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Adjournment at 7:56 p.m.

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Peggy Laverty
Minute Secretary

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Prepared by Office of City Clerk
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, May 21, 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:

The salute to the flag was led by Civil Service Administrator Bill Ghio.

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Father Jose Martinez, Nativity Catholic Church.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved for approval of the minutes of April 23, 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, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

6. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS:

Redevelopment Agency Item 4a (CUP 80-60 MOD, Ronald L. Scanlon) - to be deferred to June 4, 1985.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Employee Relations & Department Organization
May 28, 1985, 4:30 p.m.
Subject: General Services Department

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Mayor Armstrong announced, with sadness, the passing of Mrs. Janice Cragin, Mr. Nick Pappas, Mr. "Walt" Crouch, and Mr. Alexis Pestoff, and requested that this meeting be adjourned in their memories.

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8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:

8a. CRIME PREVENTION POSTER CONTEST WINNERS:

Mayor Armstrong, assisted by Police Chief Nash and Sergeant Murker, awarded prizes to the following winners in the Torrance Police Department Crime Prevention Poster Contest.

Eric Ryke - Grand Prize Winner

Robert Brown }
Tim Mull } First Place Winners
Kevin Jones }

Danny Kusakari }
Tracy Dettman } Second Place Winners
Diana Hodson }

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8b. WINNERS OF STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP:

Mayor Armstrong presented certificates and a plaque to members of the El Camino College Warriors Basketball Team and their coaches, winners of the State Community College Basketball Championship.

8c. PROCLAMATION proclaiming June 3 through 7, 1985, as "PIC a Job Week."

So proclaimed by Mayor Armstrong.

8d. COMMISSION EXCUSED ABSENCE REQUEST:RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER:

It is recommended that your Honorable Body consider the request of Environmental Quality and Energy Conservation Commissioner, Robert Carr, allowing him to be excused from four consecutive meetings of the Environmental Quality Commission without losing his appointment.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to grant the above request. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and carried without objection.

10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS:10a. LEASE AND PURCHASE OF WATER RIGHTS:

At the request of Mayor Armstrong, Deputy City Clerk Hong read title to the following resolutions --

RESOLUTION NO. 85-126

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WATER RIGHT LICENSE AND AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 2 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR LEASING 110.0 ACRE-FEET OF WATER RIGHTS ADJUDICATED TO THE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 2

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-126. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Nakano, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 85-127

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WATER RIGHT LICENSE AND AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE SPARKLETTS DRINKING WATER CORPORATION FOR LEASING 10.0 ACRE-FEET IN FISCAL 1984-85 AND 60.0 ACRE-FEET IN FISCAL 1985-86 OF WATER RIGHTS ADJUDICATED TO THE SPARKLETTS DRINKING WATER CORPORATION

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution NO. 85-127. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Nakano, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

RESOLUTION NO. 85-128

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A WATER RIGHT LICENSE AND AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND SAMUEL R. FUJIMOTO FOR LEASING 20.0 ACRE-FEET OF WATER RIGHTS ADJUDICATED TO SAMUEL R. FUJIMOTO IN FISCAL 1984-85

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution NO. 85-128. This motion, seconded by Councilman Nakano, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

10b. AWARD OF CONTRACT - 12" Water Main in Madrona Avenue from Torrance Boulevard to Civic Center Drive and at Spencer Street (B85-27):

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER/WATER SYSTEM SUPERINTENDENT:

1. That the contract be awarded to R & L Sewer, Inc. and all other bids be rejected; and
2. That \$10,000 be appropriated from the Water Revenue Fund to cover costs.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the above noted staff recommendation, with appropriation. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10c. CONSTRUCTION OF "WESTGARD DRAIN, UNIT 1":

At the request of Mayor Armstrong, Deputy City Clerk Hong read title to the following --

RESOLUTION NO. 85-129

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
WORKS WESTGARD STORM DRAIN, UNIT 1

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-129. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

10d. TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE INVENTORY STUDY:

Deputy City Clerk Hong read title to --

RESOLUTION NO. 85-130

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND
CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN ADDENDUM TO THAT CERTAIN
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND WILLDAN
ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES
IN CONNECTION WITH OFFICE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY TRAFFIC
CONTROL DEVICE INVENTORY STUDY

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-130. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

10e. CRENSHAW BOULEVARD STREET IMPROVEMENTS:RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

The Engineering Department recommends that your Honorable Body:

1. Appropriate \$75,000 from Gas Tax funds to finance the portion of work at Crenshaw Boulevard and 182nd Street (Phase I). Action Plan No. 140.
2. Appropriate \$250,000 from Gas Tax funds to finance that portion of work at Crenshaw Boulevard and 190th Street (Phase I and Phase II). Action Plan No. 139.

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MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the above stated staff recommendation, with appropriation. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10f. AWARD OF CONTRACT - Henrietta Street Landscaping:

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ENGINEER:

Regarding landscaping on Henrietta Street from 450 feet north of Torrance Boulevard to Sara Drive (B85-23), the Engineering Department recommends --

1. That the contract be awarded to Artistic Landscape & Engineering, Inc.; and
2. That \$70,000 be appropriated from Gas Tax Funds.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Engineer, along with the appropriation of \$70,000 in Gas Tax Funds. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Mock, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10g. FUND EXCHANGE AGREEMENTS WITH ROLLING HILLS AND SOUTH GATE:

Following staff presentation by Administrative Analyst Hildebrand, Mayor Armstrong requested Deputy City Clerk Hong to read title to the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 85-131

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR AN EXCHANGE OF FUNDS WITH THE CITY OF ROLLING HILLS

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-131. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 85-132

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR AN EXCHANGE OF FUNDS WITH THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE FOR THE 1984-85, 1985-86, and 1986-87 FISCAL YEARS

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-132. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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11. POLICE AND FIRE MATTERS:

11a. PURCHASE OF COMPUTER SOFTWARE PROGRAM:

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended by the Police and Information Systems Departments that the City Council authorize purchase of the "Managing Criminal Investigations" computer software program from Command Data Systems, Dublin, California, as sole source vendor, in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to concur with the above staff recommendation, with appropriation. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

13. ENVIRONMENTAL/BUILDING AND SAFETY MATTERS:

13a. ADOPTION OF CONSTRUCTION CODES BY REFERENCE:

Mayor Armstrong announced that Agenda Item 13a is the presentation of an ordinance, by the terms of which the City will adopt six construction codes by reference. The Mayor then requested Deputy City Clerk Hong to read title to --

ORDINANCE NO. 3139

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 1, CHAPTER 2, CHAPTER 3, CHAPTER 9 AND CHAPTER 10 OF DIVISION 8, OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE AND ENACTING A NEW ARTICLE 1 OF CHAPTER 1 (UNIFORM BUILDING CODE), CHAPTER 2 (NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE), CHAPTER 3 (UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE), CHAPTER 9 (UNIFORM MECHANICAL CODE), AND CHAPTER 10 (UNIFORM CODE FOR THE ABATEMENT OF DANGEROUS BUILDINGS) WHICH ADOPT BY REFERENCE THE 1982 EDITION OF THE UNIFORM BUILDING CODE WITH APPENDIX AS AMENDED, THE 1982 EDITION OF THE UNIFORM BUILDING CODE STANDARDS, THE 1984 EDITION OF THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE, THE 1982 EDITION OF THE UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE, THE 1982 EDITION OF THE UNIFORM MECHANICAL CODE AS AMENDED, AND THE 1982 EDITION OF THE UNIFORM CODE FOR THE ABATEMENT OF DANGEROUS BUILDINGS

Mayor Armstrong then read the following statement into the record:

The adoption of codes by reference is a unique procedure, and the City follows the California Government Code

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provisions. The Council does not vote on the ordinance tonight, but we must do three things prior to considering whether to adopt the ordinance:

- 1) The City must schedule a public hearing on the proposed ordinance at least 15 days from now;
- 2) The City must have a copy of each of the construction codes on file in the City Clerk's office during that 15 days; and
- 3) The public hearing must be advertised for two weeks in the newspaper.

The following exchange then took place between Mayor Armstrong and Deputy City Clerk Hong.

Mayor Armstrong: Ms. Hong, do you have the six codes on file in the City Clerk's office?

Deputy City Clerk Hong: Yes, Your Honor.

Mayor Armstrong: Ms. Hong, are you prepared to make the necessary publications?

Deputy City Clerk Hong: Yes, Your Honor.

The Mayor then noted that staff recommends that the public hearing be set for June 11, 1985, at 7:00 p.m., and invited a motion to that effect.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to set Agenda Item 13a, regarding Adoption of Construction Codes (and Compliance to State Law) to public hearing on June 11, 1985, 7:00 p.m. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

14. PERSONNEL MATTERS:

14a. DEPUTY CITY ATTORNEY APPOINTMENT:

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY ATTORNEY:

It is recommended that your Honorable Body appoint John D. Lord to the permanent position of Deputy City Attorney, effective May 22, 1985, at Step 9 (\$3860 per month).

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the above recommendation of the City Attorney. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:17a. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 1452 (TORRES):

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

RESOLUTION NO. 85-133

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF TORRANCE SUPPORTING
SENATE BILL 1452 (TORRES) FOR THE
PURPOSE OF CREATING A JAPANESE
AMERICAN NATIONAL MUSEUM IN THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-133. His motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

17b. ROLLING HILLS NURSERY GROUND LEASE AGREEMENT:

Deputy City Clerk Hong read title to the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 85-134

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A
GROUND LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE
AND ROLLING HILLS NURSERY, INC., A CALIFORNIA
CORPORATION, FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY (30) YEARS,
COMMENCING MAY 1, 1985

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-134. His motion, seconded by Councilman Mock, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

17c. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

See Pages 13 and 14.

18. SECOND READING ORDINANCES:18a. ORDINANCE NO. 3137:

Deputy City Clerk Hong read title to --

ORDINANCE NO. 3137

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 31.6.2 AND 33.18.19 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PERMIT SALE OF PRODUCE FROM STANDS AT THE CERTIFIED FARMERS' MARKET AND EXEMPTING VENDORS FROM LICENSE TAX

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3137 at its second and final reading. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Mock, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Note: City Attorney Remelmeyer advised Mayor Armstrong that he could vote on this second reading ordinance, even though he was not present for the first reading.

18b. ORDINANCE NO. 3138:

Deputy City Clerk Hong then read title to --

ORDINANCE NO. 3138

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AMENDING SECTION 95.4.3 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO PERMIT A WAIVER OF THE FEE REQUIRED FOR AN APPLICATION FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT EXEMPTION WHEN THE APPLICANT IS SUBSIDIZED BY THE CITY

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3138 at its second and final reading. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

20a. REQUEST FOR COUNCIL AUTHORITY - Re: Disposal of Surplus Buses and Vehicles Via Commercial Public Auction.

LISTING OF VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT:

<u>EQUIP. NO.</u>	<u>MODEL YEAR</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION AND VIN #</u>	<u>LIFETIME MILEAGE</u>
350	1971	GMC 45 pass. bus T6H4521366	625,061
351	1971	GMC 45 pass. bus T6H4521367	615,860

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EQUIP. NO.	MODEL YEAR	DESCRIPTION AND VIN #	LIFETIME MILEAGE
352	1971	GMC 45 pass. bus T6H4521368	636,252
353	1971	GMC 45 pass. bus T6H4521369	691,753
358	1975	Merc. Benz w/wheelchair lift 309382-10-026155	147,389
359	1975	Merc. Benz w/wheelchair lift 309382-10-026158	172,186
360	1976	Merc. Benz 18 pass. bus 309382-10-026271	158,472
362	1976	Merc. Benz 18 pass. bus 309382-10-027663	63,162
363	1976	Merc. Benz w/wheelchair lift 309382-10-027161	110,721
364	1976	Merc. Benz w/wheelchair lift 309382-10-027673	114,043
368	1975	Merc. Benz 18 pass. bus 309382-10-025067	103,862
369	1977	Merc. Benz 18 pass. bus 309382-10-300966	130,974
7064	1974	Chev. Malibu Sedan IC29L4R49494281	63,161
7516	1980	Ford Pinto Sedan OT10A184185	36,488
7517	1980	Ford Pinto Sedan OT10A184186	32,803
7518	1980	Chev. Citation Sedan 1X685AW227858	50,871

*NOTE: These vehicles have been used for bus operator relief which is very difficult service causing these vehicles to be worn out and beyond economical use.

RECOMMENDATION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR/PURCHASING AGENT:

It is recommended that Council authorize the sale of the above listed SURPLUS City vehicles and other equipment utilizing the services of a commercial vehicle auction outlet, The Ken Porter Auction Company.

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MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with staff's recommendation on Agenda Item 20a. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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At 6:10 p.m., the City Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance, reconvening as City Council at 6:12 p.m.

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22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. Councilman Applegate expressed his sincere appreciation to all members of City Staff who contributed toward the successful culmination of the recent Armed Forces Day festivities. Fellow Councilmembers concurred in congratulations and praise of all connected with the event.

22b. Councilwoman Geissert invited all to attend the opening of the Certified Farmers' Market on June 4.

22c. Councilwoman Geissert requested that copies of the recently released report from the consultant regarding the Madrona Marsh Nature Park Preserve be made available to all interest parties in the community. A status report of actions implemented and proposed was requested by Mrs. Geissert -- staff to follow through.

22d. Concerns regarding vibrations and noise expressed by residents of the Windemere development were noted by Councilwoman Geissert. Appropriate staff to follow through.

22e. It was the request of Councilwoman Geissert that staff explore a modified proposal regarding a grant application submitted to the Los Angeles Transportation Commission.

22f. Councilman Wirth commended Police Captain Lanham for being honored recently by Governor Deukmejian for his dedication and hard work on the Torrance Armed Forces Day Parade.

22g. Councilman Wirth reported briefly on his recent trip to Sacramento where he attended the Annual League of Cities Legislative Conference. Mr. Wirth further noted that Senator Beverley has been named 1984 Legislator of the Year.

22h. Mr. John Vuotto, 4746 Deelane Street, representing homeowners in the area, described serious traffic concerns involving short-cutting traffic through his area, and distributed packets of written material to the Council containing recommended proposals for mitigating the problem.

Other speakers were:

Mr. Ron Dailey -- Majority of the problem is caused by commuter traffic.

Mr. Art Williams -- Deelane Street is an extension of Inglewood Avenue; through traffic must be stopped.

Mrs. Wenda Portune, 19611 Darien Place -- Park traffic should be considered in any survey.

Mr. Robert Feuerstein, 20020 Donora -- Accessing the new McDonald's at 190th and Hawthorne Boulevard is difficult without cutting through the subject tract.

Council discussion resulted in direction to staff for analysis of the citizen report; traffic origin study; consideration of options including improvement of the Inglewood/190th Street intersection; traffic diversion techniques similar to the Redondo Beach offramp of the San Diego Freeway; etc. It was directed by Mayor Armstrong that this matter be returned to the Council at the earliest possible time, with stopgap measures, if at all possible, (including increased enforcement activity) to be taken in the meantime.

The Council now returned to --

17c. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Armstrong read the following statement into the record:

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

1. Pending litigation entitled SOAR and GAREN vs. City of Torrance and the United States of America, United States District Court Case No. CV 9543.

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- 2. Possible acquisition of the Greenwood School property site.

The City Council will also recess to closed session to confer with the City Manager regarding salaries, salary schedules and compensation of certain employee groups.

This closed session is being held pursuant to the following sections of the Government Code: 54956.9(a); 54956.9(c); and 54957.6.

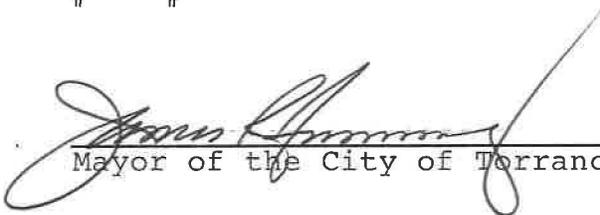
At 6:48 p.m., the Council recessed to executive session, returning at 7:55 p.m. to take the following action:

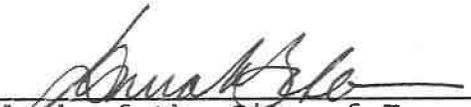
MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved, in the matter of the purchase of the Greenwood School site, to concur with the recommendation of the City Attorney and City Manager. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

At 7:56 p.m., the meeting was formally adjourned to May 28, 1985, 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment was dedicated to the memories of Mrs. Janice Cragin, Mr. Nick Pappas, Mr. "Walt" Crouch, and Mr. Alexis Pestoff.

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 Mayor of the City of Torrance


 Clerk of the City of Torrance

Peggy Laverty
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