

# **Armed Forces Day Council Special Standing Committee Meeting**

February 6, 2018 4 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance:

Councilman Geoff Rizzo (Ad Hoc Chair)  
Councilwoman Heidi Ann Ashcraft (Ad Hoc Member)  
Councilman Tim Goodrich (Ad Hoc Member)  
Lt. Jeremiah Hart  
Capt. Martin Vukotic  
Jamie Le, Management Associate (Staff Liaison)

Chairman Geoff Rizzo brought the meeting to order at 4:01 pm

This meeting was to provide a planning update by Lt. Hart regarding the Armed Forces Day Parade and Celebration in addition to updates on the 5k Run organized by the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce.

Lt. Hart identified the status on:

1. Military Concert Band
  - a. Band has been identified for Concert and Parade
  - b. Band has not yet been approved for Banquet
2. Static Displays
  - a. Requests have been initiated
3. Media Outreach
  - a. Marines would like to incorporate the Celebration of their 100<sup>th</sup> year of existence
4. Flyovers
  - a. Confirmed applications have been received.
  - b. Exploring aviation units to support
5. Grand Marshall
  - a. Letter developed to invite Commandant
6. Western Museum of Flight Displays
  - a. WMOF will host military aircrafts for static display (Saturday Only)
  - b. WMOF will waive admission fee for visitors
  - c. Transit will assist in transportation for visitors
7. Honorary Grand Marshal
  - a. Marines are working on identifying
8. Swearing in Ceremony
  - a. Requests have been initiated

Laurie Brandt, Chair of the Board of Directors at the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce presented the new branding and logo for the 5k fun run. It was noted that changes were initiated because the community was not aware that participation was open to everyone. New branding reflects inclusive participation by the community, not just Armed Forces Personnel. Chair Brandt proposed "Torrance Armed Forces Day 5k For Freedom: In Tribute to Louis Zamperini."

### **Committee Discussion**

Councilman Rizzo expressed interest in increasing the Armed Forces Day Parade budget and bringing an item to council to exempt WWII aircrafts from noise restrictions set by existing ordinance.

Councilman Goodrich requested we give the Marines a deadline to name the Honorary Grand Marshal, CERT and TARA participation and also requested staff look into subsidizing hotels for military participants.

Councilwoman Ashcraft asked that staff explore covering the 5k Run on CitiCABLE live.

The committee voted 3-0 to approve letter to the Commandant of the Marines.  
The committee voted 3-0 to approve new branding for 5k Run.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:33 p.m.