

**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA  
OCTOBER 11, 2011  
REGULAR MEETING  
5:30 P.M. - EXECUTIVE SESSION  
7:00 P.M. - REGULAR BUSINESS BEGINS  
IN COUNCIL CHAMBER AT 3031 TORRANCE BL.**

**OPENING CEREMONIES**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL:** Mr. Barnett, Mr. Brewer, Mr. Furey, Mr. Numark, Ms. Rhilinger, Mr. Sutherland, Mayor Scotto

**2. FLAG SALUTE:**

**NON SECTARIAN INVOCATION:**

The Courts have concluded that sectarian prayer as part of City Council meetings is not permitted under the Constitution.

**3. REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK ON THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA.**

The agenda was posted on the Public Notice Board at 3031 Torrance Blvd on Thursday, October 6, 2011 /s/ Sue Herbers

**MOTION TO WAIVE FURTHER READING OF RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES AFTER NUMBER & TITLE**

See Council Rules of Order Section 2.11 (Resolution 2006-65)

**4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS**

**5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**COUNCIL MEETING INFORMATION**

All council meetings are open to the public. Oral Communications #1 is set aside after Community Matters for the public to have three minutes to address the City Council on any matter not on the agenda. Speakers may sign up at the podium prior to the meeting. An additional Oral Communications period follows the regular business of the City Council. No speaker under Oral Communications may speak more than one time per meeting.

Those who wish to speak on any matter on the agenda are asked to complete a "Request to Speak" card (available at the back of the Council Chamber) and deposit in the box on the podium before addressing the City Council.

Direct other questions or concerns to the City Council (618-2801), City Manager (618-5880) or individual department head prior to submission to the City Council. Parties will be notified if the complaint will be included on a subsequent agenda.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Manager's office at 618-5880. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. [28CFR35.102-35.104 ADA Title II].

**NOTICE OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

At the time Council convenes or as soon thereafter as Council business can be disposed of, the City Council will take a recess without leaving their seats and meet as the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Torrance. As soon as the meeting of the Redevelopment Agency adjourns, the City Council will reconvene as the City of Torrance.

**AGENDA REVIEW**

Complete Council agendas are available for review at City Hall in the Office of the City Clerk and in all public libraries during all normal business hours as well as on City of Torrance Home Page - [www.TorranceCA.Gov](http://www.TorranceCA.Gov). Materials related to an item on the agenda submitted to the Council or Redevelopment Agency after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the City Clerk's office at 3031 Torrance Blvd. during normal business hours. Such documents are also available on the City of Torrance website at [www.TorranceCA.Gov](http://www.TorranceCA.Gov) subject to staff's availability to post the documents before the meeting. A brief description of each Council item is also available 24 hours day on CitiCABLE Channel 3.

**CITICABLE SCHEDULE AND HOMEPAGE LIVE AUDIO/VIDEO**

City Council meetings are cablecast live Tuesdays in CitiCABLE Channel 3 and CitiSOUNDS AM 1620. Meetings are replayed Wednesday and Thursday at 10:00 p.m. and Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 10:00 a.m., 3:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Channel 3.

NOTE: if the meeting is over five (5) hours, the Friday, Saturday and Sunday replay schedule is 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. To watch live streaming and past Council meetings, log on to CitiNET at [www.TorranceCA.Gov/2372.htm#](http://www.TorranceCA.Gov/2372.htm#)

<b><u>MEETINGS</u></b>	<b><u>CITY HALL HOURS OF OPERATION</u></b>
Unless adjourned to another time or location the Torrance City Council meets every Tuesday in the City Hall Council Chamber at 3031 Torrance Blvd., at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session with the regular business commencing no earlier than 7:00 p.m. Holidays falling on a Tuesday, 5th Tuesday of the month or Tuesday following a Monday holiday may be dark.	<b>Monday - Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.</b> <b>with offices closed alternate Fridays.</b> <b>City Hall will be <u>CLOSED</u>:</b> Friday, October 7 Friday, October 21 Friday, November 4

## 6. COMMUNITY MATTERS

- 6A. Proclamation** declaring the week of October 9 through October 15 as **Fire Prevention Week** in the City of Torrance.

## 7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1 (Limited to a 30 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 from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.*

### 8A. City Clerk – Approve City Council minutes.

Recommendation of the City Clerk that City Council approve the City Council minutes of September 13, 2011.

### 8B. City Treasurer – Accept and file the August 2011 monthly investment report.

Recommendation of the City Treasurer that City Council accept and file the monthly investment report for August 2011.

### 8C. Human Resources – Approve renewal rates for Short Term and Long Term Disability Insurance. Expenditure: \$518,698 per year.

Recommendation of the Acting Human Resources Director that City Council approve renewal rates for Short Term Disability (STD) at \$0.665 per \$100 of covered payroll, and Long Term Disability (LTD) at \$0.429 per \$100 of covered payroll with the current carrier, The Standard Insurance Company, beginning January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2012; for a total expenditure of \$518,698 per year.

### 8D. Police – Appropriate and allocate State asset forfeiture funds to purchase call logger for Police and Fire communications. Expenditure: \$28,500.

Recommendation of the Chief of Police that City Council appropriate and allocate \$28,500 of State Asset Forfeiture funds for the purchase of a call logger for Police and Fire Department communications.

### 8E. City Attorney – Approve agreement amendment to provide legal services. Expenditure: \$80,000.

Recommendation of the City Attorney that City Council approve the first amendment to the fee agreement with Rutan & Tucker (C2011-156) to provide legal services in the case of Thomson v. Torrance Police Department for an additional \$80,000, for a total amount not to exceed \$110,000.

## 12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

### 12A. Community Development – Adopt RESOLUTION summarily vacating a portion of Van Ness Way north of Del Amo Boulevard.

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION summarily vacating a portion of Van Ness Way north of Del Amo Boulevard.

### 12B. City Council Transportation Committee – Receive report and concur with Committee recommendation regarding Torrance Regional Transit Center and Torrance Transit Rapid Bus Program branding.

Recommendation of the City Council Transportation Committee that City Council:

- 1) Receive the Committee report from the September 27, 2011 meeting and concur with the Committee recommendation to develop designs that emphasize the Torrance Regional Transit Center as part of the entire 15 acres with consideration for residual uses for remaining acres; and
- 2) Approve the Torrance Transit Rapid Bus Program branding.

### 12C. Finance -- Approve Proposition A Fund exchange agreement with City of Lomita. Expenditure: \$260,000.

Recommendation of the Finance Director that City Council approve an agreement with the City of Lomita for an exchange for \$260,000 in City of Torrance General Funds for \$400,000 respectively of Proposition A Local Return Funds from the City of Lomita and appropriate \$260,000 from Unappropriated Capital Improvement Fund.

## 17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2 Staff & Public Comments

Council order - Rhilinger Sutherland Barnett Brewer Furey Numark

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## 18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Council Closed Session

### 18A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

(California Government Code § 54956.9[a]):

- 1) Robert Thomson v. Torrance Police Department, et al.  
USDC Case No. CV11-06154SJO (JCx)
- 2) Donald Sipple, et al. v. City of Alameda, et al.  
LASC Case No. BC462270
- 3) Jeffrey Totten v. City of Torrance, et al.  
USDC Case No. CV10 7050 ODW (PLAx)

## 19. ADJOURNMENT

19A. Adjourn City Council to Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with regular business commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

  
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 for Sue Herbers, City Clerk

**“The right way is not always the popular and easy way. Standing for right when it is unpopular is a true test of moral character.” - Margaret Chase Smith**

ALL BIDS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE BY 2:00 P.M., BIDS WILL BE OPENED IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 2:15 P.M. <a href="http://www.TorranceCa.Gov/Bids">http://www.TorranceCa.Gov/Bids</a>		
BIDS	DESCRIPTION	OPENING DATE
RFP B2011-38	<b>Request for Proposal for Labor and Wage Consulting Services for Community Development Block Grant Projects with Davis-Bacon, Prevailing Wage and Section 3 Requirements</b> Questions may be referred to Linda Cessna at 310.618.5990.	Thursday October 13, 2011
B2011-39	<b>Bid for Hawthorne/Skypark Intersection Improvements</b> No charge for the official and required form of proposal if picked up at the City Clerk's Office, \$5 if requested by mail. Plans, bid schedule and specifications are available for viewing and printing at <a href="http://www.torranceca.gov/23337.htm">www.torranceca.gov/23337.htm</a> . A bound specifications book may also be obtained at the City Clerk's Office for \$25 if picked up or \$30 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Bill Kamimura at 310.781.6900.	Thursday October 13, 2011
B2011-40	<b>Bid for Construction of Bus Stop accessibility improvements project</b> No charge for the official and required form of proposal if picked up at the City Clerk's Office, \$5 if requested by mail. Plans, Bid Proposal (for reference only) and specifications are also available for viewing and printing at <a href="http://www.torranceca.gov/23318.htm">www.torranceca.gov/23318.htm</a> Specifications and plan booklet may also be obtained at the City Clerk's office for \$20, or \$25 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Lea Reis or Ted Semaan at 310.781.6900.	Thursday October 13, 2011
B2011-41	<b>Bid for Elevator Maintenance Service for the City of Torrance</b> Questions may be referred to Diane Megerdichian at 310.781.7151 or Toni Dotter at 310.618.2754.	Thursday October 20, 2011 October 27, 2011
B2011-42	<b>Bid to Print and Deliver the Torrance Seasons Newsletter and Guide for a Period of Three (3) Years</b> Questions may be referred to Felice Fromm at 310.618.5820.	Tuesday October 11, 2011
RFP B2011-43	<b>Request for Proposal for Site Planning and Design of the Torrance Transit Park and Ride Regional Terminal</b> Mandatory pre-proposal conference Wednesday, October 12 at 10 a.m. located at West Annex Commission Meeting Room. Bid packets may be obtained at the City Clerk's office for \$10, or \$15 if requested by mail. RFP Submittal information is also available for viewing and printing at <a href="http://www.torranceca.gov/23404.htm">www.torranceca.gov/23404.htm</a> Questions may be referred to Ted Semaan at 310.781.6900.	Thursday October 27, 2011
B2011-44	<b>Bid for Installation of Sodium Fluoride Chemical Feed Systems for the Robert W. Goldsworthy Desalter and Well No. 9</b> Bid packets may be obtained at the City Clerk's office for \$25, or \$30 if requested by mail. Questions may be referred to Key Ebarle at 310.781.6900.	Thursday November 10, 2011

**City Hall will be closed:**

Friday, October 7; Friday, October 21; and Friday, November 4