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Adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in a regular meeting on Tuesday, August 18, 1970, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Responding to roll call by City Clerk Coil were: Councilmen Brewster, Johnson, Sciarrotta, Surber, Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Miller. Absent: None.

Also present: City Manager Ferraro, Assistant City Manager Scharfman, City Attorney Remelmeyer, and City Clerk Coil. Absent: City Treasurer Rupert.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Mrs. Velma Shelbourn, at the request of Mayor Miller, led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend Charles Robinson, Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, gave the invocation for the meeting.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of August 4, 1970 be approved as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

6. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS:

Councilman Johnson moved that all properly audited demands be paid. His motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, carried as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Brewster, Johnson, Sciarrotta, Surber,
Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Miller.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

7. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Brewster moved that after the Clerk has given a number and read title to any resolution or ordinance on tonight's

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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 Uerkwitz, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

8. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Police and Fire Committee: Councilman Uerkwitz reported that this Committee had met this date; the next meeting date as yet undetermined.

Finance Committee: It was reported by Councilman Sciarrotta that the revenue sharing matter is progressing most favorably, and participation by the entire Council was urged by Mr. Sciarrotta.

PRESENTATIONS:

9. AWARD OF PERMAPLAQUE to James A. Davidson.

Mayor Miller, on behalf of the Council, acknowledged their appreciation by way of a permaplaque presentation to Mr. James Davidson, nationally recognized leader in the area of Youth Bands, for his exceptional contributions to Youth and Music, thus advancing the musical heritage of young people in the City of Torrance. There was gracious acceptance by Mr. Davidson -- Mr. Davidson also described the extensive future activities of the Torrance Area Youth Band.

There was a further presentation on behalf of the LECRA organization commending the Torrance Area Youth Band for their outstanding accomplishments.

10. AWARD OF PERMAPLAQUE to NORTH HIGH GIRLS' SOFTBALL TEAM.

At the request of Mayor Miller, Mrs. Velma Shelbourn introduced this remarkable team, extended congratulations, and presented a permaplaque to the champions, with individual resolutions of commendation for each of the girls.

10A. AWARD OF PERMAPLAQUE to Torrance Jaycees.

Councilman Brewster, on behalf of the Council, presented a permaplaque to Mr. James Berger, Torrance Jaycess, in recognition of their splendid performance in 1969-70.

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10B. PROGRAMS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS.

(Information Item A). It was the request of Director of Recreation Van Bellehem that this item be made a regular agenda item for the Council meeting of September 1st in order to accomodate senior citizens who could not be present at this meeting.

There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

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PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:11. GARNIER STREET BETWEEN LOMITA BOULEVARD AND 235TH STREET.RECOMMENDATION OF COUNCIL PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

That Council approve that the subject report be sent to the Planning Commission for their study and analysis and hearings on the proposed amendment to the Master Plan and Zone Change. In addition, the Committee recommends that the Planning Commission be encouraged to expedite this matter as there are proposed developments for this area which cannot be finalized prior to a definite decision, being made on the street pattern in the area.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Council Public Works Committee. His motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and unanimously approved by roll call vote.

It was the comment of Councilman Johnson, at the time of his vote, that he likes Garnier Street in there; he does not like the loop system.

12. Request from Dan E. Butcher that Ladeene Street, between Spencer and Emerald, be removed from the Master Plan.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved that the subject request be referred to the Planning Commission for appropriate action. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

(Considered together:)

13. ORDINANCE reclassifying property described in Zone Change Case No. 69-22.

13A. Communication from Kenneth Battram, President of Kenland Development Company, regarding rezoning of property included in ZC 69-22.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2132

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 WEST SIDE OF WESTERN AVENUE NORTH OF THE SAN DIEGO FREEWAY, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 69-22.

(Torrance Planning Commission initiated)

Councilman Wilson moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2132. His motion, seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, carried, with roll call vote as follows:

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AYES: COUNCILMEN: Brewster, Johnson, Sciarrotta,
Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Miller.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEN: Surber.

Councilman Surber indicated that he had abstained for the reason that he has not yet had an opportunity to study the supplemental information contained in Item 13A.

Mr. William Howe, Kenland Development Company, was present to specifically refer to the correspondence from his company, and to request clarification as to what transpires between the first and second reading of an ordinance and what consideration they might expect.

This brought about a lengthy discussion relative to the procedure between the first and second reading of ordinances -- City Attorney Remelmeyer being of the opinion that inasmuch as the public hearing on this matter has been closed, the introduction and consideration of additional information warrants readvertising and a new public hearing in order that all sides may be heard. The period between the first and second reading, according to Mr. Remelmeyer, is only to permit the Council to completely review information previously submitted at the public hearing.

In the opinion of Councilman Johnson it was deemed fair to hear this new evidence, and in line with the above comments of the City Attorney, he MOVED that this matter be reconsidered and rescheduled for a public hearing at the Council meeting of September 22nd. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, but discussion returned to the precedent-setting aspect of such action, and the need for clarification of the apparent problems in this regard.

The Council concurred in the fact that there is a need for some ground rules to be established by the City Attorney.

Councilman Johnson thereupon restated his MOTION: That the Council reconsider the matter of ZC 69-22. The motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, but failed to carry with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Brewster, Johnson, Surber.

NOES: COUNCILMEN: Sciarrotta, Uerkwitz, Wilson, and
Mayor Miller.

Mr. Howe indicated that Kenland Development Company had not indicated to create a donnybrook, and had only followed the instructions as to procedure given them by Staff members.

The motion approving Ordinance No. 2132 was the only action taken by the Council.

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- 14. ORDINANCE reclassifying property described in Zone Change Case 69-31, initiated by the Torrance Planning Commission, located between Hawthorne Boulevard and Madison Street and between 234th Street and Skypark Drive.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2133

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 BETWEEN HAWTHORNE BOULEVARD AND MADISON STREET AND BETWEEN 234TH STREET AND SKYPARK DRIVE, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 69-31.

(Torrance Planning Commission)

Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2133 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

- 15. ORDINANCE reclassifying property described in Zone Change Case 70-7, initiated by the Torrance Planning Commission, located on the east side of Crenshaw Boulevard, south of the Dominguez Channel.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2134

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 EAST SIDE OF CRENSHAW BOULEVARD, 100 FEET NORTH OF 167TH STREET, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE 70-7.

(Torrance Planning Commission)

Councilman Surber moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2134 at its first reading. His motion, seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

AIRPORT MATTERS:

- 16. Jefferson Inc., Mr. Al Levitt, request for approval of Theatre Plans.

RECOMMENDATION OF AIRPORT MANAGER:

That Council approve the Theatre Plans as submitted.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the Airport Manager's recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

The quality of the programming for the theatre was discussed. Mr. Leavitt was present to concur that such concern is legitimate; they have equal concern and responsibility as a landlord and this would serve to control the quality of the screenings. Mr. Leavitt further noted their already established good reputation and indicated their intention to maintain this reputation. Mayor Miller commented that he has full confidence in these people, and their good word is all that is needed.

PARK AND RECREATION:

17. AMERICAN STANDARD PROPERTY LEASE.

Request of Recreation Director to renew the lease between the City and American Standard for two acres of land for park and recreation purposes, for the period between October 1, 1970 and September 30, 1971.

RESOLUTION, lease and site location, regarding above.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 70-188

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN EXTENSION TO A LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY AND AMERICAN STANDARD FOR LEASE OF AMERICAN STANDARD PROPERTY BY THE CITY FOR PARK AND RECREATIONAL PURPOSES.

Councilman Wilson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 70-188. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

FISCAL MATTERS:

18. Award of Contracts - New Furnishings and Carpeting for New Torrance Library (Total Expenditure \$117,289.96).

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

I. Technical Furnishings, as itemized in August 13th memo: That Council accept the bid submitted by Hiebert, Inc. of Torrance to supply the above listed items in the amount of \$35,491.23, including tax.

II. Office and Miscellaneous Furniture (per August 13th memo): That the subject items be awarded to the low bidder as follows:

- 1. Items 8,10,11,13,14,15, and 16 be awarded to the Carl R. Anderson Company in the amount of \$1858.91 including tax.

2. Items 1,2,3,6,7,9, and 17 be awarded to the General Fireproofing Company in the amount of \$4011.27 including tax.
3. Items 4,5, and 12 be awarded to Johnson Stationery and Supplies Company in the amount of \$3002.79 including tax.

III. "Non-Technical" Furnishings - (General furnishing styles).
(as itemized in August 13th memo).

That the subject items be awarded to the low bidder as follows:

1. Items 1,5,6,8,9, and 10 be awarded to Carl R. Anderson Company in the amount of \$10,302.08 including tax.
2. Items 3 and 7 be awarded to the General Fireproofing Company in the amount of \$13,854.52 including tax.
3. Items 2,4,11, and 12 be awarded to Carroll Sagar & Associates in the amount of \$15,060.18 including tax.

IV. Carpet:

It is recommended that Council accept the low bid submitted by Custom Floors of Garden Grove and award them the contract to furnish and install the required carpeting in the amount of \$33,708.98 including tax.

In approving the above recommendations, the total library bond fund budget allocation of \$140,000 for furnishings of the new Central Library will be exceeded by \$11,500 because of previous and anticipated purchases. It is recommended that Council allocate an additional \$11,500 from the accumulated interest earnings of approximately \$127,000 in the library bond fund for furnishings for the new Central Library.

MOTION: Councilman Johnson moved to concur with the above recommendations of the Finance Director. His motion was seconded by Councilman Surber, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

LIBRARY OPERATIONS:

19. Southeast Torrance Branch Library - Site Costs and Street Improvements along 231st and 232nd Streets.

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR:

1. That \$16,143 be allocated from accrued interest earnings in the 1967 Library Bond Fund for the prorated share of costs for the south portion of the Southeast Library site.
2. That City forces be authorized to install (chargeable to the General Fund) the necessary street improvements along the 231st/232nd Streets frontages of the new Southeast Library.

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MOTION: Councilman Wilson moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Finance Director and appropriation of the necessary funds. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ITEMS NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFIED:

20. Request to be excused from Commission meeting. Civil Service Commissioner Morris Hooper from the regular meeting of July 13, 1970.

Councilman Brewster moved to concur with Commissioner Hooper's request. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

21. RESOLUTION OF RECORD DESTRUCTION.
(All Books Duplicates)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 70-189

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO DESTROY CERTAIN CITY RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS PURSUANT TO THE GOVERNMENT CODE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

Councilman Johnson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 70-189. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

22. ORDINANCE re: adding sections to Code to provide for the erection of barricades near exposed natural gas transportation pipelines adjacent to City streets.

It was recommended by Councilman Johnson that the ordinance be revised to spell out who is to pay for the barricades involved, as well as the matter of the inspection and maintenance of the pipes to make sure they are safe.

City Attorney Remelmeyer will revise the ordinance accordingly and return with same in two weeks.

23. RESOLUTION authorizing and directing the City Attorney and City Manager to file and prosecute jointly with the Santa Fe Railway Company an application before the State Public Utilities Commission for the abandonment and removal of the Madrona Spur.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 70-190

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY MANAGER TO FILE AND PROSECUTE JOINTLY WITH THE SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY AN APPLICATION BEFORE THE STATE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION FOR THE ABANDONMENT AND REMOVAL OF THE MADRONA SPUR.

Councilman Johnson moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 70-190. His motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

PERSONNEL MATTERS:

- 24. Administrative Specialist (Temporary).

REQUEST OF CITY ATTORNEY:

That he be authorized to employ Michael Stetson as an administrative specialist on a full time but temporary basis (not to exceed six months).

Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the City Attorney's request. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

City Attorney Remelmeyer advised that, hopefully, a class specification for Law Clerk will soon be forthcoming. Mr. Remelmeyer then introduced Mr. Stetson to the Council.

- 25. Classification Study - Tree Trimmer, Park Department.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That the classification study of the subject position which recommended the reallocation of this position to the class of Light Equipment Operator be approved.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the recommendation of the Civil Service Commission. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

- 26. Classification Study - Senior Engineering Aide, Traffic and Lighting Department.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That Council approve the classification study of the subject position which recommended the reallocation of the position of Senior Engineering Aide, Traffic and Lighting, to the class of Civil Engineering Draftsman.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the recommendation of the Civil Service Commission. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

27. Classification Study - Water Serviceman, Water Department

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That Council approve the reallocation of the position of Water Serviceman to the classification of Heavy Equipment Operator - Water Department.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Civil Service Commission. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

28. Classification Study - Senior Duplicating Equipment Operator.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That Council approve the subject classification study which recommended that the class title be changed to Central Services Supervisor with continued regular standing recognized for the incumbent.

MOTION: Councilmen Sciarrotta moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Civil Service Commission. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

29. Classification Study - Senior Typist Clerk, Finance Department, Administration and Accounting Division.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That Council approve the classification study of the subject position which recommended the reallocation of the position of Senior Typist Clerk, Finance Department, to the class of Secretary.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Civil Service Commission. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

30. Classification Study - Senior Typist Clerk, Airport Dept.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That Council approve the classification study of the subject position which recommended the reallocation of the position of Senior Typist Clerk, Airport Department, to the class of Secretary.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the above recommendation of the Civil Service Commission. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

31. Testing Contract for 1970-71.

RECOMMENDATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:

That the Personnel Testing Contract for 1970-71 be awarded to Cooperative Personnel Services of the California State Personnel Board.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved to refer the matter of the Testing Contract for 1970-71 to the Council Civil Service Committee for discussion and recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

32. ORDINANCE NO. 2128.

At the request of Mayor Miller, City Clerk Coil presented for its second reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2128

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 95.3.14 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED "TRAILER PARKS" TO CONDITIONALLY PERMIT TRAILER PARKS IN R-1 AND R-2 ZONES.

Councilman Brewster moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2128 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

33. ORDINANCE NO. 2129.

At the request of Mayor Miller, City Clerk Coil presented for its second reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2129

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER I THROUGH VII OF DIVISION 3 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE LICENSING AND TAXATION OF BUSINESSES AND TRADES IN THE CITY.

Councilman Johnson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2129 at its second and final reading. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wilson, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

34. ORDINANCE NO. 2130.

City Manager Ferraro called the attention of the Council to the communication from Attorney George Kurtz and his feeling that public hearings should have been held on this matter. This was deemed a legal matter by Mayor Miller, to be settled in court, if necessary; the position of the Council has already been taken.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2130

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE PROHIBITING THE DRILLING, RE-DRILLING, OR DEEPENING OF OIL WELL HOLES IN THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR EXCEPTIONS TO SUCH PROVISIONS; AND ELIMINATING THE "O" ZONE FROM COMBINING OIL DISTRICTS.

Councilman Johnson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 2130 at its second and final reading. The motion was seconded by Mayor Miller, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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The hour being 6:30 P.M. Councilman Sciarrotta moved to recess as City Council and reconvene as the Redevelopment Agency. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. The Council returned to its agenda at 6:31 P.M.

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NONCONTROVERSIAL ITEMS:35. EXPENDITURES OVER \$300:A. BUDGETED ITEMS:

1. \$689.97 to Remington Rand Systems for one only Remington Cabinet complete with 17 drawers as requested by the City Clerk for record keeping.
2. \$1214.38 to Century Strand for one complete portable stage lighting unit requested by the Recreation Department for use at Joslyn and Recreation Centers in putting on shows.
3. \$1730.20 to Centerline Products for 400 gallons of green pre-mix street marking paint requested by the Traffic and Lighting Department to paint existing street islands green.
4. \$987.48 to Motorola Communications and Electronics, Inc. for one only complete mobile Motorola radio unit with all cables and antenna as requested by the Traffic and Lighting Department. This is a replacement unit.
5. \$1139.40 to Zumar Industries for 100 only 30-inch "Stop" signs requested by the Traffic and Lighting Department to be used for replacements and stock.
6. \$345.24 to Western Water Works Supply Company for six only 6-inch repair clamps requested by the Water Department for required repair work.
7. \$637.75 to Park-Son, Inc. for six only - 6-inch water valves requested by the Water Department.

8. \$905.02 to Park-Son, Inc. for four only - 4-inch and six only 6-inch flanged water valves requested by the Water Department.
9. \$539.32 to Thompson Safety Equipment Company for eight resusitator spare air cylinders and valve assemblies requested by the Fire Department. These will be used as emergency spares.
10. \$1436.93 to E & J Resusitator Sales for two E & J resusitators complete with two spare air cylinders, three sizes of facemasks, and 2 only 25-ft. lengths of hose requested by the Fire Department.
11. \$2150.20 to Western Fire Equipment Company for 18 fog nozzles (six each 1-inch, six each 1-1/2 inch, and six each 2-1/2 inch), all chrome nozzles as requested by the Fire Department. These are replacement units.
12. \$512.73 to IBM for one only electric typewriter requested by the Fire Department as a replacement unit.
13. \$7,212.51 to Motorola Communications & Electronics for two portable radios and four mobile radios requested by the Fire Department as replacement units.
14. \$448.58 to Maytag Commercial c/o Stanton Sales Corp. for one Maytag heavy duty washing machine and one Maytag heavy duty dryer requested by the Police Department.
15. \$545.75 to Taylor Manufacturing Company for 14 only 17-inch metal push bumpers with mounting frames to mount on Torrance Police vehicles as requested by the Police Department.
16. \$303.31 to J.O. Dircks Company for 50,000 target primers requested by the Police Department for use on the range.
17. \$651.28 to Johnson Stationers for 5 display easels, one tracing board, one storage cabinet, and one drafting table with chair as requested by the Recreation Department for use in their various recreation operations.
18. \$3801.60 to Johnson Stationers for the following items:

2 each	Posture Chairs	Date Processing
12 each	12' Banquet Tables	Recreation
3 each	Executive Chairs	Recreation
9 each	Side Chairs	Recreation
1 each	Executive Chair	Fire
1 each	Conference Table	Fire
1 each	Office Desk	Fire
3 each	Wardrobe Storage	Police
	Lockers	
15 each	Side Chairs	Police
1 each	Bookcase	Police
2 each	Conference Tables	Police
1 each	Filing Cabinet	Police
1 each	Bookcase	Water
2 each	Filing Cabinet	Water

2 each	Storage Cabinet	Water
5 each	Steel Bin Sections	Water
1 each	Filing Cabinet	Finance
1 each	Filing Cabinet	Legal

B. REIMBURSABLE ITEMS:

19. \$670.40 to Park-Son, Inc. for two only 8" x 6" tapping sleeves; one 12" x 6" tapping sleeve; and three each 6" valves requested by the Water Department for use at: Torino Hydrant, McMahan's, and Superior Scaffold Services. Payment has already been received from these companies.
20. \$1052.35 to Martin Hannum, Inc. for 42 ounces of gold casting metal and 42 ounces of sterling casting metal as requested by the Recreation Department for use in their jewelry classes. The City is reimbursed for these expenditures through fees collected from class participants.

C. SPECIAL ITEMS:

21. \$6600.73 to Campbell and Hall, c/o Harry R. Wilson, for 280 adult books and 1189 juvenile books.
36. CLAIM of Marjorie Oldham for property damages.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That the above claim be DENIED and referred to the City Attorney.

37. (Considered separately).
38. CLAIM of Cynthia Martha Charles (minor) by her sister, Sandra Charles Otos, for personal damages.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That the above claim be DENIED and referred to the City Attorney.

39. CLAIM of Union Oil Company for property damages.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

The City Attorney advises that the claimant has failed to submit its claim within the 100-day period required by law, and therefore recommends that the claim be DENIED because it was not timely filed.

40. CLAIM of Otho Allen for vehicle damage.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That the above claim be denied and referred to the City Attorney.

MOTION: Councilman Sciarrotta moved for the approval, as recommended, of agenda items #35, 36, 38, 39 & #40 as recommended. His motion was seconded by Councilman Brewster, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEN: Brewster, Johnson, Sciarrotta, Surber,
Uerkwitz, Wilson, and Mayor Miller.
NOES: COUNCILMEN: None.

37. CLAIM of Dennis O. Lynberg for reimbursement of towing charge.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY CLERK:

That said claim be DENIED and referred to the City Attorney.

At the request of Councilman Surber, the procedure of the Police Department in matters involving the towing of vehicles was clarified by Police Captain Hammond. City Attorney Remelmeyer stated that his department would personally check this matter out, rather than leaving it to the insurance carrier, and that he will advise the Council of the determination made.

MOTION: Councilman Uerkwitz moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Clerk. His motion was seconded by Councilman Sciarrotta, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

41. Suggested by City Attorney Remelmeyer was a revision in the procedure relative to the selection of an appraiser in condemnation proceedings in the interest of perhaps expediting these matters -- Mr. Remelmeyer's request was reviewed at some length by the Council, and it was the consensus that he continue with the present system for the time being.

42. Mr. Earl Kaltenbach, president, Orange Valley Homes, Inc., 1823 East 17th Street, Santa Ana, requested reconsideration by the Council of an ordinance passed on July 1st establishing a 90-day moratorium on modular homes. Mr. Kaltenbach then described the modular homes, their structural qualifications as to FHA and Code requirements, and the pride they feel in their product.

It is felt, according to Mr. Kaltenbach, that they are being damaged by what he termed a prejudicial moratorium, and he requested that the Council lift the subject moratorium -- discussions with legal sources have indicated that legal action against the City may otherwise ultimately result.

Planning Director Shartle advised that a study is underway by the Planning Department, per the Council's request, and that the matter will be presented to the Planning Commission on September 2nd.

It was the comment of Councilman Brewster that the Council action did not mean to imply any kind of prejudice toward these homes -- it is just that it is a significant development in the market today, and, before proceeding and allowing these permanent installations, there should be time out to study the problem.

Councilman Johnson acknowledged the "pioneering" aspect of these homes and the fact that they will probably develop into a major business -- however, its very newness makes it important that the matter be researched by Council.

The absence of prejudice was affirmed by Councilman Surber as well -- however, Mr. Kaltenbach is in business to make money; the Council is in business representing the people, hence the moratorium which will accomodate needed study on the matter.

No action was taken by the Council.

43. Mr. John Haskell, 25029 Eshelman Avenue, Lomita, representing the Lomita Jaycees, requested permission from the Council to waive the license fee on a proposed carnival sponsored by this group.

MOTION: Councilman Johnson moved to concur with the above request, subject to appropriate Staff, License Review, and Planning Commission approval, and all conditions imposed. The motion was seconded by Councilman Uerkwitz, and there were no objections.

44. Permission to be excused from the Council meetings of August 25th, September 1st, (September 8th dark), and possibly September 15th, was requested by Councilman Surber. Councilman Sciarrotta moved to concur with the request; his motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson, and there were no objections.

45. The status of the pending suit involving some \$15,000 and the Anza Boulevard right-of-way was questioned by Councilman Uerkwitz; the City Attorney will report back.

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

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

APPROVED BY:

Ken Miller

Mayor of the City of Torrance

Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary

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