

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 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 8, 2005 in City Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Guyton, Mauno, McIntyre, Nowatka, Scotto, Witkowsky and Mayor Walker.

Absent: None.

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

Agenda Item 17 was considered out of order at this time.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Council immediately recessed to closed session to confer with the City Manager and the City Attorney on agenda matters listed under 17A) Public Employee Performance Evaluation – City Attorney, pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957.

The Council reconvened in Council Chambers at 7:19 p.m. No formal action was taken on any matter considered in closed session.

2. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Guyton.

Councilmember Mauno gave the non-sectarian invocation.

3. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING/WAIVE FURTHER READING

MOTION: Councilmember McIntyre moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda for this meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scotto and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

MOTION: Councilmember McIntyre 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 Scotto and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

4. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS

None.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6A. COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **City Clerk** that City Council review applications and make appointments to fill two vacancies on the Planning Commission. The **City Clerk** further recommends that the City Clerk administer the Oath of Office to commissioners present.

Mayor Walker introduced the applicants present at the meeting.

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowsky moved to appoint Richard Browning and Steven Busch to the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scotto and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

City Clerk Herbers administered the oath of office to Mr. Browning and Mr. Busch.

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The City Council recessed from 7:35 p.m. to 7:42 p.m.

Following the recess, there was a DVD presentation of the 2005 Armed Forces Day celebration, which was produced by the Torrance Police Department for viewing at the Pentagon during planning sessions for the 2006 Armed Forces Day celebration.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

7A. CANCELLATION OF DECEMBER 6, 2005 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **City Manager** that City Council cancel the meeting scheduled for December 6, 2005 in order to accommodate for Council member absences.

7B. PURCHASE ORDER RE ASPHALT ZIPPER RECLAMATION ATTACHMENT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **Public Works Director** that City Council:

- 1) Authorize a purchase order with Asphalt Zipper Inc. of Pleasant Grove, UT in the amount of \$86,978.88, for the sole-source purchase of one (1) asphalt zipper reclamation attachment; and
- 2) Appropriate \$10,978.88 from the Street Maintenance Operating Budget into the Asphalt Zipper Reclamation Project (FEAP #469).

MOTION: Councilmember Mauno moved for the approval of Consent Calendar Items 7A and 7B. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McIntyre and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

11. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

11A. APPLICATION FOR REUSE ASSISTANCE GRANT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **Public Works Director** that City Council approve a Resolution for submittal of a grant application to reuse manufacturer cast-offs as art project materials for schools through Trash for Teachers, a non-profit organization. The grant request is for \$50,000 and requires matching funds of \$25,000, which will be funded by the Waste Management Division over the two years of the grant cycle.

Jack Van der Linden, Public Works Department, reported that Trash for Teachers has asked the City to partner with them on a Reuse Assistance Grant, which the organization will use to recruit businesses and manufacturers to donate materials for reuse by elementary schools, pickup and deliver the materials to Torrance schools, and conduct workshops for teachers. He noted that schools will benefit by saving on the cost of art supplies and the City will benefit from the reduction in waste.

MOTION: Councilmember Scotto moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember McIntyre and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-126

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A REUSE ASSISTANCE GRANT TO PROVIDE REUSED MATERIALS FROM MANUFACTURERS AS ART SUPPLIES TO SCHOOLS

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowsky moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2005-126. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

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The Council met as the Redevelopment Agency from 7:53 p.m. to 7:55 p.m.

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16. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

16A. City Manager Jackson announced that the City Council meeting next week would be preceded by a workshop at 5:30 p.m. on the November 17 Disaster Preparedness Drill and that the executive session would commence at 6:00 p.m. with regular business to begin at 7:00 p.m.

16B. Councilmember McIntyre congratulated North High graduate Jennifer Fujikawa upon receiving a four-year Presidential Scholarship to Cal State Fullerton.

16C. Councilmember Witkowsky reported that she had attended the White House Congress on Aging orientation and received information on Medicare Part D, the new prescription drug plan, which has caused a lot of confusion among seniors, and noted that a program explaining the plan would be televised on November 19, 2005 on CNBC from 6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

16D. Councilmember Witkowsky announced a production of “The Nutcracker” by the South Bay Ballet at the Marsee Auditorium at El Camino College on Sunday, December 18, 2005 with performances at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Considered earlier in the meeting, see page 1.

18. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:00 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, November 15, 2005 at 5:30 p.m. for a workshop on the November 17 Disaster Preparedness Drill, followed by an executive session at 6:00 p.m. with regular business to begin at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Attest:

/s/ Dan Walker

Mayor of the City of Torrance

/s/ Sue Herbers

Sue Herbers, CMC
City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved on February 7, 2006