

I N D E X

Council Meeting Held Tuesday, September 13, 1960

BIDS:

PW 60-61-12	Chain Link Fence	to be opened 10 AM 9/14	1
PW 60-61-13	Corrugated metal pipe	" " " "	1
PW 60-61-16	3 Special Service-type trucks	" " " "	1
Bell & Spigot	Iron Pipe for Water Dept	" " " "	1

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Torrance, California
September 13, 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 8:00 P.M., Tuesday, September 13, 1960, in the Council Chamber of the City Hall, Torrance, California.

Those responding to roll call by Deputy City Clerk Carleson were: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Blount, Bradford, Drale, Vico, Isen. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Beasley. Assistant City Manager Bone and City Attorney Remelmeyer were also present.

At the request of Mayor Isen, Commissioner Lawrence Gitschier of the Park and Recreation Commission led the salute to our Flag.

The Reverend William Schatz opened the meeting with an invocation and Councilman Blount added a special prayer for the safekeeping and speedy recovery of Councilman Beasley who is in the hospital.

Councilman Benstead moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 6, 1960. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried, there being no objections, amendments or corrections.

Mayor Isen reported that he had talked with Mrs. Beasley and the condition of Mr. Beasley is satisfactory. He is making a good recovery but is not yet able to receive visitors.

Mayor Isen continued in brief explanation to the audience of the method of procedure used in Council meetings, after which he introduced Mr. George Downing and his guest, Mr. Kim Whitney from Seoul, Korea. Kim is majoring in Political Science at El Camino and plans to attend Council meetings from time to time. Mayor Isen welcomed him and promised that all the Council members and City administration people will answer his questions and cooperate in any way possible. At some time in the future Mayor Isen suggested Mr. Whitney give us his impressions of the United States and particularly our City. Mr. Whitney thanked the Mayor and Council.

BIDS:

Mayor Isen announced the following information regarding bids: 1. Formal bids on the following items will be publicly opened in the City Council Chambers at 10 A.M., Wednesday, September 14, 1960:

- a. PW 60-61-12 Chain Link Fencing and related hardware or fittings for 1960-61
- b. PW 60-61-13 Corrugated Metal Pipe (1600 lineal feet of various diameters)
- c. PW 60-61-16 Three (3) Special Service-type trucks
- d. Bell & Spigot Iron Pipe for Water Department. (6,000 lineal feet Class 150)

Affidavit of Publication was presented by Deputy City Clerk Carleson and, there being no objection, ordered filed.

PLANNING MATTERS:

- 1. Report from George C. Powell, Planning Director, for the Department of Public Works, concerning the use of a 24 foot strip of City-owned land in connection with the proposed expansion of their facilities on Maple Avenue. 305

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Councilman Drale moved to accept and put into effect the recommendation set forth in the report of the Planning Director, and to advise the West Virginia Pulp & Paper Co. of the Council's action. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Nat Mondati, acting Chairman, Torrance Barbers' Group, dated September 8, 1960, submitting petition bearing 58 signatures of persons favoring the closing of barber shops on Sundays.

Mayor Isen asked if anyone in the audience wished to be heard regarding this petition.

Mr. Mondati, 3125 Sonoma Street, came forward and presented his reasons for the proposed closing, which are based principally on the lack of sanitary inspection on Sundays.

1254 Mr. Robert Stevens, 2121 Santa Cruz Court, representing the opposition presented a petition containing 145 signatures of registered voters and barbers, in the City of Torrance who favor the barber shops being allowed to remain open on Sundays. Of this number, he said between 15 and 20 are barbers. He said the theory that inspectors do not work in the field on Sundays, is a fallacy.

Mr. Mondati replied to the presentation by saying that Mr. Stevens has several chain shops, but that individual shop owners are 100% in favor of closing.

Councilman Bradford expressed the opinion that forcing the shops to close would be stifling American free enterprise.

Mayor Isen suggested that Mr. Remelmeyer, City Attorney, answer two questions: 1. The constitutionality of such an ordinance as is requested, and 2. Whether or not the Department of Health or the applicable agency, does have inspectors in the field on Sundays.

Councilman Blount moved that this item of business be tabled and the motion was seconded by Councilman Bradford, but failed to pass by the following roll call vote:

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

Councilman Benstead stated there seems to be a trend toward closing barber shops on Sundays and he thought it should be looked into, as his reason for voting against tabling the item.

Mr. Robert Stevens said the board involved is the State Barber Board.

Mr. Joseph Cassone, a resident of Torrance who works as a barber in Redondo Beach, talked at some length in favor of closing barber shops on Sunday. Councilman Bradford does not think conditions will change merely because it is Sunday and at any rate it seems to be a State function to regulate. Councilman Drale does not feel the City has a right to control business as such, but it does have the right to prevent health violations. Councilman Blount said information should then be received as to whether or not real estate offices, filling stations, groceries or other businesses ought to be closed on Sunday, also. Mayor Isen said it is not the intention of the Council to legislate against the right of any individual to work at his trade, but if there is a public health and welfare problem, it should be gone into.

Mr. Al DeLuccio, who operates a barber shop at 21754 Hawthorne at the Del Amo Center, said the inspections are very rare and cited instances.

Councilman Drale moved that the matter be referred to the Legal Department to ascertain whether or not a health and welfare problem is involved in this Sunday closing controversy. Motion, seconded by Mayor Isen.

Councilman Blount posed the question of which is the Sabbath and it was generally agreed that traditionally Sunday has been set aside for a time to rest from a regular work week. Reverend Schatz, at the request of Mayor Isen, expressed the religious view of Sunday, tempered by custom.

Roll Call vote on Councilman Drale's motion carried, as follows:
AYES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Drale, Vico, Isen.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Bradford.

2. Lee Carson, 25214 Loyton Street, Torrance, dated August 30, 1960, requesting the removal of "No Parking" signs in the 25200 block on Loyton Street.

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It was noted that the matter has been referred to the Traffic & Lighting Engineer for a report and Mayor Isen said, there being no objection, the Council would await that report.

3. Mr. William E. King, Jr., letter dated September 7, 1960, submitting his resignation from the Planning Commission.

Mayor Isen remarked that at the workshop meeting on rubbish to be held Monday, September 19, 1960, at 5:30 P.M., there would be time to consider a candidate to this office and that probably the new Commissioner should be picked from West Torrance as that area is not now represented in Planning.

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4. Howard Gardner, Associate Director, League of California Cities, Berkeley, California, re Sister City program, requesting participation in a session scheduled as a part of the Annual League Conference.

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It was agreed that Mayor Isen would attend and try to convey a report on our Sister City program activities in the two-minutes allotted.

Someone from the audience asked to be told what decision was reached on the Barbershop Sunday closing and in the process of explanation Mayor Isen also asked that anyone interested in learning the results of Mr. Remelmeyer's investigation, leave their names and addresses with Mr. Remelmeyer at recess time and they would be notified of the time it is put back on the Council agenda.

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A recess was declared at 8:40 and Council reconvened at 8:50 P.M.

5. Request for appropriation of \$15 to pay for acquisition of sidewalk stencils for the "Back to School" safety program initiated by the Torrance Traffic Safety Council and permission to so stencil the sidewalks.

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Councilman Blount moved to grant the requested permission and appropriate the necessary \$15. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present. (Councilman Beasley absent)

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6. Everett B. Laybourne, California State Chairman for observance of UN Day, 1960, dated September 8, 1960, requesting the appointment of a Chairman.

Councilman Vico moved to file this communication. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried, there being no objection.

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7. Drew Pearson's letter dated September 9, 1960 suggesting a time for his proposed visit to Torrance.

Mayor Isen gave some background on this correspondence as being based on the Konya Sister City activity sometime ago and the notice which Mr. Pearson took of it in his newspaper column. In the intervening time there has been an exchange of letters between Mayor Isen and Drew Pearson culminating in this letter telling of the times he will be in California and suggesting November 12th as a day to visit Torrance. Mayor Isen said it had been suggested that a Drew Pearson

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Day be set aside to honor him. There was some discussion of the cost, if any, thereof and the possibility it could be taken over by the Chamber of Commerce, resulting in a motion by Councilman Blount to file the communication. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bradford and the roll call vote thereon is as follows:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Isen. The motion to file carried.

Mayor Isen will reply to the letter.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER:

Expenditures:

To International Business Machines the sum of \$1,249.50 for three electric typewriters to make available to Police, Licensing and Bus Departments respectively, typewriters in accordance with the typewriter assignment program (a budget item).

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Councilman Blount moved to approve the expenditure. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Bradford asked again why some other makes of typewriter are not tried. Assistant Manager Bone explained that others are being tried but that most departments prefer IBM and the City has found their service and maintenance to be superior. Councilman Vico suggested with respect to other machines, such as adding machines, that other companies be considered and Mr. Bone said he could show competitive bids.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

1. Letter from City Engineer Nollac dated September 7, 1960, approved by D. Horlander, Assistant to Director of Public Works Peebles, re modification of signals at Torrance Blvd., and Western Avenue, with copy of letter dated August 18, 1960, from Lyall Pardee, City Engineer of Los Angeles attached.

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This proposed upgrading will modernize and make more efficient the signals at this intersection at a cost of \$800 to the City of Torrance.

Councilman Drale moved to concur in the recommendation to go ahead with amendment of the mentioned agreement which will then come up to the Council for approval and appropriation of the necessary funds. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Vico.

Absent: COUNCILMEN: Beasley.

2. Transmittal of Easement Deeds with letter from City Engineer Nollac and Assistant to Director of Public Works Horlander, approved by City Attorney Remelmeyer and Assistant City Manager Bone; six for street purposes and two for sewer purposes, as follows:

		Portion of Lot,	Block,	Tract
1.	8/23/60 Philip & Helen Karr	5	299	1952
2.	8/17/60 David & Harlene Maloney	5	299	1952
3.	7/27/60 Kent Properties	3	-	454
4.	8/16/60 King Construction Co.	88	-	La Fresa
5.	8/29/60 Paul & Diana Brogden	38	-	530
6.	7/ 7/60 Kenneth R. Lane	24	-	3458
7.	6/24/60 Alvin & Elfriede Seldner	34	"J"	10304
8.	6/21/60 Dominguez Estate Co.	Portion of 1028.61 Acre Tract - Dominguez		

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Councilman Benstead moved to accept the six deeds for street purposes and the two for sewer purposes. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

3. Building Division. Donald M. Tarbell, Realtor, submitting request for permission to erect a sign at 22525 Hawthorne Boulevard, with comments of John McKinnon, Assistant Superintendent of Building Inspections. 1063

The Assistant Superintendent of Building Inspection said he could not recommend approval of the sign because of its size.

Councilman Benstead moved to concur in the recommendation of the Building Inspection Division to deny the request. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Mr. Tarbell appeared and asked for clarification. He will apply for a sign in accordance with the ordinance.

4. Recommendation of C. W. Clemmer, Park Superintendent, that a refund be made to Mr. Hallum in accordance with his letter dated September 7, 1960, of the amount overcharged on deposit for trees, in the amount of \$5.00. 1272

Councilman Blount moved to concur in the recommendation of Mr. Clemmer. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

5. Power Mower Bid - recommendation of Park Superintendent Clemmer approved by D. Horlander, Assistant to Director of Public Works Peebles, that bid of Pacific Toro Company be accepted in the amount of \$1,274.00 including tax.

Councilman Benstead moved to concur in the recommendation of the Park Superintendent and to accept the bid of Pacific Toro Company. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent). 1041

6. Street Division. R. S. Perkins, Street Superintendent, submitting recommendation regarding the acceptance of bids, approved by D. Horlander, Assistant to Director of Public Works Peebles, with bid summaries attached on the following items:

- a. 300 yards Class B-4 mixed concrete; recommendation for bid of Green's Ready Mix Concrete Co. in the amount of \$12 per unit, tax not included, materials to be supplied as needed. 1041
- b. 3,600 tons plant mix; recommendation for Warren Southwest in the amount of \$4.75 picked up at vendor's plant, or \$5.38 delivered to job, but not spread. This was the only bid received.
- c. Automatic curb paver; recommendation for Garlinghouse, Fremont & Co., at price of \$1,471.60, tax included.

Councilman Bradford moved to concur in the recommendation to award the bids as set forth in recommendations under items a, b, and c. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

d. Sewer Rings and covers, recommendation for Long Beach Iron Works. There were three bids received on these items, all at identical prices. Councilman Blount does not think it probable that three companies would come up with the same bid, and moved that the Department of Public Works cover the field; that these bids be rejected and that we request bids from other firms. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico carried, there being no objection. 1041

e. Daily rental rate for flashing barricades, recommendation for Star-Lite Electronic Company at 14¢.

Councilman Blount moved to award the contract for rental of these barricades to Star-Lite. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent) (Rescinded later, see below).

1041 Councilman Bradford calculated that at the price of 14¢ per day each, 70 barricades would come to a rental figure for 365 days of \$51.10 each and in answer to his question, Mr. Peebles told him the price for purchasing runs about \$42. Councilman Blount thereupon moved to rescind his previous motion. The motion was seconded by Mayor Isen and, there being no objection, carried. Councilman Drale moved to refer the matter to the Department of Public Works. Director of Public Works said at times there are 70 in use - other times 4, 10, 20 - but they are items which are generally used. Councilman Blount seconded Councilman Drale's motion to refer to Public Works Department and, there being no objection, it was so ordered.

7. Memo from Director of Public Works Peebles, concurred in by City Engineer Nollac, submitting recommendation re architects for Library and Fire Station buildings, with comment of Assistant City Manager.

1170 Councilman Bradford asked for clarification as to whether this meant that Adams, Morgan, Latham, Kripp & Wright would be the architects to design the library and fire station according to this recommendation and, on being assured that is the intent, moved that the Council concur in the recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Blount. Mayor Isen said he thought it meant that negotiations would be conducted with the firm and then have a report back as to costs; this does not necessarily indicate hiring the firm. Mr. Peebles said that is up to the City Manager who has handled these matters.

Councilman Bradford moved to substitute a motion to refer this to the City Manager for negotiation with Adams, Latham, Morgan, Kripp & Wright and for them to report back with the cost thereof. Motion, seconded by Mayor Isen, carried, as follows:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Beasley.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM TRAFFIC COMMISSION:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 4037

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RELATED Controls
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN TRAFFIC CONTROL MEASURES PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, SECTION 17.35 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954".

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of Resolution No. 4037. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Benstead moved to adopt Resolution No. 4037. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

COMMUNICATIONS SUBMITTED BY CITY ATTORNEY:

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1. City Attorney Remelmeyer, submitting request of Dominguez Water Corporation to raise the fire hydrant rentals, with copy of letter dated August 30, 1960 from Dominguez Water Corporation and copy of proposed agreement.

Mayor Isen moved to refer this item to the Water Commission. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, no objection, so ordered.

RESOLUTIONS:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 4038

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND NECESSITY REQUIRE THE ACQUISITION BY THE CITY OF TORRANCE OF THE FEE SIMPLE TITLE IN AND TO CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN SAID CITY FOR ANY PUBLIC USES AND PURPOSES AUTHORIZED BY LAW AND FOR A PARK, PLAYGROUND AND RECREATION FACILITIES, A PUBLIC LIBRARY AND OTHER PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES UPON THAT CERTAIN PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE; AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO BRING AND PROSECUTE AN ACTION IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE CONDEMNATION THEREOF.

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Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of Resolution No. 4038. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Benstead moved to adopt Resolution No. 4038. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 4039

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE URGING OUR CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES TO OPPOSE THE TREASURY'S PROPOSAL TO TAX INTEREST ON STATE AND MUNICIPAL BONDS IN THE HANDS OF INSURANCE COMPANIES.

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Councilman Blount moved to dispense with further reading of Resolution No. 4039. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Blount moved to adopt Resolution No. 4039. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by the following roll call vote:

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 4040

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE TERMINATING FURTHER PROCEEDINGS TO ANNEX THAT CERTAIN TERRITORY KNOWN AS "ALONDRA ADDITION".

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Councilman Bradford moved to dispense with further reading of Resolution No. 4040. Motion, seconded by Councilman Blount, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Bradford moved to adopt Resolution No. 4040. Motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Drale asked that a letter be sent by Mr. Bone to Mr. William Sterling who did so much work in behalf of the City on this matter.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 4041

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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 3251 AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND L. J. THOMPSON.

Councilman Bradford moved to dispense with further reading of Resolution No. 4041. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Bradford moved to adopt Resolution No. 4041. Motion seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

ORDINANCES:

1. Deputy City Clerk Carleson presented for its second and final reading and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1195

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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. 613

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of Ordinance No. 1195. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Bradford moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1195 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

2. Deputy City Clerk Carleson presented for its second and final reading and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1196

1033
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. 623.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of Ordinance No. 1196. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Bradford moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1195 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

3. Deputy City Clerk Carleson presented for its second and final reading and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1197

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. 627. 1033

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of Ordinance No. 1197. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Bradford moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1197 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

4. Deputy City Clerk Carleson presented for its second and final reading and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1198

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. 629. 1033

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of Ordinance No. 1198. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Bradford moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1198 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

5. Deputy City Clerk Carleson presented for its second and final reading and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1199

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. 634. 1033

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of Ordinance No. 1199. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Bradford moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1199 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1200

1033 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. 637.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of Ordinance No. 1200. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Bradford moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1200 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1201

1033 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. 651.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of Ordinance No. 1201. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Bradford moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1201 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

8. Deputy City Clerk Carleson presented for its second and final reading and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1202

1033 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. 652.

Councilman Benstead moved to dispense with further reading of Ordinance No. 1202. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Bradford moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1202 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1203

1038 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DEFINING OWNER AND OPERATOR AND ADDING ARTICLE VII TO CHAPTER 19 (THE OIL CODE) OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" PROVIDING FOR

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THE REMOVAL AND ABANDONMENT OF IDLE OIL WELLS,
THE CLEANING OF DRILL SITES OF IDLE OR ABANDONED
WELLS AND HEARINGS BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

Mayor Isen moved to dispense with further reading of Ordinance No. 1203 at its first reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

Councilman Drale moved to approve Ordinance No. 1203 at its first reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead. A brief discussion followed, resulting in the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Benstead, Drale, Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Blount, Bradford, Vico.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Beasley.

The motion failed.

HELD OVER FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

1. Cost of relocating trees donated to the City by the Del Amo Estate Company.

Councilman Benstead moved that \$15,000 be set aside to relocate from Del Amo Estates to our City the trees donated and that the sum be taken from the unappropriated reserve. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale.

Councilman Bradford said many of the trees are those which the Company has been unable to sell. With this in mind, he said he was in favor of getting the trees for the City at a price, but wants no strings attached and will vote "No" until he gets more information which he won't have for about a week. Councilman Benstead maintained there are no strings attached. Councilman Blount maintained there are "lots of strings" and read a portion of the report of Public Works Department to which he takes exception, and in which a field trip is suggested. Councilman Blount took this field trip. He said according to our own employees we are restricted to a small section of trees which we could buy for considerably less than \$15,000. Mr. Blount said we should be very grateful for a great many of the trees on the Del Amo property if, indeed, those trees have been offered to us. However, he said we are being restricted to certain areas and some of the trees so located are not ones for which we would have reason to be grateful. 1091

Councilman Blount moved a substitute that the City of Torrance appoint a commission of Councilmen, of which he requested to be a member, to meet with the Del Amo Estate Company and learn just what we are being offered and what we are going to be spending money to obtain. He believes if the money is going for the trees to which we seem to be restricted, it would be a foolish expense. If the restrictions do not apply and the better stock is not going to be sold out in front of us, then we certainly are being offered a very fine gift by the Company; as it is, we have had nothing offered to us. The 30 or 40 large trees to which we seem to be restricted would cost more to move than they are worth.

Councilman Benstead said this is the first area. Councilman Drale said he had talked with Mr. Hoyer and believes also that the motion was to set aside the \$15,000 to wait for, if and when the City wishes to remove the trees. We are not paying the Company any money at all; it would be set aside for paying the expense of the employees to remove the trees which will be given to the City of Torrance gratis. Councilman Drale said the State is removing a lot of dirt and for the time being we are restricted to certain areas, but as time goes on, other areas will be opened up. We are not obligated to take one tree that we don't want.

Councilman Blount would like to see this in writing.

In answer to a question from Mayor Isen as to what the City might or might not have to take Mr. Peebles said he phoned the Del Amo people

and had gone on the field trip and visited the nursery and it was his understanding that we could take one or all. He said there are quite a number of smaller trees as well as the large ones.

Councilman Benstead, Councilman Blount and Councilman Vico were appointed by Mayor Isen as a committee to meet with Wade E. Peebles, Director of Public Works and the Del Amo Estate Company.

Both previous motions were withdrawn by their respective makers and Mayor Isen announced this would be back on the agenda next Tuesday for ultimate disposition.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Assistant City Manager Bone reminded the Council of the special meeting Monday, September 19, 1960 at 5:30 P.M. for the purpose of considering the rubbish collection situation and distributed copies of the specifications draft to all Councilmen; attached to which was a recent financial report of rubbish collection operations.
2. Councilman Benstead inquired of Director of Public Works Peebles the status of the construction of restrooms in the parks. Mr. Peebles replied that the bids were let and contracts mailed out.
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1053 3. Councilman Bradford said he understood there was a meeting in the City Manager's office with the Santa Fe people regarding the industrial tract last week. Mr. Bone reported that he believed Mr. Stevens had an appointment with them on Friday, the 9th, but he, Bone, was not in attendance. Councilman Bradford said he wanted something done and when such meetings are held the Council should be represented.
- 1132 4. Councilman Bradford asked Director of Public Works Peebles if there had been any word about the installation of the signal at Del Amo and Hawthorne. Mr. Peebles reported that the State is planning this along with the redevelopment of the entire length of Hawthorne through Torrance; and he believes after January 1st they hope to have plans completed on the entire area. Councilman Bradford said this project was started May 8, 1956 and moved that the Council contact Vincent Thomas as they did regarding the signal by the Broadway Store and see if pressure can be brought to bear. Motion seconded by Councilman Drale. Councilman Bradford said there is now a hydrogen plant just below Del Amo and trucks loaded with liquid hydrogen leaving the plant day and night. Local people seem to think there is a race track between Torrance Boulevard and the stop at 190th and somebody is going to get hit. On Del Amo and Hawthorne travel tanks and truckloads of very flammable chemicals. Councilman Bradford said we should really insist on this signal immediately. There was no objection and the motion carried. Councilman Bradford and Mayor Isen are going to work on getting something done.
- 1165 5. Councilman Bradford asked how the plans for the finishing of the paving of Del Amo between Crenshaw and Maple are progressing. Mr. Peebles reported the plans are completed, estimates made, specs 90% complete and it is in the hands of the appraiser, which Mr. Bone can report on. Mr. Bone said he had talked with Mr. Martin about the right of way. There is one particular piece that has several utility lines but he should have that report in this week. Mayor Isen asked that he be notified a few days in advance of the time of meeting with the Edison people.
6. Councilman Blount stated the Santa Fe offered to the City a group of streets in the industrial section and wondered what is being done about them. City Attorney Remelmeyer said the City Manager will be back shortly and will probably have a report. Councilman Bradford said in his opinion the City has already accepted them, but Mayor Isen said legally they have not been accepted.

7. Councilman Blount complained that Sepulveda Boulevard from Arlington west is in a continuous state of falling apart. He said he wants a report, not an expose, from the Department of Public Works about what is going to be done about it. He moved that a report be made by the Department of Public Works within two weeks. Motion, seconded by Councilman Bradford, carried, there being no objection. 1103

8. Councilman Drale directed the following problems to Director of Public Works Peebles:

a. Jack Rogers at the Jump'n Jack has been promised for two or three years that there will be some sort of intersection developed at his place of business. Are there any plans for that intersection? Mr. Peebles answered that the plans are 90% complete, expected to be completed this week and then go to the State. 0

b. When are the drainage projects going to go to contract, such as Crenshaw and 190th, Walnut and 238th, etc. Mr. Peebles said he would have to check with Flood Control.

9. Councilman Drale brought up the question of the residence of Jack Egan, Airport Manager, and stated he should not be an exception to the rule that all City people reside within Torrance. Mayor Isen asked that it be referred to the Assistant City Manager as a Personnel matter, but Councilman Blount agreed with Councilman Drale that a decision must be made one way or the other. 1009
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10. Councilman Drale said sometime ago Santa Fe was asked to clean up its right of way from Carson to Crenshaw and they have not done so. There is a question as to whether this was posted for weed abatement or not. Mayor Isen asked that it be referred to the Director of Public Works; if the property was posted, the contractor will have to clean it up. 1114

11. Councilman Drale said sometime ago we asked for a report on middle-of-the-street-parking on Torrance Boulevard between Cota and Sartori. The Blue Chip Stamp Redemption Center is getting to be a particular problem and he thought parking such as was established on Cabrillo might help. He asked for a cost estimate. Councilman Vico thought it was not a good idea; too dangerous. A report as suggested is to come from the Director of Public Works. 1082

12. Mayor Isen said he wanted to take up Dominguez Street again as he believes that railroad track goes nowhere. Mr. Peebles said once in a while they do run a train. Mayor Isen said it seems to him they could move whatever track they have over against the fence and that the \$78,000 cost is ridiculous. Councilman Drale said there is a 20 foot eucalyptus tree growing in the middle of the track. In a condemnation action the value of the PE's interest would not appear very great for a railroad and we ought to be getting some pictures taken now of the condition as it exists. Mayor Isen asked Director of Public Works Peebles for a comprehensive report. 1133

13. Mayor Isen inquired about the sale of used parking meters to the City of Redding. Assistant City Manager Bone said they were sold to Redding, the money was received, and he believes it was dedicated back into the parking meter fund. He will check and report on it. 1007

14. Mayor Isen mentioned about a year ago a breakfast to which the Council was invited by the Ministerial Association and asked for approval of the Council to reciprocate. October 12th was mentioned as a tentative date. Councilman Drale moved that the planning and expense of such a breakfast be authorized. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent). 1217

15. Councilman Vico asked Director of Public Works Peebles whether the installation of the signal at Tulita and 101 Highway has been started and Mr. Peebles replied there is some problem with Redondo Beach wanting to use gas tax moneys. For this reason it had to be re-advertised but he believes it is now at the contract signing stage.

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16. Mr. John M. Simmons from the audience had asked Councilman Vico about why we are going to private collection of rubbish. Councilman Vico told Mr. Simmons Mr. Scharfman, Director of Finance, had given a breakdown showing a loss of \$138,000. He asked if it seemed plausible to stay in a business which loses \$138,000. Mr. Simmons did not agree with Councilman Vico's logic and there was some conversation involving how many packers, how many men on each, the fact that in 1958 the City paid for it all, and the reasons it could not be done in the same way now. Councilman Vico contended the private collector could take over all the costs of insurance, keeping records, collection of bills, etc. He told Mr. Simmons it has not yet been determined that it will go to private collection, but in any event it will not be determined by the people at election because of the cost of a special election.

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17. Councilman Drale asked that the Assistant City Manager be authorized to purchase two microphones so people would not have to walk up to the front of the room to talk at Council meetings. There was some opinion that this would throw the system out of balance but the City Manager's office is to investigate the possibility.

18. Councilman Blount moved that all bills properly audited be paid. Motion, seconded by Councilman Benstead, carried by unanimous roll call vote of those present (Councilman Beasley absent).

19. At 10:05 P.M., Mayor Isen announced adjournment to an adjourned regular meeting to be held Monday, September 19, 1960, at 5:30 P.M.



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

APPROVED:



Mayor of the City of Torrance

Edith Shaffer
Minute Secretary