

Torrance, California
January 4, 1955

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a regular meeting in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Torrance, California, on Tuesday, January 4, 1955, at 5:30 P.M., Mayor Drale presiding.

Those responding to roll call by City Clerk Bartlett were:
COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount, Isen, Schwab and Drale. Also present were City Manager Stevens and City Attorney Hall.

At the request of Mayor Drale, Mr. Reid Bundy led the salute to our Flag.

Councilman Schwab opened the meeting with an invocation.

Councilman Blount moved the minutes of December 28, 1954, be approved as written. Motion, seconded by Mayor Drale, no objections, so ordered by Mayor Drale.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

City Clerk Bartlett read the following:

Memorandum from the City Clerk: \$450,000 Torrance Municipal Improvement Bonds, 1954, delivered to Bank of America for American Trust Company. Total amount, including principal, premium and accrued interest, \$451,170.00 received and deposited in Torrance Branch Bank of America, January 3, 1955.

Matter of record.

Request of State of California, Department of Education, California Industries for the Blind, for free license for their organization to take orders for their products, from door to door, in the City of Torrance for the calendar year of 1955.

City Clerk Bartlett advised this license was given to this organization annually and he would like permission to issue the license.

Councilman Isen moved permission be granted. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Communication from the City Clerk recommending temporary employment of Edith Fink as Typist Clerk, effective January 4, 1955, selected from the Civil Service list, at the salary set forth in the first step.

Councilman Benstead moved to concur with the recommendation. Motion, seconded by Councilman Schwab, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

City Clerk Bartlett said that the matter of the \$5500 grant for the new fire engine had been referred to this meeting.

City Manager Stevens stated he did not ask Fire Chief Benner to attend the meeting because he felt they had settled the matter. He recommended the City accept the \$5500 as they had everything to gain and nothing to lose.

Councilman Isen moved to concur with the recommendation of City Manager Stevens and accept the \$5500. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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Communication from City Prosecutor Woolley requesting the City Council to authorize an ordinance requiring heat in residential property in the City of Torrance.

Councilman Schwab moved the City Prosecutor of the City Attorney be authorized to prepare such an ordinance. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, no objections, so ordered by Mayor Drale.

Communication from the First Methodist Church expressing their gratitude for the free use of the Civic Auditorium for their Christmas program.

Matter of record.

Communication from the International Brotherhood of Operative Potters thanking the City Council for use of the Civic Auditorium for their Christmas party.

Matter of record.

Communication from Fire Chief Benner recommending that the appropriate seating capacity be posted at the Civic Auditorium, McMaster Park, El Retiro Park and the Walteria Club House .

Councilman Isen moved to concur with the recommendation of Fire Chief Benner regarding municipal places of assembly. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, no objections, so ordered by Mayor Drale.

City Clerk Bartlett read the following communication from the John Wiley Jones Company, signed by W. P. FitzGerald, Manager:

"In answer to my copy of City Attorney Hall's letter to Mayor and City Council wherein he asks for clarification of our intent with regard to the warehousing of cylinders, I wish to clarify this point as it is our intent to stock full cylinders at this location. By this I mean there will be no transfer of chlorine from one container to another, which complies with our agreement.

"Empty cylinders are of no question, but for your information, our cylinder reconditioning plant will be maintained here, and such things as sandblasting, priming, painting, stencilling, etc. will be carried on as a normal activity of our business."

Councilman Benstead said that according to his letter they intend to store chlorine gas in those containers and he thought those containers were just as dangerous as any other containers.

City Attorney Hall said the original agreement with John Wiley Jones Company was that after a two year period they would discontinue any blending or any physical transfer of chlorine, they would only be able to maintain a general office for the conduct of its business and use their property only for the storage of small sealed tanks containing chlorine. That is the agreement the City drew up and had them execute. The agreement was for after the two year period. Mr. Hall said the City was bound by the agreement unless something comes up in the future, or unless the company did not live up to its agreement.

Councilman Isen moved the letter be filed as a matter of record. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, no objections, so ordered by Mayor Drale.

10. Communication from the South Shore Motor Company requesting that parking meters be installed in front of their new used car lot at 1311 Cabrillo Avenue.

Councilman Blount moved this communication be referred to City Manager Stevens for a survey and that he report back to the Council at a later date. Motion, seconded by Councilman Schwab, no objections, so ordered by Mayor Drale.

11. Communication from the Regional Water Pollution Control Board No. 4, Los Angeles Region, 541 South Spring Street, Los Angeles, dated December 28, 1954, SUBJECT: Recreational Beaches in Los Angeles County.

Councilman Isen moved the communication be filed as a matter of record. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, no objections, so ordered by Mayor Drale.

Communication from Chief of Police Haslam recommending that Ordinance Nos. 367 and 406, relating to the issuance of bicycle licenses, be repealed. Chief stated the cost of this system has exceeded the income and has not decreased the theft of bicycles. He stated that in lieu of this licensing a substitute record of bicycles could be kept in book form whereby a bicycle owner could voluntarily register his bicycle by make and serial number, together with the name and address.

After a general discussion, Councilman Isen moved that Ordinances Nos. 367 and 406 be repealed. Motion, seconded by Councilman Schwab, carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount, Isen and Schwab. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Drale.

Councilman Isen moved the Police Department be authorized to set up a voluntary registration system to register bicycles and that a nominal charge of 25¢ be made for each voluntary registration. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount, Isen and Schwab. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Drale.

Communication from City Manager Stevens regarding the following:

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Principals of the Great Lakes Carbon Company, Capitol Company and Engineering Services have requested a postponement of the meeting to discuss annexation of their property. They feel that additional time is required to prepare the data.

Mayor Drale has set up a meeting with the Torrance School Board on Wednesday, January 12th, at 6:30 P.M. at the Fish Shanty.

FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Coin separating and counting machine to handle City funds.

City Manager Stevens recommended the leasing of a coin separating and counting machine, to handle City funds, the machine to be leased from the Standard Johnson Co., Inc., for three months at a rental rate of \$100 and with the understanding the \$100 would apply to the purchase price (\$854.45) at the end of three months.

Councilman Schwab moved to concur with the recommendation of City Manager Stevens. Motion, seconded by Councilman Isen, carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present. (Councilman Blount was out of the Council Chambers at the time of this roll call vote)

2. Proposed purchase of five-acre park site in the Milton Kauffman Tract at 190th Street and Hawthorne Avenue.

City Manager Stevens indicated, by maps, the location of the park site and advised the Council that the Recreation Commission and the Recreation Director approved and recommended this five-acre site. He stated the Milton Kauffman Company has deposited with the City, in the Park Fee Fund, the sum of \$29,344.70. The cost to the company was \$5000 per acre, but with the clearing of oil rights, miscellaneous improvements relocation of oil lines, etc., the total cost was \$6260 per acre. The company has offered to deed the approximate five-acre site to the City for the sum of \$29,344.70, which is the amount that they have deposited as park fees for subdivisions in this area.

Councilman Isen moved to concur with the recommendation of City Manager Stevens that the City purchase the five-acre site as indicated, for the amount suggested, and that the seller pay the usual escrow and

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title charges. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

City Manager Stevens brought up the matter of the City indicating its willingness to aid in the paving of Anza Avenue, between Sepulveda Boulevard and Torrance Boulevard.

After a lengthy discussion the Council indicated that because aid had been given in other subdivisions in the paving of major streets, that they would be willing to help pave Anza Avenue, as outlined by City Manager Stevens, at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.

3. Proposed agreement with the G. R. G. Inc.

City Manager Stevens stated the Council had copies of the agreement with this company and he wanted to make one thing clear -- the City does not pay from the General Fund, or any other fund, except what is collected directly for hook-ons, to this man.

Councilman Isen inquired if these figures had been verified. City Manager Stevens said they went into the contractor's figures, this is the actual cost he paid to have the sewer laid. He stated that both he and the City Engineer had verified this.

4. Eligible list for Superintendent of Building.

City Manager Stevens reported that there were five successful candidates who passed the examination called for the position of Superintendent of Building.

Mr. Stevens commended Acting Superintendent of Building Russell for the splendid job he has done in making our Building Department first-class. He said he believed it would be the best thing to appoint one of the top three men to the position and that the City retain Mr. Russell, under contract, to train and instruct the new man. He said he would recommend it be done this way and also that Mr. Russell be retained, by contract, for possibly another six months. Mr. Stevens said he also had another problem regarding this department and that was to find space to put these people.

Mayor Drale suggested the old Fire Department building be used until the new Civic Center is completed.

After a discussion, the Council instructed City Manager Stevens to interview the top three men on the list and make his recommendation to the City Council by next week if possible.

Councilman Isen moved to concur with the recommendation of City Manager Stevens that the City enter into a six months contract with Acting Superintendent of Building Russell. Motion, seconded by Councilman Schwab, no objections, so ordered by Mayor Drale.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 2669

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND G. R. G., INC.

Councilman Isen moved to dispense with further reading of the Resolution. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Isen moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2669. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2670

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN GRANT OF EASEMENT FROM THE CITY OF TORRANCE TO THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY.

Councilman Blount moved to dispense with further reading of the Resolution. Motion, seconded by Councilman Isen, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Blount moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2670. Motion, seconded by Councilman Schwab, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 718

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ORDERING THE VACATION OF A CERTAIN PORTION OF NEWTON STREET IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance. Motion, seconded by Mayor Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Benstead moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 718 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Mayor Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 719

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ORDERING THE VACATION OF CERTAIN PORTIONS OF 242nd STREET IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Mayor Drale moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Mayor Drale moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 719 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 721

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING AND REPEALING CERTAIN OF ITS CIVIL SERVICE ORDINANCES AND ADOPTING A SINGLE COMPREHENSIVE PERSONNEL ORDINANCE.

Councilman Blount moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance. Motion, seconded by Councilman Isen, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Blount moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 721 at its first and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Schwab, was defeated by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Isen and Schwab. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead and Drale.

(An urgency ordinance)

Councilman Isen stated he thought this was a very good ordinance. Councilman Benstead stated there were a lot of things in this ordinance that he did not agree with and he also thought the Rules and Regulations should accompany the ordinance.

Mayor Drale said he was not going to differ with City Attorney Hall's opinion as he thought he was right in his opinion that the ordinances can be modified or amended by the City Council, however, he still felt that anything voted on by the people should remain until removed by the vote of the people.

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Councilman Isen inquired if the urgency measure could be deleted and the ordinance passed as a regular ordinance.

City Attorney Hall advised they could delete the urgency measure and make it effective within 30 days but he thought the ordinance number should be changed if the ordinance was going to be re-introduced. He stated he did not know of any prohibition which would prohibit adopting the proposed amendments on a majority vote, there was nothing contained in the Charter. The one particular ordinance that was an initiative measure, Ordinance No. 249, which established the Police and Fire, could not be repealed without a vote of the people; however, this only seeks to amend it.

Councilman Isen moved the City Attorney interlineate the proposed ordinance so as to eliminate the urgency measure. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Isen and Schwab. NOES: CCUNCILMEN: Benstead and Drale.

At 6:40 P.M., Mayor Drale declared a recess. The meeting reconvened at 6:50 P.M.

City Attorney Hall stated that he thought since this is not now an urgency ordinance the Council should wait for a draft of the Rules and Regulations to accompany the ordinance.

Councilman Isen suggested that portions of the original ordinance be deleted with respect to political activity. Mayor Drale requested the City Attorney to take care of this matter.

ORDINANCE NO. 723

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 699, ESTABLISHING AS A PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF SAID ORDINANCE NO. 699 THE SUM OF ONE DOLLAR.

Councilman Blount moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance. Motion, seconded by Councilman Schwab, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Blount moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 723 at its first and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Schwab, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 724

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURE FOR FURTHER AMENDMENTS OF POSITION CLASSIFICATION OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND ESTABLISHING JOB SPECIFICATIONS FOR BUILDING INSPECTORS AND SUPERINTENDENT OF BUILDING.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Benstead moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 724 at its first and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 725

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 643.

Councilman Isen moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Isen moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 725 at its first and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Stevens reported that sometime ago the Council negotiated with Mr. Burke for a lease on the Torrance Municipal Airport in which he was going to build a home service business, building materials, etc. He is ready to go ahead now. It is a 30 year lease and has been approved by the C. A. A.

A general discussion was held as to why Mr. Burke had just now decided to go ahead with the lease, the Council has declared a moratorium on the airport until the 35 acre triangle is settled, they felt he should have come forward before this if he was interested. Mr. Stevens said the City has held his check for some time but he did not know if it was binding. Councilman Isen said if Mr. Burke was obligated he should have started paying rent as of the time he was obligated and if anyone has a lease and is not paying their rent they should be cancelled out immediately. Mayor Drale said he would be willing to renegotiate with him after the 35 acres is settled but not now.

Councilman Isen moved this matter be referred to the City Attorney for a ruling at the next meeting. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, no objections, so ordered by Mayor Drale.

City Attorney Hall referred to the lease with Longren Aircraft Company. They sent in a signed copy of the lease and he changed the tax clause. Mr. Hall said he did this out of an abundance of caution to be assured if there is any possible way of assessing the real property taxes directly against the property that the City would get the benefit. It does make a complete change from what the City submitted to Longren and is a change from the policy we have followed for some years past, and is strictly based on the feeling there would be no real property taxes. Longren Aircraft is objecting to this change and Mr. Hall said their objection is well taken but he thought all future leases should have it as merely good draftmanship so that the City gets the maximum benefit. As a practical matter Mr. Hall did not think the City would lose as the manner of assessment will take into consideration that you have a long term lease and they are assessed accordingly. Mr. Hall said he did want to raise this question before the Council.

City Attorney Hall said that under the circumstances he would recommend the lease remain in its present form.

Councilman Blount moved to concur with the recommendation of City Attorney Hall. Motion, seconded by Mayor Drale, no objections, so ordered by Mayor Drale.

Mr. Hall referred to the Moneta Water Company and copies of a draft he had prepared, in answer to Attorney McCall's latest letter, he said if the Council did not object he would mail this letter.

Councilman Blount suggested this matter be given to the newspapers, in the chronological order in which all this has happened so the people of Torrance could see how the Moneta Water Company has brought this about.

City Attorney Hall inquired if the Council was reversing itself insofar as taking over.

Mayor Drale said he did not think so. They agreed to this extended time because they felt if there was a chance to avoid litigation the Council wanted to avoid it.

Councilman Blount said that out of the 60 people that are interested 48 signed a petition for the change-over and 4 or 5 of the residents were not at home and 4 or 5 stated they did not object to it they just wanted to look into the matter.

City Attorney Hall said he thought this was a situation where Moneta has offered to do it and set forth the conditions which have all been met by the City. The only question is as to the City's position in an arbitrary cut-off.

Mayor Drale inquired if our agreement with the Moneta Water Company is binding when we let them go in and supply that tract.

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City Attorney Hall said it is a right of joint user and the City owns the mains in this particular tract and he can go in and use them. The only question is whether they would have any rights under their so-called easements to supply, they are part of the realty that is served, and no one can answer it without litigating it.

Councilman Isen said "let's go on in."

Councilman Benstead inquired what Mr. Hall would suggest.

City Attorney Hall said you have to bring this situation to an issue sometime, this doesn't settle anything insofar as their real rights are concerned, it might be cheap to find out just what rights they have.

Councilman Isen said the City has given them enough notice but they have changed their position.

City Attorney Hall said what he would really suggest, because he thought it would determine our entire future position, would be to go in and condemn whatever rights they have and do it through condemnation. He thought that would fix, by a Court decision, whether or not the so-called easements they have amount to two-cents. Mr. Hall said as far as he was concerned this was a good case to test that out.

Councilman Isen said the Council should revoke the ordinance holding them free and harmless. City Attorney Hall said the ordinance could be repealed on that basis but he thought the Council should perhaps move forward since this water issue is going to vex us from time to time, and go ahead on a limited condemnation as it will not cost the City much as on such a small tract, there can't be much loss of revenue.

Councilman Blount moved the City Attorney be authorized to proceed as he has just outlined. Motion, seconded by Councilman Schwab, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Isen inquired about the ordinance. City Attorney Hall said he would redictate the letter and he would take care of the ordinance as a Resolution would be needed.

City Attorney Hall stated that we should hear from the Department of Defense, on the triangle, about January 17th; also, a representative from General Services Administration will be here in Torrance on January 10th and he is the one that will make the decision on freeing the surface of the property.

Mr. Hall said that about three months have expired under the Store Properties, Inc. option and in talking to Myles Blaine today he wanted to know if the Council would extend the period of time under the option as they want to be in a position to make commitments with their tenants and they just won't have the time to line it all up unless we can give them additional time. Mr. Hall said he would recommend an additional six months.

Councilman Benstead moved to grant Store Properties, Inc. an additional six months, from this date, on their option. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

City Attorney Hall recommended the City engage a full time Deputy City Attorney at a salary of not to exceed \$400 per month, and that he be assigned the prosecution duties, also the duty of attending all the Planning Commission meetings and acting as advisor to the Planning Commission, as well as all of the other commissions in the City, and, further, to do such miscellaneous work as we can't get out at the present time. Mr. Hall said he would recommend we hire someone young so he can be trained and grow up with the City. He believed it would be possible to get a young attorney out of law school and he could build a career with the City.

Councilman Benstead inquired if that would have to be a Civil Service examination.

City Attorney Hall said that unfortunately the Charter has an unusual provision which precludes a civil service examination and he suggested that the next time we have an election the Charter should be amended because he thought all employees, particularly that type, should be in the classified service. Mr. Hall said he thought in hiring someone we should go through the same procedure that we do.

Councilman Isen said he thought under the Charter that Mr. Hall should make the appointment.

Mayor Drale suggested an examination be called and that the City advertise in such magazines as Western Cities, etc.

Councilman Isen inquired if this party would be precluded from private practice. City Attorney Hall said "Yes".

Councilman Benstead stated he thought they were overlooking the residence requirement. Mr. Hall said that as a condition of his employment he should be required to establish his residence within 90 days.

Councilman Benstead said that in order to take the examination he must be a resident of Torrance. City Attorney Hall advised that they are precluded from placing him in the classified service. The examination, if handled on that basis, would have to be conducted informally because you can't place him, you can't hire him under Civil Service.

Mayor Drale said he realized that but he thought it wouldn't hurt to call for it under a Civil Service examination. He said he thought this was something very important as the office demands either a full time City Attorney or a full time Deputy to the part-time City Attorney.

City Attorney Hall said he thought this was a good time to get a man and bring him up with the City as Mr. Woolley doesn't have time for it anymore with his own office commitments. Mr. Hall commended Mr. Woolley for the excellent job he has done.

Mayor Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of City Attorney Hall, and if possible the classification be called for through the procedures of our Civil Service Board. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Benstead inquired about the audit of the airport. City Manager Stevens reported that it was completed and is now in the process of being prepared.

Councilman Benstead moved an annual audit be made on the airport. Motion, seconded by Mayor Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Blount inquired if there was anything new on the possible annexation of the strip along the County rectangular where it curves into the City limit lines.

City Manager Stevens said the principal property owner is the Dominguez Estates and they have indicated they would meet with the City Council sometime the first part of this year.

Councilman Isen referred to building on the airport and moved the matter of policy be to post notice of non-responsibility and that the City Attorney prepare the proper notice and the Engineering Department be responsible for the posting of same. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Isen said that in connection with this the Engineering Department should report back to the Council, by letter, when these notices are posted.

Councilman Isen referred to the matter of the manner of handling the parking meter tickets. He read a letter he had received from Clerk of the South Bay Municipal Court in which he had enclosed a sample of the type used by the City of Santa Monica. Councilman Isen referred the letter and enclosure to Chief of Police Haslam for recommendation.

Mayor Drale stated he has received many complaints from residents about having to travel to Redondo Beach to pay a fine and he thought it was time we started some action to bring a municipal court to the City of Torrance.

Mayor Drale moved the City Attorney be authorized to write to the Board of Supervisors stating the City of Torrance is in dire need of a municipal court. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Chief Haslam referred to the agreement with the Torrance Ambulance Service, he stated they had presented him with bills totaling \$520 which they claim they have been unable to collect. He advised he has gone through these hurriedly and has cut it down to about \$350, as some of the calls did not originate from the Police Department. He stated he would report on this fully at a later meeting.

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Mr. Marion Varner presented a rendering of the South Torrance Fire Station and the plans for the Council's approval, to enable him to proceed with the final construction plans.

Councilman Benstead moved to approve the plans, to date, as presented by Mr. Varner. Motion, seconded by Councilman Schwab, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Fire Chief Benner requested the Fire Commission meet next week to discuss several matters now pending. Mayor Drale requested him to contact Councilman Isen and arrange a date for the meeting.

Mr. Marion Varner presented the floor plans of the Police Station for the Council's approval, to enable him to forward them to the proper State officials for approval.

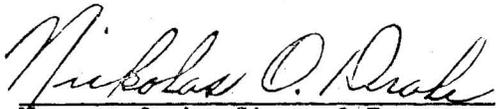
Councilman Schwab moved to approve the plans of the Police Station, to date, as presented by Mr. Varner. Motion, seconded by Councilman Isen, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Isen moved all bills properly audited be paid. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

At 8:00 P. M., Councilman Isen moved to adjourn. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried.


City Clerk of the City of Torrance

APPROVED:


Mayor of the City of Torrance