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TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
DECEMBER 8, 2020
REGULAR MEETING
5:30 P.M. – CLOSED SESSION
7:00 P.M. – REGULAR BUSINESS BEGINS
VIA TELECONFERENCE OR OTHER ELECTRONIC MEANS

# CITY COUNCIL MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA

## **OPENING CEREMONIES**

- CALL MEETING TO ORDER ROLL CALL: Councilmembers Ashcraft, Chen, Goodrich, Griffiths, Kalani, Mattucci, and Mayor Furey
- FLAG SALUTE: Councilmember Griffiths NON SECTARIAN INVOCATION: Rabbi Didi Thomas of Emet Temple
- REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA
   The agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Bl. and on the City's Website on Thursday, December 3, 2020 /s/ Rebecca Poirier
   MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES AFTER NUMBER & TITLE See Council Rules of Order Section 2.11 (Resolution 2006-65)
- 4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED, AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

#### 5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Federal Legislative Advocacy Committee Meeting
Date: Thursday, December 10, 2020
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Location: Via Teleconference or Other Electronic Means
Topic: 2020-2022 Priority Projects
Chair: Mayor Furey

City Council Workshop
Date: Tuesday, December 15, 2020
Time: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Location: Via Teleconference or Other Electronic Means
Topic: Downtown Torrance Revitalization Plan

### 6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

- **6A. PROCLAMATION** recognizing **David Wolfram** for his contributions to the South Bay Arts Community.
- 6B. Recognition of the 2020 Census Complete Count Committee.
- 6C. City Clerk Appoint Members to Fill Social Services, Traffic, and Water Commissions Vacancies and Consideration of Reappointments. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council:

- Review applications and appoint members to fill vacancies on the Social Services, Traffic, and Water Commissions from a list of qualified applicants and consider reappointments of eligible current commissioners; and
- 2) The City Clerk will administer the Oath of Office at a future date.

## 7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (Limited to a 60 minute period)

This portion of the meeting is reserved for public comment on items on the agenda or on topics of interest to the general public. Under the Ralph M. Brown Act, City Council cannot act on items raised during public comment but may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed; request clarification; or refer the item to staff. Speakers under this Public Comment period will have no longer than 3 minutes per speaker. Callers will have 1 minute to speak on 1 agenda item; 2 minutes total to speak on 2 or more agenda items; and 1 minute for general orals, not to exceed 3 minutes per speaker. During the live broadcast, the public may participate via telephone by calling 310-618-2404. Please do not use Bluetooth or speaker devices, mute the volume on your television or other electronic devices and speak clearly. Your phone call to the City Council meeting will be recorded as part of the City Council meeting. By staying on the line and making public comment during the City Council meeting, you are agreeing to have your phone call recorded.

## 10. HEARINGS

10A. Public Works – Conduct Public Hearing, Tabulate Ballots, and If Sufficient Affirmative Ballots Are Received, Adopt <u>RESOLUTION</u> Approving Final Engineer's Report and Creating Undergrounding Utility Assessment District No. 2020-1 (Paseo de la Playa). Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- Conduct a public hearing to take testimony from interested persons, as well as parcel owners in the proposed Undergrounding Utility Assessment District No. 2020-1 (Paseo de la Playa) (the "District"); and
- 2) Open and tabulate submitted ballots for the formation of the District; and
- If sufficient affirmative ballots are received, adopt a <u>RESOLUTION</u> approving the Final Engineer's Report, forming the District, and ordering the undergrounding improvements.

## 8. CONSENT CALENDAR

Matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and one vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed by a Councilmember from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

#### 8A. City Clerk – Approve City Council Minutes, Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council approve the City Council minutes of November 17, 2020.

8B. Parks and Recreation Commission and Community Services – Accept and File 2019-2020 Parks and Recreation Commission Annual Report. Expenditure: None. Recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Community Services Director that City Council accept and file the 2019-2020 Parks and Recreation Commission

8C. Cultural Arts Commission and Community Services – Accept and File 2019-2020 Cultural Arts Commission Annual Report. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Cultural Arts Commission and the Community Services Director that City Council accept and file the 2019-2020 Cultural Arts Commission annual report.

8D. Public Works – Approve Third Amendment for Construction Support Services for Torrance Transit Park and Ride Regional Terminal, FEAP 764 and Crenshaw Boulevard Intersection Improvements and 208th Street Extension, T-157. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council approve a third amendment to the consulting services agreement with AndersonPenna Partners of El Segundo, CA (C2016-142) to extend the term through December 31, 2021.

8E. Public Works – Transfer Funds and Approve Agreements to Update Enhanced Watershed Management Plans. Expenditure \$200,000 (Non-General Funds).

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Transfer \$200,000 from the Citywide Sewer System Improvements Project, I-191 to create a new FEAP for Machado Lake Enhanced Watershed Management Plan (EWMP) and Beach Cities EWMP; and
- Approve a sole-source consulting services agreement with Carollo Engineers of Los Angeles, CA for an amount not-to-exceed \$74,956 to perform engineering services for the update of Machado Lake EWMP for a two-year period beginning December 8, 2020 and ending December 7, 2022; and
- 3) Approve a Cost Sharing Memorandum of Understanding with the Beach Cities to fund \$87,812.64 to update the Beach Cities EWMP.
- 8F. Finance Accept and File Investment Report for the Month of October 2020. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Finance Director that City Council accept and file the Investment Report for the month of October 2020.

### 9. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

annual report.

9A. City Manager – Provide COVID-19 Recovery Update, Determine Direction on Orders from the County of Los Angeles and the State of California Regarding COVID-19, and Adopt <u>RESOLUTION</u> Opposing Los Angeles County Department of Public Health's Decision on Outdoor Dining and Playground Closures. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Receive COVID-19 Recovery Update (for Discussion Only); and
- 2) Determine whatever action deemed appropriate for responding to Orders from the County of Los Angeles and the State of California Regarding COVID-19; and
- 3) Adopt a **RESOLUTION** opposing Los Angeles County Department of Public Health's decision on outdoor dining and playground closures and to support small local businesses.

9B. Public Works – Approve First Amendment to Memorandum of Understanding to Fund Beach Cities Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Plan. Expenditure: \$805,750 (Non-General Fund).

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council approve a first amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding with the Cities of Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Torrance, and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District (C2016-027) regarding administration and cost sharing for the Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program.

9C. Mayor – Adopt <u>RESOLUTION</u> Approving Reappointment of City of Torrance's Representative to Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's Board of Directors. Expenditure: \$9,600 (Non-General Fund).

Recommendation of the Mayor that City Council adopt a <u>RESOLUTION</u> approving the reappointment of Russell Lefevre as the City of Torrance's representative to the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's Board of Directors for a four-year term through December 31, 2024.

9D. City Manager – Appointment of Finance Director. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council appoint Sheila Poisson to the position of Director of Finance.

9E. Community Development – Accept and Appropriate Department of Housing and Urban Development Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Section 8 Funds and Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Reserve Funds. Expenditure: \$841,375 (Non-General Fund).

Recommendation of Community Development Director that City Council accept and appropriate Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds as follows:

- 1) CARES Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) in the amount of \$144,411; and
- 2) CARES Administrative Fees in the amount of \$296,964; and
- 3) Housing Assistance Payment reserve funds in the amount of \$400,000.
- 11. AGENCY AGENDAS None Scheduled.
- 12. 2ND READING ORDINANCES None Scheduled.
- 13. CITY COUNCIL ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Order - Kalani, Mattucci, Ashcraft, Chen, Goodrich, Griffiths, Mayor Furey

14. CLOSED SESSION

## 14A. REAL PROPERTY – CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

(California Government Code §54956.8):

1) Property: A portion of Charles H. Wilson Park located at 2300 Crenshaw Blvd,

Torrance, CA 90501 (APN: 7359-011-911)

Agency Negotiator:

Aram Chaparyan

Negotiating Parties:

City of Torrance and Tyler Sports

Under Negotiation:

Terms and conditions of Lease C2008-227

## 14B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

(California Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)):

 Yolanda Vargas-Gutierrez v. Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, et al. LASC Case No. 19STCV32109

#### 14C. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

(California Government Code §54957.6): Agency Negotiator: Aram Chaparyan Employee Organization/Association:

1. Torrance Professional & Supervisory Association

#### 14D. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

(California Government Code §54957(b)(1)):

Title: City Manager

## 15. ADJOURNMENT

15A. Adjournment of City Council Meeting to Tuesday, December 15, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. for a City Council Workshop, with the regular meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. In compliance with Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20, which suspended portions of the Brown Act, Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-33-20 (Stay At Home Order issued March 19, 2020), and the County of Los Angeles Public Health Officer's Temporary Targeted Safer at Home Health Officer Order for Control of COVID-19: Tier 1 Substantial Surge Response (revised Order issued November 28, 2020) that temporarily replaces and suspends the Public Health Officer's Reopening Safer at Work and in the Community for Control of COVID-19 Order Blueprint for a Safer Economy – Tier 1 Surge Response (revised Order issued November 25, 2020), members of the Torrance City Council and staff will participate in this meeting via teleconference or other electronic means in our continuing effort to practice social distancing to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

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