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Torrance, California
January 5, 1960

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, January 5, 1960, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Torrance, California.

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

Mayor Isen stated he had received a very pleasant letter this morning from a Mr. George E. Owens, who is 80 years plus young, and that Mr. Owens was in the audience tonight. He stated Mr. Owens had been visiting his son in Torrance and that he liked the City so well he intended to return to Nutting Lake, Massachusetts to sell out and return to live in Torrance. He noted further that Mr. Owens was a veteran of the Spanish-American War in Cuba and that he had served 43½ years with the Telephone and Telegraph Company prior to his retirement. Mayor Isen welcomed Mr. Owens, and at the Mayor's request, Mr. Owens led the salute to our Flag.

Councilman Blount opened the meeting with an invocation.

Councilman Jahn arrived at the meeting at 5:32 p.m.

Councilman Benstead moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 22, 1959, as written.

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

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of December 29, 1959, was deferred to the next meeting.

PRESENTATION TO MR. RICHARD P. GAWNE:

Mayor Isen stated that Mr. Richard P. Gawne, an Architect, had donated his services for the designing of a master plan for Los Arboles Park, and the Council had passed Resolution No. 3835 expressing their sincere appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Gawne. 1000

At the request of Mayor Isen, Councilman Benstead read the resolution in full and presented a perma-plaque of the resolution to Mr. Gawne.

Mr. Gawne thanked the Council for the presentation. He expressed great surprise that the Councilman would take time from their busy activities to make such a presentation. He stated there are a number of wonderful professional people with whom he works every day who are happy to help make Torrance an even better city.

Mayor Isen gave a brief description of Council procedure for the benefit of the audience, noting in particular the procedure to be followed in the Hearing on the South Torrance Water District No. 3.

BIDS:

Mayor Isen announced this was the time and place for the opening of bids for the sale of Lot 6, Tract No. 7955, a lot approximately 25' x 100', located on the north side of Newton Street between Ward and Madison. 100 2

Affidavit of Publication was presented by Deputy City Clerk Whitacre, and it was ordered received and filed.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre reported that as of 5:00 p.m. today, no bids had been received in the office of the City Clerk.

Mr. Roland Homolka, 21309 Talisman, Torrance, submitted an oral bid of \$1400.00 for Lot 6, Tract No. 7955.

Councilman Jahn asked Mr. Homolka what purchase terms he proposed. Mr. Homolka stated he was prepared to present 10% of the amount of his bid in cash now, and would pay the balance in cash tonight.

Councilman Jahn moved to accept the oral bid of Mr. Homolka of \$1400.00, providing Mr. Homolka will pay the costs of a title insurance policy, over and above the bid price of the lot.

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

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

Mayor Isen advised Mr. Homolka the City would give him a grant deed.

HEARINGS:

1. Assessment District No. 59149 (South Torrance Water Assessment District No. 3.

Mayor Isen announced that the hour of 5:30 o'clock p.m. having arrived, this is the time and place fixed by resolution of intention, Resolution No. 3827, when and where any and all persons having any protest or objection to said proposed work, to the extent of said assessment district, or to the proposed grades may appear before the City Council and show cause why said proposed work should not be carried out in accordance with said resolution. It is also the time and place fixed by said resolution of intention to determine whether public convenience and necessity require the work or improvement described in said resolution and whether the provisions of the Special Assessment Investigation, Limitation and Majority Protest Act of 1931 shall apply thereto.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre presented the Affidavit of Publication of Resolution of Intention; the Affidavit of mailing notice of hearing; and the Affidavit of posting of "Notice of Improvement".

Councilman Benstead moved that these Affidavits be received and filed.

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

Mr. Lawrence J. Thompson, Assessment Engineer, came forward and was sworn by Mayor Isen to give testimony concerning the nature of the work and the extent of the Assessment District.

City Attorney Remelmeyer asked Mr. Thompson to state his full name and address for the record.

Mr. Thompson stated he is Mr. Lawrence J. Thompson, of 100 Highland Avenue, Manhattan Beach, California.

City Attorney Remelmeyer asked Mr. Thompson what his connection is with the District.

Mr. Thompson stated he is employed as Assessment Engineer by the City of Torrance to answer all protests and to levy this assessment, as a preliminary now, and if the action is successful and the contract is let, to make the final assessment, to handle bonds, if any, and all other related work.

City Attorney Remelmeyer asked Mr. Thompson to state briefly his qualifications.

Mr. Thompson replied that in a few days he will have completed 35 years as an Assessment Engineer in the State of California, that he is a Consulting Engineer, and he is acquainted with all types of assessment districts of this nature.

City Attorney Remelmeyer asked Mr. Thompson to give a brief description of the nature of the work and the extent of the District.

Mr. Thompson stated that the project now under consideration is for the installation of new water mains and fire hydrants, and the replacement of pavement, etc., in this Assessment District No. 3, which in general is bounded on the west by Crenshaw Boulevard, on the north by Sepulveda Boulevard, on the south by 238th Street, and on the east by Walnut, involving some 600 parcels of land.

City Attorney Remelmeyer asked if all the lands in the South Torrance Water Assessment District No. 3 would be benefited by the construction of the water system to be undertaken.

Mr. Thompson replied he had made a survey of this District, of every street and every lot, not only in the field but on the map, and it is his opinion each and every parcel will be benefited by the construction of this proposed water system.

Councilman Jahn asked Mr. Thompson if people who have paid for the installation of Torrance water mains in certain small areas of the District will be assessed twice.

Mr. Thompson replied that there are some existing water mains in here against which there will be only a nominal assessment of 5 mills per square foot, which is to take care of incidental expenses and for the general overall improvement once and for all, for the proper volume of water, proper fire protection and possibly cheaper fire rates. Those parcels that are going to front on the new construction will be assessed \$5.32 per front foot plus the 5 mills per square foot. Mr. Thompson stated it was his understanding from the Water Project people themselves that on these existing lines if a property owner desires in the future to hook their lines into this system, an additional charge will be made by the Water Department, which, when added to this nominal assessment of 5 mills per square foot, would amount to approximately the same amount as he would have paid had he been in here originally.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read in full written protests made by the following people:

- (1) Harold F. LaMour and Helen Virginia LaMour
2066 - 236th Street
Torrance, California.
- (2) Mr. Max Hebert
2014 Torrance Boulevard, Apt. No. 214
Torrance, California
- (3) Mrs. Mary E. Wertalla
2363 - 233rd Street
P. O. Box 282
Torrance, California
- (4) Mr. S. H. Springman
1959 238th Street
Torrance, California
- (5) Mr. William J. Ripling
566 So. Orange Grove Avenue
Los Angeles, California
- (6) Mr. and Mrs. Leonard S. Kasari
2450 W. 233rd Street
Torrance, California

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre announced that these written protests would remain on file in the office of the City Clerk.

Mayor Isen asked if any person who has filed a written protest, or his representative, desired to be heard in support of such protest. There was no reply.

City Attorney Remelmeyer referred to the letter of Mr. and Mrs. LaMour, wherein they state they "do hereby protest the creation of Assessment District No. 59149 (South Torrance Water Assessment District No. 3) unless the provisions of the Special Assessment Investigation, Limitation and Majority Protest Act of 1931, Division 4 of the Streets and Highways Code, shall apply thereto." Mr. Remelmeyer stated this is not necessary if the Council tonight passes the first resolution on the agenda by a 4/5ths vote.

City Attorney Remelmeyer stated we are not required to furnish an itemized estimate of the cost of the work and improvement, as requested by the LaMours.

In regard to the protest of Max Hebert, Mr. Thompson said he had a letter from him, that he had investigated but did not have time to reply. He said Mr. Hebert has two parcels of land which are land-locked, with no street frontage. Mr. Hebert feels he should not pay any assessment until such time as he has a street serving his property. Mr. Thompson stated Mr. Hebert will pay 5 mills per square foot for the future use when he does tie in to the system, and that he will have to pay like everybody else.

Mayor Isen asked Mr. Thompson if he would reply to Mr. Hebert's letter, and Mr. Thompson said that he would.

In regard to the protests of Mrs. Wertalla, Mr. Springman and Mr. Ripling, City Attorney Remelmeyer said they were not significant.

Mayor Isen, referring to the objection of Mr. Ripling that property owners on Walnut Street cannot build because of oil development which will go on for years, stated there will be a time when those oil wells may not be there and the property owners would certainly want to have water then.

In connection with the protest of Mr. and Mrs. Kasari, Councilman Jahn asked if there was not an existing main in 233rd Street off Crenshaw.

Mr. Charles P. Morgan, Consulting Engineer designated as Engineer of Work on this project, stated there was a piece of 8" pipe line existing just east of Pennsylvania Avenue.

Councilman Jahn stated this was not the location he referred to. After viewing the map and discussing the matter with the Engineers, Councilman Jahn said the Engineer does not have a record of the main being in existence just off Crenshaw but he understood that would be corrected.

Water Superintendent McVicar informed Councilman Jahn that line is not in existence in the sense that it is adequate for the service to be provided. He said this is a 4" line serving only 4 houses, it is a temporary main only, and it will have to be replaced by a new main.

Mayor Isen asked if any person wished to make an oral protest. There was no reply.

Mayor Isen asked if any person present desired to speak in favor of this proceeding or comment upon it in any other way.

Mr. Leonard Kasari said he had not heard the opinion regarding his protest.

He was informed that the present main at his location is a temporary main. Councilman Jahn was of the opinion there was still a question here which should be investigated but that it would be ironed out ultimately.

There were no further replies to Mayor Isen's question.

Assessment Engineer Thompson reported there were 671 parcels of land involved, that there were 6 written protests filed with the City Clerk, and not withdrawn, and that these represent approximately 1% of the area of the property to be assessed for the proposed improvement.

Councilman Beasley moved that the hearing be closed.
 Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried unanimously by
 roll call vote.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3851

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
 TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, FINDING AND DETERMINING
 THAT PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY REQUIRE
 CERTAIN WORK AND IMPROVEMENT AND THAT THE PRO-
 VISIONS OF THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT INVESTIGATION,
 LIMITATION AND MAJORITY PROTEST ACT OF 1931 SHALL
 NOT APPLY THERETO; AND MAKING FINDINGS AND OVER-
 RULING PROTESTS AND OBJECTIONS AGAINST SAID
 PROPOSED WORK OR IMPROVEMENT, THE EXTENT OF THE
 PROPOSED ASSESSMENT DISTRICT, OR TO THE PROPOSED
 GRADES, ALL AS THE SAME ARE DESCRIBED IN
 RESOLUTION OF INTENTION, RESOLUTION NO. 3827.

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with further reading of
 Resolution No. 3851.

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

Councilman Jahn moved to adopt Resolution No. 3851.

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

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

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3852

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
 TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, ORDERING THE CONSTRUCTION
 OF CERTAIN WATER DISTRIBUTION LINE WORK AND
 ORDERING POSTING AND PUBLICATION OF NOTICES
 INVITING SEALED PROPOSALS OR BIDS.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with the further reading
 of Resolution No. 3852.

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

Councilman Blount moved to adopt Resolution No. 3852.

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

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

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3853

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
 TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, DETERMINING THE GENERAL
 PREVAILING RATE OF PER DIEM WAGE AND THE GENERAL

PREVAILING RATE FOR LEGAL HOLIDAY AND OVERTIME
WORK IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE FOR CERTAIN CRAFTS
OR TYPES OF WORKMEN.

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with the further reading of Resolution No. 3853.

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

Councilman Benstead moved to adopt Resolution No. 3853.

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

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

City Attorney Remelmeyer presented a Resolution ordering a hearing for the night the bids are opened to correct minor errors. Deputy City Clerk Whitacre assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3854

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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, DESCRIBING CERTAIN PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE WORK AND PROCEEDINGS UNDER RESOLUTION OF INTENTION, RESOLUTION NO. 3827; DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO ORDER SAID PROPOSED CHANGES AND FIXING TIME AND PLACE FOR HEARING OBJECTIONS TO SAID PROPOSED CHANGES AND GIVING NOTICE THEREOF.

Councilman Beasley moved to dispense with the further reading of Resolution No. 3854.

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

Councilman Benstead moved to adopt Resolution No. 3854.

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

Mayor Isen reported there was a 6/7ths vote received on all of these matters before the Council in connection with the Assessment District.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER:

1. In his letter of December 30, 1959 City Manager Stevens submitted the following recommendations:

MISCELLANEOUS:

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"I recommend that the contract of Koebig and Koebig, for the design of Project No. 584, be extended due to the delay in selecting the sump site by the Flood Control District."

FOR CONSIDERATION:

1006
Report on Victor E. Benstead Plunge by Mr. Wade E. Peebles, Director of Public Works.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the recommendation of City Manager Stevens on the extension of the contract with Koebig and Koebig.

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

In connection with the report "For Consideration" on the plunge, Councilman Jahn referred to Item 4, Page 3, Walls and Ceilings of Shower Rooms, and he asked Director of Public Works Peebles if this had not been re-lathed and re-plastered within the last 1½ years. Mr. Peebles replied that possibly portions of the shower rooms had been. Councilman Jahn believed it was more than a portion, and he stated it was his recollection that the reason for the failure of the shower walls was that the water lines above were causing a condensation of moisture, that the water was coming down off these lines, and there had been a special wrap put on the lines. Mr. Peebles said this had occurred only in one shower.

Councilman Jahn asked if the pool deck had not been scored, and Mr. Peebles replied in the negative. He said Mr. VanBellehem was much more pleased with the proposed sand blasting since it is less costly, gives a rough texture and helps to prevent algae growth.

The cost of the corrective measures, estimated by Mr. Peebles to be approximately \$17,950, was discussed at great length. It was pointed out that this is not a maintenance cost but is due in general to errors in the construction of the pool which must be corrected. Mr. Peebles said this amount did not include any measures to correct the corrosive action in the pipes in the pool, that an electrolytic action is taking place within the pipes which is becoming quite a serious problem and which will be quite costly to correct.

Councilman Blount said he would like to know, from the time the pool was installed, how much money has been spent in correcting numerous errors, and how much all necessary corrective measures would cost to bring the pool up to standard.

Councilman Jahn requested further information on the plastering of the shower walls and ceilings.

With the concurrence of the Council, Mayor Isen asked that the report be placed back on the agenda in three weeks, or on January 26, 1960, with the information requested by the Councilmen.

At 6:20 p.m., Mayor Isen declared a recess, with the Council reconvening at 6:30 p.m.

During recess, Mayor Isen had talked with three young men from a Torrance High School 12th Grade Contemporary Problems class, and he welcomed them to the Council meeting. The students identified themselves as Joe Montgomery, Tom Coleman and John Sandstrom.

Referring back to the South Torrance Water Assessment District No. 3 as passed by the proceedings tonight, Mayor Isen pointed out he believed it had been the intention of the Council to lift the building ban just as soon as actual construction on the pipe and system was started so that by the time new buildings are completed, they will have water service. He requested City Attorney Remelmeyer, in conjunction with Building Superintendent Schlens, to place the necessary information on the agenda for next week.

Councilman Jahn believed it would take about four months for buildings to be completed after the ban is lifted, and he believed, if tonight's action is final, the ordinance should be repealed immediately.

Mayor Isen said if Councilman Jahn's timing is correct, possibly the repeal of the ordinance could be placed on the agenda next week.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM FINANCE DEPARTMENT:

1. In his letter of December 30, 1959, Director of Finance Scharfman submitted a report on the status of Parking Funds as of

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that date. This information was requested by the Council at its meeting of December 22, 1959 in connection with a request from the Torrance Chamber of Commerce for an experimental 4-month moratorium. It was noted from Mr. Scharfman's report that there is still due on the parking meters and parking lots the sum of \$23,903.83, and the final obligation will not be discharged until May, 1962.

Most of the Councilmen believed that the cost of service and maintenance could be reduced, and several of the Councilmen made suggestions which they believed would effect a savings.

Councilman Benstead moved that the communication from the Torrance Chamber of Commerce be filed until such time as the parking meters and lots are paid for.

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

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

With the concurrence of the Council, Mayor Isen requested City Manager Stevens to make an investigation and to present suggestions as to where savings might be effected, and he asked that a report be submitted within 30 days. City Manager Stevens said he would work with the Finance Department and the Police Department on this matter.

Mayor Isen moved that since the revenues are practically nil from the parking meters on Torrance and Cravens, the heads of these meters be removed for the next 4 months.

Mayor Isen's motion was lost for lack of a second.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WATER DEPARTMENT:

1008
1. In his letter of December 31, 1959, Assistant Water Superintendent C. C. Powell recommended that contract for the installation of approximately 5,000 feet of concrete cylinder pipe in Sepulveda Boulevard be awarded to the low bidder, Camco Construction Company, Inc., in the amount of \$7,240.00.

In response to a question from Councilman Jahn, Water Superintendent McVicar said the contractor would be required to furnish a faithful performance bond and an insurance bond.

Councilman Jahn moved to concur with the recommendation of the Water Department officials.

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

AIRPORT MATTERS:

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1. A letter dated December 23, 1959 from El Rancho Rolling Hills, Inc., signed by Secretary Dudley A. Smith, requested an extension of the starting date on new construction on their Airport lease from December 31, 1959 to May 31, 1960, and an extension of the completion date to February 28, 1961. They stated their loan company has refused to grant a loan until the reversionary clause in the deed from the United States Government to the City of Torrance has been removed.

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Mayor Isen asked City Attorney Remelmeyer if the reversionary clause was being removed. Mr. Remelmeyer replied that he and Mr. Carleson are working toward its removal from the 8.4 acre lease, on which he feels they have the best chance to have it removed, and that they intend to work toward the removal of the clause from the remainder of the Airport leases. He stated it would be a matter of months before it could be removed from this particular property.

Councilman Jahn moved to modify the lease by extending the starting date to May 31, 1960, with the understanding that this is the last time an extension will be given.

Motion seconded by Councilman Drale.

Mayor Isen moved to amend the motion by striking therefrom the phrase "with the understanding that....", but the amendment was not accepted by Councilman Jahn.

The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

2. With a letter dated December 31, 1959, City Attorney Remelmeyer re-submitted a Resolution approving the Supplement to Second Amendment to Lease No. 2 between the City and Jefferson, Incorporated. 1069

In response to a question from Councilman Jahn, Mr. Remelmeyer stated that Jefferson would remain liable under the separate leases and the transferee would also remain liable.

Councilman Jahn asked Mr. Remelmeyer to state for the record just what we are extending and why.

Mr. Remelmeyer said that in the original lease we gave Jefferson the right to separate the lease into 8 leases, each one going to Jefferson, Inc., but that that right expired in July. We are merely extending that same right which we had previously granted them to a later date so that they may still split the lease into 8 leases until December 31, 1961.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3855

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING SUPPLEMENT TO SECOND AMENDMENT TO LEASE NO. 2 BETWEEN THE CITY AND JEFFERSON INCORPORATED TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXTENSION OF TIME FOR SEPARATING SAID LEASE. 1069

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with the further reading of Resolution No. 3855.

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

Councilman Benstead moved to adopt Resolution No. 3855.

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

ORDINANCES:

1. With his letter dated December 31, 1959, City Clerk Bartlett presented for its Second Reading Ordinance No. 1147, which was approved at its first reading on December 29, 1959 by unanimous vote with all Councilmen present.

ORDINANCE NO. 1147

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1117 BY ADDING AND DELETING CERTAIN POSITIONS WITH THEIR SALARY RANGE TO AND FROM THE POSITION CLASSIFICATION PLAN. 1004

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with the further reading of Ordinance No. 1147.

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

Councilman Jahn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1147 at its second and final reading.

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

2. Deputy City Clerk Whitacre presented for its First Reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 1148

1015
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 17.103 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" BY DELETING AN EXCEPTION TO THE TRUCK ROUTE ORDINANCE FOR TRUCKS USED TO TRANSPORT MATERIAL MINED WITHIN THE CITY.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with the further reading of Ordinance No. 1148.

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

Councilman Benstead moved to approve Ordinance No. 1148 at its first reading.

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

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Not on the agenda but presented for immediate action was a Resolution honoring Richard S. "Dick" Fitzgerald, Manager of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 3856

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RESOLUTION HONORING RICHARD S. "DICK" FITZGERALD FOR BEING SELECTED AS ONE OF THE FIVE OUTSTANDING YOUNG MEN OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

Councilman Jahn moved to dispense with the further reading of Resolution No. 3856.

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

Councilman Jahn moved to adopt Resolution No. 3856.

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

ADDENDA NO. 1:

1. Identified as Addenda No. 1 was a letter dated January 5, 1960 from City Manager Stevens reporting on the financial condition of the Torrance Municipal Bus System and making the following recommendations:

1016 (1) That present routes and schedules be substantially maintained for a period of six months.

1016 (2) That the advertising and promotional program outlined to the City Council by Mr. Max Strauss on Monday, January 4th, be adopted.

Councilman Blount moved to concur with the recommendations of the City Manager.

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

ADDENDA NO. 2:

1. Identified as Addenda No. 2 was a letter dated January 5, 1960

from Director of Finance Scharfman to City Manager Stevens listing the wages paid to bus drivers for the calendar years 1958 and 1959.

City Manager Stevens stated he had been requested to furnish this information as a result of a bus driver's complaint that bus drivers in Gardena averaged around \$7,000 per year and our drivers average \$5,000 per year. 1016

Councilman Jahn pointed out that all of the drivers but one made more in 1959 than 1958, and that this disproved a statement made that the City has been cutting their wages. He further noted that the one driver who did not make as much had requested a specific run as a matter of convenience.

The communication was ordered filed.

ADDENDA NO. 3:

1. Identified as Addenda No. 3 was a report submitted by Director of Public Works Peebles giving an estimate of cost for a D-8 Cat. 1041

Councilman Jahn questioned the rental figures shown, but Mr. Peebles stated these figures were furnished by Director of Finance Scharfman. Mr. Scharfman said the figures were correct.

The communication was ordered filed.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. City Manager Stevens thought the Council would be interested in knowing the procedure being followed on delinquent bills for refuse collection, and he asked Director of Finance Scharfman to make a brief report so that the Council might be familiar with the procedure and be able to answer any questions on the matter.

Mr. Scharfman stated their Accounts Collector went on the payroll on November 1, 1959. He spent the first week in the office becoming familiar with the various ordinances. In the period from November 7 to December 31, 1,056 calls were made to businesses and residences, these calls involving delinquent amounts totalling \$19,338. There was collected in the field \$2,465, and there is no tabulation to show how many of the people contacted made good on their promises to send delinquent amounts in after they were called upon. No calls were made to owners of multiple dwellings. Mr. Scharfman felt the Accounts Collector has proven valuable. A program has been started of filing in Small Claims Court those stubborn cases where people actually defy the City to sue them. In cases of this type, personal contact has been made, then the service records have been verified with the Street Department to see that the service was available to them. The first cases will come up in court in two weeks, and we shall then see how the program develops. 1018

Mr. Stevens said he had brought this matter up because many people are under the impression past-due bills were cancelled upon the passage of the new ordinance. He has told them this is not the case and would not be the case unless the Council desires to adopt such a policy.

2. Councilman Blount moved that the City Attorney be directed to write a letter to each individual Airport Commissioner, with copies to the Airport Manager and the Secretary of the Airport Commission, similar to the letter sent to the Park and Recreation Commission, outlining their duties and requesting them to transmit to the Council a record of all recommendations their body makes at their meetings so that the Council may pass on them for final results, rather than just file a request, send it to a Committee, or deny it. 1021

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

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3. Councilman Blount moved that, as a matter of policy, the City Manager be requested to present to the Council 30 days in advance the names of all those people who will, within 30 days, be placed on permanent employment.

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

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Councilman Jahn moved that the same thing apply to persons who are promoted to a new classification and who are serving a period of probation.

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

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4. Councilman Bradford asked that in the future, when appointments to the various commissions have been approved by the Council, the City Manager's office, the following day, notify the appointees by letter of their appointments.

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5. Councilman Bradford nominated Mr. Dan Barnard to the Civic Center Promotion Committee as a replacement for Mr. White, who has resigned.

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6. City Attorney Remelmeyer suggested, in connection with the letter to the Airport Commissioners, that prior to sending the letter a Commission in printed form, signed by the Mayor, with the City Seal affixed, be sent to each Commissioner.

Mayor Isen said these have been sent to the Park and Recreation Commissioners and they certainly should be sent to the members of all of the Commissions.

The Council agreed this would be most appropriate.

7. Councilman Drale made the following nominations to Commissions:

For the Planning Commission:

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Mr. John Mulvihill
3765 West 171st Street
Torrance, California

For the Civil Service Board:

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Mr. George Downing
1511 Crenshaw Boulevard
Torrance, California

For any Commission in the City:

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Mr. Lawrence Townsend
18026 Glenburn
Torrance, California

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

A. H. Bartlett

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

APPROVED:

Albert Isen

Mayor of the City of Torrance

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Ruth T. Perotti
Secretary

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