

Oversight Board Meeting of
June 20, 2012

Honorable Chair and Members
of the City of Torrance Oversight Board
City Hall
Torrance, California

SUBJECT: Selection of Point of Contact to the State Department of Finance

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation that the Torrance Oversight Board appoint a member as the point of contact to the State Department of Finance.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

As a result of ABX1-26, on April 27, 2012, the City of Torrance Oversight Board was formed and had their first official meeting. A Chair and Vice Chair was elected by the Board, a meeting time, date and location was set, the Brown Act was reviewed, Form 700 was discussed, a contact person to the State Department of Finance was selected and Oversight Board bylaws were adopted by resolution.

There are seven Board members in total: Two appointed by the Mayor of the City of Torrance, Jeffery W. Gibson, Community Development Director representing the former Redevelopment Agency employees, and Kenneth Flewellyn, Assistant Finance Director for the City of Torrance. The Sanitation District, which represents the largest special district by property tax share with territory in the jurisdiction of the former redevelopment agency, appointed Susan Rhilinger. Representing the County Board of Supervisors are John Parsons and Stephen Maguin. The County Superintendent of Education appointed Patricia Smith, and the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges appointed JoAnn Higden.

On June 5, 2012, the Mayor appointed Mr. Eric Tsao, Finance Director to replace Mr. Kenneth Flewellyn. According to the adopted Bylaws of the City of Torrance Oversight Board "Article 1 Section 5 – Vacancies", when a seat of the Oversight Board becomes vacant, the position will be filled by a member appointed by the agency who originally appointed the former member. Such appointments are to take place within 60 days of the creation of the vacancy and the Governor may appoint individuals to fill a member position that remains vacant for more than 60 days. The appointment has occurred within the required time frame. Mr. Eric Tsao will be required to file a Form 700 in accordance with the California Fair Political Practices Commission.

The appointment of Eric Tsao to the Oversight Board has created the need to select a member from the Board as the point of contact to the State Department of Finance.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian K. Sunshine
Assistant to the City Manager

By: *Kiwi Joe*
for Carolyn Chun,
Senior Planning Associate

Concur:

Brian K. Sunshine
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Assistant to the City Manager

Noted:

Mary Jordan
for LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager