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Adjournment was at 9:30 p.m.

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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, July 30, 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.

*NOTE: It was necessary for Councilman Applegate to leave the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

3. FLAG SALUTE AND INVOCATION:

Police Sergeant Tamble led in the salute to the flag.

The invocation for the meeting was provided by Mayor Armstrong.

STANDARD MOTIONS:

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to approve the minutes of July 2, 1985, as recorded. His motion, seconded by Councilwoman Geissert carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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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 WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED AGENDA ITEMS:

Item 17e, MADRONA MARSH: to be returned in two weeks.

7. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

None.

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As a matter of personal privilege, Councilman Applegate introduced, from the audience, 16-year old Tsukiko Nukaya of Urawa, Japan, who is a guest in the Applegate home as a Del Amo Rotary exchange student.

A warm welcome was extended to this young visitor.

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8. COMMUNITY MATTERS:8a. MISS TEEN OF CALIFORNIA 1985:

Miss Maggie Lee, Miss Teen of California 1985, was proudly introduced by Mayor Armstrong, and was presented with a plaque in recognition of her achievement.

This commemoration was graciously accepted by Miss Lee.

8b. RESOLUTION TO CELESTRON INTERNATIONAL:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 85-210

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE EXPRESSING ITS THANKS TO
CELESTRON INTERNATIONAL FOR THEIR DONATION
OF A TELESCOPE

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MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-210. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Nakano, was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

The above Resolution was presented by Mayor Armstrong on behalf of his colleagues on the Council and the citizens of Torrance, with grateful acceptance by Mr. Larry Cassidy, President of Celestron International.

10. TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS:

10a. APPROVAL OF LANDFILL PASS-THROUGH INCREASE:

City Clerk Babb read title to the following --

RESOLUTION NO. 85-211

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE APPROVING A LANDFILL
INCREASE PASS-THROUGH AFFECTING THE REFUSE
DISPOSAL RATE AT THE WESTERN WASTE
INDUSTRIES TRANSFER STATION

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-211. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10b. COUNCIL AWARD OF CONTRACT:

Purchase of 43 replacement bus fare boxes, 5 spare cash boxes, companion farebox validating system as a "cooperative purchase" with Long Beach Public Transportation Company (Ref. Long Beach Bid No. LBT-2F)
Funding: UMTA Sec. 9 & 9A, State TDA Funds, and Proposition A Funds.
Expenditure: \$176,843.25.

RECOMMENDATION OF DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION/PURCHASING AGENT:

Inasmuch as the cost to Torrance to bid forty-three (43) units would be higher than the bid cost extended to Long Beach for their 200 unit bid purchase, plus the fact that there has been a price increase on these fareboxes of 4% since the Long Beach bid, it is recommended that Council approve of Torrance's participation on the Long Beach bid for the required fareboxes to the low bidder of Long Beach's bid, The Cubic Western Data Company of San Diego, CA, in the total amount of \$176,843.25 including tax for:

43 fare boxes at \$3,350 each plus tax
5 cashboxes at \$400 each plus tax
1 Data System at \$20,000 plus tax.

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MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the staff recommendation on agenda item 10b, with the necessary expenditure of funds. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

10c. FAR, PART 150, AIRPORT NOISE AND COMPATIBILITY STUDY:

At the request of Mayor Armstrong, City Attorney Remelmeyer spoke to the supplemental resolution submitted with this agenda item, noting that that resolution includes the assurances expressly desired by the Council.

At the Mayor's request, City Clerk Babb read title to --

RESOLUTION NO. 85-212

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL
OF A MODIFIED GRANT AGREEMENT FROM THE FEDERAL
AVIATION ADMINISTRATION FOR A PART 150 AIRPORT
NOISE COMPATIBILITY STUDY IN THE AMOUNT OF

\$247,500

(AIP PROJECT NO. 3-06-0257-01)

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-212 (supplemental). Her motion was seconded by Councilman Nakano.

Prior to roll call vote, Mayor Armstrong invited comments from the audience.

Mr. Eli Alexander, 2914 Briarwood Drive, President of Peninsula Aviation and President of the Torrance Airport Business Association, pointed out that many present day jet or turbine aircraft are more quiet than many nonjet aircraft and urged that the Council concentrate on banning noise; not jets or turbines. Mr. Alexander further requested that the ban on jet fuel be lifted, and noted his opinion that most of the data to be compiled in the 150 Study already exists and can be compiled at a greatly reduced cost to the taxpayers.

Roll call vote to adopt Resolution No. 85-212 (supplemental) was unanimously favorable.

Finance Director Dundore requested that the Council, in support of the application, appropriate \$27,500.00 (10% of the project cost) from the Airport Fund. Councilman Wirth SO MOVED. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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14. PERSONNEL MATTERS:14a. JTPA FISCAL YEAR 1985/86 SUBCONTRACT AGREEMENTS:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 85-213

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST THESE CERTAIN CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND STRAW HAT PIZZA AND LA PETITE BOULANGERIE

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-213. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

14b. RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT WITH JOHN FREDERICK GRIFFIN:

City Clerk Babb read title to the following --

RESOLUTION NO. 85-214

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST A CONTRACT WITH JOHN FREDERICK GRIFFIN TO PROVIDE INSTRUCTIONAL AND SUPERVISORY SERVICES FOR THE HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM DURING FISCAL YEAR 1985-86

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-214. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

Taken out of order at this time --

17e. MADRONA MARSH DEDICATION:

MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to continue Item 17e to the Council meeting of August 13, 1985, a 7:00 p.m. meeting. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and carried without objection (Councilman Applegate ABSTAINED).

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The Council now returned to --

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15. HEARINGS:15a. PD 85-1, TT 44066, TORRANCE INVESTMENT COMPANY (Shurl Curci, Ray Watt, Guilford Glazer, Santa Fe Land Investment Company):

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for consideration of an appeal by the applicant of a Planning Commission denial of a Plan of Development and a Tentative Tract Map to allow the construction of 110 residential condominiums at the southwest corner of Maple Avenue and Monterey Street. PD 85-1, TT 44066, TORRANCE INVESTMENT COMPANY (SHURL CURCI, RAY WATT, GUILFORD GLAZER, SANTA FE LAND IMPROVEMENT COMPANY)

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

Councilman Applegate announced that he would abstain in consideration of this matter, for reasons of record, and departed from the Chambers.

Staff presentation was provided by Acting Planning Associate Gibson, who pointed out that the Planning Commission recommends denial of the Plan of Development and denial of the appeal; the Planning Department recommends approval of the Plan of Development and approval of the appeal.

Representing the Torrance Investment Company was Mr. Larry Schmidt, 2716 Ocean Park Boulevard, Santa Monica, who requested favorable Council consideration and noted the proponent's concurrence with all conditions.

Mr. Schmidt then requested that the Tentative Tract Map under consideration be changed from a one-lot map to a three-lot map. City Attorney Remelmeyer advised that such action would require resubmittal to the Planning Commission, at which time Mr. Schmidt WITHDREW HIS REQUEST.

In response to concerns expressed by Councilwoman Geissert as to proposed design concept changes and the ultimate appearance of the project as a whole, Mr. Schmidt advised that it remains the intent of TIC to conform to the Development Agreement -- at the present time they are reviewing proposed developments for the remaining lots south of Toledo and east of Maple which are still proposed for residential development without any increase in density. As to the question of the inclusion of water amenities/design concepts of specific expressed concern to Councilwoman Geissert, the proponent's representative stated that he is not, at this time, prepared to state whether or not such amenities will be included in the development. The scope of some of the

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amenities originally presented has been reduced, per Mr. Schmidt, in order to minimize the cost of the development and keep sale prices down.

Next to speak from the audience was Mrs. Mary Deane, 3210 Merrill Drive, who submitted a written statement (of record) requesting that no concession be granted to the developers unless a fee simple deed to the Madrona Marsh is first granted to the City.

Responding to Mrs. Deane's remarks, Mayor Armstrong explained that in terms of practical legal procedure, the issues of construction of the project and acquisition of the Madrona Marsh deed cannot be treated as one.

Representing the Friends of Madrona Marsh, its President, Ms. Georgean Griswold, read aloud a statement (of record) which is partially presented as follows:

A meeting was recently held with TIC, the Friends and community representatives to review the proposed plan you have before you tonight. The Friends concerns are the same as with the original plan. We support the need for senior citizen housing, have been assured of an 8' block wall between the proposed development and the nature center area (2+ acres of City owned property) and have TIC agreement to work with us to do tree and shrub plantings compatible with the Nature Preserve. We applaud less density on Lot 8, but would prefer even less!

Additionally, the friends are upset about the removal of trees marked for saving in a joint effort and agreement by us and TIC on the east side of Maple between Sepulveda and Monterey. On Lot 9 (currently under construction and near completion) only one tree was saved. And we are told only one tree will be saved on Lot 8. More trees than we were made aware of were lost during the construction of the retention basin. At this time we request that TIC be required to replace those trees with trees to be planted on the Nature Preserve, preferably by full grown trees, of kinds compatible to the nature habitat. A gentlemen's agreement between the landowner, the City and the Friends existed prior to construction concerning habitat destruction. Extensive damage has been done and we ask that the City require the developers be responsible for the correction of the damage.

The developers are not living up to the terms of their agreement with the City and the Friends of Madrona Marsh feel the City is under no compunction to consider or approve their requests such as this plan change. Therefore, we recommend that this plan change not be considered until such time as this developer complies with the full terms of the existing agreements.

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Mrs. Peggy Hollander, 22959B Nadine Circle, noted that the conceptual plans for the project showed waterfalls and beautiful landscaping -- in her opinion, the buildings now under construction "look like the worst tenements." The project should be stopped at this point, per Mrs. Hollander.

Next to speak was Ms. Eva Snow, 1814 Firmona, Redondo Beach, who presented the Council with pussywillow tree clippings representative of the original flora on the site, and requested that the Council "keep the Marsh in mind."

Vice-President of the Torrance League of Women Voters, Ms. Lola Unger, 21413 Ocean Avenue, submitted a written statement (of official record) supporting open space, improved amenities, and a harmonious environment. The requirement for needed senior citizen housing was urged, as was denial of the development plan as presented.

Deeming the Park Del Amo project a "monstrosity" was Mr. Bernie Hollander, 22959B Nadine Circle. Mr. Hollander also judged the Environmental Impact Report on the project to be a "sham", contending that the concerns regarding the impact of the proposal were deadened by the "dangling of the senior citizen project before those who opposed it." This speaker urged that the project be stopped.

Mr. Larry Gittschier, 1303 Acacia, supported the Planning Commission's denial of the subject request, noting that one reason the project was originally approved was because of the proposed 192 units for senior housing, a proposal subsequently withdrawn.

Representing the developers, Mr. Ray Watt, 2716 Ocean Park Boulevard, Santa Monica, advised that the original approval for Lot 8, the lot presently under consideration, did not contain a proposal for senior housing -- that design was conceived subsequent to the original approval, but proved, because of financing considerations, etc., not to be feasible. Mr. Watt stated that they are committed to building senior citizen housing and noted that, without a doubt, their next presentation will have senior citizen housing as well as open space as previously discussed.

Last to speak from the audience was Mrs. Shirley Turner, 23216 Juniper Avenue, who graphically illustrated the "whole" of the Marsh and the development.

There being no one else who wished to speak on this subject, Councilman Walker moved to close the hearing. His motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Applegate abstained).

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At Councilman Wirth's request, the matter of density was addressed, it being noted by Acting Planning Associate Gibson that the Park Del Amo development when first reviewed by the City proposed 2000 residential units; the present proposal is 1482. Mr. Gibson further advised that the Windemere development has been constructed at 33 units per acre; Park Del Amo is proposing 20 units per acre.

In light of that information, and in view of the fact that the Council has been advised that legally the development and the Marsh deed must be treated as entirely separate entities, and because of the financial considerations surrounding the senior citizen housing issue on this parcel, Councilman Wirth offered the following --

MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to grant the appeal and approve the project on Agenda Item 15a., Torrance Investment Company. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker.

Prior to roll call vote, Council discussion continued.

Councilwoman Geissert expressed her serious concerns that some of the amenities originally proposed -- amenities that were very important to her in voting for the Development Agreement -- are not now appearing on the plans. Stating that she has too many questions as to how the entire vast project will ultimately come together, Mrs. Geissert offered the following --

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to continue the hearing on Item 15a, until the development team can come back with an updated conceptual development plan showing the overall development concept. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Mock, but FAILED TO CARRY as is indicated by the following tie vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert, Mock and Nakano.

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Walker, Wirth and Mayor
Armstrong.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate.

Councilman Wirth requested that the developer meet with concerned parties in an effort to resolve the problem involving trees on the property (per statement from Friends of Madrona Marsh, Page 7).

The MAIN MOTION then carried by way of the following roll call vote.

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

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert and Nakano.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 85-215

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A PLAN OF
DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF
110 RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUMS IN THE PD ZONE ON
THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF MAPLE AVENUE AND
MONTEREY STREET
PD 85-1: TORRANCE INVESTMENT COMPANY

MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved for the adoption of Resolu-
tion No. 85-215. His motion was seconded by Councilman Walker,
and carried by way of the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert and Nakano.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate.

City Engineer Bourbonnais requested that the Council take
further action approving TT 44066 with all conditions listed on
Page 17 of staff material. Councilman Wirth SO MOVED. His
motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and carried as
indicated by the following roll call vote:

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

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Geissert and Nakano.

ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: Applegate.

Mayor Armstrong requested that the developers provide an
updated projection of the overall project for Council review.

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The hour being 6:45 p.m., a brief recess was called. The
entire Council returned at 6:55 p.m., to resume the regular
agenda order.

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15a. (Continued):

Upon reconvening, City Attorney Remelmeyer recommended to the Council approval of an agreement between the City and Santa Fe Land Improvement Company and Torrance Investment Company, an agreement whereby the developer, in obtaining building permits to go ahead with the development, agrees that he will not acquire any vested rights to go forward with the development by reason of the issuance of said building permits.

Councilman Walker SO MOVED. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, carried unanimously by roll call vote (Councilman Applegate ABSTAINED).

15b. SPRING 1985 WEED ABATEMENT PROGRAM:

Mayor Armstrong announced that this was the time and place for the hearing on confirmation of the Spring 1985 Weed Abatement Program, showing the costs to be assessed to the property owners listed thereon.

City Clerk Babb presented the affidavit of posting and it was ordered filed upon a MOTION by Councilman Applegate. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Mayor Armstrong asked if anyone wished to be heard on this matter. There being no response, Councilman Applegate moved to close the hearing. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Geissert, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to approve the report of the City Manager. This motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 85-216

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE CONFIRMING THE WRITTEN REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER SHOWING THE COST OF WEED ABATEMENT FOR SPRING 1985 (WEED ABATEMENT ASSESSMENT ROLL, 1985-86)

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-216. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Nakano, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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17. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:17a. RENEWAL OF BUS PHYSICAL DAMAGE INSURANCE:
Effective Dates: 7-31-85 to 7-31-86.RECOMMENDATION:

It is the recommendation of the City Manager that your Honorable Body approve the continuation of bus physical damage insurance with Fireman's Fund Group for 1985-86 at an annual premium of \$55,104. Funds have been allocated in the Fiscal Year 1985-86 Budget.

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

17b. RENEWAL OF BOILER AND MACHINERY INSURANCE:
Effective Dates: 7-31-85 to 7-31-86.RECOMMENDATION:

The City Manager and the General Services Department recommend the City Council approve the renewal of the boiler and machinery insurance with Pacific Indemnity Insurance Company for the period July 31, 1985 to July 31, 1986, at an annual cost of \$11,453. Funds for this insurance have been included in the 1985-86 Budget.

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved to concur with the above staff recommendation. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Nakano, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

17c. AMENDMENT TO AMBULANCE SERVICE AGREEMENT:

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

RESOLUTION NO. 85-217

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE AMBULANCE SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND GOODHEW AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

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MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-217. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

17d. CABLE TELEVISION PRODUCTION FACILITY DESIGN:

RECOMMENDATION OF CITY MANAGER/CABLE TELEVISION ADMINISTRATOR:

It is recommended that your Honorable Body approve the design of the Cable Television Production Facility (also known as Telecommunications Center) and direct staff, architect and consultants to prepare construction documents and to advertise for bids.

Following staff presentation by Cable Television Administrator Carter, Council action was taken as is reflected below:

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

At this time Mayor Armstrong recounted the outstanding and Nationally renown accomplishments of City Attorney Remelmeyer in the field of telecommunications, suggesting that it would be appropriate for the City Council to act at this time to designate this subject new facility as the STANLEY REMELMEYER TELECOMMUNICATIONS CENTER.

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

Mr. Remelmeyer responded with deep gratitude for this great honor.

17e. See Page 5.

17f. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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20. CONSENT CALENDAR:

20a. AUTHORIZATION TO REJECT BIDS and rebid the project to remodel the computer room.
REF. BID No. B85-18.

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RECOMMENDATION OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS DIRECTOR/
PURCHASING AGENT:

It is staff's recommendation that Council authorize the rejection of bids received from Bay Oak General Contractors and Ross/Reimer Inc. and authorize staff to rebid the project.

MOTION: Councilman Applegate moved to concur with staff recommendation on Agenda Item 20a. His motion, seconded by Councilman Nakano, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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At 7:15 p.m., the Council recessed and reconvened as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance, reconvening as the City Council at 7:31 p.m.

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22. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

22a. Councilman Applegate reminded all present of the grand opening of the YMCA's new Fitness Center August 3, and the dinner at the Holiday Inn the previous evening.

22b. Councilman Walker responded to recent comments which have come to his attention regarding consideration of a commercial trash hauling franchise in the City of Torrance.

As to the question of political contributions, Councilman Walker advised that the sum he has received from an entity that could be considered as one of the companies capable of handling the franchise amounted to approximately \$6,000.00. Mr. Walker noted that his treasurer has been instructed to contribute a sum in excess of that amount to charities, basically in the field of child abuse.

Councilman Walker advised that his request for information concerning the matter of a rubbish hauling franchise is to gain information so that a rational and informed decision can be made by the City Council.

22c. Mayor Armstrong announced that Saturday, August 3, is the anniversary of the birth of Jared Sidney Torrance. The Mayor also advised that the Torrance Historical Society is planning the unveiling of a bust of Mr. Torrance at the Historical Society structure on September 8, 1985.

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22d. City Clerk Donna Babb read aloud a prepared statement, of record, announcing her decision NOT to run for reelection in March of 1986. Ms. Babb stated that she will continue to serve as City Clerk through that election to the end of her term, thereby fulfilling the commitment she made to the office when elected in 1982.

22e. Police Sergeant Harold Maestri, President of TPOA, registered extreme displeasure at the absence of progress in the wage negotiating process with the Torrance Police Officers Association this year, and urged, on behalf of the membership of TPOA, that Council support their wage and benefit proposal.

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The hour being 7:50 p.m., Councilman Applegate departed from the meeting.

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22f. Ms. Lynn Jane Newman, owner of property in the City of Torrance for over 25 years, spoke in firm opposition to a rubbish hauling franchise for this City, and strongly urged the Council to keep the options open for freedom of choice on the commercial level and to keep the residential pickup with the City.

22g. Ms. Georgean Griswold addressed her remarks to the Park Del Amo development and the Madrona Marsh issue, stating her desire to clarify certain misconceptions which have come to light.

As to the occupancy of the 262 units presently under completion at Park Del Amo, Ms. Griswold advised that currently only some 153 people have opted to move in; the rest have dropped their options. She maintained that seniors are interested in the type of senior housing that was proposed for Lot 8.

Ms. Griswold advised that the original development plan which included an approximate 10-acre Marsh, offered some seven multi-storied senior housing units (pointing out that senior housing was mentioned in the Park Del Amo plan in its original concept.

This speaker also expressed her opinion that the developer has shown bad faith regarding the Marsh.

Mayor Armstrong reaffirmed the Council's commitment to the Marsh.

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22h. Mr. Irv Ruben, representing the Jewish Defense League, stated that he has opened an office in the 3400 block of Sepulveda Boulevard in this City. Mr. Ruben voiced vehement opposition to the Institute for Historical Review located at 1619 Cabrillo Avenue, deeming it a fraudulent organization which claims the Holocaust never happened. Action by the City of Torrance was urged by this speaker.

Mr. Ruben then turned the podium over to Mr. Jan Tucker, a licensed investigator, 1321 Amapola, who commenced review of an ordinance which they had previously submitted to the City of Torrance for consideration, an ordinance which they view as "a consumer protection ordinance to curb the activities of those who would . . . promote and sell their hate literature in a fraudulent manner."

At a point in the continuing presentation, Mayor Armstrong requested that there be no further review at this time, advising that the subject ordinance is in the hands of Councilmembers and appropriate City staff for analysis.

Following a brief exchange, Mr. Tucker acquiesced to leave the matter under submission.

22i. Mr. Barry Krugal, who stated that he works in the 3400 block of Sepulveda Boulevard, voiced his concerns that the Institute for Historical Review is in this City, and urged the Council to do as much as possible to remove them.

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The Council now returned to --

17f. 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 PEOPLE v. MOBIL OIL CORP., Municipal Court; South Bay Judicial District, Case Numbers M282593 and M282594, presently on appeal, CRA 22972 and CRA 22973.
2. Possible litigation concerning Park Del Amo project and the deed to the Madrona Marsh.

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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) and (c); 54957.6.

At 8:13 p.m., the Council recessed to executive session, returning at 9:25 p.m., to take the following action:

At the request of Mayor Armstrong, City Clerk Babb read title to the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 85-218

A UNILATERAL RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE CONTINUING IN FULL FORCE CURRENT WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE POLICE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION PENDING RESOLUTION OF SALARY NEGOTIATIONS

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-218. Her motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, was unanimously approved by roll call vote (Councilman Applegate absent).

RESOLUTION NO. 85-219

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH CERTAIN CHANGES REGARDING WAGES, HOURS AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE CITY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION

MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-219. Her motion was seconded by Councilman Walker, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable (Councilman Applegate absent).

RESOLUTION NO. 85-220

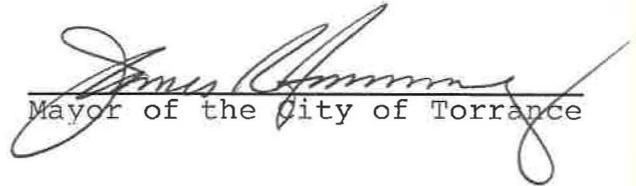
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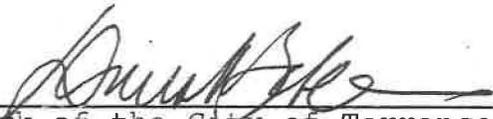
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MOTION: Councilwoman Geissert moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 85-220. This motion, seconded by Councilman Walker, carried unanimously by roll call vote (Councilman Applegate absent)

The meeting was regularly adjourned at 9:30 p.m., to Tuesday, August 6, 1985, at 5:30 p.m.

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Mayor of the City of Torrance


Clerk of the City of Torrance

Peggy Laverty
Minute Secretary

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