

Torrance, California.  
August 27th, 1935.

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

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a Regular Meeting in the City Hall, Torrance, California, on Tuesday, August 27th, 1935.

Mayor Ludlow called the meeting to order at 7:45 P.M.

Clerk Bartlett called the roll, those answering present being: Councilmen: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. Absent: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that minutes of the meetings of August 14th, 20th and 23rd, 1935 be approved as written. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett announced that there were no written communications.

Attorney Rippy presented for first reading, and read in full:

ORDINANCE NO. 269

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE,  
CALIFORNIA, CALLING AND PROVIDING FOR AND  
GIVING NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE  
HELD IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE ON FRIDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 27, 1935.

Councilman Stanger moved that Ordinance No. 269 be approved for the first reading. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion; the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: None.

City Clerk Bartlett announced that anyone who had registered after August 17th would not be eligible to vote at the coming bond election.

Attorney Rippy presented:

RESOLUTION NO. 737

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF \$653.38 TO ASSOCIATED  
PUBLIC UTILITIES CORPORATION

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Resolution No. 737 be adopted. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion; the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: None.

Attorney Rippy presented:

RESOLUTION NO. 738

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE  
AUTHORIZING VACATION OF ELLIS AVENUE

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Resolution No. 738 be adopted. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion; the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: None.

Councilman Hitchcock stated that he would like to hear from Engineer Leonard on Sepulveda Blvd. and Cabrillo Avenue. Engineer Leonard replied that there was nothing new on Cabrillo Avenue, and that he had taken up the question of Sepulveda and the State Highway with the Road Commissioner. He stated that there was no way to use the gasoline funds on Sepulveda, but that when Cabrillo is completed through to Sepulveda, it may be possible to get the County to work on it.

Councilman Hitchcock announced that the road is finished to the water well site, and that the high tank will be located southwest of the well, and the low tank northwest of the well.

Engineer Leonard reported that hydrants are placed in the McDonald Tract, affording fire protection for that district.

Councilman Tolson stated that, due to the termination of the activities of the S.E.R.A., there had been a break in the playground situation. He stated that the workers were continuing, although receiving the dole instead of their previous salaries, until a new set-up might be made. Messrs. McNew and Hood to submit a program to the County when the new proposition comes up, showing the minimum and maximum number of workers required here.

Mayor Ludlow suggested that rest rooms are needed at the playground, and that a cess pool be put in, until such time as sewer connections are made. Engineer Leonard estimated that the cost would approximate \$450.00. City Clerk Bartlett was asked to check further into this matter and get figures.

Clerk Bartlett asked the Council to authorize payment of \$100.00 to Nobuo Kodama for damage to his strawberry crop on Hawthorne Avenue, explaining that this amount will be reimbursed by the State.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that this appropriation of \$100.00 be made. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion; the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: None.

Mayor Ludlow stated that it would be in order to adopt the budget to be used by the City Council for the coming year. Councilman Stanger moved that the budget, as presented by Clerk Bartlett, be adopted. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion; the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: None.

The question of registration of workers for Sanitary Sewer District was brought up, and Clerk Bartlett was requested to take care of this matter during Engineer Leonard's absence.

Attorney Rippy declared that the appraiser from the County, who had appraised the Damuth property in the condemnation suit, City of Torrance vs. Damuth, should make an affidavit as to the damage. He added that authorization is needed for the payment into the Court of a sum not to exceed \$200.00, in order to take possession at once, when the report is made. Councilman Hitchcock moved that an appropriation not to exceed \$200.00 be paid into the Superior Court in the case of the City of Torrance vs. Damuth. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion; the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: None.

Attorney Rippy stated that an audit should be made of the Los Angeles School District books, in order to obtain information which would be necessary should the City of Torrance adopt a charter. He said that a Mr. Baskerville, of Los Angeles, would obtain the information as to the cost of Torrance remaining in the Los Angeles School District and of maintaining its own system, and that Mr. Baskerville would submit an estimate of his charges in this matter.

Councilman Tolson moved that the audit be authorized, with the understanding that the cost is not to exceed \$100.00. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion; the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that warrants be drawn for all bills properly audited. Councilman Stanger seconded the motion; the record of vote is as follows: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, Klusman, Stanger, Tolson and Ludlow. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the meeting adjourn to Tuesday, September 3rd, 1935 at 4:50 P.M., to adopt Ordinance No. 269. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

A. H. Bantel

City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

J. R. Ludlow

Mayor of the City of Torrance.