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Adjournment was at 9:28 p.m.

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Mayor of the City of Torrance

City Clerk of Torrance

Peggy Laverty  
Minute Secretary

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DONNA M. BABB, CITY CLERK

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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, April 16, 1985, at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Applegate, Geissert, Mock, Nakano, Walker, Wirth and Mayor Armstrong.

Absent: None.

Also present: City Manager Jackson, City Attorney Remelmeyer, and staff representatives.

3. FLAG SALUTE AND INVOCATION:

Mr. Bill Franchini led in the salute to the flag.

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Reverend Lloyd Newlin, First Baptist Church.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to adopt the City Council minutes of March 19, 1985, as recorded. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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5. 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. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

6. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

None.

8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:8a. PRESENTATION TO RICHARD V. BONGARD:

Mayor Armstrong presented a plaque to Richard V. Bongard recognizing him as "1985 Fire Fighter of the Year." The Mayor was assisted by Fire Chief DeYoung and Fire Engineer Mack Oetting in this presentation, which was accepted with sincere appreciation by Mr. Bongard.

8b. RECOGNITION OF MC DONALD'S CORPORATION:

At the request of Mayor Armstrong City Clerk Babb read title to --

RESOLUTION NO. 85-86

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE CONGRATULATING THE  
MCDONALD'S CORPORATION ON THE OCCASION  
OF ITS 30TH ANNIVERSARY AND WELCOMING THE  
30TH ANNIVERSARY RESTAURANT TO THE CITY  
OF TORRANCE

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-86. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

- 8c. PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING APRIL 16, 1985, AS "THE DAY OF THE TEACHER."
- 8d. PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING APRIL 22 THROUGH 28, 1985, AS "NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK."
- 8e. PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK BEGINNING APRIL 21, 1985, AS "NATIONAL CONSUMER'S WEEK."

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

9. LIBRARY/PARKS AND RECREATION MATTERS:
- 9a. DONATION FROM AMERICAN HONDA MOTOR COMPANY:

RECOMMENDATION:

The Parks and Recreation Department and the Senior Citizens Council jointly recommend that:

- o Your Honorable Body accept the generous donation of three thousand decks of playing cards for the senior citizens program; and,
- o A letter be sent to American Honda Motor Company on behalf of the City acknowledging appreciation for the donation.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the above stated recommendation, with appropriate recognition. His motion, seconded by Councilman Mock, carried without objection.

10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:
- 10a. PROPOSED VACATION OF VINE AVENUE:

City Clerk Babb read title to --

RESOLUTION NO. 85-87

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DECLARING ITS INTENTION TO VACATE A PORTION OF VINE AVENUE NORTH OF JEFFERSON STREET IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE; FIXING A TIME AND PLACE FOR THE HEARING THEREON AND PROVIDING FOR THE PUBLICATION OF THIS RESOLUTION

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-87. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Nakano, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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10b. APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWER IN AND ADJACENT TO MONTEREY STREET EAST OF MAPLE AVENUE:

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

The issues raised by the speaker at the last meeting have been addressed and the developer is agreeable to permitting the sewer construction to proceed. It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Appropriate \$9,000 from the Sewer Revolving Fund for construction of a public sewer in and adjacent to Monterey Street east of Maple Avenue.
- 2) Authorize the City Clerk to accept a public sewer easement downstream of the public sewer extension in the Park Del Amo site between Monterey Street and Toledo Street.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the above staff recommendation. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Mock, and carried by way of the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert, Mock, Nakano, Walker, Wirth and Mayor Armstrong.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate.

11. POLICE AND FIRE MATTERS:

11a. EXERCISE EQUIPMENT FOR FIRE STATIONS:

RECOMMENDATION OF FIRE CHIEF:

It is recommended that your Honorable Body approve the exercise equipment for four fire stations not to exceed \$11,000.00, to be funded from an intra-departmental budget transfer.

CITY MANAGER NOTE:

While the City Manager understands the benefits derived from an exercise program, the City purchase of exercise equipment is a major policy decision.

The City Council may have to address the issue of exercise equipment for all City employees. It is anticipated that during the 1985-86 budget process a program addition will

be submitted for exercise equipment in the city employee's lounge in the West Annex. Purchase of equipment should be prioritized with other equipment needs of the City.

MOTION: Councilman Walker moved to concur with the recommendation of the Fire Chief. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

13. ENVIRONMENTAL/BUILDING AND SAFETY MATTERS:

13a. AVIGATION EASEMENTS:

Written material on this agenda item reflected the following information submitted by the City Attorney's office --

In the event your Honorable Council wishes to change the avigation easement policy from that which presently exists, the following possibilities are suggested:

(1) Modify the policy statement to exclude all single-family residential properties from the easement requirement. The City would thus ask for the avigation easement on all commercial or industrial properties and on multi-family residential properties; but on single-family residential properties only at the time of subdividing the land or upon construction of a new dwelling.

(2) Modify the policy statement so as to exclude all single-family residential properties from the easement requirements unless the dwelling is modified, remodeled or enlarged in so massive a manner as to be equivalent to a re-building of the dwelling. For instance, the policy could exclude all single-family residential modifications unless the addition or remodeling causes the dwelling to be doubled in size or number of rooms. The City would thus ask for the avigation easements on all commercial and industrial properties, and on multi-family residential properties; but on single-family residential properties only at the time of subdividing or when a new home is built or when the remodeling or modification of a single-family dwelling results in that dwelling being doubled in size or in the number of rooms.

(3) Modify the policy so as to eliminate the easement language concerning aircraft noise entirely. Thus, the City would require the avigation easement on all development within the affected area, but the easement would be only for the height and uses which might interfere with the flight of aircraft.

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ATTORNEY:

It is recommended that your Honorable Council modify the avigation easement policy in line with Recommendation No. 2 above. It is further recommended that you adopt the attached RESOLUTION which sets forth the requirement for avigation easements and establishes the limited exclusion for single-family home remodeling.

Mayor Armstrong called attention to SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL, of record, from the City Attorney's office, setting forth proposed alternate wording of section 2(c) as follows:

"Subject to the rights reserved herein, . . . . a level of noise in the air space subject to this easement which is measurably in excess of that which was normally associated with aircraft overflights in said air space at the time this easement was granted. Grantor specifically reserves the right to appear before or petition the City Council, or to join with others in seeking changes in use, rules or modifications of airport operations by the City."

City Attorney Remelmeyer provided expansion and clarification of the written information on this subject.

Councilwoman Geissert reviewed the history of this Agenda Item involving questions raised as to the City's motives surrounding the avigation easement policy. Mrs. Geissert stated her opinion that the avigation easement merely puts the City on record at the time of a proposed substantial remodeling or new construction, that there is an airport in the vicinity which might represent some impact.

The modification recommended by staff is, per Mrs. Geissert, for the purpose of keeping in step with the times, and she offered the following --

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the City Attorney, modified to include the alternate wording of section 2(c) as noted. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and ultimately carried (Pg 7).

Prior to roll call vote, audience comments were invited by Mayor Armstrong.

First to address the Council was Mr. Michael Bedinger, 4011 West 232nd Street, who stated, speaking as a homeowner, that property values are adversely affected by the encumbrance of an avigation easement -- the highest degree of protection would be, in Mr. Bedinger's opinion, the continued support of noise control

measures. Removal of the avigation easement would limit the option of the sale of jet fuel and make a decision in favor of that course of action more difficult, per this speaker.

Mr. Gary Swensson, 23314 Anza Avenue, reviewed his concerns (of written record) and quoted as follows from the avigation easement:

"3. In the event that the City exercises any of its rights pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 2 herein, the City shall not be liable to the Grantor for any damage suffered as a result thereof and the Grantor shall reimburse the City for all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by the City therefor."

His strong opposition to the avigation easement was noted by Mr. Swensson, who also stated his opinion that there are some very serious questions as to the legality and the enforceability of the item. His support of the City Attorney's recommended modification, as stated, was indicated. Mr. Swensson also expressed his appreciation for the responsiveness of the Council and staff to public concerns in this regard.

Mr. Lee Robinson, 3615 West 227th Place, President of Torrance Heights Homeowners Association, indicated concurrence with the previous speaker in his distaste for easements on his property.

In response to a question posed by Mr. Jim Fraso, President of the Southwood Riviera Homeowners Association, City Attorney Remelmeyer advised that the sale of a property does not trigger imposition of an avigation easement -- a land use entitlement is the implementing factor. Speaking for the Homeowners Association, Mr. Fraso voiced strong objection to the subject item, stating their opinion that "this whole thing is illegal."

Mr. Joe Arciuch, 23521 Kathryn Avenue, read aloud a prepared statement (of official record) setting forth his recommendation that Part (b) of the avigation easement policy be rescinded. Mr. Arciuch stated, upon learning that the purchase of a home in the City of Torrance would not require the signing of such an easement, that this knowledge softens somewhat the strong opinion indicated in his written statement.

Noting that he lives in the avigation easement area, Councilman Wirth indicated his strong support of Councilwoman Geissert's earlier comments.

Council comments were followed by unanimous roll call vote on the motion to concur with staff recommendation with modification.

RESOLUTION NO. 85-88

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE REQUIRING THE GRANTING OF AN AVIGATION EASEMENT IN FAVOR OF THE CITY FROM ANY PERSON, FIRM OR CORPORATION AS A CONDITION OF LAND DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE DESIGNATED AREA OF THE CITY

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-88, as amended. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

14. PERSONNEL MATTERS:14a. REVISION OF CLASS SPECIFICATION FOR PLANNING ASSOCIATE:RECOMMENDATION OF PERSONNEL MANAGER/CIVIL SERVICE ADMINISTRATOR:

The Civil Service Commission, City Management and the Torrance Management Employees Organization jointly recommend approval of this revised class specification for Planning Associate.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the above stated recommendation. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Taken out of order at this time --

21b. PERMISSION TO GRADE TROJAN AIR HANGAR PARCEL:

At the invitation of Mayor Armstrong, City Attorney Remelmeyer explained the circumstances behind a request by the owners of the Airport Plaza Shopping Center for permission to grade and prepare for construction the Trojan Air Hangar parcel.

Mr. Remelmeyer advised that the need for such permission, prior to the actual submission of the lease to the Council, is because of their desire to complete construction prior to Christmas of 1985.

City Attorney Remelmeyer noted that the developers would like to go on the Trojan Air parcel at the present time with the approval of the City Council and subject to all Governmental permits, and also subject to the signing of an instrument to be approved by the City Attorney whereby they would have adequate insurance, would indemnify the City, etc.

Councilman Applegate SO MOVED. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

The Council now returned to --

15. HEARINGS:

15a. ZC 84-8, GPA 84-4, STORM INDUSTRIES:

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for City Council consideration of a Zone Change from ML (M1-PP) to RTH and a General Plan Amendment from Light Industrial to Low-Medium Density Residential in order to allow the construction of a 12-unit residential condominium development on property located at 4405 Emerald Street. ZC 84-8, GPA 84-4, STORM INDUSTRIES.

Proof of publication was presented by City Clerk Babb and it was ordered filed, there being no objection.

Staff presentation was provided by Acting Planning Associate Gibson, who noted that the Planning Commission and the Planning Department recommend approval of the Zone Change and General Plan Amendment.

Mr. Douglas Maupin was present on behalf of Storm Industries. There were no questions of Mr. Maupin.

Planning Director Ferren advised, in response to an inquiry by Councilman Applegate, that the potential purchasers of the subject units would be put on notice that there is an existing dog kennel use in the neighborhood.

There being no one else in the audience who wished to speak on this item, Councilman Applegate moved to close the hearing. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the recommendation of the Planning Commission and Planning Department for approval of ZC 84-8 from ML (M1-PP) to RTH and TPA 84-4 from Light Industrial to Low-Medium Density Residential. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

At the request of Mayor Armstrong, City Clerk Babb read title to --

RESOLUTION NO. 85-89

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY  
OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE LAND USE

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ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN ADOPTED AUGUST 29,  
1974, BY RESOLUTION NO. 74-194, TO REVISE THE  
DESIGNATION OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4405 EMERALD  
STREET FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO LOW-MEDIUM  
DENSITY RESIDENTIAL  
GPA 84-4: STORM INDUSTRIES

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of  
Resolution No. 85-89. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Nakano,  
carried unanimously by roll call vote.

City Clerk Babb then read title to --

ORDINANCE NO. 3135

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING  
DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL  
CODE TO RECLASSIFY THAT CERTAIN PROPERTY  
WHICH IS LOCATED AT 4405 EMERALD STREET  
ML(ML-PP) TO RTH  
ZC 84-8: STORM INDUSTRIES

MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved for the approval of Ordinance  
No. 3135 at its first reading. His motion was seconded by Council-  
woman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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At 6:30 p.m., the City Council recessed and reconvened as  
the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance. The Redevelop-  
ment Agency adjourned at 6:31 p.m. and reconvened as the City  
Council, followed immediately by a brief recess. At 6:44 p.m.,  
the regular Council agenda order was resumed.

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15b. GROUP W CABLE THREE YEAR EVALUATION:

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place  
for the public hearing to receive input relative to the performance  
of Group W in fulfilling its obligation under the franchise and  
its service to the public. The Mayor noted that a separate public  
hearing will be conducted at a later date to consider the matters  
of possible service rate increases or modifications to the system.

Staff presentation was provided by Cable Television Adminis-  
trator Carter including an update on the status of the Cable  
Television System in the City of Torrance.

The progress of the Torrance Cable system was reviewed by Mr. Larry Windsor, General Manager of Group W Cable, 1511 Cravens Avenue (written material of official record distributed to the Council).

Citizen comments were then invited by Mayor Armstrong.

Ms. Hope Witkowski, Executive Director of the Torrance YWCA, described Group W benefits experienced by the YW, noting her opinion that, in terms of their agreement with that facility, Group W has followed through very well.

Director of Instructional Media Services, California State University Dominguez Hills, Mr. Frank Paine, residence address 516 Paseo de las Estrellas, read aloud a prepared statement of official record, indicating that the University has been extremely pleased with Group W's performance.

A prepared statement was also entered into the record by Ms. Cindi Hammond, President of the Torrance League of Women Voters. Citizen participation, as originally proposed, was requested by the League, and the formation of a Citizen's Advisory Board to this end was urged.

Ms. Elaine McAloon, 4918 Paseo del Pavon, requested and received clarification as to a process for critiquing the City's involvement with Group W and accountability of the grants Group W has given to various groups.

The lack of high moral standards during prime time viewing was reported by Mr. Ostoin of New Horizons, who expressed his sincere disappointment therein.

Ms. Paula Daulton, 637 Border Avenue, related her personal encounter with "rudeness" displayed by a Group W representative.

Ms. Gaile Hammervol, 5124 Carol Drive, recounted her own unsatisfactory experience with Group W involving construction on their property and her opinion that she was overcharged for work performed by the Cable Company. Ms. Hammervol advised that she has been unsuccessful in obtaining either a refund or a satisfactory explanation from Group W. Copies of her correspondence regarding this problem were submitted to the Council.

Mr. John Alter, 1507 El Prado, speaking on behalf of the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce, advised that the Chamber is extremely pleased with the cooperation and assistance provided by Group W.

A speaker who identified himself as a businessman in the City of Long Beach, Mr. Keith Young, related his personal experience in cashing checks for an individual who had been a subcontractor for Group W, said checks being returned for insufficient funds. Mr. Young expressed his dissatisfaction that Group W refused to provide him with information as to how to contact this subcontractor. (The services of a law enforcement agency were recommended by Mayor Armstrong).

Mr. Robert Grofay(?), 2940 West Carson Street, praised Group W's installation of Cable TV in a 78-unit condominium development; however, he recommended that the policy regarding remote controls be changed so that they might be purchased by customers rather than rented for a monthly fee as is now required.

A resident at 3823 Paseo de las Tortugas, Mr. Jack Gambol, inquired as to how soon cable TV would be available in his area. City Attorney Remelmeyer explained the negotiation of private easements presently under way in this area of the City.

Ms. Lillian Miller, 23442 Evalyn, stated that there is a problem in her area with the cable signal "dropping out."

Dr. Robert Mantovani, 411 Camino de Encanto, related his **strong** opposition to the installation of cable TV on his property and the installation of same against his wishes. Speaking as President of the Riviera Homeowners Association, Dr. Mantovani advised that many complaints have been received regarding the installation of cable in that community.

Questions were posed by Mr. Charles Bauman, 2248 West 239th Street, as follows: (1) Why the delay in contacting some residents of flag lots in Section 1; and (2) How many houses in the City of Torrance have not as yet been able to get Cable? Mr. Bauman congratulated members of Group W and Mr. Warren Carter for their courtesy in dealing with the public.

Council comments were then offered.

Councilman Applegate pointed out the need for improved response during weekend and evening hours -- customer service facilities should be enhanced during prime time viewing hours.

Councilwoman Geissert requested that the Council be provided with copies of responses from Group W to specific inquiries and comments voiced at this hearing.

Councilman Wirth requested clarification of the process and time line involved in providing future information on Group W Cable to the Council.

There being no further input on this item, Councilman Applegate moved to close the hearing. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

City Manager Jackson announced that the final report will be returned to the City Council for decision in approximately three months.

Considered by the Council at this time out of order --

17d. AWARD OF GROUP W CABLE TELEVISION EQUIPMENT GRANT TO TUSD:

RECOMMENDATION OF CABLE TELEVISION ADMINISTRATOR:

It is recommended that your Honorable Body adopt the attached resolution authorizing the execution of the agreement between the City of Torrance and the Torrance Unified School District for the use of the Group W Cable Television Equipment Grant.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the Cable Television Administrator. His motion, seconded by Councilman Mock, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Dr. Paul Barstow, 2335 Plaza Del Amo, Curriculum Consultant, Torrance Unified School District, expressed appreciation to Group W for the above equipment grant.

At the request of Mayor Armstrong, City Clerk Babb read title to --

RESOLUTION NO. 85-90

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING  
THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN

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THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE  
TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
FOR THE USE OF THE GROUP W CABLE  
TELEVISION PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT  
GRANT

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-90. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

The Council now returned to --

17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

17a. ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL REPORT AND AUDIT OPINION FY ENDED JUNE 30, 1984:

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER:

It is recommended that by motion your Honorable Body acknowledge acceptance of the Finance Director's financial report and the independent auditor's official audit opinion for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1984.

MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to concur with the above stated recommendation of the City Manager. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

17b. SELECTION OF MANAGEMENT CONSULTING FIRM:

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER:

The City Manager recommends that \$7,500 be appropriated from the General Fund Reserve for Contingencies to contract with Ralph Andersen and Associates to conduct the organization and management review of the City Clerk's Office.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Manager. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

17c. PERMANENT PLACEMENT OF BUILDING MAINTENANCE DIVISION AND FORMATION OF A GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT:

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER/FINANCE DIRECTOR/BUILDING AND SAFETY DIRECTOR:

It is recommended that the following action be taken:

- ° Adopt the reorganization report creating the General Services Department;

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- ° Authorize the City Manager to make appropriate budget transfers to accommodate staffing and operations for remainder of Fiscal Year 1985; and,
- ° Direct the City Manager to submit draft class specifications to the Civil Service Commission for a General Services Director.

The following motion was offered, but the second later withdrawn --

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with the above stated staff recommendation. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker.

Council discussion ensued.

Councilman Wirth indicated that, while favoring the concept set forth, he would like an opportunity to have specific questions answered prior to making a decision.

Questions were raised by Councilwoman Geissert as to the areas of responsibility represented by the Parks and Custodial Divisions, and it was her recommendation that the possibility of consolidating all janitorial services under one supervision be explored.

At this point Councilman Walker withdrew his second to the above motion which then DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

MOTION: Councilman Walker moved to refer Agenda Item 17c to the appropriate Council Committee for review and a report back to the Council. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock, and there being no objection, it was so ordered.

17d. AWARD OF GROUP W EQUIPMENT GRANT TO TUSD:

Heard earlier - see Page 13.

17e. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

See Pages 17 and 18.

20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 20a. COUNCIL AWARD OF CONTRACT - Airport Drive from Crenshaw  
Boulevard to Aero Way  
Ref: Bid B85-24

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That the contract be awarded to Parrott & Wright Construction Company, Inc. and all other bids be rejected.

20b. FINAL TRACT NO. 43277

SUBDIVIDER: Storm Industries  
LOCATION: 23524-30 Arlington Avenue  
NO. OF LOTS: 1 (8 unit condo)

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That Final Tract Map No. 43277 be approved.

20c. FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 43335

SUBDIVIDER: Allen J. Blackmore  
LOCATION: South and East of Del Amo Boulevard  
and Crenshaw Boulevard

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

That Final Tract Map No. 43335 be approved.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with staff recommendations on Agenda Items 20a, 20b, and 20c. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

21. ADDENDUM MATTERS:21a. SB-290 - STATE TRANSPORTATION FINANCING PROPOSAL:

At the request of Mayor Armstrong, City Clerk Babb read title to --

RESOLUTION NO. 85-91

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF TORRANCE SUPPORTING PASSAGE OF  
PROPOSED SENATE BILL 290

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MOTION: Councilman Mock moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-91. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

21b. PERMISSION TO GRADE TROJAN AIR HANGAR PARCEL:

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22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. Councilman Applegate reminded all present of the Armed Forces Day festivities May 18, 1985.

22b. Councilwoman Geissert congratulated Mr. Ursel Nolte upon his recent election to the California Senior Legislature, noting that Mr. Nolte received the highest number of votes cast in the Fourth Supervisorial District.

22c. Councilwoman Geissert requested that staff provide a report regarding the possible remedy for the plan check backlog in the Building Department. Councilman Applegate indicated his concern that employees not be required to work overtime hours to the point of "burnout." City Manager's office will respond.

22d. Councilman Mock requested that staff analyze the methods, means and costs involved in an employer-sponsored child care facility for City employees. Mr. Mock requested that this report include a needs assessment focusing on the number of employees who would like such a program.

22e. Mayor Armstrong joined in commendation of Mr. Nolte. Praise was also extended by the Mayor to the Parks and Recreation Department for the recent dedication ceremony at Descanso Park, as well as the program for North Torrance West Little League at Columbia Park.

The Council now returned to --

17e. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Armstrong read the following statement into the record:

The City Council acting as the Redevelopment Agency will now recess to closed (executive) session for the purpose

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of conferring with and receiving advice from the Redevelopment Agency's counsel concerning the following:

- Possible acquisition of the El Roi Tan Hotel; and
- Possible acquisition of Stone-Meyers Mortuary property.

The City Council will also recess to closed session to confer with the City Attorney regarding the following:

1. Pending litigation entitled del Arroyo vs. City of Torrance, et al, Los Angeles Superior Court Case Number SWC 70121.
2. Possible acquisition of the Greenwood School property site.

This closed session is being held pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9(a) and 54956.8.

At 8:21 p.m., Councilman Applegate moved to reconvene in Joint Session with the Redevelopment Agency. This motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable. The Council/Agency then recessed to executive session.

NOTE: At 9:10 p.m., Mr. Applegate left the executive session at the time of consideration of the Stone-Meyers Mortuary property matter because of a business conflict of interest.

The Council/Agency returned at 9:25 p.m. to take the following action.

City Attorney Remelmeyer recommended that the City Council accept the City Attorney's recommendation for settling the case of del Arroyo vs. City of Torrance, et al.

Councilwoman Geissert SO MOVED. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Applegate, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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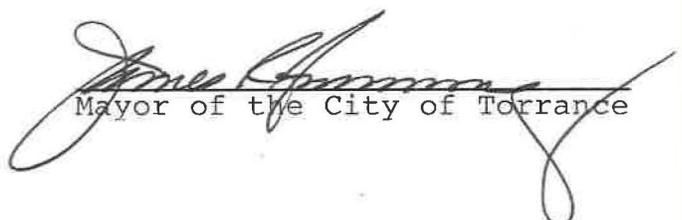
At 9:28 p.m., the Joint Session fo the City Council/Redevelopment Agency was formally adjourned to April 23, 1985, at 5:30 p.m. for purposes of an executive session. Motion for adjournment was by Councilman Walker; seconded by Councilman Applegate, and carried without objection.

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Peggy Laverty  
Minute Secretary

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Mayor of the City of Torrance

  
City Clerk of Torrance