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**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA  
DECEMBER 8, 2015  
ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING  
5:30 P.M. - EXECUTIVE SESSION  
7:00 P.M. - REGULAR BUSINESS BEGINS  
IN COUNCIL CHAMBER AT 3031 TORRANCE BL.**

**OPENING CEREMONIES**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Ashcraft, Mr. Barnett, Mr. Goodrich, Mr. Griffiths, Mr. Rizzo, Mr. Weideman, Mayor Furey

**2. FLAG SALUTE: Councilmember Griffiths**

**NON SECTARIAN INVOCATION: Rabbi Gary Spero**

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

The agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Bl. on Friday, December 4, 2015 /s/ Rebecca Poirier

**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 ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED, AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

**5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**6. COMMUNITY MATTERS**

**6A. Community Services – Accept and appropriate donation from the Friends of the Torrance Civic Chorale in the amount of \$5,000. Expenditure: \$5,000.**

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council accept and appropriate a donation from the Friends of the Torrance Civic Chorale in the amount of \$5,000 for expenses for orchestra musicians for the Torrance Civic Chorale December 2015 concerts.

**6B. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-80 honoring **Chester Pitts** of the Torrance Police Department upon his retirement from the City after thirty-six years of service.**

**6C. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-81 honoring **Monty Latham** of the General Services Department upon his retirement from the City after thirty-six years of service.**

**6D. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-82 honoring **Thomas W. Cook** of the Public Works Department upon his retirement from the City after thirty-two years of service.**

**6E. RESOLUTION NO. 2015-83 honoring **James Caprio** of the Communication and Information Technology Department upon his retirement from the City after twenty-four years of service.**

**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. City Clerk – Approve City Council minutes.**

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council approve the City Council minutes of October 27, 2015 and November 10, 2015.

**8B. Communications and Information Technology – Authorize renewal of VMWare Software Licenses. Expenditure: \$55,976.99.**

Recommendation of the Communications and Information Technology Director that City Council authorize renewal of VMWare software licenses with PCM-G of Chantilly, VA in an amount not to exceed \$55,976.99 from December 28, 2014 to November 30, 2018.

**8C. City Attorney - Approve agreement amendment to provide legal services. Expenditure: \$6,000.**

Recommendation of the City Attorney that City Council approve a second amendment to the fee agreement with Rutan & Tucker, LLP of Costa Mesa, CA (C2013-194) to provide legal services to the City regarding the Hawthorne/PCH Project for an additional \$6,000, for a new not to exceed contract amount of \$106,000.

**8D. City Attorney – Approve fee agreement to provide legal services. Expenditure: \$40,000.**

Recommendation of the City Attorney that City Council approve a fee agreement with Liebert Cassidy Whitmore of Los Angeles, CA to provide legal services pertaining to personnel matter #A15-000779, in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.

**8E. City Treasurer – Accept and file Investment Report for October 2015.**

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council accept and file the attached monthly investment report for the month of October 2015.

**8F. Community Services - Accept donation of lapidary equipment from the Palos Verdes Gem and Mineral Society. Expenditure: None.**

Recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Commission, Commission on Aging, and the Community Services Director that City Council accept donation of lapidary equipment from the Palos Verdes Gem and Mineral Society of Palos Verdes, CA valued at approximately \$9,890.

**8G. Youth Council and Community Services – Accept and File the Torrance Youth Council 2014-2015 Annual Report. Expenditure: None.**

Recommendation of the Torrance Youth Council and the Community Services Director that City Council accept and file the Torrance Youth Council 2014-2015 Annual Report.

**8H. Communications and Information Technology and Finance – Approve purchase of annual software maintenance and support for City-wide financial system. Expenditure: \$62,069.00.**

Recommendation of the Communications and Information Technology Director and Finance Director that City Council approve the purchase of annual software maintenance and support for the City-wide financial system from New World Systems of Troy, MI, in the amount of \$62,069.00 for the period beginning January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

**8I. City Attorney – Appropriate funds and approve fee agreement to provide legal services. Expenditure: \$416,000.**

Recommendation of the City Attorney that City Council:

- 1) Appropriate \$366,000 from the Self-Insurance Reserve Fund; and,
- 2) Approve a fee agreement with Woodruff, Spradlin & Smart of Costa Mesa, CA in the case of Justin Clift, et al. v. Herbert R. Hirschmann, et al., in an amount not to exceed \$416,000.

**8J. Community Development – Approve required amendments and execute revised grant contract for FEAP #847 – Electric Vehicle Public Access Infrastructure Expansion Project. Expenditure: Not applicable.**

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council approve the required amendments and execute the revised grant contract with the California Energy Commission (CEC) for FEAP #847 – Electric Vehicle Public Access Infrastructure Expansion Project (C2014-107).

**8K. Transit – Authorize contract amendment to operate a Swipe Card System for the Torrance Community Transit Program. Expenditure: \$41,000.**

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council authorize an amendment to the contract with Cabconnect, Incorporated of Chicago, IL (C2014-150) for the ongoing operation of the Swipe Card System for the Torrance Community Transit Program, in the amount of \$41,000 for a new not-to-exceed contract total of \$97,310 and extending the contract to December 31, 2016.

**8L. City Manager – Authorize installation of decorative overhead LED lighting on Sartori Avenue. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$59,559.82 inclusive of a 5% contingency.**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council authorize expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$59,559.82 inclusive of a 5% contingency to install decorative overhead LED lighting on Sartori Avenue from approximately Torrance Boulevard to Sartori/Marcelina.

**8M. City Manager– Authorize license agreement with Torrance Antique Street Faire for use of City streets. Expenditure: None.**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council authorize a license agreement by and between the City of Torrance and Torrance Antique Street Faire in an amount of \$500 per month, for use of El Prado Avenue, Sartori Avenue and Marcelina Avenue every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month for a one year period beginning January 1, 2016 and ending December 31, 2016.

## 12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

### 12A. City Manager - Consider continuation of membership in the Independent Cities Association. Expenditure: \$5,250 (annual membership renewal).

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council consider whether to continue membership in the Independent Cities Association.

### 12B. City Council Transportation Committee – Line 4 Express Service Improvements and proposed Rubber Wheel Trolley Circulator. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the City Council Transportation Committee that City Council authorize public hearings regarding Line 4 Express Service Improvements and support the Rubber Wheel Trolley Circulator project and grant funding.

### 12C. City Clerk – Accept and File City Clerk’s Proposed Elements for 2016 Municipal Elections. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$10,000.

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council accept and file the City Clerk’s proposed elements of the voter outreach program for the 2016 municipal election.

### 12D. City Treasurer – Adopt RESOLUTION establishing the 2016 Statement of Investment Policy.

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION establishing the Statement of Investment Policy for 2016.

### 12E. Public Works – Adopt RESOLUTION supporting America Fast Forward Transportation Bonds.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION supporting the federal America Fast Forward Transportation Bonds.

### 12F. Public Works and Transit – Award agreement for Torrance Transit Park and Ride Regional Terminal, FEAP #764: Phase I-Rough Grading. Expenditure: \$2,198,542.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director and Transit Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve the plans and specifications for Torrance Transit Park and Ride Regional Terminal, FEAP #764: Phase I-Rough Grading (B2015-35); and,
- 2) Award a two-year Public Works Agreement with Southern California Grading, Inc. of Irvine, CA, for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,093,850 and authorize a 5% contingency in the amount of \$104,692 to construct Phase 1-Rough Grading of the Torrance Transit Park and Ride Regional Terminal, FEAP #764.

**12G. Public Works – Appropriate funds, approve categorical exemption under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and award agreement for construction of the Sidewalk Repair for Handicap Accessibility, I-135 (CDBG #601647-14). Expenditure: \$953,235.**

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Appropriate Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 Funds in the amount of \$191,012 to the Sidewalk Repair for Handicap Accessibility, I-135 thereby increasing the I-135 project budget to \$3,340,095; and
- 2) Determine that the approval of Sidewalk Repair for Handicap Accessibility, I-135 (CDBG #601647-14) is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15332 of the Guidelines implementing California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and
- 3) Approve the specifications for the Sidewalk Repair for Handicap Accessibility, I-135 (CDBG #601647-14); and
- 4) Award a two-year public works agreement to Bitech Construction Co., Inc. of Buena Park, CA (B2015-26) in the amount of \$907,843 and authorize a 5% contingency in the amount of \$45,392 for the Sidewalk Repair for Handicap Accessibility, I-135 (CDBG #601647-14).

**12H. Transit – Appropriate grant funds and award contract for purchase of Compressed Natural Gas buses. Expenditure: \$14,005,761.68.**

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council appropriate grant funding and:

- 1) Authorize \$1,139,925.36 in City self-assessed sales tax payment to the State of California; and
- 2) Authorize the Transit Department to utilize up to \$200,000 in grant funding for bus construction inspection, purchase of bus decals and other project related costs; and
- 3) Award a contract to New Flyer of America, of St. Cloud, MN to purchase twenty-four (24) Compressed Natural Gas Buses at a cost not to exceed \$12,665,836.32.

**13. HEARINGS**

**13A. Community Development - Consider appeal of Planning Commission denial of a Division of Lot to allow one parcel to be subdivided into four flag lots on property located in the R-1 Zone at 2126 W. 238th Street. This project is categorically exempt from CEQA per Guidelines Section 15315 - Minor Land Divisions. DIV14-00009: EHZ Development Inc.**

Recommendation of the Planning Commission that City Council deny the appeal to subdivide lot at 2126 W. 238<sup>th</sup> Street and adopt a RESOLUTION denying DIV14-00009.

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council grant the appeal approving subdivision of lot at 2126 W. 238<sup>th</sup> Street and adopt a RESOLUTION approving DIV14-00009.

**16. 2ND READING ORDINANCES**

**16A. Second and Final Reading of Ordinance No.3791.**

Second and Final Reading of ORDINANCE NO. 3791 amending the rules and regulations of the Torrance Certified Farmers' market.

**17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2 Staff & Public Comments**

Council order - Rizzo Weideman Ashcraft Barnett Goodrich Griffiths

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**18. EXECUTIVE SESSION – City Council Closed Session**

**18A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR**

(California Government Code § 54957.6):

Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson

Employee Organization/Association:

- 1) Elected Officials

**18B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9:

One Case

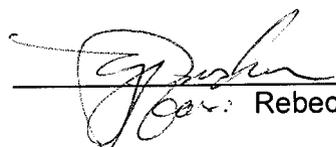
**18C. REAL PROPERTY - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR**

(California Government Code § 54956.8):

- 1) Property: 3756-3758 Pacific Coast Highway  
APN 7534-002-008  
Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson  
Negotiating Parties: City of Torrance and Rajan C. and Shweta R. Jhangiani  
Under Negotiation: Terms and conditions of potential purchase
- 2) Property: 3758 Pacific Coast Hwy, Torrance, CA 90505  
Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson  
Negotiating Parties: City of Torrance and Pacific Star Line Tint and Sound, Augustine Lazcano  
Under Negotiation: Terms and conditions of acquisition of leasehold interest
- 3) Property: 2790 Skypark, Torrance, CA  
Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson  
Negotiating Parties: City of Torrance and Jeffrey D. Cunningham  
Under Negotiation: Terms and conditions of lease
- 4) Property: 25924 Rolling Hills Road (Las Canchas Tennis Facility)  
Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson  
Negotiating Parties: City of Torrance, South Bay Tennis Center, Ken and Courtney Hance  
Under Negotiation: Terms and conditions of lease

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

**19A.** Adjourn City Council to Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

  
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Rebecca Poirier, City Clerk