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**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
DECEMBER 15, 2020
REGULAR MEETING
5:30 P.M. – CLOSED SESSION
6:00 P.M. – CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP
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

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Councilmembers Ashcraft, Chen, Goodrich, Griffiths, Kalani, Mattucci, and Mayor Furey

2. FLAG SALUTE: Councilmember Kalani

NON SECTARIAN INVOCATION: Councilmember Mattucci

Torrance Civic Chorale will perform holiday songs.

3. 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 10, 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 ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED, AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS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

<p>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</p>	<p>Torrance Refining Company Monthly Community Alert Siren Testing Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 11:30 a.m. For more information contact (310) 212-1852</p>
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6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

- 6A. RESOLUTION NO. 2020-134 honoring **Cindy Snodgrass** of the Community Services Department upon her retirement from the City of Torrance after thirty-one years of service.**
- 6B. PROCLAMATION** honoring **Rick Shigaki** of the Communications and Information Technology Department upon his retirement from the City of Torrance after seventeen years of service.
- 6C. City Clerk – Appoint Members to Fill Parks and Recreation Commission Unscheduled Vacancies. Expenditure: None.**
Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council:
- 1) Review applications and appoint members to fill unscheduled vacancies on the Parks and Recreation Commission from a list of qualified applicants; 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.

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. Communications & Information Technology – Approve First Amendment to Consulting Services Agreement for Phase IV of Accela Implementation to Extend Agreement Term. Expenditure: None.**
Recommendation of the Communications & Information Technology Director that City Council approve a first amendment to consulting services agreement with TruePoint Solutions, LLC of Loomis, CA (C2018-163) for Phase IV of Accela Implementation and extend the contract term for an additional year, beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021.
- 8B. Community Services – Accept and File 2019-2020 Torrance Youth Council Annual Report. Expenditure: None.**
Recommendation of the Youth Council and the Community Services Director that City Council accept and file the 2019-2020 Youth Council annual report.

8C. Transit – Adopt and Approve Submission of Transit Department’s Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council adopt the Transit Department’s Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan and approve submission as required by the Federal Transit Administration.

8D. City Manager/Human Resources – Police Department Forensic Unit Reorganization. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council approve the following staffing changes in the Police Department:

- 1) Upgrade 2.0 Forensic Identification Specialist Positions to 2.0 Senior Forensic Identification Specialist Positions; and
- 2) Delete 1.0 Forensic Identification Specialist position.

9. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

9A. City Manager – Provide COVID-19 Recovery Update and Determine Direction on Orders from the County of Los Angeles and the State of California Regarding COVID-19. 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) Discuss and determine direction regarding outdoor public seating areas.

9B. Finance and Public Works – Approve Transfer Agreement Under the Safe, Clean Water Municipal Program. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Finance Director and Public Works Director that City Council approve Transfer Agreement #2020MP80 with the Los Angeles County Flood Control District to provide annual funding through the Safe, Clean Water Municipal Program for a period beginning June 25, 2020 and ending June 30, 2024.

9C. Public Works – Approve Second Amendment to Extend Agreement for Water Usage at the Torrance Refinery. Expenditure: Not-to-Exceed \$2,000,000 (Non-General Fund).

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council approve a second amendment to the tri-party agreement between the City of Torrance, the Torrance Refining Company LLC, and the West Basin Municipal Water District (C95-043) for an amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000 for use of recycled water at the Torrance Refinery for a period of two months beginning January 1, 2021 and ending February 28, 2021.

9D. City Attorney and City Manager – Review and Determine Need to Extend Local Emergency Related to COVID-19. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the City Attorney and City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Review the need for extending the local emergency related to COVID-19 that was proclaimed on March 12, 2020; and
- 2) Adopt a **RESOLUTION** extending the local emergency.

9E. Public Works – Approve Agreement for Purchase of Treated Water from the Goldsworthy Desalter Project. Expenditure: Not-to-Exceed \$15,000,000 (Non-General Fund).

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council approve a water pricing agreement with the Water Replenishment District of Southern California (WRD) for the purchase of treated desalinated water supplies from the Goldsworthy Desalter Project for an amount not-to-exceed \$15,000,000 for a five-year period beginning January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2025, with an option to extend the agreement under one (1) two-year renewal option by mutual consent of both parties.

9F. Armed Forces Day Special Standing Committee – Review and Take Action on the Honored Branch, Cancellation Deadline, and Naming of the 2021 Armed Forces Day Parade and Celebration. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Armed Forces Day Special Standing Committee that City Council review and take action on the following items:

- 1) Selecting the Army as the Honored Branch for the 2021 Armed Forces Day parade and Celebration; and
- 2) Naming the 2021 Celebration as the 61st Annual Armed Forces Day Parade and Celebration; and
- 3) Setting the event cancellation deadline date of March 1, 2021.

9G. City Manager – Adopt RESOLUTION to Appoint Interim Police Chief. Expenditure: \$121,850 (General Fund: 960 Hours/6 Months).

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION to ratify the appointment of CalPERS annuitant Jon Megeff as Interim Police Chief while a recruitment is conducted.

9H. Transit – Approve Fourth Amendment to Contract Services Agreements for Torrance Community Transit Program (Senior Taxi and Disabled Dial-A-Taxi). Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Transit Director that City Council approve the fourth amendment to contract services agreements to extend the term date to December 31, 2021 for the taxi companies that provide service for the Torrance Community Transit Program (Senior Taxi and Disabled Dial-A-Taxi):

- 1) Administrative Services Co-Op d.b.a South Bay Yellow Cab and United Checker Cab Co-Op of Gardena, CA (C2016-010); and
- 2) All Yellow Taxi, Incorporated of Gardena, CA (C2016-011); and
- 3) Bell Cab Company of Hawthorne, CA (C2016-012).

9I. Federal Legislative Advocacy Committee – Approve and Concur with Committee's Recommendation of the 2020-2022 Priority Projects. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Federal Legislative Advocacy Committee that City Council approve and concur with the Committee's selection of the 2020-2022 Priority Projects.

9J. Public Works – Appropriate Funds, Award Public Works Agreement for Pacific Coast Highway at Hawthorne Boulevard Intersection Improvement, T-131, and Approve Cooperative Agreement with California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). Expenditure: \$8,883,834 (Non-General Fund).

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve the plans and specifications for the Pacific Coast Highway at Hawthorne Boulevard Intersection Improvement, T-131 (B2020-19); and
- 2) Concur with the California Department of Transportation's (Caltrans) approval of the Addendum to the 2014 Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND); and
- 3) Appropriate Transportation Impact Fee (TIF) Funds in the amount of \$100,000 to the Pacific Coast Highway at Hawthorne Boulevard Intersection Improvements, T-131, bringing total TIF Fund appropriations to \$250,000 and total project appropriations to \$19,850,000; and
- 4) Award a public works agreement to Griffith Company of Santa Fe Springs, CA (B2020-19) in the amount of \$8,076,213 and authorize a 10% contingency of \$807,621 for construction of the Pacific Coast Highway at Hawthorne Boulevard Intersection Improvement, T-131 for a two-year period beginning December 15, 2020 and ending December 14, 2022; and
- 5) Approve a cooperative agreement with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) related to the construction of the Pacific Coast Highway at Hawthorne Boulevard Intersection Improvement, T-131.

9K. City Manager and City Attorney – Ratification and Extension of Administrative Orders. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the City Manager and City Attorney that City Council adopt a **RESOLUTION** ratifying Administrative Orders by the City Manager issued from October 23, 2020 to December 11, 2020.

10. HEARINGS – None Scheduled.

11. AGENCY AGENDAS

11A. Successor Agency (Separate Agenda)

12. 2ND READING ORDINANCES – None Scheduled.

13. CITY COUNCIL ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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

14. CLOSED SESSION

14A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

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

Title: City Manager

14B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

(Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to California Government Code §54956.9(d)(2)):

Two cases

15. ADJOURNMENT

15A. Adjournment of City Council Meeting to Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. for closed session, 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), Acting State Public Health Officer Erica Pan’s Regional Stay at Home Order (issued December 3, 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 Updated Response (revised Order issued December 6, 2020) that temporarily replaces and suspends the Public Health Officer’s Temporary Targeted Safer at Home Health Officer Order for Control of COVID-19: Tier 1 Substantial Surge Updated Response (revised Order issued November 28, 2020) and 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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Tuesday, December 22, 2020, December 29, 2020, and January 5, 2021 are Council dark nights.

