

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

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Torrance City Council convened in a regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 25, 2001, in Council Chambers.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmembers Cribbs, Messerlian, Nowatka, Scotto, Walker, Witkowsky and Mayor Hardison.

Absent: None.

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

**16. 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) Conference with Labor Negotiator 16.b) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation; and 16.c) Real Property – Conference with Real Property Negotiator pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54957.6, 54956.9.(a) and 54956.8.

No formal action was taken on any matter considered in closed session.

The Council reconvened at 7:06 p.m.

**2. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Engineering Associate Wendell Johnson.

The invocation was given by Father John O'Byrne, St. Catherine Laboure Church.

**3. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING/WAIVE FURTHER READING**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Cribbs 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 Nowatka and, hearing no objection, Mayor Hardison so ordered.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Cribbs 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 Nowatka and, hearing no objection, Mayor Hardison so ordered

**4. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS**

None.

**5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Hardison asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Dagmar E. Michaelson, former City of Torrance employee; James A. Watkins, retired Torrance attorney; and John Joseph Wenckus, Torrance resident killed in the September 11<sup>th</sup> terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center.

Mayor Hardison announced that the Torrance Public Library would begin Sunday hours of operation at the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. beginning October 21, 2001 through June 2, 2002.

City Clerk Herbers announced the last week of Art on View in the City Clerk's Office featuring the works of various artists from the Torrance Artists's Guild.

City Clerk Herbers reminded the public that the Arts Alive Festival would be September 29 – 30 at the Cultural Arts Center featuring a Torrance Artists Guild juried art show including artists whose works have been on display in the City Clerk's Office.

City Clerk Herbers reminded the public that the Political Reform Act requires all candidates for public office in the City of Torrance file documents with the filing official (City Clerk) prior to raising or spending any money (including personal funds) towards their candidacy. Candidates are further required to form committees (Statement of Organization) within ten days of spending or receiving \$1,000. Complete information and forms are available in the City Clerk's office.

Chief Bongard announced that while the other flags in the City would be flying at full staff, the flags at the Torrance fire stations would remain at half-staff and firefighters would wear black bands on their shields until October 11 following the lead of the International Association of Fire Chiefs. He noted that there would be a Police and Fire Memorial and that staff would attend the ceremonies on the east coast.

Councilmember Scotto noted that a City Council item regarding the Veteran's Memorial is tentatively scheduled for October 9.

**6. COMMUNITY MATTERS**

**6a. RESOLUTION NO. 2001-100 RE POLICE LIEUTENANT JACK RUSSELL MCDONALD**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-100**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING POLICE LIEUTENANT JACK RUSSELL MCDONALD UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY AFTER THIRTY YEARS OF SERVICE.**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Nowatka moved to adopt Resolution No. 2001-100. Councilmember Messerlian seconded the motion and a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

To be presented at a later date.

**6b. PRESENTATION RE COASTAL CLEAN-UP DAY**

Mayor Hardison displayed the recognition presented to the community of "The Beach is Closer Than You Think" award which was received from the California Coastal Commission by Heal the Bay on Coastal Cleanup Day. She noted that Wendell Johnson had been particularly involved in the effort and added that City staff had made it possible for the community to participate. She stated that the City had participated in Coastal Clean-up Day for the past 4 years and the award is presented to a City that makes a particular effort. Donations from community partners were acknowledged as were the City departments involved in environmental protection.

Engineering Associate Johnson reported that the Coastal Cleanup was very successful with approximately 350 people participating.

**6c. PROCLAMATION RE AMERICA'S WALK FOR DIABETES DAY**

Mayor Hardison issued a proclamation declaring Sunday, September 30, 2001 as the American Diabetes Association's America's Walk for Diabetes Day in the City of Torrance to Sahar and Sepideh Sedadi and asked that every citizen in the community participate in the fundraising walk to fight diabetes and help find a cure.

Diabetes Ambassador Valerie Chavez thanked the Mayor and Council for the proclamation and reported that she was 9 years old when she was diagnosed with diabetes. She briefly explained what the disease is like for her and thanked the Mayor for agreeing to participate in the Diabetes Walk.

Sahar Sedadi noted that they would be walking for a cure and to heal their hearts on Sunday, October 1 with check-in at 8:00 a.m.

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Councilmember Walker asked that 7j be considered separately.

**7a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – AUGUST 21 AND 28, 2001**

**7b. AMENDMENT TO NEC BNC, INC CONTRACT (C2000-222)**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Communications and Information Technology Director that City Council authorize an amendment to existing contract (C2000-222) with NEC BNS, Inc. to extend the term one additional year for an amount of \$89,574. This contract is for the repair and maintenance of the City's telephone and voicemail systems. The total amount of the 2-year contract will be in an amount not-to-exceed \$182,749.

**7c. CONTRACT RE ACTION DOOR REPAIR CORPORATION**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Acting General Services Director that City Council award a contract to Action Door Repair Corporation for the maintenance and repair of all City owned hangar doors at the Torrance Municipal Airport - Zamperini Field, at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.

**7d. MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT – AUGUST 2001**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council accept and file the monthly investment report for the month of August 2001.

**7e. SECOND ADDENDUM RE LEASE (C1998-130) HARBOR ONE-STOP CAREER CENTER**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director that City Council authorize the execution of the Second Addendum to the lease between the City of Torrance for the Workforce Development Division and California Drive-In Theaters, Inc. (C1998-130) for the Harbor One-Stop Career Center.

**7f. PURCHASE ORDER RE O.C. TANNER**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director that City Council approve a six month Purchase Order with O.C. Tanner for an amount not to exceed \$20,600 for a combined annual total of \$36,100 for the purchase of employee service awards and the setup of Internet based administration of the program.

**7g. CHANGE ORDER RE WESTERN POWER INDUSTRIAL ELECTRIC**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Acting General Services Director and the Fire Chief that City Council approve a change order to the existing purchase orders with Western Power Industrial Electric Inc. for replacement of emergency generators at Fire Station #1 and Fire Station #4. This change order will increase the purchase orders by \$9,080.

**7h. TERMITE ABATEMENT AND ROOF REPLACEMENT AT THE ATTIC (FEAP #254)**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Acting General Services Director that City Council approve a transfer of \$20,091.40 from completed FEAP (Facilities, Equipment, Automation Action Plan) projects and \$5,612.06 from the Building Maintenance operational budget to fund termite abatement and roof replacement at The Attic Teen Center (FEAP #254).

**7i. APPROVAL OF FINAL TRACT MAPS NO. 53272 AND 53064**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Engineering Director that City Council:

1. Approve Final Tract Maps No. 53272 and 53064, creating 128 condominium unit lots and two common area lots, located at 2850 Monterey Street, which substantially conforms to and has met all conditions of approval of Tentative Map; and
2. Approve the abandonment of a 10' wide storm drain easement and 35' wide cable T.V. easement on Tract Map 53064.

**7j. DONATION RE POLICE K-9 PROGRAM**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Chief of Police that City Council accept, appropriate, and allocate a \$1,600 donation from former Councilwoman Maureen O'Donnell, to be used for the Police K-9 program.

**7k. CONSULTING AGREEMENT RE MARTY ADRIOLO**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Acting General Services Director that City Council approve an agreement with Marty Adriolo, a consultant, in an amount not to exceed \$26,100 to provide project management services for the renovation of eighty hangars at the Torrance Municipal Airport - Zamperini Field.

**7l. PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT RE SULLY-MILLER CONTRACTING CO., INC.**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Engineering Director that City Council:

1. Approve the Plans and Specifications for the 190th Street Pavement Rehabilitation, Crenshaw Blvd. to Van Ness Ave. Phase II (Project No. T-31, Plan No. ST-942) on file in the office of the City Clerk (Bid B2001-30);
2. Award a Public Works Agreement to Sully-Miller Contracting Co., Inc. in the amount of \$1,751,455 and authorize a 5% contingency in the amount of \$87,572.75 for construction of said project; and
3. Authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest to said agreements.

**7m. CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT RE PATH ENERGY OF CLAREMONT, CA**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Acting General Services Director that City Council approve an agreement for consulting services with Path Energy of Claremont, CA for an amount not to exceed \$70,000.

**7n. PURCHASE ORDER RE POINT DIGITAL, LLC**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

1. Authorize the award of a purchase order to 3 Point Digital, LLC. of Burbank, California in the amount of \$107,478.75, including sales tax to furnish and install a television non-linear editing system; and
2. Appropriate \$32,478.75 from the Cable Television Fund balance to cover the additional amount needed. (Bid B2001-37).

**7o. PURCHASE ORDER RE A-VIDD ELECTRONICS OF LONG BEACH, CA**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council authorize the award of a purchase order to A-VIDD Electronics of Long Beach, California, in the amount of \$138,085.56 including sales tax, to furnish television field production equipment for the City of Torrance Office of Cable Communications. (Bid B2001-35).

**7p. AGREEMENT RE CITY OF BRENTWOOD**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Planning Director that City Council approve the execution of an agreement between the City of Torrance and the City of Brentwood for the closure of the Portola Avenue railroad track crossing in the center median of Sartori Avenue.

**7q. PURCHASE ORDER AMENDMENT RE DATA RESEARCH ASSOCIATED, INC.**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Librarian and the Communications and Information Technology Director that City Council approve an amendment to the purchase order with Data Research Associates, Inc., for one year of software maintenance and support for a second database in an amount not to exceed \$2,064.

**7r. PURCHASE ORDER RE DIALIGHT CORPORATION, MANAQUAN, NEW JERSEY**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Street Services Director that City Council authorize a purchase order be issued to Dialight Corporation of Manaquan, New Jersey, in the amount of \$72,715.85, for the purchase of light emitting diode (LED) traffic signal modules.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Witkowsky moved for the approval of Consent Calendar items 7a through 7i and 7k through 7r as written. Councilmember Walker seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

Item 7j was considered at this time.

**7j. DONATION RE POLICE K-9 PROGRAM**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Chief of Police that City Council accept, appropriate, and allocate a \$1,600 donation from former Councilwoman Maureen O'Donnell, to be used for the Police K-9 program.

Councilmember Walker felt it appropriate to recognize former Councilmember O'Donnell for her generous donation to the Police K-9 unit and pointed out that the past two weeks had illustrated how important dogs can be.

Ms. O'Donnell reported that canine bulletproof vests had been approved recently and she hoped at some time in the future the department would acquire a third dog. She encouraged other citizens to make canine corps contributions toward the future acquisition of a third dog and for the maintenance of the existing dogs which require regular veterinary care, dental care, blood tests and x-ray.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Walker moved for the approval of Consent Calendar item 7j. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and, hearing no objection, Mayor Hardison so ordered.

**9. PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**9a. RESOLUTION 2001-101 RE PUBLIC SEWER EASEMENT**

Recommendation of the Engineering Director that City Council approve and adopt a Resolution summarily vacating a 6' wide public sewer easement east of Abalone Avenue from 223rd Street to 630 feet north of 223rd Street.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-101**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ORDERING THE SUMMARY VACATION OF A 6' WIDE PUBLIC SEWER EASEMENT EAST OF ABALONE AVENUE FROM 223<sup>RD</sup> STREET TO 630 FEET NORTH OF 223<sup>RD</sup> STREET.**

Councilmember Scotto received clarification that he was not eligible to vote as he lives within 300 feet of the item.

Engineering Director Burt explained that the item referred to an old easement that was no longer needed.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Messerlian moved to adopt Resolution No. 2001-101. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval with Councilmember Scotto abstaining.

**9b. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ANNUAL REPORT - FISCAL YEAR 1999-2000**

Recommendation of the Redevelopment Agency staff to accept and file the Redevelopment Agency Annual Report for Fiscal Year 1999-2000 including the Independent Auditors' Report on Financial Statements and Compliance and file said report without further action. [Companion item to Redevelopment Agency item 4b]

Mayor Hardison noted that the item would be considered as part of the Re-Development Agency.

**10. PUBLIC SAFETY**

**10a. RESOLUTION NO. 2001-102 RE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE MUSEUM**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-102**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE TITLE TRANSFER OF A RETIRED SURPLUS 1966 SEAGRAVE 100' AERIAL LADDER FIRE TRUCK TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE MUSEUM.**

Fire Chief Bongard noted that the truck was scheduled to have gone out of service 15 years ago, but was kept in service until August 3, 2001.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Messerlian moved to adopt Resolution No. 2001-102. Councilmember Scotto seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**11. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**11a. RESOLUTION NO. 2001-98 RE TORRANCE SUPERVISORY AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION**

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director that City Council adopt Resolution 2001-98 amending Resolution No. 2001-96 governing employees represented by Torrance Supervisory and Professional Association to implement professional certification premiums.

Senior Human Resources Analyst Lawrence reported that the item was related to an item approved at the meeting of August 21, 2001 and noted that the premiums would assist employees in maintaining current skills, and allow for flexibility of assignments in their department. She commented that the change would assist employees with maintaining good skills and noted that there was also a revision of the resolution to comply with the standard format for resolutions.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-98**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2000-128 SETTING FORTH CHANGES REGARDING HOURS, WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED**

**BY THE TORRANCE PROFESSIONAL AND SUPERVISORY ASSOCIATION (TPSA).**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Messerlian moved to adopt Resolution No. 2001-98. Councilmember Witkowsky seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**11b. PUBLIC HEARING RE PROPOSED MODIFICATION OF EXISTING UNDERGROUND UTILITY DISTRICT (UUD) NO. 15**

Recommendation of the Planning Director that City Council set October 9, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. as the date for a Public Hearing for a proposed modification of existing Underground Utility District (UUD) No. 15 on Artesia Boulevard between Hawthorne Boulevard and Western Avenue and to notify all property owners affected by UUD No.15.

Planning Director Gibson noted that the item was part of the overall improvement to Artesia Boulevard. Transportation Planner Semaan explained that the PUC had an amendment for the use of public funds for the conversion and the proposed item would allow the funds to make the conversion as part of the project itself.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Messerlian moved to accept the staff recommendation. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**11c. RESOLUTION NO. 2001-99 RE TORRANCE SUPERVISORY AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION**

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

1. Revise the class specifications of Sanitation Crew Supervisor, Sewer Maintenance Crew Supervisor, Assistant Street Maintenance Supervisor, Street Services Crew Supervisor and Streetscape Supervisor and retitle the classifications as Street Services Supervisor.
  2. Revise the class specification of Airport Operations and Maintenance Chief and retitle as Airport Operations Supervisor.
  3. Revise the class specification of Park Maintenance Supervisor and retitle as Park Services Supervisor.
  4. Revise the class specification of Traffic and Lighting Supervisor.
- In addition, the Human Resources Director recommends adoption of Resolution 2001-99 amending Resolution No. 2001-96 governing employees represented by Torrance Supervisory and Professional Association to implement the recommended salary ranges.

Human Resources Director Winer reported that the item was a consolidation of classifications which also addressed salary issues.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-99**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2000-128 SETTING FORTH CHANGES REGARDING HOURS, WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY TORRANCE PROFESSIONAL AND SUPERVISORY ASSOCIATION (TPSA).**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Messerlian moved to adopt Resolution No. 2001-99. Councilmember Scotto seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**11d. LEASE NO. DTFA08-01-L-20810 RE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION**

Recommendation of the Land Management Team that City Council authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest to a lease renewal by and between the City of Torrance and the Federal Aviation Administration for Lease Number: DTFA08-01-L-20810; Remote Transmitter. Lease is for a term commencing October 1, 2001 and ending September 30, 2002, which may be renewed from year to year with a final extension date no later than September 30, 2021.

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

**MOTION:** Councilmember Scotto moved to concur with the Land Management Team recommendation. Councilmember Cribbs seconded the motion and hearing no opposition, Mayor Hardison so ordered.

**11e. CONTINUED STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR CAROLWOOD DRIVE AND SINGINGWOOD DRIVE**

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

Building and Safety Director Isomoto noted that concerns had grown with the approach of the rainy season and activity had increased which would hopefully would mean progress.

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

**11f. CITY OF TORRANCE ENERGY CONSERVATION PLAN STATUS REPORT**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council accept and file the status report on the City's energy conservation plan.

Management Associate Wren presented highlights of the report and noted that as part of the Share Your Success campaign, businesses would be asked to display a Resource Conservation Awareness Partnership (RECAP) logo and sign a pledge with the City similar to what the City signed with the state. She noted that the RECAP logo

was also placed on City facilities and vehicles and added that information on the Share Your Success program is available at [www.torrcnet.com](http://www.torrcnet.com).

Management Associate Wren reported that the City had received rebates from Southern California Edison, and the General Services Department had received \$14,000 for bagging the lights. An additional rebate is expected once traffic signal replacement is completed.

In response to an inquiry from Councilmember Messerlian, Acting General Services Director Landis reported that a consultant would do an energy audit, be available to follow current legislation and also be available to the Council and the Mayor. He agreed to provide additional savings information and added that the new LEDs would last longer.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Scotto moved to accept and file the City of Torrance Energy Conservation Plan Status Report. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and, hearing no opposition, Mayor Hardison so ordered.

Mayor Hardison reported that subsequent to the posting of the agenda on September 20, 2001, City staff received information that certain City employees might be called to active duty with the armed forces in response to the terrorist attack of September 11, 2001. The City Manager recommended that the City Council consider a resolution providing that employees called to active duty receive continuation of salary and certain benefits during the call up and that immediate action was necessary due to time frames.

California Government Code requires a determination by a two-thirds vote that immediate action is required and that the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Messerlian moved to add item 11g item to the agenda pursuant to California Government Code Section 54954.2(b) 2. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**11g. RESOLUTION NO. 2001- 120 RE MILITARY LEAVE FOR CITY EMPLOYEES**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a resolution providing for military leave and continuation of salary and certain benefits for City employees called to active duty with the Armed Forces.

Councilmember Witkowsky received clarification from Human Resources Director Winer that the City was providing more than was required by the military code. Councilmember Messerlian commented that the same practice had been followed in the past and Human Resources Director Winer reported that 12 employees had been identified as active and inactive members.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-120**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
TORRANCE PROVIDING FOR MILITARY LEAVE AND  
CONTINUATION OF SALARY AND CERTAIN BENEFITS FOR**

**CITY EMPLOYEES CALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY WITH THE ARMED FORCES.**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Messerlian moved to adopt Resolution No. 2001-120 Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**12. HEARINGS**

**12a. CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP) AND CMP LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION REPORT (LIR)**

Recommendation of the Planning Director that City Council:

1. Conduct a public hearing as required by the Congestion Management Program of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority;
2. Adopt a Resolution to self-certify that the City of Torrance is in conformance with local Congestion Management Program (CMP) requirements; and,
3. Direct staff to submit the CMP Local Implementation Report (LIR) as required by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Mayor Hardison opened the public hearing at 8:05 p.m.

Planning Director Gibson reported that the public hearing, adoption of the Resolution and submittal of the report were done annually to comply with the CMP and he noted that the City has a positive balance of 28,000 credit points.

In response to an inquiry from Mayor Hardison, Transportation Manager Semaan explained square footage differences noting that each building generated its own numbers and residential buildings did not trigger as many debit points. He added that positive points had been gained by the installation of class 2 bikeways along Cabrillo and noted that the bulk of the points gained this year were from the signal synchronization on Crenshaw and Torrance.

Transportation Manager Semaan corrected the date on the resolution as the item had been postponed from September 11, 2001.

**MOTION:** At 8:09 p.m. Councilmember Messerlian moved to close the public hearing. Councilmember Cribbs seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-103**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE FINDING THE CITY OF TORRANCE TO BE IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP) AND ADOPTING THE CMP LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION REPORT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65089.**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Messerlian moved to adopt Resolution No. 2001-103 as amended. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**12b. ORDINANCE, RESOLUTIONS AND ZONE CHANGE RE 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD**

Recommendation of the Planning Commission and the Planning Director that City Council deny the appeal and take the following action on property located at 5580 Del Amo Boulevard:

1. Adopt an Ordinance approving a Zone Change (ZON99-00007) from C-R (Restricted Commercial District) to R-1 (Single-Family Residential District);
2. Approve an Ordinance Summary for publication; and
3. Adopt Resolutions approving:
  - a. A Tentative Tract Map (TTM53339) to create 18 lots.
  - b. A Waiver for an over-height retaining wall.
  - c. Precise Plans of Development (PRE99-00019, PRE01-00024 through PRE01-00036) to construct 14 single-family residences in the Hillside Overlay District. ZON99-00007, TTM52429, WAV01-00013, PRE99-00019, PRE01-00024 through PRE01-00036: Richard Gould/JCC REDBEAM LLC

Mayor Hardison opened the public hearing at 8:10 p.m.

Planning Manager Isomoto presented the material of record noting that as a result of concerns from neighboring residents, the City Council had directed the applicants to combine their proposal with land to the west. The applicants responded with a plan for an 18-lot subdivision with 14 units in the City of Torrance and 4 units in the City of Redondo Beach. The property is currently vacant but was previously the site of oil drilling operations and surrounding properties are low density and zoned R-1 except for the property to the west which has been approved for single family use in conjunction with this proposal.

The topography of the site requires a retaining wall on the southerly property line, which varies from 6 ½ to 7 ft. to the center section, which is 5 ft. or less. A waiver to allow a retaining wall over 5 ft. was considered at the August 15, 2001 Planning Commission meeting with drainage, privacy, noise, dust and traffic issues considered. The Commission approved the waiver with certain conditions and the Planning Director recommends approval with those conditions.

Planning Manager Isomoto reported that a letter had been received from a property owner on Konya drive who had raised concerns at the Planning meeting but is now in favor of the project after a meeting with the applicant.

In response to an inquiry from Mayor Hardison, Planning Manager Isomoto reported that the developer would redesign the median strip on Del Amo to provide two-way left turn access via a painted island on the street.

In response to an inquiry from Councilmember Witkowsky, Planning Manager Isomoto explained that lots 4, 5 and 6 would also take access through the City of Torrance so one tract map was approved in the City of Redondo Beach and would also

require approval from the City of Torrance. The CC&Rs for the tract will address the maintenance of parking spaces, infrastructure and any other items that will be owned in total by the Association. She noted that there was a condition recommended in the staff report that the CC&Rs be reviewed by City staff to make sure all conditions imposed by the City are in fact included in the CC&Rs.

Engineering Associate Perkins noted that the subdivision map would be signed by both cities to create an integrated project with all of the parcels in one map and the CC&Rs covering all of the circulation providing the easements.

In response to concerns raised by Councilmember Scotto about emergency services, Planning Manager Isomoto noted that there were reciprocal arrangements between the cities with response by whomever can get to the scene first.

Greg Delgado, President of JCC Homes, summarized the events of the past two years noting the countless meetings with neighbors and staff members and the many compromises made and changes to the plans.

Bill Kunz, 5639 Konya Drive, thanked the Mayor and Council for coming to see the impact of parcel 10 on their home and expressed appreciation to the developer for working to preserve the city and mountain views but also cited concerns with regard to privacy issues and landscaping.

Marilyn Kunz, 5639 Konya Drive, requested restrictions on weekday hours of construction and expressed concerns with noise and the amount of large equipment allowed to be operated simultaneously to address noise issues. She cited dust abatement problems and thanked Mr. Delgado for assurances regarding cut-through traffic, and other concessions.

Mary O'Neil, 5609 Konya Drive, expressed concerns regarding the waiver on the wall, which will be behind her property.

Planning Manager Isomoto explained that in order to allow for proper drainage for the plan as submitted the applicant is required to put in a retaining wall at the easterly end of the property. Various suggestions regarding the appearance of the wall were discussed with Planning Manager Isomoto noting that the applicant's architect might have some ideas.

Councilmember Messerlian noted that the newly developed home side would only see the fence and the older homes would see retaining and the other part on top and he asked about the possibility of lowering the pad in light of the drop in the grade.

Councilmember Witkowsky left Council Chambers at 8:48 p.m.

In response to an inquiry from Councilmember Scotto regarding privacy issues, Mr. Delgado indicated that he was happy to make the windows as unobtrusive as possible and he suggested moving them to face the side.

Councilmember Nowatka suggested changing some of the houses to be single story residences.

Councilmember Witkowsky returned to Council Chambers at 8:50 p.m.

In response to concerns voiced by Councilmember Cribbs, Richard Gould reported that certain windows had been eliminated per Ms. Kunz's request and Mr. Delgado indicated that the large eucalyptus tree would have helped view issues, but unfortunately has to be removed as part of the process to restabilize the slope.

Mr. Delgado stated that they were willing to work with the Planning Department to make the wall look as decorative as possible and asked that he be notified when dust becomes a problem.

In response to an inquiry from Councilmember Scotto, Planning Manager Isomoto indicated that normal construction hours are from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**MOTION:** At 8:53 p.m. Councilmember Messerlian moved to close the public hearing. Councilmember Scotto seconded the motion and a voice vote reflected unanimous approval.

In response to an inquiry from Mayor Hardison, Planning Manager Isomoto explained that they would require approval of fences and she noted that they had recommended a condition limiting working hours to 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and no construction allowed on Sunday.

In response to an inquiry from Councilmember Scotto, Planning Manger Isomoto stated that they could recommend conditions for the second floor windows facing south on parcel 10 requiring a minimum sill height of 5 ft. or that the windows be either opaque, shaded, or glass blocks.

In response to a suggestion from Councilmember Messerlian that the windows be relocated to overlook the porch area and side yard, Planning Manager Isomoto cited code requirements with regard to ventilation and access and suggested adding a condition that windows on the south side be modified for privacy to the satisfaction of the Planning Director.

Planning Manager Isomoto pointed out that all Resolutions and Ordinances had been postponed from September 11 and needed to have their dates revised to September 25, 2001.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 3504**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE TO AMEND DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD FROM C-R (RESTRICTED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT) TO R-1 (SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) ZON 99-0007 JCC REDBEAM LLC RICHARD GOULD**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Messerlian moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3504. Councilmember Scotto seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Cribbs moved to approve an Ordinance Summary for publication. Councilmember Nowatka seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-104**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A TENTATIVE TRACT ALLOWING THE CREATION OF 18 LOTS (14 IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND 4 IN THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH) ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) TTM52429: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Messerlian moved to adopt Resolution No. 2001-104. Councilmember Witkowsky seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-105**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) WAV01-00013: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Nowatka moved to adopt Resolution No.2001-105. Councilmember Messerlian seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-106**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF**

REDBEAM AVENUE. PRE99-00019: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-107**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00024: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-108**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00025: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-109**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00026: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-110**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00027: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD**

Resolution number 2001-111 was considered separately.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-112**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00029: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-113**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00030: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-114**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE**

**(CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00031: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-115**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00032 JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-116**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00033: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-117**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00034: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-118**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00035: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-119**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00036: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Nowatka moved to adopt Resolutions No. 2001-106 through 2001-110, and Resolutions 2001-112 through 2001-119 as amended. Councilmember Messerlian seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2001-111**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WAIVER AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW AN OVER-HEIGHT RETAINING WALL ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE R-1 AND C-R ZONE (CHANGE OF ZONE TO R-1 PENDING), WITHIN THE HILLSIDE OVERLAY DISTRICT AT 5580 DEL AMO BOULEVARD, (SOUTH OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD AND WEST OF REDBEAM AVENUE TO THE CITY BOUNDARY WITH THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH.) PRE01-00028: JCC REDBEAM, LLC/RICHARD GOULD**

Planning Director Isomoto noted that the Council had agreed to add a condition requiring that the windows of parcel 10 be modified to address privacy issues at the discretion of Planning Department staff.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Nowatka moved to adopt Resolution No. 2001-111 as amended. Councilmember Messerlian seconded the motion and a roll call vote reflected unanimous approval.

Councilmember Witkowsky complimented the developers for making changes to the plan and for working with the neighbors.

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The Torrance Redevelopment Agency convened at 9:08 p.m.

Item 9b was considered as part of the Redevelopment Agency agenda.

**9b. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ANNUAL REPORT – FISCAL YEAR 1999-2000**

Recommendation of the Redevelopment Agency staff to accept and file the Redevelopment Agency Annual Report for Fiscal Year 1999-2000 including the Independent Auditors' Report on Financial Statements and Compliance and file said report without further action [Companion item to Agency item 4b]

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

The Redevelopment Agency adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

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**15. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**15a.** Assistant to the City Manager Sunshine announced that the 3rd Annual City Employee Variety Show netted \$2,500 for the American Cancer Society and \$1,100 for the New York Firefighters Relief Fund.

**15b.** Chief Bongard on behalf of the men and women of the fire department thanked residents for their support of the firefighters and victims.

**15c.** Councilmember Cribbs noted that PERS was investing in real estate development of cities and asked staff if it was possible to seek funds for reinvestment in the City of Torrance

**15d.** Councilmember Messerlian announced the Torrance Symphony would begin its season on October 20 at the Armstrong Theater with a free concert dedicated to the memory of the victims and to honor the workers at Ground Zero in New York City.

**15e.** Councilmember Walker thanked staff for the placement of a flashing signal on Palos Verdes Boulevard by the Riviera Hall Lutheran School.

**15f.** Councilmember Walker read a statement from the Torrance Fire Fighters Association and the Torrance Police Officers Association regarding donations made noting that funds donated would be personally presented in New York. He further noted continuing fundraising with the sale of T-shirts and decals.

**15g.** Responding to Councilmember Witkowsky's comments on lack of improvement in the Torrance Boulevard traffic flow, Planning Director Gibson noted that work was continuing.

**15h.** Councilmember Witkowsky announced a meeting to held by Congresswoman Harman at the Katy Geissert Library on September 29 regarding senior issues.

**15i.** Mayor Hardison agreed with Councilwoman Witkowsky's comments on Torrance Boulevard.

**15j.** Mayor Hardison noted that the entire City family had responded to the events on the east coast by sending \$3,500 to the American Red Cross immediately after the disaster.

**15k.** Eleanor Corrick expressed pride in the manner that the Torrance City Council conducted its business and encouraged the City and all citizens to plant paper white narcissus bulbs in parkways, gardens and medians to memorialize those who lost their lives in the recent terrorist attacks as a living memory.

**16. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Considered earlier.

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:35 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, October 2, 2001 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.

**\*\*\* Adjourned in the memory of  
Dagmar E. Michaelson, James A. Watkins and John Joseph Wenckus \*\*\***

Attest:

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Mayor of the City of Torrance

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Sue Herbers  
City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved on November 13, 2001

Kristi Callan  
Recording Secretary

City Council  
September 25, 2001