

**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 19, 2002, in City Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: None.

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

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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) Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation; 17b) Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation; and 17c) Public Employee Performance Evaluation – City Manager and City Attorney; and 17d) Real Property – Conference with Real Property Negotiator, pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54956.9, 54956.9(c), 54957 and 54956.8.

The Council reconvened in Council Chambers at 7:02 p.m.

2. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by AFSCME President Alan Lee.

Pastor Siegrfried Neuendorff, retired, gave the invocation for the meeting.

3. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING/WAIVE FURTHER READING

MOTION: Councilmember Lieu 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 Nowatka, and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

MOTION: Councilmember Lieu 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 Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

4. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS

None.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Scotto announced that the Finance and Governmental Operations Committee met earlier that evening and would forward a report to Council.

Mayor Walker asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Janet Pryor, former city employee and former League of Women Voters president (1973-1975) who passed away November 10.

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Public Access Foundation met from 7:08 p.m. to 7:16 p.m.

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6a. RESOLUTION NO. 2002-101 RE POLICE CAPTAIN STEPHEN P. ROSS

Mayor Walker presented Resolution No. 2002-101 honoring Police Captain Stephen Patrick Ross upon his retirement from the City after 30 years of service to Mr. Ross. Police Chief Herren discussed Mr. Ross's accomplishments and commended him for his commitment to public service.

6b. PRESENTATION OF "EXCELLENCE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PRACTICES" AWARD

Mr. Mitch Cochran, Information Systems Manager, Monrovia, presented the "Excellence in Information Technology Practices" award to Acting Information Technology Director Ryan Lee on behalf of the Municipal Systems Association of California (MISAC).

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

7a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OCTOBER 1 AND OCTOBER 22, 2002

7b. APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR CULTURAL ARTS CENTER DONOR WALL

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **General Services Director** that City Council approve an appropriation of \$35,000 from the Cultural Arts Center fund balance to be used for the construction and installation of a second donor wall panel and the updating of the existing donor wall panel in the James Armstrong Theatre lobby. (FEAP 370)

7c. VOCATIONAL TRAINING AGREEMENT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **Human Resources Director** that City Council execute a vocational training agreement with Bryman College for an amount not-to-exceed \$150,000 for the period of November 19, 2002 through June 30, 2005. This will provide training in a variety of occupations in medical office occupations and multimedia.

7d. CONTRACT RE DISPOSAL OF NON-HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **Street Services Director** that City Council:

- 1) Award a contract for the disposal of non-hazardous solid fill materials to Chandler's Palos Verdes Sand and Gravel Corporation, for an amount not-to-exceed \$200,000; and
- 2) Authorize the Mayor to execute and the City Clerk to attest to said contract.

MOTION: Councilmember Nowatka moved for the approval of Consent Calendar Items 7a through 7d. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scotto and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

11. **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

11a. **CONTINUATION OF STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY RE CAROLWOOD/
SINGINGWOOD DRIVE**

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **City Manager** and the **City Attorney** that City Council continue the state of local emergency, proclaimed March 2, 2001 for properties located on Carolwood Drive and Singingwood Drive.

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

11b. **JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT RE LOS ANGELES AREA INTEGRATED
WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY**

Recommendation

Recommendation of the **Street Services Director** that City Council approve:

- 1) A Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) with the City of Los Angeles in establishing the Los Angeles Area Integrated Waste Management Authority; and
- 2) An annual allocation of \$38,000 for the City's membership and share of costs in the Los Angeles County Integrated Waste Management Authority.

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

15. **2ND READING ORDINANCES**

15a. **SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 3527**

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTIONS OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO WASTE MANAGEMENT PROVISIONS

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowsky moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3527. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

15b. **SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 3528**

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING SECTION 11.51.1 OF ARTICLE 5 OF CHAPTER 1 OF DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO FILING A NOTICE OF APPEAL

MOTION: Councilmember Witkowsky moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3528. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scotto and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

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The Redevelopment Agency met from 7:35 p.m. to 7:36 p.m.

16. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

16a. City Clerk Herbers announced that applications were being accepted in the City Clerk's office for appointments to the various commissions, with appointments to be made by the City Council at its meeting of January 14, 2003.

16b. Police Chief Herren commended and congratulated the City of Torrance Emergency Preparedness Team who took part in the countywide disaster drill, which was a simulated bomb explosion, on Thursday, November 14.

16c. Councilmember Lieu reported that he attended the YMCA annual dinner along with City Attorney Fellows and Councilmember Mauno; commented on the many services/programs the YMCA provides; and thanked all the volunteers involved.

16d. Councilmember Mauno noted that he had the privilege of attending the installation of seven Eagle Scouts from Troop 240.

16e. Councilmember McIntyre reported that she had attended a health-care forum on November 13th, hosted by the Chamber of Commerce, that brought together Harbor General Hospital, Torrance Memorial Medical Center, Little Company of Mary Hospital, Kaiser, and Harbor Research Institute. She commended the Chamber for hosting this very informative and timely event.

16f. Councilmember Scotto noted that the City of Torrance's participation in the disaster drill was very professional and expressed pride in our Fire and Police departments.

16g. Councilmember Witkowsky commented on the role-playing volunteers in the disaster drill.

16h. Councilmember Witkowsky reported that she attended the ExxonMobil Pegasus awards ceremony where Torrance Unified School District teachers were given grants for educational programs.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:47 p.m., the Council recessed to closed session to continue discussion on matters listed under Executive Session. The Council reconvened at 8:32 p.m. No formal action was taken on any matter considered in closed session.

18. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:33 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, November 26, 2002, at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with the regular meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

***Adjourned in Memory of
Janet Pryor***

Attest:

/s/ Dan Walker

Mayor of the City of Torrance

/s/ Sue Herbers

Sue Herbers
City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved on January 21, 2003

Sue Sweet
Recording Secretary