

**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
APRIL 8, 2008
REGULAR MEETING
5:30 P.M. - EXECUTIVE SESSION
7:00 P.M. - REGULAR BUSINESS BEGINS
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 3031 TORRANCE BL.**

OPENING CEREMONIES

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Mr. Barnett, Mr. Brewer, Mrs. Drevno, Mr. Nowatka,
Mr. Sutherland, Mrs. Witkowsky, Mayor Scotto

2. FLAG SALUTE:

NON SECTARIAN INVOCATION:

The Courts have concluded that sectarian prayer as part of City Council meetings is not permitted under the Constitution.

3. REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA.

The agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Blvd on Thursday, April 3, 2008 /s/ Sue Herbers

MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING OF RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES AFTER NUMBER & TITLE

See Council Rules of Order Section 2.11 (Resolution 2006-65)

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CITY COUNCIL AD HOC ETHICS COMMITTEE TUESDAY, APRIL 8 AT 3:00 P.M. AND TUESDAY, APRIL 22 AT 3:00 P.M. CITY HALL – 3RD FLOOR ASSEMBLY ROOM	CITIZEN DEVELOPMENT AND ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE TUESDAY, APRIL 8 AT 4:30 P.M. CITY HALL 3RD FLOOR ASSEMBLY ROOM	COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DESIGN COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16 AT 4:00 P.M. CITY HALL – 3RD FLOOR ASSEMBLY ROOM
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COUNCIL MEETING INFORMATION

All council meetings are open to the public. Oral Communications #1 is set aside after Community Matters for the public to address any matter not on the agenda. A speaker list sign up is at the podium prior to the meeting. An additional Oral Communications period follows the regular business of the City Council.

Those who wish to speak on any matter on the agenda are asked to complete a "Request to Speak" card (available at the back of the Council Chamber) and deposit in the box on the podium before addressing the City Council.

Direct other questions or concerns to the City Council (618-2801), City Manager (618-5880) or individual department head prior to submission to the City Council. Parties will be notified if the complaint will be included on a subsequent agenda.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Manager's office at 618-5880. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. [28CFR35.102-35.104 ADA Title II].

NOTICE OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

At the time Council convenes or as soon thereafter as Council business can be disposed of, the City Council will take a recess without leaving their seats and meet as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance. As soon as the meeting of the Redevelopment Agency adjourns, the City Council will reconvene as the City of Torrance.

AGENDA REVIEW

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City Council meetings are cablecast live Tuesdays in CitiCABLE Channel 3 and CitiSOUNDS AM 1620. Meetings are replayed Wednesday and Thursday at 10:00 p.m. and Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 10:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Channel 3. NOTE: if the meeting is over five (5) hours, the Friday, Saturday and Sunday replay schedule is 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. To watch live streaming and past Council meetings, log on to CitiNET at www.torrcity.com.

MEETINGS

Unless adjourned to another time or location the Torrance City Council meets every Tuesday in the City Hall Council Chamber at 3031 Torrance Blvd., at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session with the regular business commencing no earlier than 7:00 p.m.

Holidays falling on a Tuesday, 5th Tuesday of the month or Tuesday following a Monday holiday may be dark.

CITY HALL HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday - Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
with offices closed alternate Fridays.

City Hall will be CLOSED:

Friday, April 11
Friday, April 25
Friday, May 9

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

- A. **RESOLUTION NO. 2008-33** honoring Fire Communications Operator **Nancy L. DiBenedetto** upon her retirement from the City after twenty-nine years of service.
- B. **Proclamation** declaring the week of April 13 through April 19, 2008 as **“National Library Week”** in the City of Torrance.
- C. **City Manager - City Council Signing of Commitment to Integrity**

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1 (Limited to a 30 minute period)

Comments on this portion of the agenda are limited to items not on the agenda and to no longer than 3 minutes per speaker. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the legislative body is prohibited from taking action or engaging in discussion on any item not appearing on the posted agenda.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

A. **City Manager – Approve one time expenditure for fingerprinting of volunteers.
Expenditure: Not to exceed \$52,000.**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Approve a one time expenditure of \$52,000 for fingerprinting of volunteers to the Department of Justice; and
- 2) Appropriate \$52,000 from the General Fund Reserve for Program Contingency to the City Manager’s Operating Budget.

B. **City Manager – Authorize agreement for City-owned property located at 2909 Pacific Coast Highway.**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council authorize a forbearance agreement by and between the City of Torrance, a Municipal Corporation (hereinafter referred to as the “City”), and Argonaut Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation (hereinafter referred to as “Lessee”) concerning a lease for City-owned property located at 2909 Pacific Coast Highway.

C. **City Manager – Approve agreement to add parking space to the existing FAA Tower lease on property at 3115 Airport Drive.**

Recommendation of the Land Management Team that City Council authorize a supplemental lease agreement by and between the City of Torrance and the Federal Aviation Administration for Lease number DTFAWP-07-L-00011 to include approximately 5350 square feet of adjacent parking area to the FAA tower lease at 3115 Airport Drive.

D. **Community Services – Accept and appropriate donations to fund the digitization of Torrance historical newspapers and approve a contract for digitizing services.**

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council:

- 1) Accept and appropriate donations in the amount of \$20,00 from the Friends of the Torrance Library and \$20,000 from the Torrance Historical Society to digitize the Torrance Herald, Torrance Press, and other historical publications; and
- 2) Approve a one year contract with Progressive Technology Federal Systems, Inc. (PTFS) in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 for digitizing services.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

E. Public Works - Award agreement for construction of the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Curb, Gutter, and Sidewalk Replacement Program (Access Ramps), I-93. Expenditure: \$553,287.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve the plans and specifications for the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Replacement Program (Access Ramps), I-93 (B2008-04);
- 2) Accept the "Claim of Error" letter from Sturgeon General, Inc., the initial lowest bidder, and relieve them of their bid; and
- 3) Award a public works agreement to Pivot Group, Inc. in the amount of \$526,940 and authorize a 5% contingency in the amount of \$26,347 to construct the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Curb, Gutter, and Sidewalk Replacement Program (Access Ramps), I-93 (B2008-04).

F. Public Works - Award agreement for survey services for the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Replacement Program (Access Ramps), I-93 and Residential Street Rehabilitation, I-94. Expenditure: \$96,000.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council award a contract services agreement in the amount of \$96,000 to Case Land Surveying, Inc. to perform survey services for the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Residential Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Replacement, I-93 and the Residential Street Rehabilitation, I-94.

16. 2ND READING ORDINANCES

A. Second and Final Reading of ORDINANCE NO. 3708 amending sections of the Torrance Municipal Code related to Electric Fences.

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2

Date: April 8, 2008

Council order - Barnett Brewer Drevno Nowatka Sutherland Witkowsky
Staff & Public Comments

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18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Council Closed Session - None

Redevelopment Agency Closed Session – None

19. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Adjourn City Council and Redevelopment Agency to Tuesday, April 15, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Sue Herbers, City Clerk

"The first step in the evolution of ethics is a sense of solidarity with other human beings." — Albert Schweitzer

ALL BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE BY 2:00 P.M., BIDS WILL BE OPENED IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 2:15 P.M.		
BIDS	DESCRIPTION	OPENING DATE
RFP B2008-09	Request for Proposal to Furnish Telephone and Voicemail System Replacement Bid packets may be obtained for \$20 up in the City Clerk's office, or \$25 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Ernest Gallo at 310.618.2885.	Thursday May 15, 2008
B2008-10	Bid for Police Department Data Center Tier IV Upgrade Bid packets may be obtained for \$20 if picked up in the City Clerk's office, or \$30 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Diane Megerdichian at 310.781.7151.	Thursday April 3, 2008 April 10, 2008
B2008-11	Bid for Construction and Installation of Entry and Advanced Street Signage Questions may be referred to Henry Sakamoto at 310.618.5990.	Thursday April 10, 2008
B2008-12	Bid for Construction of Pavement Repairs to Western Avenue Questions may be referred to Craig Bilezerian at 310.781.6900.	Thursday April 10, 2008
B2008-13	Bid to Remove Underground Fuel Storage Tanks at Fire Station #2 and Fire Station #6 Questions may be referred to Diane Megerdichian at 310.618.7151.	Thursday April 24, 2008
B2008-14	Bid to Furnish (5) Latest Production Model Toyota Camry Hybrid Sedans Questions may be referred to Laurie Lim at 310.618.5820.	Thursday April 17, 2008
RFP B2008-15	Request for Proposal to Provide Security Services for the Torrance Transit System Pre-proposal conference Thursday, April 24 at 3:30 p.m. located at the Torrance Transit System, 20500 Madrona Avenue Questions may be referred to Eddie Harris at 310.618.3020.	Thursday May 15, 2008
B2008-16	Bid for the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library 1st Floor Remodel Mandatory job walk Thursday, April 17 at 10:30 a.m. located at Katy Geissert Library, 3301 Torrance Boulevard. Bid packets may be obtained for \$35 if picked up in the City Clerk's office, or \$50 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Diane Megerdichian at 310.618.7151.	Thursday May 8, 2008
B2008-17	Bid to Furnish Maintenance, Servicing, Repair and Installation of Trash Receptacles and Miscellaneous Street Furniture at Bus Stops in the City of Torrance Questions may be referred to Dennis Kobata at 310.618.3029.	Thursday May 1, 2008

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Friday, April 11, Friday, April 25, and Friday, May 9