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At 9:20 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

**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 5:32 p.m. on Tuesday, December 6, 2011 in City Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Councilmembers Barnett and Numark.

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

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

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council immediately recessed to closed session to confer with the City Manager and City Attorney on agenda matters listed under 18A) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation, and 18B) Real Property – Conference with Real Property Negotiator, pursuant to California Government Code § 54956.9(a) and 54956.8.

The City Council reconvened at 7:04 p.m. with all members present except Councilmembers Barnett and Numark. No formal action was taken on any matter considered in closed session.

2. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION

The flag salute was led by Heidi Ashcroft.

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, December 1, 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 Rhilinger and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett and Numark).

4. WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

None.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fire Chief Racowschi announced that ExxonMobil would be conducting their monthly Community Alert Siren testing on Wednesday, December 7, at 11:30 a.m., for more information contact the ExxonMobil Public Advisor 310. 212.1852.

Public Works Director Beste reported that the City of Torrance was fortunate that it did not receive any reports of trees lost due to the recent wind storms and the tree trimming schedule has proved to be effective.

Councilmember Sutherland announced that the Finance and Governmental Operations Committee will meet on Tuesday, December 13, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers to review the 1st Quarter Budget.

Councilmember Brewer announced that the Citizen Development and Enrichment Committee will meet on Tuesday, December 20, at 4:00 p.m. in the City Manager Assembly room to discuss landscape design concepts for the Henrietta and Entradero Basins, the Downtown Torrance Farmers Market, and landscaping of Hawthorne Boulevard medians.

Councilmember Furey announced that a Menorah Lighting Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, December 20, at 5:00 p.m. in front of City Hall officiated by Rabbi Gary Spero of Congregation Beth Torah.

Councilmember Rhilinger announced a City Council workshop on public safety reorganization on Tuesday, December 20, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

City Clerk Herbers announced that information was being mailed to those currently eligible to submit applications for Commission appointments to be made at the Council meeting of Tuesday, January 24, 2012 and the deadline for applications is Wednesday, January 19, 2012.

City Clerk Herbers invited staff and public to view the works of Torrance Artist Guild member Marlyse Linder on display in the City Clerk's office for the month of December.

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6A. RESOLUTION NO. 2011-95 RE MIKE McCUNE

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-95

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
HONORING MIKE McCUNE UPON HIS RETIRMENT FROM THE CITY
OF TORRANCE AFTER THIRTY-NINE YEARS OF SERVICE

MOTION: Councilmember Rhilinger moved to adopt Resolution No. 2011-95. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Brewer and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett and Numark).

To be presented at a later date.

6B. RECOGNITION OF SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS VOLUNTEERS

Mayor Scotto presented certificates to Katherine Shimohara, Terri Shimohara, and Sunny Moss in recognition of their volunteer efforts at the South Bay Environmental Services Center operated by the South Bay Cities Council of Governments.

6C. RECOGNITION OF BUSINESSES PARTICIPATING IN ADOPT-A-SCHOOL PROGRAM

Mayor Scotto introduced Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce Chairperson Tara O'Brien, Adopt-a-School Foundation Vice Chairperson Sherry Kramer, and President/CEO Donna Duperron. He presented certificates to the following Adopt-a-School business partners: Alcoa Fastening Systems, American Honda Motor Co., Inc., Capital Source Bank, Continental Development Corporation, Daily Breeze, Doubletree by Hilton Torrance, Farmer's & Merchant Bank, First California Bank, First Financial Credit Union, Frank Scotto Towing, Golden Spoon Frozen Yogurt, Healthcare Partners (Sepulveda), Healthcare Partners (Del Amo), Honeywell Aerospace, Kaiser Permanente, Lucky Strike, Miyako Hybrid Hotel, Moog, Inc., Mulligan Family Fun Center, Northrop Grumman, Outback Steakhouse, Pelican Products, Providence Little Company of Mary Medical Center, Raytheon, South Bay Security, South Bay Yellow Cab, Strategic Technology Sources, Inc., Sunrider International, Torrance Marriott, Torrance Memorial Medical Center, Toyota Motor Sales, USA, Inc., and Virco Manufacturing.

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1

7A. Peggy Buker, Trinity Kids Care, and Laurie Brandt, Red Car Brewery, announced that they were teaming together to raise funds for pediatric hospice care with a tree placed in the lobby of Red Car Brewery for visitors to contribute a donation per star ornament.

7B. Terri Ann Ferren, Centennial Campaign for Torrance Flower - hybrid delphinium, encouraged viewers as part of the centennial celebration to plant hybrid delphiniums now so that they will be in full bloom in the spring of 2012.

7C. Sunny Moss, Torrance Civic Chorale, announced that *A Christmas to Remember* concert will be held on December 9 and 10 at 8:00 p.m. at the James Armstrong Theatre and tickets are available for \$16.50 at the box office at 310.781.7171.

7D. Janet Payne, Centennial Committee, announced that an anonymous donor sponsored the Centennial Tree at the Torrance Memorial Festival of Trees. She also announced that postcards from the "Lights, Camera, Action" event will be available for purchase at the Holiday Boutique at Wilson Park on Sunday, December 11.

7E. Debbie Hays, Torrance Historical Society, invited viewers to attend a reading of the holiday classic *'Twas the Night Before Christmas* by former Councilmember Paul Nowatka on Sunday, December 11, at 4:00 p.m. at the museum located at 1345 Post Avenue.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

8A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council approve the City Council minutes of November 1, November 8, and November 15, 2011.

8B. REJECTION OF BIDS RE ABOVE-GROUND STORAGE TANKS

Considered separately, see page 5.

8C. CONTRACT AMENDMENT RE HUMAN RESOURCES BUILDING AND BRANCH LIBRARIES ACCESSIBILTY UPGRADES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council approve a second contract amendment with Withee Malcolm Architects (C2009-142) extending the term for one year to December 31, 2012 for architectural and engineering services for the Human Resources Building and Branch Libraries Accessibility Upgrades (FEAP #711).

8D. CONTRACT AMENDMENTS RE EAST ANNEX CHILLER/COOLING TOWER REPLACEMENT AND CABLE BUILDING AIR CONDITIONING REPLACEMENT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council approve contract amendments with Bartef Yoosephiance & Associates, Inc. to:

- 1) Extend the term of contract number C2010-215 for six months to June 30, 2012 for mechanical engineering services for the East Annex Chiller and Cooling Tower Replacement (FEAP#745 and #610); and
- 2) Extend the term of contract number C2010-216 for one year to December 31, 2012, for mechanical engineering services for Cable Building Air Conditioning Replacement (FEAP#180).

8E. AGREEMENT RE BUS STOP ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Considered separately, see page 5.

8F. OCTOBER 2011 MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council accept and file the monthly investment report for October 2011.

8G. AGREEMENT RE INSPECTION SERVICES FOR BUS STOP ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Considered separately, see page 6.

8H. RECOGNITION/ATTORNMMENT AGREEMENT RE ROLLING HILLS PLAZA SHOPPING CENTER

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council authorize a Recognition and Attornment agreement by and among Rolling Hills Plaza, LLC, a California limited liability company, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., a national banking association, and the City of Torrance with regard to a sublease of City-owned property located at the corner of Pacific Coast Highway and Crenshaw Boulevard, also known as Rolling Hills Plaza Shopping Center (C-053).

8I. CONTRACT FOR ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE SERVICE

Recommendation

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council award a three-year contract with Superior Alliance Elevator Corporation for monthly maintenance of 15 elevators within City buildings in the amount of \$63,720 with a contingency of \$3,240 which covers annual CPI adjustments, beginning January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2014.

8J. AGREEMENT RE INSTALATION OF CHEMICAL FEED SYSTEMS AT GOLDSWORTHY DESALTER AND WELL NO. 9

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve the construction plans and specifications for the installation of a sodium fluoride chemical feed systems for the Robert W. Goldsworthy Desalter and Well No. 9 (FEAP #702) (B2011-44); and
- 2) Award a two-year public works agreement to the lowest responsible bidder, KEAR Civil Corporation, in the amount of \$162,686 and authorize a 5% contingency in the amount of \$8,134.30 for a total amount of \$170,820.30.

8K. PURCHASE OF ANNUAL SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE/SUPPORT FOR CITY-WIDE FINANCIAL SYSTEM

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Communication & Information Technology Director and Finance Director that City Council approve the purchase of annual software maintenance and support for the City-wide financial system from New World Systems of Troy, MI in the amount of \$65,293 for the period beginning January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

MOTION: Councilmember Rhilinger moved for the approval of Consent Calendar Items 8A, 8C, 8D, 8F and 8H through 8K. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Furey and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett and Numark).

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

8B. REJECTION OF BIDS RE ABOVE GROUND STORAGE TANKS

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Fire Chief and General Services Director that City Council reject all bids received for Installation of Aboveground Storage Tanks at Torrance City Yard (B2011-36).

Councilmember Sutherland noted that this project must be rebid due to the requirement that prevailing wages must be paid, which increases the cost of the project without improving the quality of the work.

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

Consent Calendar Items 8E and 8G were considered together.

8E. AGREEMENT RE BUS STOP ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve the construction detail and specifications for the Bus Stop Accessibility Improvement Project, CDBG 601414-11 (B2011-40);
- 2) Authorize an appropriation and expenditure of \$74,970 from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to construct the improvements; and
- 3) Award a two-year public works agreement to Victor Concrete in the amount of \$71,400 and authorize a 5% contingency in the amount of \$3,570 for the Bus Stop Accessibility Improvement Project, CDBG 601414-11.

8G. AGREEMENT RE INSPECTION SERVICES FOR BUS STOP ACCESSIBILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve a consulting services agreement to Onward Engineering in the amount of \$35,568 to perform inspection services for the Bus Stop Accessibility Improvement Project, CDBG 601414-11, for a two year term beginning December 6, 2011 through December 5, 2013; and
- 2) Authorize an appropriation and expenditure of \$35,568 from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to provide inspection services for the Bus Stop Accessibility Improvement Project, CDBG 601414-11.

Councilmember Sutherland expressed concerns that inspection services for the Bus Stop Accessibility Project equal almost 50% of the cost of the project.

Public Works Director Beste advised that the project involves several smaller jobs throughout the City, which will require full-time inspection for approximately 60 days.

MOTION: Councilmember Sutherland moved to concur with the staff recommendation for Item 8E. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rhilinger and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett and Numark).

MOTION: Councilmember Sutherland moved to concur with the staff recommendation for Item 8G. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rhilinger and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett and Numark).

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

12A. AUTHORIZATION OF EXAMINATION OF SALES AND USE TAX RECORDS

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Finance Director and the City Attorney that City Council adopt a Resolution granting Holland & Knight, attorneys, access to examine City of Torrance sales and use tax records with the California State Board of Equalization.

Audit Manager McDonough reported that this action is necessary so that the firm of Holland & Knight can examine Torrance sales and use tax records to ensure that the City receives its fair share of these funds.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-100

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
AUTHORIZING EXAMINATION OF SALES AND USE TAX RECORDS

MOTION: Councilmember Sutherland moved to adopt Resolution No. 2011-100. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Furey and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett and Numark).

12B. ORDINANCE/GUIDELINES RE MOBILE FOOD VENDORS

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Consider interim guidelines for allowing mobile food vendors at special events;
- 2) Adopt an Ordinance modifying health code posting requirements and approve an ordinance summary for publication; and
- 3) Approve outreach program to mobile food vendors and to community event planners.

Mayor Scotto noted supplemental information available at the meeting.

Management Associate Fulton reported that recent special events involving mobile food vendors at local schools have led to some confusion, therefore, the City Council requested that staff revisit this issue. She advised that staff researched the practices in other cities and subsequently determined that existing procedures remain the best approach and provide the greatest latitude for the school district without imposing special fees for school events. She explained that in order to operate in Torrance, mobile food vendors must obtain a Torrance business license and have their vehicles inspected by the Torrance Police Department and a Temporary Parking Lot Event Permit is required if an event involving mobile food vendors is held on private/public property, but such a permit is not required if the event is held on Torrance Unified School District property. She noted that the agenda item includes a draft of standards for mobile food vendor events that require a Temporary Parking Lot Permit, which is slated to be reviewed by the Planning Commission on December 21, 2011.

Police Chief Neu reported that this matter came to the City's attention when Torrance High held a fundraiser with mobile food vendors and the organizers did not understand that while no permit from the City was required, the vendors must have Torrance business licenses; that police officers explained this requirement to the vendors and warned them that subsequent violations would result in citations; and that citations were issued to vendors who had been previously warned at an event at Yukon Elementary School approximately two weeks later. He noted that vendors who were cited were not asked to leave because it was not the Police Department's intent to disrupt the fundraiser, but several chose to do so.

Councilmember Sutherland asked about penalties for not being properly licensed.

Police Chief Neu advised that there will be an effort to educate mobile food vendors about the requirements and they will be cited if they continue to operate without a business license. He noted that the licensing procedure is not complicated and the vehicle inspection takes only about 15 minutes.

Mayor Scotto stated that business license fees are not onerous and they are prorated so the vendors at the Yukon Elementary event could have obtained the required license for approximately \$20 plus the \$37 vehicle inspection fee. He pointed out that all restaurants in Torrance must have business licenses and county health permits and related his belief that it would be unfair for unlicensed food vendors to take away business from these restaurants.

At Mayor Scotto's request, Management Associate Fulton reviewed the names of mobile food vendors that currently have Torrance business licenses. Mayor Scotto noted that groups planning events with mobile food vendors can obtain a list of licensed vendors by contacting the City.

Cathy Beasley, Torrance, read excerpts from a previously submitted letter from her husband Michael Beasley, president of the Yukon Elementary Academic Alliance, recommending that the proposed standards for mobile food vendors and/or the application form be amended to explicitly state that school fundraisers are exempt from the requirement that a Temporary Parking Lot Event Permit be obtained for this type of event. She called for clear and concise rules to be adopted for school fundraisers involving mobile food vendors.

City Manager Jackson noted that the Planning Commission will be considering the proposed standards for mobile food vendors on December 21, 2011 and the Council will not be taking any action on them at this time.

In response to Councilmember Brewer's inquiry, Ms. Beasley reported that the Yukon Elementary Academic Alliance would like to hold events with mobile food vendors approximately two times a month as fundraisers.

Assistant City Attorney Sullivan disclosed that he and his wife were involved in the founding of the Yukon Elementary Academic Alliance along with Michael Beasley, and his wife taught at the school but this would not affect his legal advice this evening.

Mayor Scotto disclosed that his daughter and daughter-in-law taught school at Yukon Elementary; Councilmember Furey disclosed that his wife served as president of the Yukon Elementary PTA.

Glenn Debacca, organizer of the mobile food vendors for the Yukon Elementary event, stated that the vendors at the event were not the same as those at the Torrance High event therefore they had not been warned about licensing requirements. He reported that he has been operating the same type of event at Narbonne High School and has raised over \$3000 for the school in the last three months and there have never been any problems. He stated that he also operated a mobile food truck event in a Lowe's parking lot in Torrance, but stopped when he became aware that this was not permitted and only agreed to do the Yukon Elementary event after he was assured that all the necessary permits were in place.

In response to Councilmember Rhilinger's inquiry, Mr. Debacca confirmed that he would make sure that each mobile food vendor participating in events that he organizes in the future has the necessary permits and licenses.

Mayor Scotto reported that he has attended approximately three events operated by Mr. Debacca and doubted that a single one of the food trucks could pass a vehicle safety inspection.

Mr. Debacca expressed concerns that Torrance's vehicle inspection for food trucks goes beyond safety issues, noting that no other city requires a vehicle inspection.

Mayor Scotto related his belief that the City has a responsibility to ensure that food trucks are properly equipped.

Kevin Behrendt, an attorney representing SoCal Mobile Food Association, reported that the non-profit organization acts as a conduit between city councils/enforcement agencies/ police departments and mobile food vendors and expressed the association's willingness to help disseminate information to members about the City of

Torrance's procedures/requirements. He noted that he had submitted written comments about the proposed Ordinance, which were included in the supplemental material.

John Bowler, Hermosa Beach, former owner of a mobile food truck/current organizer of food truck events, acknowledged that he operated a school fundraising event in Torrance without the proper licensing because he was under the impression that the school had secured all the necessary permits. He noted that food truck events have become popular because they are much easier and more profitable than other types of fundraisers. He stated that the City of Torrance is the only city that he has encountered that requires a vehicle inspection, but he does not believe this will be a problem if it is as simple as has been described.

In response to Councilmember Brewer's inquiry, Mr. Bowler confirmed that he will be present to oversee any event he operates in Torrance and he will verify that participating vendors have City business licenses.

Councilmember Sutherland expressed concerns that 5 of the last 6 mobile food vehicles that were inspected by Torrance Police failed to pass.

Mr. Bowler related his experience that there are two types of catering vehicles, route trucks that drive around to various industrial and construction sites and the newer gourmet food trucks that are operated by independent business owners, which tend to be fastidiously maintained.

In response to Councilmember Rhlinger's inquiry, Community Development Director Gibson clarified that mobile food vendors that have a Torrance business license may park on city streets in accordance with DMV regulations, which limit them to a period of two hours or less.

Mayor Scotto asked about Mr. Bowler's and Mr. Behrendt's position on the proposed Ordinance which requires mobile food vendors to prominently display their county health department letter grade the same as restaurants must do.

Mr. Behrendt explained that letter grades are only issued to food trucks that park in commissaries in cities that have authorized the county to inspect the trucks and issue letter grades, therefore some vehicles do not have letter grade placards.

Mayor Scotto suggested the possibility of having vehicles that do not have letter grade placards post their numerical score from the health department.

City Manager Jackson reported that the proposed Ordinance contains the same provisions as adopted by Los Angeles County and related his understanding that it includes an exemption for vehicles without placards until the inspection program is fully implemented.

Assistant City Attorney Sullivan advised that he has been working on resolving this issue and recommended that the Council adopt the proposed Ordinance as written and amend it at a later date if clarifying language is necessary.

Janet Payne, Torrance, stressed the need for a clear and concise list of requirements for this type of fundraiser.

Community Development Director Gibson advised that once the guidelines for regulating mobile food vendors have been considered by the Planning Commission and approved by the City Council, the department will prepare a checklist of requirements.

Police Lieutenant Steve D'Anjou, Traffic Division, briefly described the vehicle inspection for mobile food vehicles, explaining that it's a simple inspection done by well-trained personnel who have completed an 80-hour CHP training course on inspecting commercial vehicles. He reported that 14 out of 20 mobile food trucks recently inspected failed the inspection and some were found to be in deplorable condition, lacking basic safety features such as parking brakes. He noted that while some of the food vendors have vehicles that have passed safety inspections, they sometimes send other uninspected vehicles to events. He expressed concerns about the hazards posed by allowing unsafe vehicles on school sites, relating his belief that safety inspections are critically important.

In response to Councilmember Brewer's inquiry, Assistant City Attorney Sullivan clarified that the Ordinance staff was recommending for adoption this evening incorporates changes made to the Los Angeles County Code to enhance food safety regulations for mobile food facilities and establishes standards for letter grading them.

Councilmember Brewer expressed concerns that provisions in the Ordinance could impede school fundraisers due to the requirement that mobile food vendors display letter grades since some do not have them.

Assistant City Attorney Sullivan reported that he has been working with Mr. Behrendt on this issue and believes it can be resolved before the Ordinance takes effect.

Mayor Scotto related his understanding that a restaurant may request a grade placard for posting even in cities that do not require restaurants to post health department letter grades and suggested that mobile food vendors might be able to do the same thing.

MOTION: Councilmember Furey moved to concur with the staff recommendation to refer guidelines for allowing mobile food vendors at special events on private property to the Planning Commission; to adopt an Ordinance modifying health code posting requirements and approve an ordinance summary for publication; and to approve an outreach program to mobile food vendors and to community event planners. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Sutherland and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett and Numark).

ORDINANCE NO. 3753

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE
RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

MOTION: Councilmember Sutherland moved for the adoption of Ordinance No.3753. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Brewer and passed by unanimous vote (absent Councilmembers Barnett and Numark).

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2

17A. Scott Gobble, Southern California Edison, reminded the public to stay away from downed power lines, to follow instructions when stringing together holiday lights and to put them on a timer to avoid a high electric bill.

17B. Councilmember Brewer requested that a listing of food trucks licensed to operate in Torrance be listed on the City's website.

17C. Councilmember Brewer requested an excused absence for the December 13, 2011 City Council meeting.

17D. Councilmember Sutherland offered a reminder about the Torrance Civic Chorale's concert on December 9 and 10 at the Armstrong Theatre, with additional information available at www.torrancecivicchorale.org.

17E. Councilmember Sutherland reminded residents to check street sweeping schedules to avoid being ticketed.

17F. Councilmember Furey announced that the Torrance Theatre Company will be presenting *Seven in One Blow, or the Brave Little Kid* and *Partridge in a Pear Tree* on December 9-11 and December 16-18 in their theatre located at 1316 Cabrillo Avenue, with additional information available at www.torrancetheatrecompany.com.

17G. Councilmember Rhilinger, with the concurrence of Council, requested that staff look into a program operated by the National League of Cities that offers prescription discount cards to residents of cities that belong to this organization.

17H. Mayor Scotto congratulated the South High Spartan Band and Color Guard for earning the title of 2011 California State Band Champion along with other honors at a recent statewide competition in Huntington Beach and requested that staff make arrangements to formally recognize the band at an upcoming Council meeting.

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Considered earlier in the meeting, see page 1.

19. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:20 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, December 13, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The Finance and Governmental Operations Committee will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers for the 1st Quarter 2011-2012 Budget Review.

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 January 24, 2012