

December 19, 2000

**MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR
MEETING OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Torrance City Council convened in an adjourned regular session at 6:04 p.m. on Tuesday, December 19, 2000, in City Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilmembers Cribbs, Messerlian, Nowatka, Scotto, Walker, Witkowsky, and Mayor Hardison.

Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager Jackson, City Attorney Fellows, City Clerk Herbers, and other staff representatives.

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Mayor Hardison announced that subsequent to the posting of the agenda on December 14, 2000, the City Manager's office received a revised offer from Airproducts and Chemicals Inc. regarding a franchise to construct a pipeline. The City Attorney asked City Council to add this item to the agenda in order to provide advice during the closed session on how to proceed. As a two-thirds vote of the Council is required to add items to a posted agenda, a motion was made by Councilmember Scotto, seconded by Councilmember Cribbs, to add this matter pursuant to Government Code §54554.2 (b)(2) and 54956.8; the motion was passed by unanimous roll call vote.

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Agenda Item 16 was considered out of order at this time.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:04 p.m., pursuant to Government Code Sections 54957.6 and 54956.9 (b)(3)(A), the Council recessed into a closed session to discuss matters listed on the meeting agenda and the aforementioned urgency item.

The Council reconvened in Council Chambers at 7:20 p.m.

2. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Scott Gobble, Southern California Edison.

Captain Don Gilger, Salvation Army, gave the invocation for the meeting.

3. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING/WAIVE FURTHER READING

MOTION: Councilmember Cribbs moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda for this meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and, there being no objection, it was so ordered by Mayor Hardison.

MOTION: Councilmember Cribbs moved that after the City Clerk has read aloud the number and title to any resolution or ordinance on the meeting agenda, the further reading thereof shall be waived, reserving and guaranteeing to each Councilmember the right to demand the reading of any such resolution or ordinance in regular order. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and, there being no objection, it was so ordered by Mayor Hardison.

4. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS

None.

5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Cribbs announced a meeting of the Citizen Development and Enrichment Committee and Torrance Unified School District on Wednesday, January 17, 2001, 4:00 p.m., at TUSD offices at 2335 Plaza del Amo.

City Clerk Herbers announced that applications for commission appointments were being accepted through January 10 at 5:30 p.m. and that appointments would be made at the January 16, 2001 City Council meeting.

Mayor Hardison announced that the City Council would be meeting at Wilson Park Sports Center, 2200 Crenshaw Blvd., on Tuesday, January 9, 2001 and at the North High School Library on Tuesday, January 23, 2001.

6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

6a. WORKFORCE INVESTMENT NETWORK BOARD APPOINTMENT

Recommendation

The Policy Board recommends that Council appoint and officially swear in Joe Aro of the South Bay Economic Development Partnership to the Carson/Lomita/Torrance Workforce Investment Network Board.

MOTION: Councilmember Cribbs moved to appoint Joe Aro to the Carson/Lomita/Torrance Workforce Investment Network Board. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous voice vote.

Mayor Hardison noted that Mr. Aro would be sworn in at a later date.

6b. PRESENTATION RE TORRANCE PARK, KENDALL FIELD

Torrance High School coach Harold Warfle introduced Fred Kendall, coach for the Colorado Rockies, and Jason Kendall, member of the Pittsburgh Pirates, both former Torrance High players, highlighting their achievements as major league baseball players. Fred and Jason thanked the City for naming the baseball field at Torrance Park, Kendall Field and presented the Council with a token of their appreciation. It was noted that a formal dedication of the field would be made on Saturday, January 20, 2001 at 10:00 a.m.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

7a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NOVEMBER 21, 2000

7b. CHANGE ORDERS RE PARAMEDIC MEDICAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL SUPPLIES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Fire Chief that City Council authorize change orders to the existing purchase orders with PMX Medical, formerly Promedix, for paramedic medical supplies (PO#3629, in the amount of \$33,000) and with Blue Ridge Medical, Inc. for pharmaceutical supplies (PO#3631, in the amount of \$7,000). The total change order amount is \$40,000. The change orders will extend the existing purchase orders through June 30, 2001 to coincide with the fiscal year.

7c. AUTHORIZATION FOR SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council authorize the sale of two (2) surplus/obsolete vehicles to the Torrance Unified School District and four (4) to K. Porter Auction for public sale.

7d. PURCHASE OF WORKSTATIONS FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Chief of Police that City Council authorize a purchase order be issued for an amount not to exceed \$124,915.08, to Xybix Ergonomic Systems, Littleton, CO, for the sole-source purchase of workstations to be furnished and installed in the Police Department's Communications Center.

7e. SENIOR CITIZENS EXCURSIONS – JANUARY THROUGH JUNE 2001

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Parks & Recreation Director that City Council approve expenditures in an amount not to exceed \$58,432 for senior citizens program excursions planned for the months of January through June 2001.

7f. **FURNISHINGS/EQUIPMENT FOR MADRONA MARSH NATURE CENTER**

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Director that City Council approve the appropriation of \$55,000 to provide furnishings and equipment for the Madrona Marsh Nature Center.

7g. **CONTRACT AMENDMENT RE BODYWORKS EQUIPMENT, INCORPORATED**

Recommendation

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council approve an amendment to an existing contract (C2000-148) with Bodyworks Equipment, Incorporated, in the amount of \$25,000 for the service and repair of Heil refuse truck bodies through June 30, 2001.

7h. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE**

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council approve the revisions and modifications to the Conflict of Interest Code due to title modifications and reorganizations and to include the changes in disclosure limits approved by the California Legislature effective January 1, 2001.

7i. **PERIOD END FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Finance Director that City Council accept and file the Financial Reports for period ending October 21, 2000 which represents 31.0% of the year expired (Period 4).

7j. **AMENDMENT TO EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING AGREEMENT**

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director that City Council accept and appropriate \$225,000 in Workforce Investment Act funds to the 2000-20001 Employment and Training budget and approve the execution of Amendment One that adds funding to and extends the Employment and Training Agreement with the City of Long Beach (C99-258) for training services connected with the Alameda Corridor Project.

7k. **EXECUTION OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING AGREEMENTS**

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director that City Council authorize the execution of two Employment and Training Agreements for \$150,000 each with California State University, Long Beach, and El Camino College for vocational training services.

7l. FUNDING FOR WELFARE-TO-WORK SERVICES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Human Resources Director that City Council authorize the continuation of welfare-to-work services at the One-Stop Career Centers pending the execution of the 2001 Welfare-to-Work agreement with the City of Los Angeles for \$1,070,588.

7m. CONSULTING SERVICES RE CITY RELOCATION PROJECT

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Planning Director that City Council authorize the execution of a contract for consulting services with Stadler, Shoeber & Cline, Inc. dba Pacific Relocation Consultants in an amount not to exceed \$244,000 for relocation consulting services for a City relocation project.

7n. NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEMS FOR BRANCH LIBRARIES

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Information Technology Director that City Council authorize an agreement with Expanets of California, Inc., for an amount not-to-exceed \$30,809 for the purchase, installation and warranty of five (5) new telephone systems for the branch libraries. (RFP 2000-29)

7o. CONTRACT RE CLASSES AT GREENWOOD PARK

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Director that City Council approve an agreement hiring Family Fun Time as the provider of pre-school classes at Greenwood Park, for an amount not to exceed \$42,504.

7p. CONTRACT RE GYMNASTIC CLASSES AT CULTURAL ARTS CENTER

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Director that City Council approve an agreement hiring SuperKids as the provider of gymnastics classes at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center, for an amount not to exceed \$44,940.

7q. CONTRACT RE TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT CARSON ST. AND ABALONE AVE.

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Planning Director that City Council:

- 1) Accept the bid (B2000-36) from and award a contract to Steiny and Company, Inc., in the amount of \$77,653 for the construction of the Traffic Signal for Carson St. and Abalone Ave.;
- 2) Authorize a 5% contingency in the amount of \$3,883;
- 3) Authorize staff to prepare a standard public works agreement between the City and Steiny and Company, Inc.;
- 4) Authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute and attest to said agreement; and,
- 5) Agreement be approved as to form by the City Attorney.

7r. CONTRACT AMENDMENT RE KATY GEISSERT CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY

Recommendation

Recommendation of the General Services Director and the City Librarian that City Council:

- 1) Approve an amendment to the Tri Span Inc. contract (C2000-89) in the amount of \$38,116.46 for recommended changes for renovation of the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library; and
- 2) Authorize an increase to contract contingency funds for construction contract changes to an amount not to exceed \$80,000.

7s. CONTRACT RE WEST ANNEX AIR CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT

Recommendation

The General Services Director recommends that City Council:

- 1) Authorize a contract to Nova Systems of Downey, CA for an amount of \$48,400 to provide and install direct digital panel controls for the West Annex air conditioning equipment (FEAP No. 35).and
- 2) Approve a transfer of funds of \$23,427.51 from completed FEAP No. 46 and \$5,477.45 from FEAP No. 39, to fund additional costs of the West Annex, direct digital panel FEAP No. 35.

MOTION: Councilmember Walker moved for the approval of Consent Calendar Items 7a through 7s. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Witkowsky and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

11. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

11a. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL BEVERAGE CONTROL

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council appoint the Planning Director or his designee as the City of Torrance representative to the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control relating to the issuance and transfer of alcohol licenses.

City Manager Jackson advised that the Planning Director will receive information from the Department of Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC), distribute it to the affected Departments and transmit replies back to the ABC.

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-146

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, DESIGNATING THE PLANNING DIRECTOR AS THE DESIGNATED OFFICER TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ON MATTERS BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL BEVERAGE CONTROL RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE AND TRANSFER OF ALCOHOL LICENSES

MOTION: Councilmember Messerlian moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2000-146. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

11b. EXTENSION OF SUPPLEMENTAL HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a Resolution extending the City's supplemental health insurance program from Jan 1, 2001 through Dec. 31, 2001 at a maximum amount of \$513 per month per eligible employee.

Assistant to the City Manager Keane reported that this increase will enable all eligible employees to be covered under a family Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) plan without any out-of-pocket expense.

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-147

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF TORRANCE ESTABLISHING AN AMOUNT
NOT TO EXCEED \$513 PER MONTH FOR THE CITY'S
SUPPLEMENTAL HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN
COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2001**

MOTION: Councilmember Messerlian moved for the adoption of Resolution No.- 2000-147. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scotto and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

**11c. PERS CONTRACT AMENDMENT RE TORRANCE FIRE FIGHTERS
ASSOCIATION**

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a Resolution of Intention and first reading Ordinance to begin the process to amend the City's contract with California Public Retirement System (CalPERS) adding Section 21363.1 (3% at 55 full formula) for local fire members only. It is also recommended that an additional Resolution be adopted certifying the member contribution rate.

Assistant to the City Manager Keane reported that this action will begin the process of amending the City's contract with CalPERs to add the 3% at 55 benefit for fire safety employees.

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-148

**A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION BETWEEN THE CITY
OF TORRANCE AND THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION
CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
TO APPROVE AND ADOPT AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT**

MOTION: Councilmember Messerlian moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2000-148. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-149

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE CERTIFYING THE MEMBER CONTRIBUTION RATE FOR THE FIRE SAFETY MEMBERS OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (CaIPERS) FOR THE PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT TO ENACT THE 3% AT 55 FORMULA UNDER SECTION 21363.1

MOTION: Councilmember Messerlian moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2000-149. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 3491

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE AND THE BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

MOTION: Councilmember Messerlian moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3491. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

11d. LIBRARY EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION MOU ADOPTION

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a Resolution governing wages, hours and working conditions for Torrance Library Employees Association (TLEA) effective December 3, 2000.

Assistant to the City Manager Keane noted that this is a three-year MOU in accordance with the Council's instructions.

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-143

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH HOURS, WAGES AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE LIBRARY EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (TLEA)

MOTION: Councilmember Messerlian moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2000-143. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

11e. FISCAL YEAR 2001-03 PROPOSED BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Recommendation

Recommendation of the City Manager and the Finance Director that City Council concur with the fiscal year 2001-03 proposed budget development plan and proposed dates for the budget workshops and hearings.

City Manager Jackson reported that staff has identified five areas of focus for the upcoming budget and requested input from the Council as to whether these are the areas they would like emphasized.

In response to Councilmember Cribbs's inquiry, City Manager Jackson discussed plans for outreach meetings with employees utilizing interdepartmental focus groups.

Councilmember Cribbs indicated that she had two broad areas of concern, changing land uses/in-fill developments and conservation, and suggested the possibility of forming interdepartmental task forces similar to the SMART team to address these issues. With regard to changing land uses, she stated that it might be helpful to have an outside consultant recommend options for particular pieces of property. Commenting on conservation, she stated that she favored a total approach, including public outreach and long-range planning along with energy conservation measures at City buildings and public facilities.

Councilmember Messerlian voiced support for the five areas chosen for focus, noting that the "Economic Development" section touches upon changing land use in the City, and suggested that the in-fill development/ land use issue may require further study beyond hiring a consultant.

Referring to "School District and City Cooperation" focus area, Mayor Hardison questioned whether the City currently has an agreement with the Torrance Unified School District for the joint use of facilities. City Manager Jackson advised that the City has one agreement dealing with facility use and would like to explore the possibility of bringing more structure to "handshake agreements" that have evolved over the years. Mayor Hardison stated that she would need a lot more information before taking action on this item and suggested that it might be appropriate topic of discussion when the Citizen Development and Enrichment Committee meets with the Torrance Unified School District in January.

Commenting on the "E-government" section, Mayor Hardison stated that she would appreciate information on the appropriate procedures for handling e-mail.

For the benefit of the public, Community Relations Officer Ghio announced two community outreach meetings to be held during City Council meetings at Wilson Park Sports Center on January 9, 2001, and North Torrance Library on January 23, 2001. She noted that there will be tours of the gym facilities at Wilson Park and giveaways and refreshments at both meetings.

City Attorney Fellows emphasized that the public hearing, regarding the vacation of a portion of Sepulveda Boulevard west of Warmside Avenue, scheduled for the January 9 Council meeting will take place as scheduled except at Wilson Park.

Councilmember Cribbs suggested that staff check with Mobil to see if they would be willing to share information regarding the City obtained in a recent phone survey.

MOTION: Councilmember Messerlian moved to concur with the staff recommendation and set the following dates: Budget Workshop on Tuesday, May 1, 2001 at 5:30 p.m. and public hearings on Tuesdays, May 15 and June 5, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cribbs and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

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Street Services Director Bell announced that the City would be recycling Christmas trees from December 26 through January 11, 2001 on regular collection days. He noted that trees must be cut in half and be free of ornaments and decorations and that flocked or painted trees cannot be accepted. Apartment or condominium residents must contact private waste haulers for recycling information.

11f. **RESOLUTION NO 2000-152 RE CALIFORNIA ELECTRICITY MARKET STRUCTURE**

Recommendation

Consideration by the City Council to take a position of encouraging the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) and the Governor of the State of California to modify the California Electricity Market Structure to address the following:

- The need for a reliable source of electricity.
- The affordability of electricity.
- The establishment of a stable framework for the price and supply of electricity.

Assistant to the City Manager Keane reported that, once adopted, the Resolution would be faxed to Governor Davis and the California Public Utilities Commission.

Mr. Scott Gobble, Southern California Edison, provided background information on the current crisis in the electricity market due to deregulation; emphasized the need for establishing a stable framework for the price and supply of electricity; and urged residents to conserve electricity during the peak hours of 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Responding to questions from Councilmembers, Mr. Gobble advised that local television and radio stations will notify the public when Stage 1, 2 and 3 alerts occur, however, it is not possible to provide advance notification of rolling power outages because the locations are chosen randomly right before they occur. He explained that the blackouts would only affect a small portion of the City at a time and last for a maximum of one hour and 10 minutes. He indicated that the City and the police department would be notified when outages are imminent so they can address public safety concerns.

City Manager Jackson reported that City staff have been working to develop contingency plans for dealing with power outages and noted that a task force might be required for long-range planning.

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-152

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL URGING
THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION AND
GOVERNOR GRAY DAVIS TO ENACT REFORM AND BEGIN
THE PROCESS OF RE-REGULATING CALIFORNIA'S
ELECTRIC SYSTEM**

MOTION: Councilmember Messerlian moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2000-152. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scotto and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

12. HEARINGS

12a. VACATION OF PORTION OF EAST SIDE OF MADRONA AVENUE

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Engineering Director that following a Public Hearing City Council:

- 1) Approve and adopt a Resolution ordering the vacation of a portion of the east side of Madrona Avenue between Sonoma and Onrado Streets and
- 2) Reserve a blanket easement within the vacated areas for public utility purposes.

Mayor Hardison announced that this was the time and place for a public hearing on the matter. City Clerk Herbers confirmed that the hearing was properly advertised.

There being no requests to speak, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Councilmember Messelian moved to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cribbs and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-150

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TORRANCE ORDERING THE VACATION OF A PORTION OF
THE EAST SIDE OF MADRONA AVENUE BETWEEN SONOMA
AND ONRADO STREETS IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE**

MOTION: Councilmember Messerlian moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2000-150. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

12b. URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Recommendation

Recommendation of the Engineering Director that following a Public Hearing, City Council approve and adopt a Resolution to accept the Urban Water Management Plan Update, which will serve as the principal guideline for the

City's water conservation, management and drought contingency plans, and file the Plan with the State Department of Water Resources.

Mayor Hardison announced that this was the time and place for a public hearing on the matter. City Clerk Herbers confirmed that the hearing was properly advertised.

Engineering Director Burt noted that staff from the Water Resources Division and the consultant who assisted in the preparation of the report were available to answer any questions.

In response to Mayor Hardison's inquiry, Engineering Director Burt advised that he expected favorable results from testing being done on Wells 7 and 8 and that they would be on-line in the not too distant future; reported on plans to increase the use reclaimed water; and commented on how the City has expanded its water resources over the last five to six years.

There being no other requests to speak, the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: Councilmember Messerlian moved to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cribbs and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 2000-151

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE ADOPTING AN URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

MOTION: Councilmember Messerlian moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2000-151. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

14. 2ND READING ORDINANCES

14a. 2ND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE 3490

ORDINANCE NO. 3490

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY AND CRENSHAW BOULEVARD FROM C-3 (SOLELY COMMERCIAL) AND C-4 (SHOPPING CENTER DISTRICT) TO PD (PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT)

MOTION: Councilmember Messerlian moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3490. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote.

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The Redevelopment Agency met from 8:25 p.m. to 8:26 p.m.

15. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Jackson extended wishes for a safe and happy holiday season to all.

Building & Safety Director Isomoto introduced Felipe Segovia as the newly appointed Building Regulations Administrator.

Parks & Recreation Director Barnett announced registration for Winter Science Camps at Madrona Marsh on small mammals on December 26 and 27.

Councilmember Scotto commented on the Torrance Cultural Arts Foundation event held Friday at the Armstrong Theater.

Councilmember Witkowsky commented on her ride on the Torrance Police Officers Association Santa Float and the heart-warming response from the community to this long-standing tradition.

Each Councilmember extended holiday wishes for a safe, prosperous, healthful and meaningful holiday season.

Mayor Hardison announced that the public hearing scheduled and published for January 9, 2001, by action taken in Resolution 2000-132 on November 14, 2000, declaring the intention of the City of Torrance to vacate a portion of Sepulveda Boulevard west of Warmside Avenue in the City of Torrance, will be held as scheduled, but that the meeting will take place at Wilson Park Sports Center at 2200 Crenshaw Blvd. She further asked Engineering Director Burt to notify all parties involved.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Considered earlier in the meeting, see page 1.

17. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:34 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, January 9, 2001, at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session at the Wilson Park Sports Center, 2200 Crenshaw Boulevard, with the regular meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor of the City of Torrance

Attest:

Sue Herbers
City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved on February 6, 2001