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Edith Shaffer  
Minute Secretary

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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 8:00 p.m., on Tuesday, August 22, 1967, in the Council Chambers of Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Those responding to roll call by City Clerk Coil were: Councilman Beasley, Miller, Talbert, Vico, and Mayor Isen. Councilman Lyman arrived at 8:10 and Councilman Sciarrotta is still absent on vacation. Also in attendance were City Manager Ferraro, City Attorney Remelmeyer, City Clerk Coil and City Treasurer Rupert.

Mayor Isen suggested a moment of silence following the invocation in memory of Judge Otto Willett who passed away last Friday.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Isen introduced Mr. Ray Strole from Florida who is in Torrance visiting his son, City Treasurer Rupert. At the invitation of Mayor Isen Mr. Strole led the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Clifford L. Tierney, South Bay Church of God, Minister of the Month of August, opened the meeting with an invocation and the assembly remained standing silently in memory of Judge Willett for a moment.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

On motion of Councilman Beasley, seconded by Councilman Talbert, the minutes of the two regular meetings held August 8th and August 15th respectively, were approved as written, there being no objection.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Beasley moved all regularly audited bills be paid. Councilman Vico seconded and roll call vote was:  
AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Miller, Talbert, Vico, and Mayor Isen.  
NOES: COUNCILMEN: None  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Lyman and Sciarrotta.

7. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Miller 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 Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

Mayor Isen gave a brief explanation of Council procedure. Councilman Lyman arrived at this time, 8:10 p.m.

City Manager Ferraro, at the suggestion of Mayor Isen, announced that by authority vested in him by the City Charter, he had appointed Acting Chief R. R. Lucas as Fire Chief of the City of Torrance. Chief Lucas responded with appropriate remarks and Mayor Isen, City Manager Ferraro and Police Chief Koenig each spoke briefly in congratulation and endorsement of the choice.

Mayor Isen recognized and introduced two members of the Citizens' Advisory Committee, William Uerkwitz and George Lewison.

POWDER PUFF DERBY REPORT:

8. Airport Manager Egan, Chamber of Commerce Manager Owens, and Mrs. Lee Title each gave a detailed account of their particular areas of interest and responsibility with respect to the highly successful Powder Puff Derby Terminus project. As a net result of the difference between total revenue and expenses, Mr. Egan, asked for the return of \$6500 to the Unappropriated Surplus of the Airport Fund. A formal motion to this effect was made by Councilman Miller, seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Councilman Sciarrotta absent).

Mayor Isen suggested that the 99's make the Torrance Municipal Airport their home and headquarters.

HEARINGS:

9. WEED ABATEMENT PROGRAM FOR 1967. Formal hearing on Resolution of Intention No. 67-187 to abate weeds on certain listed properties. Proposed resolution attached instructing contractor to abate weeds.

Mayor Isen announced this is the time and place for the hearing on the Resolution of Intention declaring parcels described therein to be a public nuisance and providing for the abatement thereof, with the following exception noted by Director of Public Works Nollac: On page 3 of Resolution No. 67-187, Assessor's Map Book 4096, page 12, Parcel 2, Western Avenue, N/o Corwin; Portion of Lot 72, McDonald Tract, be deleted.

City Clerk Coil presented Affidavit of Posting and Affidavit of Mailing and on motion of Councilman Beasley, seconded by Councilman Vico, they were ordered filed by unanimous roll call vote (Councilman Sciarrotta absent).

This being a public hearing, Mayor Isen inquired if anyone wished to be heard and there was no response.

Councilman Vico moved to close the hearing; Councilman Beasley seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Sciarrotta absent).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-196

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND INSTRUCTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS TO ABATE THE NUISANCE LOCATED ON OR IN FRONT OF PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AS DESCRIBED IN RESOLUTION NO. 67-187.

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Resolution No. 67-196 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote (Councilman Sciarrotta absent).

PLANNING AND ZONING HEARINGS:

10. ZONE CHANGE 67-8, TORRANCE PLANNING COMMISSION: Change of zone from C-2 to C-3 and R-3 on property located on the north side of Torrance Boulevard between Amie Avenue and Madrona Avenue. Recommended for approval by the Planning Commission.

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

This being a public hearing, Mayor Isen inquired if anyone wished to be heard; there was no response.

Councilman Miller moved to close the hearing. Councilman Talbert seconded and there was no objection.

Councilman Miller moved to concur in the recommendation of approval. Councilman Beasley seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Sciarrotta absent).

11. ZONE CHANGE 67-9, RALPH GARLAND: Request for change of zone from A-1, C-2 and R-3 to R-1 and C-2 and the removal of precise plan on property located on the east side of Prairie Avenue between 188th Street and 190th Street. The Planning Commission recommends approval for Lot 9 of Tentative Tract 21205 which lot would be zoned C-R. The Planning Department concurs with the Planning Commission with the exception of the zoning of Lot 9.

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

Mayor Isen inquired if anyone wished to be heard and Mr. William Brissey, 18903 Cordary Avenue, came forward and referred to opposition presented by himself and others at Planning Commission level.

The next item on the agenda is a tentative Tract Map No. 21205, subdivider, Ralph Garland - and Mayor Isen said they relate to the same property and probably everything said on Item 11 will also apply to Item 12 which is the Tentative Tract Map. He asked Mr. Brissey if the whole idea is objectionable to the neighborhood, or if not, just what it is that they oppose. Mr. Brissey said it is mainly the entrance proposed for 188th and the resulting traffic increase and danger to children. There is no objection to the proposed service station. He believed the entrance to the tract should be from Prairie Avenue or 190th Street, preferably Prairie. Planning Director Shartle said the traffic pattern which is being presented is in the opinion of the Traffic Engineering and Planning groups the best, because it does not create additional intersections onto major thoroughfares. At this location, Cordary goes to 187th on the north and 190th on the south. Councilman Beasley said the objections which Mr. Brissey has presented would apply to any neighborhood in the City; motorists naturally try to avoid the signalled intersections.

Mr. John Gurley, 18414 Haas Avenue and owns property at 18833 Cordary, said he is not against the residential zoning but agreed with Mr. Brissey that this zone change would cause increased traffic. Two other matters of concern were mentioned by him: drainage and some modification of the plan as it exists.

These objections all seem to apply principally to the tract map and Mayor Isen suggested closing the hearing on the zone change question.

Mr. Bill Roberts, 3937 West 188th Street, voiced his support of the zone change and plan and in his opinion a majority of the neighbors are in favor of the residential development.

Councilman Beasley moved to close the hearing on ZC67-9; Councilman Vico seconded and there was no objection.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in approval of the zone change as outlined in the caption and his motion, seconded by Councilman Miller, carried by unanimous roll call vote (Councilman Sciarrotta absent).

12. TENTATIVE TRACT MAP NO. 21205, SUBDIVIDER: Ralph Garland. A 38 lot subdivision of property located on the east side of Prairie Avenue between 188th Street and 190th Street. Approved by the Planning Commission. The Planning Department concurs with the recommendation of the Planning Commission with one exception and the Director of Public Works concurs with the Planning Commission, with one exception.

Mayor Isen asked that the record show that the comments made as to Item 11 above also would be made by the persons with respect to Item 12.

Mr. Clark Kugler who works for Lanco Engineering, 17430 South Prairie Avenue, engineers for Mr. Garland, did not think the street and traffic pattern would be harmful in any way. The drainage problem is taken care of in the conditions.

City Manager Ferraro called attention to the remarks of the Director of Public Works which would an Item 24 because the provision of the base and paving on 190th Street by the City would be contrary to City Council make-up paving policy. The effect of such an item 24 would be to modify Item 23 directly above which states that street improvements would be installed to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works on both Prairie and 190th by the developer; paving and base on 190th Street to be done by the City.

Mr. Shartle explained that the recommendation contained in paragraph 23 was the result of a compromise. It appeared easier to provide that the developer take care of one entire street and the City take care of the other. The Planning Commission felt the subdivider should be responsible for what would be a local street and the City should pick up the difference between the local and the major street. There have been small deviations from policy where the cost was a few hundred dollars, but the cost here would be more like \$10,000. The subdivider according to City policy is obligated to do the make-up paving as well as give the dedications, and Mayor Isen saw no reason to deviate from that policy.

Mayor Isen moved that the words "to be done by the City" at the end of condition numbered 23, be changed to "to be done by the developer". Councilman Miller seconded. The wording would be "That street improvements be installed to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works on both Prairie and 190th Street, both make-up paving and base to be paid for by the developer." Roll call vote was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Lyman, Miller, Talbert, Vico and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Sciarrotta.

Councilman Miller seconded Mayor Isen's motion to close the hearing and there was no objection.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission, with all conditions, as amended. Councilman Vico seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Sciarrotta absent).

At 9:00 p.m., on motion of Councilman Beasley, seconded by Mayor Isen, the Council meeting was recessed in order to hold the Redevelopment Agency meeting, and it returned to session at 9:05, followed by a ten minute general recess.

Councilman Lyman did not return to the meeting following recess.

Mayor Isen said if there was no objection, the next item to be considered would be Item 34:

34. ORDINANCE NO. 1796 - Second Reading.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1796

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE, TO RECLASSIFY THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY WHICH IS LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF ARTESIA BOULEVARD BETWEEN VAN NESS AND CASIMIR AVENUES, AND DESCRIBED IN ZC67-3 - TORRANCE PLANNING COMMISSION.

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1796 at its second and final reading. Councilman Talbert seconded and roll call vote was:  
AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Talbert, Vico, Mayor Isen.  
NOES: COUNCILMEN: Miller  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Sciarrotta and Lyman.

*See minutes - Sept. 5, 1967*

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

13. PROPOSED ORDINANCE adding subsection (d) to Section 96.2.1, etc.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1797

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 2 ENTITLED "PRECISE PLANNING" OF CHAPTER 6, DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING SUBSECTION (d) TO SECTION 96.2.1 TO ESTABLISH A FEE FOR MODIFICATIONS OF APPROVED PRECISE PLANS.

Councilman Beasley moved to approve Ordinance No. 1797 at its first reading. Councilman Miller seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

14. PROPOSED RESOLUTION RE PRECISE PLAN FOR ARTHUR BERKE, CASE PP67-4.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-197

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A PRECISE PLAN AS PROVIDED FOR IN DIVISION 9, CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE 2 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE, AS APPLIED FOR BY ARTHUR BERKE IN PLANNING COMMISSION CASE NO. PP 67-4.

Councilman Miller moved to adopt Resolution No. 67-197 and his motion, seconded by Councilman Vico, carried by unanimous roll call vote (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:

15. INITIAL LISTING OF POSSIBLE LOCATIONS FOR SHORT FORM STREET IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENT DISTRICTS FOR INSTALLATION OF CURB, GUTTER AND SIDEWALKS: Recommendation of Public Works Director that he be instructed to proceed under provisions of Chapter 27, 1911 Assessment Act, at eight listed locations.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in the recommendation stated. His motion was seconded by Mayor Isen with the remark that it is the recommendation of the Director of Public Works and the Committee of the City Council which deals with Public Works. The motion carried, there being no objection.

BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES AND SIGNS:

16. TEMPORARY BILLBOARDS: Recommendation of Building and Safety Director that the request of Home Savings and Loan Association for permission to erect two temporary billboards be denied.

16a. COPY OF PROPOSED BILLBOARD ORDINANCE:

Mayor Isen asked that both of these items 16 and 16a be held until the next meeting which will be September 5th at 5:30.

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

17. PROPOSED ORDINANCE re two new class specifications.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1798

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.

Councilman Beasley moved to approve Ordinance No. 1798 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Councilman Sciarrotta and Lyman absent)

18. PROPOSED ORDINANCE amending Civil Service Rules and Regulations re extent of probationary period for classified employees of the City. See minutes of Sept. 5, 1967

Mayor Isen commented that this is to bring back to the Council something which has already been approved by the Civil Service Commission - the 12 month probationary period for department heads.

Councilman Miller recalled the appointment of the Charter Review Committee and the fact that they were given a free hand in the study. He did not think now any political implications should enter into their work, nor should there be any interference. There should be a strictly hands off policy on the part of the Council until such time as the Charter Review Committee brings the results of its study to the Council. Under these circumstances, Councilman Miller moved to file this item. Councilman Beasley seconded.

Mayor Isen said Councilman Miller's motion had no application; what is here being discussed is not within the City Charter, and not within the jurisdiction of the Charter Review Committee. Civil Service provisions were taken out of the charter by vote of the people several years ago.

City Attorney Remelmeyer agreed with Mayor Isen that this probationary period matter is within the Civil Service Ordinance, not the Charter. He said, however, there is nothing to prevent the Charter Review Committee from going into Civil Service matters to determine if any of them should be placed in the Charter.

Reference was made by Mayor Isen to remarks quoted in a newspaper article as having been made at a Charter Review Committee meeting by City Manager Ferraro. In response, Mr. Ferraro outlined what he had said at that meeting and that his appearance before the Committee was at its special invitation. Mayor Isen did not approve of his comments as quoted in the press, and asked for roll call on the motion to table Item 18 (Councilman Miller's motion was to "file" with the further remark that it might be again brought up after the Charter Review Committee had completed its study). Roll call was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Miller, Talbert, Vico.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Mayor Isen.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Lyman and Sciarrotta.

Mayor Isen then moved that the entire pink, white, green and any other color proposed Civil Service Ordinances be sent to the Charter Review Committee because the balance of the Council seems to think they are within that Committee's jurisdiction. There was no second and Councilman Beasley moved the next order of business. Councilman Miller seconded that motion. Mayor Isen conceded that motion to have carried, but stated there should be a restatement of the jurisdiction of the Charter Review Committee.

19. REVISED CLASS SPECIFICATIONS: Recommendation of the Civil Service Commission and the Personnel Director that the class specifications of a list of 76 positions within the City be revised to contain a requirement for a valid California Motor Vehicle Operator's License.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in the recommendation to add "A valid California Motor Vehicle Operator's License of the appropriate class or grade" as a requirement in the positions listed in the letter dated June 1, 1967 from the Personnel Director to the Civil Service Commission. Councilman Miller seconded and the motion carried, there being no objection.

FISCAL MATTERS:

20. TAX LEVY FOR THE 1967-68 FISCAL YEAR: Attached are letter of transmittal; excerpts from July 18, 1967 Council meeting and two proposed ordinances.

In answer to a question by Mayor Isen, Finance Director Dundore said evidently the Governor has not yet signed the sales tax bill.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1799

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY NEEDED TO MEET THE TOTAL ESTABLISHED EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1967-68 LESS THE AMOUNTS RAISED BY REVENUES COLLECTED OR TRANSFERRED FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES.

Councilman Beasley moved to waive further reading of Ordinance No. 1799. His motion was seconded by Councilman Miller and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

Councilman Beasley moved to approve Ordinance No. 1799 at its first reading. Councilman Talbert seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1800

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE FIXING THE RATES OF TAXES AND LEVYING TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1967.

Councilman Beasley moved to waive further reading of Ordinance No. 1800. Councilman Vico seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1800 and his motion was seconded by Councilman Vico. Roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent). Ordinance No. 1800 goes into effect immediately, according to City Attorney Remelmeyer.

Mayor Isen called the public's attention to the ten cent cut in Torrance's taxes, even though it will not affect the amount due because of other increases. He hopes that the additional revenue mentioned in the City Manager's letter of August 22, 1967, may be used for such items as a second floor on the Police Building; more men in the Police Department and Capital Improvements.

21. CLAIM OF BARBARA J. SEDEY against the City for alleged vehicle damages on August 14, 1967.

22. CLAIM OF BRENDA J. HEMPHILL against the City for alleged injuries sustained on June 18, 1967.

Councilman Beasley moved that Items 21 and 22 be denied and referred to the City Attorney. His motion was seconded by Councilman Talbert and there was no objection.

23. RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF 75% of bill of Franklin O. Myers, Consulting Engineer, for extra work incurred in the design study for the intersection of Torrance Boulevard, Cabrillo Avenue and other streets. The amount to be paid is \$875.22.

Councilman Miller moved to concur in the recommendation to pay this amount; Councilman Vico seconded and roll call vote was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Miller, Talbert, Vico and Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Lyman and Sciarrotta.

24. TRAVEL REQUEST: Request for authorization to attend International Conference of Public Personnel Association, Vancouver, B.C., and amendment of present travel policy. The recommendation of the City Manager is to deny the request.

Councilman Miller moved to deny the request because Commissioners' travel is set by policy as being only within the State. Councilman Talbert seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

25. EXPENDITURES OF OVER \$300.

Councilman Beasley moved to approve the following listed expenditures:

A. BUDGETED:

1. \$385.88 to Western Water Works and Supply Company for 1500 feet of one inch polyethylene pipe to be used by the Water Department for stock as needed.
2. \$490.35 to Dearth Machinery for one only replacement water tank used on Wayne street sweepers.
3. \$509.92 to Marshall Music Co. for 12 only autoharps to be used by the Recreation Department as a part of music programs.
4. \$356.78 to Johnson Stationery for two desks and 3 chairs requested by the Recreation Department for Herma Tillim and Joslyn Centers.
5. \$931.77 to IBM for two only electric typewriters needed by the Legal Department as replacement units.
6. \$1,754.53 to IBM for one year's supply of data processing cards (1,630,000) to be used by the Finance Department, Data Processing Division, with scheduled amounts delivered monthly.

B. REIMBURSABLE:

7. \$428.48 to Hersey-Sparling Meter Co. for one only six inch flow check detector to L. A. design to be used by the Water Department for the Red Onion restaurant service. Payment has been received.
8. \$2,466.45 to Hersey-Sparling for one only 8 inch FM meter to Torrance specifications for installation by the Water Department for Harpers Furniture water service. A deposit has been received.

C. SPECIAL CATEGORY - LIBRARY BOOKS:

9. \$6,469.46 to Prentice Hall for 1,482 adult non-fiction and 160 juvenile books requested by City Librarian.

Councilman Vico seconded and roll call vote was:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Miller, Talbert, Vico, Mayor Isen.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Lyman and Sciarrotta.

PARK AND RECREATION:

26. PROPOSED RESOLUTION congratulating South Torrance American Legion Baseball Team on winning State Championship on August 16, 1967.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67-198

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE CONGRATULATING THE SOUTH TORRANCE AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL TEAM ON WINNING THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP AT YOUNTSVILLE, CALIFORNIA.

Councilman Vico moved to adopt Resolution No. 67-198; Councilman Talbert seconded and the motion carried unanimously (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

Mayor Isen asked that Mr. Van Bellehem and Commissioner Schindler prepare a proper celebration in honor of the team when the resolution has been formalized.

27. IMPROVEMENTS AT PUEBLO PLAYGROUND: Request of Recreation Director for \$1,750 from General Fund to complete needed improvements at Pueblo Playground.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in granting the request. His motion was seconded by Councilman Vico and carried by unanimous roll call vote:

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

ITEMS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

28. REQUEST OF DAN E. BUTCHER FOR EXTENSION OF ONE YEAR IN WHICH TO COMPLETE PUBLIC WORKS IMPROVEMENTS IN TRACT NO. 29103: Recommendation of Public Works Director that request be denied.

The Public Works improvements involved are sewer, gutter, sidewalks street paving, etc.; the houses have not been built. Construction of the improvements within one year is a condition of the tract map and now the second extension is being asked.

Mayor Isen asked about the "boarded-up, deteriorating building" mentioned in the communication from Public Works Director Nollac and which Mayor Isen believed could be a location for various types of criminal activity. Mr. Butcher agreed he would remove this building as a condition of receiving the extension. Councilman Beasley moved to grant the extension on condition that the building mentioned be removed before October. Councilman Miller seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

29. RELEASE OF SUBDIVISION BOND, TRACT 27165. Recommendation of Public Works Director that subject bond be released.

30. RELEASE OF SUBDIVISION BOND, TRACT 29715. Recommendation of Public Works Director that subject bond be released.

As to both items, Councilman Beasley moved concurrence. Councilman Talbert seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

31. COMMUNICATION RE TRAVEL POLICY from Jeannette Altermatt.

Mr. Ferraro said this is an informational item only and Mrs. Altermatt who was present, said her letter sets forth her position and she had nothing to add orally.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

32. ORDINANCE NO. 1794:

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1794

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY WHICH IS LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF REDONDO BEACH BOULEVARD WEST OF THE ROADIUM THEATRE TO A POINT APPROXIMATELY 100 FEET WESTERLY OF ATKINSON AVENUE AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 67-5.

Councilman Beasley moved to adopt Ordinance No. 1794 at its second reading. Councilman Talbert seconded and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

33. ORDINANCE NO. 1795:

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1795:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 18, CHAPTER 2, DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "BUSINESSES IN RESIDENCES" AND SUBSTITUTING THEREFOR A NEW ARTICLE ENTITLED "HOME OCCUPATIONS" PROVIDING FOR THE PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS THEREFOR THROUGH THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND SETTING FORTH REGULATIONS GOVERNING AND CONTROLLING HOME OCCUPATIONS.

Councilman Beasley moved to adoption of Ordinance No. 1795 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Talbert and carried by unanimous roll call vote (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

35. City Manager Ferraro announced that Mrs. Shirley Foote, who has been very helpful on City matter, including the Library bond issue, and the First President of Friends of the Library, will be leaving the City. She and her husband are moving to Fountain Valley. Mayor Isen suggested an appropriate letter of appreciation be written to her.

36. City Attorney Remelmeyer announced there had been no Sunday car sales at Hawthorne and Sepulveda this past weekend.

37. City Treasurer Rupert, just having returned from vacation, congratulated Councilman Talbert. He also announced the 1966-67 books of the City have been closed and interest received on short term investments were more than \$196,000, the highest in the history of the City. The last three years total over half a million dollars and this is in excess of the total of all other years since the City's inception. It averages out at \$537 per day and represents 5¢ on the tax rate.

38. Councilman Miller said he has a petition from 51 people in the Hollywood Riviera section regarding a STOP signal at Via El Chico and Via Linda Vista. A report will be returned to the Council on this subject in two weeks.

39. Councilman Vico brought up a matter dealing with the hiring of relatives, particularly in the Police Department. Sgt. Ray Silagy's younger brother has been in the Police Cadet program, has attended the Police Academy, has passed the examination and is now on the eligible list for Policeman. However, he has been refused certification because his brother is in a supervisory capacity and to hire him would be in violation of a policy established by the Council several years ago. Mayor Isen reminded Councilman Vico of that policy and stated it is out of line to place the question before the Council.

At the suggestion of City Manager Ferraro, Personnel Director Donovan described the situation: the younger Silagy was accepted into the cadet program before his older brother was promoted to his present classification of Sergeant. Therefore, at the time of his entering the department the policy did not apply. Mr. Ferraro acknowledged that an error had been made in permitting the younger Silagy to remain in the department and that error was compounded by his being permitted to take the examination.

Councilman Miller and Councilman Beasley stated they are opposed to nepotism, but hoped that some prospective good employee would not be caused to suffer because of a mistake of the Council. City Manager Ferraro recommended the matter go to the Civil Service Commission.

The recollection of Chief Koenig was that the policy had not been passed by the Council, but was referred to the City Attorney for an opinion which has, as yet, not come to the Council. There was considerable difference of opinion as to whether or not the policy was actually adopted. Mr. Donovan's recollection was that it was adopted, but not in a clear and affirmative manner, at the time of the hiring of Captain Maestri's son in about 1963.

Mayor Isen moved that any previous policy or policies adopted by the City Council with respect to the hiring of relatives within the City employment structure be rescinded at this time. Councilman Vico seconded.

Councilman Beasley moved a substitute to refer the matter to the Civil Service Commission for recommendation. Councilman Miller seconded. City Attorney Remelmeyer said either motion would be in order, but that he believed Councilman Beasley's motion would be preferable. An unfortunate feature of the City system is that policy matters are sometimes adopted instead of ordinances. This particular question, he said, should be spelled out in the Civil Service Ordinance. Mayor Isen said it is not possible to await the adoption of the Civil Service Ordinance and he thought the pertinent portion of the ordinance should be picked out and presented to the Council for separate processing.

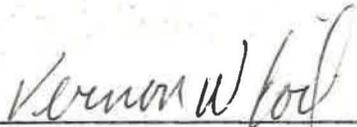
Councilman Beasley and Councilman Miller withdrew their motion and roll call vote on Mayor Isen's motion was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent). Mayor Isen asked that the portion which would deal with such an event be lifted from the Civil Service Ordinance and brought to the Council for study before a full council. City Attorney Remelmeyer said that would be in order.

Ray Saukkola, President of Torrance City Employees' Association, asked that a copy of this material also be sent to him so that the association might also be prepared to express an opinion.

40. Mayor Isen proposed that a perma plaque resolution similar to that adopted for Supervisor Hahn, commending Supervisor Burton Chace also be prepared for Council action so that the two could be presented at some future Council meeting. He so moved; Councilman Miller seconded and roll call vote was:

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

At 10:20 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to September 5, 1967, at 5:30 p.m., on regular motion by unanimous roll call vote (Councilmen Lyman and Sciarrotta absent).

  
VERNON W. COIL, Clerk of the  
City of Torrance, California

APPROVED:



Mayor of the City of Torrance

Edith Shaffer  
Minute Secretary