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MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR
MEETING OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in an Adjourned Regular Meeting at 8:00 P. M. Tuesday, December 9, 1958, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Torrance, California.

Those responding to roll call by the Deputy City Clerk were:
COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Blount, Bradford, Drale, Jahn, Isen. ABSENT:
COUNCILMEN: Benstead. City Manager Stevens and City Attorney Remelmeyer were also present.

At the request of Mayor Isen, Planning Commission Uyeda led the salute to our Flag.

The Reverend Wendell Hook of the Walteria Community Methodist Church opened the meeting with an invocation.

Mayor Isen commented that our City Manager, Mr. George Stevens, had celebrated his birthday today, and extended to him the best wishes of the Council.

Mayor Isen announced that we had been informed that the Turkish city of Konya had accepted our bid to become our 'Sister City' under the President's 'People to People' program, and congratulated the Committee which has acted for us in this. The Mayor pointed out that Konya is and has been a bastion of democracy for many years, and that we are pleased and happy to be trail blazers in this work.

Mayor Isen had not received a copy of the Minutes of the November 25, 1958, meeting of the Council.

Councilman Beasley moved to hold these Minutes over for approval until the next meeting of the Council.

There were no objections and it was so ordered.

Mayor Isen explained the Council's procedure to the audience, and requested that henceforth at least 75 extra copies of the Agenda be prepared for distribution to the audience.

HEARINGS:

1. Mayor Isen announced that this was the time and place for the third and final Hearing before the City Council on the following Ordinances amending Appendix I of "The Code of the City of Torrance, 1954", Land Use Ordinance, adopted by Ordinance No. 791:

- a. Amending Section 18, entitled "Variances" to provide for a Hearing by the Council;
- b. Repealing Subsection "C" of Section 8, entitled "Lot Area Per Family," and substituting therefor new provisions relating to the same matter (A-1);
- c. Repealing Subsection "D", Section 6, entitled "Lot Area Per Family," and substituting a new Section therefor (R-2).

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre presented the Affidavit of Publication. Councilman Jahn moved this be received and filed.

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

Mayor Isen asked if anyone present wished to be heard, but there was no reply.

Councilman Jahn moved the Hearing be closed.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

Councilman Jahn moved that after each Resolution or Ordinance to be

presented here tonight had been assigned the proper number and the title read, further reading be dispensed with, reserving and guaranteeing to each Councilman the right to demand the reading of any such Ordinance or Resolution in regular order.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present.

The City Attorney informed the Council that he would suggest the proposed Ordinance presented here be re-written.

Councilman Jahn moved to approve the Ordinance, entitled: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 18 APPENDIX I, OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" ENTITLED "VARIANCES" (THE LAND USE ORDINANCE) TO PROVIDE FOR A HEARING BY THE COUNCIL, and to refer it to the City Attorney for revision.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, and as there were no objections it was so ordered.

2. Mayor Isen announced that this was the time and place for: CASE NO. 537: Third and Final Hearing before the City Council on petition of Torrance Unified School District for a Change of Zone on Lots 1 to 5 inclusive and Lots 42 to 52 inclusive in Block 2 of the Subdivision of Lot 33, Meadow Park Tract; also all of that portion of the 15' alley, vacated, in Block 2 of the Subdivision of Lot 33, Meadow Park Tract, to conform to zoning pattern of surrounding property, from R-1 and R-2 to C-2.

Mayor Isen noted that the Planning Commission had recommended the zone of the land in question be changed to R-3.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre presented the Affidavit of Publication. Councilman Jahn moved this be received and filed.

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

Attached to the Planning Commission's transmittal form were: a location sketch; an excerpt from the November 5, 1958, Planning Commission Minutes, and letters of protest from:

- Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Swanson, 24221 Ward St.;
- A. M. Chapman, 24231 Park St.;
- George Rickard, 24224 Park St.;
- Margaret & Andrew McKinnon, 24217 Park St.;
- Walteria Civic Organization, signed by Bessie Slonecker, secretary;
- Donald J. Godfrey, 24243 Park Street.

Mayor Isen asked if anyone present wished to be heard.

Mr. C. S. Swanson, 24221 Ward St., who had written a letter of protest, came forward and made an oral protest, asking that the land be zoned R-1 or not more than R-2.

Mr. Bob Guttenfile, 24144 Ward St., spoke in support of the change of zone to C-2, saying the property is across the street from his home.

Mrs. Hiram Lee, 24225 Ward St., protested, and asked the property be zoned R-1 or not more than R-2.

Mr. Donald Godfrey, 24243 Park St., made an oral protest, and said he had appeared at a Planning Commission meeting to protest this and had not been given an opportunity to speak. He protested against the Commission's recommendation for R-3 zoning, and favored R-1 or not more than R-2 zone for the land.

Mr. Andrew McKinnon, 24217 Park St., speaking for himself and his sister Margaret, protested against any change of zone except to R-1 or not more than R-2.

Mrs. George Rickard, 24224 Park St., protested that to change the zone of the land as requested and/or recommended would deteriorate the value of nearby property.

A man in the audience asked if the protest of the Walteria Civic Organization had been received and read, and the Mayor explained that the Councilmen had copies of it and had read it.

Mr. Jack E. Long, representing the Board of Education as Land Procurement Agent, said they were surprised at the recommendation for R-3 zoning. The Board of Education is not particularly desirous of soliciting more children for the district, he added, as our schools are

so crowded now. They do wish, however, to get this property back on the tax rolls. They feel that it will bring greater revenue as C-2 or C-3 property. He said they were willing to have this go back to the Planning Commission for further study to see if a compromise agreement cannot be reached with the people in the area.

No one else wished to be heard.

Councilman Jahn moved to close this Hearing.

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

Councilman Beasley moved this Case be referred back to the Planning Commission for further study.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn.

Councilman Drale noted that in the original application, the Board of Education had requested C-2 zoning, and they had changed their request to ask for C-3 zoning; the Planning Commission had recommended R-3 zoning for the land. He felt both should be denied.

Mayor Isen agreed, saying the Council has heard from most of the people who will be affected.

Councilman Beasley said he had moved to refer this back to the Commission because it would be less costly, saying if it is denied it must be started all over again.

Councilman Drale moved a substitute motion, that the request of the Board of Education for C-2 or C-3 zoning be denied and that the Planning Commission's recommendation for R-3 zoning also be denied.

Substitute motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, and carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Bradford, Drale, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Peasley, Jahn. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Benstead.

Mayor Isen referred to Mr. Godfrey's statement that he had not been given a full hearing before the Planning Commission, and asked that the record show that the Planning Commission had as its duty the full hearing of anyone before them. The people are entitled to that, and it is the desire of the Council that any citizen be given the right to be heard in full.

Councilman Jahn commented that he had attended several of those meetings, and had noted that anyone who wished to be heard was heard.

Councilman Beasley agreed with Councilman Jahn.

3. Mayor Isen announced this was the time and place for:

CASE NO. 543: Third and Final Hearing before the City Council on the petition of J. T. Sakioka and The Garrett Corporation for a Change of Zone from A-1 to M-2 on Lots 1 to 6 inclusive; 25 to 32 inclusive; 35 to 36 of Strawberry Homes Tract, situated at the north side of 190th St. between Crenshaw Place and Arlington Ave., to permit research and development activities, manufacture of aircraft accessory components and other products, administrative, representation, sales and distribution activities.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre presented the Affidavit of Publication.

Councilman Jahn moved this be received and filed.

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

Mayor Isen asked if anyone wished to be heard, and there was no reply.

Councilman Jahn moved the Hearing be closed.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present, (Benstead absent).

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation from the Planning Commission for approval.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1050

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. 543.

Councilman Beasley moved to approve Ordinance No. 1050 at its first reading.

Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

Mayor Isen said that the addition of the Garrett Corporation to our industries was probably one of the greatest things which happened to Torrance for many years. This will add a great deal to our City. They are a civic-minded organization, and will be a tremendous addition to our industrial community. He noted that there were representatives of the Garrett Corporation in the audience, and invited Mr. Myer to introduce anyone of them who might wish to say something to the audience.

Mr. Myer introduced General Wolf, Executive Vice President of the Garrett Corporation and Mr. Bob Feener of their Legal Department.

General Wolf came forward and thanked the Council for their action on this matter. He assured the Council that they were interested in becoming members of the community and that they expect to be good citizens. He explained that they have a 5-year expansion program now in the planning stage. They employ in one of their operations about 5,000 people. They have no room for expansion where they are. They hope to be able to consolidate all their operations here in Torrance within 5 years and have their entire operation here. They are now negotiating with the architects and will plan to be able to get right to work on this when all the City's work on this is done.

The Council extended their warmest welcome to the Garrett Corp., and there was applause from the large audience.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

1. A December 1, 1958, letter from the State Department of Public Health informed the City that Los Angeles County, including the incorporated areas therein, has been declared a rabies area effective December 2, 1958, and that representatives of that Department are available to discuss this, and the responsibilities of the local governing body or officials.

There were no objections and this was ordered filed as a matter of record, with a comment from the Mayor that this does not affect us as we have an ordinance making rabies inoculation mandatory.

2. A December 4, 1958, letter from Clara A. Conner, Postmaster, requested that about 93' of curbing which borders the parking lot at the rear of the post office property at 1433 Marcelina Avenue be removed.

3. A December 4, 1958, letter from Clara A. Conner, Postmaster, requested that the City remove a number of concrete posts formerly utilized for mounting small mail boxes.

Mayor Isen asked if the matter of the curbing had been referred to the Traffic Commission.

The Director of Public Works, John Veal Russell, told the Council that we have no jurisdiction in this matter and that therefor no recommendation was forthcoming. To remove the curbing and posts, as asked, would cost a great deal of money. The curb is on Government property, and the posts were erected by the Government.

Councilman Blount moved to deny both requests, as they are out of our jurisdiction.

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

The City Manager was requested to write to the Postmaster and explain the City's position in the matter.

4. A November 25, 1958, letter from the Walteria Civic Organization signed by Bessie Slonecker, secretary, deplored the unsanitary condition of the alleys in the Walteria area, and the fact that cars race through those alleys and endanger the lives of the children who play there. The letter requested that the City investigate what can be done in the way of clean-up and maintenance for more sanitary and sightly conditions.

A December 2, 1958, letter from Ralph Perkins, Street Dept. Supt., was attached to this and reported to the City Manager that he had checked the alleys reported in the letter from the Walteria Civic Organization. He found the alleys are in poor condition as far as trash is concerned. There is trash against the fences, milk cartons, beer cans and etc., scattered all over. Mr. Perkins felt this was brought about by failure of the people to use proper containers and their failure to bundle trash properly, as well as by the wind and children scattering the trash.

Mr. Perkins reported that these alleys were thoroughly cleaned in July of this year. Mr. Perkins could only recommend that a crew of men go through the alleys once a month and clean them, which would be very expensive, or that the City enforce the Anti-litter Ordinance very strictly.

A memo from the City Manager was appended and recommended more strict enforcement of the law.

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

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, who commented that the alleys in question had been cleaned thoroughly by the City only a short time ago.

There were no objections and the motion was ordered carried, with Mayor Isen directing that notices be served and the appropriate legal steps be taken thereafter to strictly enforce our Anti-litter Ordinance.

5. A letter from the North Torrance Civic Improvement Association, dated November 20, 1958, and signed by Margaret Clark, President, had been directed to the office of the City Manager and the Council. Mrs. Clark submitted their recommendation that parking along Yukon Ave. from Redondo Beach Blvd. south to 182nd Street be prohibited, due to the fact that sections of Yukon Avenue are not improved.

A memo was appended reporting that this had been referred to the Traffic Commission for investigation and recommendation.

No action was taken, pending report from the Traffic Commission.

6. A November 20, 1958, letter from the North Torrance Civic Improvement Association was signed by Mrs. Margaret Clark, President. The letter contained their request for curbs and gutters to be installed along the Edison Company property between 176th and 177th on Crenshaw.

Councilman Drale noted that children pass here on their way to school, and asked the City Manager if we could not get an estimate of the cost of blacktopping this walk and putting in a berm.

The City Manager said he would get the estimates, saying we would not normally put in such improvements but we might in this instance, if the Council wished, just to get the street into condition.

There were no objections, and the letter was referred to the City Manager for an investigation and report to the Council.

7. A November 28, 1958, letter from David B. Stewart, President, Vegas Airways, Inc., advised that they disclaim any responsibility for damage to aircraft tied down adjacent to their lease at the Torrance Airport, and referred specifically to aircraft N28404 presently tied in the area in question.

Mr. Kurtz, attorney representing Mr. Stewart, told the Council this item had been resolved, and a memo from the Airport Manager dated December 3, 1958, reported that the aircraft in question had been re-located.

A December 4, 1958, letter from Lessin & Foley, attorneys, signed by George Kurtz, was written on behalf of Vegas Airways. The letter made

reference to Paragraph 26 of the Land Use Agreement dated May 1, 1954, by and between Vegas Airways, Inc., and the City of Torrance, and contended that the use of the land described in Paragraph 26 for rental of tie-down space by the City to owners of private planes is in violation of that company's right of first refusal as contained in Paragraph 26 of the Land Use agreement.

Mr. Kurtz was present to discuss this with the Council.

The City Attorney told the Council that Mr. Egan, the Airport Manager would be present at 9:00 P. M. if the Council wished him to be present during the discussion.

Mayor Isen thought this matter should be referred to the City Attorney.

Councilman Jahn felt that Mr. Egan was not concerned with this particular phase of the matter, and that it was between the City Attorney, the Council, and Vegas.

In reply to a question, the City Attorney replied that it was his opinion that the answer to this question could not be resolved except by litigation.

Councilman Drale concurred with the City Attorney, and moved to concur with his recommendation.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford.

Councilman Jahn felt they had written to the Council, and asked to be heard, and that anyone who had done this was entitled to be heard.

Mayor Isen felt that any such presentation would be for the purpose of persuading the City Council to overrule the City Attorney.

Councilman Jahn felt that a discussion of this might save long and expensive litigation, and said he would like to hear the man.

Mr. Kurtz, attorney representing the Vegas Airways, said he was not here to argue the law, which was sketchy on this particular matter. He had recommended to his client that this be discussed with the Council to see if the matter could not be resolved. Mr. Kurtz went on to say that it was his client's belief that when the right of 'first refusal' on this land was given in May of 1954, when the agreement was made, it was an option. The language does have a different meaning under the law than an option, but his client felt it was the understanding of the parties at the time of the agreement that it was an option. Mr. Kurtz pointed to an excerpt from the June 9, 1954, Council Minutes reported that the City Manager had said they would be given an option on the land described in Paragraph 26 of the Agreement. At that time, Vegas was a small operation and could not use the land. They can use it now, and the City would receive from them the \$100 per month agreed upon at the time the Land Use Agreement was made.

Councilman Beasley said the discussion on this had been going on for some months and the City had lost some hundreds of dollars of income from the land and is now faced with a suit when it seemed it was the intent of everyone when the lease was drawn that this should be an option. He moved that the City Council accept the offer of Vegas for the property described in Paragraph 26 of the Agreement.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn.

Councilman Drale said he was on the Council at the time the lease was drawn, and he stated that he did not agree with Councilman Beasley. He felt the development of Highway 101 and Crenshaw had made the property valuable, not the Airport development. He said 4300 sq. ft. of property was involved, and that he did not agree that we should lease that much land for \$100 per month. If we lease the property, Councilman Drale explained that he felt they should have the first chance to lease it.

Mr. Kurtz felt that the tie-downs on the property constitute leases and that any such tie-downs were violations of the 'right of first refusal'. He felt the business men on the Airport had a great deal to do with improving the value of the land.

Councilman Drale felt the people should make a legitimate offer to the City.

Councilman Jahn said this had been referred to the Airport Committee of the Council in September or October. When this was presented to the Council afterward, and discussed, some had felt it would bring in more

revenue to the City as tie-down space. During that discussion, he had asked how much income the City would derive from tie-downs there if we denied the application. He said it was his belief that is the only reason there is any tie-down there now. We are beginning to prepare for large groups of tie-downs. He did not believe we need this land for tie-downs, and thinks we could derive this income from it. He felt it would be better to let Vegas have it and save the cost of the court case and have a friend there rather than an enemy.

Mayor Isen thought the Vegas master lease was more or less unrestricted as to its use, and checked with the City Attorney.

Mr. Remelmeyer read the clauses which described the uses the land might be put to, and said it was a very broad lease in that respect.

Mayor Isen asked for what purposes this additional land could be used, and the City Attorney said this is not particularly clear, but he thought as Paragraph 26 did not have any statement as to what the uses would be he would assume that it could be used for the same purposes as land under the Master Lease.

Councilman Jahn pointed out that at present it has no use.

Mayor Isen asked Mr. Egan the maximum income from that land for the City as tie-down space.

Mr. Egan said we could comfortably operate 10 tie-downs there and have an income of \$150 a month from the property.

In reply to a question from Councilman Blount, Mr. Egan said he could probably crowd 15 tie-downs on that space and have an income of \$225 a month.

Mr. Kurtz said if the City planned to stack in planes there, they would be failing to take into consideration the operation of Vegas and the Master Lease. If they stack planes there and prevent ingress and egress, it would be a real problem. This would interfere with Vegas, who has a 25-year lease.

At 9:00 P. M., Mayor Isen declared a recess, with the Council re-convening at 9:10 P. M.

Mr. Kurtz told the Council they should consider the fact that this lease was drawn in 1954, when the airport was a 'weed patch', and that this business has helped build the Airport.

Mayor Isen declared the motion by Councilman Beasley out of order, as there had been a motion at the time it was made.

Councilman Jahn asked the City Attorney what his recommendation had been, as the motion before the Council was to concur with his recommendation.

The City Attorney had made no recommendation, but said he had given the Council his opinion of the law.

Councilman Drale said the Attorney had said it was his opinion this would have to be settled by litigation, and his motion had been to concur with that opinion.

Motion to concur with the City Attorney's opinion carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Bradford, Drale, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Jahn. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Benstead.

8. A December 4, 1958, letter from the Torrance Mounted Police, signed by Lt. D. C. Cook, Coordinator, asked permission from the Council to move the building now owned by the City on Torrance Blvd. near Western and presently in use by the Alano Club. They have land for this purpose, and could move that building to it for use as a club house.

Councilman Drale moved this request be granted providing they have the necessary permits.

Mayor Isen agreed in principle, but thought it might be technically wrong; he asked the City Attorney about this.

The City Attorney thought they might be considered if they would move the building.

Mayor Isen believed this might be considered as abandoned property, as we have sold the land where the building is located and did not move the building.

Councilman Drale changed his motion, moving that they be given permission to take the abandoned building, which was abandoned by previous Council action, at no expense to the City and subject to the necessary permits.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present, (Benstead absent).

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER:

1. A December 3, 1958, letter from the City Manager reported that "the individuals certified for the position of Director of Public Works do not meet the standards necessary for such an important post.

"The Civil Service Board was requested to cancel the present list and call for a new examination.

"The Board concurred that the method of recruiting and the nature of the last examination did not reach the high level of individual necessary for this City.

"An unassembled examination will be scheduled as soon as possible and a representative of this office will be present at the resulting interviews."

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the City Manager's letter.

Motion seconded by Mayor Isen and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

2. A December 4, 1958, letter from the City Manager read:

"The passage in November of the Bond Issue for flood control work has resulted in a tremendous increase in workload for our Engineering Department.

"The design of these storm drains will be a challenging and difficult task.

"Mr. Ronald W. Bishop has requested that he be permitted to be reclassified to the position of Senior Civil Engineer as of January 1, 1959, so that he may devote his full time to the design of these Flood Control Projects.

"It is recommended that his request be granted as these flood control projects need immediate attention. By utilizing Mr. Bishop's talents in this manner the City should save substantially over letting the work out to private consulting engineering firms. It is further recommended that Mr. Bishop's salary be set at Step 3 of Range 62.

"Attached is a copy of the Job Description for Senior Civil Engineer for your consideration and approval.

"The Civil Service Board has acted affirmatively at its meeting of December 3, 1958.

"The City will be without a City Engineer effective January 1, 1959."

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the City Manager.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale.

Councilman Jahn asked if the motion included approval of the job description, and Mr. Beasley said it did.

Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

3. With a letter dated December 4, 1958, the City Manager submitted the following recommendations for consideration and approval:

PERSONNEL:

Mr. Donald W. Mansfield has resigned as Assistant City Manager, effective January 1, 1959. His resignation has been accepted with regret. I wish to publicly thank him for his fine service during the time he has been with the City of Torrance, and wish him every success in his new position.

I recommend that Mr. Chapman L. Bone be appointed as Assistant City Manager, effective January 1, 1959.

It will be necessary to employ an Administrative Assistant to keep up with the workload that exists in our office.

Mayor Isen moved to concur with the City Manager's recommendation regarding Mr. Bone and the Administrative Assistant.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

APPROPRIATIONS:

1. For repair to Police Patrol Unit No. 90, 1958 Ford, the sum of \$560.43, the low bid submitted for the work (copy of requisition submitted).
2. For 1958-59 dues to Committee of Mayors, the sum of \$125.00. (Schedule submitted).
3. For the purchase of materials for the installation of traffic signals at Sepuvleda Blvd. and Arlington Ave., the sum of approximately \$2,000.00. It is believed that this installation can be made by City forces at a total cost of \$3,500.00, including labor and materials. (From Unappropriated Reserve).
4. To Arrow Engineering Co., Inc., for engineering services during the month of November, 1958, the sum of \$352.00.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with Items 1, 2, 3, and 4. Motion seconded by Mayor Isen, and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

NOMINATIONS TO CIVIL DEFENSE AND DISASTER COMMISSION:

The following names have been submitted for the Commission:

1. James H. Burchett
2. Mrs. Jean Gerald
3. Commander William A. Mason
4. Clifford J. Peterson
5. Elvin F. Schoonover

Mayor Isen said this list of nominations had been made before the trip to Boston, and that the Ordinance has been adopted and ~~will soon~~ ^{be} effective. He suggested that the Council vote on these nominations tonight. *See Min. 12/14/58*

Councilman Jahn asked if all those nominated would accept the appointment.

Mayor Isen said Commander Mason had refused the appointment with a very nice note which explained that he did not feel he could perform such duties for the City at this time.

Mayor Isen nominated Mr. Robert H. Ellis of 413 Via la Soledad to the Commission, saying he would represent the same area of the City as Commander Mason would have done.

It was agreed by the various Councilmen who had talked to the people nominated that they would accept these appointments.

Councilman Beasley moved to approve the 5 nominees to the Civil Defense and Disaster Commission.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

Mayor Isen had discussed this in Boston, and he said our formation of this Commission by Ordinance had aroused interest, and that the idea was considered a very good one. This particular Commission can go forward and do a great deal for our City, and combat the existing lethargy in the matter of civil defense.

There were no objections, and the Mayor directed the City Manager to see that the proper procedure is followed in getting this Commission under way.

4. In a letter dated November 28, 1958, the City Manager wrote that at the time of the improvement of Maple Ave. north of Maricopa St. it had been the general policy of the City to install water mains in existing streets with the subdivider paying for all mains within a subdivision. Mr. Doherty, of C.C.M.O., has asked that the City now

follow that policy of the past as regards their industrial subdivision north of Maricopa. Warren Southwest, Inc., built a plant at the north end of Maple Ave. some time back but subsequent to the improvement of Maple Ave., and paid \$1,270 as their share of the project, which had a total cost of approximately \$12,000.00.

The City Manager said the question now is whether the City should be bound by its original policy of water main installation or should be governed by a later change in policy which requires the property owners to pay their pro rata share for water main installation even though they are adjacent to an existing street.

Mayor Isen asked what would happen about Warren Southwest, and the City Manager said if there is to be no charge for this main, they should be refunded all that they paid as their share of this main.

Mayor Isen referred to the letter from Mr. Doherty, and asked the City Manager if this agreement coincided with the City Manager's recollection of the meeting referred to.

The City Manager said there had been a great many meetings and plans, and they had widened and improved Maple Avenue from Maricopa to Dominguez even though the City usually paved such streets. At that time, it had been City policy to put the water mains in existing streets. They are putting in a large industrial subdivision, and the City Manager thought the request not unreasonable.

Councilman Blount said that in view of their expenditures there and the favorable opinion of the City Manager, he would move they be informed that the bill will be cancelled and in all fairness that the payment from Warren Southwest be returned to them.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

Mr. Bernard Lee, representing the Retail Merchants Association, said that group would like to have Santa land by helicopter on Saturday, December 13, between 9:30 and 10:00 A. M. at the southeast corner of Engracia and Cravens on the vacant lot there.

The City Manager said that is State -owned property.

This was discussed briefly, and Mr. Lee said they had permission from the State for this use of the property.

It was agreed that the Council had no jurisdiction in this matter.

5. The City Manager, under date of December 3, 1958, gave a report to the Council on the drainage problems in Victoria Knolls. He had held meetings with the staff of our Public Works, Engineering and Building Departments, and it was their conclusion that the City is not responsible or liable for the problems in Victoria Knolls, and the City Manager gave a number of reasons for this.

The City Manager gave the Councilmen copies of a letter from MacFaden and Hall, Attorneys, 115 Sou. Pacific, Redondo Beach, California, signed by Mr. James M. Hall, saying they estimated their charges in this matter for the City would be about \$100.00. The letter was dated December 8, 1958.

Councilman Beasley moved to hold this matter over until we get a legal opinion from Mr. Hall.

There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

6. As requested by the Council, a report was submitted by the City Manager in an attempt to define and clarify the organizational position, inter-relationships within the municipal structure and authority of the Torrance Airport Commission. This was dated December 3, 1958, and accompanied by a letter and chart of lease application flow from Jack Egan, Airport Manager.

Mayor Isen moved to refer this to the Airport Commission for their suggestions and comments.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, no objections and it was so ordered.

Mayor Isen thought each of the Commissioners should get a copy of the complete report tendered here.

The City Manager said copies would be made available to them at their next meeting on Thursday, December 11, 1958.

Councilman Blount said this showed a great deal of work and thought, and whoever prepared it should be commended.

The City Manager said this was work done by Messrs. Bone and Egan, and the Council was unanimous in their commendation of these two men for the excellent presentation.

Airport Commissioner Floyd was in the audience, and he was given several copies of the report by the various Councilmen in order to get copies of this to the various Commissioners as soon as possible.

It was requested by the Council that a reply on this be made by the Commission within the next 30 days.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER:

1. A December 5, 1958, report from D. W. Mansfield concerned the bid on Health & Accident Insurance which the City had called for at the request of the employees. This bore a notation informing the Council that copies had been distributed to all City employees on Friday, December 5, 1958.

The City Manager had a petition signed by 208 City employees asking that Blue Cross be retained for at least another year, and that during that time the City make a more thorough investigation of various insurance plans.

Mr. Mansfield told the Council there were many bids; we had set up specs in an attempt to get comparable services and prices, but still the bids were on a great variety of plans.

The City Manager said this information had been given to the employees, and they had sent in the petition asking to retain Blue Cross for another year of their own volition.

Councilman Blount said he did not understand insurance, but that Mr. Mansfield had done a great deal of work on this to try to save money for the City; he felt that the insurance company should try to sponsor a program to try to keep some of the claims down so we can get good service.

Councilman Blount moved to go ahead with the new Blue Cross bid.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION:

1. In a letter dated December 4, 1958, the Park & Recreation Commission transmitted their recommendation that the City not accept the percolating basin for park area in lieu of the amount of money due for park fees in the Wilson Subdivision No. 22228.

Mayor Isen moved to concur with the recommendation of the Commission.

Motion seconded by Councilman Blount.

Don Wilson, 2545 Trotters Terrace, Rolling Hills, spoke briefly to the Council. He said that Ordinance No. 960, which provides for a park fee of \$500 per subdivided acre of land, also provides that if this works a hardship on the subdivider, he may appeal to the Council. He had been asked in the past to make the percolation basins available for recreation and park purposes. He believed that someplace between the \$500 per acre and his offer to the City an agreement might be reached. He suggested a compromise.

Mayor Isen read a clipping from the Chicago Tribune which described improvements being put in a tract in Chicago, including a park, a lagoon, and a school.

Mr. Wilson said at the present price of land, the money being considered here could not buy much land for parks.

Mr. Wilson explained he was offering the percolation basin in this tract and his half interest in the Bishop Montgomery sump.

In response to a question, Mr. Wilson said he does have a sump near Ocean and Sepulveda.

Councilman Blount commented that at one time the City had asked Mr. Wilson for a sump and he had not given it to us; he asked why Mr. Wilson had changed his attitude.

Mr. Wilson replied that the basin Mr. Blount referred to had been the property of the Dominguez Land Co., and he had never bought it. He had actually paid for the right to dump water on it. Dominguez has since dedicated it to the City. Mr. Wilson stated he had built only three sumps in the City.

Councilman Jahn asked if he was now offering to turn over his interests in those sumps, and Mr. Wilson said he has offered one, and has offered to negotiate on the others.

Councilman Jahn thought the offer of negotiation should be accepted, saying some day, when the drainage problems are settled in the area, the land will be very valuable.

Mayor Isen said Mr. Wilson has only a half interest in the Bishop Montgomery sump, and the City may have to pay for the other half interest.

Councilman Drale suggested a Committee of the City Manager and City Attorney and City Engineer investigate this offer.

A man in the audience, who did not give his name or address, said he did not think there should be any more sumps in the City.

Mr. F. Bartley, 142 Paseo de Gracia, protested against having another sump in the City, and said if we have to have them to have the housing development, we should not allow the tract to be built.

Mayor Isen offered to withdraw his motion if the Council wished a Committee on this.

Councilman Beasley agreed it might be good to investigate this.

Mayor Isen withdrew his motion, and Councilman Blount withdrew his second to the motion.

Councilman Bradford moved a Committee be appointed to study this offer.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, and as there were no objections it was so ordered.

Mayor Isen appointed the following Committee: Chairman, Mr. Bone; City Attorney Remelmeyer, Director of Public Works Russell, Councilman Bradford, and himself.

At 9:55 P. M., Mayor Isen declared a recess, with the Council reconvening at 10:10 P. M.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE LICENSE DEPARTMENT:

1. A November 19, 1958, letter from the Drifters Square Dance Club, signed by Edward L. Dubois, President, 1912 Gramercy, asked to be issued a license to operate a Fair-Carnival in August of 1959, on the property between Carson and Jefferson on Oak St. The letter stated they are an incorporated, non-profit group, and will carry an insurance policy covering the two days of the fair.

Mayor Isen pointed out that they are willing to pay the license fee.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of License Inspector Whitacre that this license be granted and that they pay the fee as required for carnivals.

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

2. A December 4, 1958, memo from License Inspector Whitacre asked the Council to set policy on the matter of a request for a free license to sell pencils from the street corner or in front of stores in the downtown business section. Mr. Whitacre reported that Mr. Solbes is the first applicant for such a license, and in response to a question from the Council said that Mr. Solbes lives in Long Beach, where this is not permitted.

Mayor Isen moved to deny the application.

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

3. In a December 4, 1958, memo License Inspector Whitacre submitted to the Council a request from the Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation of Southern California for a free license to solicit funds during February, 1959. This will be a door to door solicitation. The organization has been approved by the Los Angeles Dept. of Social Service and Assistant Chief Porter. Mr. Whitacre recommended that the request be granted.

Councilman Jahn moved the request be granted.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, and failed to carry by the following tied vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Drale, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Blount, Bradford. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Benstead.

4. In memos dated December 4, 1958, License Inspector Whitacre recommended that the following free licenses be issued as requested for Christmas tree lots, providing the \$25 clean-up fee is posted:

Church of God, 17661 Yukon Ave., 2 lots, one at SE corner of

182nd & Arlington, one at NW corner of 177th & Crenshaw;

Boy Scouts of America, Troop #371, SE corner of Crenshaw and Pacific Coast Highway;

Boy Scouts of America, Troop #948, NE corner of 190th & Crenshaw;

North Torrance Civic Improvement Assn., location not specified;

Torrance Area Youth Band, location not specified.

Councilman Beasley moved to grant these requests for free licenses, subject to the usual clean-up fee.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

COMMUNICATIONS FROM ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT:

1. In a letter dated December 4, 1958, the City Engineer submitted a summary of the bids on the improvement of the Municipal Airport north of Pacific Coast Highway between Crenshaw Blvd. and Madison St., and reported that Sheets Construction Co. was low bidder with a bid of \$14,660.25 exclusive of Item #3, plant mix surfacing. On this item, the bid was \$6.10 per ton, whereas the City's annual contract with Warren Southwest is for \$5.79 per ton. Mr. Bishop, the City Engineer, made a recommendation that all items except #3 be awarded to Sheets Construction Co. at their low bid of \$14,550.25, and that Warren Southwest install the paving under our annual contract.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendations of the City Engineer.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3602

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN CONTRACT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND SHEETS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, A PARTNERSHIP.

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3602.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present, (Benstead absent).

At this time, Mayor Isen said Mr. Kenneth Knott was present with a delegation of his neighbors and would like to be heard. Mr. Knott had filed a communication with the Planning Dept. on Thursday morning of last week about the matter.

Planning Director Powell said the building on the property in question has been completed, and the wall required has been partly built. The letter submitted by Mr. Knott was dated December 4, 1958, and gave Mr. Knott's address as 2458 - 239th St., and referred to a Variance

granted to A. M. Klum of Mercury International. The variance had been granted in 1956, Case 390, and required that a wall be built across the entire rear property line with the exception of one gateway. Mr. Knott contended that the wall had not been built, and that the noise from the business installed behind his home was a nuisance, and that the lights from it bothered him in his home.

Councilman Jahn thought if they were asked to conform to the Variance they would do so, and that this would be worth trying.

Mayor Isen pointed out that Mr. Knott had inferred a request for soundproofing.

Councilman Drale moved that the City Attorney notify the holders of the Variance that the wall must be installed in compliance with the Variance, that this notification be in writing and be made forthwith.

Councilman Bradford seconded the motion, no objections, so ordered.

Mr. Knott said he intended to protest the granting of a liquor license at that address, and the Mayor pointed out to him that the Council has no jurisdiction in such a matter in any way.

2. With a letter dated December 4, 1958, the City Engineer submitted a summary of the bids received for the storm drain at Redondo Beach Blvd. and Ainsworth Avenue. He reported that the J. T. Smith Co. was the low bidder with a bid of \$3,184, and recommended this bid be accepted.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Engineer.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3603

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR
AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN CONTRACT
BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND J. T.
SMITH, AN INDIVIDUAL.

Councilman Beasley moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3603.

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

3. In a letter dated December 3, 1958, the City Engineer recommended extension of the storm drain in the northerly parkway of Via Los Miradores to an existing storm drain at Paseo de las Estrellas, at a cost of \$750.

Councilman Blount moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Engineer.

Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford, and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

4. With a letter dated December 3, 1958, the City Engineer submitted to the Council for acceptance the following easements:

- 1) Easement Deed dated Oct. 8, 1958, for portions of Lot 21, Tract No. 588, from Bay Finance Co., et al, for the widening of 233rd St., Pennsylvania Ave., and future 234th St.;
- 2) Easement Deed dated Oct. 8, 1958, for portions of Lot 22, Tract No. 588 from Richard and Alyce Mertz for widening 233rd St. and 27' dedication for future 234th St.
- 3) Easement Deed dated Oct. 16, 1958, for portions of Lot 30, Tract No. 588, from Agnes M. Lewis for widening 233rd St. and 27' for future 234th St.;
- 4) Easement Deed dated Oct. 8, 1958, from W. C. Mertz and Joelene Mertz for portions of Lot 39 in Tract No. 588 for widening of 235th St. and future 234th St.;
- 5) Easement Deed dated Oct. 8, 1958, from W. C. Mertz et al, for portions of Lot 40, Tract No. 588 for widening 235th St., Pennsylvania Ave., and future 234th St.

Councilman Jahn moved to accept these easements, as approved by the City Attorney and City Manager.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

5. With a letter dated December 4, 1958, the City Engineer submitted for acceptance the easements required to install the 18" storm drain, Via Linda Vista to Via La Circula, as follows:

- 1) Easement deed dated Sept. 27, 1958, for a portion of Lot 30, Block "G" in Tract No. 10302 from George E. and Katherine S. Orm;
- 2) Easement Deed dated Oct. 31, 1958, for a portion of Lot 9, Block "G" in Tract No. 10302 from Robert E. and Nancy H. Mills.

Councilman Jahn moved to accept these easements as approved by the City Manager and City Attorney.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

1. In a letter dated December 4, 1958, the Director of Public Works recommended that the Council accept the work of the McAlpine & Redfern Co., who installed our fueling and greasing equipment at the new City Yard.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the Director of Public Works.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WATER DEPARTMENT:

A December 4, 1958, letter from A. E. McVicar, Supt. of Torrance Municipal Water District No. 3, concerned service on Hawthorne Blvd. south of Newton St. Mr. McVicar estimated that the tank, pumps and accessories for this would cost about \$5,500 and the pipeline would cost about \$6,200.00, a total of \$11,700. He believed this figure, if charged to the lot owners, would figure about \$557 per lot. A sketch attached to the letter showed the proposed pipeline and pump site. Mr. McVicar suggested that if the Council felt the City should share in some of the cost of it, that the cost of the pumps, tan, accessories, and the 300' of main from the pump site to Hawthorne Ave. be absorbed, which is about half the total cost.

Mr. McVicar said this had been prepared at the behest of the Council.

Councilman Jahn moved this be sent to the Water Commission for their information and recommendation.

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

Councilman Jahn thought the people who move in out there should pay their pro-rata share of this cost.

Mr. McVicar said that was the \$557 figure he had quoted.

Councilman Jahn moved to rescind the previous action on this.

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

Councilman Bradford moved to concur with Mr. McVicar's suggestion and the cost to be pro-rated at the \$557 figure.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

1. A November 28, 1958, letter from Planning Director Powell submitted to the Council the following excerpt from the Planning Commission Minutes of November 19, 1958:

"President Lynn directed that a letter be sent to the City Council with the consent of the Commission, suggesting that, on the

2nd Thursday of December when there is a Planning Congress meeting in Montebello, those members of the Commission who can attend have appropriate expenses paid, and that this be the case at future Planning Congress meetings. He believed the expenses would be about \$42 altogether, and said the Commissioners learn a great deal at these meetings which is of benefit to the City."

Councilman Jahn moved the necessary expenses be paid for the meeting in Monte Bello.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley.

Mayor Isen said we have an Ordinance governing this and that to do this, the Ordinance would have to be changed. He explained that he did not have any quarrel with the wishes of the Council, but he did feel the Ordinance must be followed.

Councilman Jahn said he had thought the \$20 a month they were paid was to cover their necessary expenses for travel here within the City, and would not apply to this or cover it.

Mayor Isen read the original motion made on this, and said the \$20 sum was set as it was felt this would cover their expenses; he felt all Commissions should be treated equally. If it is the wish of the Council to eliminate the \$20 and provide for adequate expenses, then the Ordinance should be changed to prevent our violating the rights of every Commission in the City.

Councilman Beasley said that during his time on the Planning Commission he had attended many of the Planning Congress meetings, and that they are almost like a school. At each meeting, one specific facet of planning is discussed by someone expert in that particular phase of the work.

Mayor Isen felt the \$20 to be adequate. It is not a wage, but to pay expenses. He said he would not be unwilling to have the Ordinance changed if the Council wished it.

Planning Director Powell said an amendment to the Ordinance had been prepared to allow for appropriate expenses to be paid, but that the Council had tabled it.

Mayor Isen said he would like to have this go back to the Planning Commission to see if the \$20 is enough or not.

Councilman Drale asked if these meetings are held every month, and Mr. Powell said they are held every month, usually in different locations.

Mayor Isen said the Planning Commission had felt this sum of \$20 a month to be adequate, and that it had been approved originally at the suggestion of the Planning Commission.

Motion failed to carry by the following tied vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Drale, Jahn. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Bradford, Isen. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Benstead.

Mayor Isen moved to send this back to the Planning Commission to ask them what they want, a sum of \$20 a month or a certified expense account to cover expenses.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

COMMUNICATIONS FROM TRAFFIC COMMISSION:

1. In a letter dated December 1, 1958, the Chief of Police submitted the Traffic Commission's recommendations on Stop Signs, No Parking at Any Time Signs, No Parking Signs, One Hour Parking Signs, and the removal of Stop Signs, and the permission to install Barriers.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the Traffic Commission.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

Councilman Bradford asked if they have considered his request for a stop sign at Beech and Eldorado.

Councilman Jahn said the police had investigated and had returned to the Commission with a report that one was not needed there; this was

being re-surveyed now at the request of the Traffic Commission and a report would be received at their next meeting.

Councilman Bradford moved that a stop sign be installed at Beech and Eldorado, saying this was to protect the small children who cross there on their way to school.

Motion seconded by Councilman Blount, and carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Bradford, Drale, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Jahn. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Benstead.

After a brief discussion, Councilman Bradford recommended that the patrol car which watches Crenshaw and Sonoma every evening check this crossing to see how cars speed through there.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY:

1. The City Attorney submitted to the Council a November 26, 1958 letter from Newlin, Tackabury & Johnston, attorneys for the City in the matter of the application of Dominguez Water Corp., Application No. 37685. This was in the form of a progress report, and enclosed their statement, as requested, covering their billing to date on account of retainer fee. The statement covered the period from September, 1958, through November, 1958. The Statement showed costs of \$163.28 for Roosevelt Building Service, printing briefs, and on account of Retainer Fee, \$2,880.00.

Mayor Isen asked what we had paid them to date, and the City Attorney was not sure, but thought it was about \$3,000.00.

Mayor Isen suggested holding this a week to see how much we had paid them.

Councilman Drale asked when we will go to trial with this.

The City Attorney said he was not sure, but that he would have a more complete report on the sums paid, etc., at the next meeting.

There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. The City Attorney resubmitted a Resolution amending the Civil Service Rules and Regulations, with a letter dated November 13, 1958.

Mayor Isen asked to hold this a week longer for study.

Councilman Drale seconded that request.

The City Attorney said the Civil Service Board has scheduled a Hearing on this for January 14, as required by the law.

Mayor Isen suggested that the Council hold this for study until that hearing had been held.

There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

2. Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3604

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF AN AIRPORT LEASE WITH ROBERT L. MARKS.

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3604.

Motion seconded by Mayor Isen, and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

3. Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3605

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND SOUTHERN PIPE & CASING CO., FOR FURNISHING 16" CONCRETE CYLINDER PIPE.

Councilman Beasley moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3605. Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

Mayor Isen at this time commented that something had to be done about the loudspeaker and recording system in the Council Chamber. Councilman Jahn agreed, saying he had seen microphones which would pick up the speech of those working with them even from a distance of several feet. He thought these microphones were faulty. The Council was agreed that the system needs correction.

ORDINANCES:

1. With a cover letter dated November 28, 1958, the City Clerk submitted for its second reading Ordinance No. 1049, unanimously approved at its first reading on November 25, 1958, with all Councilmen present. Deputy City Clerk read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1049

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SUBSECTION "F" OF SECTION 21 OF APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" ENTITLED "REZONING" AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR A NEW SUBSECTION "F" TO PROVIDE THAT A CHANGE OF ZONE MAY BE GRANTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON THE PASSAGE OF AN ORDINANCE THEREFOR.

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Ordinance No. 1049 at its second and final reading. Motion seconded by Councilman Blount, and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

2. With a cover letter dated November 28, 1958, the City Clerk submitted for its second reading Ordinance No. 1047, which was approved at its first reading on November 25, 1958, with all Councilmen present, by all Councilmen except Councilman Drale, who had voted against approval.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1047

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SECTION 11 OF APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" (THE LAND USE ORDINANCE) REGULATING THE USES PERMITTED IN THE LIGHT MANUFACTURING ZONE (M-1) AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR NEW PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT MATTER.

Councilman Beasley moved for adoption of Ordinance No. 1047 at its second and final reading. Motion seconded by Councilman Blount, and carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Blount, Bradford, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Drale. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Benstead.

3. Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1051

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING THE POSITION CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND SALARY SCHEDULE ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 1037 BY ADDING CERTAIN POSITIONS TO THE POSITION CLASSIFICATION PLAN.

Councilman Jahn moved to approve Ordinance No. 1051 at its first reading.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Blount, Bradford, Jahn, Isen. NOES: COUNCILMEN: Drale. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Benstead.

Councilman Drale said he approved the Senior Administrative Assistant, Range 58, but had voted no because he did not approve the Fireman-Mechanic, Range 41.

4. With a cover letter dated December 4, 1958, the City Attorney submitted revisions to Ordinance No. 918, as suggested by the Director of Public Works.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1052

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING ARTCILE III OF CHAPTER 25 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954", REGULATING THE MOVING OF BUILDINGS AND TANKS OVER STREETS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES AND REQUIRING A PERMIT THEREFOR AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR A NEW ARTCILE V RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT AND ADDING THERETO PROVISIONS FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR MOVING CERTAIN VEHICLES OVER CITY STREETS.

Councilman Jahn moved to approve Ordinance No. 1052 at its first reading.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Isen proclaimed the week of December 9 through 15, 1958, as Bill of Rights Week, and urged all citizens to familiarize themselves with the ten amendments making up the Bill of Rights and to live by them so that they continue to be living proof of democracy at work.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

1. The City Manager presented to the Council a recommendation that \$5,000 be allocated from the Unappropriated Reserve Fund to the Weed Abatement Fund as a progress payment of \$5,000 to Carbohad Corp., Inc., in accordance with the terms of their contract.

Mayor Isen moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Manager.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

2. The City Manager said he had delivered to the Councilmen copies of a letter from the South Bay Peace Officers' Association for information.

3. The City Attorney asked if the Council wished him to resubmit the rules for Council procedures which he had drafted at the request of the Council.

There were no objections, and the City Attorney was directed to return these after the holidays.

4. Councilman Beasley asked if anything is being done about the dangerous intersection at Highway 101 and Newton Street, and Mr. Russell said he is trying to get the meeting set up which he was directed to arrange, but the State people are very busy.

5. Mayor Isen reported that a Mr. Norris had come to his office on December 2 to report that he had had to pay .60 to get from his home in Kettler Knolls to the City Hall and back, and had asked that transfers be given on Torrance buses. The Mayor thought the request reasonable, and asked the City Manager to discuss this with Bus Supt. Chamberlain.

6. Councilman Drale moved all bills properly audited be paid. Motion seconded by Councilman Bradford and carried unanimously by roll call vote of those present (Benstead absent).

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 P. M.

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

By Gale Whitacre
Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED:

Albert Isen
Mayor of the City of Torrance