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Adjourned at 6:52 P.M.

Ava Cripe
Minute Secretary

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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Torrance City Council convened in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, May 1, 1979, at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Applegate, Geissert, Rossberg, Walker and Mayor Armstrong. Absent: Councilmen Brown, Wilson.

Also present: City Manager Ferraro, City Attorney Remelmeyer and City Clerk Nelson. Absent: City Treasurer Rupert.

3. FLAG SALUTE:

Park and Recreation Commissioner Griswold led in the salute to the flag.

4. INVOCATION:

Reverend George Johnson, Cathedral of Life Church, gave the invocation.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Applegate moved to approve the minutes of March 27, 1979, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Brown, Wilson absent).

6. MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING:

Councilman Applegate moved that after the City Clerk has assigned a number and read title to any resolution or ordinance on tonight's agenda, the further reading thereof 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 Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Brown, Wilson).

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

None.

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Considered, out of order, by the Council:

9. LIBRARY/PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS:

9a. COLUMBIA PARK MASTER PLAN APPROVAL.

This item was held for a full Council, at the request of Mayor Armstrong.

17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17b. 1978-79 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROPOSALS.

This item likewise was held for a full Council, at the request of Mayor Armstrong, who directed that the hearing be continued to May 29, 1979, a 5:30 P.M. meeting. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

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8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:

8a. PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE to Selma Sanders.

Mayor Armstrong presented a plaque to Ms. Selma Sanders in recognition of her being named "1979 SENIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR", and extended the congratulations of the Council. There was grateful acceptance by Ms. Sanders.

8b. PROCLAMATION - "JAPAN TODAY" Month - May, 1979.

8c. PROCLAMATION - "BE KIND TO ANIMALS WEEK" - May 6-12, 1979.

8d. PROCLAMATION - "HOSPITAL WEEK" - May 6-12, 1979.

8e. PROCLAMATION - "CORRECT POSTURE MONTH" - May, 1979.

8f. PROCLAMATION - "SENIOR CITIZENS MONTH" - May, 1979.

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

9. LIBRARY/PARK AND RECREATION MATTERS.

9a. Columbia Park Master Plan Approval.

See above.

10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:

10a. RESOLUTION re: Upgrading Traffic Signals at Redondo Beach Boulevard and Prairie Avenue.

RESOLUTION NO. 79-82

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO UPGRADE TRAFFIC CONTROL

SIGNALS AND HIGHWAY SAFETY LIGHTING AT
THE REDONDO BEACH BOULEVARD AND PRAIRIE
AVENUE INTERSECTION

Councilman Walker moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 79-82; his motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate.

Prior to roll call vote on the motion, discussion was directed to the need for Traffic Commission review of items of this nature. City Manager Ferraro indicated that a discussion paper would be prepared relative to such procedures.

Roll call vote on Councilman Walker's motion was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Brown, Wilson absent). The Council concurred in the supplementary material submitted by City Attorney Remelmeyer: "That Paragraphs 3(e) and (f) of the Agreement included in subject item are covered by the existing maintenance agreement between the County and Cities. Thus, those paragraphs should be excluded from this project agreement."

12. PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

12a. ORDINANCE re: ZC 78-13, Land Management Team.

ORDINANCE NO. 2903

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF
THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY
THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY WHICH IS LOCATED
SOUTH OF SAM LEVY SCHOOL, NEW HORIZONS
AND 235TH STREET; WEST OF THE PRESENT
FUJITA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT; NORTH OF
LOMITA BOULEVARD AND EAST OF MADISON
STREET, AND DESCRIBED IN ZONE CHANGE
CASE 78-13, LAND MANAGEMENT TEAM, CITY
OF TORRANCE

Councilwoman Geissert moved for the approval of Ordinance No. 2903 at its first reading. Her motion^{was} seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Brown, Wilson).

13. ENVIRONMENTAL/BUILDING AND SAFETY MATTERS:

13a. SELECTION OF CONSULTANT to prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EA 79-7) for the "MARRIAGE OF THE MALLS" Project (CUP 79-15, PP 79-9) and contract pertaining thereto.

RECOMMENDATION OF PLANNING STAFF:

Selection of Pacific Environmental Services to complete the EIR (EA 79-7) based on the favorable time and cost proposal submitted. Selection of an EIR consultant at this time will allow work to begin on the Environmental Impact Report prior to selection of a traffic consultant on May 8, 1979 to prepare the Circulation Study. In this manner, work on the EIR will not be delayed until traffic consultants are able to respond to the request for proposals.

It was the request of Planning Director Shartle that there be the following revision to the Agreement: Page 6, Section B, second paragraph, should state ".....shall be issued by an insurance carrier rated Class X B+...." Further, the following statement should be added at the end of this second paragraph: "Said policy or policies shall further provide that the City, the City Council, each member thereof, and every officer, employee or member of Board or Commission of the City of Torrance, shall be a named additional insured."

Following discussion, clarification and input (from both Staff and Mr. Harry Gorman, Great Lakes Properties) regarding the relationship between the subject project and that proposed by Great Lakes Properties, action was taken as follows:

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Staff. His motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Brown, Wilson absent).

16. APPEALS:

16a. REQUEST OF FRED A. VIRRAZZI seeking relief from requirement of fence around spa.

Held for one week, at the request of the proponent.

17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17a. EXTENSION OF ESCROW PERIOD FOR SALE OF LAND TO SYMINGTON AND BEESLEY.

RECOMMENDATION OF LAND MANAGEMENT TEAM/CITY ATTORNEY:

That Symington and Beesley's request for the time extension be granted subject to the conditions contained in their letter, of record.

It was the opinion of Councilman Applegate that, ^{it is in} the best interests of the City and its residents to accept the defaulted money and proceed with the reauction on the property -- the reasons being that if there is serious intent the remaining 25% of the money should not present a problem; further, during this period/time the property has appreciated and a greater amount of money could be received were the City to go out to auction.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to DENY the subject request and proceed with the rules and regulations that were set in the beginning, ask for the forfeiture of fees, and go with a reauction. The motion was seconded by Councilman Rossberg.

Mr. Bill Symington, Jonas Associates, 5758 Century Boulevard, reviewed the circumstances in this matter, including the loss of a partner, insurance company and partner replacements, etc., and reaffirmed their ability to close the escrow within thirty days.

It was further stated by Mr. Symington that an amount in excess of \$50,000 has been spent to fulfill their obligation, in addition to their bid deposit -- that they are going ahead and will close escrow; they are serious and are willing to pay interest on the extension for the 30-day period.

Mrs. Peggy Hollander, 22959-B Nadine Circle, indicated concurrence with Councilman Applegate's opinion in this matter, and noted that the bidder has indicated they will pay \$509.00 per day -- to be paid at the close of escrow -- does that mean that the money will not be paid if the escrow is not closed? It was pointed out by Mr. Payne that the Council may make such a requirement a condition of the extension. It was affirmed by Mr. Symington that they would pay the \$509.00 per day even if the escrow does not close.

Councilman Applegate's motion FAILED TO CARRY, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate.
 NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert, Rossberg, Walker;
 Mayor Armstrong.
 ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brown, Wilson.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to grant the 30-day extension, contingent upon conditions outlined in the City Attorney's letter, of record, including the above expressed intent for the \$509.00 per day even if the escrow does not close. The motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and carried, with roll call vote as follows:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert, Rossberg, Walker;
 Mayor Armstrong.
 NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate.
 ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Brown, Wilson.

17b. 1978-79 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROPOSALS.

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the first hearing on changes in the planned use of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for the 1978-79 fiscal year.

Affidavit of Publication was presented by City Clerk Nelson. Councilman Applegate moved that the Affidavit be received and filed. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Brown, Wilson).

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved that this matter be continued until May 29, 1979, at 6:00 P.M. The motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilmen Brown, Wilson absent).

20. ROUTINE MATTERS:

- 20a. AWARD OF CONTRACT to purchase a Hot Water Truck Washer.
Ref. Bid #B79-29 Expenditure: \$10,372.74

RECOMMENDATION OF PURCHASING SUPERVISOR/BUYER:

That your Honorable Body approve the award of a contract to the Hotsy Equipment Company for their unit in the total amount of \$10,372.74, including tax.

20b. MECHANICAL REFUSE COLLECTION SYSTEM.RECOMMENDATION OF STREET MAINTENANCE SUPT./PURCHASING SUPERVISOR:

That your Honorable Body take the following action:

1. Ratify Staff's action and approve the final termination of all contract relationships with Government Innovators.
2. Authorize Staff to continue with plans for implementing mechanical refuse collection for City alleys.
3. Authorize Staff to negotiate a purchase order contract within the appropriated funds of \$191,013 for a complete mechanical refuse collection system from Maxon Industries.
4. Direct Staff to initiate a public relations program for implementation of this new service.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with Staff recommendation on Item 20a. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. (Absent: Councilmen Brown, Wilson).

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to refer Item 20b. to the Finance Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Brown, Wilson).

Mayor Armstrong agreed to serve on the Finance Committee, in the absence of Councilman Wilson.

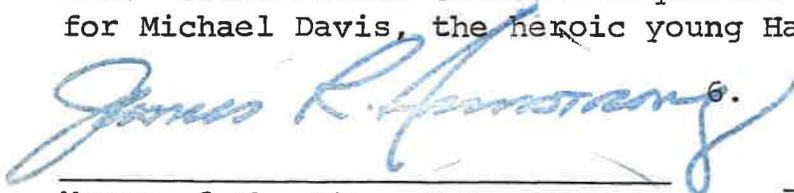
22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. City Manager Ferraro noted the forthcoming League meeting on May 22nd, and recommended that this be a "dark night" for the Council. Councilman Applegate so MOVED; the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

22b. City Manager Ferraro provided a progress report on the Peter Lacombe correspondence re: Fashion Way -- this matter should appear on the May 8th Council agenda.

22c. Councilman Applegate requested Staff input re: current problems at Sunnyglen Park.

22d. Councilwoman Geissert requested appropriate recognition for Michael Davis, the heroic young Ham Operator whose efforts



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saved three lives. There were no objections, and it was so ordered.

22e. Councilman Walker expressed appreciation to Mr. Ben Haggott, Director, Metropolitan Water District, for a most enlightening tour this past weekend.

22f. Mayor Armstrong commended Planning Staff members responsible for the Historical Survey and the Historical Guide -- "a real fine piece of work".

22g. Mayor Armstrong announced that the 20th Annual Armed Forces Day Parade will occur on Saturday, May 19th, at 1:00 P.M.

22h. Mayor Armstrong noted the June Carnival at West High School for funds to send their Warrior Band to Switzerland this summer. Council approval of waiver of appropriate fees, with the exception of the inspection fee, was requested by the Mayor. Councilman Applegate so MOVED; the motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Absent: Councilmen Brown, Wilson).

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At 6:50 P.M., the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency. They returned at 6:52 P.M. for formal adjournment.

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Sherie L. Nelson

 City Clerk of the City of Torrance

James R. Armstrong

 Mayor of the City of Torrance

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