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**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL – SEPTEMBER 20, 2011**

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September 20, 2011

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

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Torrance City Council convened in an adjourned regular session at 7:02 p.m. on Tuesday, September 20, 2011 in City Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: Councilmember Numark.

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

**2. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION**

The flag salute was led by Farmer's Market Manager Mary Lou Weiss.

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 Friday, September 16, 2011.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Brewer 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 Barnett and passed by unanimous vote (Councilmember Numark).

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 WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

None.

**5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Scotto asked for and received City Council concurrence to grant Councilmember Numark an excused absence from the meeting.

Councilmember Rhilinger announced the City Council Transportation Committee will meet on Tuesday, September 27, at 4:00 p.m. in the West Annex Commission room to discuss the proposed Transit Center and rapid bus service branding.

Councilmember Furey relayed a health advisory from the Los Angeles County West Vector Control District regarding West Nile virus. He reported that mosquitoes infected with the virus have been detected throughout L.A. County and urged residents to take precautions when engaging in outdoor activities, to mosquito-proof their homes, and to eliminate standing water on their property, with additional information available at 310. 915.7370.

Community Services Director Jones announced that the City will launch its new eNEWSLETTER on Thursday, September 22, which will highlight activities and events throughout the city each week. For more information or to subscribe visit [www.torranceca.gov/enewsletter.htm](http://www.torranceca.gov/enewsletter.htm).

Mayor Scotto announced that the City of Torrance is a finalist in the competition for the "2011 Most Business Friendly City" award presented by the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation.

Mayor Scotto asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of retired senior librarian Christine Downey who passed away September 18.

## **6. COMMUNITY MATTERS**

### **6A. ACCEPTANCE/APPROPRIATION OF DONATION FROM EXXONMOBIL**

#### **Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council accept and appropriate a \$12,000 donation from ExxonMobil Corporation as follows:

- 1) \$10,000 to support the Torrance Fire Department Community Emergency Response Training Program (CERT);
- 2) \$1,000 to support the Library Science Month Reading Program; and
- 3) \$1,000 to support the Library Youth Services Program.

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

ExxonMobil Torrance Refinery Manager Pablo Borgnino presented the check to Mayor Scotto, who expressed appreciation for the generous donation.

### **6B. PACIFIC GATEWAY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

#### **Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council appoint the following individuals to the Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Board: Jason Branch from ExxonMobil Corporation; Heidi Cunningham from Kelly Services; Philip De Souza from Aurora Enterprises; Lois Michael from Torrance Memorial Medical Center; and Ellenmary Michel from Pelican Products.

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

City Clerk Herbers administered the oath of office to members present.

## **7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1**

**7A.** Debbie Hays, Torrance Historical Society, announced they were still seeking volunteers to assist with a field survey of structures in old Torrance, noting volunteers are required to attend a brief training session offered September 24 and 25, with additional information available by calling the museum at 310.328.5392.

**7B.** Janet Payne, Torrance Historical Society, invited the public to attend a free walking tour of old Torrance on Sunday, September 25, at 1:30 p.m. beginning at the museum located at 1345 Post Avenue.

**7C.** Jeff Kidd, Public Works Department, reported that Coastal Clean Up day was a successful event with over 760 volunteers from Torrance and thanked everyone involved.

**7D.** Suzan Hubert, Friends of Madrona Marsh, invited staff and the public to attend their "Starlight Magic" fundraiser to be held Saturday, October 1, at the Madrona Marsh from 5:00 – 10:00 p.m. with tickets available for \$50 per person.

**7E.** James Noble expressed concerns about the congregation of what he believes to be illegal immigrants at the corner of Pacific Coast Highway and Hawthorne Boulevard and requested information about the long-range surveillance camera installed at that location.

**8. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**8A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council approve the City Council minutes of August 9, August 16, and August 23, 2011.

**8B. LICENSE AGREEMENT RE CITY-OWNED PARKING LOT ON CRAVENS AVENUE**

Considered separately, see page 4.

**8C. CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT RE CLOSED CITY YARD LANDFILL**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council approve a one-year consulting services agreement with Shaw Environmental for a not to exceed amount of \$115,000 to provide operation, maintenance and compliance testing/reporting services for the closed City landfill located at the City Yard.

**8D. REVISED CLASS SPECIFICATION FOR CLAIMS TECHNICIAN**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Civil Service Commission and the Human Resources Director that City Council approve the revised class specification for Claims Technician.

**8E. AGREEMENT AMENDMENT RE AMBULANCE SERVICES**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Fire Chief that City Council approve a sixth amendment to the agreement to provide ambulance services with Gerber Ambulance Service, Inc. (C2001-132) extending the term of the agreement through October 31, 2011.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Rhilinger moved to approve Consent Calendar Items 8A and 8C through 8E. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Furey and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmember Numark).

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

**8B. LICENSE AGREEMENT RE CITY-OWNED PARKING LOT ON CRAVENS AVENUE**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council approve a license agreement by and between the City of Torrance ("City") and Gary Zimmerman (DBA Frankie, Johnnie, & Luigi's Pizza Parlor), for use of 7 parking spaces located in the City-owned lot located between 1511 and 1529 Cravens Avenue (APN 7355-022-902).

Councilmember Sutherland encouraged people to patronize the new restaurant when it opens in downtown Torrance.

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

**12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**12A. PURCHASE ORDER FOR ASPHALT PLANT MIX AND SS1-H EMULSION**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council authorize a purchase order with Sully-Miller Contracting Company DBA Blue Diamond Materials of Brea, CA, in an amount not to exceed \$1,100,000 for asphalt plant mix and SS1-H emulsion (B2011-34), on an as requested basis for a two year period from October 18, 2011 to October 17, 2013.

Street Operations Manager Cooper noted that the price of the asphalt reflects a reduction from previous years and the two-year agreement will allow the City to lock-in the lower prices.

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

**16. SECOND READING ORDINANCES**

**16A. SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 3751**

**ORDINANCE NO. 3751**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE GRANTING TO SHELL CALIFORNIA PIPELINE COMPANY LLC, A FRANCHISE, TO CONSTRUCT, LAY, OPERATE, TEST, MAINTAIN, USE, RENEW, REPAIR, REPLACE, MOVE, CHANGE THE SIZE AND NUMBER OF, AND REMOVE OR ABANDON IN PLACE A SYSTEM OF PIPELINES AND APPURTENANCES, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING, TRANSPORTING, CONVEYING AND CARRYING GAS, OIL, PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND WATER ON, ALONG, IN, UNDER AND ACROSS PUBLIC STREETS, WAYS, ALLEYS, AND PLACES WITHIN THE CITY OF TORRANCE

**MOTION:** Councilmember Sutherland moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3751. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Barnett and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmember Numark).

The City Council met as the Redevelopment Agency from 7:44 p.m. to 8:16 p.m.

**17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2**

**17A.** Councilmember Brewer announced that the Torrance Cultural Arts Foundation presentation of "A Class Reunion to Die For," originally scheduled for Friday, September 23, at the Miyako Hybrid Hotel has been rescheduled to Friday, November 18.

**17B.** Councilmember Brewer encouraged participation in the Torrance Centennial kick-off event "Lights, Camera, Action" to be held on Sunday, November 6, with additional information available at [www.torrancecentennial.org](http://www.torrancecentennial.org).

**17C.** Councilmember Brewer announced that Torrance Centennial merchandise may be purchased at the Torrance Farmer's Market located at Wilson Park on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**17D.** Councilmember Rhilinger reminded the public that the deadline to submit new events to the Centennial Events Committee is Friday, September 23.

**17E.** Councilmember Sutherland asked staff to look into the possibility of offering a commemorative pen to Commission and Committee members when they sign the oath of office.

**17F.** Councilmember Barnett noted that according to the Centennial Committee meeting held the previous evening, the kick-off event is nearly full and thanked those involved for their efforts.

**17G.** Mayor Scotto read the agenda quote by Herm Albright "A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort."

**18. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None.

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

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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 November 1, 2011