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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in a regular meeting at 8:00 P.M., June 28, 1960, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Torrance, California.

Those responding to roll call by Deputy City Clerk Whitacre were: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Benstead, Blount, Bradford, Drale, Vico, and Isen. ABSENT: None. City Manager Stevens and City Attorney Remelmeyer were also present.

At the request of Mayor Isen, Mr. W. E. Peebles led the salute to our Flag.

The Reverend Hugh Percy, Rector of St. Andrews Episcopal Church, opened the meeting with an invocation.

Mayor Isen asked that the minutes of the meeting of June 20, 1960 be held pending an examination by the Minute Secretary of the tape recording with respect to the item appearing on page 5 thereof under the heading "Salary Increases".

Councilman Beasley moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 21st as written. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, no objection, so ordered.

BIDS:

Mayor Isen announced the following bids will be opened at the times specified and will not be read in full unless requested by the Council members or the audience.

1. VICTOR PRECINCT TRUNK SEWER: Section 1, Plan No. SF-1-20. Bids will be publicly opened in the Council Chamber of the City Hall at 10 A.M., Wednesday, June 29, 1960.
2. Custodial Supplies for 1960-61 fiscal year (CM-2). Bids will be publicly opened at 10 A.M., Wednesday, June 29, 1960.
3. Sporting Goods Equipment for Recreation Department, 1960-61 fiscal year (R-1). Bids will be publicly opened in the Council Chamber, City Hall at 10 A.M., Wednesday, June 29, 1960.
4. Pipe for Water Department:
 1. 2200 lineal feet of 8 inch and 1800 lineal feet of 10 inch Bell & Spigot Cast Iron Pipe, Class 150
 2. 1000 feet 1½ inch; 1000 feet 2-inch; 8000 feet 1-inch; and 6000 feet ¾ inch Copper Water Tube in various lengths.
 Bids on the above-described pipe and tubing will be publicly opened Wednesday, June 29, 1960, 10 A.M.
5. Park Mower, 30-inch. Bids will be opened at 10 A.M., Wednesday, June 29, 1960 in the Council Chamber, City Hall.
Deputy City Clerk Whitacre presented Affidavits of Publication on each of the above five items and there being no objection, they were ordered filed.

HEARINGS:

1. Mayor Isen announced this is the time for hearing on:

Case No. 637 - Change of Zone, Martha E. Riggle. Transmittal from Planning Commission, recommending approval of petition of Martha E. Riggle for a Change of Zone on Lot 28, Tract 454, situated at 226th and Kent for a commercial development, together with location sketch, and excerpt from Planning Commission minutes of June 1, 1960.

Mayor Isen asked if anyone in the audience wished to be heard on Case No. 637; there was no reply.

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

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve this change of zone. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

2. Case No. 639 - Variance, Dolores Delgadillo, et al. Transmittal from Planning Commission recommending denial of petition of Dolores Delgadillo et al for a variance on Lot 24, Block 1, Tract 14202 (4347 West 178th Street) to operate a retail automobile accessories business, including sale and installation of brakes and tires, together with location sketch and excerpts from June 1, 1960 Planning Commission minutes. Attached were protests of G. E. Cribbs and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Van Conio.

Mayor Isen asked if anyone in the audience wished to be heard; there was no reply.

Councilman Beasley moved the hearing be closed. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, no objection, so ordered.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley.

Councilman Drale commented that this property is across from the South Bay Shopping Center, which is located in Redondo Beach, and he suggested that the area be reviewed by the Planning Commission with the thought that part of it is potential business area which will yield sales tax.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Benstead asked if there is a service road that goes through there and Councilman Drale said there is, but it does not go all the way through. With the New Akron store in the vicinity, there is a possibility of some of the east side of Hawthorne Boulevard becoming commercial.

3. Case No. 641 - Variance, Betty Kanaster.

Public hearing on petition of Betty Kanaster (Mansell Land Co.) for a variance on the northerly 100 feet of Lot 34 in Tract 3218 to divide above parcel into four parcels to construct single-family residences on land zoned M-1. Transmittal from Planning Commission recommending approval, location sketch and excerpt from June 1, 1960 Planning Commission minutes attached.

Mayor Isen asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard regarding Case No. 641; there was no reply. Councilman Drale moved the hearing be closed. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, no objection, so ordered.

Councilman Bradford moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale.

Councilman Beasley asked what street Mansell Street will connect with when it goes through and Director of Planning Powell answered that Mansell Street can go no further because Aircraft Drilling blocks any continuation thereof.

City Attorney Remelmeyer asked that the record show there is no intent to relieve the owner from the provisions of the Lot Improvement Ordinance. Lots can be divided by variance but are still subject to the Junbr Subdivision Ordinance. Councilman Bradford accepted Mr. Remelmeyer's remarks and incorporated them into his motion, which

amendment was consented to by the second, Councilman Drale.

Roll call vote showed the motion carried, as follows:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead.

Affidavits of Publication on each of the above items numbered 1, 2 and 3 were presented by Deputy City Clerk Whitacre, and there being no objection, ordered filed.

4. Case No. 624. Letter from George C. Powell, Planning Director, approved by Director of Public Works Peebles, dated June 27, 1960, submitting transmittal form from Planning Commission, recommending approval, excerpt from Planning Commission minutes of May 18, 1960, excerpt from Council minutes of May 31, 1960, with copies of protests from Mr. and Mrs. Elkan Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton J. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Jack L. Hertel.

This concerns the petition of Lynn Chandler for conditional use permit for the trailer park on Pacific Coast Highway. Mayor Isen stated he thinks this should come up in the regular manner when people in the area have had notice it is to come up, and should not be suddenly presented at 8:00 o'clock.

Mayor Isen moved that this be postponed. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead.

Councilman Beasley agreed, except to say that he believes the hearing was actually closed at the Council meeting held May 31, 1960.

Councilman Vico believed it should be decided this evening, in that it had already been postponed three or four weeks.

Mayor Isen said he could not see any reason why it should not have been on the formal agenda which closed Thursday at noon.

Councilman Beasley called attention to the excerpt from the May 31st minutes attached which definitely stated the hearing was closed.

Councilman Drale expressed willingness to hear the case at this time.

Mayor Isen said there is nothing to hear; the hearing has been closed but he thought it should come on the agenda in the regular manner and not be tossed at the Council at five minutes of eight.

Councilman Bradford moved as a substitute to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and Mayor Isen said the motion was not in order because there is a motion and second before the Council to continue this matter

Councilman Blount said he was called this week by one of the citizens who live in the area and apparently they were well aware that it was coming on for hearing this evening. The May 31st minutes read "Councilman Drale moved that the hearing be postponed to the 8:00 P.M. meeting, June 28, 1960" which he said he considers to be a pretty positive statement. Councilman Blount had not been aware that it was coming up this evening, but he said undoubtedly it was set for this evening by the previous minutes.

Both Mayor Isen and Councilman Vico asked for an explanation of why it was not on the regular agenda.

Director of Planning Powell explained that ordinarily when cases are ordered closed by the Council that he takes it for granted they will be automatically put back on the agenda at the appointed time. He said there had been an error made by someone in not getting this back on the agenda and immediately on learning last Friday that it was not, he wrote the letter, a copy of which was furnished to each of the Councilmen with the additions to the agenda this evening.

Mayor Isen stated he was called by an interested party and that he told that person it was not on the agenda. He said this bears no relation to an emergency ordinance or anything of that sort which cannot wait for consideration. He feels in all fairness this matter should be postponed for two weeks.

Councilman Bradford made a substitute motion to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission to grant a Conditional Use Permit for this trailer park. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico.

Mayor Isen restated his position that trailer courts do not assume their fair share of taxation. It is true they pay a high license tax to the City, but being mobile personal property they pay no school tax whatsoever. In reviewing the minutes of the May 31st meeting, he noted that Councilman Benstead at that time moved Case No. 624 be denied; motion seconded by Councilman Bradford. Then a substitute motion was that the hearing be postponed three weeks to allow study; seconded by Councilman Vico. The substitute motion carried. Mayor Isen stated he is not criticizing anybody for not putting it on the agenda in the regular fashion, but when something has been pending three weeks he said there must be someone in Administration or the Clerk's office, or both, who can get it on the agenda by Thursday night. He said his motion to table for two weeks was made because he does not believe it is fair to the people nor to the Council not to have these things regularly listed.

Councilman Bradford remarked that if anyone stopped the trailer park May 31st, it was he. He said he felt at that time that it was a shabby political maneuver on the part of the Planning Commission. During the past month he has spent a great deal of time investigating the minutes of the Planning Commission and the activities that have transpired. He reported that he has talked to the people in the area, also, and has learned that the information he had at the time of the May 31st meeting is not accurate. He stated that is the reason for his substitute motion tonight. Eventually there will be commercial along Highway 101 although it may not be until 10 or 12 years from now. His motion was made with the intention of correcting the effect of his previous erroneous information.

Mayor Isen asked why, then, he considered it to be a shabby trick to recommend approval and Councilman Bradford explained his position with respect to the speed with which this trailer park matter came up after disposition of the ski resort; that it looked like a compromise by the Planning Commission, but he has learned by the complete study of all the Planning Commission minutes that it was not so intended.

Councilman Beasley said he had talked with several people who reside in the area and they all seemed to know that it was on the agenda for tonight and evidently most of the residents thought it was. Two of the three protests are taken care of by the conditions of the Conditional Use Permit. There were 200 or 300 protests to the ski lift and there seem to be very few protests to the trailer park.

Councilman Bradford moved the question. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead. Roll call on consideration of the question showed:

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

Motion carried.

Roll call on the motion to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission was as follows:

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

The motion carried.

PLANNING MATTERS:

1. Tentative Tract Map No. 25869 - Meine Construction Co., subdivider, with letter of transmittal from Superintendent of Building Inspections Schlens, City Engineer Nollac and Planning Director Powell, approved by Director of Public Works Peebles, submitting for tentative approval Tract No. 25869, consisting of 12 lots located on 234th St. approximately 330 feet west of Pennsylvania Avenue and presented by the Meine Construction Company, with location sketch, excerpt from May 18, 1960 Planning minutes and letter dated April 22, 1960 from the Water Superintendent McVicar.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the Departments mentioned for tentative approval of Tract Map No. 25869. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley.

It was stated the lots are 5,795 square feet in area, which Councilman Drale considered to be close enough to 6,000 feet. Councilman Benstead questioned as to trees and lights and Mayor Isen said these are all taken care of by the subdivision ordinance.

Roll Call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Blount, Bradford, Drale, Vico and Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead (He stated the lots do not conform to the ordinance).

The motion carried.

2. WAIVERS:

George C. Powell, Planning Director, communication bearing signature of Director of Public Works Peebles, submitting for approval the following waivers:

- a. W-158, Lynn W. Hale, 5131 Mindora Drive, rear yard setback to 3 feet adjacent to existing garage
- b. W-167, Joe Taylor, 237 Calle de Madrid, side yard setback to permit construction of family room connected to existing home
- c. W-168, Thomas A. White, 21810 Barbara St., for waiver of rear yard area to permit roof patio to be placed in rear yard
- d. W-170, Glenn J. Webb, 2122 W. 176th St., waiver of rear yard area to permit a roof patio to be placed in the rear yard, 750 square feet of rear yard area remains after this proposed construction.

Mayor Isen moved that all four waivers be granted as recommended. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, no objection, motion carried.

3. Case No. 587 - Chacksfield - Western Ave. Residential and Commercial, with cover letter from George C. Powell, planning Director, approved by Director of Public Works Peebles, submitting ordinance reclassifying property described in Case No. 587, for first reading.

Councilman Beasley moved that after the Clerk has given a number and read title to any resolution or ordinance on tonight's agenda, the further reading thereof be waived; reserving and guaranteeing to each Councilman the right to demand the reading of any such resolution or ordinance in regular order. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre assigned a number and read title to

ORDINANCE NO. 1175

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" (ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 791) RECLASSIFYING THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN PLANNING COMMISSION CASE NO. 587.

Councilman Benstead moved to approve Ordinance No. 1175 at its first reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

4. Case No. 597 - R. A. Watt, Tract No. 24985, with cover letter from Planning Director Powell, approved by Director of Public Works Peebles, submitting ordinance reclassifying property described in Case No. 597, for first reading.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre assigned a number and read title to

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ORDINANCE NO. 1176

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" (ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 791) RECLASSIFYING THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN PLANNING COMMISSION CASE NO. 597, DESCRIBED AS ALL OF LOT 43 and ALL OF LOT 42 EXCEPT THE NORTHERLY 150 FEET OF THE WESTERLY 104 FEET IN TRACT NO. 2895, SITUATED AT 300 FEET EAST OF THE INTERSECTION OF VICTOR STREET AND DEL AMO BOULEVARD ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF DEL AMO, FROM R-3 AND A-1 TO R-1.

Councilman Benstead moved to approve Ordinance No. 1176 at its first reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

5. Case No. 614, Don Wilson, Tentative Tract No. 25456 with cover letter from Planning Director Powell, approved by Director of Public Works Peebles, submitting Ordinance reclassifying property in case No. 614, for first reading.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre assigned a number and read title to

ORDINANCE NO. 1177

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" (ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 791), RECLASSIFYING THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN PLANNING COMMISSION CASE NO. 614.

Councilman Benstead moved to approve Ordinance No. 1177 at its first reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Torrance Chamber of Commerce, by Joe M. Doss, dated June 23, 1960, requesting reservation of Torrance Municipal Park on Wednesday, July 6, to host women contestants in the 14th Annual All Woman Trans-continental Air Race.

Councilman Beasley moved to grant permission as requested in Mr. Doss' letter. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, no objections, the motion carried.

2. Los Angeles County Fair Association letter received June 23, 1960, requesting permission to hang advertising banners.

Councilman Benstead moved to grant permission as requested in the letter. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, no objections so ordered and Mayor Isen instructed City Manager Stevens to so reply.

3. Wm. W. Korshensky, President, Torrance Babe Ruth League, Inc., requesting City to pay part or all of their water bill.

Mayor Isen stated there was some situation similar to this some years ago and the City went along with it. Councilman Blount expressed himself as being in favor of encouraging a plan which supplies supervised recreation to about 600 boys at no cost to the City. It is being done other places and is perfectly legal. Councilman Blount moved that the City assume the water bill on the property for 1960-61 fiscal year. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico.

City Attorney Remelmeyer said the legality of the matter hinges on facts which he does not have.

Councilman Drale thought there are several other pieces of City-owned property for which the same service should be granted and Mayor Isen said an offer should not be made; but each case should be considered when and if a request is made.

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Councilman Blount declined to accept as part of his motion, any reference to other pieces of City-owned property.

Mayor Isen stated for the record, that from his experience in that area he would say this plan of furnishing water gratis to this piece of land would save several thousand dollars a year in maintenance. He suggested that City Attorney Remelmeyer go out and look over the site.

The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Drale moved that as to all City-owned parks and which are used by Little League, Pony League or Babe Ruth League, where the City retains ownership under signed property lease, where the water is served by the Torrance Municipal Water District, that the water service be furnished gratis. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Mayor Isen stated that where Dominguez Water Corporation furnishes the water, no charge is made.

4. Glenn W. Pfeil, the Torrance Herald, letter received June 22, 1960, presenting renewal contract for legal advertising for 1960-61 fiscal year, with copy of proposed contract.

Councilman Benstead moved to approve and authorize the execution of the contract. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

5. Charles L. Griebenow complaint against hard balls being hit into windows and backyards, letter dated June 20, 1960.

Mayor Isen suggested this letter be referred to the Park & Recreation Commission. Councilman Drale said rather than get into a conflict about it, he moved to turn it over to the Recreation Commission to establish rules and regulations to govern. He said it might be that an adequate fence would help solve the problem. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley.

Mayor Isen said he thought someone should go out and reassure the residents that something is going to be done to relieve the situation. In addition to referring it to the Recreation Commission, therefore, he suggested that Councilman Vico might go out and talk with the boys.

Councilman Bradford suggested that Public Works also take a look with the thought of putting up a fence. There was no objection to the motion, and it carried.

6. Letter from South Bay Humane Society regarding change in the contract with the City for the fiscal year 1960-61.

Councilman Blount moved to refer this communication to City Manager Stevens for study and return to the agenda next week. No objection, so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER:

1. PERSONNEL:

Recommendation that Chief Benner be authorized to attend a California Fire Grading and Rating Committee meeting in Berkeley July 21, 1960, with appropriate expenses paid.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Manager. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

2. APPROPRIATIONS:

The sum of \$4700 as an additional appropriation for the completion of carpports at the Police Station.

Councilman Benstead moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Manager. Motion seconded by Councilman Vico.

Councilman Blount asked if this means the City is abandoning the force account labor on this project and City Manager Stevens explained this sum is principally for such materials as roofing and siding. This is not part of the year's budget, but comes out of deficit surplus. Motion, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Drale criticized the appearance of the carport in that it does not conform in appearance to the rest of the buildings at the Civic Center and does not seem to be the right height. However, Councilman Benstead remarked that it seems to have been properly approved.

MISCELLANEOUS:

1. Approval of schematic plans for Civic Center development.

Councilman Beasley said he thought this should be discussed at a Council work session and moved that it be placed back on the agenda after the Council has had an opportunity to meet with the architects. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, no objection, so ordered.

2. Tentative permission to Public Utilities Commission to hold hearing on Dominguez Water Rate application on October 19, 20 and 21, 1960 between 10 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. in Council Chambers.

Councilman Blount moved to approve the reservation of the Council Chamber for this purpose. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bradford and carried by the following roll call vote:

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

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEN: Vico.

3. Recommendation concerning architectural and engineering services for improvement at Airport.

As an explanation of why this was on the "Additions" list for the agenda, City Manager Stevens said the Airport Committee did not meet until Monday after the agenda had closed on the previous Thursday.

Mayor Isen moved to concur with the recommendation. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote. Mayor Isen said on his recent airplane tour, he had occasion to view at least 14 airports and it had been the first time he had seen Torrance Airport from the air. He thinks our Airport will develop into something the whole state will have reason to be proud of.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

1. Design of 182nd Street presented by letter dated June 23, 1960 from Director of Public Works.

Councilman Drale moved the Council concur with the recommendation for this improvement. City Manager Stevens said there is no money available for this project and Mayor Isen said it is a moral obligation to fulfill our obligation to the City of Redondo Beach, and the money must come from somewhere. The amount involved is approximately \$38,500.

Councilman Drale amended his motion to provide this item be referred to City Manager Stevens to determine where the money is to be found and asked that the record show that the Council approves the project. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, no objection, so ordered.

2. Recommendation that contract for furnishing Diesel Fuel Oil for 1960-61 fiscal year was withdrawn from the agenda.

3. Building Division recommendation concerning request of Mr. Albert Levitt for extension of time for a temporary sign on the Airport Triangle lease at Pacific Coast Highway and Crenshaw Boulevard; also his request for a temporary sign advertising a proposed Newberry Store. The recommendation was for approval.

Councilman Blount moved to concur with the recommendation of the Building Inspection Division. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, no objection, so ordered.

4. Traffic and Lighting Division. Award of contract for installation of electrical traffic signal and highway lighting system on 190th Street at entrance to Mobil Oil Co.

Traffic Engineer Whitmer stated he has received from Mobil Oil Co. \$5,682.50 which is the price of the contract, plus 10%. Mayor Isen commended Mr. Whitmer for his fine work on traffic safety.

Councilman Bradford moved to concur with the recommendation of Mr. Whitmer in his letter of June 23. Motion, seconded by Mayor Isen, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

5. Bid on Street Name signs with recommendation of Traffic and Lighting Engineer Whitmer approved by Director of Public Works Peebles re acceptance of bid of U. S. Porcelain Enameling Company for furnishing street name signs, being schedule T&L-2.

Councilman Blount moved to concur with the recommendation to accept the \$1,000 bid for furnishing street name signs submitted by U. S. Porcelain Enameling Company. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WATER DEPARTMENT:

1. Letter from A. E. McVicar, Water Superintendent requesting authorization to furnish water service to Hartfield Stores, Inc., for shopping center to be located at northwest corner of Hawthorne Avenue and 182nd Street in the City of Redondo Beach.

Councilman Blount moved to grant the permission requested. Motion, seconded by Mayor Isen, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

AIRPORT MATTERS:

1. Letter dated June 23, 1960 from George Kurtz, Attorney for Acme Aircraft re extension of time for active engagement in dispensing gasoline and other petroleum products as set forth in Acme Aircraft lease.

Councilman Blount moved to grant the extension as set forth in Mr. Kurtz' letter. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

2. Resolutions relating to Hi-Shear Rivet Tool Company leases: Deputy City Clerk assigned a number and read title to

RESOLUTION NO. 4001

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AMENDMENT TO CONSOLIDATION LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND HI-SHEAR RIVET TOOL COMPANY.

Councilman Drale moved to adopt Resolution No. 4001. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre assigned a number and read title to

RESOLUTION NO. 4002

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND HI-SHEAR RIVET TOOL COMPANY FOR AN AUTOMOBILE PARKING LOT.

Councilman Drale moved to adopt Resolution No. 4002. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

ORDINANCES:

1. Mayor Isen announced this is the time for the second reading of the ordinance establishing the business license tax for Trampoline Centers.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1173

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE PROVIDING THAT THE APPROVAL OF THE LICENSE REVIEW BOARD MUST BE OBTAINED FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS LICENSES FOR CERTAIN NAMED BUSINESSES AND ESTABLISHING THE BUSINESS LICENSE TAX FOR TRAMPOLINE CENTERS.

Councilman Benstead moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1173 at its second reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

2. Deputy City Clerk Whitacre read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1174

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE EXEMPTING CERTAIN PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED FROM THE PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 716 PROHIBITING BUILDING IN THE WALTERIA LAKE AREA.

Councilman Benstead moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1174 at its second reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

3. Submitted for first reading was ordinance relating to dangerous chemicals and requiring permit therefor, and creating a Chemical Board.

Deputy City Clerk Whitacre assigned a number and read title to

ORDINANCE NO. 1178

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REGULATING THE MANUFACTURE, STORAGE AND OTHER USE OF EXPLOSIVES, CHEMICALS AND OTHER DANGEROUS ARTICLES; REQUIRING A CHEMICAL PERMIT THEREFOR AND CREATING A CHEMICAL BOARD.

Councilman Benstead moved to approve Ordinance No. 1178 at its first reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

PROCLAMATIONS:

1. Mayor Isen proclaimed the week of July 4 through 9 as AIRPORT WEEK and mentioned the fact that the Powder Puff Derby would soon take off from Torrance and the attention of the whole United States would be focused on Torrance and its fine Airport.

2. Mayor Isen stated that Mr. J. H. Paget who has worked long and diligently for the good of the City has just been transferred to San Diego. Mayor Isen asked that June 228, 1960 be proclaimed as "Pag" Paget Day in Torrance and that City Attorney Remelmeyer draft a resolution in appreciation of Mr. Paget's contribution to the welfare of the City and return it to the Council as soon as possible.

Councilman Bradford so moved and added that the resolution suggested be perma-plaqued and presented to Mr. Paget. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by the following roll call vote.

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Drale

Councilman Drale was in favor of commending Mr. Paget, but thought an appropriate letter would be sufficient.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Mr. Lee Schlens, Building Inspection Superintendent, said that an application from Property Management Corporation for permission to display a sign, was in his office long before Thursday, the closing day for the agenda, but unfortunately did not state where the sign was to be placed. By the time he had obtained the necessary information, the agenda had closed. It is to be a billboard advertising homes for sale on 234th Street and will be exhibited at Crenshaw and 233rd Street for six months. No traffic problem will be created.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the recommendation of Mr. Schlens to permit the sign as applied for. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, no objection, so ordered.

2. Councilman Beasley asked that the members of the Council drive by Crenshaw and Lomita and view the work of the Public Works Department in improving the corner and the installation of the signal lights.

3. Councilman Beasley asked that the Traffic Commission consider installing a blinking red light where new Lomita Boulevard enters Hawthorne. There have been two bad accidents there.

4. Councilman Benstead called the Council's attention to the fact that Redondo Beach has cut its taxes and at the same time given its City employees a flat \$25 increase per month, as well as the announcement of possibly further tax cut.

5. Councilman Drale said the bids for trash and rubbish collection have been opened and some of the bids are fantastic. If the City accepts one or two it might be able to cut taxes. A further report will be made in about two weeks.

6. Councilman Drale suggested the Council consider erecting the library and fire station for West Torrance on City-owned property on Emerald Avenue. This would save the City \$60,000 or \$70,000.

7. Councilman Vico asked the Traffic Engineer if anything has developed on the signal at Tulita and Pacific Coast Highway. Mr. Whitmer replied that the design is almost completed as the specifications are more or less standard and he hopes it will be sent in within the next few days.

8. Mayor Isen introduced from the audience Mr. Lou Kanaster, Chairman of the County Regional Planning Commission, and invited him to attend future Council meetings.

9. Councilman Benstead moved that all bills properly audited be paid. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

A. H. Bartlett

City Clerk of the City of Torrance,
California

APPROVED:

Albert J. ...

Mayor of the City of Torrance

Edith Shaffer
Secretary