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Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Torrance, California
March 1, 1966

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES AND PRESENTATIONS:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting, adjourned from February 15, 1966, of the Torrance City Council was held at 5:30 p.m., on March 1, 1966, in the Council Chambers 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 Attorney Remelmeyer and City Manager Ferraro were also present. Assistant City Manager Scharfman acted in the capacity of City Manager for the meeting.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

At the request of Mayor Isen, Mr. Jim Powers led the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

In the absence of the Minister of the Month, City Clerk Coil 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 meetings held February 8th and February 15th, 1966 were approved as written, there being no objection.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Beasley moved all bills regularly audited be paid. His motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman and 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 gave a brief explanation of Council procedure for the benefit of the audience.

HEARING:

8. APPEAL TO CITY COUNCIL ON #UP66-1 - DER WIENERSCHNITZEL DRIVE-THROUGH RESTAURANT. Location at Redondo Beach Boulevard and Atkinson Avenue. Recommended for Denial.

This is a formal hearing and Mayor Isen asked that someone speak on behalf of the proponents first.

Mr. John Galardi of 23 Caballero Road, Rolling Hills, originator of the restaurant chain, distributed pictures of the drive-through eating place and told what has been done to obviate the problems which occur in drive-through restaurants. He listed three problems: traffic, light and noise, and teenagers. The hours are arranged, he said, to be compatible to the particular neighborhood, and is usually to eleven or twelve o'clock.

Mr. Bob Trujillo of Middleridge, Rolling Hills, on behalf of the restaurant, felt the enterprise should be permitted in this C-2 location. He handles the real estate negotiations.

Those who spoke in opposition and as spokesmen for the large group of citizens present, were:

Mr. Earl Myers of 16227 Atkinson Avenue, Mrs. Robert J. Dashiell of 2833 West 163rd Street, John J. Grady of 1139 West 161st Street, Mrs. Kenneth Miller of 2809 West 163rd Street. All spoke of the danger to children and the fact that they had bought homes on this short street because of the freedom for their children and families.

Mr. Eide of 16222 Ardath Avenue, doubted that the wall which the restaurant people had mentioned would be built and he protested also from the standpoint of traffic, and the congregation of people which would undoubtedly result. He concluded by urging concurrence in the recommendation of the Planning Commission.

Mr. Philip Galardi of 3451 Val Verde, Long Beach, thought there was no reason for people to permit their small children to play unattended in the street. He spoke from the standpoint of the proponents.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to close the hearing. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley and there was no objection.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission and Planning Department to deny the conditional use permit here appealed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley.

Councilman Miller explained the purpose of conditional use permits as a control where property backs up to residential. In locations of different type, this problem would not exist.

Mayor Isen said each case must be decided on its own merits. He said he would vote in favor of denial in this case, but he would not necessarily oppose any application Der Wienerschnitzel might present - depending on the location and the surrounding area.

Roll call vote was unanimously favorable to the motion to concur in denial.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:9. ORDINANCE ON CASE ZC65-5.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1666

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 LOCATED BETWEEN NEWTON STREET AND THE SOUTHERLY CITY BOUNDARY NORTHWESTERLY OF VIA VALMONTE AND DESCRIBED IN ZC65-5. (Torrance Planning Commission and Joe Barton)

Councilman Beasley moved to approve Ordinance No. 1666 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

10. ORDINANCE ON CASE NO. ZC65-54.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1667

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" TO RECLASSIFY THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY WHICH IS LOCATED AT 1851 SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD AND DESCRIBED IN ZC65-54. (Robert Schimmick).

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to approve Ordinance No. 1667 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

11. ORDINANCE ON CASE NO. ZC65-55, DAN E. BUTCHER.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1668

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954", TO RECLASSIFY THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY WHICH IS LOCATED NORTHERLY OF THE SOUTHERLY CITY BOUNDARY BETWEEN HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD AND VIA VALMONTE AND DESCRIBED IN ZC65-55, TO BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE APPROVING A PRECISE PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT FOR SAID PROPERTY. (DAN E. BUTCHER)

Councilman Beasley moved to approve Ordinance No. 1668 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

12. ORDINANCE RE OFF-STREET PARKING.

Prior to the Clerk's reading of this ordinance title, Mayor Isen asked for an explanation of two different matters: one, as to charging employees for parking, and two, whether or not this meets with the approval of the large shopping centers. These questions were satisfactorily answered.

Assistant City Manager Scharfman called the Council's attention to two changes listed on an addendum sheet dated of even date, as follows:

1. That Section 38.32 "Sanitarium and Homes", page 5 be amended to read "For each lot or parcel of land used for sanitarium, children's homes, homes for the aged, rest homes, asylums and nursing homes there shall be provided one space for each 2 beds." (underlined words are additions or corrections)
2. That Section 38.85 "Grading" page 13, be amended to read Section 38.85 "Access".

With those changes, at the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1669

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SUBSECTION I OF SECTION 15 OF APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" ENTITLED "PROVISIONS FOR OFF-STREET PARKING" AND ADDING CHAPTER 38 TO SAID CODE ENTITLED "OFF-STREET PARKING" IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR NEW BUILDING PARKING RATIOS AND DEVELOPMENTAL STANDARDS.

The corrections will be incorporated into the ordinance for its second reading. On the motion of Councilman Lyman, seconded by Councilman Vico, the Ordinance was approved at first reading by unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Scharfman asked if the Council would direct the City Attorney to prepare an ordinance governing the fee in case of change of occupancy. Mayor Isen said if there was no objection that instruction would be given; there was no objection.

13. RESOLUTION GRANTING VARIANCE IN CASE 65-33, C. N. Cake.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 66-30

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING A VARIANCE FROM THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 15-I OF APPENDIX I OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" AS APPLIED FOR IN PLANNING COMMISSION CASE NO. 65-33 - C. N. CAKE.

Councilman Miller moved to adopt Resolution No. 66-30 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried as follows:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Vico.

14. TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO. 23693, 13 lots zoned R-1. Subdividers, Rippy, Armstrong & Burchfield; Engineers, Rush Surveying Company. Location is north side of 232nd Street and on the west side of Walnut Street.

Mr. Emmett Rush pointed out a change which should be made in Planning Commission condition number 14: Change the word "tract" to "street". Planning Director Shartle confirmed the correction.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur in the Planning Commission recommendation to approve Tentative Tract Map No. 23693, as revised, subject to staff and Engineering Department conditions. Councilman Vico seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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Mr. Leo Salisbury, with the consent of the Council to take this matter out of regular sequence, read a request for in-depth study of the Torrance Water Storage site between Rolling Hills Road and Crenshaw Boulevard, to determine if it could be developed as a park site, what delay would be involved awaiting construction of the proposed water storage facility, and total cost. He asked for a comparison as between this site and the Chandler property.

Mayor Isen asked him to present the paper to the City Clerk for proper filing. Mr. Salisbury said he and his neighbors would like to have an answer by March 28th. Assistant City Manager Scharfman believes it will take at least sixty days, but promised a report and a letter to Mr. Salisbury as spokesman for the group of homeowners, next week.

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STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:

15. EXPENDITURE FROM 1965-66 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET ITEM NO. 209 - 230th PLACE FROM ARLINGTON TO PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE. Recommendation of City Engineer/Street Superintendent, with concurrence of City Manager, that \$2,494.50 be appropriated from referenced account for relocation of power poles within roadway alignment.

Councilman Miller moved to concur in the recommendation as stated and his motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, carried, as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,
Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen
NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

16. NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALK IN PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY BETWEEN ROBERT ROAD AND CALLE MAYOR (B68-81)

Councilman Beasley moved to accept the work and make payment therefor to Sully-Miller Contracting Company in the amount of \$5,652. Councilman Sciarrotta seconded and roll call vote was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,
Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.
NOES: None.

17. PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING FOR MAPLE AVENUE FROM SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD TO MONTEREY STREET. With proposed resolution.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 66-31

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST AN AGREEMENT DATED MARCH 1, 1966, BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND C. M. LEONARD AND ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 66-31 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

18. IMPROVEMENT OF DEL AMO BOULEVARD FROM HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD TO ANZA AVENUE. Recommendation of City Engineer/Street Superintendent, with concurrence of City Manager, as follows:
(1) that \$50,000 be appropriated from 186.1 Gas Tax Funds for subject project and (2) that resolution be adopted.

Councilman Miller moved to so appropriate funds and Councilman Vico seconded. Roll call vote was:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 66-32

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR WORK TO BE ACCOMPLISHED ON A STATE HIGHWAY UNDER THE TERMS OF DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS ENCROACHMENT PERMIT NO. 766-E-764766 AND BY CITY OF TORRANCE PERMIT NO. 65-61.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 66-32 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

19. PAVING OF PASEO DE LAS TORTUGAS. Recommendation of Engineering Department, with concurrence of City Manager, that request of developer be granted.

At the invitation of Mayor Isen, Mr. Jim Powers of 4202 Paseo de las Tortugas, came forward and presented a petition of 53 of the 66 residents of Tortugas east of Vista Montana, urging the maintenance of Condition No. 14 of Tract Map 30152, Barton Construction Company, subdivider, which states that access not be allowed through Paseo de las Tortugas during the construction phase.

The current request is for permission to bring in the necessary paving material for the hillside tracts now under construction along the improved portion of the street.

Mayor Isen suggested that Mr. Powers and Mr. Barton confer in an adjoining room toward a possible solution and report later in the meeting.

20. RESOLUTION re condemnation of property for improvement and widening of Del Amo Boulevard from Hawthorne to Anza Avenue.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 66-33

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND NECESSITY REQUIRE THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION BY THE SAID CITY OF TORRANCE OF CERTAIN PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, TO WIT, THE CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION AND EXTENSION OF A PUBLIC HIGHWAY OVER AND ACROSS THOSE CERTAIN PARCELS 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. (Del Amo Boulevard - Hawthorne to Anza)

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Resolution No. 66-33 and his motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman. Roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:

21. REQUEST FOR COMMERCIAL USE OF A TRAILER. Recommendation of Superintendent of Building and Safety, with concurrence of City Manager, that the request of Larry Reed Sports Car Company for commercial use of a trailer be denied.

Mr. Larry Reed was present and explained his request. He pointed out that the City is using a much larger trailer in connection with the Police Department. Mayor Isen reminded him that is a temporary use, whereas Mr. Reed's request is for a permanent installation. Councilman Olson explained why in some cases temporary use has been permitted. Councilman Vico spoke in favor of allowing Mr. Reed the use of the trailer. Mr. Reed stated he is now presently in a position to construct an office building.

Councilman Miller moved to grant permission for a period of six months and Councilman Olson seconded. Councilman Beasley moved a substitute to concur in the recommendation of denial; there was no second.

Even though a precedent has been set, Councilman Lyman said all applicants should receive equal treatment.

Roll call vote on the motion to permit the trailer for six months was:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley.

22. EXTENSION OF BUILDING PERMIT FOR 99 BED CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL AT 4027 SPENCER. Recommendation of Superintendent of Building and Safety, with concurrence of City Manager that the

request of Richard Kaley for an extension be granted.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur in the recommendation of approval of the Superintendent of Building and Safety. His motion was seconded by Councilman Miller and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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On motion of Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Vico, this meeting was recessed in order to hold the Redevelopment Agency meeting. The Council returned to its agenda following that meeting and a general recess, at 6:40 p.m.

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23. USE OF SEASIDE SUMP FOR LITTLE LEAGUE RESTROOMS. Recommendation of Superintendent of Building and Safety, with concurrence of City Manager, that the request for permission to erect a restroom building on Seaside Sump by Torrance American Little League, be granted.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur and waive all fees. Councilman Vico seconded.

Superintendent of Building and Safety said he feels within two years the City will not want those buildings there and asked that if the City decides to deepen or improve the sump the provision be included that the buildings will be moved within a thirty-day notice period, so as to safeguard the City. City Attorney Remelmeyer said that provision will be incorporated into the lease.

Roll call vote was unanimously favorable to Councilman Beasley's motion.

REAL PROPERTY:

24. COMMUNICATION FROM TELO KOLETOS RE SALE OF HIS PROPERTY.

Mr. Koletos had asked that this matter be postponed for a week and there was no objection. It will appear on the March 8th agenda, an eight o'clock meeting.

FISCAL MATTERS:

26. EXPENDITURES OF OVER \$300.

Councilman Beasley moved to approve the following listed expenditures:

1. \$824.84 to Hersey-Sparling Meter Company for one 4 inch combination detector check and compound meter for the new Police Building, a budget item.
2. \$394.16 to Jamison Mfg. Company for gymnastic equipment to be used as regular budget items for Recreation Department.
3. \$1,852.36 to Vel's Ford for one half ton pick-up truck for Recreation Department, a regular budget item.

4. \$703.04 to Henry Pratt Company for a 16 inch diameter submersible butterfly valve to be used by the Water Department on the well development program which has been appropriated for by the Council.
5. \$350.37 to Torrance Cycle and Sport Shop for miscellaneous archery equipment to be used by the Recreation Department in the City Archery program to start April 1, 1966.
6. \$310.96 to Joslin Lumber Company for miscellaneous lumber used in the new Street-Sanitation office, previously approved and appropriated for by Council.
7. \$841.82 to Western Water Works Supply Company for one vertical valve (16 inch) with spur gear, to be used by the Water Department, as a regular budget item.
8. \$847.64 to J. Jones Company for 50 one inch angle valves and miscellaneous couplings for stock at Water Yard, regular budget items.
9. \$545.15 to Western Water Works Supply Company for miscellaneous water pipe parts and fittings to be used by Water Department, as regular budget items.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson, Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.
 NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

27. CLAIM of Ray Vane, Inc. for clean up of flood damage caused by rains in November, December and January.
28. Claim of Brott and Feldan Law Offices for Leo Levy whose vehicle was damaged on January 19, 1966, on the Santa Ana Freeway at south Broadway off-ramp.
29. CLAIM of Harold W. Spores for damage to his vehicle from chuck holes on Torrance Boulevard west of Madrona Avenue, February 1, 1966.
30. CLAIM of Rolling Hills Interiors for damages caused by water, dirt, mud and debris on December 29, 1965.
31. CLAIM of Rolling Hills Interiors for damage caused by water, dirt, mud and debris on January 30, 1966.
32. CLAIM of Mr. Jesse L. Williams for damage to his property on January 30, 1966.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved, as to Items 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32, denial and referral to the City Attorney's office. Councilman Miller seconded the motion which carried by unanimous roll call vote.

33. TIME EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HUMANE SOCIETY. City Manager, submitting for approval and adoption, resolution authorizing the execution of letter agreement extending for the fourth time the term of the April 23, 1962 agreement for pound services between the City and SPCA, doing business as the Southern California Humane Society.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 66-34

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THAT CERTAIN LETTER AGREEMENT EXTENDING FOR THE FOURTH TIME THE TERM OF THE APRIL 23, 1962 AGREEMENT FOR POUND SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND SPCA DOING BUSINESS AS THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HUMANE SOCIETY.

Councilman Vico moved to adopt Resolution No. 66-34 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

34. PURCHASE OF 300 MONTEREY PINE TREES: Letter of recommendation to purchase trees for Park Department, to be used in median strips, parkways, Civic Center and new parks.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in the recommendation to purchase these trees and his motion, seconded by Councilman Miller, carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson, Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

Assistant City Manager Scharfman stated Chief Koenig has informed Management that eight juveniles have been apprehended for the vandalism by which trees were destroyed at El Nido Park. Under the Civil Code they may be ^{SUE D} used for as much as \$300 each, payable by the parents. If the City is successful in this suit which they intend to file, it may be possible to purchase more trees.

35. RESOLUTION authorizing execution of agreement with Cotton and Francisco for auditing services to the City, 1965-66.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 66-35

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND COTTON AND FRANCISCO FOR AUDITING SERVICES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1965-66.

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Resolution No. 66-35 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

36. TRAVEL REQUEST - WESTERN REGIONAL PUBLIC PERSONNEL CONFERENCE. Request for authorization for two Civil Service Commissioners and Personnel Director to attend above conference in Fresno, April 24-27, 1966.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to authorize the personnel mentioned to attend with appropriate expenses allowed. His motion

was seconded by Councilman Miller and carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,
Sciarrotta, Vico, and Mayor Isen.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

AIRPORT MATTERS:

37. REQUEST FROM LOUIS B. GERARDIN, PENINSULA AVIATION, TO MAKE BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS. Airport Commission President's recommendation of approval.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to grant the request. His motion was seconded by Mayor Isen and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

38. NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF INSTALLATION OF CHAIN LINK FENCES AT TORRANCE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT (B65-94). Submitted for approval.

Councilman Olson moved to grant the requested approval. His motion was seconded by Mayor Isen and carried by unanimous roll call vote. The motion includes payment for the fences.

POLICE OPERATIONS:

39. REQUEST FOR REPLACEMENT OF POLICE VEHICLE: Police Chief, with concurrence of City Manager, submitting request for replacement of police vehicle.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in the request and recommendation to so replace the vehicle. 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.

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

25. Request for information, from Sam Hunegs, representing Council 20 of State, County and Municipal employees, regarding the position of Garage Foreman.

Mr. Hunegs outlined the events and official action which has been taken to date in this matter and asked why the employee is continuing to function in the capacity of Garage Foreman, whereas another employee who should have been promoted to the position, has not been.

Assistant City Manager Scharfman said Management had been prepared to take the action Mr. Hunegs mentioned; however, on reviewing the Civil Service Commission minutes and talking to the City Attorney, have decided there should be a full hearing before the Commission. This is in accordance with the opinion rendered by the City Attorney. City Attorney Remelmeyer orally confirmed this understanding that there has not been a hearing which would conform to due process. The City Manager can take what action he wishes, but since he has not discharged during the probationary period for lack of qualification and any action which the Commission may take must be sustained in the courts, he believed the Commission should give Mr. Rozendal a full hearing before finding him unqualified. He believes the case will go to court and wants to have followed due process.

City Manager Ferraro stated the probationary period can be extended if that is found to be necessary. Councilman Olson asked if it would be possible for the courts to reverse the City and put this man back in the position and City Attorney Remelmeyer stated his purpose at this time is to minimize that possibility.

Mr. Hunegs said he has no objection to the hearing, but wished to make a statement for the record:

1. Mr. Rozendal did not have a case, nor did he have a right to request a hearing. On the Civil Service Commission determining that he was not qualified, it became incumbent on the City Manager to do something to resolve the situation in good faith which he has refused to do and hence, placed the City in an awkward position. Mr. Hunegs asked that the record show that he believes the City Manager's refusal and persistence is causing a waste of the people's money. There is a specific time for appeal and no appeal has been made. While he is confident that justice will eventually be done, the entire situation is unnecessarily costly and wrong. This case will set a precedent whereby a probationary employee is to be granted an appeal. He hopes that such an avenue of appeal will be included in the new Civil Service rules which are being compiled.

Assistant City Manager Scharfman said the City Manager's office wishes to abide by the City Attorney's recommendation and if the Civil Service Commission finds that Mr. Rozendal is unqualified, he will be removed. Mr. Remelmeyer said the six months period must not be allowed to lapse.

Personnel Director Donovan said it is planned to call a special meeting of the Civil Service Commission, probably Monday, March 7th.

Councilman Beasley asked City Manager Ferraro why this employee who has been found to be unqualified, has not been fired. Mr. Ferraro answered that he has an opinion from the City Attorney that that is not adequate as far as the Civil Service Commission is concerned. Councilman Beasley believed by so doing, the City Manager is forcing the Council to set a precedent.

City Attorney Remelmeyer repeated that the Commission is not trying to determine whether this man can perform the job; it's whether or not he met certain legal specifications. A hearing must be held before the man is removed from a job on a legal basis. There is no such thing as appeal from a determination that he cannot actually perform the work. He did not believe this would set any untoward precedent.

Councilman Olson reminded the Council that if this man is determined to be unqualified to the job to which he was promoted, he will return to his previous classification. City Attorney Remelmeyer repeated in order to so find, evidence must be taken and the Commission must hold a complete hearing. He has a right to present his case before any determination is made by the Civil Service Commission.

Mr. Hunegs read the section dealing with rejection of a probationary employee.

Mayor Isen said a motion would in order that the Civil Service Commission hold a hearing as recommended by the City Attorney, to determine if this man was qualified - as soon as possible within their calendar. Councilman Olson so moved and Councilman Miller seconded.

Roll call vote on the motion was:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley.

City Manager Ferraro asked clarification as to whether or not any emergency meetings should be considered and Mayor Isen told him the purpose of the motion is to do so and in an expeditious manner.

Attorney MacCabe who was present on this matter was told the meeting will be within a few days.

WATER SYSTEM:

40. REQUEST TO OVERHAUL WELL NO. 3: Water Superintendent, with concurrence of City Manager and City Engineer/Street Superintendent, requesting permission to pull and reinstall well pump at #3 well, Ocean Avenue and 226th Street and sand-pump and surge the well.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to grant the requested permission and his motion, seconded by Councilman Miller, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

41. REQUEST TO RETAIN JAMES M. MONTGOMERY, CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. TO STUDY WATER RATES.

Councilman Vico did not think this expense necessary. Councilman Sciarrotta also thought the survey could be made by management. Councilman Olson thought it more important to remain "in the black" as now than to spend money for water storage, etc. He thought some surplus sumps or holes could be used for water storage, and stress should be put on how to avoid putting a rate increase into effect.

Councilman Beasley moved this item be referred to City Manager for budget hearings. There was no second.

Mayor Isen moved a substitute that the whole proposal of a survey be denied. He said every effort should be made to acquire Dominguez Water Corporation and California Water Company so that all water customers may be treated equally. He is unalterably opposed to an increase in water rates.

Roll call vote on denial was:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

42. BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF OPERATING FACILITIES FOR THREE WATER WELLS - BID 66-10. Water Superintendent, with concurrence of City Manager and City Engineer/Street Superintendent, requesting that Southern Pacific Constructors be awarded the bid for the construction of operating facilities for three water wells.

Councilman Beasley moved to award the contract to the low bidder, Southern Pacific Constructors, at the figure of \$102,015 and reject all other bids. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico.

Roll call vote was:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

ELECTION MATTERS:

43. RESOLUTION calling election and establishing polling places.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 66-36

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF THE HOLDING OF A GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN SAID CITY ON TUESDAY, THE 12th DAY OF APRIL, 1966, FOR THE ELECTION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS OF SAID CITY AS REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SAID CITY OF CERTAIN QUESTIONS, PROPOSITION OR MEASURES RELATING TO (A) COMPENSATION OF CITY COUNCILMEN; (B) COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR; (C) EXPOSURE OF FEMALE BREASTS.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 66-36 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:

44. PROCLAMATION OF "NATIONAL FIFTY AND OVER BOWLING CLUB DAY" March 6, 1966.

Mayor Isen so proclaimed.

45. JUDGE FOR THE MISS TORRANCE CONTEST:

Mayor Isen suggested Councilman Olson but it developed he was going to be out of town on the day in question and the same was true of other councilmen mentioned. Mayor Isen appointed Recreation Director Van Bellehem and he accepted the appointment.

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Mr. Barton had returned to the Council Chambers and at the request of Mayor Isen he reported the progress as to solution of the problem in Item 19 tonight. He said he had been unaware that the trucks were speeding on this street and causing a hazard to residents. He will send a letter of apology to the residents. The problem was caused by sub-sub-contractors. If this occurs again, Mr. Barton asked that the residents notify the Police Department. Upon completion of the paving a barricade will be erected to prevent any further deliveries during the construction period.

During the paving process which Mr. Barton estimates can be completed within five hours, the residents have consented that he may use the street and flagmen will be stationed at intervals to remind the drivers of the caution which should be exercised.

Councilman Olson moved to approve the arrangement which Mr. Barton outlined and his motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried, there being no objection.

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46. MEMO FROM TORRANCE BEAUTIFUL CHAIRMAN urging consideration of certain stipulations in the revision of the sign ordinance.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to refer these stipulations to the City Manager and the Committee which is working on this legislation. Mayor Isen seconded. In answer to a question by Councilman Vico, City Manager Ferraro stated the committee will meet at an early date. There was no objection.

47. PETITION containing 42 signatures requesting drainage facilities at approximately 236th Street between Madison Street and Hawthorne Boulevard.

Mayor Isen said if there was no objection this would be referred to the City Manager for preparation of a report to be back to the Council in two weeks. There was no objection.

WORKABLE PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:

49. CERTIFICATION OF WORKABLE PROGRAM. Review of progress.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to approve the analysis prepared by the Planning Department and his motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

ITEMS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

48. MONTHLY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT:

Mayor Isen said the councilmen will read the report. Chamber Manager Owens invited the Council to the Miss Torrance Contest and luncheon at the Indian Village.

Mr. Owens also said there will be a luncheon with members of the County Board of Supervisors on March 18th at the Indian Village and Mayor Isen hopes to confer with them prior to the luncheon. He asked that the councilmen be reminded.

50. NOTICE OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY DIVISION, LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES, March 3, 1966.

This item was ordered filed, the councilmen having taken note.

51. ESTABLISHMENT OF POLICY REGARDING RECORDING AND TRANSCRIPTION OF MINUTES:

Councilman Lyman moved to concur in the policy established and his motion, seconded by Councilman Miller, carried, there being no objection.

52. RELEASE OF SUBDIVISION BOND NO. 21-B-46243, PACIFIC EMPLOYERS' GROUP OF INSURANCE COMPANIES (Subdivider: Bert Murphy.)

Councilman Miller moved to concur in the recommendation to release this bond and his motion, seconded by Councilman Lyman, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

53. DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS - POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 66-37

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE POLICE CHIEF TO DESTROY CERTAIN CITY RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 34090.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 66-37 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:

RESOLUTION NO. 66-38

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO DESTROY CERTAIN CITY RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 34090.5.

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Resolution No. 66-38 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 66-39

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO DESTROY CERTAIN CITY RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 34090.7

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 66-39 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Lyman, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

54. REJECTION OF BIDS FOR POLICE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER, BID 66-12

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur in the recommendation to reject all bids in order for the Police Department to re-evaluate the equipment requested in the specifications and authorize the City Manager to negotiate for an optimum package and price. Mayor Isen seconded and there was no objection.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

55. ORDINANCE NO. 1663.

At the request of Mayor Isen, City Clerk Coil presented for

second reading, and read title to:

ORDINANCE NO. 1663

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" BY ADDING A PROVISION TO PROHIBIT CITY WIDE PARKING IN ALLEYS.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1663 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

56. ORDINANCE NO. 1664.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1664

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 36.6 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" TO PROVIDE FOR AN ADDITIONAL COLLECTION OF FUNDS FROM OPERATORS OF RETAIL ROUTES WITHIN THE CITY TO BE USED AS A DEPOSIT AGAINST UNPAID CIGARETTE TAXES.

Councilman Miller moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1664 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

57. FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 29715, Subdivider, Ralph Garland. Location North of 182nd Street and East of Prairie Avenue - 19 lots. Engineer: Lanco Engineering. Recommended for approval.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in approval. His motion was seconded by Councilman Miller and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

58. Mayor Isen called attention to a letter from the office of the Attorney General of the State of California regarding the Concrete and Steel Water Pipe Antitrust cases and a proposed resolution thereon. At his request, City Clerk Coil assigned a number and read title to:

RESOLUTION NO. 66-40

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CALIFORNIA TO CONDUCT LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 66-40 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Miller, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

59. Mayor Isen proclaimed March 7 - 13, 1966 as MEDIC-ALERT WEEK.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

60. Assistant City Manager Scharfman said the salary survey has been received from J. L. Jacobs and will be distributed at a meeting to be held at 3 p.m., Friday, March 4th. After a suitable period of time the Committee will schedule a hearing as recommended by the City Attorney.

61. Councilman Olson announced a meeting of the Council Airport Committee Monday, March 7th, 10:30 a.m. concurrent with Mr. Judd's request to meet with the committee. Anyone who is interested is welcome to attend and Mr. Olson said the committee would like to have one representative from each side of the question on the Airport Commission to tell his viewpoint.

62. Councilman Olson referred to the book presented to the council from the Citizens Advisory Committee and the Planning Commission and he complimented their efforts.

63. Councilman Vico referred to the Police Department Annual Report, which he did not believe should be distributed or revealed to the public. City Manager Ferraro said the matter has been taken care of.

64. Councilman Vico spoke of the possibility of a park at the borrow pit. At one time Mr. Chandler was willing to give the parksite in return for the pit. However the deal was not consummated and Mr. Vico expressed the hope that there would be some way to come to an agreement.

65. Mayor Isen said the YMCA would have its formal dedication on March 20th. He proposed a perma plaque resolution indicating the great influence for good of the YMCA and commending Joe Wilcox for the job he has done for the past ten years. He so moved and Councilman Sciarrotta seconded. Roll call vote was:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

66. Mayor Isen said it has been definitely established that Torrance is now the third city in the county, population-wise. On March 11th there will be the ground breaking by Great Lakes Carbon Company for a 12 story building which will be the forerunner of great things in the next five years. He suggested to J. Walker Owens of the Chamber of Commerce that these two events be tied together.

67. Mayor Isen reported on the trip to Sacramento of himself, City Attorney Remelmeyer and City Manager Ferraro which he believes is the end of the road as far as the South Bay College is concerned. At the time of the consideration of the area near Crenshaw and Sepulveda, Assemblyman Thomas' view was favorable, but has changed since the change in his district boundaries.

68. Mr. Charles Codd of 2403 West 232nd Street asked about the south Torrance oil wells and the zoning in that area. Mayor Isen said if there was no objection, this matter would be referred to Management and the enforcement section of the Planning Department. There is some possibility of a weakness in the ordinance.

69. Mr. J. W. Judd of 23505 Ladeene, said he had met with complete cooperation of the Airport Committee of the Council and expressed his appreciation.

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

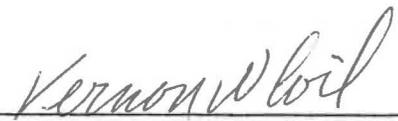
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Minute Secretary

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Council Minutes
March 1, 1966

APPROVED:


Mayor of the City of Torrance


Vernon W. Coil, Clerk of the
City of Torrance, California