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**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 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, May 12, 1998, in the City Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmembers Cribbs, Lee, Messerlian, O'Donnell, Walker and Mayor Hardison.

Absent: Councilmember Nakano.

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

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At this time, Agenda Item 20 was considered out of order.

**20. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54957.6 and 54956.8, at 6:02 P.M., the Council entered into a closed session to consider the matters listed on the meeting agenda.

At 7:20 P.M., the Council returned to open session. No formal action was taken in closed session.

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**2. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chris Steiner, Boy Scout Troop #310.

Pastor Daniel Narvaez, South Bay Vineyard Christian Fellowship, gave the invocation for the meeting.

**3. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING/WAIVE FURTHER READING.**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Lee 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 Cribbs and, there being no objection, it was so ordered by Mayor Hardison (absent Councilmember Nakano).

**MOTION:** Councilmember Lee 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

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right to demand the reading of any such resolution or ordinance in regular order. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cribbs and, there being no objection, it was so ordered by Mayor Hardison (absent Councilmember Nakano).

4. **WITHDRAWN/DETERRED ITEMS**

None.

5. **COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Fire Service Open House**

Saturday, May 9, 1998, 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Wilson Park and Fire Stations

Demonstrations at Wilson Park 11:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.

**Torrance Police Department Blue Ribbon Week**

May 11-15, 1998

Memorial Service Friday, May 15, 1998, 10:00 A.M., Police Station

**Citizen Development & Enrichment Committee**

Wednesday, May 13, 1998, 5:30 P.M., Third Floor Assembly Room

Subject: Approval of Nature Center Exhibit Design and Fabrication Firm

**39<sup>th</sup> Annual Armed Forces Day Parade**

Saturday, May 16, 1998, 2:00 P.M.

Crenshaw and Torrance Boulevards

May 15, 16 and 17, Displays and Events - Del Amo Fashion Center and Zamperini Field

**City Yard Open House**

Public Works Week,

Saturday, May 30, 1998, 10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M., 20500 Madrona Avenue

**Finance & Governmental Operations Committee**

Tuesday, June 2, 1998, 5:30 P.M., Council Chambers

Subject: Third Quarter Budget Review/Council Seniority Issues

Acting Fire Chief Thompson announced the success of the recent Fire Department open house.

Councilmember Messerlian mentioned an upcoming Transportation Committee meeting regarding the Taxi Cab Ordinance, date and time to be determined.

6. **COMMUNITY MATTERS**

6a. **PRIVATE INDUSTRY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT**

**Recommendation**

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It is recommended by the Policy Board that the City Council appoint and officially swear in one appointment to the Carson/Lomita/Torrance Private Industry Council.

As a member of the Policy Board, Councilmember Cribbs introduced Private Industry Council Appointee Bob Shafer, Executive Director, Torrance YMCA.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Cribbs moved to approve the appointment of Mr. Bob Shafer to the Carson/Lomita/Torrance Private Industry Council. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Messerlian and passed by unanimous roll call vote, absent Councilmember Nakano.

Mr. Shafer was sworn in by City Clerk Herbers.

6b. **RESOLUTION RE 39<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ARMED FORCES DAY PARADE**

City Clerk Herbers read aloud the number and title of Resolution No. 98-55.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Lee moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 98-55. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cribbs and passed by unanimous roll call vote, absent Councilmember Nakano.

**RESOLUTION NO. 98-55**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE DECLARING MAY 15 THROUGH MAY 17 AS THE DATES FOR OBSERVANCE OF THE 39<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ARMED FORCES DAY PARADE AND CELEBRATION

6c. **RESOLUTION RE ARMED FORCES DAY PARADE GRAND MARSHAL**

City Clerk Herbers read aloud the number and title of Resolution No. 98-54.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Lee moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 98-54. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cribbs and passed by unanimous roll call vote, absent Councilmember Nakano.

**RESOLUTION NO. 98-54**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO GENERAL DAVID A. BRAMLETT, UNITED STATES ARMY, FOR HIS PARTICIPATION AS THE GRAND MARSHAL IN THE 39<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ARMED FORCES DAY PARADE AND OBSERVANCE

6d. **RESOLUTION RE ARMED FORCES DAY PARADE GUEST L. ZAMPERINI**

City Clerk Herbers read aloud the number and title of Resolution No. 98-53.

**MOTION:** Councilmember Lee moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 98-53. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cribbs and passed by unanimous roll call vote, absent Councilmember Nakano.

**RESOLUTION NO. 98-53**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
TORRANCE HONORING LOUIS ZAMPERINI AS A  
DISTINGUISHED GUEST OF THE ARMED FORCES DAY  
PARADE

6e. **PROCLAMATION RE "BLUE RIBBON WEEK"**

The Council presented a proclamation to Dave Crespin, Torrance Police Department Community Relations, declaring the week of May 10 – 16, 1998 as "Blue Ribbon Week" in the City of Torrance.

On behalf of the Police Department, Mr. Crespin thanked the Council for the proclamation.

7. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Supplemental written material of record distributed at the meeting included a May 12, 1998 memorandum addressed to the City Council from Acting Fleet Services Director Hall providing additional information concerning Agenda Item No. 7f (Sale of Surplus Vehicles).

7a. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APRIL 14 AND APRIL 21, 1998**

7b. **PURCHASE ORDER RE TRAFFIC CONTROL EQUIPMENT**

**Recommendation**

The Acting Street Services Director recommends that the City Council authorize a purchase order be issued to Econolite Products of Anaheim, California, in the anticipated amount of \$75,000.00, plus a 5% contingency, for a total of \$78,750.00, for the sole source purchase of traffic control equipment and signal hardware on an "as needed" basis.

7c. **SENATE BILL 1373 (SCHIFF) RE INCREASED FUNDING FOR THE ARTS**

**Recommendation**

It is the recommendation of the Cultural Arts Commission that the City Council support the Schiff Bill (SB 1373), State of California legislation to increase funding for the arts.

7d. **PROPERTY/BOILER MACHINERY INSURANCE**

**Recommendation**

The Human Resources Director recommends that the City Council approve the renewal purchase of the following insurance coverage:

- Property insurance at a premium of \$147,458
- Boiler and machinery insurance at a premium of \$7,137

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Funds are available in the fiduciary fund for Fiscal Year 1998-1999.

7e. **CONTRACT FOR ACCESS RAMP PROGRAM**

**Recommendation**

It is the recommendation of the Engineering Director that the City Council award a standard Public Works Agreement, approved as to form by the City Attorney, to Kalban, Inc. in the amount of \$100,710.35 for the construction of the Access Ramp Program along 190<sup>th</sup> Street, Anza Avenue, Lomita Boulevard and Sepulveda Boulevard, and authorize a contingency amount of up to \$5,000.

7f. **AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLES**

**Recommendation**

It is the recommendation of the Acting Fleet Services Director that the City Council authorize the sale of surplus City vehicles.

**MOTION:** Councilmember O'Donnell moved for the approval of the Consent Calendar as written. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Walker and passed by unanimous roll call vote, absent Councilmember Nakano.

18. **ADDENDUM MATTERS**

None.

19. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

19a. Councilmember Lee voiced his appreciation of the recent Fire Department open house.

19b. Councilmember O'Donnell announced the upcoming Torrance YWCA Yard Sale, to be held on Friday May 22, 1998, 10:00 – 6:00 P.M., and Saturday, May 23, 1998, 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M., Torrance YWCA, corner of Carson Street and Plaza Del Amo.

19c. Referring to Agenda Item No. 7c (see page 4), Ms. Gloria Jacobs, Chairman of the Cultural Arts Commission, thanked the Council for endorsing Senate Bill 1373 (Schiff) to increase funding for the arts.

20. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Considered earlier in the meeting (see page 1).

21. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:40 P.M., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, May 19, 1998, 5:30 P.M., for a joint meeting with the Torrance Youth Council, to be followed by the regular meeting at 7:00 P.M.