

Torrance, California
October 2, 1936

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 Council Chamber, City Hall, Torrance, California on Friday, October 2, 1936 at 4:30 P.M.

Mayor Stanger called the meeting to order.

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

Clerk Bartlett read the purpose of the special meeting, as follows: "For the purpose of passing resolution authorizing construction of sidewalk in parking areas; passing resolution approving Memorandum of Agreement providing for expenditure of available 1/4¢ gas tax allocation and authorize Mayor to execute same; authorize expense of band to participate in Boulder Power Inaugural Celebration at Los Angeles October 9, 1936; authorizing Automobile & Truck Insurance for year beginning October 2nd, 1936; authorizing appropriation of \$137.90 for purchase of North Torrance Neon Sign; authorizing purchase of Fire Truck and hose for Hollywood Riviera section, and authorizing appropriation of \$350.00 for codifying ordinances and resolutions, and re-vamping filing system; and to approve absence of Councilman Hitchcock."

Attorney Rippy presented and read in full:

RESOLUTION NO. 1038

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CONTRACT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA COVERING EXPENDITURE OF 1/4¢ GAS TAX FOR FISCAL YEAR 1936-37, AMOUNTING TO \$8,041.90 FOR RESURFACING CRAVENS, MARCELINA AND ARLINGTON AVENUES

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Resolution No. 1038 be adopted. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Powell, Tolson and Stanger. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock moved that the expenditure to send the Torrance Municipal Band to the Boulder Power Inaugural Celebration in Los Angeles on October 9th be authorized. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Powell, Tolson and Stanger. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Stanger explained that Buxton Neon Signs and Displays would install a "North Torrance" sign at Prairie Avenue and Riverside Boulevard for \$137.90. Councilman Hitchcock moved that this appropriation be made. Councilman McGuire seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Powell, Tolson and Stanger. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Attorney Rippy presented and read in full:

RESOLUTION NO. 1039

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING WIDENING OF 27 SIDEWALKS AND APPROPRIATING \$1700 TO COVER THE COST THEREOF

Councilman Hitchcock moved that Resolution No. 1039 be adopted. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Powell, Tolson and Stanger. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Powell moved that the City Council approve a one month's leave of absence for Councilman Hitchcock. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: McGuire, Powell, Tolson and Stanger. (Councilman Hitchcock not voting.) NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Powell moved that \$350.00 be appropriated from the unallocated fund for codifying resolutions and ordinances, and for revamping the filing system. Councilman Tolson seconded the motion, which was carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Hitchcock, McGuire, Powell, Tolson and Stanger. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

The City Attorney explained that the fleet insurance could not be acted upon at this meeting, as it had been deferred to the regular meeting on October 13, 1936. A gentleman in the audience who had submitted a bid requested that his figure be kept in confidence, and the Clerk returned his bid to him, to be submitted October 13.

Mayor Stanger stated that the Hollywood-Riviera section of the City of Torrance has been endeavoring to obtain fire protection for the past two or three years, and that he believed that such protection should be provided, in view of the building activity in that section. He explained that for \$3310.00 a light first-aid truck could be built on the Ford V-8 chassis now owned by the City, and that the Hollywood-Riviera people would man and house the truck.

Councilman Hitchcock stated that he was in favor of granting the request, but that he thought the agreement to man and house the fire truck should be in writing.

Engineer Leonard said that there are now about 21 houses in the area, that three large houses are now under construction, and that more

are contemplated.

Councilman McGuire moved that the Council inspect the district Monday, October 5th at 4:30 P.M. and consider the advisability of purchasing the fire truck. Councilman Powell seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Hitchcock stated that he would be absent, but he wished to go on record as being in favor of the purchase.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Gonner read an invitation to the Council to attend a celebration in North Torrance on Wednesday, October 14, 1936 at 7:30 P.M.

Mr. Neff urged the Council to attend this program, stating it was for the purpose of showing appreciation for what has been done for North Torrance.

Mayor Stanger expressed thanks for the invitation.

A lady in the audience requested that a stop sign be replaced at Bailey Street and 182nd Street. The City Engineer said it would be attended to.

At 5 P.M., upon motion of Councilman Hitchcock, seconded by Councilman McGuire, the meeting adjourned.

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

Approved:

W. H. Stanger
Mayor of the City of Torrance.