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At 8:30 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with the regular meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

**MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR  
MEETING OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Torrance City Council convened for a workshop to review the "Ethics Training for Candidates for Elective Office" pilot class at 4:31 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14, 2012 in the West Annex meeting room.

**A. ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmembers Barnett, Brewer, Furey, Numark, Rhilinger, Sutherland and Mayor Scotto.

Absent: None.

**B. REVIEW OF ETHICS TRAINING FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE  
PILOT CLASS**

Rod Diridon, Jr., consultant, reviewed the "Ethics Training for Candidates for Elective Office" pilot class.

**C. PUBLIC INPUT**

**D. RECESS**

At 5:43 p.m., the City Council recessed to conduct regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

**1. RECONVENE/ ROLL CALL**

The City Council reconvened at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber.

Present: Councilmembers Barnett, Brewer, Furey, Numark, Rhilinger, Sutherland and Mayor Scotto.

Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager Jackson, Assistant City Attorney Sullivan, City Clerk Herbers and other staff representatives.

Agenda Item 18 was considered out of order at this time.

**18. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilmember Rhilinger announced that due to a conflict of interest she would recuse herself from consideration of Executive Session item 18A.

At 7:01 p.m., the City Council recessed to close session to confer with the City Manager and the City Attorney on agenda matters listed under 18A) Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation pursuant to California Government Code §54956.9(b).

The City Council reconvened at 7:30 p.m. to conduct regular business with all members present. No formal action was taken on any matter considered in closed session.

**2. FLAG SALUTE/ INVOCATION**

The flag salute was led by Assistant to the City Manager Sunshine.

The non-sectarian invocation was given by Councilmember Rhilinger.

**3. REPORT OF CITY CLERK ON POSTING OF THE AGENDA/ MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING**

City Clerk Herbers reported that the agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Boulevard on Thursday, August 9, 2012.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Rhlinger moved that after the City Clerk has read aloud the number and title to any resolution or ordinance on the meeting agenda, the further reading thereof shall be waived, reserving and guaranteeing to each Councilmember the right to demand the reading of any such resolution or ordinance in regular order. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Furey and passed by unanimous vote.

**4. WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED OR SUPPLMENTAL ITEMS**

No items were withdrawn or deferred. Addendum Item 6 was added.

**5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilmember Brewer announced that the Citizen Development and Enrichment Committee had met on Monday, August 13, to discuss subsidy of community services, senior excursions, and Madrona Marsh.

Mayor Scotto announced City Council had convened in workshop earlier this evening to review the "Ethics Training for Candidates for Elective Office" pilot class.

Mayor Scotto announced that the City Council Ad Hoc State Legislative Committee will meet on Monday, August 20, at 3:00 p.m. in the City Manager Assembly room to discuss the League of California Cities resolutions.

**6. COMMUNITY MATTERS**

**6A. RESOLUTION NO. 2012-65 RE BRADLEY THOMAS WILSON**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-65**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE HONORING POLICE CAPTAIN BRADLEY THOMAS WILSON UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE CITY OF TORRANCE AFTER TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS OF SERVICE

**MOTION:** Councilmember Barnett moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2012-65. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Brewer and passed by unanimous vote.

*To be presented at a later date.*

**6B. APPOINTMENT OF 2012-2013 YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council appoint 18 members to the 2012-2013 City of Torrance Youth Council and have them officially sworn in by the City Clerk.

The City Council approved the appointment of the following members to the 2012-2013 Youth Council: Jullian Free, Leanne Fukumoto, Jeffrie Gonzalez, Daniel Hong, Diana Im, Justin Kim, Minji Kim, Jerry Lee, Frank Masi, Joo Hee Pak, Joseph Roh, Teena Roshini, Shiloh Schatzkamer, Anna Spallino, Arielle Stephenson, Grant Torre, Serena Tsay, and Anthony Xian.

City Clerk Herbers administered the oath of office to the newly appointed Youth Council members.

**6C. ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION FROM SIMON PROPERTY GROUP**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Police Chief that Council accept a donation of a Mutualink Communications system, valued at \$22,048, from Simon Property Group.

Elena Butorac, Del Amo Fashion Center General Manager, presented the donation to Police Chief Neu and Lieutenant Stark.

**6D. INTRODUCTION OF DEL AMO ROTARY CLUB YOUTH EXCHANGE STUDENTS**

Del Amo Rotary Club Past President Phil Carl Kaemerle and Youth Exchange Chairman Wilson Benitez introduced exchange students from Saitama, Japan: Rie Takei and Makato Kayano, as Mayor Scotto presented them with certificates.

**7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1**

**7A.** Brenda Wong, Tony Roma's restaurant, announced that the restaurant will be hosting a "Tip-a-Cop" fundraiser on Wednesday, August 15, from 5:00 – 9:00 p.m., with all tips going to benefit the Special Olympics of Southern California.

**7B.** Lynn Brennan announced that the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Health & Resource Fair will be held at the Torrance Salvation Army on Saturday, September 15, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and will include free health screenings, entertainment, door prizes and an antique car show.

**7C.** Debbie Hays, Torrance Historical Society, announced that the Torrance Historical Society Museum will be open until 8:00 p.m. on Thursdays during August and that Chuck Lobb, the author of *Torrance Airport* will be the guest speaker on Thursday, August 16.

**8. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**8A. APPROVAL OF ANNUAL TORRANCE YOUTH COUNCIL WORKSHOP**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council authorize the Torrance Youth Council to conduct their annual workshop on Saturday, September 8, 2012, at the ATTIC Teen Center, 2320 West Carson Street.

**8B. SUBSIDY OF RENTAL FEES FOR ARMSTRONG THEATRE**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council approve the subsidy of rental fees for the James Armstrong Theatre in the amount of \$2,130 for the City of Torrance Employee Variety Show scheduled for September 15, 2012.

**8C. PURCHASE ORDER RE UNIFORMS, VESTS AND ACCESSORIES**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Chief of Police that City Council award a purchase order and authorize a change order to Gall's/Long Beach Uniform of Long Beach, CA for the annual requirement of uniforms, vests, and accessories on an as-requested basis, in a combined total amount not to exceed \$75,000, for the term from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013.

**8D. EASEMENT AGREEMENTS RE WATER SITE AT 17815 YUKON AVENUE**

Considered separately see page 4.

**8E. APPROPRIATION FOR MOBILE DATA COMPUTERS**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Chief of Police and the Information Technology Director that City Council appropriate and allocate \$336,257.82 of asset forfeiture funds and approve the purchase of sixty (60) Mobile Data Computers (MDCs) from RoboVu, of Phoenix, AZ, for Police vehicles.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Numark moved for the approval of Consent Calendar Items 8A through 8C and 8E. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutherland and passed by unanimous vote.

Consent Calendar Item 8D was considered separately at this time.

**8D. EASEMENT AGREEMENTS RE WATER SITE AT 17815 YUKON AVENUE**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Approve easement agreements by and between the Torrance Unified School District and the City of Torrance granting certain access rights through easements at Yukon Elementary School, located at 17815 Yukon Avenue, to provide access to the City-owned parcel bordered by the 405 freeway, Southern California Edison property and Yukon Elementary School; and
- 2) Appropriate \$290,580 for the first 5-years of the easement agreement from the Water Fund balance.

Councilmember Sutherland commented that he was disappointed that Torrance Unified School District was charging so much for use of this easement since the City provides support to TUSD totaling almost \$3 million on an annual basis.

Assistant to the City Manager Sunshine reported that rate being charged is competitive and is the same that TUSD is receiving for a pump station at West High operated by the Water Replenishment District.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Rhilinger moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Furey and passed by unanimous vote.

**12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**12A. RESOLUTION RE COMPLIANCE WITH ALL REQUIREMENTS OF BROWN ACT**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a Resolution to continue to comply with all the requirements of the Brown Act during the State of California's three-year suspension of the State mandates as contained in Assembly Bill 1464 and Senate Bill 1106.

Management Associate Hoang reported that AB 1464, signed into law on June 27, 2012, suspends certain provisions of the Brown Act, however, Mayor Scotto directed staff at the August 7 City Council meeting to prepare a resolution reaffirming that the Torrance City Council and all boards, commissions and committees will continue to comply with all provisions.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Rhilinger moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Furey and passed by unanimous vote.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2012-66**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADOPTING A POLICY TO CONTINUE TO COMPLY with ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE BROWN ACT DURING THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S THREE-YEAR SUSPENSION OF STATE MANDATES AS CONTAINED IN AB1484 AND SB1006

**MOTION:** Councilmember Barnett moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2012-66. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Brewer and passed by unanimous vote.

Agenda Item 12C was considered out of order at this time.

**12C. ADOPTION OF CALIFORNIA FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION FORM 806**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Adopt the California Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) Form 806 listing all City Council appointments for which compensation is received; and
- 2) Direct the City Manager to post the approved FPPC Form 806 on the City of Torrance website.

Management Associate Hoang reported that this action was necessary due to recent changes to Fair Political Practices Commission Regulation 118705.5, which authorizes public officials to vote on their own appointments to compensated positions on various types of boards and commissions.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Rhilinger moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Furey and passed by unanimous vote.

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Councilmember Rhilinger announced that due to her appointment to the Oversight Board for the Successor Agency she would recuse herself from consideration of items 12B, 15.1A, and 15.1B and exited the Council Chamber.

**12B. APPROVAL OF LOAN FROM HOUSING SUCCESSOR AGENCY LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSE FUND TO SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City of Torrance, acting as the Housing Successor Agency, approve a loan from the Housing Successor Agency low and moderate income housing fund to the Successor Agency to the former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance in an amount of \$3,192,500 to pay for bonded indebtedness and the senior housing subsidy program.

Planning Associate Chun reported that the proposed loan would enable the Successor Agency to the Former Redevelopment Agency to pay its financial obligations and the loan will be repaid from future tax increment from the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Furey moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barnett and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmember Rhilinger).

**15.1. OTHER – SUCCESSOR AGENCY to the former City of Torrance Redevelopment Agency**

**15.1A. ACCEPTANCE OF LOAN FROM HOUSING SUCCESSOR AGENCY LOW AND MODERATE HOUSING FUND**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council, acting as the Successor Agency to the former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance accept a loan from the City of Torrance acting as the Housing Successor Agency from the low and moderate income housing fund in an amount of \$3,192,500 to pay for bonded indebtedness and the senior housing subsidy program.

Planning Associate Chun noted that this item was to accept the loan approved under Agenda Item 12D.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Furey moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barnett and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmember Rhilinger).

**15.1B. APPROVAL OF RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE – JANUARY 1 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council, acting as the Successor Agency to the former Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance, approve the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS) for the period of January 1 through June 30, 2013, in accordance with ABX1-26 and AB 1484.

Planning Associate Chun reported that staff was recommending approval of the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for January 1 through June 30, 2012 as detailed in the staff report.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Furey moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barnett and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmember Rhilinger).

Councilmember Rhilinger returned to the dais.

**16. SECOND AND FINAL READING ORDINANCES**

**16A. SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 3758**

**ORDINANCE NO. 3758**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 93.1.8 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE A ONE-DAY WAIVER FROM THE TEN VENDOR LIMIT FOR MOBILE FOOD VENDORS FOR THE CITY OF TORRANCE CENTENNIAL BIRTHDAY BASH, TO BE HELD AT WILSON PARK ON OCTOBER 28, 2012

**MOTION:** Councilmember Barnett moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3758 and to approve an ordinance summary for publication. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Brewer and passed by unanimous vote.

**17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**17A.** Councilmember Furey announced that the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Del Amo Boulevard extension will take place on Wednesday, August 22, at 4:30 p.m. at Maple Avenue and Del Amo Boulevard.

**17B.** Councilmember Furey provided information about the cooling centers being operated this summer at the Bartlett Center, 1318 Cravens Avenue, and the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library, 3301 Torrance Boulevard, with additional information available at 310.618.5880 or on the City's website.

**17C.** Councilmember Furey announced that the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Torrance Employee Variety Show will be held on Saturday, September 15, at 7:00 p.m. at the Armstrong Theatre, with proceeds to benefit the American Cancer Society Relay for Life.

**17D.** Councilmember Rhilinger announced that the South Bay Cities Genealogical Society will be presenting "Torrance Who Do You Think You Are?" on Wednesday, September 19, at 7:00 p.m. at the Armstrong Theatre, with additional information at 310.781.7171.

**17E.** Councilmember Barnett announced that the 2012 Aquacade "Splish, Splash Gotta Dance" will be held on August 17 and 18 at the Benstead Plunge at 8:15 p.m.

**17F.** Councilmember Barnett requested that staff look into the possibility of recognizing Torrance school alumni who won medals in the London 2012 Summer Olympics.

**17G.** Councilmember Brewer announced that the Torrance Theatre Company will be presenting *Fiddler on the Roof* the next two weekends at the Armstrong Theatre, with additional information available at 310.781.7171 or on the Torrance Theatre Company website.

**17H.** Councilmember Brewer announced that L.A. Galaxy City of Torrance night will be held on Sunday, August 26, at 4:00 p.m., additional information available at [www.LAGalaxy.com/Torrance](http://www.LAGalaxy.com/Torrance).

**17I.** Mayor Scotto encouraged the public to attend *Fiddler on the Roof* at the Armstrong Theatre.

**17J.** Mayor Scotto offered a reminder that the Torrance Centennial Community Parade will be held on Sunday, September 16, starting at noon in downtown Torrance and will be followed by the dedication of the new Centennial Plaza and Centennial Time Capsule at El Prado Park. He noted that the Centennial Birthday Bash will be held on October 28 at Wilson Park.

**17K.** Scott Gobble, Southern California Edison, offered a safety reminder that if residents see a downed power line they should secure the area and call 911. He recommended that residents run their appliances in the morning or evening hours to avoid placing a strain on the power grid.

**18. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Considered out of order, see page 2.

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:30 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with the regular meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

Attest:

/s/ Frank Scotto

Mayor of the City of Torrance

/s/ Sue Herbers

Sue Herbers, CMC  
City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved on October 2, 2012

Sue Sweet  
Recording Secretary