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***REVISED TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
AUGUST 9, 2022
REGULAR MEETING
5:00 P.M. – CLOSED SESSION
6:30 P.M. – REGULAR BUSINESS BEGINS
IN COUNCIL CHAMBER AT 3031 TORRANCE BL.**

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

*Denotes the items were added after posting of the agenda.

OPENING CEREMONIES

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL: Councilmembers Griffiths, Kalani, Kaji, Mattucci, Sheikh, and Mayor Chen

2. FLAG SALUTE: Councilmember Kalani

NON SECTARIAN INVOCATION: Councilmember Kaji

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 Monday, August 1, 2022 /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 ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN, DEFERRED, AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS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

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

**6A. Community Services – Appoint Torrance Youth Council Members for 2022-2023.
Expenditure: None.**

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council appoint eighteen (18) members to the 2022-23 City of Torrance Youth Council and have them officially sworn in by the City Clerk.

6B. City Clerk – Appoint Members to Fill Commission Vacancies on Airport, Historic Preservation, Planning, and Traffic Commissions. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council:

- 1) Review applications and appoint members to fill vacancies on the Airport, Historic Preservation, Planning, and Traffic Commissions from a list of qualified applicants; and
- 2) The City Clerk will administer the Oath of Office to the newly appointed commissioners present.

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1 (Limited up to a 15 minute period)

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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 July 12, 2022.

8B. City Manager – Approve Request for Subsidy for Red Cross Blood Drive at Dee Hardison Sports Center at Wilson Park. Expenditure: \$980 (General Fund).

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council approve the request of Mayor Chen for subsidy of rental fees in the amount of \$980 for the use of the Dee Hardison Sports Center at Wilson Park for the Red Cross Blood Drive on August 30, 2022.

8C. City Manager – Approve Request for Subsidy for 300th Army Band Performances at James Armstrong Theatre. Expenditure: \$3,922.50 (General Fund).

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council approve the request by Mayor Chen for subsidy of rental and labor fees in the amount of \$3,922.50 for the use of the James Armstrong Theatre for the 300th Army Band performances on December 11, 2022.

8D. Community Services – Accept and Appropriate Donation from Friends of the Torrance Theatre Company. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council accept and appropriate a \$13,500 donation from the Friends of the Torrance Theatre Company to support the annual summer musical production.

8E. Community Services – Accept and Appropriate Donation from Friends of the Torrance Library for Adult Library Programs. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council accept and appropriate a \$12,750 donation from the Friends of the Torrance Library for adult library programs at all six Torrance libraries.

8F. Community Services – Accept and Appropriate Donation from Friends of the Torrance Library for Youth Library Programs. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council accept and appropriate a \$22,460 donation from the Friends of the Torrance Library for youth library programs.

8G. Community Services – Authorize Torrance Youth Council to Conduct Annual Workshop at THE ATTIC, a Torrance Teen Center. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council authorize the Torrance Youth Council to conduct their annual workshop on Monday, August 22, 2022, at THE ATTIC, a Torrance Teen Center located at 2320 West Carson Street.

8H. Community Services – Terminate Contract Services Agreement with Current Beverage Vending Machine Service Provider and Approve Issuance of Request for Proposals for Vending at Various City Facilities. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve termination of contract services agreement with Bottling Group, LLC (dba PepsiCo) of Aliso Viejo, CA (C2021-052); and
- 2) Approve the issuance of an RFP for sole vendor beverage and snack vending at various City facilities.

8I. Fire – Award Contract Services Agreement for City of Torrance Fire Department Regional Training Center – Training Prop. Expenditure: Not-to-Exceed \$732,000 (Non-General Fund).

Recommendation of the Interim Fire Chief that City Council:

- 1) Award a consulting services agreement to Fire Facilities, Inc. of Sun Prairie, WI (RFP B2022-23) for an amount not-to-exceed \$732,000 for the design and purchase of materials for the City of Torrance Fire Department Regional Training Center – Training Prop for a one-year period beginning August 1, 2022 and ending July 31, 2023; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager as the City's signatory for the City of Torrance agreement with Fire Facilities, Inc.

***The following item was added on Friday, August 5, 2022 at 1:40 p.m.**

***8J. City Attorney – Consent to Allow Counsel to Represent West Basin Municipal Water District and City of Torrance. Expenditure: None.**

Recommendation of the City Attorney that City Council consent to allow Colantuono, Highsmith, and Whatley PC ("CHW") to simultaneously represent West Basin Municipal Water District and the City of Torrance.

9. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

9A. City Manager – Approve Insurance Agreement and Rates for Life/Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D), Short-Term Disability (STD), Long-Term Disability (LTD) Insurance, Dental Insurance, Vision Insurance, Employee Assistance Program, Flexible Spending Account, COBRA, and Retiree Administration. Expenditure: Approximately \$4,689,469 (General Fund and Non-General Fund: Approximately \$1,925,268 Annually).

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Approve the Standard of Portland, OR to provide Term Life/Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D), Short-Term Disability (STD), Long-Term Disability (LTD) Insurance to eligible employees effective January 1, 2023; and
- 2) Approve the proposed rate of \$0.170 per \$1,000 of payroll for Term Life Insurance and \$0.020 per \$1,000 for AD&D, for a combined rate of \$0.190 per \$1,000 of volume for an estimated total expenditure of \$170,286 per year for a three-year period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025; and
- 3) Approve the proposed rate of \$0.640 per \$100 of covered payroll for Short-Term Disability (STD) Insurance for an estimated total expenditure of \$357,497 per year for a three-year period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025; and
- 4) Approve the proposed rate of \$0.510 cents per \$100 of covered payroll for Long-Term Disability (LTD) Insurance for employees represented by TME-AFSCME/TLEA, and \$0.260 per \$100 of covered payroll for executive, management, and general employees not represented by TME-AFSCME/TLEA for a combined estimated total expenditure of \$193,483 per year for a three-year period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025; and

- 5) Approve the selection of Delta Dental of San Francisco, CA to provide Dental insurance at the proposed rates for active employee insurance and group rates for Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) dental coverage at \$33.71 single party, \$67.42 two-party, and \$116.31 family; and Dental Health Maintenance Organization (DHMO) group rates at \$16.60 single party, \$29.96 two-party, and \$44.31 family for a combined estimated total expenditure of \$943,892 per year for a two-year period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2024; and
- 6) Approve the selection of Delta Dental of San Francisco, CA to provide Dental insurance at the proposed rates for retiree insurance and group rates for Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) dental coverage at \$48.10 single party, \$96.19 two-party, and \$165.93 family; and Dental Health Maintenance Organization (DHMO) group rates at \$16.60 single party, \$29.96 two-party, and \$44.31 family for a combined estimated total expenditure of \$92,940 per year for a two-year period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2024; and
- 7) Approve the selection of Anthem Blue Cross of Woodland Hills, CA to provide Vision Insurance at the proposed rates for eligible active employees effective January 1, 2023; and approve an agreement for active employee insurance and group rates for Anthem Blue Cross Base Plan at \$3.33 single party, \$6.28 two-party, and \$9.19 family; and Anthem Buy-Up group rates at \$8.19 single party, \$15.45 two-party, and \$22.61 family for a combined estimated total expenditure of \$105,383 per year for a three-year period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025; and
- 8) Approve the selection of Anthem Blue Cross of Woodland Hills, CA to provide Vision Insurance at the proposed rates for eligible retirees effective January 1, 2023; and approve an agreement for retiree insurance and group rates for the Anthem Base Plan at \$3.33 single party, \$6.28 two-party, and \$9.19 family; and the Anthem Buy-Up group rates at \$8.19 single party, \$15.45 two-party, and \$22.61 family for a combined estimated total expenditure of \$5,455 per year for a three-year period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025; and
- 9) Approve the selection of Aetna Resources for Living (RFL), of San Diego, CA to provide Employee Assistance Program at the proposed rate for eligible employees including the City's Part Time and Recurrent Employees at \$1.70 per employee per month effective January 1, 2023 for an estimated total expenditure of \$31,579 per year for a three-year period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2025; and
- 10) Approve the selection of The Advantage Group (TAG), of Temecula, CA at the proposed rates for Flexible Spending Accounts of \$4.50 per participant enrolled plus \$50 per month administration fee, COBRA Administration of \$.55 per benefited-eligible employee, and retiree billing of \$5.00 per retiree covered on dental and/or vision effective January 1, 2023 for a combined estimated total expenditure of \$24,750 per year for a one-year period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023.

9B. City Manager – Accept and File Update Report on City's Progress in Addressing Homelessness in Torrance. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council accept and file an update report on the City's progress in addressing homelessness in Torrance.

9C. Community Development – Receive and Discuss Mobile Home Park Update and Provide Direction. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council receive and discuss the Mobile Home Park update and provide direction regarding additional, related, action that may be desirable.

9D. Community Development – Adopt RESOLUTION Approving Repayment of Low and Moderate Income Housing Set Aside Fund for Original Purchase Price of Property at 1316-1320 Cabrillo Avenue and Appropriate Funds. Expenditure: \$1,250,670 (General Fund).

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council:

- 1) Adopt a RESOLUTION approving the repayment of \$1,250,670 to the Low and Moderate Income Housing set aside fund to comply with the state deadline of September 5, 2022 to take action on the property; and
- 2) Increase Airport Fund revenue budget by \$1,250,670; and
- 3) Appropriate \$1,250,670 to the Airport Fund expenditure budget; and
- 4) Increase General Fund revenue budget by \$1,250,670; and
- 5) Appropriate \$1,250,670 to the General Fund expenditure budget; and
- 6) Appropriate \$1,250,670 to the Low and Moderate Income Housing set aside fund.

9E. City Manager – Select and Appoint Chairs and Members to City Council Committees. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council select chairs and committee members to Standing Committees in accordance with Council Rules of Order; and that the Mayor appoints:

- 1) Special Standing Committees Chairs and Members; and
- 2) City Council Liaisons; and
- 3) Ad Hoc Committees.

9F. Mayor – Appoint Members to Outside Regional Boards and Agencies. Expenditure: \$126,841.77 (General Fund).

Recommendation of the Mayor that City Council:

- 1) Concur with the appointments as voting delegate and/or member and alternate to the National League of Cities; the League of CA Cities; the Sanitation Districts of LA County, the Southern California Association of Governments; South Bay Cities Council of Governments; Independent Cities Association; US Conference of Mayors, and West Vector Control District of LA County; and
- 2) Direct City Clerk to update and post Form 806 on the City website.

9G. Police – Adopt RESOLUTION Authorizing Donation of Retired Ballistic Helmets to California Department of State Hospitals – Office of Protective Services and Approve Donation and Release of Liability Agreement. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the Chief of Police that City Council:

- 1) Adopt a RESOLUTION authorizing the donation of one hundred forty-two (142), retired ballistic helmets to the California Department of State Hospitals – Office of Protective Services; and
- 2) Approve a Donation and Release of Liability Agreement with the California Department of State Hospitals – Office of Protective Services.

9H. Public Works – Award Public Works Agreement for Construction of Stormwater Basin Expansion, I-179. Expenditure: Not-to-Exceed \$3,844,945 (Non-General Fund).

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Determine that the Stormwater Basin Expansion, I-179 is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15301(b) of the Guidelines implementing California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and
- 2) Approve the plans and specifications for construction of the Stormwater Basin Expansion, I-179, Bid No. B2022-24; and
- 3) Award a public works agreement to GMZ Engineering, Inc. of Westlake Village, CA (B2022-24) in the amount of \$3,495,405 and authorize a 10% contingency in the amount of \$349,540 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$3,844,945 for the construction of the Stormwater Basin Expansion, I-179 for a two-year period beginning August 9, 2022 and ending August 8, 2024.

9I. City Manager – Adopt RESOLUTIONS Modifying Wages, Hours, and Working Conditions for City Attorney and City Manager. Expenditure: None.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Adopt a RESOLUTION modifying the wages, hours, and working conditions for the City Attorney, which adds language regarding annual evaluations and pay point adjustments.
- 2) Adopt a RESOLUTION modifying the wages, hours, and working conditions for the City Manager, which adds language regarding annual evaluations and pay point adjustments.

***The following items were added on Friday, August 5, 2022 at 1:40 p.m.**

***9J. City Manager – Consider Adoption of RESOLUTIONS Expressing Vote of No Confidence in Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Director Barbara Ferrer and Opposing Potential Los Angeles County Health Order Requiring Indoor Masking or Business Closures. Expenditure: None.**

In response to an oral request by Councilmember Mattucci with concurrence of City Council to consider:

- 1) RESOLUTION expressing a Vote of No Confidence in the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Director is being presented to Council for adoption.
- 2) RESOLUTION opposing Potential Los Angeles County Health Order Requiring Indoor Masking or Business Closures is being presented to Council for adoption.

***9K. City Manager – Adopt RESOLUTION Modifying Hours, Wages, and Working Conditions for Employees Represented by Torrance Municipal Employees – AFSCME Local 1117. Expenditure: Approximately \$682,391 (Non-General Fund).**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION amending Resolution No. 2019-38 governing employees represented by Torrance Municipal Employees – AFSCME Local 1117 to implement the recommended salary ranges for Bus Operator (BO), Relief Bus Operator (RBO) and Apprentice Relief Bus Operator (ARBO) and as one of the conditions of the Last, Best, and Final Offer in the amount of approximately \$682,391.

***9L. City Manager – Adopt RESOLUTION Implementing Changes Relating to Employer Paid Member Contributions (EPMC) to Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS) for Torrance Police Commanders Association (TPCA). Expenditure: None.**

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION amending Resolution No. 2022-26 implementing Government Code Section 20636 (c)(4) pursuant to Section 20691 relating to Employer Paid Member Contributions (EPMC) to Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS) for Torrance Police Commanders Association (TPCA).

***9M. City Attorney and City Manager – Review and Determine the Need to Extend the 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; or
- 3) Adopt a RESOLUTION terminating the local emergency.

10. HEARINGS – None Scheduled.

11. AGENCY AGENDAS – None Scheduled.

12. 2ND READING ORDINANCES – None Scheduled.

13. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2 (Limited up to a 15 minute period)

Council Order – Kaji, Mattucci, Sheikh, Griffiths, Kalani, Mayor Chen

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14. CLOSED SESSION**14A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR**

(California Government Code §54957.6):

Agency Negotiator: Aram Chaparyan

Employee Organization/Association:

1. Torrance Municipal Employees/AFSCME Local 1117 AFL-CIO
2. Elected Officials
3. Torrance Fire Fighters Association

14B. THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES

(California Government Code §54957):

Consultation with: Torrance Police Department and Police Chief
Office of City Attorney and City Attorney

15. ADJOURNMENT

15A. Adjournment of City Council meeting to Tuesday, August 23, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. for closed session, with regular business commencing at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

Tuesday, August 16, 2022 is a Council Dark Night.

