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Council Meeting held May 16, 1967, at 5:30 P.M.

SUBJECT:PAGEOPENING CEREMONIES AND PRESENTATIONS:

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| 1. | Call to order | 1 |
| 2. | Roll Call | 1 |
| 3. | Flag Salute | 1 |
| 4. | Invocation | 1 |

STANDARD MOTIONS:

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| 5. | Approval of Minutes | 1 |
| 6. | Approval of Demands | 1 |
| 7. | Motion to Waive Further Reading | 1 |

PRESENTATIONS:

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| 8. | Refund from State Compensation Insurance | 2 |
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PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

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| 9. | Ordinance 1773 - Helicopter Landing Facilities | 2 |
| 10. | Extension of Time, South Del Amo Corporation | 2 |
| 11. | Required Parking for New and Used Automobile Sales Lots | 2 |
| 12. | Request of Beverly A. Selvage re: ZC 67-3 | 3 |

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:

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| 13. | Proposed vacation of Pearl Street westerly of Howard Avenue,
Resolution 67-90 | 3 |
| 14. | Vacation of 228th Street - Resolution No. 67-91 | 4 |
| 15. | Award of Contract - Improvement of 242nd Street | 4 |

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:

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| 16. | Fire Station #5, additional work, fence and curb wall | 4 |
| 17. | Award of Contract - Chain Link Fence at City Yard, B67-17 | 4 |

TRAFFIC AND LIGHTING:

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| 18. | Resolution No. 67-92 - Street Lighting District #12 | 4, 5 |
| 19. | Traffic Signal, 247th and Crenshaw | 5 |
| 20. | City Traffic Engineer re: Sepulveda Boulevard report | 5 |

FISCAL MATTERS:

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| 21. | Claim of Antonio C. Martinez | 5 |
| 22. | Claim of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sirridge | 5 |
| 23. | Annual Arson Conference at Riverside, June 12th | 5 |
| 24. | Travel Policy | 6 |
| 25. | General Services Agreement | 6 |
| 26. | Expenditures of over \$300. | 6, 7 |

PARKS AND RECREATION:

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| 27. | Offer of Southern California Edison Co. and Columbia
Broadcasting System | 7 |
| 28. | Withdrawn (Los Arboles Park - Night Lighting) | |
| 29. | Donation from the Bowmen's Archery Club | 7 |
| 30. | 11th Annual National Recreation and Parks Assn. Dinner | 7 |

ITEMS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

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| 31. | Charter Review Committee | 7 |
| 32. | Removal of trees - 162nd St., 164th St., and Wilton Place | 8 |
| 33. | Daily Breeze regarding City advertising | 8 |
| 34. | Torrance Unified School District re: Sprinkler System Installation | 8 |
| 35. | Temporary Permit for Fashion Show | 8 |
| 36. | Release of Subdivision Bond, Tract No. 23031 | 8 |
| 36A. | Resolution No. 67-94 declaring intention to abate weeds | 8 |
| 37. | Proclamation - Park and Recreation Month - June, 1967 | 9 |

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

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| 38. | Ordinance 1772 amending Ordinance 1765 | 9 |
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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

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| 39. | Councilman Sciarrotta re: Police Officer Examinations | 9 |
| 40. | Councilman Sciarrotta re: Traffic on Crenshaw Blvd. | 9 |
| 41. | Assembly Bills 806 and 877 - Mayor Isen | 9 |
| 42. | Councilman Olson re: recognition for law enforcement agencies | 10 |
| 43. | Ray Saukkola re: retroactive pay | 10 |
| 44. | Armed Forces Day | 10, 11 |
| 45. | Walter Lindley re: resolution | 11 |
| 46. | Councilman Miller re: resignation of Don Walker, Torrance
Beautiful Commission | 11 |

Adjourned at 7:45 P.M. to May 23, 1967, 7:00 P.M.

Torrance, California
May 16, 1967

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

1. CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Torrance City Council was held at 5:30 p.m., on Tuesday, May 16, 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, and Mayor Isen. Councilman Vico arrived at 7:20 P.M. City Attorney Remelmeyer and City Manager Ferraro were also present.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

At the request of Mayor Isen, Mrs. Betty Barnes led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Francis Rath, Seaside Community Church, opened the meeting with an invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the minutes of the regular meetings of May 2nd and May 9th, 1967 be approved as written. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and there were no objections.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Beasley moved all regularly audited bills be paid. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta and carried as follows:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

ABSENT: Councilman Vico.

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 Lyman and carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Mayor Isen introduced, with pleasure, Leo DeBever, an exchange student from Helmond, Holland, presently attending South High.

A brief explanation of Council procedure for the benefit of the audience was given by Mayor Isen.

PRESENTATIONS:

8. Mr. Ron Hall, State Compensation Insurance Fund, Long Beach, presenting the City with a substantial refund check from its Workmen's Compensation Insurance premium, due to the good safety record of the City.

A check in the amount of \$45,000.00 was presented to the City by Mr. Hall, and accepted with gratitude by Mayor Isen.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

9. ORDINANCE (A & B) promulgating regulations governing the establishment, use and maintenance of Helicopter landing facilities in the City.

There was discussion regarding Ordinance A (proposed by the Planning Commission) and Ordinance B (proposed by the Airport Commission). Councilman Olson stated that Ordinance A had been favored by the Council Airport Committee, prior to their recommendation for further study. Mayor Isen felt Ordinance A would be an aid to industry, and recommended that the policy regarding conditional use permits for heliports be firmed up, the reference for same appearing on page 7, item c) 2) of Ordinance A.

Councilman Olson moved to concur with the Planning Department and Planning Commission that Ordinance A be adopted. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and there were no objections.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1773

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, PROMULGATING REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT, USE AND MAINTENANCE OF HELICOPTER LANDING FACILITIES IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to approve Ordinance No. 1773 at its first reading. Councilman Olson seconded, and roll call vote was as follows:

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

10. Request for extension of time from South Del Amo Corporation, ZC 65-6.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to grant the request. His motion was seconded by Councilman Miller, and there were no objections.

11. Communication from Planning Director re: Required Parking for New and Used Automobile Sales Lots.

Councilman Miller moved to concur with the Planning Commission recommendation for amendment to zoning ordinance 1754, off-street parking requirement for both new and used automobile dealerships. His motion was seconded by Commissioner Olson and roll call vote was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Lyman, Miller, Olson,
and Sciarrotta.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: Mayor Isen. (For the reason that the provision is impractical and unenforceable.)
ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Vico.

12. Communication from Mrs. Beverly A. Selvage, President, North Torrance Property and Home Owners Association requesting to appear before the Council re: ZC 67-3.

Mrs. Selvage, 2210 West 173rd Street, presented a petition of 219 signatures opposing ZC67-3 and the C-3 rezoning, and requested reconsideration of the rezoning on the property located on the north side of Artesia Boulevard between Van Ness and Casimir Avenue for the reason of proximity to the school. It is felt C-R zoning would be more compatible to the rest of the area, according to Mrs. Selvage, and, further, in the interest of safety, it was requested that the required alley not go all the way through to Casimir. Mrs. Selvage indicated a willingness of the residents to work out a more agreeable situation for the area; development would be welcomed but that of C-R zoning instead of C-3.

Mr. Gordon Phillips, 3667 Torrance Boulevard, representing Mr. B.A. Weschler, related some of the extensive history pertaining to this property, pointed out the conditional use permit requirements that control development, and that the limitations of C-R development are not feasible. It was further stated by Mr. Phillips that the burden of the precise plan is not warranted by this neighborhood since only 5 or 6 homes border the property -- the C-3 zone, with the buffer fence, seems equitable and would permit appropriate development.

Mr. Courtland Selvage, 2210 West 173rd Street, feels that more than 5 or 6 homes are involved, but instead the entire large residential area.

Discussion followed on the best avenue of procedure. Mayor Isen moved that this matter be postponed for two weeks to June 13th at 8:00 P.M. and that the property owners be so notified. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and there were no objections.

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At 6:15 P.M. Mayor Isen ordered a ten minute recess. The Council resumed at 6:25 P.M. as the Redevelopment Agency, and returned to its regular agenda at 6:32 P.M.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:

13. PROPOSED VACATION OF PEARL STREET WESTERLY OF HOWARD AVENUE
Recommendation of Director of Public Works that the City Council approve and adopt RESOLUTION declaring its Intention to Vacate Pearl Street westerly of Howard Avenue and set the date for a public hearing thereon.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-90

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO VACATE PEARL STREET, WESTERLY OF HOWARD AVENUE IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE; FIXING A TIME AND PLACE FOR A HEARING THEREON AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS RESOLUTION.

Councilman Miller moved that Resolution No. 67-90 be adopted. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta and carried by unanimous roll call vote. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

14. VACATION OF 228TH STREET BETWEEN SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD AND THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF THE ATCHISON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILWAY CO. Recommendation of Director of Public Works that attached RESOLUTION ordering the vacation of a portion of 228th Street be approved and adopted.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-91

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ORDERING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF 228TH STREET BETWEEN SEPULVEDA BOULEVARD AND THE ATCHISON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY RIGHT-OF-WAY IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 67-91, and the motion, seconded by Councilman Beasley, carried by unanimous roll call vote. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

15. AWARD OF CONTRACT - IMPROVEMENT OF 242ND STREET FROM HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD TO PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY AND THE ALLEY EAST OF PARK STREET FROM 242ND STREET TO 250 FEET SOUTH OF 242ND STREET (B67-16, Job #67025). Recommendation of Director of Public Works that contract for the subject property be awarded to EVERETT L. FOSTER and all other bids be rejected.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the recommendation of the Director of Public Works awarding the subject bid to Everett L. Foster and rejecting all other bids. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:

16. Recommendation of Building and Safety Director that the City Council accept construction of a five foot high fence with gates and 18" curb wall for Fire Station #5 as complete and satisfactory to the City and approve additional work in the amount of \$97.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the recommendation of the Building and Safety Director and that the amount of \$97.00 for additional work be appropriated. His motion was seconded by Councilman Olson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

17. AWARD OF CONTRACT - CHAIN LINK FENCE AT CITY YARD, B67-17, Job #66070. Recommendation of Director of Public Works that contract for the subject work be awarded to SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FENCE COMPANY, and all other bids be rejected.

Councilman Olson moved to concur with the recommendation of the Director of Public Works, and reject all other bids. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

TRAFFIC AND LIGHTING:

18. RESOLUTION ordering the City Traffic Engineer to prepare an assessment diagram, plans, specifications, estimate and report for the installation and furnishing of electric current and for the maintenance of certain lighting fixtures and appliances in Street Lighting District #12, for a period of three years, beginning November 1, 1967 and ending October 31, 1970.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-92

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, ORDERING THE CITY TRAFFIC ENGINEER TO PREPARE AN ASSESSMENT DIAGRAM, PLANS, SPECIFICATION, ESTIMATE AND REPORT, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF DIVISION 14, PART 1, (INCLUDING CHAPTER 8), STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE, STREET LIGHTING ACT OF 1919, AS AMENDED, FOR THE INSTALLATION, FOR THE FURNISHING OF ELECTRIC CURRENT AND FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF CERTAIN LIGHTING FIXTURES AND APPLIANCES IN STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 12 IN SAID CITY, FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 1967, AND ENDING OCTOBER 31, 1970.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to waive further reading of Resolution No. 67-92. The motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 67-92; his motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

19. Communication from City Manager re: Traffic Signal, 247th and Crenshaw Boulevard. Request from Hi-Shear.

The communication was ordered filed.

20. Communication from City Traffic Engineer re: Sepulveda Boulevard report.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the subject communication be referred to the Planning Commission for study and report. The motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and there were no objections.

FISCAL MATTERS:

21. CLAIM of Antonio C. Martinez against the City for damages allegedly sustained as the result of a City tractor backing into his vehicle on May 2, 1967. Recommendation of City Clerk that said claim be denied and referred to the City Attorney.

Councilman Beasley moved to deny and refer the claim. His motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman and carried, there being no objection.

22. CLAIM of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sirridge against the City for damages allegedly sustained as the result of her falling in March, 1967, when the chair she was sitting on collapsed. Recommendation of City Clerk that said claim be denied and referred to the City Attorney.

Councilman Beasley moved to deny and refer the claim, with instructions to the City Attorney that in view of the small amount of money (\$13.00) it be paid as was done in a similar case on May 2nd. His motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman and carried, there being no objection.

23. Request for two Fire Inspectors to attend the Annual Arson Conference, University of California, Riverside, June 12th through 16th, with appropriate expenses paid.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the request be granted, with appropriate expenses paid. His motion was seconded by Councilman Miller, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

24. City Manager Requesting Council establish Travel Policy for the coming year.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that until a new policy is established the old policy be continued. The motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

Mayor Isen commented that, in his opinion, there should be a new policy particularly regarding Commissioners directed to conferences in California where they do the most good. Mayor Isen further feels there could be some division in attendance by Council members as well as department heads.

25. General Services Agreement between the City and the County of Los Angeles.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-93

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REQUESTING THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO RENEW THE GENERAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY FOR AN ADDITIONAL FIVE-YEAR PERIOD.

Mayor Isen moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 67-93, seconded by Councilman Lyman, and carried by unanimous roll call vote. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

26. EXPENDITURES OF OVER \$300.

Councilman Miller moved to approve the following eight listed expenditures:

1. \$446.16 to Vel's Ford Sales for one only auxillary pony engine to be used as a quick replacement engine on City rubbish packer trucks by the Garage Department as required.
2. \$539.14 to Mobile Radio Company for one only portable VHF-AM-two-way radio - on crystal controlled aircraft frequency - manufactured by the Aircraft Radio Corporation.
3. \$629.11 to I.B.M. for 32,000 sets of data processing form paper to be used by the Data Processing Division of the Finance Department.
4. \$300.56 to Robomonitor Corporation for one only telephone answering device to be used at City Hall advising people who call in on holidays and evenings that City Hall is closed thereby avoiding the automatic transferring of all calls to to the Police Department switchboard which is not equipped to handle this overload of calls.
5. \$366.08 to Addressograph-Multigraph Corporation for one only paper chain delivery unit to be used by Central Services on one of the City's multilith presses to improve printing speed by eliminating machine paper feed problems.

REIMBURSABLE ITEMS:

6. \$418.70 to Carroll Sager Company for one only Hiatt sofa and two only Hiatt chairs to be used at Herma Tillim Center for Senior Citizens. \$2000.00 was donated some time ago by the North Torrance Civic Improvement Association for the furnishing of this center.

SPECIAL CATEGORY - LIBRARY BOOKS:

7. \$640.28 to New Method Book Bindery, Inc. for 250 each assorted juvenile classification books.

8. \$601.54 to Hacker Art Books for 15 volumes of McGraw-Hill Encyclopedias of Art.

(Titles available upon request.)

Councilman Sciarrotta seconded the motion, and it carried by roll call vote as follows:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Vico.

PARKS AND RECREATION:

27. OFFER OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY AND COLUMBIA BROADCASTING SYSTEM. Recommendation from the Director of Recreation that the City Council order studies to be made of the offer from the Southern California Edison Company and the Columbia Broadcasting System for a regional park to be located at 190th Street and Hawthorne Boulevard.

Mayor Isen lauded the Director of Recreation for the report before the Council indicating the possible acquisition of a regional park, an outstanding recreational facility for the City of Torrance.

Concurring in congratulations to all who participated, Commissioner Sciarrotta moved that the City Manager's Staff conduct a feasibility study of the subject regional park concept. His motion was seconded by Councilman Olson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

28. This item withdrawn from the agenda. (Los Arboles Park Night Lighting)

29. DONATION FROM THE BOWMEN'S ARCHERY CLUB
Recommendation of the Park and Recreation Commission that the City Council accept the donation of \$100 toward installation of pole and light for Archery Range at Entradero Park.

Councilman Beasley moved that the \$100 donation be accepted, and that appropriate letters be sent the donors. His motion was seconded by Mayor Isen, and there were no objections.

30. 11TH ANNUAL NATIONAL RECREATION AND PARKS ASSOCIATION DINNER
Invitation from the Park and Recreation Commission for the City Council to attend the Annual Recreation Awards Banquet on Wednesday, June 7, 1967, and requesting permission to expend the money.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the request. His motion was seconded by Councilman Miller, and carried by unanimous roll call vote. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

ITEMS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

31. Recommendation of the Council Charter Review Committee.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the Council proceed with the recommendation of the Charter Review Committee, scheduling a personnel session on this matter at 5:30 P.M. on June 6, 1967. His motion was seconded by Mayor Isen. Prior to roll call vote, Councilman Beasley commented that he had gone along with the group but he had objected to the screening of the appointments by the Council. The motion carried, there being no objection.

32. Communication and petition re: removal of trees between 162nd Street, 164th Street and Wilton Place.

This item referred to Staff for analysis and recommendation.

33. Letter from Daily Breeze regarding City advertising.

Mr. Allan Byrd of the Daily Breeze, on behalf of the Advertising Department, explained that these special supplements saluting the Torrance-South Bay County Building and the Del Amo Financial complex will be the only two newspaper promotional activities this year.

In view of the impact of these two events on the City of Torrance, Councilman Olson moved that the City participate in this advertising in a manner deemed wisest by the City Manager. His motion was seconded by Councilman Miller, and there were no objections.

34. Request of Torrance Unified School District for Sprinkler System Installation.

Councilman Miller moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Manager that this request be included along with other items in the 6-Year Capital Improvement Program for further consideration at the appropriate time. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and there were no objections.

There was discussion regarding the revenue from the Community Services Tax (10¢ per \$100). A full report from the City Manager on the amount received, where it has gone, and what benefits are available to the City was requested by Mayor Isen, and there were no objections.

35. Request for Temporary Permit to conduct a Fashion Show.

Councilman Beasley moved that the subject request be granted. His motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman, and there were no objections.

36. RELEASE OF SUBDIVISION BOND, TRACT NO. 23031, SUBDIVIDER: D. HUNT
Recommendation of Director of Public Works that subject bond be released.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the recommendation of the Director of Public Works that the subject bond be released. His motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman, and there were no objections.

- 36A. RESOLUTION declaring intention to abate weeds.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-94

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, DECLARING THAT WEEDS GROWING UPON AND IN FRONT OF CERTAIN PRIVATE PROPERTY IN THE CITY ARE A PUBLIC NUISANCE, AND DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO PROVIDE FOR THE ABATEMENT THEREOF.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to waive further reading of Resolution No. 67-94; his motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 67-94; the motion was seconded by Councilman Lyman. Roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

37. PROCLAMATION - PARK AND RECREATION MONTH - JUNE, 1967.

Mayor Isen concurred with the request and proclaimed June as Park and Recreation Month. Reference was also made by Mayor Isen to the Anti-Litter Campaign, and it was his recommendation that Torrance Beautiful Commission consider the month of July for this campaign.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

38. ORDINANCE 1772 amending Ordinance 1765, adding two new class specifications to the position classification plan and revise one class specification.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1772

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1765 TO ADD TWO NEW CLASS SPECIFICATIONS TO THE POSITION CLASSIFICATION PLAN AND REVISE ONE CLASS SPECIFICATION.

Councilman Miller moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1772 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was:

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

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

39. Councilman Sciarrotta referred to his earlier request for information regarding police officer examinations, which has not yet been furnished. City Manager Ferraro advised that a report is forthcoming, there having been certain problems to be resolved.

40. Traffic congestion at peak hours on Crenshaw between Torrance Blvd. and Carson because of two traffic signals was also reported by Councilman Sciarrotta. Traffic Engineer Horkay reported that the requested survey report will be available in approximately two weeks. Further reported by Mr. Horkay was that the delay in the unveiling of the directional signals at Torrance Blvd. and Hawthorne is due to the difficulty in obtaining parts.

41. Mayor Isen called attention to Information Item H pertaining to Assembly Bills 806 and 877 which support "home rule", and recommended that appropriate resolutions go forward as soon as possible, adding the support of the City of Torrance to this legislation. The Council was in agreement, and at Mayor Isen's request, City Clerk Coil assigned the following numbers for appropriate resolutions to be prepared and be returned to the Council for ratification at next week's meeting:

RESOLUTION NO. 67-95 - Re: A.B. 806
RESOLUTION NO. 67-96 - Re: A.B. 877.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that both resolutions be adopted; his motion was seconded by Mayor Isen, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilman Vico.)

Mayor Isen further directed the City Attorney to send night letters on this matter to legislators and Floyd Wakefield, Assemblyman introducing the bills.

42. Councilman Olson advised that recognition for law enforcement agencies will take place on May 17th at the Pen and Quill Restaurant, Manhattan Beach.

43. Ray Saukkola, President of the Torrance City Employees Association, requested clarification of action taken by the Council regarding the retroactive pay for the 106 people on the Personnel Director's list, having been advised that the Finance Department has been directed to withhold retroactive pay on the total salary payable to the listed employee rather than on that portion of the salary that is attributable to such promotions. There was discussion regarding the intent of the motion; City Attorney Remelmeyer stated it was his recommendation that, in view of possible liability extending back to January 1, 1966, the entire retroactive pay be held. Mayor Isen and Councilman Sciarrotta expressed disagreement with this recommendation, stating that such was not the action requested, and Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the instructions of the motion on the subject matter on May 11th, and unanimously approved by the Council, be carried out. At this point Councilman Olson asked the City Attorney if this motion, in his opinion, is ill advised; the City Attorney advised in the affirmative. Thereupon Councilman Beasley moved that the Council concur with the recommendation of the City Attorney, and his motion was seconded by Councilman Olson.

(Councilman Vico arrived at this point in the meeting - 7:20 P.M. - and the Council recessed to hold a meeting of the Redevelopment Agency, returning to the agenda at 7:21 P.M. on motion of Councilman Lyman, seconded by Councilman Miller.)

Prior to roll call vote, Mr. Saukkola questioned such action - City Manager Ferraro objected to this procedure, in view of the fact that the Association has an attorney - but Mr. Saukkola was permitted to conclude his comments to the effect that the employees on the list have received their salaries for the past few months this year; he does not see why they should not receive the retroactive as well, certainly plenty of notice was furnished regarding the filing of the lawsuit by the Police Officers Association, and urged that the employees be given the retroactive pay so long awaited which would conform with Council action on May 11th. City Manager Ferraro then inquired if the Association could guarantee recovery of such funds, pointing out that Mr. Saukkola is not authorized to make such a guarantee any more than he is which is the basis for the caution employed.

Roll call vote was as follows:

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

44. Mr. Garth Belknap, 17822 Bailey Drive, expressed concern for a battle scene proposed by the Marine Corps for Armed Forces Day and recommended that there be, instead, emphasis on constructive Marine accomplishments, rather than violence, on this occasion.

Reverend Milton Sippel, 2914 Onrado Street, concurred with Mr. Belknap, and commented on the need today for emphasis on other than destruction by our armed forces.

Mrs. Alice Hammond, 1011 Beech, reported on the details obtained by her from Marine personnel of the proposed battle which she felt not in keeping with the holiday atmosphere, particularly for the very young children, and in questionable taste, stressing that her objection has nothing to do with the parade proper.

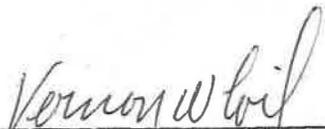
Mrs. Estella Billings, 4129 West 178th Street, stated that she felt very strongly in this matter as well, and read from magazine articles regarding dissent in the armed services.

It was the consensus of opinion of the Council that this effort is a combined effort of many organizations not under the control of the Council - an annual patriotic event in existence for some eight years without criticism - and this date being somewhat late for any constructive review. City Manager Ferraro advised that he will speak to the military commander regarding the feeling expressed at this meeting.

45. Mr. Walter Lindley, 25905 Saddlebow Lane, Rolling Hills Estates, stated his need for a resolution pertaining to property at 231st and Arlington. The matter was referred to Staff for proper presentation.

46. Councilman Miller advised that Don Walker of the Torrance Beautiful Commission is moving to La Palma, and has submitted his resignation from the Commission. Mayor Isen recommended that a permaplaque be presented Mr. Walker, and it met with unanimous approval.

Mayor Isen moved, at 7:45 P.M., that this meeting be adjourned to 7:00 P.M. on May 23, 1967. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and there were no objections.



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

APPROVED:



 Mayor of the City of Torrance