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Adjourned at 10:00 P.M. to Thursday, May 23, 1968 at
5:30 P.M.

Torrance, California
May 14, 1968

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Torrance City Council was held on Tuesday, May 14, 1968, at 8:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Responding to roll call by City Clerk Coil were: Councilmen Beasley, Miller, Sciarrotta, and Mayor Isen. Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, Wilson. Also present were City Manager Ferraro, City Treasurer Rupert, City Attorney Remelmeyer, and City Clerk Coil.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mrs. C.R. Berwanger, at Mayor Isen's request, led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Edward Hughes, Paster of the Walteria Assembly of God Church, opened the meeting with an invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the minutes of the regularly adjourned meeting of April 29th and the regular meeting of April 30th be approved as written. The motion was seconded by Councilman Miller, and there were no objections.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

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

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

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Johnson, Uerkwitz, Wilson.

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 (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, Wilson).

8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Councilman Sciarrotta announced that there will be a meeting pertaining to the appointment of Commissioners on Thursday, May 16th, at 9:00 A.M.

Notification procedures in reference to Committee meetings were discussed. Mayor Isen then moved that, in addition to the announcement by the Committee chairman under Council agenda item #8 each week, the City Clerk post on the two City Hall bulletin boards a notice of the time and place of the Committee meetings. The motion was seconded by Councilmen Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, Wilson). It was understood that notification to newspapers and any radio stations would be done as a matter of form.

The conduct of the Council meetings was explained to the audience by Mayor Isen, clarifying as well that in view of the necessary absence of three of the Councilmen, matters of a controversial nature would be held over for a full Council hearing, or at the request of anyone desiring a full Council for consideration of their particular matter.

It was called to the attention of the Council by Ray Saukkola, Torrance Employees Association, that item #20 on this agenda pertaining to the amendment of an ordinance in reference to the appointment of in-laws would necessarily have to be postponed because of the 5/7th vote required. Councilman Sciarrotta so moved; his motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and there were no objections.

PLANNING AND ZONING HEARINGS:

9. ZONE CHANGE 68-10, TORRANCE PLANNING COMMISSION.
Request for a change of zone on property located between Artesia Boulevard and the San Diego Freeway along the west side of Western Avenue. The Planning Commission recommends approval.

This being a public hearing, Mayor Isen asked if anyone wished to be heard on this matter.

Mr. Curt Anker, 864 North Teakwood Road, Los Angeles, stated that he is the owner of the trailer park southerly of the Edison Company line, and it is his understanding that this property is not a consideration at this time. Planning Director Shartle confirmed that this is true, and that he will be notified when the Planning Commission resumes their study of his area.

Representing the property owners, Mr. Clark Leonard, Lanco Engineering, related their urgency in the filing of the subdivision map. Planning Director Shartle explained the somewhat unique history of this case, the small strip of land involved, and the absence of any objections, all of which tend to make it practical for the proponent to record his R-1 tract prematurely, withholding issuance of permits on the east side of Manhattan Place. Mayor Isen stated that this would be an administrative matter, and if it can be so worked out there would be no objection from Council, with the understanding by the proponent that any such undertaking would be at his own risk.

City Clerk Coil advised that a letter had been received from Mrs. Adele Francois, 25900 South Lincoln, Hemet, owner of lots adjoining the subject property, requesting that they be incorporated in the same zone change. This communication was referred to Planning Director Shartle.

There being no one else who wished to be heard, Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley; there were no objections, and it was so ordered.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, Wilson).

(Because of its relationship to the above case, Item #12 was considered at this time.)

- 12. TENTATIVE TRACT MAP 28608; SUBDIVIDER, PENINSULA ENTERPRISES. This is a 48 lot tract located at the easterly end of 179th Street and 180th Street between St. Andrews Place and Western Avenue. Recommended for approval by the Planning Commission subject to conditions.

Maps were reviewed by the Council, accompanied by description and clarification by Public Works Director Nollac, as were the requirements recommended by the Planning Commission and the Director of Public Works. Mr. Leonard expressed agreement with all the conditions imposed, with the exception of the alley. Although this condition was deleted by the Planning Commission, it is the feeling of both Public Works Director Nollac and Planning Director Shartle that the alley is very necessary for this property regardless of the ultimate use of the Western Avenue frontage to provide a secondary circulation for the area as well as a greater separation between the future frontage development and the proposed new homes on the opposite side of such an alley. Discussion followed, and it was the consensus of the Council that it was a "now or never" situation pertaining to the acquiring of this alley.

There being no one else who wished to be heard, Councilman Beasley moved the hearing be closed. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and there were no objections.

Councilman Beasley moved that the Council concur in the recommendation of the Planning Commission, with the addition of the 20-ft. alley on Corwin behind Lots 1,2,3,4,5,6,7, and 8; further, Planning Commission recommendation #4 revised to read: "That a 6-foot decorative masonry wall be provided to the rear lots on the east side of Manhattan Place". The motion was seconded by Mayor Isen, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen: Johnson, Uerkwitz, Wilson).

- 10. ZONE CHANGE 68-8, TORRANCE PLANNING COMMISSION. Request for change of zone on property bounded by Hawthorne Blvd., Prairie Avenue, 186th Street and 190th Street.

The effect on land values and the proposed regional park in this area were of concern to Mayor Isen, and additional information pertaining to this aspect of the recommended zone change was requested of City Attorney Remelmeyer.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to continue the hearing on Zone Change 68-8 to June 11, 1968. His motion was seconded by Mayor Isen, and there were no objections.

- 11. VARIANCE 68-1, KEN AND MIYEKO YOKOYAMA. Request for a variance of the provisions of R-2 zone to allow the construction of a 3-unit studio-type apartment on property located at 3901 West 182nd Street, between Prairie Avenue and Doty Avenue. Recommended for Denial by the Planning Commission.

The petitioner has requested postponement. Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the request, until after public hearings on the zone change study. His motion was seconded by Mayor Isen, and there were no objections.

PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

12. TENTATIVE TRACT MAP 28608; SUBDIVIDER, PENINSULA ENTERPRISES.

Heard earlier in the meeting.

13. Communication from Planning Director Shartle re: request for extension of time, ZC 65-6, South Del Amo Corporation.

Councilman Miller moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Director. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and there were no objections.

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS:

14. AWARD OF CONTRACT - IMPROVEMENT OF CRENSHAW BLVD. FROM 550 FT. NORTH OF SEPULVEDA BLVD. TO MONTEREY STREET; B68-15; JOB #68021

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the recommendation of the Public Works Director in that the contract for the subject improvement be awarded to ALLCON CONSTRUCTION and all other bids be rejected. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, Wilson).

15. AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES - DESIGN OF ANZA AVENUE
Recommendation as outlined in letter of transmittal.
RESOLUTION authorizing execution of agreement with Ralph Stone and Company, Inc.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 68-97

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST AN AGREEMENT WITH RALPH STONE AND COMPANY, INC. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF ANZA AVENUE BETWEEN NEWTON STREET AND 238TH STREET.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 68-97, subject to approval of the contract by the City Attorney. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, Wilson).

(To accomodate the large number in attendance on this item, it was taken out of agenda order at this time.)

28. License Supervisor submitting for Council approval Applications for Fireworks Stands.

Mayor Isen reviewed the history of fireworks sales in the City of Torrance which started some 14 years ago with the basic idea of aiding patriotic veteran organizations in the interest of revenue for charitable work, and such an ordinance was drafted. Applications have increased throughout the years, and at this time some 32 applications are seeking approval to operate fireworks stand - some 5 over the allowable quota and the prospect of ever increasing applications each year, with the original intention of the ordinance lost forever. Discussion followed on possible solutions to the

dilemma and the apparent need for a redefinition, it finally being agreed that the most equitable decision would be to grant only the requests presently on file, and then undertake a study for the procedure to be employed in 1969 well in advance.

Councilman Beasley moved that the 32 applicants for fireworks stands as listed on agenda item #28 be granted a license, subject to the usual conditions. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, Wilson).

Officer Phillip Joseph, Torrance Police Officers Association, requested reconsideration of the request of his organization, but elected to wait for the full Council to present his request.

Councilman Sciarrotta then moved that a committee be appointed by the Mayor to take up this matter immediately in a redefinition for fireworks stands; the motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and there were no objections. Fireworks Committee members will be Isen, Beasley, and Johnson; the first meeting to be held on Monday, June 3, 1968, at 4:00 P.M., with License Supervisor Moss to be in attendance as well.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adjourn as City Council and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency at 9:15 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and there were no objections. A 10-minute general recess followed at 9:16 P.M.

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The Council reconvened at 9:29 P.M. and found it necessary to adjourn and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency to correct the motion for adjournment made at the earlier meeting. Councilman Sciarrotta so moved, his motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and there were no objections, reconvening as City Council at 9:31 P.M.

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REAL PROPERTY:

- 16. RESOLUTION authorizing execution of License Agreement, Grant of Easement from Dr. J. Ralph Black.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 68-98

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT OF EASEMENT BY DR. J. RALPH BLACK OF RIGHT-OF-WAY REQUIRED FOR THE FUTURE WIDENING OF 190TH STREET IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING EXECUTION OF THAT LICENSE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND DR. J. RALPH BLACK.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 68-98. His motion was seconded by Councilman Miller, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, and Wilson).

TRAFFIC AND LIGHTING:

- 17. RESOLUTION authorizing the installation of 2-hour parking restriction 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Sundays excepted on the west side of Garnier Street from Lomita Boulevard to 200' southerly of Lomita Boulevard.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 68-99
 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
 CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING RESOLUTION
 NO. 64-116, ARTICLE III WHICH ESTABLISHES
 TWO HOUR PARKING BY ADDING A CERTAIN
 LOCATION THERETO.

Councilman Beasley moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 68-99, and the motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, Wilson).

- 18. Recommendation of Traffic Engineer for appropriation of \$2700 out of the General Fund unappropriated reserve to install night lighting at Hickory and Lago Seco Parks.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur in the recommendation of the City Traffic Engineer for the appropriation of \$2700 out of the General Fund unappropriated reserve to install night lighting at Hickory Park and Lago Seco Parks. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, and Wilson).

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

- 19. Report to Mayor and Council from Sr. Administrative Assistant - Civil Service Testing Procedure.

It was unanimously agreed to hold this item for two weeks. Councilman Beasley so moved. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and there were no objections.

- 20. ORDINANCE re: in-laws.

Considered, and held over, earlier in the meeting.

FISCAL MATTERS:

- 21. RESOLUTION declaring intention to award a franchise to Pacific Coast Gasoline Company and providing for publication of notice of public hearing thereon.

Mayor Isen pointed out the transfer of the Sales Office of Armco Steel Corporation (formerly National Supply Company) to Long Beach with the resultant loss of sales tax revenue to the City of Torrance. It was Mayor Isen's recommendation that this item be held for two weeks to permit City Manager Ferraro, City Attorney Remelmeyer, and City Treasurer Rupert to urge Armco to reconsider this aspect. Councilman Beasley so moved; his motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and there were no objections.

22. City Clerk resubmitting building appraisal quotations for the City of Torrance.

Councilman Beasley moved to concur with the recommendation of City Clerk Coil and award the contract to Tait Appraisal Company, with the \$3600.00 to be appropriated from the General Fund. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, and Wilson).

23. EXPENDITURES OVER \$300
Finance Director submitting for Council approval budgeted and special expenditures over \$300.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to approve the following 6 listed items:

A. BUDGETED:

1. \$538.65 to Saturn Manufacturing Company for furnishing and installing portable wall dividers to be installed at the Torrance Recreation Department for use as small office dividers.
2. \$639.02 to J. Jones Company for 37 service valves requested by the Water Department for stock to be used "as needed".
3. \$302.24 to Econolite Corporation for 25 relay units, 10 rotor units and other related replacement parts requested by Traffic and Lighting for maintenance on traffic signals.
4. \$315.32 to Calico Rock Milling Company for 23 tons of California gold rock requested by the Park Department for roadside landscaping.

B. SPECIAL CATEGORY - LIBRARY BOOKS:

5. \$1345.83 to Western Bookbinding Company for 1066 paperback books.
6. \$508.80 to Standard and Poor's Corporation c/o John M. Hefferman for subscription to Corporation Records (6 main volumes plus daily News) and subscription to Register of Corporations, Directors and Executives.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Beasley, Miller, Sciarrotta, and Mayor Isen.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.
ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Johnson, Uerkwitz, and Wilson.

AIRPORT MATTERS:

24. RESOLUTION authorizing agreement for sublease between the City and Ray Vane and Ray Vane (South) Inc.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 68-100

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN CONSENT TO SUBLEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND RAY VANE AND RAY VANE (SOUTH) INC.

Councilman Miller moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 68-100. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, and Wilson).

25. RESOLUTION authorizing assignment of Robert Nallick's lease to James B. Smay and John M. Wasserman.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 68-101

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN ASSIGNMENT OF THAT CERTAIN AIRPORT LEASE DATED APRIL 1, 1960 BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND ROBERT O. NALLICK AND KAREN L. NALLICK, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS TO JAMES B. SMAY AND BETTY F. SMAY, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS AS TO AN UNDIVIDED ONE-HALF INTEREST AND JOHN M. WASSERMAN AND BETTY B. WASSERMAN, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS TO AN UNDIVIDED ONE-HALF INTEREST, AND AUTHORIZING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THAT CERTAIN AIRPORT LEASE, AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE SAID ASSIGNMENT AND AMENDMENT.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 68-101, subject to City Attorney's approval of the contract. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, and Wilson).

BUS SYSTEMS:

26. City Manager submitting Progress Report #1, Torrance Municipal Bus System.

Councilman Beasley moved that this report be held over to the meeting of May 23rd. His motion was seconded by Mayor Isen, and there were no objections.

Mayor Isen referred to the City Attorney's report on the Santa Monica Resolution on the RTD taxes, and requested that there appear as a second item on the May 23rd agenda a similar Resolution for Torrance for either approval or rejection by the Council. It was further requested by Mayor Isen of J. Walker Owens that the Chamber of Commerce submit a report for the May 23rd meeting on the effect of the rapid transit construction on the City's economy.

COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:

27. City Manager submitting for Council approval Board of Education - Pilot Course, Introduction to Local Government.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the recommendation of the City Manager. His motion was seconded by Councilman Miller, and there were no objections.

ITEMS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

28. License Supervisor submitting for Council approval Applications for Fireworks Stands.

Heard earlier in the meeting.

PROCLAMATIONS:

29. Mayor Isen proclaimed May 22, 1968 as NATIONAL MARITIME DAY.
29A. REALTOR WEEK - May 19-25, 1968 - Mayor Isen so proclaimed.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

30. ORDINANCE 1867.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1867

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 EAST OF VAN NESS AVENUE BETWEEN 169TH STREET AND 171ST STREET, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 68-1 (PENINSULA ENTERPRISES, KENNETH BATTRAM).

Councilman Beasley moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 1867 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Miller, and carried, with roll call vote unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, and Wilson).

31. ORDINANCE 1868.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1868

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 BOTH SIDES OF 177TH STREET BETWEEN PRAIRIE AVENUE AND THE SAN DIEGO FREEWAY, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 68-2. (TORRANCE PLANNING COMMISSION).

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 1868 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, and Wilson).

32. ORDINANCE 1869.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1869

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY THAT CERTAIN BLOCK WHICH IS LOCATED BETWEEN

PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY, 242ND STREET, OCEAN AVENUE, AND NEECE AVENUE, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 68-3. (TORRANCE PLANNING COMMISSION).

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 1869 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, and Wilson).

33. ORDINANCE 1870.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 1870

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 AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF ELDORADO STREET AND MADRONA AVENUE AND THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SONOMA STREET AND MADRONA AVENUE, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 68-4.

(TORRANCE PLANNING COMMISSION).

Councilman Miller moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 1870 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, and Wilson).

34. (Information item E) Construction of Fence on Private Property:

Mayor Isen moved to concur with the recommendation of Sr. Administrative Assistant de Llamas that the license be granted and that the subject fence be constructed at a cost not to exceed \$50.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, and Wilson).

35. (Information item H) Leave Practices - Key Personnel.

Mayor Isen requested that this report appear as an early agenda item on May 23rd.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

36. City Attorney Remelmeyer requested one week additional time for the report on any possible strings attached to the Federal Grant on the proposed Columbia Park (the due date being May 23rd) in view of difficulties encountered in obtaining proper documentation. There were no objections.

37. Pointed out by City Treasurer Rupert, in reference to Information Item G, Statement of Investments for the month of April, 1968, that interest earned went over the \$900 per day mark, which is a new record for the City. Further, interest from the Redevelopment Agency for April was in excess of \$1300 per day average.

38. Building and Safety Director McKinnon reported on the preliminary discussions underway with the Garrett Corporation for the erection of a twelve story building on their site at 190th Street

to be used for executive offices, administration, and engineering, with construction to start possibly in October.

39. Further reported by City Treasurer Rupert was the significant contribution in sales tax revenue to the City anticipated by the location of the Xerox Corporation at the Financial Center.

40. Mr. Lynn Mozden, 2246 West 241st Street, advised the Council of his application for employment as a Jailer, placing 9th on the eligible list, only to fail the physical examination administered by the City Doctor because of his back; Mr. Mozden then went to his own doctor who confirmed this problem but stated that it should not disqualify him for employment. Mr. Mozden further alleged that he was informed by the City Nurse that he would be notified by mail since there would have to be verification by a radiologist regarding his physical unfitness for the job - no such letter having been received to date. Mr. Mozden then advised that he had appeared before the Civil Service Commission the previous evening and agreed to go to a third physician at his own expense, but this suggestion failed to win their approval by a 4 to 2 vote. Personnel Director Donovan confirmed that the Commission as a matter of policy has not permitted this.

It was the opinion of City Attorney Remelmeyer that it is a dangerous practice for the Council to be accepting appeals on particular matters affecting individuals and whether or not they should be employed - rather, the Council has taken the position that any rectification should come through changing the rules or revising previous policies. It was Mr. Remelmeyer's recommendation that in this case the City Manager be asked to make an investigation.

Mayor Isen concurred with such an investigation, suggesting that still another medical opinion be sought. City Manager Ferraro stated that there is a panel for purposes such as this, that he would undertake such an investigation, referring the findings back to the Civil Service Commission. It was further clarified that further medical examination would be at City expense.

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the above matter be referred to the City Manager for investigation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Johnson, Uerkwitz, and Wilson).

At 10:00 P.M. Councilman Sciarrotta moved to adjourn to 5:30 P.M. Thursday, May 23, 1968. His motion was seconded by Councilman Beasley, and there were no objections.

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

APPROVED:



Mayor of the City of Torrance
Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary