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Torrance, California
June 16, 1959

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, June 16, 1959, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Torrance, California.

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

At the request of Mayor Isen, Officer Jackson of the Torrance Police Department led the salute to our Flag.

The Reverend James Lowen, Four Square Gospel Church, opened the meeting with an invocation.

Councilman Jahn moved to approve the Minutes of the June 2 and June 9 meetings of the Council as written.

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

BIDS:

Mayor Isen referred to the item entitled "BIDS" in the letter of transmittal from the City Manager dated June 12 and entitled 'Miscellaneous recommendations.' This read as follows:

"Only one bid was received for the purchase of the Civic Auditorium and Chamber of Commerce building. The bidder was Pacific Southwest Realty Company, who bid \$101,250. The bid was accompanied by a Cashier's Check in the amount of \$10,125. The bidder was notified that oral bids would be accepted on Tuesday, June 16, in accordance with the conditions of the Notice to Bidders."

Mayor Isen asked if it had not been agreed that additional bids would be taken tonight at 5:30.

The City Manager replied that it had been so advertised.

Mayor Isen said there had been only one bid, and he then announced it for the audience. He asked if anyone present wished to bid 10% higher than this bid.

There was no reply.

Mayor Isen asked if there was a representative of the bidder present.

Mr. B. W. Johnson, Vice President of the Pacific Southwest Realty Co., 215 W. Sixth Street, Los Angeles 15, California, came forward.

Mayor Isen told Mr. Johnson that he felt the bid was low and should be rejected. He did not know whether or not this was a preliminary bid.

Mr. Johnson said they had understood this would be competitive bidding, so had submitted a bid which they felt was not entirely unreasonable, but which might invite other bids. He said their objective is to buy a site in Torrance on which to build a new bank. He said his company is the property of the Security First National Bank. They have three other sites in Torrance, and have been chartered to put banks either in downtown Torrance, at 174 and Crenshaw, 174 and Hawthorne, or Hawthorne and Sepulveda; they have applied for

a charter for a bank at 190 and Anza, but have not yet received it. This indicates their interest and confidence in the area. He said their intent is not to drive a hard bargain. They believe the City is entitled to a fair market price, and if the bid appears too low and a common ground can be found which will solve the Council's problem as well as serve their need, they would be pleased.

Mayor Isen asked again if there was anyone else present who wished to bid 10% higher than this for the property, but had no reply.

Councilman Jahn asked Mr. Johnson how high he was prepared to go for the property.

Mr. Johnson said he did not believe his company would pay more than \$125,000 for the property, and they are prepared to pay that much. They would submit the bid in writing and an additional check to comply with the 10% requirement.

Councilman Jahn moved the bid of Pacific Southwest Realty Company of \$125,000 with the required 10% deposit, be accepted, subject to being received in writing.

Motion seconded by Councilman Blount.

Councilman Benstead asked the City Manager what the value of the building had been according to the appraisal, and the City Manager reported that there had been no appraisal, as the Council had felt the cost of such would be too high.

Councilman Benstead asked Councilman Drale if he thought this a fair price for the property, and Councilman Drale said he did.

Mayor Isen had felt this property would be worth at least \$150,000.

Mr. Johnson said it would not be to his principals.

Mayor Isen told him the Council acted as trustees for the people in this.

Mr. Johnson said he had laid their cards on the table in this matter, and this was the most they would pay.

Councilman Jahn said that was a price of about \$961 per front foot, and he did not believe any higher price for property had been paid in the downtown area. He did not believe the Council would get more for the property.

Councilman Beasley agreed with the motion, but said he would wish to stipulate that the money be set aside for the new civic auditorium; he outlined the fact that the building had been an expensive building and would become more so. He felt it would be an asset to the City to have the Security First National here.

Mayor Isen said he had talked to the City Attorney about this, and asked if the bidder would pay the escrow charges, etc.

Mr. Johnson said they would; he said their bid would be net to the City.

Councilman Jahn amended his motion to specify that the \$125,000 be net to the City.

The amendment was accepted in the second to the motion.

Councilman Bradford asked when they would begin improving the property, and Mr. Johnson said they could probably get under way in about 120 days, but said they would not press for possession if the City needed the building.

Councilman Bradford asked if it would be possible to use the building until they do begin, and Mr. Johnson said it would.

The motion, as amended, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Councilman Jahn moved the funds received from the sale of this building and property be set aside and earmarked for the purpose of building a new civic auditorium, and the cost of the design and plans for the building be included.

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

The City Attorney said if the Council wished to consider this as a firm bid, he had a Resolution to present on it, however, he pointed out that the motion had been made contingent upon the receipt of the bid in writing and the receipt of the 10% of the bid.

Mr. Johnson had the letter with him, and filed it with the City Clerk, along with three Cashier's Checks, making a total of \$13,125 deposited, as each of these checks was in the amount of \$1,000.

Mayor Isen asked why that money could not be deposited for the City in the Security First National Bank.

The City Attorney said if the Council so wished, they could establish a special fund there.

Councilman Blount looked at the Resolution the City Attorney distributed to the Council, and asked if it would prohibit the use of any of this money for plans for the building.

Councilman Jahn said plans are included in the price of any building.

The City Attorney said if the Council wished, they could make an amendment to that effect.

Councilman Drale thought the money should be deposited in the City's existing account.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3708

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ACCEPTING THE BID OF PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REALTY COMPANY FOR THE SALE OF LOTS 17, 18, 19 AND 20 IN BLOCK 8 OF THE TORRANCE TRACT (THE CIVIC AUDITORIUM PROPERTY), AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR, CITY CLERK AND CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE CERTAIN INSTRUMENTS AND DO CERTAIN ACTS TO CONVEY TITLE TO SAID LOTS TO SAID COMPANY.

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

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

Councilman Drale moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 3708.

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

Mayor Isen felt it would be in order for the Council to look for an architect right away.

Councilman Jahn moved to refer this to the City Manager to begin selection of an architect and design. He did this, he said, so that after there are tentative sketches the Council would have an idea of the cost so a bond election could be held if it is necessary.

Mayor Isen thought this should also go to the Park & Recreation Commission to see what they think should be included.

Councilman Benstead so moved, and Councilman Jahn accepted this as an amendment to his motion, and it was accepted in the second to the motion.

There were no objections, and the motion, as amended, was ordered carried.

Mr. Johnson thanked the Council, and expressed his hope that they would be able to render a service to the City.

HEARINGS:

1. Mayor Isen announced this was the time and place for the Hearing on:

CASE NO. 390 - VARIANCE - A. M. Klum, Informal Hearing.

On June 2, 1959, the Council referred the matter of Variance granted in Planning Commission Case No. 390 to the June 16, 1959, meeting for a Hearing.

Resubmitted with this was the following material:

- a. May 28, 1959, letter from the City Attorney;
- b. Excerpt from March 31, 1959, Council Minutes;
- c. May 27, 1959, letter from A. M. Klum for Mercury International Companies.

Mayor Isen noted that Mr. Klum was present and that Mr. Knott, whose property is affected by this, was also present. The Mayor had looked at the area, and felt this was an almost impossible situation; in the future, a building permit should not be granted until terms of Variances have been complied with.

The Director of Public Works recommended that (a) the existing wall on the property be extended to the property line on the street, or (b) the wall be stepped in just south of the trees on the Klum property to the same step procedure where the Knott wall ends and carry it out to the street.

Mayor Isen did not see how the Knott wall would be extended without Mr. Knott's permission.

Councilman Benstead asked if Edison does not have an easement across that property, and the Director of Public Works said he thought so, and he thought it was an overhead easement with the right to install poles. He said that was why the original fence was set back some 18" to 2'.

Councilman Jahn asked if it would be feasible to erect the wall on the Klum property without destroying the trees, and the Director of Public Works said if the fence is put directly on the property line some of the trees would have to come out. If the existing wall is extended, it would be much less expensive.

Mr. Knott was present, and said he did not wish to be unreasonable, but there is a 5' clearance between the fence and the property line. He said he would agree to the fence being built on his property if it is 6' high. It would solve many of his problems if the project were carried out. He said he wished only to protect his home from the bar and the doughnut shop going in there.

Councilman Jahn said it could not be 6' high all the way under our Ordinance.

Councilman Blount said the Council could give him a Variance.

Mr. Knott said the foundation of the existing fence would not stand the weight of a 6' wall. He said he would want a good fence if one goes in. He stated that he was giving both property and material for this Variance.

Councilman Benstead asked which fence he means.

Mr. Knott said he has a cinder block wall from the front of his property, and he has a chain link fence. He said his fence is small and is being broken by the trees. He would like for it to be taken down, and a 6' cinder block wall from the front of his property. He repeated that he was trying to keep the light and noise from the bar and doughnut shop from his home.

Councilman Beasley reminded Mr. Knott that the trees are there because he had insisted that they remain there.

Mr. Knott said he had agreed to 10' of clearance.

Mr. Klum, in reply to a question from the Mayor, said he did not think this would be acceptable to his company. He said they would be agreeable to extending the fence there now. He said he thought they would agree to extend the present cinder block wall at its existing height.

Councilman Jahn referred to the recommendations of the Director of Public Works; he wondered how much protection that would give.

Councilman Beasley said the fence begins about 2' higher than the stores. He moved to accept Mr. Klum's offer to extend the present fence to the street property line matching the present fence if Mr. Knott will allow him to do so, and for such we clear the Variance of any controversy.

Councilman Jahn moved that if this is not accepted, the Council suggest the alternate solution offered by the Director of Public Works, and seconded Councilman Beasley's motion.

Councilman Drale thought the suggestion from the Director of Public Works was the acceptable solution, if Mr. Knott would accept it.

At the request of Mr. Knott, the Director of Public Works explained his solution to this problem.

The City Attorney asked if the owners of the property, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, would consent to this, saying Mr. Klum may not have the authority to do this.

Councilman Jahn thought if the wall were to be built on the property known as the Klum property, we would have to have their permission.

The City Attorney could find no basis for the assumption that Mr. Klum had the right to agree to build this wall.

Councilman Drale said if he could not comply, and did not have the authority to do so, he should be released from this.

Councilman Beasley felt confident that Mr. Klum could arrange to comply with this.

Mayor Isen said under this plan, they would simply replace the cyclone fence with a concrete block wall; he told Mr. Knott the Council is trying to make the best of a very bad situation. He urged Mr. Knott to accept this solution.

Mr. Knott asked if Mr. Klum would agree to make the wall 6' high, and Mr. Klum said he would.

Supt. of Building Inspection Lee Schlens said such a fence would violate our ordinance, and he could not issue such a permit without express directions from the Council.

Councilman Jahn assured him the Council would approve this.

Councilman Jahn moved a substitute motion, that a block wall is to be constructed by Mr. Klum at the same elevation as the existing block wall on the Knott property, and is to continue the wall to the front property line replacing the cyclone fence and, before that construction, Messrs. Knott and Klum are to reach an agreement for the additional 2' on the wall which Mr. Knott is to be responsible for, and further, this Council realizing that in the 20' setback the fence will exceed the legal maximum height, hereby grants the Variance for a 6' fence in that setback.

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

Councilman Jahn knew the Staff had under consideration a way of preventing this kind of thing from occurring again. He thought building permits should not be issued in such a case until compliance with any Variance has been complete. He moved that when a Variance is granted, the terms be put in the Bldg. Dept. folder on the Case, and permit held for compliance. The motion was seconded by Mayor Isen, no objections, so ordered.

Mr. Schlens said this has been the procedure for 2 years.

2. Mayor Isen announced this was the time and place for:
WEED ABATEMENT HEARING NO. 8 (Continued) & HEARING NO. 9.

He announced this was the time and place for the Hearing on Resolution of Intention No. 3697, continued, on Parcels 354 through 177-93, and Resolution of Intention No. 3705, Parcels 20-126 through 2-125, declaring the parcels listed therein and described in said Resolutions to be a public nuisance, and providing for the abatement thereof, excepting the following parcels:

Parcels 1-13, inclusive, Map 133, steep hillside property.

City Clerk Bartlett presented the Affidavits of Posting.

Councilman Jahn moved these Affidavits in each Case 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 Beasley moved to close this Hearing on Resolutions of Intention No. 3697 and No. 3705.

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

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3709

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIS REPRESENTATIVES AND EMPLOYEES TO ABATE THE NUISANCE LOCATED ON PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE DESCRIBED IN RESOLUTION NO. 3697.

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

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

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3709.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Drale, Jahn, Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Bradford.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3710

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIS REPRESENTATIVES AND EMPLOYEES TO ABATE THE NUISANCE LOCATED ON PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE DESCRIBED IN RESOLUTION NO. 3705.

Councilman Beasley moved to dispense with further reading of Resolution No. 3710.

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

Councilman Benstead moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3710.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Drale, Jahn, Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Bradford.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

PLANNING MATTERS:

1. With a letter dated June 11, 1959, the Planning Director submitted the Planning Commission's recommendation that the Del Amo Estates Company applications in Cases 553 and 554 be cancelled, as requested by their Mr. O'Neill at the June 3 meeting of the Commission.

An excerpt from the Minutes of the June 3 meeting of the Planning Commission was submitted in support of the letter.

Mayor Isen demurred that this should be followed through.

The City Attorney felt that this case was different from those cases where there might be objections, and that it would be permissible to cancel these applications.

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

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

2. CASE NO. 574 - VARIANCE - ALVIN C. SUGAR: With a transmittal form the Planning Director submitted the Planning Commission's recommendation for approval of this application per Exhibit A for a Variance on the east half of Lot 23, La Fresa Tract, situated at 3313 - 174th St., to construct a 22-unit apartment building with garages, in an R-3 zone.

The transmittal form was accompanied by a location sketch and an excerpt from the Planning Commission Minutes of June 3, 1959.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission subject to Exhibit A.

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

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

1. With a letter signed by Wm. F. Longley, City Auditor-Clerk, the City of Alhambra requested that a resolution in protest against any tax increase by the County of Los Angeles be considered.

A copy of their Resolution No. 20257 was submitted with the letter.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur, and that the City Attorney proceed with this.

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

Councilman Jahn suggested that the Attorney submit the Resolution he prepares on this directly to the Board of Supervisors, saying next week will be too late. He said his motion intended that he prepare a resolution concurring with the basic ideas of the resolution from the City of Alhambra and that the City Attorney be instructed to send such a resolution directly to the Board of Supervisors on this before Friday of this week.

Councilman Drale said he intended to second that intent, and it was so ordered.

2. A letter from the Torrance Library Commission, signed by W. J. Hanson, Chairman, submitted 264 signatures of Torrance citizens who concur in asking that our branch libraries be open Mondays through Thursdays from 1:00 to 9:00 P. M. and on Saturdays from 10:00 A. M. to 6:00 P. M.

Councilman Drale moved to refer this to the City Manager.

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

The City Manager said an investigation of the cost of this is being made.

3. With a letter dated June 12, 1959, Holly B. Kidner of the Scout Committee, Chairman, said that Boy Scout Troop 732 of Torrance would like to lease at no cost the building located at Torrance Park east of the office.

Councilman Benstead moved to refer this to the Recreation Department.

Councilman Drale asked whose building this is, and the City Manager said he would have to know which building was under consideration before he could say.

Mayor Isen thought a report on the condition of the building, from the Director of Public Works, should go to Recreation on this as well, saying he thought perhaps other activities than this could use the building.

Councilman Jahn asked if anyone now uses the building, saying he noted the recommendations from the Director of Public Works.

The Director of Public Works said there are some problems, such as wiring, and that in his memo on this to the Council, which was not dated but bore a sketch of the area, when he recommended 'if permission is granted, that they be required to bring them up to the standards required by Code', that had been what he meant.

Mayor Isen thought if the City brought this up to Code, it should be for more general use.

Councilman Jahn agreed, and thought the City Manager, as well as the Park & Recreation Commission should make a recommendation on this.

Councilman Benstead said they might have something they want to put in there which would be a compatible use with this.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the request, subject to the approval of the Recreation Department and the City Manager.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, and was ordered carried as there were no objections.

4. A claim from Rose Milton against various City officials for damages allegedly sustained in an incident when claimant was boarding a bus at 174th and Hawthorne on March 14, 1959, was submitted.

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

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER:

1. With a letter dated June 12, 1959, the City Manager submitted the following recommendations for the Council's consideration and approval:

PERSONNEL:

That the attached class specifications for the positions of Junior Civil Engineer, Engineering Aide, Sr. Engineering Aide and Sr. Structural Inspector be approved.

- (a) The specifications for Sr. Engineering Aide and Engineering Aide are similar to the present specifications for said titles, with the addition of surveying duties.

- (b) The class specification for Jr. Civil Engineer is a new class, which will incorporate the duties of our present classifications of construction inspector and survey party chief. A salary range of 44 (\$552-\$604) is recommended.
- (c) The classification of Sr. Structural Inspector is a new position made necessary by present and anticipated plans for inspection of large or complicated new structures requiring an Inspector with special qualifications. This position will be included in the 1959-60 Budget as a reclassification of the presently authorized position of Building Inspector made vacant by the death of Ted Simonson.

BIDS:

Only one bid was received for the purchase of the Civic Auditorium and Chamber of Commerce building. The bidder was Pacific Southwest Realty Co., who bid \$101,250. The bid was accompanied by a Cashier's check in the amount of \$10,125. The bidder was notified that oral bids would be accepted on Tuesday, June 16, in accordance with the conditions of the Notice to Bidders.

(NOTE: This paragraph, entitled "BIDS" was the first item taken into consideration this evening.)

CONTRACT FOR MAINTENANCE OF STATE HIGHWAYS IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE:

I recommend that the City enter into an agreement with the Division of Highways for maintenance of highways in the City of Torrance beginning July 1, 1959. The City will receive up to a maximum of \$17,578 for this work. Under the agreement the City would be responsible for maintenance of the highways, including pavements, curbs, gutters and sidewalks, landscaping, sweeping and cleaning. A copy of the Maintenance Agreement was available at the Council meeting, and a Resolution attached.

AGREEMENT WITH L. A. COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT:

I recommend that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign an agreement between the City and the L. A. Flood Control District for design and construction of the 1958 Storm Drain Bond Issue projects with the City of Torrance. This is a standard agreement that must be executed by all cities before they can receive any credit for engineering on the Bond Issue projects. The agreement has been approved by the City Attorney and the Director of Public Works.

APPROVAL OF PLANS:

One of the conditions of the lease to Longren Aircraft requires that plans for new buildings must be submitted to the City Council. Plans for expansion of their plant on the Torrance Municipal Airport will be available at the Council meeting for approval.

The City Manager submitted appropriate supporting material as required.

Councilman Beasley asked if these job descriptions, shown under Personnel; are in line with the recommendations accepted last fall from the State.

The City Manager said these are different in that they are set up so a man can be called on to do something other than one specific job. He said this would constitute a saving of time and money for the City.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the City Manager's recommendations a, b, and c under Personnel.

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

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the City Manager's recommendations on the 'Contract for maintenance of State highways in the City of Torrance' and 'Agreement with L. A. County Flood Control District', as shown in the City Manager's letter.

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

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3711

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF STATE HIGHWAYS WITHIN THE CITY.

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

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

Councilman Jahn moved to adopt Resolution No. 3711.

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

At 6:20 P. M., Mayor Isen declared a recess, saying the Council could have an opportunity during the recess to see the plans mentioned by the City Manager for new buildings on the lease at the Airport.

The Council reconvened at 6:35 P. M.

Mayor Isen referred to the paragraph of the City Manager's letter entitled 'approval of plans', and the City Manager said the plans are for two additional buildings of the same type of construction now existing there. The maximum height of the buildings is below 25' and they are on the original lease, which requires Council approval of any additional construction there. The City Manager recommended approval of the plans.

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

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

Mr. William R. Becker, 24751 So. Crenshaw, came forward to tell the Council that Aeronca has bought that facility and they would like to have the property called the Aeronca property from now on.

Mayor Isen, on behalf of the Council, welcomed Aeronca to the City, and expressed the hope that this operation will be one of their very best.

Councilman Beasley complimented them upon the improvements they have already made.

2. With a letter dated June 11, 1959, the City Manager submitted summaries of bids received from Paul's Chevrolet, Inc., and Vel's Ford Sales Co. for 2 police patrol cars, recommending that the cars be bought from Paul's. A June 16, 1959, letter from the City Manager, however, reported the following "Correction to Council Agenda Item I-2, Bids for Police Patrol Cars":

"Since the agenda for the Council meeting of June 16 was prepared, we have been contacted by Vel's Ford and advised that their proposal was based on their Fairlane "500" Model rather than the Fairlane. They have also submitted a second bid on the basis of the Fairlane Model. The Fairlane is the model that most favorably compares with the Chevrolet Bel-Aire series.

"In view of this additional proposal, the bids received compare as follows:

| | <u>Vel's Ford Sales Co.</u> | <u>Paul's Chevrolet</u> |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| "Model No. | 1959 V-8 Fairlane | #1619 |
| "Price of ea. delivered | \$2,365.75 | \$2,377.79 |
| "4% Sales Tax | 94.63 | 95.11 |
| "Delivered Price | \$2,460.38* | \$2,472.90 |
| "Power Brakes Incl. | \$2,495.38 | \$2,507.69 |

"It is recommended that the low bid of Vel's Ford Sales Co.* be accepted for the purchase of two police patrol cars, and that the sum of \$4,920.76 be authorized for expenditure for this purpose (power brakes not required).

"(Police Patrol Cars purchased in February, 1959, were at the unit cost of \$2,460.42)."

This was discussed by the City Manager and the Council, with the purpose of the cars, the suitability, etc., being considered. In reply to a question as to whether bids had been called on these, the City Manager said the specs had gone to these two dealers. Last time this was advertised, Bacon Ford had been the low bidder and the bids had been thrown out.

Councilman Drale asked if this had not been discussed at a very recent Council meeting, and Mr. Bone, the Assistant City Manager said it had, and the Council had authorized us to call for bids on two cars.

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

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Bradford, Jahn, Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Drale.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Blount asked that his reason for voting against this be shown in the record, saying he had voted as he did because when we start adjusting bids from week to week, it is not fair competitive bidding and there is not much reason for it. If we want Fords, let's go and get them. He thought this was shoddy.

At this time, Mayor Isen addressed Officer Jackson, saying the Council would be glad to hear him at this time.

Officer Jackson told the Council that he has been associated with car club activities in the County and City for some time; one of them has been the Annual Youth Economy Run, patterned after the Mobilgas Economy Run. This year, Torrance has been selected as the impound City for the Youth Economy Run. There are about 20 cities in the County, the California Highway Patrol and the County Sheriff who will be bringing boys here for the run. There will also be entries from Las Vegas and Barstow.

Officer Jackson proceeded to give the Council information on this run, saying it will begin and end here; he described the trip planned, the destination, etc. Two cars, a 1959 Rambler Ambassador, and a Ford Galaxie, are being contributed by local dealers. He said they will have an Open House on Saturday afternoon, June 20, and said they hope that some of the Councilmen will attend, and other officials of the City are invited. He said this is the first time we have been the impound City, and he does not know when we will be so honored again; he hoped everyone would join in making this a gala event.

Mayor Isen thought the Council should recognize the fine work done with the boys over the years in this car club activity, and asked that the record show the Council wished to commend Officer Jackson for this, and he so moved.

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CIVIL SERVICE BOARD:

1. A June 12, 1959, letter from the Civil Service Board, signed by Ladeene B. Chamberlain, Acting Secretary, requested an additional appropriation to cover expenses of \$23 each for Messrs. Morehart and Sagrillo. These expenses were incurred during attendance at the recent Personnel Association Conference in Santa Barbara, which was authorized by the Council.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation.

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CIVIL DEFENSE AND DISASTER COMMISSION:

1. A June 11, 1959, letter from the Civil Defense and Disaster Commission, signed by Robert Ellis, Chairman, transmitted the following action from their June 8, 1959, meeting:

"a. That the Commission re-submit Mr. Remelmeyer's original recommendation to the City Council to appoint their stand-by officers, as set forth under a provision to the Military and Veterans Code to provide for the preservation of local government in case of war." (Copy of named recommendation attached, dated November 14, 1957, addressed to City Council).

"b. That the Police Reserve Ordinance, as submitted by City Attorney Remelmeyer, be recommended to the City Council for adoption".

Mayor Isen asked the City Attorney how we get the stand-by officers, and the Attorney said by appointing them. He thought that probably people who do not work in the same place or live in the same area should be appointed, so that in case of a disaster, all would not be affected.

Councilman Jahn asked if this is required, and the City Attorney said it is suggested.

Councilman Jahn moved this be filed, and the motion was seconded by Mayor Isen, no objections, so ordered.

With reference to the ordinance submitted, which establishes a "Police Reserve Corps", Mayor Isen thought this a good idea, and Councilman Blount did too except he did not think it a part of Civil Defense.

Mayor Isen asked if this should not provide for compensation insurance for the officers, and Councilman Beasley asked if the Association does not provide the insurance.

Capt. Maestri of the Police Department said those men pay for the Peace Officers' insurance and the City pays for the false arrest insurance and the industrial accident insurance for them. He believed the industrial accident comes under the State insurance.

The City Manager said as a training program that would be covered by Civil Defense and covered by that if there was an accident. He said this might be checked to see if there is a better way.

This was discussed at some length, and Mayor Isen suggested this be referred to the City Attorney, suggesting that he look into this carefully to be sure the City is covered.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM LICENSE DEPARTMENT:

1. License Inspector Whitacre submitted a letter from the Chamber of Commerce, dated June 10, 1959, and signed by Fred W. Mill, President. In the letter, the Chamber applied for a free license to conduct Rancho Days from July 22 - 26, inclusive. The License Inspector, in a memo appended to the letter, reported approval of the request by the Chief of Police, and recommended this be granted, subject to filing of the required insurance, which was described, and subject to the carnival, industrial show and rodeo meeting the building and fire department regulations.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation of the License Inspector, with all stipulations included.

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

2. The License Inspector submitted a letter from the Bay-Harbor Osteopathic Hospital, 1437 Lomita Blvd., signed by Glenn A. Wymore, President, asking for renewal of their free license to solicit funds in Torrance for a hospital.

License Inspector Whitacre reported this had been approved by the Chief of Police, and he recommended this be granted for the balance of the year of 1959.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation of the License Inspector, with all stipulations.

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

1. With a cover letter dated June 11, 1959, W. E. Peebles, Director of Public Works, submitted the following easements needed for the construction of sewers in proposed Hollywood Riviera Sewer District No. 3:

Easements located in Block "L" of Tract No. 10302:

- a) Document dated May 18, 1959, for portion of Lot 18, given by John M. Watt and Beatrice H. Watt.
- b) Document dated May 1, 1959, for portion of Lot 22, given by James J. Hamilton and Helen E. Hamilton.
- c) Document dated June 3, 1959, for portion of Lot 25, given by Milton H. Hamblin and Florence M. Hamblin.

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- d) Easement from Everett A. Hinz and Billie Kathryn Hinz dated May 18, 1959, for portion of Lot 26.
- e) Easement from Hollywood Development Co. dated April 7, 1959, for a portion of Lot 29.
- f) Easement from Rhoda L. Clark & W. F. Clark dated May 14, 1959, for a portion of Lot 23.
- g) Easement from John L. Doegey & Lorayne M. Doegey dated April 4, 1959, for a portion of Lot 30.

Easements located in Block "B" of Tract No. 10304:

- a) Portion of Lot 11, granted by Donald R. White and Barbara J. White, by easement deed dated May 25, 1959.
- b) Portion of Lot 15 from Roswell H. Potts & Regina L. Potts by easement deed dated April 16, 1959.
- c) Portion of Lot 25 from Lester J. Oswald & Dorothy E. Oswald by easement deed dated April 4, 1959.
- d) Portion of Lot 26 from William J. Cameron & Gertrude L. Cameron by easement deed dated April 3, 1959.
- e) Portion of Lot 28 from Frank E. Carroll & Audrey S. Carroll by document dated April 3, 1959.
- f) Portion of Lot 29 from Rollin C. Ring and Eleanor S. Ring by document dated June 6, 1959.
- g) Portion of Lot 32 from Robert W. Rector and Margaret H. Rector by document dated May 1, 1959.
- h) Portion of Lot 33 from John Q. McClure, Jr., and Joanne B. McClure by document dated June 1, 1959.
- i) Portion of Lot 37 from Leo F. Kline, a widower, by document dated April 4, 1959.
- j) Portion of Lot 36 from Ira Schwartz and Evelyn V. Schwartz by document dated May 11, 1959.

Easements located in Block "E" of Tract No. 10304:

- a) Portion of Lot 2 from William M. McKnight & Vera McKnight by document dated May 1, 1959.
- b) Portion of Lot 3 from August F. Muizers & Billie Muizers by document dated April 4, 1959.
- c) Portion of Lot 33 from Hale Pickett & Mabeth Pickett by document dated April 4, 1959.

Easements located in Block "I" of Tract No. 10304:

- a) Portion of Lot 10 by document dated May 18, 1959, from William E. Jackson & Jeanne Jackson.
- b) Portion of Lot 11 by document dated May 18, 1959, from Marcy C. McCoy, a widow.
- c) Portion of Lot 12 by document dated May 22, 1959, from Ernest M. Hoyt and Irma V. Hoyt.
- d) Portion of Lot 16 by document dated Jun 3 1, 1959, from Walter A. Garrabrant & Eunice H. Garrabrant.
- e) Portion of Lot 17 by document dated April 6, 1959, from Margaret M. Smillie & James D. Smillie, Jr.
- f) Portion of Lot 20 by document dated April 4, 1959, from John Diehl and Mary A. Diehl.
- g) Portion of Lot 21 by document dated April 4, 1959, from Carl H. Waldeck & Margaret E. Waldeck.
- h) Portion of Lot 22 by document dated April 3, 1959, from Fred J. Weir & La Vada Weir.

Easements located in Block "J" in Tract No. 10304:

- a) Portion of Lot 19 by document dated May 1, 1959, from Paul E. Warf and Joyce V. Warf.
- b) Portion of Lot 20 by document dated April 20, 1959, from Alvin M. Wald and Enes C. Wald.
- c) Portion of Lot 21 by document dated May 22, 1959, from William D. Rogers and Helen B. Rogers.
- d) Portion of Lot 24 by document dated May 1, 1959, from Florence Lewis and Gordon A. Lewis.
- e) Portion of Lot 26 by document dated June 4, 1959, from Robert Underwood & Hellen D. Underwood.
- f) Portion of Lot 27 by document dated April 3, 1959, from Harold A. and Ann L. Marechal and Ralph A. and Dorothy R. Overton.
- g) Portion of Lot 28 by document dated April 3, 1959, from Ralph A. and Dorothy R. Overton and Frank L. and Mildred L. Brown.
- h) Portion of Lot 29 by document dated June 5, 1959 from Norbourne B. Cooke and Isabelle C. Cooke.
- i) Portion of Lot 31 by document dated May 9, 1959, from Norman and Mary A. Kuska.
- j) Portion of Lot 35 by document dated April 8, 1959, from William R. Peer and Veda A. Peer.

These easements had all been approved by S. E. Remelmeyer, the City Attorney, and George W. Stevens, City Manager.

Councilman Jahn moved to accept these easements.

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

2. With a cover letter dated June 10, 1959, the Director of Public Works submitted material on the Street Lighting Assessment District No. 2, including his report dated June 16, 1959, the June 9, 1959, report from Laurence J. Thompson, Assessment Engineer, and an estimate of street lighting installation, electrical energy and maintenance, for two years, commencing November 1, 1959.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3712

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, MAKING A CONTRIBUTION OF PUBLIC FUNDS TO AID AND ASSIST IN PAYING A PORTION OF THE COST (INCLUDING INCIDENTAL EXPENSES), FOR FURNISHING ELECTRIC CURRENT AND MAINTENANCE OF CERTAIN STREET LIGHTING FIXTURES IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AS SHOWN ON PROPOSED DIAGRAM AND PLAN NO. L-1-59, AND INSTRUCTING THE CITY TREASURER TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL FUND TO BE KNOWN AS "STREET LIGHTING INSTALLATION, ELECTRIC CURRENT AND MAINTENANCE FUND, STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 2."

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

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

Councilman Jahn moved to adopt Resolution No. 3712.

Motion seconded by Mayor Isen, and carried by the following

roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Bradford, Jahn, Isen.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount, Drale.
ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 3713

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE REPORT OF THE CITY ENGINEER OF SAID CITY MADE PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF RESOLUTION NO. 3643 ADOPTED MARCH 17, 1959, BY SAID COUNCIL.

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

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

Councilman Jahn moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3713.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Bradford, Jahn, Isen.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount, Drale.
ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 3714

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO ORDER CERTAIN LIGHTING STANDARDS, FIXTURES AND APPLIANCES ON CERTAIN STREETS AND PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE, TO BE INSTALLED, MAINTAINED AND ELECTRIC CURRENT TO BE FURNISHED FOR LIGHTING SAID FIXTURES FOR A PERIOD OF MONTHS BEGINNING WITH THE ENERGIZATION THEREOF, AND ENDING OCTOER 31, 1961.

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

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

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Resolution No. 3714.

Motion seconded by Councilman Jahn, and carried unanimously by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Bradford, Jahn, Isen.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount, Drale.
ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 3715

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, APPOINTING A TIME AND PLACE FOR HEARING PROTESTS IN RELATION TO THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT REFERRED TO IN RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO. 3714 AND DIRECTING THE CLERK OF SAID CITY COUNCIL TO GIVE NOTICE OF SAID HEARING.

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

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

Mayor Isen moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3715.
 Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried by the
 following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Bradford, Jahn, Isen.
 NOES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount, Drale.
 ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY:

1. With a letter dated June 10, 1959, the City Attorney told the Council a Draft of the Rules of Order for the Council had been submitted on June 2. It was ordered held for study. He did not resubmit copies because the Councilmen have retained their copies.

Councilman Drale moved this be tabled.

Motion seconded by Councilman Blount, and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Blount, Bradford,
 Drale, Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Jahn.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Isen told the City Attorney not to put this back on the Agenda until he has an indication the Council wishes it off the table.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. A proposed Resolution was re-submitted as suggested by the Inter-City Highway Committee in a May 29 letter signed by William Cameron, President; this had been held by the Council for study.

Councilman Beasley, our representative on that Committee, said there have been conflicting reports about this; Mr. Newton, representing Supervisor Chace, said it would only be closed for about 30 days, and then would be open for 2 years to construct a by-pass, however, he understood that the government did not agree with this plan. He suggested laying this on the table until we know more about it.

Councilman Drale seconded that, saying he agreed with Councilman Beasley.

Councilman Jahn objected; he felt that was a motion to table to a time certain. He is against entering into such a thing as this "Leave to Sue", and he moved a substitute motion, to table this.

The substitute motion was seconded by Councilman Blount, all in favor, so ordered.

2. City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3716

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
 OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE
 EXECUTION OF AN AIRPORT AGREEMENT WITH
 CATALINA AIR TRANSPORT.

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

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

Councilman Benstead moved for adoption of Resolution 3716.

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

3. City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3717

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE
EXECUTION OF AN AIRPORT AGREEMENT WITH
MERCURY HELICOPTER SERVICE, INC.

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

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

Councilman Beasley moved for adoption of Resolution No. 3717.

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

Councilman Drale moved for a 5-minute recess.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, no objections, so ordered.
The Council recessed at 7:00 P. M. to 7:05 P. M.

ORDINANCES:

1. An ordinance governing the oil wells was submitted, and Councilman Benstead said he would like to adopt this tonight, and Councilman Beasley agreed.

Councilman Jahn asked if this meant 'without comment', and both Councilman Benstead and Councilman Beasley said yes.

Mayor Isen noted there would be a second reading on this, if any of the Council wished to suggest changed portions at that time.

Mr. L. Chappelear of the Western Gas & Oil Association said they would like to suggest some minor changes, but on the whole they felt this was a very good Ordinance. There are 2 or 3 points they would like to clarify, and they will be in touch with the City Attorney.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1099

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 19 OF "THE CODE
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" ENTITLED "OIL
CODE", AND SUBSTITUTING NEW PROVISIONS RELATING
TO THE SAME MATTER; REQUIRING A PERMIT WITH
BOND TO DRILL OIL WELLS OR ERECT DERRICKS;
REGULATING DRILLING AND THE ERECTION AND
MAINTENANCE OF DERRICKS; AND ESTABLISHING
SAFETY MEASURES.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of Ordinance No. 1099.

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

Councilman Benstead moved to approve Ordinance No. 1099 at its first reading.

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

Councilman Beasley protested that the section on sumps had been changed, and that his recommendation had been to eliminate sumps altogether.

The City Attorney said Section B prohibits any more sumps. Councilman Beasley wanted to get rid of the ones we have now.

Councilman Benstead was inclined to agree with Councilman Beasley.

The City Attorney said we are prohibiting sumps except the portable ones used when drilling is under way.

Councilman Beasley said at the first hearing, he had specifically stated he wished to eliminate sumps unless they are manned 24 hours a day.

Planning Director Powell said it was generally agreed there should be no more sumps except portable ones.

Councilman Beasley repeated his thought was of those now in existence.

Mayor Isen directed Councilman Beasley to contact the City Attorney about this during the coming week.

2. City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1100

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN TRAFFIC CONTROL MEASURES PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, SECTION 17.35 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954".

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

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

Mayor Isen asked if the measures provided for in the Ordinance had been approved by the Council, and City Attorney Remelmeyer said they had, adding that none are submitted in an ordinance unless they are first approved by the Council.

Councilman Drale moved to approve Ordinance No. 1100 at its first reading.

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

3. With a letter dated June 8, 1959, the City Attorney presented an ordinance drawn at the request of the Chief of Police, Percy Bennett.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1101

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SECTIONS 18.8 AND 18.14 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" RELATING TO DRINKING AND DRUNKENNESS IN PUBLIC PLACES, AND ADDING ARTCILE II TO CHAPTER 18 MAKING UNLAWFUL DRINKING IN PUBLIC PLACES, DRUNKENNESS IN PUBLIC PLACES, BEING THE SOLE OCCUPANT OF, OR BEING IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT OF A MOTOR VEHICLE, WHILE IN AN INTOXICATED CONDITION.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of Ordinance No. 1101.

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

Councilman Benstead moved to approve Ordinance No. 1101 at its first reading.

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

4. With a cover letter dated May 28, 1959, the City Attorney submitted a License Ordinance, Chapter 16 of the Code, as prepared by him and License Inspector Whitacre and approved by the City Manager and the Councilmen. The letter described the Ordinance in some detail.

Mayor Isen noted the large volume of subordinate Ordinances, and thought he would like to hold this a week for study.

Councilman Jahn moved to approve this tonight, saying he thought there had been ample discussion and study time.

Councilman Beasley agreed with Councilman Jahn, and Councilman Benstead agreed with the Mayor.

Councilman Drale thought this should be approved before we go into our new fiscal year.

Councilman Beasley said if there were any objections to this, they could be put on the floor at the next hearing.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1102

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 16 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954", AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR A NEW CHAPTER 16 ESTABLISHING PROVISIONS GOVERNING THE LICENSING, TAXATION AND REGULATION OF BUSINESSES AND TRADES IN THE CITY.

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with further reading of Ordinance No. 1102.

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

Councilman Jahn moved to approve Ordinance No. 1102 at its first reading.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Blount, Bradford, Drale, Jahn.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEN: Isen

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Jahn moved that the City Clerk give a number to and read the titles of the ordinances subordinate to this on the Agenda, and that any further reading thereof be waived, reserving and guaranteeing to each Councilman the right to demand the reading of any of them in the regular order.

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

The ordinances, with the numbers assigned to each, are listed hereafter in these Minutes, in numerical order.

ORDINANCE NO. 1103

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING ARTICLE III OF CHAPTER 12 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954", ENTITLED "FIREWORKS" IN ITS ENTIRETY, AND PLACING SAID PROVISIONS IN CHAPTER 16 OF SAID CODE.

ORDINANCE NO. 1104

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 20 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" ENTITLED "PAWNBROKERS" AND PLACING SAID PROVISIONS IN CHAPTER 16 OF SAID CODE.

ORDINANCE NO. 1105

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING APPENDIX V OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954", ENTITLED "DEFINITIONS OF WORDS AND PHRASES IN LICENSING CHAPTER" IN ITS ENTIRETY.

ORDINANCE NO. 1106

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SECTIONS 27.2, 27.29, 27.30, 27.32, 27.34, 27.37 AND 27.40 OF CHAPTER 27 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954", RELATING TO INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR A PERMIT TO OBTAIN A BUSINESS LICENSE FOR TAXI-CABS AND OTHER VEHICLES FOR HIRE, REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING A TAXICAB DRIVER'S PERMIT, AND THE DURATION OF PERMITS AND LICENSE FEES, AND PLACING THE PROVISIONS THEREFOR IN CHAPTER 16 OF SAID CODE.

ORDINANCE NO. 1107

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SECTIONS 28.15, 28.16, 28.17, 28.18, 28.19 AND 28.20 OF CHAPTER 28 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" RELATING TO DURATION OF LICENSE FOR TRAILERS, AUTO AND TRAILER PARKS, PENALTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF LICENSE FEE, ISSUANCE AND TRANSFER OF LICENSE AND DISPOSITION OF MONIES COLLECTED, AND PLACING THE PROVISIONS THEREFOR IN CHAPTER 16 OF SAID CODE; AND REPEALING SECTION 28.14 RELATING TO PERMIT AND LICENSE FEE FOR TRAILERS, AUTO AND TRAILER PARKS AND SUBSTITUTING NEW PROVISIONS THEREFOR.

ORDINANCE NO. 1108

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 31 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" ENTITLED "CASTING OF SOUND OVER THE PUBLIC STREETS", AND PLACING THE PROVISIONS THEREFOR IN CHAPTER 16 OF SAID CODE.

At a request from the Council City Clerk Bartlett read especially the title of:

ORDINANCE NO. 1109

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING ARTICLES II, III AND IV OF CHAPTER 16 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" RELATING TO IMPOSING A CITY SALES AND USE TAX, AND PLACING THE PROVISIONS THEREOF IN CHAPTER 31 OF SAID CODE: PROVIDING FOR THE PERFORMANCE BY THE STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION OF ALL FUNCTIONS INCIDENT TO THE ADMINISTRATION, OPERATION AND COLLECTION OF THE SALES AND USE TAX HEREBY IMPOSED.

Councilman Jahn moved that further reading of Ordinance 1109 be dispensed with.

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

Councilman Jahn moved to approve Ordinance No. 1109 at its first reading.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Blount, Bradford, Drale, Jahn.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEN: Isen.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilmen Jahn moved to approve Ordinances No. 1103 through No. 1108, inclusive, at their first reading.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Blount, Bradford, Drale, Jahn.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEN: Isen.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

The ensuing titles of the subordinate ordinances are as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 1110

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SECTION 14.5 OF CHAPTER 14 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954", RELATING TO APPLICATION FOR HEALTH PERMIT, AND SUBSTITUTING NEW PROVISIONS THEREFOR RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT AND PROVIDING FOR AN INVESTIGATION FEE.

ORDINANCE NO. 1111

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 20 TO "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954", ENTITLED "PUBLIC DANCE HALLS", PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION OF PUBLIC DANCES AND DANCE HALLS IN THE CITY AND THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS THEREFOR; AND REPEALING SECTION 18.7 OF CHAPTER 18 OF SAID CODE RELATING TO HOURS AND DAYS OF OPERATION OF DANCE HALLS AND PLACING THE PROVISIONS THEREOF IN THE NEW CHAPTER 20 OF SAID CODE.

ORDINANCE NO. 1112

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING TO CHAPTER 18 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954", SECTION 18.38 ENTITLED "TATTOOING-PROHIBITED", AND SECTION 18.39 ENTITLED "FORTUNE TELLING, ASTROLOGY, PALMISTRY, HYPNOTISM, ETC.-PROHIBITED".

Councilman Jahn moved to approve Ordinances No. 1110 through 1112 at their first reading.

Motion seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Blount, Bradford, Drale, Jahn.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEN: Isen.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Mayor Isen stated he had abstained from voting on the foregoing Ordinances because he did not feel he had been able to give them ample study, and not because he opposed any of them in particular.

REPORTS:

1. The office of the City Clerk reported that a complaint and summons was received by them on May 26, 1959, in the action of Clifford and Delphone E. Severin, through Attorney Thomas G. Neusom, 1111 E. Vernon Ave., L. A. 11, against the Torrance Municipal Bus Lines, for alleged injuries and damages resulting from accident at 57th and Hoover on May 29, 1958, being Case #633612. Said Summons has been referred to the City Attorney.
NOTE: This report was inadvertently left off the Agenda of June 2, when a report was made on Case #633613, action of Kenneth and Delphine T. Severin, Minors, by Clifford Severin, guardian ad litem).

PROCLAMATIONS:

1. With concurrence of the Council, the Mayor proclaimed July as RECREATION AND PARK MONTH, and urged all the people of Torrance to take this month to discover some new leisure-time activity.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

1. The City Manager presented a recommendation from the Director of Public Works that Joslin Lumber Co., Torrance, be awarded the contract for remodeling of police traffic offices, on the basis of having been the lowest bidder when these bids were opened June 12, 1959.

City Manager Stevens concurred with this recommendation.

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

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

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2. The City Attorney presented two Resolutions which the Council had ordered, saying they had not been ready in time to be on the Agenda.

City Clerk Bartlett read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3718

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND BERNICE DAVISON BLONK, DOING BUSINESS AS THE SOUTH BAY HUMANE SOCIETY.

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with further reading of Resolution No. 3718.

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

Councilman Jahn moved to adopt Resolution No. 3718.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 3719

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND DON B. WOLF FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN OFFICE ADDITION OF TORRANCE FIRE DEPARTMENT STATION NO. 1.

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with further reading of Resolution No. 3719.

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

Councilman Jahn moved to adopt Resolution No. 3719.

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

3. License Inspector Whitacre reported receipt of an application for a permit to operate a fireworks stand from an earlier date than that which our Ordinance will allow; he said the date was also earlier than the State would allow. He asked for an expression from the Council.

He was told that there could be no deviation from the Ordinance and the State law.

4. Building Supt. Schlens said he has been withholding the building permits for the building on the land discussed earlier this evening in connection with the Klum Variance. He asked if he should issue these. He said it was one of the stores, a bar, which is planned to be built, which brought this entire matter up.

Councilman Blount said the Council cannot consider that at all.

Mayor Isen thought the wall should be under way before the permits are issued.

It was agreed, after some discussion, that after the wall is started, the permits could be issued.

5. Councilman Beasley listed a number of grievances on the Kissel Tract No. 22238, saying he understands there are some outstanding bills which they have refused to pay, some of their undeveloped lots have been allowed to become covered with weeds, the turn-arounds in some places are too small, etc. He asked to have the Public Works Dept. bring this matter to a head one way or the other. They should conform to the subdivision ordinance and to the stipulations or we should know why, and why they do not pay the money to the City which they owe, and what they are going to do about Newton Street.

Mayor Isen asked the Director of Public Works to investigate this and report to the Council on it.

6. Councilman Beasley thanked the Street Department for fixing the drainage at 242nd and Ocean.

7. Councilman Benstead said in the past, some civic organizations have donated trees to the City but have never been thanked for them. He moved the appropriate letters be sent to the organizations which have donated trees to the City.

Mayor Isen asked if we have a list of the donors.

Mrs. Rose Craig, a member of the Park & Recreation Commission, said they are making up a list and preparing to send such letters to those organizations.

Councilman Benstead thought the letters should be from the City Council.

The Mayor requested Mrs. Craig to have the Commission turn over copies of the letters they send to the City Clerk, so the Council will be able to send thank-you letters as well.

8. Councilman Drale said he thought all the Councilmen and the Mayor have a deep interest in the development of the new Civic Auditorium. There has been some discussion of Federal Aid in building it under certain circumstances, and he suggested the City Manager investigate that possibility and report to the Council on it, and he so moved.

Motion seconded by Councilman Blount.

There were no objections and it was so ordered.

9. Mayor Isen announced that the terms of two members of the Airport Commission, Thos. B. Abrams and John Simpson, were expiring on July 5. He stated that he would nominate them both for re-appointment. He suggested the Council be polled on this tonight.

After a brief discussion, it was agreed to poll the Council on these re-appointments at the next meeting of the Council.

10. Mayor Isen reported that the weeds at the Airport Triangle, known as Rolling Hills Plaza, should be cleaned, and requested that attention be given this area at once.

There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

11. Mayor Isen said the Council has been working hard to keep taxes down, both here at home and in other places; the Council would like to have expressions from the citizens as to their feelings in this matter. He quoted a news release which presumably quoted the Mayor of the City of Gardner, Mass., in which he said people do not care about tax rates any more.

Our Mayor did not agree on this point, but felt the Council should have some guides from our citizens in this matter.

12. Councilman Benstead moved all bills properly audited be paid.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 P. M.



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

APPROVED:



Mayor of the City of Torrance