

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

Torrance, California,
April 21, 1924.

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of Torrance was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, April 21, 1924, and was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by President Gilbert. The following Trustees were present: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert. Absent: Smith.

The regular order of business was dispensed with in order to listen to protests against the issuing of bonds for the payment of the paving done in the 222-Plaza Del Amo district.

No protests were received, either written or voiced.

Engineer Jessup presented the assessment map for the work done in the 222nd-Plaza Del Amo district.

Trustee Proctor moved that said map be approved. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert.
NOES; Trustees: None.
ABSENT; Trustee Smith.

Clerk Bartlett read:

RESOLUTION NO. 172
RESOLUTION CONFIRMING PROCEEDINGS,
AND ORDERING WARRANT

Trustee Fitzhugh moved that Resolution No. 172 be adopted as read, and the same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Proctor seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert.
NOES; Trustees: None.
ABSENT; Trustee Smith.

The minutes of the special meeting of April 2, 1924, were read and approved as read.

The minutes of the regular meeting of April 7, 1924, were read and approved as read.

The votes of the election held April 14, 1924, were canvassed.

Clerk Bartlett read:

RESOLUTION NO. 173
RESOLUTION DECLARING RESULT OF ELECTION
FOR CITY OFFICIALS AND RESULT OF BOND
ELECTION FOR CITY HALL

Trustee Proctor moved that Resolution No. 173 be adopted as read, and the same filed in the office of the City Clerk. Trustee Fitzhugh seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Fitzhugh, Proctor, Zeller and Gilbert.
NOES; Trustees: None.
ABSENT; Trustee Smith.

In accordance with Resolution No. 173, Willis M. Brooks, J. S. Torrence and Robert J. Deininger took the oath of office as Trustees of the City of Torrance. *and R. K. Smith*

President Gilbert congratulated the new Trustees on their showing in the recent election, and also the City of Torrance on its good luck in securing the services of such men for the next few years, and stated that the old members would retire with good grace in favor of the new.

After the new members had taken their places, Trustee Brooks moved that Trustee Fitzhugh act as temporary chairman of the Board. Trustee Deininger seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Temporary chairman Fitzhugh stated that further formalities would be dispensed with and the matter of rezoning certain lots on Carson Street taken under consideration. After some discussion, Trustee Deininger moved that the Ordinance committee be instructed to redraft the Zoning ordinance so as to include Lots 7 and 8 in Block 17 and Lots 1 and 2 in Block 19 in the business district. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion and a general discussion of the matter followed, several property owners in the district participating. No suitable conclusion could be arrived at so the motion and second were withdrawn pending the arrival of the City Attorney.

A letter from the Regional Planning Commission giving the date of April 28th as the first meeting of the Board controlling the newly made Sanitary District No. 5 and requesting attendance by our Board President, was read by the Clerk.

Same was referred to the President of the Board for attention.

The Pan American Petroleum Co., by written request through Attorneys Wellborn, Wellborn & Wellborn, desired that their former application for a franchise be allowed to be withdrawn-expenses on same to date being taken from their former deposit-and that a new application for the regular blanket franchise be considered in place thereof, with remainder of former deposits to cover.

Trustee Torrence moved that the old application be allowed to be withdrawn. Trustee Deininger seconded the motion which was duly carried.

Trustee Torrence moved that proceedings looking toward the granting of a new franchise, as requested above, be instituted and the Clerk instructed to advertise same. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

AYES; Trustees: Brooks Deininger Torrence and Fitzhugh.
NOES; Trustees: None.
ABSENT; Trustees: None.

Mr. Jack Isenstien, in person, requested that Arlington Ave. north from the Columbia Steel Works be put in a more passable condition, and offered to furnish the labor if the City would furnish the material.

Same was referred to the Street department.

The Chief of Police reported the urgent need of a Boulevard Stop at the intersection of Plaza Del Amo and Arlington, also at Plaza Del Amo and Carson, stating that these corners were very dangerous since the improvement of the streets.

Trustee Brooks moved that the Ordinance committee be instructed to draw up an ordinance making a Boulevard Stop on both sides of Arlington at Plaza Del Amo and one on the south side of Carson Street at Plaza Del Amo. Trustee Deininger seconded the motion which was duly carried.

The Chief of Police also reported that water was standing along the water pipe line in the Mexican Village district--tending to rust and weaken the pipe.

Mr. Isenstein was to look after this matter and the Chief was to look after Mr. Isenstein.

Written communications were referred back to in order to introduce a map of a Subdivision No. 7955, as submitted by the County Surveyor. The City Engineer recommended the approval of same.

Trustee Brooks moved that above mentioned map No. 7955 be approved. Trustee Deininger seconded the motion which was duly Carried.

A recess was declared until the arrival of attorney Briney.

The rezoning on Carson Street was again taken up and discussed.

Trustee Deininger moved that the Zoning and Fire District ordinances be changed so as to include Lots 7 and 8, Block 17; and Lots 1 and 2, Block 19, in the Business district. Trustee Torrence seconded the motion which was duly carried.

A representative of Selby & Root asked that said company be relieved from the payment of the oil well license on two wells on south Border Ave., contending that they had already spent in the neighborhood of \$400.00 improving said street.

Matter was referred to the Superintendent of Streets.

Trustee Deininger stated that the American Legion contemplated the staging of another Fiesta this year, and requested that a permit for same be granted without a license fee attached.

The above request was granted on motion by Trustee Brooks, seconded by Trustee Torrence, and a majority vote.

Attorney Briney stated that the court would give its decision in the Sewer farm litigation this week.

The City Engineer explained the different routes available for the connection of the City with Perry in re the Dominguez Land Co's. letter.

The same was again referred to the Engineer for further report, on motion by Trustee Deininger, seconded by Trustee Brooks, and a majority vote.

The Chair appointed Trustee Torrence, chairman, and Trustees Deininger and Brooks to act as a temporary finance committee.

Trustee Deininger moved that all bills, properly audited, be paid. Trustee Brooks seconded the motion which was duly carried by the following roll call vote:

- AYES; Trustees: Brooks, Deininger, Torrence and Fitzhugh.
- NOES; Trustees: None.
- ABSENT; Trustees: None.

At 10:50 P.M. on motion by Trustee Torrence, seconded by Trustee Deininger, and a majority vote, the meeting was adjourned.

Albert H. Barrett
City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

W. K. Gilman
President pro-tem of the Board of Trustees
of the City of Torrance.