

**TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
NOVEMBER 25, 2008
ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING
6:00 P.M. - EXECUTIVE SESSION
7:00 P.M. - REGULAR BUSINESS BEGINS
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 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, November 20, 2008 /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 ANNOUNCEMENT OF WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS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:

FINANCE AND GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2008 AT 5:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS 2008-2009 FIRST QUARTER BUDGET REVIEW	JOINT MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL WITH ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND ENERGY CONSERVATION COMMISSION TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2008 AT 5:30 P.M. WEST ANNEX COMMISSION MEETING ROOM
Exxon Mobil Torrance Refinery Monthly Community Alert Siren testing Wednesday, December 3, 2008 @ 11:30 a.m. For more information contact ExxonMobil Public Affairs Advisor (310) 212-4756	

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.torrnet.com. 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.torrnet.com 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.torrnet.com.

MEETINGS

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.

CITY HALL HOURS OF OPERATION

**Monday - Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
with offices closed alternate Fridays.**

City Hall will be CLOSED:

Thursday, November 27

Friday, November 28

Friday, December 5

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #1 (Limited to a 30 minute period)

Comments on this portion of the agenda are limited to items not on the agenda and to no longer than 3 minutes per speaker. Speakers under Orals are limited to either Oral Communications #1 or Oral Communication #2. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the legislative body is prohibited from taking action or engaging in discussion on any item not appearing on the posted agenda.

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 Manager – Authorize purchase order for audio/visual equipment at the Katy Geissert Library. Expenditure: \$60,095.77.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council:

- 1) Appropriate \$60,095.77, including 5% (\$2,861.70) contingency; and
- 2) Authorize a purchase order to Bill's Sound & Security, Costa Mesa, CA to furnish and install audio/visual equipment at Katy Geissert Library for \$57,234.07 (B2008-58).

8B. General Services – Authorize sale of surplus/obsolete vehicles. Expenditure: Not applicable.

Recommendation of the General Services Director that City Council:

- 1) Authorize the sale of two (2) surplus/obsolete vehicles/equipment to the Torrance Unified School District (TUSD) for a total of \$858; and
- 2) Authorize Ken Porter Auctions, of Gardena, CA to facilitate the sale of twenty-eight (28) surplus/obsolete vehicles.

8C. Public Works – Award agreement for final design consulting services for the Madrona Marsh Restoration and Enhancement Project. Expenditure: \$182,151.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council award a consulting services agreement in the amount of \$182,151 to Moffatt & Nichol of Long Beach, CA to provide final design consulting services for the Madrona Marsh Restoration and Enhancement Project, CIP No. I-77.

8D. Community Services – Accept and appropriate donations for purchase of service desks for branch libraries. Expenditure: \$70,053.79.

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council:

- 1) Accept and appropriate a donation, not to exceed \$75,000 for the purchase of four new services desks for the El Retiro, Henderson, North Torrance, and Waleria libraries from the Friends of the Torrance Library;
- 2) Accept and appropriate a donation of \$5,605 from the Torrance Public Library Foundation; and
- 3) Appropriate \$11,269.52 from the Library Trust Fund for the purchase of a service desk for the Southeast library.

8E. Community Development – Approve agreement for conversion of microfiche permit records to digital format. Expenditure not to exceed \$75,000.

Recommendation of the Community Development Director that City Council approve a consulting services agreement with Convert-A-Doc, Inc. for conversion of microfiche permit records to digital format in amount not to exceed \$75,000.

8F. General Services and Public Works – Authorize a purchase order for 2009 CNG-fueled Peterbilt 320 Cab and Chassis. Expenditure: \$329,185.81.

Recommendation of the General Services Director and Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Authorize the sole-source purchase of one (1) 2009 Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) fueled Peterbilt 320 Cab and Chassis with a Heil 7000 Automated Side-Loader Refuse Collection Body from Rush Peterbilt Truck Center of Pico Rivera, CA in the amount of \$329,185.81, including sales tax and tire fees; and
- 2) Appropriate and transfer \$329,185.81 from the Sanitation Enterprise Fund to the Fleet Services Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Fund.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

8G. Community Services – Approve agreement for lease and full operation of the Wilson Park batting cages and reduce appropriations. Expenditure: \$31,350.

Recommendation of the Community Services Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve a concession agreement with Tyler Sports, Inc., for the lease and full operation of the Wilson Park batting cages (RFP B2008-52);
- 2) Reduce appropriations in the Parks and Recreation Enterprise Fund expenditure budget by \$40,500 (1.5 FTE Sr. Recreation Leaders) for staff and by \$28,700 for materials/supplies and contracts for a total reduction of \$69,200.;
- 3) Reduce in the Parks and Recreation Enterprise Fund revenue budget by \$33,000 for a net budget reduction of \$36,200; and
- 4) Approve the one time use of funds in the amount of \$31,350 for improvements that will separate the functions of the batting cage facility.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

12A. City Manager – Consideration of City Council Dark Nights.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council declare the following Tuesdays as City Council Dark Nights from January 1 through June 30, 2009: January 6, January 20, February 17, March 17, March 31, May 26, and June 30.

12B. City Manager – Adopt ORDINANCE granting a pipeline franchise in the City of Torrance.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt an ORDINANCE granting Pacific Pipeline System, LLC a pipeline franchise to replace expired Franchise Ordinance No. 3116 to construct, lay, operate, test, maintain, use, renew, repair, replace, move, change the size and number of, and remove or abandon in place a system of pipelines and appurtenances, for the purpose of conducting, transporting, conveying and carrying gas, oil, petroleum products and water, on, along, in, under and across public streets, ways, alleys and places within the City of Torrance.

12C. City Manager – Adopt RESOLUTION declaring the City's support for an energy partnership.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council adopt a RESOLUTION declaring the City's support for an energy partnership between Southern California Edison and the South Bay Cities Council of Governments.

12D. Public Works – Award agreements for construction and inspection services for the WALTERIA and Ben Haggott Reservoir Rehabilitation Project, Phase 1. Expenditure: \$478,136.10.

Recommendation of the Public Works Director that City Council:

- 1) Approve the plans and specifications for the WALTERIA and Ben Haggott Reservoir Rehabilitation, Phase 1, CIP No. S-31 (B2008-59);
- 2) Award a public works agreement to the lowest bidder, Slater Waterproofing, Inc., in the amount of \$413,882;
- 3) Authorize a 5% contingency in the amount of \$20,694.10 for this project;
- 4) Award a contract services agreement to Project Partners, Inc. in the amount of \$43,560 for inspection services for this project; and
- 5) Appropriate \$150,000 from Water Enterprise Fund to WALTERIA and Ben Haggott Reservoir Rehabilitation, S-31.

12E. City Manager – Authorize provision of asphalt cuts for tree planting. Expenditure: Not to exceed \$1,000.

Recommendation of the City Manager that City Council authorize the Public Works Department to provide asphalt cuts for the planting of trees at Torrance Elementary School.

17. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS #2 Staff & Public Comments
 Sutherland Barnett Brewer Furey Numark Rhilinger

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18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

City Council Closed Session

A. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

(California Government Code § 54957.6):

Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson

Employee Organization/Association:

1. Safety Management Employees
2. Torrance Fire Chief Officers' Association
3. Torrance Fire Fighters Association
4. Torrance Police Commanders' Association
5. Torrance Police Officers Association

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 54956.9

10 cases

C. REAL PROPERTY - CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

(California Government Code § 54956.8):

- 1) Property: PPG Industries
 465 Crenshaw Boulevard, Torrance, CA 90503
- Agency Negotiator: LeRoy J. Jackson
- Negotiating Parties: City of Torrance and Richard marks, PPG Industries
- Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment for purchase of property

19. ADJOURNMENT

- A.** Adjourn City Council to Tuesday, December 9, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. for a joint meeting with the Environmental Quality and Energy Conservation Commission in the West Annex Commission Meeting Room, with the regular City Council meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Tuesday, December 2, 2008 will be a Council dark night.


 Sue Herbers, City Clerk

**“I awoke this morning with devout thanksgiving for my friends,
 the old and the new.” - Ralph Waldo Emerson**

City Hall will be closed:

Friday, November 21, Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 27, and Friday, November 28