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Torrance, California  
March 2, 1965

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES AND PRESENTATIONS:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Torrance City Council was held on Tuesday, March 2, 1965, at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Those responding to roll call by City Clerk Coil were: Councilmen Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson, Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen. ABSENT: None. City Manager Ferraro and City Attorney Remelmeyer were also present.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

At the request of Mayor Isen, Mrs. Don Walker led the salute to our Flag.

4. INVOCATION:

The Reverend Fred Shively of South Bay Church of God opened the meeting with an invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On motion of Councilman Sciarrotta, seconded by Councilman Beasley, the minutes of the regular meeting held February 23 and the adjourned meeting of February 25, 1965 were approved as written, there being no objection.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Beasley moved all bills regularly audited be paid and his motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,  
Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

7. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Sciarrotta 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. The motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Mayor Isen complimented the City Clerk on the appearance of the agenda and gave a brief explanation of Council procedure for the benefit of the audience.

HEARINGS:

8. UNIFORM BUILDING CODE: Public hearing on Uniform Building Code, 1964 Edition. Proposed ordinance.

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

Mayor Isen announced this is the time and place for public hearing and asked if anyone was interested in being heard; there was no response.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to close the hearing and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1577

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING ARTICLE I OF CHAPTER 6 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" AND ADDING ARTICLE IV TO CHAPTER 6 WHICH ADOPTS THE "UNIFORM BUILDING CODE, 1964 EDITION" AND APPENDIX THERETO, AS AMENDED.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to waive further reading of Ordinance No. 1577 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Beasley moved to approve Ordinance No. 1577 at its first reading and his motion, seconded by Councilman Olson, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

HEARINGS: PLANNING AND ZONING:

9. CASE NO. 64-81 - VARIANCE - LESTER QUINN ET AL, 4016 Del Amo Boulevard. Resubmitted - continued hearing.

City Attorney Remelmeyer said there had been a request to continue this hearing for two weeks as Mr. Quinn has made the City an offer and it will take that long to evaluate it. The matter will be back on the March 16 agenda, a 5:30 meeting.

Councilman Sciarrotta seconded the motion of Mayor Isen to so continue the hearing. There was no objection.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:

10. DEL AMO BOULEVARD FROM HAWTHORNE AVENUE TO ANZA AVENUE IMPROVEMENT. Recommendation of City Engineer/Street Superintendent, with concurrence of City Manager and City Attorney, that City Council authorize the City Attorney to proceed with the condemnation of all necessary rights of way and slope easements required for the subject project, and that such condemnation shall be sought with orders of immediate possession.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in the recommendation as above stated and his motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:

11. UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE: City Attorney submitting Ordinance adopting Uniform Plumbing Code, 1964 Edition, and submitting for approval and adoption, resolution setting the time and place for hearing on adoption thereof.

Mayor Isen commented that this is merely a matter of setting the date for hearing and City Attorney Remelmeyer advised that the title to the ordinance should first be read and then the resolution numbered and adopted.

Superintendent of Building and Safety McKinnon stated with respect to increased fee, that it is a 50¢ increase as to each fixture.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1588

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 21 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" AND ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 21 WHICH ADPTS THE "UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE, 1964 EDITION", AS AMENDED AND APPENDICES THERETO.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil then assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 65-53

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING THE TIME AND PLACE FOR HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF THE "UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE, 1964 EDITION", as amended, AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE THEREOF.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 65-53 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING:

12. STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 10: Acting Traffic and Lighting Engineer with approval of City Engineer/Street Superintendent and concurrence of City Manager, submitting for approval and adoption resolution authorizing execution of contract with Laurence J. Thompson for professional services.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 65-54

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THAT CERTAIN CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND LAURENCE J. THOMPSON, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 10.

Councilman Miller moved to adopt Resolution No. 65-54 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

13. WHITE PASSENGER LOADING ZONE - NORTH TORRANCE LIBRARY.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 65-55

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING ARTICLE VII OF RESOLUTION NO. 63-34 BY ADDING A CERTAIN LOCATION THERETO.

by which a white passenger loading zone would be established on the south side of Artesia Boulevard from 110 feet west of Yukon Avenue to 20 feet westerly thereof.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 65-55 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

14. 25 MPH ZONE - CALLE MAYOR FROM ANZA TO PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY. Resolution amending Article I of Resolution 61-157 by which 25 mph is established as prima facie speed limits by adding a certain location thereto.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 65-56

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING ARTICLE I OF RESOLUTION 61-157 WHICH ESTABLISHES 25 MILES PER HOUR PRIMA FACIE SPEED LIMITS BY ADDING A CERTAIN LOCATION THERETO.

Councilman Vico moved to adopt Resolution No. 65-56 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Miller, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

FISCAL MATTERS:

15. Claim of Bertha F. Durborrow, submitted by Wright, Wright, Goldwater and Mack, for alleged damages incurred January 5, 1965 as the result of a fall on steps of Torrance City Hall.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to deny and refer the claim to the Legal Department. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried, there being no objection.

16. TRAVEL REQUEST - CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

Request for authorization for two commissioners to attend Western Regional Public Personnel conference in Honolulu, April 11 to 16, with appropriate expenses paid.

Mayor Isen said he does not think the City would derive enough benefit from this attendance to justify the cost, and said he plans to vote against granting the request.

Councilman Miller moved to concur in the recommendation to grant the requested authorization and his motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta. They stated a policy had been adopted on this type of request and there seemed to be no reason to deviate from it the first time it comes up. However, Mayor Isen contended that this policy included the provision that each individual request would come to the Council for appraisal. Councilman Olson recalled the program dealing with two A group commissions and the balance B group. The A group included Planning and Civil Service and were to be permitted

two members a year to attend a suitable conference and one member from each of the B group.

Councilman Beasley reminded the Council of the possibility that one of the Commissioners who would plan to attend may be a member of the School Board by the time of the conference. Councilman Miller said unless the policy is going to be kept, it should be changed, and Councilman Beasley agreed, stating these are not policy making bodies, but simply advisory groups. Councilman Olson recommended the matter be held for a week to study the policy as established. Mayor Isen recalled that the City Manager's cover letter on the policy had said each matter would come to the Council for approval and there would be the opportunity to appraise each request. Councilman Olson thought each trip was either necessary, or not, and the distance was not the prime factor.

Councilman Beasley asked the City Manager if the particular conference is worthwhile and Mr. Ferraro answered affirmatively. It is the Public Personnel Association, the one big conference of the year. It was the consideration of this particular trip which caused the policy to be established a few weeks ago. Of course, the Council has the right to review and amend any policy it establishes, Mr. Ferraro added, and he agreed with Mr. Olson's statement that if a conference is worthwhile the distance is not germane. At any rate, commissioners have been sent back to Chicago which is a longer trip than this one.

Councilman Sciarrotta spoke in favor of allowing the commissioners to attend as requested and Councilman Miller said if it is a matter of whether a person is elected or appointed, perhaps there should be some streamlining done on the Council's trips.

Roll call vote carried the motion to grant the request, as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,  
Sciarrotta, Vico.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Mayor Isen.

17. TRAVEL REQUEST - CITY MANAGER.

City Manager requesting permission to attend Sixth Annual Advanced Management Training Program in Chicago, May 23 to May 28th, with appropriate expenses.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to grant the requested permission and his motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley. Roll call vote was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,  
Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

18. TRAVEL REQUEST - ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF RECREATION. Request for permission to send Assistant Director of Recreation to 17th Annual California and Pacific Southwest Parks and Recreation Conference in San Francisco, March 20 to 24, 1965, with appropriate expenses paid, not to exceed \$200, a budget item.

Councilman Beasley moved to grant the requested permission and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,  
Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

19. TRAVEL REQUEST - PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION.

Request of Park and Recreation Commission, with comments of Recreation Director, Director of Finance, and concurrence of City Manager, to send one delegate to the California & Pacific Southwest Recreation Conference, with appropriate expenses paid; funds available in budget.

Councilman Miller moved to grant the requested permission and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,  
Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.

NOES: None.

20. EXPENDITURES OF OVER \$300 for COUNCIL APPROVAL:

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to approve the following two items of expenditure:

1. \$678.08 to Hersey-Sparling Meter Company for one 8" Hersey Model Detector Check - L. A. pattern for the Water Department.

2. \$513.76 to Lewellen Press for imprinting of 76 pages of Code of Torrance, 135 copies of each page, for Legal Department, a budget item - City Clerk's office.

Mayor Isen seconded the motion which carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,  
Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.

NOES: None.

AIRPORT MATTERS:

21. VACATION OF ALLEY - AIRPORT CLEAR ZONE. City Attorney, with concurrence of City Manager, submitting for approval and adoption resolution declaring its intention to vacate the alley in Block 1, Subdivision of Lot 30, Meadow Park Tract and fixing a time and place for hearing.

City Manager Ferraro asked permission to hold this for one week for technical review and it will be on the next week's agenda.

22. NOTICE OF COMPLETION - GRADING, PAVING, STORM DRAINS AND RELATED ITEMS AT TORRANCE AIRPORT (Contractor: H. N. Hanson Constr. Co.) Recommendation of City Engineer/Street Superintendent with concurrence of City Manager, that Council accept the work.

Councilman Beasley moved to accept the work and his motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta. Roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

23. REQUEST FOR PROGRAM CHANGES, FAAP 9-04-123-04. Airport Manager submitting proposed program changes.

There were two items of recommendation and City Manager Ferraro asked that the second be deleted. As recommended, then, the Airport Manager would be authorized and directed to file the attached request for a program change to FAAP 9-04-123-04.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in the recommendation above stated and his motion was seconded by Councilman Olson. Roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

FIRE OPERATIONS:

24. BIDS - EMERGENCY GENERATORS. Recommendation of Fire Chief, with concurrence of City Manager, that subject generators be purchased from lowest bidder, Wycó Engineering, in the amount of \$3,040.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur in awarding the bid as stated and his motion was seconded by Mayor Isen. Roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,  
Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:

25. NOTICE OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY DIVISION, League of California Cities meeting to be held March 4, 1965.

The Council took note of the meeting and Mayor Isen announced that Thursday is also the time for award of trophies in the Torrance Beautiful Commission's Annual Essay Contest.

26. CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Proposed by-laws for ratification by City Council.

Councilman Olson and Councilman Lyman felt there should be more difference in the names of several committees dealing with different projects. Mayor Isen said the number of members of the committee should be set out. Assistant City Manager Scharfman pointed out that was done in the resolution which established the committee and the by-laws regulate the internal affairs of the Committee.

Councilman Sciarrotta found fault with Article VI of Section II regarding majority and quorum, in that it should state a majority of the membership shall represent a quorum.

Mayor Isen told Mr. Scharfman the resolution set up the committee but this ratification would become an official approval by the Council and the resolution would become a part of the official rules to guide the committee. City Attorney Remelmeyer said he did not believe it made any great difference; it is only a matter of clarity. The Council has the power of appointing the members. Councilman Beasley feared there might be an overlapping of duties and authority between the various advisory committees.

Mayor Isen thought Section I of Article III MEMBERSHIP should be deleted in that the Council creates the membership and suggested these by-laws be held for a week or two. Councilman Sciarrotta repeated his criticism of Article VI, Section II.

There is to be a meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee on this Thursday evening, March 4th.

Councilman Olson asked if it would not be possible to coordinate the resolution and by-laws so an outsider could see the whole thing in one document. Mr. Scharfman said the resolution has a provision that this Committee shall establish by-laws. He was asked to keep in mind that the resolution sets up the committee and that the resolution and by-laws should be regarded as one governing document. With that in mind, the by-laws will be reconsidered and come before the Council in a couple of weeks.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

27. At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil presented for second reading, and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1579

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING SECTION 15 I 6 to APPENDIX I (THE OFFICIAL LAND USE ORDINANCE) OF "THE CODE OF THE

CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" TO PROVIDE PARKING LOT  
IMPROVEMENT STANDARDS.

Councilman Vico moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1579 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta. Roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

28. At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil presented for second reading, and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1580

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING SECTION 12.13.1 TO ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 12 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" TO REPEAL SECTION 14.20 OF DIVISION 2 ARTICLE 14, OF THE UNIFORM FIRE CODE ENTITLED "LOCATION OF SPRAY FINISHING OPERATIONS" AND SUBSTITUTING A NEW PROVISION THEREFOR.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1580 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

29. At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil presented for second reading, and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1581

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING ARTICLE VII ENTITLED 'GRADING' OF CHAPTER 25 OF 'THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" AND ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 37 RELATING TO THE SAME SUBJECT.

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1581 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

30. ORDINANCES NO. 1583, 1585 and 1587 are to be acted upon on March 9, 1965, an 8:00 o'clock meeting and Councilman Sciarrotta moved to so continue the readings. His motion was seconded by Mayor Isen and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

The hour of 6:00 having arrived, on motion of Councilman Beasley, seconded by Mayor Isen, the Council declared a recess in order to hold the Redevelopment Agency meeting, and reconvened at 6:02 p.m.

ITEMS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

31. RESOLUTION RE LICENSE AGREEMENT ON ENCROACHMENT AT 18930 HAWTHORNE.

City Attorney Remelmeyer asked that this matter be held for two weeks and there was no objection.

32. RESOLUTION GRANTING VARIANCE IN CASE NO. 64-62, Prairie Avenue Church.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 65-57

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF

TORRANCE GRANTING A VARIANCE FROM THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 8 OF APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" AS APPLIED FOR IN PLANNING COMMISSION CASE NO. 64-62 - PRAIRIE AVENUE CHURCH.

Councilman Vico moved to adopt Resolution No. 65-57 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Olson, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

33. UNAUTHORIZED SALE OF VEHICLES. City Attorney submitting for approval at first reading ordinance adding Section 15S entitled "Unauthorized Sale of Vehicles on Vacant Lots" to Appendix I of the code, to prohibit the unauthorized sale of vehicles on vacant lots.

Mayor Isen reminded City Attorney Remelmeyer of an amendment made or suggested by Councilman Sciarrotta and which is not incorporated into the ordinance proposed. The wording was to have followed (a) of 1. S. as follows:

" . . . , or on other premises with permission of the owner or lessee."

Because this constitutes a substantial change, City Attorney Remelmeyer said it should now be a first reading, and bear a different number.

Councilman Beasley moved to incorporate the language quoted above and his motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman. There was no objection. At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1589

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADDING SECTION 15S ENTITLED "UNAUTHORIZED SALE OF VEHICLES ON VACANT LOTS" TO APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" TO PROHIBIT THE UNAUTHORIZED SALE OF VEHICLES ON VACANT LOTS.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to approve Ordinance No. 1589 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

ADDENDUM ITEMS:

34. REQUEST FOR REFUND OF DRAINAGE FEES: Recommendation of City Manager/ Street Superintendent, with concurrence of City Manager, that drainage improvement fees, in the amount of \$1,326.50 be refunded to Gilco Developers.

Councilman Beasley moved to refund the amount as stated. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta and carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,  
Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

35. REFUND OF BUILDING PERMIT FEES - 3020 Pacific Coast Highway. Recommendation of Superintendent of Building and Safety, with concurrence of City Manager, that the request for refund of building fees, in the amount of \$2580.50 by Gilbert Sellan be approved, subject to the comments of the Director of Finance.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in the recommendation subject as stated to full payment or setoff of all amounts due the City before any refund is issued. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta and carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,  
Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

36. PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Isen proclaimed March 26 to April 9, 1965 as GIRL SCOUT PERSONAL INTEREST MEMBERSHIP WEEK and presented the proclamation to Mrs. Phyllis Cloyd who introduced her young son who was attending toward his Boy Scout Merit Badge.

37. PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Isen proclaimed March 7 to 13 as NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN'S WEEK, the theme of which is a springtime salute to the business women and presented the proclamation to Mrs. Helen Geesen, President of the Torrance Business and Professional Women's Club.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

38. City Manager Ferraro introduced from the audience, Mr. J. B. Mosley, newly elected Chairman of the Auditorium Advisory Committee; Mr. William J. Uerkwitz, Chairman of the Citizens Advisory Committee for a Workable Problem and Mrs. Mary Walker, the Secretary thereof.

39. City Manager Ferraro reported that on the first full day of operation of the North Torrance Library 953 books had been loaned which he considers quite a record.

40. City Manager Ferraro proposed a salute to the Torrance School Board which has concluded a fine tree planting program at the various schools.

41. Councilman Beasley spoke of Walteria Park which is small in comparison with other neighborhood parks in Torrance and proposed investigation of the possibility of purchasing a sliver of land on the north side along the highway, as an addition to Walteria Park. Mayor Isen said this is very expensive frontage. Councilman Beasley asked that the Parks Department find out what the small bit of land would cost.

42. Councilman Sciarrotta appointed Mr. John Crain of 3753 W. 171st Street to the Auditorium Advisory Committee.

43. Councilman Sciarrotta called attention to the survey of City Managers' salaries, various amounts paid to managers of comparable cities. He moved to instruct the City Attorney to prepare a resolution which would establish the salary of Torrance's City Manager as \$23,000 per year which would then equal that of Redondo Beach which city has half the population of Torrance. The city manager is not a part of the Civil Service system of Torrance and his salary is established by separate resolution. City Attorney Remelmeyer added that this would be effective as of January 3, 1965.

Mayor Isen said he would reluctantly speak in opposition to such an increase although it would not be because of dissatisfaction with the present City Manager. He has no complaint on that score. At or about the time the present city manager was appointed, Mayor Isen said a survey had been made. In the face of the recent across the board increase to all employees, he thought it was grossly unfair to now start a comparison as to City Managers' salaries. He would have no objection, however, to a 3½% increase for the City Manager, and no objection to a review of his salary along with all others next January with adjustment as found to be advisable at that time.

Mayor Isen moved as a substitute that the City Manager's salary be increased, retroactive to January 3, 1965, to reflect a 3½% increase over what he now receives. Councilman Miller seconded, stating, however, that he believes Mr. Ferraro is underpaid and eventually will receive the proposed increase. There are still other discrepancies in City employee salaries and whatever is found to be true by the survey in January should

then put into effect.

Since Councilman Lyman has been on the Council, he said there have been two salary surveys, in neither of which has the office of the City Manager been considered. He referred also to the possibility that another City employee is receiving a higher salary than is the City Manager and felt the increase is properly considered without breaking faith to anyone.

Councilman Lyman and Mayor Isen disagreed as to some details of dates and amounts and Councilman Lyman asked that the record be brought forth to determine these details accurately.

Roll call vote on the substitute motion was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Miller and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Sciarrotta, Olson and Vico.

Councilman Vico moved to table the original motion made by Councilman Sciarrotta for two weeks and his motion was seconded by Mayor Isen. Roll call vote was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Lyman, Miller, Olson, Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley.

44. Councilman Vico said there used to be a no parking sign at the corner of Paseo de las Delicias and Pacific Coast Highway and the curb was painted red. That has been obliterated and he asked that the curb again be painted red to avoid a dangerous situation. He spoke of the corner near the Royal Carriage apartments, and the curb is on Paseo de las Delicias, not the highway.

45. Mayor Isen asked that the sidewalks be continued on in the small business development on the east side of Crenshaw near 239th Street, and now. City Engineer/Street Superintendent Nollac said the people have been notified by letter to proceed with installation of the sidewalks and he will report back next week on the status of the situation.

46. A Mr. Collins asked something about continuing offices in a residential zone. Mr. Stan Swarts of the Planning Department said this is matter on the agenda for Planning Commission tomorrow evening, or rather for the next Council meeting, which meets at 8:00 p.m.

47. Jay Nielsen, representing the Torrance Fire Fighters Association, asked for clarification of the motion in the February 16th Council meeting dealing with increase, particularly the \$10 additional allowance per month to Police and Fire employees which, the minutes stated, was from July 1, 1965 through December 31, 1965. That had not been his understanding of the intention of the Council. Mayor Isen had specifically added the date December 31, 1965 to Councilman Miller's motion because there will be a renegotiation as of January, 1966, and he felt all demands should be weighed again in relation to each other at that time. However, Mayor Isen felt it would certainly be continued regardless of other demands. Councilman Miller said he had made the motion on February 16th and the addition was made by Mayor Isen; he saw no reason to renegotiate and Councilman Lyman agreed. As the record stands now, it would be necessary to renegotiate the \$10 clothing allowance January 1, 1966 and in order to determine the intent of the Council, Councilman Beasley moved to delete the words "through December 31, 1965" from the 9th line of the fourth paragraph on page 3 of the February 16, 1965 Council minutes. Councilman Miller confirmed that as his intention and seconded the motion. Councilman Sciarrotta made the remark that this would make the \$10 a continuous matter and roll call on the motion was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson, Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

City Manager Ferraro asked specifically as to this matter if, once the Council has granted a fringe benefit, such as this uniform allowance, that it can never be brought up again - that it is not renegotiable. He was told it stands only until such time as the Council may see fit to vote otherwise. It will be contained in the budget and considered along with other items.

48. Mr. Bob Burks of 21420 Madrona Avenue asked about a patio waiver and was told to confer with the City Manager as to procedure on such items.

The Council meeting was regularly adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

*Vernon W. Coil*

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APPROVED:

*Albert J. Jones*

Mayor of the City of Torrance