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Adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Torrance, California
February 21, 1967

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 at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 21, 1967, 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. City Attorney Remelmeyer and City Manager Ferraro were also present.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Isen welcomed members of Girl Scout Troop No. 2008 from Central Torrance and their leader, Mrs. Goddard. He called upon Miss Michele Mayo of that group to lead the flag salute.

4. Reverend Joseph Yong, Minister of Education at Torrance First Christian Church, opened the meeting with an invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On motion of Councilman Sciarrotta, seconded by Councilman Vico, the minutes of the regular meetings held February 7 and February 14, 1967, were approved as written, there being no objection.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Beasley moved that all regularly audited bills 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, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

PRESENTATIONS:

8. PERMAPLAQUE AWARD:

Mayor Isen made an award of a perma plaque to the Torrance Lions Club and Explorer Scout Post No. 268X for volunteer service in the painting of the Albert Bartlett Adult Center Recreation buildings.

9. INTRODUCTION OF ALAMEDA POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS:

At the invitation of Mayor Isen, Captain Wilson of the Police Department introduced Sgt. Joe J. Totorica and Officer Robert W. Carlson of the Alameda Police Department, who have been in Torrance with their Alameda Police car for the past sixteen days, on an exchange program. Captain Wilson explained the program and Mayor Isen presented the two officers with permaplaques and on behalf of a Torrance business man who was especially impressed with the program, tie clasps to the two Alameda men and one to be delivered to their Chief. Sgt. Totorica responded appropriately.

Mayor Isen gave a brief explanation of Council procedure for the benefit of the audience.

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:

10. INSTALLATION OF WATER MAIN EXTENSION to serve Fire Station No. 5. Recommendation of Director of Building and Safety, that installation be authorized, with the approximate cost to be $3,941.31.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur in the recommendation as stated. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried as follows:

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

Out of order on the agenda, Mayor Isen asked that Item No. 29 next be considered, the request by U. S. Steel Corporation for waiver of improvements and dedication requirements on property located at Western Avenue and Dominguez Street.

Mr. W. K. Scott, 840 Van Ness Avenue, representing U. S. Steel, explained the reasons for the request as set forth in the letter dated February 20, 1967 signed by W. G. Davis, the Company's General Superintendent.

The Planning Commission at a special meeting on February 20, 1967, unanimously concurred in the recommendation of the Director of Public Works as follows:

1. That a waiver of curb, gutter and parkway improvements at this time be granted; and

2. That a waiver of dedication of widening along the east side of Van Ness Avenue, at this time, be granted on the condition that a City request for such dedication be processed through the corporation in an expeditious manner.

Councilman Miller moved to concur as to both conditions of the recommendation. Councilman Sciarrotta seconded.

In answer to a question by Councilman Beasley, Mr. Scott said he does not anticipate any problems as to the dedication on Van Ness Avenue. The improvement will involve $10,000,000 or $12,000,000 and open up a whole new future for the operation.

Roll call vote on Councilman Miller's motion was unanimously favorable.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING:

11. PROPOSED RESOLUTION re Street Lighting District No. 8.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-30

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AND CONFIRMING THE REPORT OF THE TRAFFIC & LIGHTING ENGINEER, DATED JULY 14, 1964, PREPARED PURSUANT TO THE PROCEEDINGS INSTITUTED UNDER RESOLUTION OF INTENTION NO. 64-142 (3) DATED JULY 14, 1964, AND LEVYING THE PROPORTION OR PERCENTAGE OF THE ASSESSMENT THEREIN REFERRED TO FOR THE INSTALLATION OF, AND FOR THE FURNISHING OF ELECTRICAL ENERGY AND MAINTENANCE OF, CERTAIN STREET LIGHTING STANDARDS, FIXTURES AND APPLIANCES, ALONG CERTAIN STREETS AND PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE, AS SHOWN ON DIAGRAM AND PLAN NO. L-8-64 (ALSO KNOWN AS MUNICIPAL STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 8), FOR THE FOURTH YEAR OF THE FIVE YEAR PERIOD CONTEMPLATED UNDER SAID PROCEEDINGS. (STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 8)

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Resolution No. 67-30. His motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

12. NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND LIGHTING OF SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD AND EASTERLY OF DEL AMO CENTER SERVICE ROAD. Recommendation of Traffic and Lighting Engineer, with concurrence of City Manager, that Council accept the work and that final payment be made to the contractor, C. T. & F., Inc. in the amount of $9,487.00.

Councilman Beasley 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.

13. PROPOSED RESOLUTION establishing Watson Avenue as a one-way street and PROPOSED RESOLUTION establishing NO PARKING 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., school days, on Watson Avenue between Manuel Avenue and Carson Street.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-31

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 63-301 WHICH ESTABLISHES "ONE WAY STREETS" BY ADDING A CERTAIN LOCATION THERETO.

Councilman Miller moved to adopt Resolution No. 67-31 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Lyman, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-33

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 66-53 WHICH ESTABLISHES "NO PARKING 8:AM to 4:PM SCHOOL DAYS" BY ADDING A CERTAIN LOCATION THERETO.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 67-33 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

14. PARKING RESTRICTION ON ANZA AVENUE BETWEEN DEL AMO AND TORRANCE BOULEVARDS. Recommendation of Director of Public Works with concurrence of City Manager, that a no parking limit of two hours be established on both sides of Anza Avenue in this area for each Wednesday from 10 A.M. to 12:00 noon.

Councilman Miller moved to concur in the recommendation as stated. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

15. RECLASSIFICATION OF POWER MOWER OPERATOR POSITION to that of Light Equipment Operator, Park Department.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur in the recommendation to so reclassify this vacant position. Mayor Isen seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

16. REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL MINUTE SECRETARY.

Mayor Isen remarked that there is no urgency on this request and at his suggestion, it was held for one week.

FISCAL MATTERS:

17. CLAIM OF AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA on behalf of Jack I. Friedman for damages sustained as result of city street sweeper accident, January 12, 1967.

Councilman Beasley moved to deny and refer the claim to the City Attorney. Councilman Vico seconded and there was no objection.

18. REFUND OF SEWER REIMBURSEMENT FEE COLLECTED IN ERROR. Recommendation of Director of Public Works with concurrence of City Manager, that $327 be refunded to Cobabe Bros. from the Sewer Revolving Fund.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur in the recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried as follows:

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

19. SPECIAL CENSUS: Proposed resolution attached.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-34

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE FOR A POPULATION ESTIMATE (BY ACTUAL HEAD COUNT) OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR PAYMENT TO PERSONNEL HIRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE SPECIAL CENSUS.

Councilman Lyman moved to adopt Resolution No. 67-34 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

City Manager Ferraro asked if the Council would please consider in this connection:

31. SPECIAL QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CITY-WIDE CENSUS:

City Manager Ferraro explained the reason for including this anonymous list of questions along the lines of the Planning Department transmittal letter. The plan would be that the City pay the return postage on those questionnaires which were completed and mailed, and the cost is estimated to be $1516.25

Councilman Olson moved to concur in the recommendation and Councilman Beasley seconded.

Assistant City Manager Scharfman expanded on the need for the information which this questionnaire would hopefully supply. It would, also, be necessary to get this program going because the enumerators will be going into the field March 1st.

Mayor Isen and Councilman Miller believed this had come to the Council quite suddenly and doubted the need or value of the information. Councilman Olson thought the sampling would provide useful data. City Manager Ferraro admitted the information, while it would prove helpful, is not necessarily vital. Mayor Isen pointed out the employees and time necessary to compile the results of such a poll. Councilman Sciarrotta wondered how many citizens would send in the completed list.

The $1516.25 mentioned represents only the printing and expected postage cost and Mr. Ferraro said he would not like to see disapproval of this questionnaire cost detract from the principal project which is the special census.

Mayor Isen moved to postpone this supplementary questionnaire until 1970 for consideration. Councilman Vico seconded.

Councilman Lyman pointed out that the information would undoubtedly be helpful, depending, of course, on how it is analyzed and interpreted. Mayor Isen said it would take at least $5,000 worth of time to do this analysis by City staff. There are many projects which Staff has not had time to work on and which he believes are more important.

Councilman Miller said he would like to see a projected cost of analysis after the results of the poll are obtained.

Mayor Isen moved a substitute to deny the request at this time and Councilman Vico seconded. Roll call vote was:
AYES: COUNCILMEN: Sciarrotta, Vico, Mayor Isen.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson.

Councilman Miller then moved to hold the item one week and have Management present it next week with some determination of cost of analysis after the results come in. Councilman Beasley seconded and there was no objection.

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At 6:15 p.m., Councilman Sciarrotta moved to recess for the purpose of holding the Redevelopment Agency meeting, from which the Council returned to its agenda at 6:18 p.m.

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20. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR CITY TRUCKS - REF. BID NO. B66-89. Recommendation of Purchasing Supervisor, concurred in by Equipment Superintendent and City Manager, to award contract to Newcastle Dodge, in the total sum of $8,041.28 including sales tax, the lowest bid received.

Councilman Olson questioned the fact that there was only one Torrance supplier mentioned in the summary of bids. City Manager Ferraro said nineteen invitations to bid were sent out.

Mayor Isen moved to accept the low bid of Newcastle Dodge as recommended by the Purchasing Supervisor and Equipment Superintendent. Councilman Sciarrotta seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

21. BUDGETED EXPENDITURES OF OVER $300.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to approve the following listed expenditures:

1. $411.11 to Southwest Flexible Inc. for 300 feet of flexible sewer rods with four sets of blades to be used by the Sanitation Department for line clearing.

2. $421.20 to Virco Mfg. Co. for 15 only folding banquet tables to be used by the Recreation Department at City parks for recreational activities.

3. $740.00 to J. Jones Co. for 100 one-inch angle water valves and 200 one and 3/4 inch adapters to be used by the Water Department for stock for water service requirements as needed.

4. $345.11 to Thor Power Tool Company to repair a Water Department Thor Boring Machine.

5. $692.64 to Lewellen Press for 10,000 printed moving citation forms; 10,000 printed parking citations; and 3,000 notices of intent to issue warrants to be used by the Torrance Police Department.

Councilman Miller seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable:

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

WATER SYSTEMS:

22. ENDORSEMENT OF WEST BASIN WATER ASSOCIATION STATEMENTS RE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT WATER PRICING POLICY. Acting Water Superintendent recommending Council endorse in principle statements prepared by Mr. Max Bookman opposing Metropolitan Water District's policies for fixing of rates for water on behalf of Central and West Basin Water Associations for ground water replenishment.

Councilman Vico moved to concur. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley and there was no objection.

ITEMS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

23. 1967 WEED ABATEMENT PROGRAM: Recommendations as follows from Director of Public Works, with concurrence of the City Manager:

1. That the City not proceed with 1966 fall cutting;
2. City initiate 1967 weed abatement program and
3. That Council authorize preparation and opening of bids for the program.

Councilman Miller moved to concur in the recommendations of the Director of Public Works and his motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta.

As a supplementary comment, City Manager Ferraro said more hand labor would be required because the machine is not coming close enough to curbs in some important places; also that the abatement will take place after the weeds have matured.

Roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

24. City Manager's communication re offer of George Binder to sell property in downtown Torrance.

The recommendation of the City Manager is to refer the communication to his office for investigation, review and recommendation to the Council in thirty days.

Councilman Miller moved to concur; Councilman Vico seconded and there was no objection.

25. PROPOSED RESOLUTION authorizing execution of hold harmless agreement between the City and Lillian Robinett for use of property at Crenshaw Boulevard and 235th Street for the placement of traffic signal appurtenance.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-35

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN LAND USE AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LILLIAN B. ROBINETT (KNOWN AS ROBINETT) WITH REFERENCE TO PLACEMENT OF TRAFFIC SIGNAL APPURTENANCES AT THE INTERSECTION OF CRENSHAW BOULEVARD AND 235TH STREET.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 67-35. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

FRANCHISES:

26. PROPOSED RESOLUTION declaring intention to award franchise to Southern California Edison Company and providing for publication of Notice of Public hearing thereon.

27. PROPOSED RESOLUTION declaring intention to award franchise to Standard Gas Company and providing for publication of Notice of Public Hearing thereon.

As to both of these items, Councilman Olson proposed that the Council hold consideration for one week. The South Bay Councilmen's Association is studying this matter and will meet tomorrow night. Mr. Olson also asked that a representative of the City Attorney's office attend that meeting. City Attorney Remelmeyer indicated his assent.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to hold the two resolutions until the February 28th meeting. His motion was seconded by Councilman Olson and there was no objection.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:

28. ORDINANCE NO. 1749.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1749

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING SECTIONS 6.9 THROUGH 6.9.8 (EMERGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 1746) OF CHAPTER 6 OF "THE CODE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, 1954" AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR NEW SECTIONS 6.9 THROUGH 6.9.8 INCLUSIVE; REQUIRING THE ISSUANCE OF A ZONING PERMIT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE RELOCATION OF A BUILDING AND PROVIDING THE PROCEDURE AND CRITERIA THEREFOR.

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1749 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

30. RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT BID OF CONSULTANT ASSOCIATES (Shirley Henry) in the amount of $900 as low bid for printing of 550 typewritten Multilith paper masters for the City Code Book, and that all other bids be rejected.

Councilman Beasley moved to accept the bid as recommended and that all others be rejected. Councilman Lyman seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

31. This number was evidently not used.

32. AMENDMENT TO LIBRARY BOND PROPOSITION:

City Attorney Remelmeyer explained this item as a change in the wording of the resolution and ballot proposition, to add the words "public library buildings" because the City may wish to construct another library in the southeast Torrance area and construct additions to other libraries.

In this connection, City Manager Ferraro asked what happens if a library is not built because of limited funds. Mr. Remelmeyer answered that there is no allocation of money for particular things; the money could be used for purchase of books, for example.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-36

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION 67-14 BY PROVIDING THAT THE PROPOSED MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT INCLUDE THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF BRANCH LIBRARIES.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to waive further reading of Resolution No. 67-36. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adopt Resolution No. 67-36 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Olson, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1750

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1748 BY PROVIDING THAT THE LIBRARY BOND PROPOSITION INCLUDE THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF BRANCH LIBRARIES.

Councilman Beasley moved to waive further reading of Ordinance No. 1750; his motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to approve Ordinance No. 1750 at its first reading. Councilman Beasley seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-37

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION 67-20 BY PROVIDING THAT THE BOND PROPOSITION CONTAINED THEREIN INCLUDE THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF BRANCH LIBRARIES.

Councilman Beasley moved to waive further reading of Resolution No. 67-37. His motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Resolution No. 67-37 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Lyman, carried by unanimous roll call vote.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

33. City Manager Ferraro said the beautification plan for Madrid Avenue is set up in the Conference Room. The money has been appropriated and if there is no objection after the council has viewed the plan, it will be implemented. A meeting is to be held with the people of the neighborhood, Friday of next week.

34. Chief Koenig said a check in the amount of $6,400.77 has been received from the Police Officers' Training Fund representing approximately 34% of the cost of training the City's police officers according to standards which have been established. The training will in time be expanded to include higher supervisory training than at present.

35. Public Works Director Nollac announced rubbish day would be the same as usual on Washington's Birthday.

36. Councilman Beasley said he would be glad to take any councilmen with him to League meetings.

37. Councilman Olson asked that the usual commendation resolutions be prepared for local citizens who had aided in the Boy Scout Parade, February 4th, be prepared. There was no objection.

38. Councilman Sciarrotta said he had received the music for the Torrance March and would like to have the Council consider what is to be done with it. He suggested having the Youth Band work on it and in the future have a formal presentation.

39. Mayor Isen said he had been thinking about the departmental examinations and thought possibly they could be handled with more dispatch. He referred to a request by the Personnel Department to repeal Ordinance No. 1462 which provides for state-wide examinations for Chief of Police and Fire Chief. If Ordinance No. 1462 were repealed Mayor

Isen said there would remain nothing to take its place. City Attorney Remelmeyer has advised him that Section 8.123 type of examination can be, if the Council wishes by 5/7 vote, enacted into the ordinance as amended. He believed this would be a happy solution and a logical way to deal with the problem.

The members of the Council were not clear on Mayor Isen's meaning and he repeated, as follows:

"The Civil Service Ordinance as proposed is very long, involved and complicated. Last week we did not repeal 1462 which is proper because there was nothing to take its place and the action of the Council was to refer it back, to come along, that is 8.123, to come along with the entire Civil Service Ordinance for study. I am pointing out that there could be months and months and months involved and it is not fair to anyone the way the situation sets up. I am saying if in principle we agree and I will read this very slowly, with what is now in the proposed Civil Service Ordinance, and I have it here, that this can be enacted as an amendment to the present Civil Service Ordinance and we will be functioning under it within the next forty or forty-five days. Now, let me read this and I am merely saying if the Council approves by 5/7 vote, we should put the machinery going on this and if and when it passes, becomes a law, then we would repeal 1462.

"Now, it says type of examination: 'The Commission shall determine in advance of every examination with respect to the examination shall be a promotional exam or an open exam; provided, however, that the determination of whether an examination for a department head position shall be an open or a promotional examination shall be made by the City Council after a recommendation by the Commission. Such determination shall be recorded in the minutes of the City Council.'

"So, the Council is not giving up anything - there have been rumors at times - but were we, as a matter of policy, to approve this tonight, we could instruct Mr. Remelmeyer to prepare such an amendment, we'd have this phase of the new Civil Service Ordinance out of the way and functioning and once it became effective, the Civil Service Board can hold hearings as to whether they want an open or a promotional in connection with the Fire Chief examination and refer this recommendation and the machinery could go."

Councilman Olson said the Committee is to have its last meeting next Monday night, which should solve the problem. The Committee favors 8.123.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved in accordance with Mayor Isen's remarks in order to get the examination a little faster and Councilman Vico seconded. There was no objection and it was understood City Attorney Remelmeyer will prepare the suggested amendment.

40. Mayor Isen said it is necessary to have a meeting with Supervisors Chace and Hahn on mutual problems. While he would like to have the entire Council attend such meeting that is

not possible under the Brown Act. He proposed such a meeting with Mr. Remelmeyer, Mr. Ferraro and Mr. Nollac attending, as well as two members of the Council to proceed along these lines. There are several areas which need exploration, clarification and cooperation. Councilman Lyman moved that the two councilmen be Jay Beasley and Ken Miller, with Ted Olson as an alternate. City Manager Ferraro will make the arrangements.

41. Connie Eredia who resides at 2057 Del Amo Boulevard, representing the Pueblo community asked what the problem is and Mayor Isen told her that Mr. Remelmeyer will furnish her a copy of the report immediately following this meeting. Mr. Ferraro said the City is working with Standard Radiator to tie into their storm drain to correct the drainage problem.

42. Mayor Isen introduced Don Hyde, now President of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, who represented U. S. Steel Corporation tonight.

43. Mrs. Carmen Rivera of 4003 West 235th Street, read a letter and delivered copies to the press, requesting the right to present further petitions in opposition to urban renewal at the continued hearing March 7th. The letter was accepted by City Clerk Coil.

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Vernon W. Coil

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

APPROVED:

Albert Isen

Mayor of the City of Torrance

Edith Shaffer
Minute Secretary