

Council Meeting
November 21, 2006

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the City Council
City Hall
Torrance, California

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE 3687

RECOMMENDATION:

Second and Final Reading of ORDINANCE NO. 3687 repealing Article 8 of Chapter 3 of division 1 of the Torrance Municipal Code relating to the Community Services Commission and amending Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Division 1 to said code relating to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

BACKGROUND:

At the regular meeting of the City Council held on the 14th day of November, 2006, this Ordinance was introduced and approved for its first reading by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	Brewer, Drevno, McIntyre, Nowatka, Sutherland, Witkowsky, and Mayor Scotto.
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None.
ABSTAIN:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None.
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	None

Respectfully submitted,



Sue Herbers, City Clerk

NOTED:


LeRoy J. Jackson, City Manager

Attachment A: Ordinance 3687

ORDINANCE No:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING ARTICLE 8 OF CHAPTER 3 OF DIVISION 1 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION AND AMENDING ARTICLE 2 OF CHAPTER 3 OF DIVISION 1 TO SAID CODE RELATING TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Torrance does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1

That Article 8 of Chapter 3 of Division 1 of the City of Torrance Municipal Code entitled "Community Services Commission" is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 2

That Section 13.2.1, Section 13.2.2 and Section 13.2.7 of Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Division 1 of the City of Torrance Municipal Code entitled "Park and Recreation Commission" be amended to read in their entirety as follows:

"SECTION 13.2.1. CREATED, COMPOSITION, COMPENSATION AND QUALIFICATIONS.

- a) There is hereby created a Parks and Recreation Commission for the City, consisting temporarily of eleven (11) members, due to the consolidation of the Community Services Commission with the Parks and Recreation Commission.
- b) The expanded number of commissioners will gradually reduce over time as commissioners' terms expire and those commissioners are not eligible for reappointment.
- c) The Park and Recreation Commission shall return to its statutory seven (7) members as commissioners leave due to attrition.
- d) The members of the Commission shall be electors of the City.
- e) Commencing January 1, 1995, the members of the Commission shall be paid, in lieu of their ordinary and necessary expenses directly connected with or pertaining to the duties imposed by Section 13.2.7, at the rate of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per

meeting attended, but not to exceed Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) per calendar quarter. Such payment shall be made at the end of each calendar quarter.

“SECTION 13.2.2. APPOINTMENTS AND TERM OF MEMBERS.

The members of the Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council. At the first meeting of the newly reconstituted Commission, it shall classify each member in accordance with the length of the member’s unexpired term, so that: three shall serve for a term which shall expire January 15, 2007; three shall serve for a term which shall expire January 15, 2008; four shall serve for a term which shall expire January 15, 2009; and two shall serve for a term which shall expire January 15, 2010. Upon the expiration of such terms all appointments and reappointments shall be for a period of four (4) years. Provided, however, no member shall be eligible for reappointment after serving two (2) consecutive four (4) year terms. Provided further, that after a lapse of two (2) years, a former member may be reappointed to the Commission.

In the event that a vacancy other than by reason of an expired term of a Commissioner who is eligible for reappointment, prior to January 15, 2010, that vacancy shall not be filled unless there are six or fewer remaining members.

“SECTION 13.2.7. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION.

- a) The Commission may make recommendations to the City Council on:
 - 1) The acquisition of land, buildings, equipment and facilities for park and public recreation purposes;
 - 2) The improvement of the operation and administration of the park and public recreation program, specifically including:
 - A) The conduct of recreation programs for Adults, Senior Citizens and Youth;
 - B) The policies governing the park and recreation uses of public lands;
 - C) Park and recreation capital improvements priorities;
- b) The Commission shall advise the City Council on any matters concerning parks and public recreation when so requested by the Council.
- c) The Commission may make recommendations to the City Council on matters concerning the services and human resources of the community including, but not limited to, the area of consumer affairs, personal health, and community manpower.
- d) The Commission shall advise the City Council in any human resource or community service matters when so requested by the City Council. As appropriate, before making such recommendations or rendering such advice, it shall seek input from the Torrance Youth Council and the Torrance Commission on Aging prior to reaching a final determination.
- e) The Commission shall make an annual report to the City Council of its activities for the previous year and shall make such other reports as it deems necessary or proper.

SECTION 3

This ordinance will take effect thirty (30) days after the date of its adoption. Within fifteen (15) days following adoption this ordinance will be published at least once in the Daily Breeze, a newspaper of general circulation, published and circulated in the City of Torrance.

Introduced and approved this _____ day of _____, 2006

Adopted and passed this _____ day of _____, 2006.

Mayor Frank Scotto

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
JOHN L. FELLOWS III, City Attorney

ATTEST:

by _____
Ronald T. Pohl, Assistant City Attorney

Sue Herbers, City Clerk