

Council Meeting of
September 9, 2008

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

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: City Manager - Appoint Chair and Members to the Ad Hoc Legislative Committee

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation of the City Manager that the Mayor appoint an Ad Hoc Legislative Committee to address the City's position on upcoming ballot measures.

Funding

Not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

It is the policy of the City Council that the Mayor appoints the members of ad hoc committees. Ad hoc committees convene for a short period of time for a specific subject matter and only exist for the life of the assigned subject matter.

The Legislative Committee functions well as an ad hoc committee, as legislation tends to cross the business functions of all standing committees and occurs within a narrow period of time within an election and/or legislative cycle.

In the General Election scheduled for November 4, 2008, there are State-wide and local ballot measures. The following outlines the established criteria used by the Legislative Committee to determine the potential impact of these measures on the City of Torrance:

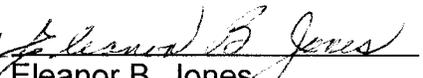
- Does the proposed measure affect local control?
- Does the proposed measure have a fiscal impact on the City?
- Does the proposed measure affect public safety?

The Committee will meet to review, discuss and recommend a position on these ballot measures.

After the Committee has taken a position on the measures, the Committee's report is forwarded to the City Council as an agenda item for action.

Respectfully submitted,

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CONCUR:


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