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Torrance City Council - June 20, 1988

THIRD BUDGET WORKSHOP

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Adjournment was at 6:07 p.m. to Tuesday,
June 21, 1988, 5:00 p.m.

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MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL

OPENING CEREMONIES:

1. CALL TO ORDER;

The Torrance City Council convened in an adjourned regular meeting on Monday, June 20, 1988, at 5:07 p.m., in the Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmembers Hardison, Mock, Nakano, Walker, Wirth and Mayor Geissert. Councilman Applegate arrived at 5:09 p.m.

Absent: None.

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

3. MOTION RE POSTING OF AGENDA:

MOTION: Councilman Nakano moved to receive and file the report of the City Clerk regarding the posting of the agenda for this meeting. His motion, seconded by Councilman Wirth, carried by unanimous roll call vote [Councilman Applegate not as yet arrived].

4. THIRD BUDGET WORKSHOP:

I. INTRODUCTION.

Mayor Geissert announced that this is the third and final budget workshop session for FY 1988-89.

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Councilman Applegate arrived, the hour being 5:09 p.m.

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City Manager Jackson outlined the primary decisions to be made by Council this evening.

- Adequacy of General Operating Budget.
- Adequacy of Externally Funded Budget.
- Reserves.
- Revenue Modifications.

II. COMMUNITY INPUT:

Mayor Geissert invited audience comments at this time.

Mr. Olie Harrison, 5115 Scott Street, voiced strong objections to the proposed increased rubbish collection fee, and maintained that this is a tax, not a fee.

Clarification and response to Mr. Harrison's concerns were provided by Revenue Administrator Murdoch. Legal justification supporting the stipulation of this as a fee was provided by City Attorney Remelmeyer.

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Mr. John LeResche, 3634 West 228th Street, Chairman of the Airport Commission, spoke in support of adding the position of Assistant Airport Manager to the budget, and urged favorable Council consideration of this request.

An extensive discussion ensued in this regard. It was the ultimate consensus that this matter should be held at the present time pending a thorough analysis of the organizational structure and an exploration of viable alternatives.

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III. BUDGET DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS:

Formal Council action is reflected in the following series of motions.

MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to accept the adequacy of the General Operating Budget as proposed by the City Manager. His motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, and roll call vote was unanimously favorable.

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MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to appropriate the amounts for the Line 8 Extension and the Joint Transit Telephone Information Project so that those funds may be reserved should the Council adopt those enhancements.

This motion was seconded by Councilman Mock.

Prior to roll call vote, it was clarified in response to a question by Councilwoman Hardison, that the above action would not commit the Council to these programs.

Roll call vote on the above motion was unanimously favorable.

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MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to forward the question of the positions of Assistant Airport Manager and Steno Clerk at the Airport, as well as the matter of the Department of Transportation's reorganization to the Transportation Committee of the City Council for review.

This motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved to accept the adequacy of the externally funded budget. This motion, seconded by Councilwoman Hardison, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

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MOTION: Councilwoman Hardison moved to concur with the recommended level of reserves as indicated in the written information of record. This motion was seconded by Councilman Wirth.

Prior to roll call vote, Councilman Applegate expressed his opinion that the Council should discuss revenue modifications prior to "locking into" the reserves.

The above motion carried by way of the following roll call vote.

AYES: Councilmembers Hardison, Mock, Nakano, Walker, Wirth and Mayor Geissert.

NOES: Councilman Applegate.

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MOTION: Councilman Wirth moved for conceptual approval of the revenue modifications as set forth in the City Manager's Proposed Budget document, Page XXVII, Exhibit A-1. His motion was seconded by Councilman Mock, and roll call vote proved unanimously favorable.

IV. CLOSING REMARKS:

Councilwoman Hardison requested that staffing needs be assessed for Alta Loma Park and that efforts be made to return some of the portable programs to that area for the summer. Parks and Recreation Director Barnett will follow through.

At 6:07 p.m., the meeting was formally adjourned to Tuesday, June 21, 1988, at 5:00 p.m., for purposes of an executive session -- the regular City Council meeting of that date will commence at 6:00 p.m.

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