

Torrance, California.
January 15th., 1934.

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE.

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a Special Meeting in the City Hall, Torrance, California, on Monday, January 15th., 1934.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Conner at 4:30 P.M.

Clerk Bartlett called the roll. Those answering present were Councilmen: Hitchcock, Klusman, Ludlow, Wright and Conner. Absent: Councilmen: None.

Mayor Conner stated the meeting was called for the purpose of authorizing traveling expense of Mayor Conner and Engineer Leonard to San Francisco in the interest of the Water Bond Application.

Councilman Ludlow moved that the necessary expense of Mayor Conner and Engineer Leonard be allowed. Councilman Klusman took the floor and stated that it is absolutely an unnecessary thing to do to send a committee to San Francisco that San Francisco is only the Regional Office of the P.W.A. the city should not stand such expense as the main office is here in Los Angeles. Councilman Klusman further stated he would oppose the move and try with all his might to stop it as the main office is here.

Mayor Conner explained that he had been advised by high public officials in Washington to contact a certain gentleman in San Francisco who has had and will still have to do with our Federal Loan application. At this time Mayor Conner declared a recess until the arrival of City Attorney Rippy.

After Attorney Rippy had arrived Councilman Klusman explained he made the statement that the main office of the Public Works is in Los Angeles, that San Francisco is only a Regional Office. Even everything in the San Francisco office has to be submitted to the office here. I raise the question on this issue that it is useless to spend money to go to San Francisco. At this time Councilman Wright seconded Councilman Ludlow's motion.

Councilman Klusman stated this is nothing but a "junketing" trip to San Francisco. Mayor Conner stated the gentleman we are going to see is in the Regional Office and this office takes in several western states.

Councilman Klusman stated I object to this whole issue of \$375,000.00 and am against a \$2.00 water rate. I am for a \$1.00 rate and for not more than \$200,000.00 issue. I don't want to vote an extra \$75,000.00 on the people here. I have the right to oppose the expenditure of more of our bond money.

At this time Mayor Conner called for a vote. The record of the vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Ludlow, Wright and Conner. NOES: COUNCILMAN: Klusman. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None. Councilman Klusman stated he voted against it with a protest, expense absolutely unnecessary and invalid.

Councilman Ludlow moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Wright seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mayor Conner declared the meeting adjourned at 4:55 P.M.

A. H. Bartlett
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

C. E. Conner
Mayor of the City of Torrance.