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Edith Shaffer  
Secretary

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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 5:30 P.M., Tuesday, July 5, 1960, in the Council Chamber City Hall, Torrance, California.

Those responding to roll call by Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson 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, the Reverend David O. Beadles led the salute to our Flag.

The Reverend Morgan Gates of the First Baptist Church of Torrance opened the meeting with an invocation.

With respect to the minutes of the Council meeting of June 20, 1960, the following correction was made, starting with the third paragraph of the section entitled "2. Salary Increase" appearing on page 5 thereof:

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1004 "Councilman Blount moved to adopt the recommendation of the City Manager to establish the approximately 2½% increase and, as a result the integrated salary plan. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford.

"Councilman Drale moved a substitute to adopt the pay plan range which would eliminate inequities and bring all jobs within certain classifications. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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1004 "Councilman Drale then moved that all employees receive a flat \$20 increase per month, which would amount to approximately \$120,000 for the year. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Drale, Vico, Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Blount, Bradford.

"The motion carried."

With the above correction, Mayor Isen moved that the minutes of the meeting of June 20, 1960, stand approved and that the minutes of the meeting of June 28, 1960, stand approved as written. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, no objections, so ordered.

BIDS:

Mayor Isen announced that bids will be publicly opened in the Council Chamber of the City Hall at 10 A.M., Wednesday, July 6, 1960, on coin-operated lighting system for tennis courts at El Retiro Park. Affidavit of Publication was presented by Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson and there being no objection, ordered filed.

PLANNING MATTERS:

1121 Tentative Tract Map No. 25837 - R. A. Watt, Subdivider. Letter of transmittal from Planning Director Powell, City Engineer Nollac, and Superintendent of Building Inspections Schlens, approved by Director of Public Works Peebles, submitting tentative tract No. 25837, consisting of 19 lots located 336 feet west of Western Avenue at 178th Street, recommended for approval. Attached were location sketch, letter dated June 30, 1960 from City Engineer Nollac, approved by Director of Public Works, and excerpts from Planning Commission minutes of June 15, 1960.

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Councilman Drale asked that City Engineer Nollac explain his letter of June 30th. City Engineer Nollac said he and the Traffic Engineer do not consider the jog in Manhattan Place to be curve linear design; that all it accomplishes is to head one lane of traffic head-on into another. It is a 16 foot jog and Mr. Nollac does not consider it to be good traffic engineering. Councilman Drale said it seemed the only reason for the jog would be to get one more lot. Mayor Isen asked about the Fire Department request that approval be withheld until ingress and egress is assured and also asked how final approval can be given to this tract map if tentative approval is not completed.

Councilman Blount moved that Tentative Tract Map No. 25837 go back to the Planning Commission because it is not properly presented. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Drale asked that the comments of the Councilmen as above be included in the record.

#### WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Letter dated June 30, 1960 from Mr. Abe Robinson, President of the Downtown Retail Merchants Division asking permission to install 200 pole cards for the sales promotion of July 21, 22, 23, to be installed July 17th and removed July 24th; and (2) that the bus terminal conduct its open house celebration on July 21st, with free bus service. 1231

The first request (for permission to install pole cards) Councilman Drale moved to grant. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, no objections, carried.

The consensus was that the cost of the second request would be too great and Councilman Blount moved to deny it. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried unanimously.

2. Letter from Mr. J. H. Paget, President of Chamber of Commerce, dated June 30, 1960, requesting traffic signals at 180th Street and Hawthorne Avenue. 1159

Mayor Isen moved that this communication be referred to the Traffic Engineer and Commission. No objection, so ordered.

3. Request dated June 30, 1960 from Jack Phillips on behalf of the Torrance Mounted Police and Chamber of Commerce for permission to hold the 1960 Rancho Days Celebration and for waiver of license fees and permit fees for said event.

Councilman Beasley said he understood that Armed Forces Day was taking the place of Rancho Days, but Mayor Isen explained that applies only to the parade feature of the celebration; that the Rancho Days Celebration brings in over one-half of the money needed for Torrance's participation in the Pasadena Rose Parade. 1278

Mayor Isen moved that the license fees only be waived; that the permit fees which amount to about \$20 or \$30 not be waived; and that permission be granted to use the Civic Center area for the celebration on condition that insurance be obtained as required by the City Attorney and all requirements of the Police and Fire Departments be met. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by the following roll call vote:

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

4. Letter dated June 30, 1960, from Council Transportation Committee re proposed changes in Bus Department program. 0

Councilman Blount moved to table this proposal for two weeks. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford.

Councilman Beasley remarked that he considered Councilman Blount's motion to be out of order; that the proposed changes set forth in the communication are wrongly worded in relation to the Committee's recommendations. The idea, he said, is to try to improve service within Torrance and keep the annual deficit as low as possible. Councilman Drale thought the matter should be further studied and Councilman Benstead said revenue cannot be increased without a corresponding increase in service.

Mayor Isen asked if there was any objection to continuing this matter for two weeks and there being no objection, the motion of Councilman Blount, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried.

Councilman Beasley asked to be excused from serving further on the Transportation Committee.

#### COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER:

1. Recommendation on Pound Service for 1960-61. By City Manager Stevens' recommendation of June 30, 1960 the proposal was to increase the percentage payment to the South Bay Humane Society from 90% to 95% of the regular license fee and that the City receive 100% of the penalty and that the new condition on penalty payments be included as part of the notice in advertising for bids next year.

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Manager, but asked that the Health Department make an inspection of conditions at the Humane Society shelter. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

#### Personnel:

City Engineer Nollac said that one of the City's employees, Mr. Don McKenna, had met death in an airplane accident this past weekend and Mayor Isen asked that City Manager Stevens extend the Council's sympathy and respects to the family.

As to the recommendation concerning Mr. W. J. Critchfield's reclassification to a position of commensurate responsibility and salary due to the elimination of the classification he holds, Councilman Drale moved to concur with Mr. Stevens' recommendation that Mr. Critchfield retain his classification, but that any new hiring be made under the new classification of Junior Civil Engineer Aide. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

#### Appropriations:

To Remington Rand for the purchase of a Kardex Chainindex Cabinet to be used in the City Clerk's office, the sum of \$467.48 including tax.

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

#### Miscellaneous:

1. Goodyear Blimp flights on July 9, 1960 and schedules therefor:

Mayor Isen asked if it would be possible to include the Honorable Eugene Lamont, Mayor of Wilmington, Delaware, who will be in Torrance for the start of the Powder Puff Derby, in this program and it was agreed that the schedule could be so re-arranged.

2. As to the Metropolitan District trip for the City Council on September 30, October 1 and 2, a decision was made to stay in Jean Camp on Friday. It was also noted that the Councilmen's wives are invited.

#### AIRPORT MATTERS:

1. Letter dated June 30, 1960, from Albert Levitt, President of JEFFERSON INCORPORATED, with maps attached regarding plans for the development of Rolling Hills Plaza.

Councilman Benstead moved to approve the plans as delineated in the maps. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEN: Beasley.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

Engineering Division:

1. 1911 Act Assessment District: Hickman Drive from Prairie Avenue to Osage Avenue - Street improvement. Letter from City Engineer Nollac, approved by Director of Public Works Peebles, submitting preliminary report and recommendation regarding formation of District, with location sketch attached. 1291

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Engineer that he be instructed to proceed with the preparation of maps, plans and specifications for the construction of said curb, gutter and sidewalks. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

2. Award of contract for installation of the Victor Precinct Trunk Sewer, Section 1, to the low bidder, Colich Construction Co., in the amount of \$54,966.80. 1252

Councilman Blount asked if only two bids were received and City Engineer Nollac said out of the ten sets of plans sent out (three to suppliers and seven to contractors) only two came back.

Councilman Blount moved to concur in the recommendation. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM RECREATION DEPARTMENT:

1. Recommendation of Director of Recreation that the offer of Mr. Paul H. Salzburg to donate playground sculpture to the City be accepted. 1104

Councilman Drale moved to concur with the recommendation. There was no objection and it was so ordered. City Manager Stevens will prepare an appropriate letter thanking Mr. Salzburg.

2. Recommendation on Bids for Sporting Goods Equipment.

Councilman Benstead moved to concur with the recommendation of the Director of Recreation to accept the bid of Torrance Cycle & Sport Shop in the sum of \$4,780.29, plus tax, on 31 items of equipment listed in his communication dated June 30, 1960. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote. 1041

3. Request from Director of Recreation for permission to hold a special dinner meeting at the Jump'n Jack Restaurant at 7 P.M. on Wednesday, July 13 for the purpose of making the National Recreation Association awards, at City expense, and inviting the members of the Council to attend. 0

A poll of the Council revealed that all seven plan attending and City Manager Stevens will issue a reminder a couple of days prior to the date set.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM WATER DEPARTMENT:

1. Cast Iron Pipe. Councilman Blount moved to award the contract and accept the bid of Pacific States Cast Iron Pipe in the amount of \$12,555 plus sales tax. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

2. Copper Tubing. There was some discussion as to whether or not there had been a mistake in the low bid on this item, but the consensus was that the bidder was a reputable company, had made a regular bid and would make good on it. 1041

Mayor Isen moved to award the contract to the actual low bidder, Park-Son, Inc., in the amount of \$7,750, plus sales tax. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Creating the Committee for Decent Literature and providing for the membership and duties thereof.

Mayor Isen explained that this Committee has been acting but has never been actually established by resolution. Councilman Drale said a member of the Committee had asked if this might be held over because some of the persons who wished to be present did not have sufficient notice to plan to attend. Reverend Schatz stated he believed the members of the Committee would like to have this acted upon this evening. He feels the Committee has been very effective and would like to see it continue as a voluntary branch of City government. Councilman Drale moved that the work of the Committee continue as it has in relation to City government. Motion, seconded by Mayor Isen, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Beasley moved that after the Clerk has given a number and read the 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 Benstead carried by unanimous roll call vote.

At the request of Mayor Isen Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 4003

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
TORRANCE CREATING THE COMMITTEE FOR DECENT LITERA-  
TURE AND PROVIDING FOR THE MEMBERSHIP AND DUTIES  
THEREOF.

Councilman Benstead moved to adopt Resolution No. 4003. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico.

Councilman Blount moved an amendment to the resolution, as follows: Under Section 2. Appointment and Term of Members, delete the present (c) paragraph and substitute the following paragraphs (a) and (b):

"(a) Each member of the City Council shall appoint one member of the committee. A vacancy in the membership shall be filled by the Councilman who made the appointment, or by the successor Councilman who does not have an appointee on the committee; and if there shall be two or more such Councilmen, then by one of such Councilmen in alphabetical order by surname.

"(b) The term of each member shall expire January 15, 1964. Thereafter the members shall be appointed for a four-year term which shall expire on the fifteenth day of January of every fourth year thereafter."

The amendment was accepted by Councilman Benstead and his second, Councilman Vico, and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Mayor Isen stated that his appointee, Reverend Wm. Schatz, had said that due to other pressing duties, he would like to relinquish his office on this Committee. Mayor Isen nominated the Reverend David O. Beadles to serve in the place vacated by Reverend Schatz. Councilman Drale nominated Mrs. Dorothy Stoeckle. Councilman Beasley, Benstead, Bradford and Vico said they would each nominate a committee member. Councilman Blount named Dr. Cortum. Mayor Isen recommended that the members so appointed form the nucleus but could expand their membership as they see fit. He asked that each councilman who has not done so notify Dr. Cortum of the person whom he appoints.

2. Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson assigned a number and read title to:

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RESOLUTION NO. 4000

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE CITING HERMA TILLIM FOR HER GIFT OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, CIVIC AWARENESS AND DEVOTION TO THE YOUTH OF OUR COMMUNITY.

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Councilman Benstead moved to adopt Resolution No. 4000. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote. Mayor Isen presented the perma-plaque resolution to Mrs. Tillim with well-chosen words of sympathy and appreciation and Mrs. Tillim responded graciously.

3. Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 4004

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE TORRANCE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, RELATIVE TO ADVERTISING AND PROMOTING THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1960-61.

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Councilman Drale questioned the amount shown in Section 2 of the resolution, \$24,800. City Manager Stevens explained there is \$24,000 which goes directly to the Chamber, \$300 to the Torrance National Guard and the other \$500 to the Torrance Mounted police.

Councilman Blount moved to adopt Resolution No. 4004. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

4. Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 4005

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ESTABLISHING SALARY OF CITY MANAGER FOR FISCAL YEAR 1960-61.

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Councilman Drale moved to adopt Resolution No. 4005. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried by the following roll call vote:

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

5. Councilman Blount moved to rescind the action taken last week in approving Ordinance No. 1178 at its first reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by unanimous roll call vote. This action was taken because a public hearing has been determined to be necessary to adopt by reference the regulations of the Interstate Commerce Commission with respect to the manufacture, storage and other use of explosives, chemicals and other dangerous articles.

Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson assigned a number and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1179

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; CREATING A CHEMICAL BOARD; AND ADOPTING

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PART 72 OF THE REGULATIONS OF THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ENTITLED, "COMMODITY LIST OF EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER DANGEROUS ARTICLES CONTAINING THE SHIPPING NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF ALL ARTICLES SUBJECT TO PARTS 71-78" AS PUBLISHED BY THE AMERICAN TRUCKING ASSOCIATIONS, INC. IN THE MOTOR CARRIERS' EXPLOSIVES AND DANGEROUS ARTICLES TARIFF NO. 10.

No action is to be taken on this ordinance until after the hearing thereon.

Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson then assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 4006

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING THE TIME AND PLACE FOR HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE MANUFACTURE, STORAGE AND OTHER USE OF EXPLOSIVES, CHEMICALS AND OTHER DANGEROUS ARTICLES; REQUIRING A CHEMICAL PERMIT THEREFOR; CREATING A CHEMICAL BOARD; AND ADOPTING PART 72 OF THE REGULATIONS OF THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ENTITLED, "COMMODITY LIST OF EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER DANGEROUS ARTICLES CONTAINING THE SHIPPING NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF ALL ARTICLES SUBJECT TO PARTS 71-78" AS PUBLISHED BY THE AMERICAN TRUCKING ASSOCIATIONS, INC., IN THE MOTOR CARRIERS' EXPLOSIVES AND DANGEROUS ARTICLES TARIFF NO. 10, AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE THEREOF.

Councilman Bradford moved to adopt Resolution No. 4006 setting the time and place for hearing to determine whether or not the City Council shall adopt Ordinance No. 1179 and the said regulations. Motion seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote. The hearing was set for 8:00 o'clock P.M., July 26, 1960, in the City Hall Council Chamber.

ORDINANCES:

1. Presented were three ordinances amending the Land Use Ordinance for study and setting of a hearing date. The date was set for July 26, 1960 at 8:00 P.M., in the City Hall Council Chamber.

2. Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson assigned a number and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1180

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING SECTION 16.181 to "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" PROVIDING FOR A BUSINESS LICENSE TAX AND CERTAIN REGULATIONS FOR SWIM-AT-HOME INSTRUCTORS; AND ADDING THE BUSINESS OF SWIM-AT-HOME INSTRUCTION TO SECTION 16.92 OF SAID CODE.

Councilman Benstead moved to approve Ordinance No. 1180 at its first reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

3. Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson assigned a number and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1181

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING SECTION 16.259 TO CHAPTER 16 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" PROVIDING FOR A LICENSE TAX FOR COIN-OPERATED WASHING MACHINES AND CLOTHES DRYERS. 1241

Councilman Benstead moved to approve Ordinance No. 1181 at its first reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

4. Mayor Isen presented Urgency Ordinance and Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson assigned a number and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1182

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADOPTING A UNIFORM THREE-STEP PAY PLAN AND MAKING A CHANGE IN THE SALARIES OF THE VARIOUS CLASSES OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE SERVICE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1117 AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO. 1004

City Manager Stevens presented a proposal introducing a "Y rate" which would in effect make everyone get a 3% raise. He said there are 169 employees who would not be getting a full 3% raise. These people are in all class ranges. There is no cut in anyone's salary but there are small discrepancies which make it impossible for each person to get the full 3% raise and still adhere to the step and range schedule.

Mayor Isen reiterated his opposition to percentage increases. He said his "Yes" vote to adopt Ordinance 1182 is made with the stipulation that this statement of his position be incorporated in the record.

Councilman Bradford moved that an additional 2% raise be given to bring up the lower paid employees to a full 5%. The motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley and Councilman Drale asked where the line would be drawn. Councilman Drale suggested a top of \$500 a month salary to receive the 5% increase and there was some discussion as to where best to differentiate. Councilman Blount suggested it be placed at Range 44 down through Range 20.

At this point City Manager Stevens mentioned the matter of 2½% steps in the pay plan and asked if it would not be possible to make the increase 2½% in order to keep the salaries within the established brackets. Councilman Drale expressed the opinion that the cost of living has gone up for the small salaried person who is more affected by high living costs and Councilman Beasley suggested the line be drawn at Range 50, which met with Mayor Isen's approval.

Councilman Bradford made a substitute motion that an additional 2½% increase be given to employees in Ranges 20 through 54, to be effective as of July 1, 1960. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote. } 1004

Councilman Benstead said he had been informed that Airport attendants had received a \$2.00 monthly decrease recently. Mr. Egan, the Airport manager, said he believed this is a misunderstanding based on the change to bi-weekly payment of salaries in May. He said there have been no changes in Airport employees' salaries. Councilman Blount asked what would be done about the employees who work on an hourly compensation and City Manager Stevens said they would be considered in their proper pay range category and the

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additional 2½% would include all ranges specified, whether hourly or monthly-salaried personnel.

Succinctly, it is the intention of the Council to further increase, over the 3% granted June 21st, the salaries of personnel in the ranges between 20 and 54 inclusive, by 2½%, effective as of July 1st, 1960.

Councilman Benstead moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1182 as an Urgency Ordinance and that it be amended to include an increase of 2½% in the salary ranges between 20 and 54, inclusive. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried by the following roll call vote:

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

5. Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson assigned a number and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1183

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADOPTING A UNIFORM THREE-STEP PAY PLAN AND MAKING A CHANGE IN THE SALARIES OF THE VARIOUS CLASSES OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE SERVICE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1117 AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO.

Councilman Drale moved to approve Ordinance No. 1183 at its first reading as amended by adding an additional 2½% for all ranges numbered 20 through 54. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

6. Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson presented for its second reading and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1175

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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 adopt Ordinance No. 1175 at its second reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

7. Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson presented for its second reading and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1176

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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 Drale moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1176 at its second reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

8. Acting Deputy City Clerk Carleson presented for its second reading 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.

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

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Mayor Isen called attention to the sample resolution attached for information only regarding proposed contract for delivery of northern water to the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, and suggested that City Attorney Remelmeyer prepare an appropriate resolution for action at the earliest possible date.

2. City Manager Stevens announced that Mr. Robert Carleson would be acting in the capacity of Deputy City Clerk for the present and called attention to the long time during which Mr. Gale Whitacre has assumed additional duties as Deputy City Clerk, with no compensation therefor. He stated if a salary increase is considered to be in order, he would recommend an additional step in the pay plan scheduled rates. Councilman Drale made a motion to that effect, which was seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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Councilman Beasley moved that an appropriate perma-plaque be prepared commending Mr. Whitacre. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, no objection, so ordered.

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3. City Manager Stevens asked if the Council as a whole could meet with the architects to go over the Civic Center development plans and a date was set for Wednesday, July 20. Mr. Stevens will further notify members of the Council.

4. City Manager Stevens brought the Council up to date on the selection of the Walteria Lake Sump location. The City's appraiser came up with a figure that indicated Site B, east of Ocean Avenue, would be a little less expensive than Site C. The appraisers of the District arrived at drastically different figures, too different to average out. A meeting had been held to try to determine why these great differences existed and now the District is having some engineering work done which would determine how much would have to be donated to develop the properties individually. Mayor Isen asked that this be set for a Pre-Council meeting at 7:00 P.M. next week. Mr. Stevens is to present a written report and notify Mr. Chris Sorenson in time for interested parties to be present.

5. Mayor Isen said he thought it would be desirable for members of the Council, some Chamber of Commerce people, and Mr. Stevens, to have lunch with Mr. Eugene Lamont, the Mayor of Wilmington, Delaware, on Saturday, July 9. Mr. Stevens office will arrange and remind the Council members.

6. Mayor Isen mentioned that the option on the property for the Senior Citizens Village will expire before the expiration of the sixty days time for which the item was tabled by the Council. He has a meeting in the City Attorney's office with Dr. Applegate Wednesday morning July 6 at 10 A.M. and asked if any members of the Council would like to join the meeting. None of the Council members plan to attend.

7. With respect to staff meeting minutes, Councilman Vico asked how they figure Mr. Gonzalez owes \$1700; that he should pay cash for the dirt. Mr. Nollac said it is a matter of calculation by taking cross section measurements to determine how much dirt has been removed. He stated there is no problem about being paid.

Councilman Vico mentioned Woodland Furniture who would probably be delighted to buy some of that dirt. Councilman Blount repeated his contention that there must be some basis for the statement in the staff minutes that Gonzales owes the City \$1700. City Engineer Nollac said progress payments have been made and he is being billed for the balance.

8. Mrs. Blonk of the South Bay Humane Society thanked the Council for its action on the contract with her and stated many improvements are being made at the shelter, as well as expansion of the kennels.

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 P.M.



City Clerk of the City of Torrance,  
California

APPROVED:



Mayor of the City of Torrance

Edith Shaffer  
Secretary