99-1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISION OF PART 2 OF DIVISION 15 OF THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE AND AS PROVIDED BY ARTICLE XIID OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt resolution No. 2002-70. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-71

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE CITY OF TORRANCE LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 99-1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PART 2 OF DIVISION 15 OF THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE AND AS PROVIDED FOR BY ARTICLE XIID OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION APPOINTING A TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2002-60.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt resolution No. 2002-71. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

11d. RESOLUTION NO. 2002-72 RE 2001-2003 OPERATING BUDGET AND 2002-73 RE 2002-2007 CAPITAL BUDGET

Recommendation of the City Manager and the Finance Director that City Council:

- 1) Adopt a Resolution appropriating funding for the 2002-2003 fiscal year of the 2001-2003 Operating Budget; and
- 2) Adopt a Resolution appropriating funding for the 2002-2003 fiscal year of the 2002-2007 Capital Budget.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-72

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADOPTING THE CITY MANAGER'S 2002-2003 CITY BUDGET AND ESTABLISHING THE GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET BALANCES.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt resolution No. 2002-72. Councilmember Witkowsky seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-73

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADOPTING THE CITY MANAGER'S 2002-2003 CITY CAPITAL BUDGET.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt resolution No. 2002-73. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

11e. RESOLUTION NOS. 2002-74 THROUGH 2002-78

Recommendation of the City Manager that the City Council adopt the following:

- 1) Memorandum of Understanding Resolution setting forth the hours, wages, and working conditions for employees represented by the Torrance Professional Parks and Recreation Employees Organization (TPPREO) for the period June 30, 2002 to June 30, 2003;
- 2) Memorandum of Understanding Resolution setting forth the hours, wages, and working conditions for employees represented by Crossing Guards for the period June 30, 2002 to June 30, 2003;
- 3) A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Torrance setting forth changes regarding employment compensation for Executive and Management Employees for the period beginning June 30, 2002;
- 4) A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Torrance setting forth hours, wages, and working conditions for Certain Full Time Salaried and Hourly Employees for the period beginning June 30, 2002; and

- 5) A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Torrance setting forth hours, wages, and working conditions for Certain Part Time Hourly Employees the period beginning June 30, 2002.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-74

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE PROFESSIONAL PARK AND RECREATION EMPLOYEES ORGANIZATION FOR THE PERIOD FOM JUNE 30, 2002 TO JUNE 30, 2003.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt resolution No. 2002-74. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-75

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 JUNE 30, 2002 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2003.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to adopt resolution No. 2002-75. Councilmember Witkowsky seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-76

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING RESOLUTION NO 2002-27 SETTING FORTH CHANGES REGARDING EMPLOYEMENT COMPENSATION FOR EXECUTIVE AND MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2002.

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowsky moved to adopt resolution No. 2002-76. Councilmember Scotto seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-77

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH THE HOURS WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR CERTAIN FULL TIME SALARIED AND HOURLY EMPLOYEES FOR JUNE 30, 2002 TO JUNE 30, 2003.

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowsky moved to adopt resolution No. 2002-77. Councilmember Scotto seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-78

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE SETTING FORTH THE HOURS WAGES AND
WORKING CONDITIONS FOR CERTAIN PART TIME HOURLY
EMPLOYEES FOR JUNE 30, 2002 TO JUNE 30, 2003.**

MOTION: Councilmember Nowatka moved to adopt resolution No. 2002-78. Councilmember Scotto seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

11f. INTERAGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INTEROPERABILITY SYSTEM (ICIS)

Recommendation of the City Manager, Information Technology Director, and Fire and Police Chiefs that City Council take the following actions:

- 1) The City participate as an "Allied Agency" in the Interagency Communications Interoperability System (ICIS) and
- 2) Staff be directed to enter into negotiations with the City of Glendale which would eventually make available the City Hall radio tower to improve ICIS system coverage.

Assistant to the City Manager Keane presented the material of record.

Councilmember Witkowsky commented that she was pleased to see the matter being addressed as it would enable communication between many different departments in many different cities and would improve homeland security in Torrance.

Police Chief Herren agreed that interagency operability would be improved and Mayor Walker noted that it had been a major topic of discussion at a Mayor's Conference he attended and he was pleased that Torrance was working on it.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to concur with the staff recommendation. Councilmember Witkowsky seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

Mayor Walker reported that action had been taken earlier in the meeting to add item 11g. to the agenda.

11g. TEMPORARY WATER RIGHTS LEASE RE CALIFORNIA WATER COMPANY

It is the recommendation of the Engineering Director that the City Council:

- 1) Approve an Agreement to temporarily lease water rights to California Water Service Company; and
- 2) Authorize the Engineering Director to execute said Agreement.

Engineering Director Burt noted that Torrance had been approached by California Water with a request to pump a portion of our water rights as they will be exceeding their entitlement. He indicated that the rights were only good until June 30, 2002 and Torrance would receive \$32,500.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to approve an agreement to temporarily lease water rights to California Water Service Company. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

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The Torrance Redevelopment Agency met from 7:41 p.m. to 7:42 p.m.

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16. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

16a. Fire Chief Bongard announced that Exxon Mobil would be conducting monthly siren testing on July 3 at 11:30 a.m.

16b. Councilmember Lieu reported attending the retirement celebration for Torrance Unified School District Superintendent Dr. Arnold Plank and commented that Dr. Plank had served the City and School Board well.

16c. Councilmember Mauno also attended the Arnold Plank retirement and remembered serving with Jack LaResche as a Planning Commissioner.

16d. Councilmember Mauno reported that Councilmember Witkowsky would be honored as distinguished El Camino College alumna at the Concert on the Green.

16e. Councilmember McIntyre commended Dr. Plank for many years of service to the people of Torrance and wished him continued success.

16f. Councilmember McIntyre announced the Torrance Symphony Concert in the Park at Wilson Park on August 18.

16g. Councilmember Nowatka extended best wishes to Dr. Arnold Plank with his new career as professor at Cal State Dominguez Hills.

16h. Councilmember Scotto commented on Dr. Plank's participation in many different organizations noting that he had done a fantastic job for the City of Torrance and would be missed as superintendent.

16i. Councilmember Witkowsky reported attending the dinner for Dr. Plank and commented that he had done a lot for the parents and children of Torrance.

16j. Councilmember Witkowsky wished everyone a wonderful 4th of July with a reminder that backyard fireworks are not allowed and there would be a fireworks display at Wilson Park at 9 p.m.

16k. Mayor Walker congratulated Dr. Plank.

16l. Mayor Walker stated that Jack LaResche would be missed and his wife is in their prayers.

16m. Chuck Boughton, 4309 West 75th Place, distributed an article from the Daily Breeze and expressed concerns about the revised plan for Artesia Boulevard. He asked that Council support the original proposal of six lanes in order to facilitate traffic movement.

16n. City Manager Jackson indicated that the matter had previously been brought forward to the Council and would come back once again in final design. He added that the current plan would provide landscaping to lessen the impact of traffic on residents and would move traffic more efficiently.

16o. Jim Ellington, 415 Camino Del Campo, indicated that he was looking forward to seeing flags on fire engines and clothes now that Governor Gray Davis had signed Senate Bill 1359.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Considered earlier.

18. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:56 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, July 16, 2002 at 5:30 p.m., for an executive session in the Council Chamber, with the regular meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers. Tuesday, July 2, 2002 and Tuesday, July 9, 2002.

***Adjourned in memory of
Harmon Norwood Belcher,
Jack LeResche and
Rosalie Woodward***

Attest:

/s/ Dan Walker

Mayor of the City of Torrance

/s/ Sue Herbers

Sue Herbers
City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved on August 6, 2002