

Torrance, California  
March 4, 1958

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a regular meeting at 5:30 P. M. Tuesday, March 4, 1958, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Torrance, California.

Those responding to roll call by City Clerk Bartlett were:  
COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount, Drale, Jahn, Isen. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None. City Manager Stevens and City Attorney Remelmeyer were also present.

At the request of Mayor Isen, Fire Chief Benner led the salute to our Flag.

The Reverend John Taylor, Pastor of the First Methodist Church, opened the meeting with an invocation.

Councilman Jahn moved to approve the Minutes of the Adjourned Regular Meetings of the Council held February 25, 1958, and February 27, 1958, as written.

Motion seconded by Councilman Benstead, no objections, so ordered.

City Manager Stevens introduced the new Airport Manager, Jack Egan, to the audience at the request of Mayor Isen.

Mr. Stevens also introduced Mr. Art Tunnel of Long Beach State College, a senior studying public management, who is serving an internship with our City.

Mayor Isen welcomed Mr. Egan, and extended to him the best wishes of the Council for success in the management of our municipal airport, and welcomed Mr. Tunnel for the Council.

BIDS:

Mayor Isen announced that this was the time and place for the opening of bids for the purchase of motor vehicles for the Police Department.

City Clerk Bartlett presented the Affidavit of Publication of Notice to Bidders.

Councilman Benstead moved this be received and filed.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, no objection, so ordered.

City Manager Stevens opened, and City Clerk Bartlett read, the bids summarized here:

<u>BIDDER:</u>	<u>MODEL NAME OR NO.:</u>	<u>TOTAL BID:</u>
	Patrol Car:	
Paul's Chevrolet Inc. 1640 Cabrillo Torrance, Calif.	#1849 - BelAir 4-door, incl. tax Interceptors: #1249 - Delray 4-door, Inc. tax	\$2269.32 \$2170.19
Seaboard Motors 1831 S. Pacific San Pedro, Calif.		No Bid
Bacons' Sales Co. 1100 Pacific Cst. Hiway Hermosa Beach, Calif.	Patrol Cars: 58B Fairlane 500, 4-door Inc. tax Interceptors: #73B Custom 300 4-door Inc. tax	\$2155.37 \$2022.25

<u>BIDDER:</u>	<u>MODEL NAME OR NO.:</u>		<u>TOTAL BID:</u>
Vel's Ford Sales Co.	Patrol Cars:		
1420 Cabrillo	Fairlane 500	Inc. tax	\$2099.76
Torrance, Calif.	Interceptors:		
	Custom 300	Inc. tax	\$2080.00

Councilman Jahn asked if the Interceptors should have been cheaper than the patrol cars, or if the order had been reversed, however, City Manager Stevens checked and said they had been bid in the proper order in the form sent to the bidders.

Assistant City Manager Mansfield reported that the equipment on the cars had to be special in some regards.

Councilman Drale asked if it was the decision of the City Council and City Manager to purchase cars or compare these bids with the lease bids.

City Manager Stevens said that was right. He recommended at this time that the bids for leasing which we received recently be rejected.

Councilman Blount moved that these bids be referred to the City Manager for study and recommendation and that the bids for leasing of police cars, recently received, be rejected.

Councilman Jahn seconded both motions.

There were no objections to either motion, and they were ordered carried.

City Manager Stevens recommended that we be authorized to advertise again for leasing of police vehicles.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with this recommendation of the City Manager.

Motion seconded by Mayor Isen, no objections, so ordered.

#### WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

Councilman Jahn said that letters from Vegas Aircraft, Inc., and Acme Aircraft Co., received last week and tabled for one week, were not on the Agenda. He asked that these be obtained for the Councilmen for action later in the meeting.

1. A claim from Edward V. Wilson, 3809 Hill St., Huntington Park, California, against the City for personal injuries and damages resulting from an accident at Pistol Range on November 24, 1957.

Councilman Drale moved this be denied, and referred to the City Attorney.

Motion seconded by Councilman Benstead, no objections, so ordered.

2. A Notice of Hearing before the Public Utilities Commission in the matter of the Commission's own motion into property, operations, contracts, service, tariff rules and regulations, and main extension rules of Dominguez Water Corporation.

The City Attorney reported this was here for information. He is following it up. He hoped to have information by next week as to the reason for reopening this Hearing.

3. A letter from Frandiska B. Frieded, 1874 - 218th St., called attention of the Council to a street condition which needed correction near her fence, and to what she considered to be a violation of the plumbing code at a neighboring property.

A February 24, 1958, memo from Director of Public Works J. V. Russell, reported that: "1: The subject discussed in paragraph No. 1 (street condition) was completed by Jack Stephens of the Street Dept. on February 21. 2: Mr. Stephens had brought out fact that he believed a violation of our Plumbing Code existed. Mr. Art Moore, however, inspected the property concerned thoroughly, and found all plumbing to be in perfect order and in keeping with our Code standards. This inspection was made on February 20."

Mr. Russell reported to the Council that investigation had shown the lady who owned the property where the inspection was made does do her laundry in her garage, but the plumbing is in order; when she has finished her laundry, she scrubs the floor, and this scrub water runs into the street to some degree. The property is very clean and orderly.

Councilman Jahn moved that a proper letter be sent to Mrs. Friede explaining the action that has been taken.

Councilman Blount seconded Councilman Jahn's motion.

There were no objections, and Mayor Isen directed Mr. Russell to write to Mrs. Friede.

4. Concerning a request recently received from Joe Davis for a shine-stand location on the City-owned parking lot on Cravens, which was referred to the City Manager, a sketch showing the area indicated by Mr. Davis and prepared by R. K. Rogers was submitted by the City Manager. A note from City Manager Stevens, dated February 28, 1958, was appended, and read: "Mr. Davis states that he plans to re-assemble the shine stand, which he had previously used on the parking lot adjacent to Alter Realty on Marcelina Avenue. He would, however, construct a completely new one if the City so desires."

The City Manager, in response to a question, said he was not familiar with the stand Mr. Davis had used, but he did not believe it would be acceptable to the Council.

Councilman Drale had thought pictures would be submitted.

The City Manager explained that Mr. Davis did not have any such pictures.

Councilman Benstead pointed out that Mr. Davis had offered to build a new stand.

Councilman Drale moved to approve the new stand subject to its approval by the Building Department and they consider it not to be detrimental to the area.

The City Manager, in reply to a question, said Mr. Davis would pay us \$10 per month for the location, which is more than a parking stall will yield. He believed we should only have something there which would be a credit to the area.

Councilman Drale's motion lost for lack of a second.

Councilman Benstead moved Mr. Davis bring in plans to the Building Dept. and when they have approved the plans, that they send a letter to the Council to that effect.

Motion seconded by Mayor Isen, no objections, so ordered.

5. A February 28, 1958, letter from Richard B. Wilson, 109 Calle de Arboles, requested permission to post political posters on the trees along Torrance and Sepulveda Boulevards. Mr. Wilson's letter said the signs would be properly removed by April 15, 1958.

Councilman Jahn moved the request be denied, and that this be the precedent for all major arteries.

Motion seconded by Mayor Isen, with the comment that some time ago he had introduced the Ordinance prohibiting posting signs on City property because he felt the trees had been defaced.

Councilman Drale pointed out that a political sign over the legal size for signs in a residential area is posted on a home on Torrance Boulevard.

Mayor Isen was familiar with the sign, and said it is a canvas sign, and in his opinion to prevent this under the circumstances would be a violation of the right of free speech. He questioned the City Attorney on whether an opinion had been sought from him about the sign.

The City Attorney replied that the sign in question is on private property, and historically the right of the American citizen to campaign and put placards on his home for candidates he favors is so well known that to attempt to enforce any provision against it might be a violation of free speech.

The motion to prohibit posting of political placards on trees

along major arteries carried by the following roll call vote: AYES:  
 COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Drale, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount.  
 ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER:

1. In a letter dated February 28, 1958, the City Manager submitted the following recommendations for consideration and approval:

APPROPRIATIONS:

1. Final Payment of Airport Grading Contract:

Council acceptance and approval of final payment is required on the Airport Grading job. All work has been completed, in accordance with plans and specifications, and was accepted by the Engineering Department January 17, 1958. Attached is a copy of statement and Engineering approval.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation for acceptance and approval of the final payment.

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

AWARD OF BIDS:

I recommend that bids be awarded for hose, hydraulic expander and hose tester, in accordance with the attached recommendation of the Fire Chief.

The recommendation of the Fire Chief read as follows:

"After reviewing the bids and hose samples I recommend the bids be awarded as follows:

Item No. 1 (1" Hose)

Halprin Supply Company \$424 plus tax

Note: Quaker Pioneer Rubber Division appeared as low bidder but were disqualified as hose couplings did not meet specifications.

Item No. 2 (2½" Hose)

Western Bi-Lateral Fire Hose Co. \$1760 plus tax

Note: Of the other four (4) bids, two were bid without couplings and two did not submit fifty foot lengths of sample hose for test purposes as required in the specifications.

Item No. 3 (Hydraulic Expander and Hose Tester)

Halprin Supply Company \$932 plus tax.

Note: W. S. Darley Company appeared as lowest bidder but were disqualified as not meeting specifications."

Councilman Benstead asked Fire Chief Benner, who was present, for details on this, and Chief Benner explained his reason for the recommendations he had made.

Councilman Benstead asked the City Manager what the amount of the differences would be, and the City Manager said he would have to make a thorough check to see.

Councilman Benstead moved to refer this entire matter back to the City Manager for information as to the differences between the low bidders and those recommended here, which he asked be given at the next meeting of the Council.

Motion seconded by Mayor Isen, no objections, so ordered.

PURCHASES:

1. For the purchase of postage for postage meter, the sum of \$1,000 for general City use. In the past purchases have been made in the amount of \$300.00. Each purchase requires the machine to be taken to the Post Office for charging.
2. For repair of Ford Police Unit No. 43, the sum of \$463.14, this amount being the lowest bid of three obtained for the work.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with Items 1 and 2 under Purchases as recommended by the City Manager.

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM LICENSE DEPARTMENT:

1. The application of Roy and Robert Longhofer for a license to paint house numbers on curbs was re-submitted, having been held over from the meeting of February 25, 1958.

License Inspector Whitacre had recommended that this license be granted, saying the fee would be \$24.00 for the calendar year.

Councilman Benstead felt that Boy Scouts and other youth groups would want to do this work, and that it would help them make money so he did not believe we should give it to someone from out of town.

Councilman Jahn asked if other people do this.

License Inspector Whitacre said last year two local groups had applied for permits for this, one the Hi-Y Club and the other a young women's Church group. At the present time, we have no one in the City doing this.

Councilman Drale moved the application not be denied, but Mr. Whitacre write to these men and tell them we have people here who would like to perform this service; motion failed for lack of second.

Mr. Whitacre said one of the applicants was present. He pointed out that they want to pay for this license.

Mayor Isen objected to their plan of not having a set fee; he thought they should have a set fee, and should get permission before painting numbers on the curbs.

Mr. Roy Longhofer, 12913 So. Harris, Compton, California, said they generally get from 25¢ to \$1.00 for this service. He said this is a service performed in other cities. He believed this would be a service of assistance to the Police and Fire Departments as well as to residents.

Councilman Blount moved the request be granted.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, and failed by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Jahn. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Isen. ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEN: Drale. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Isen thought their fee should be specified, and so voted as he had.

2. A February 25, 1958, application for a Business License for a billiard parlor at 3817 Pacific Coast Highway, Torrance, was submitted by Lemuel (Rex) Thompson. Mr. Thompson's letter stated the request had been approved by Chief of Police Bennett.

A memo from License Inspector Whitacre reported that Chief Bennett has approved this application.

Councilman Benstead moved the request be granted.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

3. A January 13, 1958, request from the Crippled Children's Society of Los Angeles County, Inc., for a free permit to place coin

containers in the city, together with License Inspector's recommendation that the free permit be granted subject to the filing of proper applications with the License Department.

The request was signed by Jack M. Lear, Executive Director, and came from 325 W. Adams Blvd., Los Angeles 7, California.

Councilman Drale moved this free permit be granted.

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

4. A Feb. 28, 1958, recommendation from G. Whitacre, License Inspector, was for the refund of an overpayment of License Fee to Raymond and Jacqueline Smith, 300 Calle Miramar, Redondo Beach; Mr. and Mrs. Smith paid \$9.00 for a 7-unit apartment and should have paid \$6.00 for a 4-unit apartment. Mr. Whitacre recommended a refund in the amount of \$3.00.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation of Mr. Whitacre.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

#### COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

1. A February 27, 1958, transmittal form from the Planning Commission contained their recommendation for approval of the request of Pearl E. Grady for a Variance to construct an automatic automobile wash rack and associated facilities on the south half of Lot 48, McDonald Tract, situated between Redondo Beach Blvd. and 164th St. in Land Use Zone C-2 (General Commercial), with stipulations. (CASE NO. 489).

Mayor Isen said the transmittal stipulated that the petitioner 'offer to dedicate' property for street purposes; he believed the stipulation should be that the petitioner 'dedicate' the land.

The City Attorney agreed with Mayor Isen, saying he believed that should be a condition of the granting of the request.

Mayor Isen ordered the words 'offer to' stricken from Stipulation 'c' of the transmittal.

Councilman Jahn so moved.

Councilman Drale asked that the motion include striking the word 'any' from Stipulation 'd'.

Councilman Jahn accepted the amendment to his motion, and Councilman Drale seconded the motion as amended.

There were no objections to the motion as amended, and it was so ordered.

Councilman Jahn asked if this property would be cleaned up, and Planning Director Powell said it was being cleaned now to make room for this wash rack.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission with the stipulations as corrected, with the property to be cleaned up.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2. A February 27, 1958, letter from Planning Director Powell submitted to the Council the Planning Commission's recommendation for approval of the following Waivers:

Wallace and Lucille Inman, 18414 Purche Ave., requesting waiver of fence requirements, above address, to permit a 6' fence.

J. Will Cameron, 23655 Susana Ave., requesting a 5' rear yard waiver, per sketch submitted, above address.

Roy F. Dohner, 17311 Prairie Ave., requesting waiver of rear yard to 4' at garage only. Recommending approval with the stipulation that a doorway into the yard area be provided.

Dale B. Swanson, 16711 S. Cerise, requesting waiver of required rear yard, above address. This is a type of waiver the Waiver Board cannot act on, as the proposed building comes too close to the line. Commissioner Uyeda, Chairman of the Committee, moved to recommend this application for a rear yard waiver for approval per Exhibit A, with the following stipulations:

- a. That this have stucco walls to conform to existing house;
- b. That the roof shall have the same pitch and be of the same material as the roof of the existing house;
- c. Mr. Swanson to sign Exhibit A to signify agreement to these stipulations.

Councilman Benstead moved to concur with the recommendation for approval of all these waivers by the Planning Commission.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale.

Councilman Jahn asked if these had not come here after it was agreed that they could be handled without Council action, and Mr. Powell said these were 'left over' from the time before the new course of procedure was agreed upon.

The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Mr. Powell's letter stated that:

Mrs. Joseph Giacinto, 2715 W. 178th St., requested an interpretation of Ordinance No. 791, re "(d) buildings for the housing of domestic animals....". Excerpt from Planning Commission Minutes of Feb. 19 (Pages 12 and 13) were submitted, with a letter of explanation from Planning Director Powell dated February 12, 1958.

Mr. Charles Montgomery, attorney for Mrs. Giacinto, spoke to the Council for his client. He explained to the Council that Mrs. Giacinto has two ocelots and a cheetah which she regards as house pets. He said the City of Los Angeles is considering a new Ordinance which would classify those animals as domestic pets. He said they have owned the animals for years, and there have been no complaints about them. Mr. Montgomery presented pictures of the animals to the Clerk for the Council to see, showing that the animals are indeed tame and trained.

Mr. Montgomery explained that Mrs. Giacinto is a member of the American Ocelot Club, organized to standardize the breeding of these animals. He read the requirements of the Club for membership, stressing the fact that the animals are very closely supervised, and must be house pets.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Attorney as reported in Mr. Powell's letter, 'that Mrs. Giacinto be given a reasonable length of time to get rid of the "cats" and/or wild animals'.

Councilman Benstead seconded the motion.

Councilman Jahn asked if our Ordinance allowed two domestic pets at a home, and Mr. Remelmeyer, the City Attorney, said it does. He explained that two provisions govern the keeping of domestic animals in our City, and that pets are limited to two dogs or two cats by these provisions. He did not believe that either a cheetah or an ocelot is a domestic cat in the ordinary sense of the word, and that the burden of proof would be on the petitioner. He said we have a provision which prohibits anyone keeping a wild animal in the City, and whether these are wild animals or not, the species are regarded as wild.

Councilman Drale amended his motion to specify that Mrs. Giacinto be given 30 days to get rid of the "cats" and/or wild animals.

Mr. Montgomery did not feel that was a reasonable length of time.

Mayor Isen referred to the recommendation of the Planning Commission in this matter, and read it in full.

John G. L. Crain, President of the North Torrance Civic Improvement Association, told the Council that Los Angeles has an ordinance which requires such animals as these to be kept in an M-2 Zone.

Mr. Montgomery said that ordinance is being amended, and that the new one will allow them to be kept in a residential area.

Mayor Isen thought 30 days too long a period for the animals to remain in an R-1 zone, saying they are not caged. He thought 10 days would be enough time to allow them to stay.

Mr. Joseph Giacinto said they have been in their neighborhood for 4-1/2 years and have never had complaints before. He said these animals are so tame children pal with them.

Mrs. Inman said she knew of instances where children had been scratched by these pets, but not bitten.

Councilman Blount asked about the 'lion and wolf' mentioned in the Planning Commission Minutes.

Mr. Montgomery said they were on the property just overnight. He said they were not to be kept there, and that the only issue here was that of the domestic pets. Mr. Montgomery said these people do not want to have to go to court with this, and have been in the neighborhood 4-1/2 years.

Councilman Jahn moved a substitute motion, that the recommendation of the Planning Commission be amended so that Mrs. Giacinto can keep one ocelot as a household pet on a year-to-year basis.

Councilman Benstead felt that one of these animals could do a great deal of damage.

Councilman Jahn said he had seen such animals in homes, and knew they could be tamed. He felt one to be enough to have in a neighborhood, and wanted it clearly understood that his motion is for one ocelot, and did not include the cheetah.

Councilman Blount asked Mr. Montgomery for information on size of the two animals, and when this was clarified, he seconded Councilman Jahn's motion.

A man in the audience described the gentleness of the cheetah to the Council.

Mr. John G. L. Crain of the North Torrance Civic Improvement Association said his Association would like to review this entire matter and make a recommendation on it if the Council has any doubt as to how to control this.

Mr. Giacinto told the Council the ocelots have no claws, and told of the long use of the cheetah as a hunter.

The substitute motion failed by the following roll call vote:  
AYES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Jahn. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Drale, Isen. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Drale withdrew his proposed amendment to his motion, and amended his motion to give Mrs. Giacinto 15 days to get rid of the animals.

Mr. Montgomery felt his clients should have more time, saying this requires study and attention. He said there are hundreds of these in the County, and that he felt this to be action taken without full knowledge of the facts.

Mayor Isen moved to amend Councilman Drale's motion by striking the phrase 'reasonable time' and substituting '15 days'.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, no objections, so ordered.

Motion, as amended, carried by the following roll call vote:  
AYES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Drale, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Jahn. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Isen directed the responsible Department in the City to take immediate action on this, directing his remarks to Planning Director Powell. He directed that if there are other such animals in our City, they should be sought out and removed from the City.

Mr. Montgomery said the American Ocelot Club is prepared to take this to court, but they need 30 days to prepare their case. He said he would like to have time to ask the Court to bring an injunction against the City to prevent this, and asked for the 30 days.

Councilman Blount so moved, saying he thought they should have time to prepare the case.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, and failed by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Jahn. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Drale, Isen. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

At 6:35 P. M., Mayor Isen declared a recess, with the Council re-convening at 6:50 P. M.

At this time, the letter from Acme Aircraft Co., dated as having been received in the City Manager's office on February 7, 1958, was presented, and numbered G-6 for Agenda purposes.

The letter from Vegas Aircraft, Inc., referred from the February 25, 1958, meeting of the Council, was also presented at this time, and numbered G-7 for Agenda purposes.

Councilman Blount said both of these letters request the right to sell petroleum products on the Airport, and asked if we have many such requests.

Councilman Jahn believed that Mr. Kidwell had made a verbal request several months ago for this right.

Councilman Blount recalled that the Council had discussed many times the fact that competition is probably the best improvement we could have in the dispensing of gas at the Airport. He said Shell has an agreement with Vegas Aircraft, and Union will sell to Acme, and that Standard is now represented on the Airport.

Councilman Blount moved that the request of Acme and of Vegas Aircraft to dispense petroleum products on the Airport be granted, with the stipulation that Acme have their lease before they get this permit.

Mayor Isen asked the City Manager if the suppliers for these people who will dispense petroleum products at the airport will also pay a royalty to the City, and the City Manager said they will; they will pay us 1¢ per gallon on gasoline, and 5¢ per gallon on oil.

Councilman Benstead seconded Councilman Blount's motion.

Councilman Blount asked to amend his motion to specify that these permits, if and when granted, be written to expire at the same time the present permit on the Airport expires, so the City may better negotiate.

Councilman Benstead accepted the amendment in his second to the motion.

Councilman Jahn asked that the motion be amended to specify that those dispensing gasoline to their own planes be considered as selling the product so far as the royalties are concerned.

Councilman Blount said he would not accept that as an amendment, as he thought that would be an integral part of the agreements.

Motion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Drale. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Drale said he felt the City should dispense all the petroleum products sold on the Airport.

Councilman Jahn noted that Acme is negotiating for a lease, and so if he does not get a lease, it would have to come back.

Councilman Blount and Councilman Jahn agreed that this lease, which is on a month to month basis at the Airport, is a credit to the Airport and has been there for a long time.

Councilman Jahn referred to the letter from Vegas Aircraft, Inc., and to the fact that the letter applies for the tower frequency of 123.0 mcs. He requested an explanation of this.

Mr. Stewart of Vegas Aircraft was present and explained to the Council the use of the frequency, and that it can be used by only one person on an Airport.

Councilman Blount thought perhaps the new Airport Manager should have an opportunity to consider this, and to consider whether the City might need that frequency for emergency service calls.

Mr. Stewart said the normal frequencies are used for such calls.

Mayor Isen suggested this be referred to the new Airport Manager for his consideration and a recommendation to be made at the next Council meeting.

There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

Mayor Isen directed Mr. Egan, the Airport Manager, to give this his attention and have his report on the next Agenda.

#### PLANNING COMMISSION:

3. There were no objections, and Mayor Isen set the date of the Hearing on Ordinance No. 954, a proposed Ordinance providing for a new C-4 zone as March 18, 1958, at 5:30 P. M. That will be the third and final Hearing on the new Zone.

#### RESOLUTIONS:

1. A February 27, 1958, letter from the City Attorney submitted a Resolution authorizing a lease with the North Torrance Babe Ruth League for a ball park, with Richard O. Aggen, Jefferson Bell and Don Frank, Sr., as Trustees for the North Torrance Babe Ruth League. The City Attorney pointed out the paragraph 13 of the lease, which differs from our usual insurance provision.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Attorney and that the Resolution be read in favor of the Little League.

Motion seconded by Mayor Isen.

Councilman Jahn questioned the difference in the insurance, and the City Attorney explained that none of the insurance companies would write such a policy for these groups as we usually have. This was discussed in some detail, and the City Attorney said the City would be protected by its own insurance policy with Pacific Indemnity.

There were no objections, and the motion was ordered carried. City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

#### RESOLUTION NO. 3425

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND RICHARD O. AGGEN, JEFFERSON BELL AND DON FRANK, SR., AS TRUSTEES FOR THE NORTH TORRANCE BABE RUTH LEAGUE FOR A BALL PARK.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of the Resolution.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Drale moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3425.

Motion, seconded by Mayor Isen, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

A Resolution had been prepared and presented at the direction of the Council at their last meeting, and City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3426

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE COMMENDING TORRANCE LODGE NO. 1948 OF THE BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS FOR THEIR SPONSORSHIP OF AN ANTI-NARCOTICS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM.

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with further reading of the Resolution.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Benstead moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3426.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCES:

1. A February 28, 1958 letter from City Attorney Remelmeyer submitted the Annexation Ordinance for the Howard Industrial Addition to the City of Torrance. The letter explained that the the Hearing on Resolution No. 3388 was held before the Council on February 25, 1958, and he was directed to prepare the necessary Ordinance. City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 955

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE ANNEXATION TO THE SAID CITY OF TORRANCE OF CERTAIN UNINHABITED TERRITORY, DESIGNATED AS "HOWARD INDUSTRIAL ADDITION TO THE CITY OF TORRANCE", IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF "ANNEXATION OF UNINHABITED TERRITORY ACT OF 1939."

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Ordinance No. 955 at its first reading.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2. A February 28, 1958, letter from City Attorney Remelmeyer submitted to the Council an ordinance governing the sale of fireworks in the City; the requirements were essentially the same as those adopted by Emergency Ordinance No. 833, except that certain requirements in relation to the construction and location of the fireworks stands have been added, and the City Attorney listed these additions.

Councilman Jahn had certain questions about the proposed ordinance, and asked what size mesh is meant by '12 mesh' as specified in the ordinance.

Bldg. Supt. Schlens described this to the Council, and said this was not a change from the previous ordinance. He had understood this mesh was specified to keep matches from being dropped through the screen.

A Mr. Coil was present, and protested against this, saying the patrons could not see through it.

Councilman Drale suggested this provision be amended to allow 1/4" metal hardware cloth to be used as screening.

There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

Councilman Jahn asked if the age of 21 had always been specified, for those who worked in these stands.

The City Attorney said the Emergency Ordinance adopted by the Council on June 25, 1957, is now on our books, and he did not know what had been specified before.

Mr. Oil said they would like to be able to have 18-year olds work for them, supervised by someone 21 years old or older. He said that 18 years of age will satisfy the State requirements.

Councilman Benstead asked what insurance they have to protect the young people who work in these stands, and Mr. Carl said they are required to have \$25,000/\$50,000.

Councilman Blount moved that Item e be amended to allow 18-year-olds work in these stands.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn.

There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

Mayor Isen said some complaints had been made to him about Item f; this was discussed, and it was the consensus that this should be left as it was written.

Councilman Drale asked for a clarification of the changes being made here by the Council, and was told that the mesh requirement was being changed to 1/4" hardware cloth, and the age of the persons who can work in these stands under supervision of adults is being changed to 18.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 956

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SECTION 12.21 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" (ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 883) SETTING FORTH THE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSEES FOR THE SALE OF FIREWORKS AND DECLARING THE PRESENCE OF AN EMERGENCY; AND SUBSTITUTING A NEW SECTION THEREFOR RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Jahn, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Benstead moved for adoption of Ordinance No. 956 at its first reading.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

3. A February 26, 1958, letter from the City Attorney submitted to the Council an ordinance providing a procedure for appeals from denial of permit; he explained this is being done for the reason that such a standard procedure can be used in all cases where no provision is otherwise made for an appeal from such an administrative decision.

Councilman Jahn asked how these matters are being handled now.

The City Attorney replied that there is no procedure set up.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 957

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING CERTAIN SECTIONS TO CHAPTER 1 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" TO PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR APPEALS FROM DENIAL OF A PERMIT.

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Ordinance No. 957 at its first reading.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

4. A February 28, 1958, letter from the City Attorney submitted to the Council an ordinance reclassifying the property involved in the Don Ja Ran Case (Lots 143 to 168, inclusive, of Tract No. 18379). The provisions of the ordinance are in accordance with those in the stipulated judgment. The ordinance repeals Ordinance No. 912 adopted on October 22, 1957, in Planning Commission Case No. 452, which rezoned the Don Ja Ran property to R-1. Thus, in effect, this ordinance is a continuation of the old proceedings rather than a part of new proceedings. The reason therefor is to expedite the conclusion of the litigation in this matter.

The letter went on to say that to be on the safe side, the City Attorney not only requested that the Council adopt the ordinance submitted, but that they also order the Planning Commission to institute new proceedings for a change of zone on said property. The Planning Commission should then, following your instructions, hold the public hearings as required by the Land Use Ordinance and otherwise go through a regular change of zone process. At the expiration of the new proceedings, the City Attorney said he would present to the Council another ordinance with practically the same provisions as the attached ordinance.

Mayor Isen asked whether this would prevent holding hearings before the Planning Commission and Council.

The City Attorney said yes; we could reopen the prior case. This Ordinance is, in essence, the opening of Planning Commission Case No. 452. He said Messrs. Mewborn and Peck are of the opinion they can do this because it is done pursuant to a judgment of the Court and the litigation was immediately following adoption of the ordinance. It is more or less one case and the necessary Hearings have been held.

Councilman Jahn did not believe this stipulated judgment had been agreed to, and that it invalidated the agreement.

The City Attorney said it would be withdrawn and declared null and void when the property is zoned as agreed.

Mayor Isen asked what would be wrong with the Council referring copies of the stipulation to the Planning Commission.

The City Attorney referred to the last part of his letter, saying he thought they would have to do that.

Mayor Isen thought copies of the judgement should go to the Planning Commission with the opinion of Mr. Mewborn and with directions to call for the Hearings and follow the thing through.

Councilman Blount asked if we would be ordering the Planning Commission to institute new proceedings, and after a short discussion Mayor Isen said that would be the next procedure.

Councilman Blount read the Attorney's request that 'your Honorable Body order the Planning Commission to institute new proceedings for a change of zone on said property,' and he so moved.

Motion seconded by Councilman Benstead, no objections, so ordered.

Mr. Perry came forward and asked if this would go to the Planning Commission now.

Mayor Isen told him it would.

5. A February 27, 1958, letter from A. H. Bartlett, City Clerk, submitted for its second reading Ordinance No. 948, unanimously adopted by the Council at the time of its first reading on February 25, 1958.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 948

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" (ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 791), RECLASSIFYING THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN PLANNING COMMISSION CASE NO. 470.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance.

Councilman Jahn seconded the motion, which carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Benstead moved for adoption of Ordinance No. 948, at its second and final reading.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

6. A February 27, 1958, letter from City Clerk Bartlett presented for its second reading Ordinance No. 949, unanimously adopted by the Council at the time of its first reading on February 25, 1958, with all Councilmen present.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 949

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" (ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 791), RECLASSIFYING THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN PLANNING COMMISSION CASE NO. 471.

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance.

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

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Ordinance No. 949 at its second and final reading.

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

7. A February 27, 1958, letter from City Clerk Bartlett submitted for its second reading Ordinance No. 950, which was unanimously adopted by the Council at the time of its first reading on February 25, 1958, with all Councilmen present.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 950

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" (ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 791), RECLASSIFYING THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN PLANNING COMMISSION CASE NO. 472.

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Ordinance No. 950 at its second and final reading.

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

8. A February 27, 1958, cover letter from City Clerk Bartlett presented for its second reading Ordinance No. 951, which was adopted unanimously by the Council at the time of its first reading on February 25, 1958, with all Councilmen present.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 951

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ORDERING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF THAT CERTAIN ALLEY ADJACENT TO TRACTS 2381 AND 2807 IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Jahn, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Benstead moved for adoption of Ordinance No. 951 at its second and final reading.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Jahn, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

9. A February 27, 1958, letter from City Clerk Bartlett submitted to the Council for its second reading Ordinance No. 952, which was unanimously adopted by the Council at the time of its first reading on February 25, 1958, with all Councilmen present.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 952

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 31 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" AND SUBSTITUTING A NEW CHAPTER THEREFOR ENTITLED "CASTING OF SOUND OVER THE PUBLIC STREETS".

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Jahn, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Benstead moved for adoption of Ordinance No. 952 at its second and final reading.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

10. A February 28, 1958, cover letter from City Clerk Bartlett submitted to the Council for its second reading Ordinance No. 953, unanimously adopted by the Council at the time of its first reading on February 25, 1958, with all Councilmen present.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 953

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, ORDERING, CALLING, PROVIDING FOR AND GIVING NOTICE OF A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE ON THE 8TH DAY OF APRIL, 1958, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF SAID CITY A PROPOSITION TO INCUR BONDED INDEBTEDNESS BY SAID CITY FOR A CERTAIN MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT AND CONSOLIDATING SAID ELECTION WITH THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN SAID CITY ON SAID DATE.

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with further reading of the Ordinance.

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

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Ordinance No. 953 at its second and final reading.

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

PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Isen read a proclamation proclaiming the week of March 2 through March 8, 1958, as NATIONAL SAVE YOUR VISION WEEK.

Councilman Blount commented that all 9 City people and all members of the Press except two who were working at this meeting were wearing glasses, in an effort to do that.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Stevens reported for information that he had received a notice of a meeting concerning Metropolitan Area Government, and asked if any of the Councilmen would be able to attend.

No one was able to attend that meeting, although Councilman Jahn is a member of a Committee which is very active in this field and does attend all those meetings.

The City Manager reported that concerning the bacteriological count of the water in the Kauffman-Wilson sump just north of Sepulveda Blvd., Mr. McVicar had received a telephoned report, but the written report would be available very soon. The report was to the effect that this water is no more polluted than the water ordinarily found in streets after floods.

Mr. Lowi, a spokesman for the residents near the sump, stated that there are living organisms in the water, and Mayor Isen agreed with him, saying he had gone to see the sump for himself.

Mr. Lowi suggested that another type of analysis be made of the water. He believed the water might be sewage water.

City Engineer Bishop, in response to a question, said there is not a sewer there. He said it is flood water.

Councilman Jahn pointed out that the pumping which had gone on during the flood period had been done to save homes. He explained that when the water had been lowered to the point where it no longer threatened the homes of some of our residents, the pumping had been stopped, and the man who owns the land where the water is still standing has not asked for any aid.

Mr. Lowi said the residents in the tract near the sump want to establish that the water is dangerous because it was contaminated by the flood water being pumped into their sump, and they want assurance that there will be no more of this kind of pumping.

Councilman Jahn believed the Council would be in error if they establish such a precedent. The analysis had shown that the water is no more dangerous than water ordinarily found in streets after floods, and he believed we must take emergency action to serve the City when necessary.

Mr. J. E. Phillips, 4009 Merrill, questioned whether the pumping had saved any life or limb, and whether it served any purpose. He did not believe the property which was flooded is of such high value that this is warranted. The area is known as an area which floods.

Councilman Drale had inspected the area being discussed, and said the aroma was very bad; he thought we should do what we can to help that, and should do it soon; he believed we should give the water in the sump the necessary chemical treatment to kill any life in it and he so moved.

Councilman Blount seconded the motion.

There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

Mayor Isen asked who would do this.

Councilman Blount agreed that the people who were complaining about this condition had a point, and believed that the water would normally flow south if the land contour was a natural one. He believed that in another emergency, the water should be pumped south.

Councilman Benstead asked Director of Public Works Russell if he had any suggestions.

Mr. Russell said he had been working on this, as has the entire Staff, and we are doing everything possible to arrive at some solution to the problem.

Mayor Isen asked if the Council wished to establish a policy preventing pumping into this sump in the future.

Councilman Benstead asked Mr. Russell if there is another place to pump flood waters, and Mr. Russell replied that if there were he did not know it.

Mr. Russell said the Staff is working on this, and had a meeting concerning it today. They hope to solve this problem very soon.

Mr. Lowi said they have some legal questions under preparation to ask of the City Attorney.

Mayor Isen directed Mr. Lowi to take the question to the Attorney for an answer. He said that the City's Staff is doing all they can to settle the problem. He suggested that Mr. McVicar meet with Mr. Lowi, and try to do what can be done to clean up the sump.

City Manager Stevens reported that he and Councilman Drale had called on Mr. Rocca, who owns the property at 178th and Arlington where we have been trying to get the street improvements in. Mr. Rocca had agreed to give the right-of-way needed if the City would put in the curb, gutter, and paving, and pay him for moving the fence and the shrubs and plants which would be involved. Mr. Stevens explained that Mr. Rocca actually has already given us about 10' on Arlington and about 12' on 178th; as we will need another 10' on Arlington and about 15' on 178th, the City Manager thought this to be reasonable and recommended we accept this offer.

Councilman Benstead moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Manager.

Motion seconded by Mayor Isen.

In response to a question from Councilman Jahn, the City Manager said he did not think we would set a precedent in this case because Mr. Rocca has already given us so much land.

Motion to concur carried unanimously by roll call vote.

City Manager Stevens reported that the people who had circulated the petitions for the Park & Recreation bond issue had asked if the City employees could participate in promotion of this issue. He believed this to be a matter of policy for the Council to decide.

Mayor Isen thought the City's employees should be allowed to participate in this.

Councilman Benstead asked if this is a matter of politics, saying if it is, the City's employees are forbidden to participate by the Civil Service Ordinance.

Councilman Drale asked for a written opinion on this from the City Attorney at the next meeting of the Council.

There were no objections and it was so ordered.

Councilman Drale reported that people from the North Torrance Civic Improvement Association and the PIA groups had asked him about having a 4-year college in the area and possibly in Torrance. We have two Junior Colleges, but we need a 4-year college closer than the one in Long Beach or the one in Los Angeles. He noted that a new State college is being built in Santa Barbara.

Councilman Drale said a Committee had been formed, consisting of himself, Councilman Blount, Mr. John Mulvihill, and Mrs. Stoekle to approach Assemblyman Thomas and see if we can get something started.

He moved that the Council go on record as being in accord with this Committee in this effort to get the College here in Torrance.

Mayor Isen asked if such a college would compete with El Camino, and said he could not see where the Council should be involved in this matter.

Councilman Blount seconded Councilman Drale's motion.

Councilman Benstead asked if the City would be obligated for any money if such a school were built here.

Councilman Drale said it would be the same school tax that we are paying, which goes to schools in other cities.

Councilman Benstead asked if the City would have to raise taxes for this.

Councilman Drale did not think so. He believed the plan deserved the support of the community.

Councilman Benstead asked who formed the Committee named.

Councilman Drale said the interested groups.

Mayor Isen thought it might be good to have a City-wide Committee, rather than a Committee representing only a section of the City. He thought this might be a good thing to bring before our Coordinating Council.

Councilman Blount pointed out that the motion only asked for support from the Council.

Councilman Drale said he would want to give the credit for this idea to the people who originated it.

Councilman Benstead believed this to be a political move.

Mayor Isen moved a substitute motion, that the idea be referred to the Coordinating Council for a recommendation and possible action.

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

Councilman Jahn referred to his recent request to have the unloading practices of Catalina Airlines at the Torrance Airport investigated, and asked to have that referred to the Airport Manager for needed correction.

There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

Councilman Jahn asked whether it would be possible, with the manpower the City now has in the Engineering Dept., or perhaps with part-time employees, to trace down the storm drains which have been installed in the Palos Verdes Riviera, and other areas adjacent to Hollywood Riviera, to be sure the water is going where it is supposed to go. Some think the drains are not doing their job, or are putting the water in a wrong course. He asked if the storm drains from the City of Palos Verdes Estates could not be followed up as well, to see if they are draining where they are supposed to.

The City Manager said he felt there are so many high priority projects in the Engineering Dept. right now that the people there should stay on them; if there should be a lull in construction, he thought perhaps an inspector might be assigned to this project. He suggested this be referred to the Engineering Department for a report here next week; if possible for them to do this, it would be fine, but perhaps it would be better to get someone special for the job.

Councilman Jahn agreed with the City Manager, and moved to refer this suggestion to the Engineering Dept. for a report next week.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, no objections, so ordered.

Mayor Isen read to the Council a letter from the Douglas Aircraft Co., Inc., El Segundo Division, signed by H. G. Hynd, Vice President-General Manager of the El Segundo Division. The letter announced they are having an open house on Sunday, March 9, 1958, at both their El Segundo and Torrance facilities, and invited the members of the Council and other city officials to attend this function.

Mayor Isen handed the letter to the City Clerk, and asked to have it posted for everyone to see.

Mayor Isen reported that during his investigation of flood conditions on Ocean Avenue, he had noticed the dairy there, and he thought the conditions prevailing should be referred to the local Health Officer for investigation.

Mayor Isen moved the City Health Officer be instructed to make a report on the sanitary conditions at the Palos Verdes View Dairy on Ocean Avenue and report back to the Council as soon as possible on it, and if violations are found, that the City Health Officer cause them to be corrected and report on this to the Council as well.

Motion seconded by Councilman Blount, no objections, so ordered.

Mayor Isen noted the fact that we now have an Airport Manager, and said he felt that we have long needed a positive public relations policy concerning the Airport. He believed the public should know more about our Airport. He suggested we name an "Airport Day" which could become an annual affair, a celebration taking place at the Airport to give all the people in Torrance an opportunity to know the facts about the Airport. He had in mind working with the industries there and arranging 'open houses' in their plants, tours of the Airport, a Civic luncheon at the Nike Base, that the C.A.P. participate, that there be a show of executive planes by leading manufacturers, and possibly even an air show. He thought perhaps the Chamber of Commerce and the Nike staff should be asked to cooperate in planning such an affair. He suggested May 1 would be a good day; it would allow time for the preparations, and he pointed out that May 1 is celebrated in many cities in a democratic fashion to offset the communistic propaganda often circulated because of the Red observance of May 1.

Mayor Isen suggested the Airport Commission get into this and the Council consider the plan.

Councilman Drale thought perhaps July 1 or Armistice Day would be better, as he felt this had military overtones.

Mayor Isen disagreed; this is a plan for the dissemination of information concerning the Airport.

John G. L. Crain told the Council such a plan might be worked in with "Transportation Week", one day of which is known as "Airplane Day".

Mayor Isen stated this is a plan for establishment of good public relations.

Mr. Dave Stewart of Vegas Aircraft said he thought the idea excellent, and would cooperate fully. He suggested the affair be scheduled for a Saturday or Sunday.

Mayor Isen had merely brought this up for Council consideration and approval, he said, and the plans could be worked out. He thought the suggestion should be turned over to the Chamber of Commerce.

There were no objections and it was so ordered.

John G. L. Crain told the Council that he feels the dairies in the City breed flies. He recalled a marvelous job the City had done on similar matters a few years past, and asked that the dairies be checked now at the season when flies are beginning to be noticed.

Mr. Crain told the Council the North Torrance Civic Improvement Association had suggested in a letter that the office of City Attorney be submitted to the people as an elective office, and the City Attorney had told them there is time enough for this to be on the June ballot. He asked if this could be considered.

In response to a question, the City Attorney said he would have to check the law on this matter.

Mayor Isen told Mr. Crain that this would still have to be gone into to determine the merit, or lack of merit, of the suggestion.

There were no objections, and Mayor Isen directed the City Attorney to give the Council a written report on this next week.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 P. M.



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

APPROVED:



Mayor of the City of Torrance