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2 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Everyone be seated. I'd like to call  
3 upon council member Steve Schulte to do the invocation for the  
4 evening.

5 MR. SCHULTE: I think it is appropriate for those of us  
6 here in this new city to take a couple of minutes to reflect on  
7 what we are a part of and draw together in the spirit of  
8 cohesiveness and participation and join our strength and our  
9 ideas so that we can get through all the items on this agenda  
10 and the problems that are facing us in the days ahead.

11 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you. I'd like to call upon council  
12 member Albert for the pledge of allegiance. Everyone please  
13 rise. (Pledge of Allegiance)

14 City manager please read the roll call.

15 MR. BIEN: Member Albert.

16 MS. ALBERT: Present.

17 MR. BIEN: Member Schulte.

18 MR. SCHULTE: Here.

19 MR. BIEN: Member Viterbi.

20 MR. VITERBI: Present.

21 MR. BIEN: Member Heilman.

22 MR. HEILMAN: Present.

23 MR. BIEN: Mayor Terrigno.

24 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Here.

25 MR. BIEN: Mayor, you have a quorum present.

26 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you. Please call for <sup>approval</sup> poet of the  
27 agenda.

28 MR. HEILMAN: Mayor Terrigno, I have an objection to one of

1 the items. Item 17, requests for exemptions to the rent control  
2 moratorium, was supposed to be on the agenda next week on the  
3 13th, along with requests for exemptions on the moratorium on  
4 building.

4 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I recall that also. Is there any objection  
5 to moving that to the 13th? I hear no objection. We'll remove  
6 No. 17, and that will be on the agenda for next Thursday, December  
7 13th. Are there any other changes or additions to the agenda?  
8 There are no other changes. Is there a motion in order for the  
9 adoption of the agenda?

10 MR. SCHULTE: So move.

11 MS. ALBERT: Second.

12 MAYOR TERRIGNO: All those in favor say aye.  
13 Any opposition? The agenda is approved.

14 We're about to present a number of resolutions in order,  
15 that we didn't get to in the last meeting. In connection with  
16 our County contracts, the County provided us with a letter.  
17 It's regarding nondiscrimination in compliance with our city  
18 policy which is Ordinance No. 9 we adopted, and I'd like to read  
19 that letter now. It's from the County of Los Angeles to our  
20 City Attorney, Mr. Michael Jenkins: Civil Service Rule 2501 sets  
21 forth the nondiscrimination policy of Los Angeles County.  
22 Nonmerit factors as that term is used in the rules is interpreted  
23 as a matter of County practices to include sexual preference or  
24 orientation. A copy of the Civil Service Rule is attached. In  
25 compliance all of our County contracts now will include this  
26 statement of nondiscrimination and will continue now to adopt  
27 other contracts with the County.

28 City attorney, can you please present item No. 2.

1 MR. JENKINS: Yes, Mayor, item No. 2 is Resolution No. 18,  
2 which authorizes an agreement between the City and the County of  
3 Los Angeles for the enforcement of the City's Health Code.  
4 Resolution No. 18 is entitled the Resolution of the City Council  
5 of the City of West Hollywood providing for enforcement of the  
6 City's Health Ordinances and authorizing execution of an  
7 agreement with the County of Los Angeles with respect thereto.

8 The appropriate motion would be to waive further reading  
9 and to adopt resolution No. 18.

10 MR. HEILMAN: So moved.

11 MR. SCHULTE: Second.

12 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Those in favor of resolution No. 18 please  
13 say aye. Any opposition? Resolution No. 18 passes.

14 City Attorney, can you please present item No. 3.

15 MR. JENKINS: Item No. 3, Mayor, is Resolution No. 19,  
16 providing that the County Health Department shall enforce all  
17 health code laws and regulations of the State Department of Health.  
18 It is a Resolution of the City Council of the City of West  
19 Hollywood providing for the enforcement of laws and regulations  
20 relating to public health by the county health officer within the  
21 City of West Hollywood. The appropriate motion would be to  
22 waive further reading and to adopt Resolution No. 19.

23 MS. ALBERT: So move.

24 MR. HEILMAN: Second.

25 MAYOR TERRIGNO: All those in favor of Resolution No. 19  
26 say aye. Opposed? The resolution carries.

27 City Attorney, could you please present Resolution No. 20.

28 MR. JENKINS: Item No. 4, Mayor, is Resolution No. 20, a  
resolution authorizing an agreement with the County providing for

1 the enforcement of the City's industrial waste provisions in its  
2 code. It is a Resolution of the City Council of the City of  
3 West Hollywood to provide enforcement of the industrial waste  
4 provisions of city ordinances and authorizing the execution  
5 of an agreement with the County. The appropriate motion would be  
6 to waive further reading and to adopt Resolution No. 20.

6 MR. SCHULTE: So move.

7 MR. HEILMAN: Second to that motion

8 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Is there any discussion to that motion?  
9 If not, all those in favor please say aye. Is there any  
10 opposition? Resolution No. 20 passes.

11 City Attorney please present item 5.

12 MR. JENKINS: Item 5 is resolution No. 21 authorizing  
13 agreement between the City and County providing for the  
14 utilization by the City of the County's Building Department for  
15 building and related services. It is entitled a Resolution of  
16 the City Council of the City of West Hollywood authorizing  
17 execution of an agreement with the County of Los Angeles in  
18 respect to building and related services. The appropriate motion  
19 would be to waive further reading and to adopt Resolution No. 21.

20 MR. HEILMAN: So move.

21 MR. SCHULTE: Second.

22 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Any discussion? If not, all those in  
23 favor please say aye. Any opposed? No opposition, the motion  
24 carries.

25 City Attorney will you please read item No. 22.

26 MR. JENKINS: Item 6 is Resolution No. 22. The purpose of  
27 this resolution is to authorize an agreement with the County for  
28 utilization of the services of the County Engineer for the

1 purpose of processing and checking subdivision maps. It is  
2 entitled the Resolution of the City Council of the City of West  
3 Hollywood authorizing execution of an agreement with the County  
4 of Los Angeles providing for services of the County Engineer.  
5 The appropriate motion would be to waive further reading and to  
6 adopt Resolution No. 22.

7 MR. HEILMAN: So moved.

8 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Second. Any discussion? All those in  
9 favor say aye. Any opposed? The resolution carries.

10 City Attorney, would you please read Resolution No. 23.

11 MR. JENKINS: Item 7 is Resolution No. 23. The purpose of  
12 this resolution is to authorize an agreement with the County for  
13 continuing street maintenance of the city's public streets.  
14 Resolution No. 23 is entitled the Resolution of the City Council  
15 of the City of West Hollywood Authorizing Execution of an  
16 Agreement with the City of Los Angeles for Street Maintenance.  
17 The appropriate motion would be to waive further reading and to  
18 adopt Resolution No. 23.

19 MR. VITERBI: So move.

20 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Second. Is there any discussion about the  
21 street maintenance? If not, all those in favor please say aye.  
22 Resolution No. 23 carries.

23 City Attorney, Resolution No. 24.

24 MR. JENKINS: City Resolution No. 24 is a resolution  
25 authorizing execution of an agreement for ambulance services.  
26 It is entitled: The Resolution of the City Council of the City  
27 of West Hollywood Authorizing Execution of an Agreement with the  
28 County of Los Angeles with Respect to Ambulance Services. The  
appropriate motion would be to waive further reading and to adopt

Resolution No. 24.

1           MAYOR TERRIGNO: So move.

2           MR. VITERBI: Second.

3           MAYOR TERRIGNO: Any discussion? City Attorney, I have a  
4 question regarding the fee for ambulance services. Is that a  
5 separate fee that we pay to the County for this contract?

6           MR. JENKINS: The City is, under a recent case law, not  
7 responsible for the payment of ambulance services for indigents.  
8 However, with respect to ambulance services provided by the  
9 County for nonindigents -- that person who receives the service  
10 is ultimately responsible for payment. The County will bill  
11 for payment for that service, and the City will be in a position  
12 to seek payment.

13           MAYOR TERRIGNO: I see. Thank you. If there is no  
14 further discussion, all those in favor please say aye. Any  
15 opposed? Resolution No. 24 carries.

16           City Attorney, will you please present Resolution No. 25.

17           MR. JENKINS: Resolution No. 25 concerns the use of the  
18 County Department for Animal Control services. And it is a  
19 Resolution of the City Council of the City of West Hollywood  
20 authorizing execution of an agreement with the County of Los  
21 Angeles for animal control services. The appropriate motion  
22 would be to waive further reading and to adopt Resolution No. 25.

23           MAYOR TERRIGNO: We have a motion.

24           MR. HEILMAN: So moved.

25           MR. SCHULTE: Second. I have a question, Mayor. City  
26 Attorney, what is the duration on this contract? Is it like  
27 the rest?

28           MR. JENKINS: Yes.

MR. SCHULTE: Thank you.

1 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Any further discussion? If not, all  
2 those in favor of adopting animal control services from the  
3 County please say aye. Opposed? Resolution No. 25 carries.

4 City Attorney would you please do the second reading of  
5 Ordinance No. 10.

6 MR. JENKINS: Yes. Item 10 is a second reading of  
7 Ordinance No. 10 establishing councilmanic compensation.  
8 Ordinance No. 10 is entitled: An Ordinance of the City of  
9 West Hollywood Establishing Councilmanic Compensation. This will  
10 be the second reading. The appropriate motion would be to waive  
11 further reading and to adopt, on second reading, Ordinance No. 10.

12 MS. ALBERT: So moved.

13 MR. HEILMAN: Second.

14 MR. JENKINS: Why don't we do a roll call.

15 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I'd be glad to.

16 MR. BIEN: Member Albert.

17 MS. ALBERT: Aye.

18 MR. BIEN: Member Schulte.

19 MR. SCHULTE: Aye.

20 MR. BIEN: Member Viterbi.

21 MR. VITERBI: Aye.

22 MR. BIEN: Member Heilman.

23 MR. HEILMAN: Aye.

24 MR. BIEN: Mayor Terrigno.

25 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Aye.

26 MR. BIEN: Ordinance No. 10 is considered done.

27 MAYOR TERRIGNO: City Attorney, for the benefit of the  
28 public, would you tell us when this ordinance will go into effect.



MR. JENKINS: January 1, 1985.

1 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you. Could you please present  
2 Ordinance No. 11.

3 MR. JENKINS: Yes. Ordinance No. 11 is the first reading  
4 of an ordinance the purpose of which is to transfer the  
5 assessments and tax collection duties to the County of Los  
6 Angeles assessor and tax collector. It is entitled: An  
7 Ordinance of the City of West Hollywood Transferring Assessment  
8 and Tax Collection Duties to the County of Los Angeles Assessor  
9 and Tax Collector. The appropriate motion would be to waive  
10 further reading and to introduce, on first reading, Ordinance  
11 No. 11.

12 MR. SCHULTE: So moved.

13 MS. ALBERT: Second.

14 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Any discussion? In the absence of  
15 discussion, all those in favor please say aye. Is there any  
16 opposition? Ordinance No. 11 carries with first reading.

17 City Attorney, could you please present Ordinance No. 12.

18 MR. JENKINS: Yes, Mayor. Ordinance No. 12 would be an  
19 urgency ordinance, and I think we'll read it both as an urgency  
20 ordinance and as a regular ordinance. So we'll adopt it and  
21 introduce it in the first reading. The purpose of Ordinance  
22 No. 12 is to establish a real property transfer tax in the City  
23 of West Hollywood. This is a tax that is paid when the property  
24 is transferred from a purchaser -- excuse me -- from a seller to  
25 a purchaser. At the present time the County has taken the  
26 position that it does not share the tax that it currently  
27 receives from property transfers within the City, and this  
28 particular matter is presently on appeal to the court of appeal

1 in a case that has been brought on behalf of a city that  
2 incorporated a couple of years ago faced with the same problem.  
3 The purpose of adopting this tonight is to establish a basis  
4 for claiming these funds in the event that the County either  
5 changes its mind or is forced to change its mind by virtue of  
6 this litigation. So Ordinance No. 12 is an Ordinance of the  
7 City of West Hollywood imposing a real property transfer tax on  
8 the sale of real property and declaring the urgency thereof.  
9 The appropriate motion would be to waive further reading and to  
10 adopt Ordinance No. 12. I would suggest a roll call vote.

11 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Some discussion before the vote?

12 MR. HEILMAN: I have a question for the City Attorney.  
13 This does not impose a tax greater than what was already  
14 imposed by the County?

15 MR. JENKINS: Exactly. It is nothing new. It would  
16 result in a sharing of taxes. In other words, the County has  
17 always exacted a tax upon the transfer of real property within  
18 this area when it was unincorporated. Now that it's incorporated,  
19 we are simply seeking a share of the revenue that they ordinarily  
20 receive. It's absolutely no new tax. The County will not make  
21 that allocation to us; it has taken the position that that would  
22 violate Proposition 13. That is the basis of the lawsuit that  
23 has been prosecuted on behalf of another city.

24 MR. HEILMAN: Thank you.

25 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Mr. Bien.

26 MR. BIEN: Member Albert.

27 MS. ALBERT: Aye.

28 MR. BIEN: Member Schulte.

MR. SCHULTE: Aye.

MR. BIEN: Member Viterbi.

1 MR. VITERBI: Aye.

2 MR. BIEN: Member Heilman.

3 MR. HEILMAN: Aye.

4 MR. BIEN: Mayor Terrigno.

5 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Aye.

6 MR. JENKINS: I'd now like to read the title of Ordinance  
7 No. 12 for the purpose of introducing it on first reading, and  
8 it would be: An Ordinance of the City of West Hollywood  
9 Imposing a Real Property Transfer Tax on the Sale of Real  
10 Property and that would be the end of the title. Same motion  
11 except to waive further reading and to introduce on first  
12 reading Ordinance No. 12.

13 MAYOR TERRIGNO: So moved.

14 MS. ALBERT: Second.

15 MAYOR TERRIGNO: All those in favor of introducing  
16 Ordinance No. 12 on first reading say aye. Any opposed? Motion  
17 carries.

18 City Attorney, could you please present Ordinance No. 13.

19 MR. JENKINS: Yes, Mayor.

20 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Council Member Viterbi presented this  
21 concept at the last meeting, and I'd like him to put forward  
22 this motion at the present time. (Discussion held off record.)

23 MR. JENKINS: There are two ordinances. One is an urgency  
24 ordinance, and the other is an ordinance on first reading. So  
25 I'll read the urgency ordinance first, an Ordinance of the City  
26 of West Hollywood Prohibiting Smoking in Council Chambers and  
27 Declaring the Urgency thereof -- Ordinance 13U. The appropriate  
28 motion would be to waive further reading and adopt Ordinance

13U.

1 MR. VITERBI: So moved.

2 MR. HEILMAN: Second.

3 MR. VITERBI: It was brought at the last meeting, because  
4 smoking within the council chambers and in official city meetings  
5 is a disturbance to people in the chambers and disturbs the health  
6 of a number of people present; therefore, I requested for this  
7 motion to be presented to the council.

8 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Any further discussion? In the absence  
9 of further discussion, could we have a roll call vote?

10 MR. BIEN: Member Albert.

11 MS. ALBERT: Aye.

12 MR. BIEN: Member Schulte.

13 MR. SCHULTE: Aye.

14 MR. BIEN: Member Viterbi.

15 MR. VITERBI: Aye.

16 MR. BIEN: Member Heilman.

17 MR. HEILMAN: Aye.

18 MR. BIEN: Mayor Terrigno.

19 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Aye.

20 MR. BIEN: Ordinance No. 13U is adopted as an urgency  
21 ordinance.

22 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you.

23 MR. JENKINS: And now I'd like to read the title of  
24 ordinance 13, same ordinance, for introduction on first reading:  
25 An Ordinance Prohibiting Smoking in Council Chambers. The  
26 appropriate motion would be to waive further reading and introduce  
27 on the first reading Ordinance No. 13.

28 MR. HEILMAN: So moved.

MS. ALBERT: Second.

1 MAYOR TERRIGNO: All those in favor say aye. Any opposed?  
2 motion carries.

3 City Attorney, could you please present the lease for  
4 Plummer Park.

5 MR. JENKINS: Yes, Mayor. As you know, we can happily  
6 report tonight that the City has a temporary home in Hall B of  
7 Plummer Park, and the County has provided us with a lease for  
8 the purpose of rental of that room to serve as temporary Hall for  
9 the City on a month to month basis, at a monthly rental of \$1,000.  
10 The lease is a relatively standard lease, and I have reviewed it  
11 and do not find any particular problems with it, although I would  
12 like to take further review of it as I didn't receive it until  
13 very late this afternoon. My recommendation would be that the  
14 city council approve the lease subject to the approval of the  
15 city attorney and then authorize the Mayor to execute the lease.  
16 I would also recommend that, in the event that there is any  
17 further room for negotiation with the County as to the rental  
18 amount, that the council include in its motion authorization to  
19 the city attorney and the Mayor to continue that negotiation  
20 but nevertheless to execute the lease if that negotiation is not  
21 successful.

22 MR. HEILMAN: I'll move the sense of what you just said.

23 MS. ALBERT: I'll second.

24 MAYOR TERRIGNO: In discussion, we have begun to actually  
25 obtain the space. It's Hall B at Plummer Park. With that in  
26 mind, I absolutely support adopting this motion. All those in  
27 favor --

28 MR. SCHULTE: Before we do this, could we have the city

1 manager just describe briefly how that space is going to be used?  
2 What the hours are going to be -- so we have some foundation --  
3 phone lines, and so on.

4 MR. BIEN: The space of Hall B is approximately 1,600  
5 square feet, about 40 by 40 square. We have moved in furniture  
6 today to provide offices for city council and secretarial -- I'll  
7 call it secretarial capacity at the present time of four people.  
8 In addition to which we have made provisions for two hot lines  
9 for response to rent control questions. City Hall will be open  
10 I don't think the city council has formally adopted this, but  
11 I assume the city council expects city hall to be open from  
12 8:00 to 5:00, Monday through Friday.

13 MR. SCHULTE: Thank you.

14 MR. BIEN: If you would like to have the telephone numbers  
15 announced, I am prepared to do that too.

16 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Might as well do that with the telephone  
17 item we have.

18 MR. BIEN: Okay.

19 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Is there any questions or discussions  
20 about the space? If not, I'd like to call for the approval of  
21 the lease for Plummer Park, and I would like to also continue  
22 negotiations on the price. With that motion, all those in favor  
23 please say aye. Any opposition? I'd like to take this time --  
24 Dori Stegman has some keys for us to this office. I'd like to  
25 present them. Temporary keys to the temporary city -- no,  
26 permanent.

27 MR. BIEN: Madam Mayor, while this is being done, I think  
28 it might be appropriate to make the comment that what is being  
handed to the city council, while it is the key to the city hall

1 building, it represents the key to the maximum security lock  
2 which we were able to obtain. If this key is lost, it cannot be  
3 duplicated except upon specific authority of the city manager.  
4 So you must take care of it rather carefully; although, it can  
5 be reproduced. The second key is to the park offices so that  
6 the building can be entered, and then Hall B requires the additional  
7 second key.

8 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Excuse me while I sign for my key.  
9 Another key deposit.

10 MR. JENKINS: What about discrimination against lawyers.  
11 I notice the city attorney doesn't get a key.

12 MS. STEGMAN: Do you want one?

13 MR. JENKINS: No, I don't want one. I'll just <sup>LOSE</sup>~~lose~~ it.

14 MAYOR TERRIGNO: You're all welcome to come to our offices.  
15 Have we completed item No. 14? Would you like to move on  
16 to item No. 15, which is a discussion of acting city treasurer.  
17 First, I'd like for the city attorney to explain the need for a  
18 city treasurer. Then I'd like us to open discussion.

19 MR. JENKINS: Mayor, the Government Code of the State of  
20 California requires that the city have a treasurer, and it is the  
21 purpose of this item to have the city council discuss who that  
22 person might be, at least on an acting basis. As a more practical  
23 matter, we are anticipating any day now receipt of a check from  
24 the state representing a subvention of some tax revenues that we  
25 can put to good use, and it is made payable to the Treasurer of  
26 the City of West Hollywood. In the absence of such a person,  
27 that check will remain nonnegotiable. So it's my recommendation  
28 that the council come up with someone, fast, who can endorse this  
check. So that is the purpose of having this item on the agenda.

1 MAYOR TERRIGNO: In our discussions with different banking  
2 institutions, we had determined that there were two primary  
3 banks in West Hollywood. There were some preliminary discussions  
4 that the bank that didn't get <sup>chosen</sup> ~~chosen~~ as our bank to obtain a  
5 loan from, we would consider the other bank as the acting  
6 treasurer. In the spirit of that, I'd like to move that Johathan  
Ahearn of the Unity Savings be our acting city treasurer.

7 MR. SCHULTE: Second.

8 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Is there any discussion?

9 MR. HEILMAN: Has anyone asked Mr. Ahearn whether he is  
10 willing to serve.

11 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Yes, we have.

12 MR. VITERBI: I wanted to ask the city attorney one question  
13 for clarification. Mr. Ahearn will not be paid anything to act  
14 as city treasurer nor will he be able to invest the funds within  
15 his savings and loan.

16 MR. JENKINS: That's correct.

17 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Did everyone hear that?

18 MR. VITERBI: I asked if Mr. Ahearn will be receiving any  
19 compensation for this, and he will not. And it is also  
20 understood that he will not invest the funds of the city in the  
21 savings and loan that he is an employee and owner of.

22 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Is there any further discussion and  
23 comments? If not, I would like a roll call vote on this also.

24 MR. BIEN: Member Albert.

25 MS. ALBERT: Aye.

26 MR. BIEN: Member Schulte.

27 MR. SCHULTE: Aye.

28 MR. BIEN: Member Viterbi.



MR. VITERBI: Aye.

1 MR. BIEN: Member Heilman.

2 MR. HEILMAN: Aye.

3 MR. BIEN: Mayor Terrigno.

4 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Aye.

5 MR. BIEN: Motion carried.

6 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you. I would like to direct our  
7 city attorney and city manager that as soon as the check gets  
8 here please, let's deposit it.

9 Item No. 16 is a report on our council subcommittees.--  
10 we mentioned at our last meeting. We have developed five  
11 committees. Two council members will serve on these committees.  
12 The titles are very long. Each council member has received this  
13 at this time:

14 There is a committee for Economic Development, Small  
15 Business Development, Finance, and Budget. I am proposing that  
16 Alan, Council Member Viterbi, be the chair of this committee and  
17 I serve as a member of the committee.

18 The second committee will be Management, Personnel,  
19 Contracts, Intergovernmental Relations, and Transportation. I  
20 am proposing Council Member Albert as the chair and Council  
21 Member Heilman as the member.

22 The third committee is Structural Planning, Zoning, Parking,  
23 and Public Works. I'm proposing Council Member Schulte as the  
24 chair, and Council Member Viterbi as the member.

25 The fourth committee is Parks, Public Spaces, Public  
26 Safety, Cultural Affairs, Tourism, and Recreation. And I'm  
27 proposing myself as the chair and Council Member Schulte as the  
28 member.

1 The fifth committee is Human Services, Health, Housing,  
2 Rent Control. Propose Council Member Heilman as the chair of  
3 that committee and Council Member Albert as the member.

4 The committees were developed by the five of us prior to  
5 the Brown Act. We each had put in for our top three choices.  
6 So is there any discussion?

7 MR. HEILMAN: My discussion is in terms of how we are  
8 dividing up the work. One thing is that you've placed Helen and  
9 I on two committees together and, although I love Helen very  
10 dearly, I think that it would be beneficial if we all work  
11 together, and we switch, we spread it around a little bit. I'm  
12 also concerned with respect to the Committee on Management,  
13 Personnel, Contracts, Intergovernmental Relations, and  
14 Transportation. Although I put that down as a third choice, I  
15 don't have much experience in any of those areas, and I'm very  
16 reluctant to serve as a member of that committee. But I do like  
17 how you sort of restructured the committees as we had before we  
18 officially met. We had divided up the committees, and in order  
19 to make them more balanced, Valerie has moved them around a  
20 little bit. I like that.

21 MAYOR TERRIGNO: For explanation, four people chose to  
22 chair one committee, and no people chose to chair two committees.  
23 That made it a little difficult so I did restructure. And, John,  
24 you were the only person to put that on your list at all. The  
25 fact that you and Helen go on the same committee is probably  
26 because you has similar choices, and it was not intended, just  
27 this is the best way to balance it out. If you'd like to take  
28 this up at another time and come up with another plan and go  
for the vote at that time -- is there any discussion of council?

1 MR. HEILMAN: What I would like to propose, since we just  
2 saw the list tonight and your assignments tonight -- I would  
3 like us to have some opportunity to think about it and maybe  
4 send you back a memo indicating what we think about your choices.

5 MR. SCHULTE: I want to second the commendation on the way  
6 you organized the work, so to speak. I think that it's difficult  
7 to give us all our choices, that's granted. But I also want to  
8 say that for the sake of anybody watching this process, that  
9 what we tried to do -- not all the titles are going to win  
10 Pulitzer Prizes in literature, none the less, I think what we  
11 tried to do is difficult. This is what we have to do until we  
12 have commissions formed that can help us in specific projects.  
13 If they sound cumbersome to some extent, that is reality. But  
14 I want to say that I approve of the committee structure and  
15 generally happy with the way you put it together.

16 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Is that a motion? I'm not clear.

17 MR. SCHULTE: I'm sort of prepared to move, and I want to  
18 be fair and include as much consideration by council members as  
19 possible. We're going to have to live with this for awhile  
20 so I'm prepared to move it, and I guess there could be further  
21 discussion. So I move the committee as proposed.

22 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Any second.

23 MR. VITERBI: For the purpose of discussion, I second it.

24 MAYOR TERRIGNO: We have a second, and we may continue  
25 the discussion. If you have any questions I would be glad to  
26 answer them.

27 MS. ALBERT: Mayor, will we each get a copy?

28 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Yes, and I expect our xerox machine will  
be there tomorrow.. I have spent a lot of time doing this,

1 and today was the final day of coming up with this plan. I'm  
2 not sure what an alternate plan would be, and in the case that  
3 we do need personnel matters to be decided upon shortly, I would  
4 like to see this begin. Because we do need committees. You'll  
5 be able to come to member committees and have hearings or speak  
6 and be able to present ideas without having a formal meeting,  
7 and we'll have more meetings that way. You'll probably have a  
8 meeting a week.

9 MR. VITERBI: I think it's important for the community to  
10 understand the purpose is to divide the work of the council;  
11 otherwise, people who come can be stuck here for six to eight  
12 hours just to hear all the agenda items. This way the committees  
13 will be able to shift through a lot of testimony and present  
14 just the cogent points to the council.

15 MR. HEILMAN: Mayor, my concern is that we just saw these  
16 committees tonight. I am not completely happy with the assignment  
17 although I am not completely unhappy with them either. But I  
18 don't want us to agree tonight to this committee formation when  
19 its something we're going to have to live with for a year and  
20 a half at the very least. I thought that we had agreed that we  
21 would try to see these earlier. I would like, if possible to  
22 hold off until our next meeting, to approve these, so that any  
23 of us could offer suggestions as to ways you could get out of  
24 the jam you are in in making the assignments. So that we would  
25 have time to give you our input.

26 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Would you like to withdraw your motion?

27 MR. SCHULTE: I withdraw and table it for one week if  
28 that's acceptable. I am concerned too that we begin the work of

1 the committees, but it seems to me that if the council is in  
2 agreement to table it for another week, fine.

3 MR. VITERBI: I also withdraw, setting next week as the  
4 deadline so we can get to work.

5 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I would also suggest that some of the  
6 main items here be done by the entire council because we do need  
7 to get started. So with that in mind, we'll take this up at  
8 our December 13th meeting.

9 We're eliminating item No. 17. Item No. 18, Mr. Jenkins.

10 MR. JENKINS: Mayor, at the first meeting of the council,  
11 I was asked to prepare a letter that could be sent to all tenants  
12 and owners of rental property within the city regarding our  
13 rent control moratorium and our conversion moratorium and have  
14 provided the council with a draft letter. My intention at this  
15 time is simply to present it to the council. If the council  
16 wishes to review it this evening, this will be fine. Otherwise,  
17 you may wish to review it in the next day or so and provide me  
18 with your comments and suggestions, and then I can have a final  
19 format letter in the hands of the city manager for mailing by  
20 either tomorrow or Monday.

21 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Any discussion?

22 MS. ALBERT: We would like to hear the letter.

23 MAYOR TERRIGNO: It's in your package. It's a very long  
24 letter.

25 MR. JENKINS: It's a four-page letter. The letter serves  
26 to summarize all of the provisions of the two ordinances.

27 MR. HEILMAN: Again, my concern with approving this is my  
28 understanding from our meeting on Monday is that each council  
member was to receive a draft of this on Wednesday. I'm not

1 faulting the city attorney because I know how busy he is, just  
2 that we were all to get a draft on Wednesday so that we would  
3 have time to read it and give our input and just look at it.

4 Now there are a few things that I'm concerned about, but  
5 I'm not prepared to go through it line by line at this point.

6 MR. VITERBI: Seeing that this item was preceived by the  
7 council as being very important -- that we get it out as soon as  
8 possible to eliminate some of the confusion in the community, I'd  
9 like to move that we authorize the city attorney to sent out a  
10 revised version of this letter to have in the city manager's  
11 hands by Monday at the latest. And for him to take into  
12 consideration the recommendations of the council members that  
13 we would get to him tomorrow; is there a second to my motion?

14 MR. SCHULTE: I second that, and, under discussion, that  
15 means that the letter would start being mailed on Monday?

16 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I think what happened with Wednesday's  
17 deadline was we're expecting a lot of things too quickly and  
18 making deadlines that people can't properly meet while we're  
19 trying to get an office together and sign contracts and leases,  
20 and I think with that in mind, I'd like us to be very careful  
21 in making deadlines. I'd like to speak to Steve's question with  
22 that motion, you would like to see that the city manager would  
23 have a final version in his hands on Monday so you get to a  
24 printer and perhaps mail it by Wednesday.

25 MR. SCHULTE: And how would this be mailed, city manager?

26 MR. BIEN: Well, I'm investigating a couple of leads now  
27 for mailing that. The mailing lists have already been established  
28 we'd simply deliver the final draft and they would be responsible  
for the mailing.

MR. SCHULTE: And it's bulk rate.

1 MR. BIEN: Bulk rate.

2 MR. SCHULTE: So we're looking at five to eight days for  
3 this being received, and don't hold me to a figure, but I think  
4 we're looking at a fairly lengthy process. Would you disagree  
5 that we're looking at that many days?

6 MR. BIEN: I don't have familiarity with how rapidly those  
7 people might be able to deliver. As a rule, it's been my  
8 experience that these agencies can make deliveries usually  
9 within three days.

10 MR. HEILMAN: Fred, I think the problem is not that. The  
11 problem is that bulk rate mail is not a priority with the post  
12 office and so they deliver when they have time to deliver it.  
13 I'm concerned about it going bulk rate because, as all of us  
14 know from the campaign, there is no guarantee that bulk rate  
15 mail even gets in the mail box, is even delivered. A lot of it  
16 just gets tossed into the bin. So I would prefer that it go  
17 first class.

18 MR. BIEN: I hear you.

19 MS. ALBERT: Then they'll be out on Monday?

20 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I think we should look at first class  
21 costing \$8,000.

22 MS. ALBERT: Opposed to?

23 MAYOR TERRIGNO: \$4,000.

24 MR. SCHULTE: Well, it seems to me that with the number of  
25 people that I'm hearing have not been able to get the ordinance  
26 and have concerns about the clarity of what we have done here.  
27 I think it may be worth the investment to spend more money and  
28 make sure that these were delivered within a couple of days.

1 MS. ALBERT: I would agree with Steve. It's important  
2 that this get out as fast as possible and be sure that it's  
3 delivered to the people who need it.

4 MR. SCHULTE: How many pieces of mail would that be, Mayor?

5 MAYOR TERRIGNO: We have about 35,000 residents in our  
6 city and adding property owners-- I expect about 40,000.

7 MR. SCHULTE: 40,000, well, again I think it should go  
8 first class.

9 MR. HEILMAN: Can I interject here. I think we have two  
10 separate issues. One about approving this letter, and then we  
11 have how the letter is going to get out. I think we should keep  
12 this separate and first handle how we are going to approve this  
13 letter and then approve the expenditure of money.

14 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I think if we're going to take time to  
15 review a letter, have it typed and written, that's four days  
16 from now, and spending \$4,000 additionally to get it out -- then  
17 I think I would like us to look at it tonight, and make  
18 recommendations tonight and send the letter tomorrow. If it's  
19 \$4,000 more or less important, then we should do this and not  
20 put it over until Monday. That's my feeling.

21 So we do have two questions, and I think we're speaking  
22 to both of them to get a general sense of how we're going to do  
23 this.

24 MR. SCHULTE: So you'd like us to review the letter now,  
25 or at least by tomorrow.

26 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I could approve of a first class mail,  
27 particularly if we were going to have this letter on its way  
28 out tomorrow, and then if we would like to take a recess of half  
an hour and read this letter and make any suggestions now that



1 it be tabled until half an hour from now. Take five minutes,  
2 ten minutes, to review the letter, make any major changes that  
3 you want to; then give it to Mike.

4 MR. JENKINS: The letter should go out on letterhead and  
5 we won't have that out until tomorrow so that may push it to  
6 Monday.

7 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I would like to table this until we can  
8 take a recess and review the letter and, at that time, make a  
9 decision as to whether it should go out tomorrow or Monday.

10 MR. SCHULTE: So moved.

11 MS. ALBERT: Second.

12 MAYOR TERRIGNO: We'll table this letter until the recess.

13 If we could move to item No. 19. This is an authorization  
14 for a signer for the hearing impaired. We've had a signer at  
15 our first meeting, and we've not authorized payment and  
16 contracting for a signer at all our meetings. I'd like to do  
17 that now.

18 MR. SCHULTE: I move that Mayor.

19 MR. VITERBI: Second.

20 MR. SCHULTE: Under discussion let me just say that the  
21 reason that this is important is that we have a fairly large  
22 community of hearing-impaired persons in West Hollywood, and in  
23 the spirit of trying to make this an inclusive process, we just  
24 made a motion to authorize a signer at all meetings where we are  
25 certain that someone who is hearing impaired will be in  
26 attendance and would like to participate. That is the spirit of  
27 this motion.

28 MAYOR TERRIGNO: City Attorney, aren't you also authorizing  
payment at this time?

1 MR. JENKINS: Yes.

2 MR. HEILMAN: How much does it cost to have a signer at  
3 every meeting? I'd like to know how much we're authorizing.

4 MR. SCHULTE: It's \$16.50 an hour.

5 MR. HEILMAN: So we're talking about \$48.00 dollars or so,  
6 approximately?

7 MR. SCHULTE: Somewhere around there.

8 MR. HEILMAN: My multiplication isn't too good.

9 MR. SCHULTE: It's pretty good.

10 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Is there any further discussion? In the  
11 absence of further discussion, could we have a roll call vote.

12 MR. BIEN: Member Albert.

13 MS. ALBERT: Aye.

14 MR. BIEN: Member Schulte.

15 MR. SCHULTE: Aye.

16 MR. BIEN: Member Viterbi.

17 MR. VITERBI: Aye.

18 MR. BIEN: Member Heilman.

19 MR. HEILMAN: Aye.

20 MR. BIEN: Mayor Terrigno.

21 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Aye.

22 MR. BIEN: Motion carried.

23 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you.

24 We are up to item No. 20. It is to approve our lease with  
25 Telecomp Communications -- why the phones have started ringing.

26 Mr. Bien, do you have the copy of the financial contract?

27 MR. BIEN: I did not bring it with me. I was not aware  
28 that it was going to be on the agenda tonight, and it's left  
at the office.

1 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Mr. Viterbi and I were on the subcommittee  
2 to approve the Plummer Park office space, telephones, office  
3 equipment, and all things necessary to get started. So I call  
4 upon Mr. Viterbi to explain what we have done, including this  
5 particular contract.

6 MR. VITERBI: Mayor, we spent the last two days as  
7 subcommittee working with a number of very hard working volunteers  
8 in the community helping to put together the new office. And we  
9 got Pacific Telephone to hook up the lines to the office, and  
10 then we got the bids over the phone and in person from two  
11 telephone companies to put together telephone service in our  
12 office. And the decision was made by the full council that  
13 whoever provided telephone service for these temporary quarters  
14 not be providing them necessarily on a permanent basis with  
15 no special consideration. The large national corporations  
16 wanted quite a few days before they could get together.  
17 Fortunately, a West Hollywood resident, who we could be  
18 grateful to, having gotten phones in already yesterday in  
19 advance of the phones being hooked up. Would you all thank  
20 Al Wright? And they are now in service, and already in the  
21 first five minutes of service this afternoon we received five  
22 calls on rent control.

23 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Al Wright worked through the night.  
24 I believe the contract includes installation and there is a lot  
25 of phone work installation, telephone rental, and the first  
26 month's rent of the equipment is approximately \$2,000, which was  
27 less than the other bid was. So I move for the approval of the  
28 lease with the figures as submitted to Mr. Bien today by  
Telecomp Communications.

1 MR. VITERBI: I believe it was \$1,750, maybe it was \$2,000.

2 MR. SCHULTE: So moved.

3 MR. BIEN: Madam Mayor, I have a statement here. It's the  
4 lease form that I don't have. The statement is in the amount of  
5 \$2,065.

6 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I would also like to announce the phone  
7 numbers. The renter hot line: 851-0674. We have two renter  
8 hot lines.

9 MR. VITERBI: For both renters and property owners.

10 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Excuse me. Mr. Viterbi is correct. We  
11 also have a City Hall line which is: 851-0844, and we have six  
12 lines there so you shouldn't get too much of a busy signal.

13 Is there a motion to approve the lease? Do I have a  
14 second?

15 MR. VITERBI: Second.

16 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Is there any discussion. Just like you  
17 to know included in this lease -- Telecomp Communications is  
18 our first noncounty contractor and he is willing to sign all  
19 the proper agreements that our city requires of him.

20 All those in favor of this motion say aye. Any opposition?  
21 The motion carries.

22 Mr. Bien, could you let us know when a check would be  
23 delivered for this service.

24 MR. BIEN: With the council's approval of certain bills  
25 tonight, it is my understanding that the bank is prepared to  
26 lend us whatever sums of money we will be requiring as soon as  
27 the checks can be printed, and checks should be printed and  
28 available by tomorrow.

MAYOR TERRIGNO: In the absence of a printed check, I

suggest you get a temporary check once we approve these payments.  
1 Do we need to approve additional financial?

2 MR. JENKINS: I believe the city manager has several bills  
3 he would like approved. Why don't we wait until the other  
4 business of the agenda -- and approve them all at the same time.

5 MAYOR TERRIGNO: All right, thank you. Next on the  
6 agenda is Citizen Committees, which is also my item. We have  
7 obviously had a lot of work to do, and we need to continue this  
8 and it seems to be a good opportunity to have some of the  
9 citizens participate in ad hoc committees that would be for a  
10 limited duration. I suggest five member committees, one per  
11 council member, and I'd like to see these committees at this  
12 time: The first committee I'd like to see is a search committee  
13 for permanent city hall. Second committee I'd like to see is a  
14 search committee for a permanent city manager. The third  
15 committee I'd like to see is a committee that would do a study  
16 on comparable worth for personnel practices. The fourth  
17 committee will be a committee studying our benefits package for  
18 personnel. And the fifth committee will be to study insurance  
19 for a long term. We have a 30-day contract for insurance.

20 We can take these items separately.

21 MR. VITERBI: Was it part of the motion that each council  
22 member appoint one citizen to the committees, and they all  
23 be subject to the approval of the entire council. So I'd like  
24 to amend the motion to so read.

25 MAYOR TERRIGNO: That is accepted as a friendly amendment.  
26 Although I haven't had a second.

27 MR. VITERBI: It is in the form of a second.

28 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Are you seconding all five? Let's do it.

separately if there is any question on any one of them.

1 MR. VITERBI: Would you like them separately? I just  
2 have a question on why comparable worth is separated from  
3 benefits to employees. It seems to me that logically they  
4 go together.

5 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I thought about that but the comparable  
6 worth study may take longer than the benefits package. And we  
7 do have some employees that are being hired currently, and if  
8 one is taking longer than the other, and comparable worth may  
9 take longer to collect the data -- it also gives five more  
10 citizens a chance to participate at this time.

11 MR. SCHULTE: These committees are ad hoc. That's  
12 understood. And not standing committees.

13 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Not standing committees. And each will  
14 have a deadline which I would like us to determine when we make  
15 our selection of the five people. I'd like the appointments  
16 made by next Thursday.

17 MR. VITERBI: Is that part of the motion?

18 MAYOR TERRIGNO: If you would like to include it, fine.

19 MR. HEILMAN: I have another item for discussion, and it  
20 concerns Alan's agenda. If we are all going to appoint one  
21 person each to these committees, why does then the whole council  
22 have to go and approve the entire committee? It seems that that  
23 gives me a way of vetoing your appointments, Alan, and a way of  
24 you vetoing mine. And I don't see why we have that.

25 MR. VITERBI: I believe that if a majority of the council  
26 is clearly displeased with one of the appointments, I don't think  
27 that's the case. I think all 35,000 West Hollywood residents  
28 are upstanding well qualified to serve on the committees, but

1 in the event that we would find somebody who just moved across  
2 the city line and were not appropriate to serve on one of the  
3 city committees, I think there should be some method by which  
4 a majority of the council could block that appointment.

5 MR. SCHULTE: I have a different question.

6 MAYOR TERRIGNO: If it's a different subject, I'd just  
7 like to resolve this. It's a very complicated motion and I  
8 don't want to ~~lose~~<sup>lose</sup> part of it.

9 MR. VITERBI: Is that acceptable to you, John?

10 MR. HEILMAN: No. My concern is that if there is  
11 somebody on the council who wants to appoint someone to a  
12 committee whose views are not consistent with the other four  
13 members, I think that council member has the right to do that  
14 and their input represented on that committee. And I think that  
15 is why we have diversity, and why I think this is important to  
16 maintain. I would hate to see a council of four people who are  
17 all united be able to veto the fifth person's appointments to  
18 committees. So that's why I'm suggesting that each person be  
19 entitled to an appointment and that no further approval be  
20 necessary.

21 MR. VITERBI: I don't think that would a problem with this  
22 council -- that all five or four of the five would agree -- but  
23 I think it's important to set up a procedure for the future that  
24 in the event one council member were to appoint somebody whose  
25 interests were questionable in desire to be on that committee,  
26 I'd like to see that there would be an opportunity for the other  
27 members to block that appointment. It's for that reason I'm  
28 proposing that.

MR. HEILMAN: Can I respond?

1 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I was going to make a suggestion. Since  
2 it's a friendly amendment, if we could separate it from the  
3 motion so we could at least have committees, and decide how  
4 we'll choose them.

5 MR. VITERBI: That sounds reasonable.

6 MAYOR TERRIGNO: So we could vote on the five committees as  
7 a package and the method of selection as a second motion. Do  
8 you have a question?

9 MR. SCHULTE: I'll hold my question until we pass that  
10 first motion.

11 MAYOR TERRIGNO: That we do have five member citizen  
12 committees. Five, five member committees. No further discussion?  
13 Let's vote on that.

14 MR. BIEN: Mayor, for the purpose of the record, is the  
15 motion now the one made by you as the Mayor and seconded by  
16 Council Member Viterbi?

17 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Yes. It is. Propose we have a roll call.

18 MR. BIEN: Member Albert.

19 MS. ALBERT: Aye.

20 MR. BIEN: Member Schulte.

21 MR. SCHULTE: Aye.

22 MR. BIEN: Member Viterbi.

23 MR. VITERBI: Aye.

24 MR. BIEN: Member Heilman.

25 MR. HEILMAN: Aye.

26 MR. BIEN: Mayor Terrigno.

27 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Aye.

28 MR. BIEN: Motion carried.

MAYOR TERRIGNO: All right. Now procedure. Open for



motion.

1 MR. VITERBI: I'd like to move that each council member  
2 appoint one member to this citizen committee, and that they be  
3 subject to the approval of the entire city council at next  
4 Thursday's meeting.

5 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Second to the motion?

6 MR. SCHULTE: I'll second it.

7 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Now we can discuss it.

8 MR. HEILMAN: What happens if two members appoint the  
9 same person?

10 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Someone gets another choice. I'm sure  
11 someone would have a second person to choose. I think you  
12 would work it out between the two of you. Two people can talk  
13 to each other. It's three that get in trouble.

14 MR. HEILMAN: Can I address the motion again? I'm still  
15 concerned that -- I understand Alan's concern about wanting to  
16 block a questionable appointment. But I'm still concerned that  
17 in doing so the majority of the council or four members on the  
18 council would be able to keep dissenting views from being heard  
19 in committee, and I'm really concerned that whatever commissions  
20 we set up, or citizen committees we set up, have input from  
21 everyone, even people that maybe the majority of the council do  
22 not want to hear from, and that's why I'm concerned if we give  
23 the majority of the council a veto power over certain appointments.  
24 We will be stifling dissenting voices.

25 MR. VITERBI: Once again, I don't believe necessarily that  
26 this council will be guilty of doing so. But I would hate to  
27 see some council member appoint someone who had a clear and  
28 direct interest in decisions to be made in that committee,

1 and the rest of the council not having any option from  
2 preventing that person from being a member in that committee.  
3 I too would not want to stifle an independent voice, and I think  
4 the council member who would be making that appointment would  
5 have reasonable access to the public to make it clear that an  
6 independent voice was being stifled for political reasons,  
7 rather than reasons of impropriety.

8 MR. HEILMAN: I understand your concern. Again, I think  
9 that no one on this council would appoint somebody who would  
10 have a clear self interest on any of the committees. I guess  
11 it's just where we want to put the risk. I believe that in  
12 giving the majority a veto power over council appointments, we  
13 are taking the risk of stifling a dissenting voice on a committee.  
14 And I don't want to do that. I think you, apparently, view it  
15 as a risk that we'll have a person with self interest on a  
16 committee or somebody that is disruptive on a committee. I'm  
17 willing to take that risk to insure that dissenting views are  
18 heard.

19 MR. SCHULTE: I think that there are two good views. I  
20 think the reason I seconded it was not to stifle or give the  
21 council a chance to stifle any opinion. I'm sure that was not  
22 the intent of the motion. And I can foresee the time when I'll  
23 be overruled by the majority of my colleagues and won't like it.  
24 But I think, in the interest of the committees' cohesiveness,  
25 that this is a useful motion.

26 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I also have been weighing both sides. I  
27 like that each of us gets a choice. On the other hand, we have  
28 set somewhat of a precedent, where most of our decisions where  
three of us have to vote -- we generally did that as a

democratic process -- checks and balances, and in that vein,  
1 I think I would support Alan's side; although, I do understand  
2 what you are saying, John, and I have my own questions about it.

3 MS. ALBERT: I would like a restatement of the motion.

4 MR. BIEN: Motion was that each council member appoint  
5 one member of each committee and be prepared to do so by  
6 December 13th. With each member's appointments to be approved  
7 by the council as a whole.

8 MS. ALBERT: That means a three to two vote?

9 MR. BIEN: That would mean a three to two vote would  
10 carry the appointment.

11 MR. VITERBI: Hopefully it would be five up.

12 MR. HEILMAN: I have a point of clarification. We're not  
13 really appointing committee members, we are nominating them  
14 subject to the approval of the council as a whole.

15 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I would like to see it as a package deal,  
16 and again, all five. Not each member voted on.

17 MS. ALBERT: In other words, each one.

18 MR. VITERBI: If that's in the form of a friendly motion --

19 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Yes, I intended it to be that way.

20 MS. ALBERT: Do I understand correctly -- each one of us  
21 submits one name to serve on this five-member committee?

22 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Yes. And there are five committees.

23 MR. VITERBI: And the five names be approved as a package.

24 MS. ALBERT: So we submit actually five names.

25 MR. HEILMAN: Then I have another question. You just  
26 mentioned that the five members would be approved as a package.  
27 How, then, could you get rid of that one person who is offending?

28 MR. VITERBI: I don't know.

1 MR. HEILMAN: What's to prevent him coming back with the  
same person?

2 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I think we'd like to get the committees  
3 moving, and then we will try to resolve the problem.

4 MR. VITERBI: I suggest that once the person was rejected  
5 they could no longer be reappointed by the same council member.

6 MR. HEILMAN: How would you determine which person it was  
7 that was being rejected. You just said you'd vote on all five  
8 people as a group. So do you reject all five of them because  
9 there is one person, and none of them can come back?

10 MR. VITERBI: I was accepting the package as a form of  
11 compromise. But it's clearly not acceptable. I withdraw the  
12 idea of having a package, and have it that they be voted on  
13 separately, one at a time.

14 MR. HEILMAN: I still have the same concern that three  
15 people will be able to out vote one person's appointments  
16 across the board all the time, and I'm not saying that that will  
17 happen, but I want that each council member should have the  
18 power to appoint somebody to committees and they shouldn't have  
19 to always get out voted by the other council members.

20 MR. VITERBI: Are you suggesting that you like neither the  
21 individual motion nor the compromise motion?

22 MR. HEILMAN: Yes.

23 MR. SCHULTE: Mayor, I would like to call for the question.

24 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you. May we have a roll call vote.

25 MR. BIEN: Member Albert.

26 MS. ALBERT: Abstaining.

27 MR. BIEN: Member Schulte.

28 MR. SCHULTE: Aye.

MR. BIEN: Member Viterbi.

1 MR. VITERBI: Aye.

2 MR. BIEN: Member Heilman.

3 MR. HEILMAN: No.

4 MR. BIEN: Mayor Terrigno.

5 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Aye.

6 MR. BIEN: Mayor, the motion carried.

7 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you. So each person should return  
8 on Thursday with one person for each committee as a nomination  
9 subject to the approval of the council.

10 Ready for item No. 22, which is --

11 MR. SCHULTE: Mayor, the question I was going to raise  
12 just for discussion is that I don't think it's particularly  
13 crucial at this point but I would like to allow for the  
14 possibility of people who are not residents of West Hollywood  
15 to be appointed for commission -- for committees. As far as  
16 being appointed to ad hoc committees, I think by and large  
17 people should be residents, but I could foresee the time when  
18 there might be somebody we want to approve who is not a resident.  
19 I want to see the council's sense of that question.

20 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I wonder if we could take up the  
21 individual case at the time and go with the idea that we will  
22 appoint West Hollywood residents, and if something particular  
23 comes up at any given time, why don't we take it up at that time.

24 MR. VITERBI: I would think it's important that we  
25 understand the policy before we make appointments. So we don't  
26 have to argue it later; so that we know in advance what the  
27 situation is. I would raise a question. I think, John, that  
28 on the issue of committees that are making recommendations back

1 to the council, I would tend to agree that we welcome the  
2 involvment of people who are not residents of West Hollywood  
3 but are clearly citizens of the community. I am a little more  
4 concerned about the issue of commissions which actually have the  
5 power to make decisions such as the planning commission, and  
6 I'd like that those be only West Hollywood residents.

7 MR. SCHULTE: The reason I raise the question is because  
8 I agree. I think it needs to be a policy decision made now.  
9 But I think that there may be a kind of exclusion in the kinds  
10 of ideas and input we bring into the city that we don't want  
11 to exclude. So I am comfortable to leave it be done on an  
12 individual basis.

13 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I'd like to take this in the form of a  
14 motion. Therefore I open for a motion regarding the residential  
15 status of committee members.

16 MR. SCHULTE: I would move that the members of committees  
17 and not commissions, do not necessarily have to reside in West  
18 Hollywood, and then I'll speak to the motion under discussion.

19 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Can we have a second to that motion?

20 MR. VITERBI: I'll second it for purposes of discussion.

21 MR. SCHULTE: Under discussion I accept Alan's distinction,  
22 because I think that's important, and I want to make it clear  
23 that most of the people who belong to committees will, in fact,  
24 be residents of West Hollywood. But, I think, there may come  
25 a time when we want an expert and we don't want to be excluding  
26 that from our committee process. So I would like to keep it  
27 open, and I think it needs to be decided now.

28 MAYOR TERRIGNO: The intent of my motion was to limit it  
to West Hollywood residents. We have started a city; I like

1 to see the inclusion of all the people responsible for working  
2 within our city. And I probably should have made that very  
3 clear in my original motion -- that I assume that these particular  
4 five committees would, in fact, be West Hollywood residents,  
5 and at that time in the future where we need a particular  
6 expertise and only one person in California had it and didn't  
7 live in our city, I'd like to deal with it at that time. But  
8 right now I would be very disappointed to see us choose someone  
9 who is not a West Hollywood resident.

10 MR. VITERBI: I have a question. How would we determine  
11 residency? Would the person nominating that member to the  
12 committee be required to supply their legal place of residence?

13 MAYOR TERRIGNO: You're asking me?

14 MR. VITERBI: Yes.

15 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I would assume that if someone is  
16 participating in our community, says they are residents, gives  
17 their address on a written statement -- that they want to be on  
18 this. I would accept this. I am not going to do an investigation.  
19 If we know that that person clearly does not live here, one of  
20 us would bring it up when we're about to vote.

21 MR. VITERBI: We'll have their addresses available when  
22 we are having that discussion?

23 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Yes. I think we should have names and  
24 phone numbers.

25 MR. SCHULTE: To continue the motion, all members of the  
26 present committees that are being formed -- all members restricted  
27 to only West Hollywood residents.

28 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I think that's the intent of my motion.  
I'd say at such time that there would be a particular exception

1 to that, I would be open to listen to it. But at this time it's  
2 certainly not something I was considering.

3 MR. VITERBI: I think one thing I would just put in as a  
4 piece of information for this discussion is that in previous  
5 discussions that were made in the community, such as the Citizen's  
6 Advisory Committee that helped to create the community plan -- I  
7 believe that there were people, who while being involved in the  
8 community were not actually legal residents in the area. And  
9 it's something we have to take into consideration for the  
10 appointment of future committees.

11 MR. SCHULTE: That's correct.

12 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Any further discussion? If not, I think  
13 it's time for another roll call vote.

14 MR. BIEN: Member Albert.

15 MS. ALBERT: Aye.

16 MR. BIEN: Member Schulte.

17 MR. SCHULTE: Aye.

18 MR. BIEN: Member Viterbi.

19 MR. VITERBI: Since it's only committees and not  
20 commissions, I will vote aye.

21 MR. BIEN: Member Heilman.

22 MR. HEILMAN: Aye.

23 MR. BIEN: Mayor Terrigno.

24 MAYOR TERRIGNO: No.

25 MR. BIEN: Motion carried.

26 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you. Now on item No. 22, which is  
27 the Median Strip on Santa Monica Boulevard. For a report, I met  
28 with Austin Green of the Rotary Club, which holds the current  
lease on the Santa Monica Boulevard property. I obtained a copy



1 of the lease, and our city attorney, Mike Jenkins, was to read  
2 the lease, because there is an opportunity for us to obtain the  
3 lease to that property; so that we could begin changing Santa  
4 Monica Boulevard. Mr. Jenkins, I wonder if you had an opportunity  
5 to review and make comments on it.

6 MR. JENKINS: Yes, Mayor, I reviewed the lease and I would  
7 like perhaps just one more week in order to research this matter  
8 a little bit further before making recommendations to council,  
9 if that would not be a problem.

10 MAYOR TERRIGNO: No. That's not a problem with me. Is it  
11 a problem with anybody else?

12 MR. HEILMAN: I'm just wondering if there is any way that  
13 the city could exercise any power and take the median strip rather  
14 than lease it. If it's not being used for any useful purpose,  
15 and I don't foresee Southern Pacific using it for any useful  
16 purpose in the near future. Can you research what ways we can  
17 exercise our eminent domain power and take it?

18 MR. JENKINS: Well, interestingly enough -- and this is  
19 one of the things that I have to continue researching -- the  
20 County is presently litigating an eminent domain action to take  
21 the strip from the railroad company. I don't know exactly why  
22 they are continuing with the prosecution of that case. That's  
23 one of the things I need to take a look at.

24 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I was under the impression that it was  
25 a joint suit with Beverly Hills, the City of Los Angeles --  
26 because of where the railroad ran; is that correct?

27 MR. JENKINS: That may very well be, but County Council<sup>564</sup>  
28 has advised me that they are continuing to be involved in the  
case on behalf of the County despite the change of jurisdiction.

1 So it's something that requires a little bit further analysis  
2 on my part so I can bring back a recommendation.

3 MR. VITERBI: Does that mean they would then own the  
4 County strip in the City of West Hollywood?

5 MR. JENKINS: That's what it means.

6 MR. VITERBI: They don't give up.

7 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Could we join the suit as the City of  
8 West Hollywood?

9 MR. JENKINS: That's a possibility. These are some of the  
10 things that I think do require some further review.

11 MR. SCHULTE: Valerie, I think you're right in terms of  
12 the groups on the suit. Because we are talking about the entire  
13 route to the Route 2 Freeway area.

14 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Okay. I would like to put forward the  
15 Rotary Club which has the lease is currently in debt of  
16 approximately \$17,000 for the landscaping and flag poles that  
17 they have put out there in this past year, and I believe it was  
18 the intent that if we obtain that lease from them, that we would  
19 make some payment to them for the lease, and our city attorney  
20 is also looking into that matter to see what our decision would  
21 be if we were to obtain the lease from them, and you have a  
22 week. I did want the public to know that <sup>you</sup> ~~there~~ within the  
23 process of trying to obtain the rights to that property so we  
24 could work on it. Is there any further discussion of the median  
25 strip? If not, we can go to item No. 23. Alan, having been on  
26 that ad hoc committee, could you like to bring up any of the  
27 items?

28 MR. VITERBI: The council authorized the subcommittee to  
go forth and begin an office: secure furniture, telephone lines,

1 office equipment, furniture, and six temporary staff people whose  
2 tenure with the city would be no longer than 60 days and would  
3 not guarantee them any form of employment longer than 60 days  
4 to give them any advantage over other people applying for city  
5 positions. To date, I believe, we have filled four of those  
6 positions.

6 MR. BIEN: Three.

7 MR. VITERBI: Three of those positions. I believe we have a  
8 secretary or clerk-typist.

9 MR. BIEN: Two clerk-typists and one secretary.

10 MR. VITERBI: In addition, we have also hired two other  
11 staff people. One person to help with organizing the office,  
12 and one to help with overseeing the volunteers who will be  
13 manning the rent control hot lines.

14 MR. BIEN: That's affirmative.

15 MR. VITERBI: The two typists and secretary were from a  
16 temporary agency -- Kelly Services. And the two staff people,  
17 one to help you with the technical details, were Dori Stegman,  
18 who has been working very hard on behalf of the City at no cost  
19 at all; and the other, Adam Moss to oversee the volunteers for  
20 the rent control hot line, who is also been helping out with no  
21 benefits. I'd like to move that we approve those five positions  
22 for a maximum 60 days from last Monday.

23 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Second. I would like to clarify the  
24 payment. Is that on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis?

25 MR. BIEN: Well, that's for the council to direct. I  
26 would presume, since it's temporary -- 60 days, that you would  
27 want it on a weekly basis.

28 MR. VITERBI: Have you made any arrangements as to how

they'll be paid?

1  
2 MR. BIEN: No. That would have to be set by the city  
3 council, and I'm not prepared tonight to make a recommendation.  
4 You have given me approval on the people who would be working  
5 on the hot line so there would be an increment to the person  
6 who is the supervisor or is going to be the lead person on the  
7 hot line with the subcommittee that I can check with we can  
8 handle that.

9 MR. VITERBI: In other words, we would be authorizing the  
10 subcommittee to set their salaries.

11 MR. BIEN: That would be my recommendation.

12 MR. VITERBI: Would the subcommittee have to bring it  
13 back to the council for approval.

14 MR. BIEN: That's a decision for the council, but I'm  
15 suggesting that the council give the subcommittee that  
16 authority since we're only talking about a couple of people for  
17 60 days.

18 MR. VITERBI: I'd like to include that in the motion.

19 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Second that inclusion. Anything further?  
20 Any discussion or clarification?

21 MR. HEILMAN: My only discussion is that I think that the  
22 whatever wages we establish to the temporary people should be  
23 brought back to the entire council for approval. I think we can  
24 authorize the subcommittee to give tentative approval, but I  
25 would like to know what we are authorizing. What amount we are  
26 authorizing to spend. Not that I distrust Valerie and Alan,  
27 but I think that's fair to all of us.

28 MR. VITERBI: That's perfectly acceptable, and I'd like  
to see that on next Thursday's agenda for final approval so

these people aren't hanging in the air.

1 MR. SCHULTE: We authorize the hiring of six people?

2 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Yes.

3 MR. SCHULTE: Okay. And that means that the rest of the  
4 people will be hired by next Thursday?

5 MR. BIEN: Yes. I'll be going over the volunteers with  
6 Mr. Moss tomorrow.

7 MR. VITERBI: Miss Stegman and Mr. Moss please rise so  
8 the community can see them.

9 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Motion to approve the hiring of the  
10 positions that have been hired and for the subcommittee to set  
11 the salaries, bring the salaries back to the council next  
12 Thursday for approval; is that correct?

13 MR. BIEN: Yes, ma'am.

14 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Okay. All those in favor say aye. Any  
15 opposed? Motion carries.

16 MR. HEILMAN: I have another item with respect to this  
17 agenda item. I'd like to know, if there are people we'd like  
18 to suggest for the other positions, how do we do that? Do  
19 we give that to you, Fred?

20 MR. BIEN: Yes.

21 MR. HEILMAN: We have gotten a lot of calls from people  
22 interested in working for the city, at least on a temporary  
23 basis.

24 MR. BIEN: Well, Mr. Moss is going to be coordinating  
25 their activities. You give the names to me, and I'll take them  
26 up with Mr. Moss.

27 MR. HEILMAN: Both volunteers and people who are interested  
28 in working for pay?

1 MR. BIEN: That is affirmative. It is my understanding  
2 that the city council is desirous of starting with volunteers  
3 and as quickly as possible, converting over to paid temporary  
4 help.

5 MAYOR TERRIGNO: We did have people in the office this  
6 morning before the desks got ther, bringing resumes. And feel  
7 free to bring or mail your resumes to the city hall. Give them  
8 to Mr. Bien. We are accepting applications and it is an open  
9 process. The address is 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard, Hall B.  
10 I guess the rest of the address would be Plummer Park, Hall B,  
11 and that's 90046.

12 Item No. 23, which is the authorization for leasing the  
13 office equipment, that's so people who gave us -- rented us all  
14 the desks and things would be paid. Would you like to present  
15 that, Mr. Bien?

16 MR. BIEN: Madam Mayor, the initial payment is \$556.80  
17 with total monthly payments of \$616.25 for the duration of the  
18 lease.

19 MR. VITERBI: What does the original payment cover? The  
20 first month or just bringing the furniture to us?

21 MR. BIEN: First month and the \$50.00 delivery charge.

22 MR. VITERBI: Thank you.

23 MR. BIEN: The first December rental is \$506.80 on a pro  
24 rata basis and then there is \$50.00 cartage fee, making a total  
25 of \$556.80.

26 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Is there any discussion regarding the  
27 office equipment. I do have a question. We are authorizing the  
28 equipment that we have -- furniture that we already have, is it

1 appropriate at this time to authorize payment also for the  
2 machines that we have not gotten yet? the xerox machine and  
3 the typewriters.

4 MR. BIEN: Well, I would prefer to come back to the city  
5 council with specific dollar amounts for that.

6 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Okay.

7 MR. BIEN: In the interim we're proposing to lease some  
8 typewriters and to lease-purchase the office copier, and these  
9 will be brought back in the course of events for council approval.

10 MR. VITERBI: I believe the committee was already  
11 authorized to approve those expenditures.

12 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Okay, then, we are approving the lease  
13 of equipment we already have. All those in favor say aye. Any  
14 opposed? We will pay that bill. We have an additional payment  
15 for the sound equipment for council meeting. Mr. Bien, do you  
16 have the information?

17 MR. BIEN: No, I do not.

18 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Okay. We have rented sound equipment for  
19 each of our meetings and I do not have a bill. I think I hear  
20 Dori looking for it. Is there any other expenditures we need  
21 to approve at this time while we get this bill.

22 MR. BIEN: Well, Madam Mayor, we have approved the  
23 expenditure for the Telecomp Communications. I think it would  
24 be in order for the city council to also approve the payment for  
25 the billing for the comprehensive liability insurance and public  
26 officials liability while we received the bill from the insurance  
27 agent, he has made advance payment on the premiums on behalf of  
28 the city, and those would be a part of these premium charges.

MR. VITERBI: Are those for 30-days policies on both?

1 MR. BIEN: The general liability is for 30 days.

2 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Give us the amount on that one.

3 MR. BIEN: Yes. The liability comprehensive, general  
4 liability, is \$1,178.

5 MR. VITERBI: That's for \$10 million worth of coverage?

6 MR. BIEN: That's affirmative.

7 MAYOR TERRIGNO: For 30 days.

8 MR. BIEN: Yes, ma'am.

9 MR. VITERBI: And the office-holder's policy?

10 MR. BIEN: That is \$7,652.66.

11 MAYOR TERRIGNO: For what period?

12 MR. BIEN: One year.

13 MR. VITERBI: How much coverage on that?

14 MR. BIEN: I believe it's \$5 million.

15 MR. VITERBI: I hope our mistakes won't be that expensive.

16 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I'd like to separate those motions.

17 MR. SCHULTE: Could we have more discussion?

18 MAYOR TERRIGNO: If there is no question with general  
19 liability, if we could handle this matter first, may I have a  
20 motion for general liability policy?

21 MR. SCHULTE: So moved.

22 MR. VITERBI: Second.

23 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Any discussion? In the absence of  
24 discussion, all those in favor of making payments for the 30-day  
25 liability policy say aye. Opposed? Motion carries. Is there  
26 a motion in order for the one-year policy?

27 MR. VITERBI: So moved.

28 MS. ALBERT: Second.

MR. SCHULTE: A question, Mayor, my understanding was that



this was going to be a 30-day policy as well.

1           MR. BIEN: I have to accept the responsibility for this.  
2 I met with the insurance agent on the afternoon, and we discussed  
3 the problems of getting coverage for the Thursday meeting by  
4 telephone. There were a number of decisions that had to be made  
5 over the phone. The question of the duration came up, and  
6 without having a sense of feeling as to the city council's wishes,  
7 I said to the insurance carrier, "make it for one year," thinking  
8 that it was not a problem of major consequence, and, therefore,  
9 one year would be satisfactory, and I misguessed, misunderstood  
10 the concerns of the city council. And he informed me that it  
11 just wouldn't be possible to make the change.

12           MR. SCHULTE: Fred, what option do we have then? Would we  
13 have to cancel if we wanted to open it up for bids.

14           MR. BIEN: That would be an option, and I would imagine,  
15 without having inquired of him, I would imagine that there would  
16 be a rebate.

17           MR. SCHULTE: My concern is that we are permitted to be open  
18 in bidding on all city contracts and this seems to foreclose  
19 the possibility of doing that.

20           MR. BIEN: I apologize to the council for the error and the  
21 problem that has been committed. I simply didn't realize at the  
22 time the kind of concern the city council would have in this area.

23           MAYOR TERRIGNO: I spoke yesterday with Mr. Springer, when  
24 I recognized there was a problem, and the only alternative we have  
25 is to cancel the policy in 30 days, and he is aware of that, and  
26 we will get a rebate. It was my intention when I brought this  
27 motion to have a cancellation in 30 days.

28           MR. SCHULTE: You would bring it up again for cancellation.

So you would like a vote on the motion?

1           MAYOR TERRIGNO: Well, I would like to see us approve this,  
2 recognizing that we are going to cancel the policy in 30 days,  
3 because we are going to open bidding at this time as it is the  
4 intention of the council to do, if this was to be a temporary  
5 situation, and I don't think we would like to engage in a year's  
6 contract without having it open to the public. I cannot approve  
7 that.

8           MR. SCHULTE: Would the maker of the motion accept a  
9 cancellation in 30 days?

10          MR. VITERBI: Yes.

11          MR. SCHULTE: Thank you. Second it.

12          MAYOR TERRIGNO: Do you accept that as a friendly amendment?

13          MS. ALBERT: I'd like it repeated.

14          MR. SCHULTE: Helen, would you accept a cancellation of  
15 this policy in 30 days so we can open it up for public bidding?

16          MS. ALBERT: Yes.

17          MAYOR TERRIGNO: I have one further question. Knowing that,  
18 do we need to make full payment of \$7,652 for the policy at this  
19 time? and I would also like that asked of our city attorney. I'm  
20 not clear as to the procedural part of this.

21          MR. JENKINS: I am not certain. I suspect that tomorrow  
22 we can obtain what the prorated amount would be and approve a  
23 payment for that amount, rather than pay the whole thing.

24          MR. VITERBI: Can I suggest that we table the motion  
25 altogether until next week. Withdraw my motion.

26          MAYOR TERRIGNO: Okay, the subject is tabled, the office-  
27 holder policy payment until we have further information which  
28 should be obtained tomorrow and brought up on the December 13th.

1 agenda. Now the Amatron bill. I think that has been brought  
2 to us by Dori.

3 MR. BIEN: Please, Madam Mayor, may I continue to  
4 address this question for just a moment.

5 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Certainly.

6 MR. BIEN: Insurance coverage is vital and council of the  
7 city must not be uncovered. Thirty days is not really very much  
8 time. It is the intention of the council, as I understand it,  
9 to have a citizen's ad hoc committee appointed to study your  
10 needs and how to go about it. It would seem to me that 30 days  
11 is going to be precious little time for the committee to make a  
12 decision and then to get out notices to the appropriate insurance  
13 agencies, get their options back, and get the item on the agenda.  
14 What I am suggesting to the council, then, is that you please  
15 proceed with all possible haste with your committee so that they  
16 can begin to function.

17 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you.

18 MR. BIEN: Madam Mayor, I have now received from Dori this  
19 statement for the rental of sound equipment from Amatron Rents  
20 in the amount of \$200.

21 MR. VITERBI: Is that for this meeting alone?

22 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Yes, that's for each meeting.

23 MR. VITERBI: We are authorizing that we pay \$200 just for  
24 this meeting, or \$200 each week for the microphone?

25 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I ordered it for the three weeks that we  
26 have planned.

27 MR. VITERBI: It's \$200 for each meeting?

28 MAYOR TERRIGNO: We can do it all at once if you like.  
We only have a bill for \$200 so the motion would be for \$200.

1 MR. VITERBI: So moved.

2 MR. SCHULTE: Second.

3 MR. HEILMAN: I have some discussion. If we are renting  
4 these costly microphones, I'd like to ask everyone to speak into  
5 them to the benefit of the public, and for those of us down here  
6 on this side of the table, we can't hear you a lot of the time.

7 MR. SCHULTE: They don't work, maybe we don't want to pay.

8 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I'd like to thank Norman for setting this  
9 up and perhaps he can make it a little louder for us.

10 MR. HEILMAN: Could we also set up a subcommittee to search  
11 for some organization that we could purchase microphones from  
12 or somebody who might be willing to donate them to the city,  
13 because we can't go on spending \$200 a week.

14 MR. VITERBI: Yes, why don't we add that to the responsibility  
15 of the committee that's doing the search for the permanent city  
16 hall.

17 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Actually, the rental company did suggest  
18 that they would come out and -- any of the people who have wanted  
19 to bid, but they need the hall to bid on it. As a gift the city,  
20 this bill was \$250, and it's now \$200.

21 Any further bills?

22 MR. BIEN: One minor bill that I think it's important to  
23 the people concerned. I was not aware that the council would  
24 be ready to approve expenditures tonight and as a consequence,  
25 this is one of the papers that is at home on my kitchen table in  
26 the absence of an office. We did have some people who provided  
27 some refreshments and did some printing and some other services  
28 to assist the city council in preparing for the meeting. I think

1 council member Heilman advanced some money to purchase some of  
2 the equipment. I would request the city council to approve  
3 payment of those bills as soon as they can be verified by the  
4 subcommittee.

5 MR. VITERBI: I would add one more item. My committee had  
6 paid for the plaque that we gave as well as the gavel that the  
7 mayor is currently using. If we don't get paid, we're taking  
8 it back.

9 MR. BIEN: They are some minor expenses. They don't amount  
10 to much.

11 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I move that. Is there a second?

12 MR. VITERBI: Second.

13 MAYOR TERRIGNO: All those in favor please aye. Any opposed?  
14 Do we have the amounts?

15 MR. BIEN: I think I have them here -- in approximate form.  
16 The rental of the microphone and equipment was \$75, the food was  
17 \$104, postage \$65, printing \$157, typesetting \$131, and then the  
18 figures that Councilman Viterbi gave the city council -- I don't  
19 have those. But those should be approved also.

20 MR. VITERBI: I don't have them with me. I don't know the  
21 exact figure.

22 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Is there any objection to those figures?  
23 If not, we have already voted to pay that bill. I think we have  
24 forgotten to take a voice vote on Amatron Rents. So all those  
25 willing to pay Amatron for the microphone say aye into the  
26 microphones. Opposed? Okay, we'll pay that bill also.

27 MR. BIEN: Madam Mayor, this kind of practice will not be  
28 followed in the future. Council might be interested in how we  
will handle it in the future. As part of your agenda, council

will receive what is called a demand register. That will list  
1 all of the bills to be paid to vendors and the amount that will  
2 be adopted as a resolution. And there will be a complete listing  
3 of all of the expenditures. The checks, the next day, will be  
4 cut, based upon the approval received by the city council the  
5 night before. And with your approval, I'd like to resubmit these  
6 bills to the city council in a resolution tomorrow so we get  
7 a proper record.

8           MAYOR TERRIGNO: Acceptable to me.

9           Is there anything further on item 23?

10          MR. VITERBI: I think there was the purchasing of a  
11 temporary sign for the city hall. In addition, perhaps, getting  
12 a beeper for the city manager. So that members of the council  
13 can connect him with emergency matters when he's not in the  
14 office.

15          MAYOR TERRIGNO: Let's take them separately. Dori Stegman  
16 is taking the responsibility of getting us a sign outside of our  
17 new city hall, and I'd like to move that she continue to do it,  
18 and bring a bill when she obtains it.

19          MR. VITERBI: In other words, that is a motion to approve  
20 the expenditures for both signs and for a beeper?

21          MAYOR TERRIGNO: No. I was going to do the beeper  
22 separately.

23          MR. VITERBI: Approximate price for a sign \$120. A four  
24 foot by twelve foot sign so you can see it from Santa Monica  
25 Boulevard.

26          MAYOR TERRIGNO: If you say so. Is there any discussion on  
27 the sign? We have a motion, is there a second?

28          MR. SCHULTE: Second.

1           MAYOR TERRIGNO: All those in favor of the expenditure for  
2 the sign please say aye. Any opposed? You may continue to get  
3 the sign, Dori. Thank you.

4           The second motion is the beeper.

5           MR. VITERBI: I move that we authorize to find us a good  
6 price on a beeper for the city manager, and to get it subject to  
7 our approval.

8           MAYOR TERRIGNO: I second that. Is there any discussion  
9 regarding the beeper?

10          MR. HEILMAN: I'd like to ask Fred if he thinks it's  
11 necessary for him to have a beeper. And now that we have an  
12 office established, do you think that would be something you  
13 would need?

14          MR. BIEN: Well, I think that's a matter for the city  
15 council to determine how important it is to get a hold of me if  
16 I'm out of the office. There will be a sign-out and sign in  
17 chart with an indication of where the mayor will be and where I  
18 will be in case that we're needed to be reached from city hall.  
19 I don't know if that would satisfy the council members' needs.  
20 That's up to you. I have used a beeper before. It represents no  
21 problem for me.

22          MR. HEILMAN: I guess my concern is -- I know that there's  
23 been some trouble reaching you in the interim period because we  
24 don't have an office. But now that we have at least a  
25 temporary office, I would imagine that whoever your assistant is  
26 will know where you are at almost all times. So there will be  
27 no need for a beeper to get you because the person will know  
28 where you're at. I'm just concerned. I know it's a small amount.

1 but there are a lot of things we can purchase and I don't think  
2 this is necessary.

3 MR. BIEN: It's up to the council.

4 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Is there any further discussion?

5 MS. ALBERT: What is the cost of a beeper.

6 MAYOR TERRIGNO: We don't know. Maybe we could authorize  
7 Dori to get the cost before we make the final decision.

8 MS. STEGMAN: I could investigate and get you several  
9 choices, and you can decide that way.

10 MR. VITERBI: I'll let the motion be reworded to authorize  
11 Dori to get us some possible figures and then we can consider it  
12 on the 13th.

13 MAYOR TERRIGNO: All those in favor please say aye. Any  
14 opposed? The motion carries. Is there any other business?

15 MR. SCHULTE: Mayor, I was asked on Monday to investigate  
16 what the possibility was of getting Group W to tape all the  
17 council meetings. I had a conversation with them this afternoon,  
18 and I believe that John Mackey had already initiated that process  
19 and they are looking into it. I have been asked to get the city  
20 manger to send them a schedule of the upcoming council meetings,  
21 and they will consider how feasible it will be to tape it.

22 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Okay.

23 MR. HEILMAN: I have two other items for the agenda. The  
24 first one is a request to get the agenda in advance rather than  
25 having it just the day of the meeting. I don't know whose going  
26 to be preparing the agenda, whether the duty will now shift to  
27 the city manager --

28 MR. BIEN: Absolutely.

MAYOR TERRIGNO: I would like to hold off on it for a week.



Our office is not fully set up at this moment, and I just want  
1 to give us a little more leeway time.

2 MR. VITERBI: Just for this week, a recommendation that the  
3 city manager get it to us some time early next week, perhaps  
4 next Thursday we'll set up a procedure.

5 MR. HEILMAN: I have no problem with that. But we do need  
6 to set a procedure where the council can have the agenda in  
7 advance. I hate to have people call and ask me what's on the  
8 agenda and I don't know.

9 MR. BIEN: Without discussing it with the city council, it  
10 was my expectation that as soon as we came up to capability, that  
11 agendas would be prepared and would be available to the city  
12 council not later than Monday evening, and also for the public at  
13 city hall. Now, would that give the city council sufficient time  
14 to consider the agenda items before the council meetings on the  
15 forthcoming Thursday.

16 MR. HEILMAN: That would be great by me.

17 MR. BIEN: And the agendas would be available at city hall.  
18 I guess arrangements can be made to deliver them to your home at  
19 your wish, but you don't have to decide that tonight. This is  
20 just the direction we're going. What are we going to do about  
21 the December 13th agenda? Will that be the continued responsibility  
22 of the city attorney or me?

23 MR. HEILMAN: I would propose that the city attorney handle  
24 it for just this last week, because I think they already have  
25 several agenda items carried over. I think Miss Brown was  
26 taking down some items on the agenda last week, so if the city  
27 attorney can do that for one last week -- don't frown too much.  
28

1 MR. JENKINS: It's no problem at all. We won't have so  
2 much bulk. With all the contracts to copy, that's been part of  
3 the problem, and we can conclude most of what's going to be on  
4 the agenda tonight and tomorrow. And I'd like to have an agenda  
5 in your hands by early next week so that you'll have it in  
6 advance.

7 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Also for clarification, our city attorney  
8 was taking agenda items this morning so he couldn't do it any  
9 faster. We were still handing him items this morning.

10 MR. HEILMAN: Well, maybe next week we can set up a  
11 procedure where there is a deadline for getting things into the  
12 printed agenda, and with Fred's guidance we can establish a  
13 procedure for getting the agenda in advance.

14 MR. BIEN: Only as a matter of information, I think that's  
15 highly important that you do that because preparing an agenda on  
16 a weekly basis and to meet the deadline is a horrendous task  
17 upon staff. It's a killing job. So if there could be a cutoff  
18 so that we know that items up to a certain point will be carried  
19 forward and we could complete the agenda, do the typing, and  
20 the printing, and get it distributed, it would be a major help.

21 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Any additional business?

22 MR. HEILMAN: A similar type item. We have agreed to set  
23 up the table in a V shape so we could look at each other, and I  
24 think maybe that would solve some of the problems we have hearing  
25 you all down at the other end. So if we could do that in the  
26 future -- set the table in a V.

27 MR. VITERBI: I want to add, we have asked a stenographer  
28 to join us this evening. We don't have a bill yet -- she is not

1 finished with her work. I want to thank you for joining us.  
2 I'd like to move that we authorize having a stenographer from  
3 now on at all council meetings.

4 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I second.

5 MR. SCHULTE: Do we have any idea what the cost of that  
6 would be?

7 MAYOR TERRIGNO: \$100 for the session and \$3.25 a page.

8 MR. SCHULTE: That sounds excessive.

9 MR. VITERBI: You recommend we not have copies or not have  
10 a stenographer?

11 MR. SCHULTE: Well, let's give it a week and look into it  
12 a little further.

13 MR. VITERBI: I withdraw my motion.

14 MAYOR TERRIGNO: I like to move payment for this particular  
15 evening.

16 MR. SCHULTE: Second that.

17 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Any further discussion? All those in  
18 favor please say aye. Any opposed? We have one more check to  
19 write. Any other business from the city council.

20 MR. SCHULTE: I would like to ask that next week on the  
21 agenda we have some discussion about taxi permits. I understand  
22 that we're having some permits coming due at the end of December,  
23 and we need to make sure that we have an orderly process for  
24 having taxies in the City of West Hollywood. So if we could  
25 have that on the agenda next Thursday.

26 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Is there any research that you need done by  
27 the city attorney?

28 MR. SCHULTE: Actually, let me ask Mike if we could have a  
report prepared.

MR. JENKINS: Yes.

1 MR. SCHULTE: Okay, and I'll have some discussion with the  
2 Sheriff in the meantime because they're handling the permits at  
3 this point.

4 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Okay. Is there any other business? In  
5 the absence of other business, I'd like to take the communications  
6 from our audience before we recess to read our rent control letter.  
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8 ITEM 25: ORAL COMMUNICATION WITH AUDIENCE.  
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10 NANCY TAYLOR: My name is Nancy Taylor, 1047 N. Crescent  
11 Hights Boulevard 90046. I just have a question, Mayor. I have  
12 attended two meetings that have been held. There have been  
13 numerous ordinances passed on either the first or second reading,  
14 and are these ordinances in effect right now? What is in effect?  
15 and when is the public going to get to speak out their feelings  
16 to you on the ordinances? I believe that is necessary in this  
17 form of government.

18 MAYOR TERRIGNO: The city manager could answer the first  
19 part of the question in terms of what ordinances are in effect,  
20 and how that affects the public. And I'll answer the other.

21 MR. BIEN: May I defer that question to the city attorney?

22 MR. JENKINS: Yes. All the ordinances that were adopted  
23 on an urgency basis are in effect as soon as they are adopted.  
24 The majority of the ordinances that have been adopted thus far  
25 are, therefore, in effect because they have been urgency ordinances.  
26 There have been several ordinances that have merely been first  
27 read. Those do not take effect until they are read for a  
28 second time, and then a 30 day period must follow before they

1 take effect. There have been only two ordinances of that kind.  
2 One, that we did tonight, transferring tax collection duties to  
3 the County Assessor and Tax Collector, and the ordinance that  
4 was second read tonight on Councilmanic Compensation, that will  
5 not take effect until 30 days from tonight. All of the resolutions  
6 that the council has adopted will take effect immediately.  
7 Now that there is a temporary city hall, all of the ordinances  
8 and resolutions and all of the contracts will be in the city  
9 hall, and as soon as there is a copying machine, they will be  
10 available for the public to purchase at nominal cost or to  
11 simply review at city hall if you wish to review them. Does  
12 that answer your question?

13 MS. TAYLOR: Yes. Would it be possible for you to give  
14 them to me now? Would City Hall have them tomorrow. I would  
15 like to know just which ordinances were passed on an emergency  
16 basis and which ones are in effect. In other words, what is  
17 governing the community right now, which are legal right now.

18 MR. JENKINS: I believe that the rent control ordinance  
19 has been available in the Sheriff's Station across the street  
20 since Monday. I don't know if they still have copies. But the  
21 Rent Control Ordinance is in effect. We can make available  
22 copies of the other ordinances in city hall by tomorrow after-  
23 noon, if that's the direction of council. So people can come  
24 and look at them.

25 MAYOR TERRIGNO: All right.

26 MS. TAYLOR: Will we ever be able to address the city council  
27 regarding these question on how long they will be in effect.  
28 30 days? 60 days? or 6 months?

MAYOR TERRIGNO: The purpose of this portion of the agenda,

1 the Oral Communications, is for audience participation on any  
2 subject. So that is your opportunity to speak out on the ordinances.

3 MS. TAYLOR: Well, I find it difficult to speak on the  
4 ordinance when I don't have a copy of them.

5 MR. JENKINS: This item will appear on every agenda.

6 MS. TAYLOR: Then at every meeting, the audience can come  
7 up and address the council members regarding the ordinances?

8 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Yes..

9 MS. TAYLOR: For what period of time will that be?

10 MR. JENKINS: Forever.

11 MS. TAYLOR: Forever.

12 MR. JENKINS: Every meeting.

13 MS. TAYLOR: But once they are adopted and they are law --

14 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Those ordinances that we adopted, these  
15 have been temporary ordinances. The ones that I think that  
16 concern you. Many of the other things are to transfer responsi-  
17 bility to the City of West Hollywood. The emergency ordinance  
18 regarding rent control is available to you at the Sheriff's  
19 Station, and also at city hall, and we can answer your questions  
20 there.

21 MS. TAYLOR: Then they do have a particular duration on  
22 them -- the emergency ordinances that were adopted?

23 MAYOR TERRIGNO: The particular ones regarding the rent  
24 control and building moratorium have a limitation.

25 MS. TAYLOR: And I can pick these up tomorrow at city hall?

26 MR. BIEN: The rent control may be available at the  
27 Sheriff's Station. We left a number of copies there, and I don't  
28 know how many people may have picked them up. According to

1 statement of the city attorney, I assume he means that the  
2 original first meeting's ordinances and resolutions will be  
3 delivered to me some time tomorrow, if that is the case then they  
4 will be available for reading at the city hall.

5 MS. TAYLOR: Thank you very much.

6 MR. VITERBI: I also like to confirm my understanding that  
7 in the future members of the community will be able to approach  
8 the city clerk and note which items of the agenda they would  
9 like to speak on; is that correct?

10 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Yes.

11 MR. BIEN: Yes.

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13 JEANNE DOBRIN: Good evening. My name is Jeanne Dobrin,  
14 and I live at 9000 Cynthia Street. One of the reasons that we are  
15 all here tonight is because we want self determination. And that  
16 we were kind of fed up with the idea of having the seat of  
17 government so far away, not only geographically but also in the  
18 mind. I really appreciate the birth pangs that the city council  
19 is going through tonight because most of the things they have  
20 been discussing are really mundane and humdrum and so on. But  
21 they have to be taken care of before you could get into the  
22 swing of other things. But I am going to ask that we try, as  
23 soon as possible, to address ourselves to the situation of  
24 development in West Hollywood. There are going to be some  
25 wonderful developments that will be coming up, that will increase  
26 our tax base and will enhance the community. On the other hand,  
27 there have been developments in the past, and there are presently  
28 I am sure, that are being proposed to be done in the future, that

will not be good for West Hollywood. And I feel that the citizens  
1 want to have a lot of say about that. We need to get very  
2 quickly into the swing of having a good planning situation. I  
3 understand that Mr. Alexandrian and Mr. Sanobria are going to be  
4 the contacts of the planning department. I want to say a few  
5 good words about Mr. Don Cain who is the head of the building  
6 department now and has brought some wonderful things to our  
7 building department and corrected a lot of errors that took place  
8 in the past. I know you don't want me to talk too long. I have  
9 a habit of doing that. But I want to say that many of the things  
10 that have happened in the past in the building department have  
11 been a gross lack of communication between the building department  
12 and the planning commission. Sometimes the Board of Supervisors  
13 has passed ordinances. They have become effective, and  
14 implemented, and Mr. Cain has not yet even received a copy of  
15 the ordinance. This is the type of thing that has been going on.  
16 I think that we can do much better in West Hollywood, being here,  
17 working for ourselves, and doing this. But we need to get the  
18 finest people in the planning department, and in the building  
19 department. I think we already have the seed of them in the  
20 county. That will be up to you. What you decide. I hope that  
21 you will let the citizens too have a lot of say in what is going  
22 to happen to them. Thank you very much.

23           MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you Jeanne. I do want to say that  
24 the first step in that was to create these subcommittees to set  
25 up a procedure for planning. So that we could set up a commission  
26 and procedures in that area.

27           MS. DOBRIN: The worst thing that can happen to West  
28 Hollywood is that the parking and traffic problems would



1 worsen, that stems immediately from planning and building errors.  
2 And the next thing that goes along with that, as the Sheriff will  
3 tell you, is crime.

4       MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you.

5       GERDA SPIEGLER: My name is Gerda Spiegler. I live at  
6 1025 North Kings Road. There are a couple of things that aren't  
7 clear to me. Item No. 12, the tax situation, you mentioned  
8 sharing. The County doesn't want to give it up, and West  
9 Hollywood wants to collect. If I happened to, tomorrow, sell  
10 something. I'm not going to be billed by two people. It doesn't  
11 seem very clear.

12       MR. JENKINS: I'm sorry. I didn't hear the last part of  
13 your question.

14       MS. SPIEGLER: Suppose I sell a parcel of land, a building,  
15 or something. You mentioned that West Hollywood wants to collect  
16 the tax and the City wants to collect it. Now, you know you  
17 can't have it both ways. Where do you come to terms, clarify that.

18       MR. JENKINS: The County already collects it, and all we're  
19 seeking is our 50 percent.

20       MS. SPIEGLER: My question is: if tomorrow or next week  
21 or next month something is sold, do we get double billing? West  
22 Hollywood is seeking, and the County is seeking?

23       MR. JENKINS: No. What would happen is the County would  
24 continue to impose and collect the tax. What this authorizes us  
25 to do is to --

26       MS. SPIEGLER: --is to collect from the County. Now you  
27 clarified something. There are a couple other things, but I  
28 seem to have lost my trend. You were voting on the payment for

1 the temporary staff that you hired from an agency -- the amount  
2 that you would pay the temporary staff -- it's always been my  
3 assumption since I hired lots of help from agencies, that the  
4 rate is set by the agency at the time. I don't see where you can  
5 vote against the rate, unless you then discontinue these particular  
6 people, if it's too high for you.

7 MR. VITERBI: Only three of these were from a temporary  
8 service.

9 MS. SPIEGLER: I can't see why you would vote on something  
10 that is preset.

11 MR. BIEN: Madam Mayor, may I respond to that. This city  
12 council is not discussing what rate of pay will go to the  
13 temporary people hired through the agency. They are discussing  
14 the rate of pay that will be paid for persons who are incoming  
15 from the employment agency.

16 MS. SPIEGLER: Okay. That's clarified now. Thank you.

17 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Any other speakers?

18 JAMES PLATLER: This stuff isn't necessarily an indication  
19 of how long I intend to speak. (indicating) My name is James  
20 Platler. I live in Santa Monica. I am here with some colleagues  
21 among them Ron Collier of Ron Collier and Assoc. Builders who  
22 have offices on La Cienega Boulevard. John Dimundi is one of  
23 them, and Jim Flynn is another one. The thing that concerns us  
24 is a project at 155 North La Peer Drive. North La Peer, as most  
25 of you know is one of the most beautiful spots in West Hollywood.  
26 As a group, we think that it can be even more beautiful and,  
27 especially, the 155 address. On that location, at this time is  
28 a 1950's style piece of architecture, a commercial building of

1 about 4,000 square feet with sheet metal facade. The front of  
2 the building is a showcase of some of the ugliest staircasing  
3 that you'll come across in the area. Mr. Goldschmidt recently  
4 bought that building and he went through a painstaking search of  
5 Brentwood, where he has his current offices, and through Santa  
6 Monica --

7 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Excuse me, sir. We have a 15 minute  
8 time limit. So please get to the point.

9 MR. PLATNER: I will jump up to the point. He settled on  
10 West Hollywood for lots of reasons, not the least of which are  
11 the human resources present here and the fact that what we want  
12 to bring to West Hollywood is his design talent-- he is an  
13 internationally acclaimed graphic designer. And he feels that  
14 West Hollywood can best showcase the kind of professional  
15 contribution that he wishes to make to the design world. He  
16 very much wants to be here. The project that we're dealing with  
17 is a very tiny one. We wish to add about 200 square feet to  
18 this building, to the front corner of it. We wish also to remove  
19 the stairs and to enclose some of the building across the front  
20 to provide a facade. In other words, we wish to make this thing  
21 a model of what you will eventually shoot for when you have to  
22 find a standard.

23 MR. HEILMAN: May I interrupt you for a moment. Is it  
24 my understanding that you want an exemption to the moratorium on  
25 building?

26 MR. PLATNER: Yes, we like to have -- not necessarily an  
27 exemption, but we would like to have you look at the \$50,000  
28 figure.

1 MR. HEILMAN: Well, I just want to let you know that on  
2 the agenda for next week is consideration of exceptions to the  
3 building moratorium, and any exception we may want to make to  
4 that. It may be more appropriate if you came and raised your  
5 concern then. But feel free to finish now.

6 MR. PLATNER: Well, let me just summarize then, and also  
7 while I'm here, let me just pass -- since we spent so much time  
8 in these. This is the facade that we would to move forward with.

9 MR. HEILMAN: Show and tell.

10 MR. PLATNER: On the back of the facade is an example of  
11 Ron Collier's work. And I won't pursue this too far tonight.  
12 Also while you're looking at this, I'll give you this. You can  
13 just pass it along. If you'll be patient with me one second  
14 longer.

15 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Please make your concluding remarks.

16 MR. PLATNER: We would like you to look at the \$50,000  
17 figure. We can do more with \$50,000 than you could imagine.  
18 The problem is in addition to fixing the facade on the front, we  
19 need to do some interior work which puts us over the limit.  
20 We'd like to sit down with some of you when we're not annoying  
21 other people, and I will speak to this next week. Thank you  
22 for your time and patience.

23 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Mike -- the City Attorney -- I just want  
24 you to explain about individual exemptions versus exempting  
25 entire units of people so that when next Thursday comes, they  
26 understand what the situation is.

27 MR. JENKINS: If I understand your question to be -- we  
28 cannot exempt individual projects from the provisions of our  
ordinance. We can exempt generic categories of projects, and,

1 as I understand the gentleman, he wants us to consider increasing  
2 the monetary limit on that, and certainly that is something the  
3 council can consider.

4 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you. Next please.

5 GEORGE CREDLE: George Credle, 1211 North Flores. I'd  
6 like bring up one issue which is very important, and it does  
7 contradict somewhat Mr. Schulte's desires. When you are  
8 considering members for committees -- this is before formal  
9 commissions have been derived here in the city. It is important  
10 that all of those people who have a voice in terms of the vote  
11 of that which they then present to the city council be residents  
12 of West Hollywood. This does not mean, however, that any  
13 committee constituted by the city council cannot invite expert  
14 testimony or the testimony of people who are not residents of  
15 the city and can consider that information. However, I think  
16 any body that gives recommendations to the city council should  
17 be composed, in so far as is humanly possible, but always be  
18 citizens of West Hollywood. That, after all, was the purpose of  
19 incorporating.

20 MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you.

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22 ETHEL SHAPIRO: Good evening. My name is Ethel Shapiro  
23 and I live here and have lived here since 1948. I've have the  
24 pleasure of meeting some of you, and am looking forward to  
25 meeting the rest of you. I have been very active in the  
26 community, and becoming a city has been a dream come true for me.  
27 I have worked ever since I lived here, and I want to congratulate  
28 all of you for the fine begining that we have made. And I am  
saying "we". Whatever I can do to help this become a very fine

city, just let me know. Thank you.

1           MAYOR TERRIGNO (and council): Thank you very much.

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3           ROBERT PIERSON: My name is Robert Pierson and I live at  
4 7555 Delongpre. My address is one block north of the official  
5 city line of West Hollywood. And as someone who lives very near  
6 by the official city, I would just like to appeal that perhaps  
7 in consideration of people's concern that only residents, you  
8 know, allowed to be on committees and commissions. I think it's  
9 more a question of loyalty. And I have wanted to live in the  
10 City of West Hollywood for a long time, and this is the closest  
11 I can get because of rent, and I'd like to maybe appeal to you  
12 to allow people who live within two blocks of the city. And it  
13 really makes a lot of sense if you think of urban geography.  
14 The city has a very distorted boundary and border, and the real  
15 boundaries, I think, ought to be considered. Although it isn't  
16 for tax purposes and other things. At least people who live  
17 within Sunset and Melrose -- there's a lot of people who will  
18 put West Hollywood on their addresses for their official address.  
19 And I just want to make that appeal because it isn't so much  
20 a legalistic question of exact locality. I think the more  
21 broader question is of loyalty, and people still have a great  
22 loyalty for West Hollywood.

23           MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you.

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25 (James Ledford, through the sign language interpreter)

26           MR. LEDFORD: My name is James Ledford. I live at 1000  
27 North San Vicente Boulevard. I am speaking through an  
28 interpreter. And on behalf of the deaf community in West  
Hollywood, I want to thank you for your support and your

1 authorization to supply a sign language interpreter for city  
2 council meetings. I would like to ask the city manager to add  
3 to the agenda next week to put in for the purchase of a TDD,  
4 which is a special device that deaf people can use. There should  
5 be some way of communicating city hall for deaf people also. I  
6 recommend that you study this idea and adopt it. I think the  
7 cost of something like that runs between four and five hundred  
8 dollars. I can't remember what the current going rate is, but  
9 I'll bring more particular information to give the city manager,  
10 and he can relay that on to you. And again I want to thank you  
11 for your support of the handicapped. Thank you.

12 JOHN MACKEY: John Mackey, I live at 1240 North Flores  
13 Street. Honorable council members, tonight while this meeting  
14 is in progress, a video tape of last Thursday's historic  
15 inaugural proceedings is being televised by Group W Cable channel  
16 number 10. This cablecast will be repeated next Thursday,  
17 December 13th, at 3:30 P.M. That's on number 10 in the Group  
18 W. cable selector box. That features the installation of the  
19 new council members as well as the procedures at the first  
20 meeting of the West Hollywood City Council last Thursday night  
21 at Plummer Park. It is my recommendation that council approve  
22 the expenditure of the sum of \$120 to purchase a copy of the  
23 master-three-quarter-inch tape for our archives. Council should  
24 further approve spending \$35 for each conventional tape copy,  
25 either the half inch Beta or the half inch VHF. Finally, please  
26 schedule a brief opportunity for me to address the council at  
27 next Thursday's meeting so that I may report preliminary findings  
28 regarding the status of video cablecasting in West Hollywood.

1 I will be providing Mr. Schulte's subcommittee on the subject  
2 with a preliminary written report before that time, and I thank  
3 you for your time and consideration.

4           MAYOR TERRIGNO: Thank you.

5           VINCENT de CALSU: I am president of Celebrity Cab, and  
6 we are located at 8300 Sunset Boulevard, West Hollywood. I  
7 just want to thank Council Member Schulte and the honorable  
8 council for bringing up the matter of taxi permits. I'm a  
9 primary carrier of the City of Los Angeles. There have been  
10 many problems in the taxi industry both before and after the  
11 Olympics. I started in West Hollywood with two permits in '47,  
12 and I now maintain 156 permits throughout the City of West  
13 Hollywood. Right now there are 480 taxi permits that have been  
14 licensed in Los Angeles County. I only ask and advise that  
15 before you make a decision on granting permits or renewal of  
16 permits, that perhaps your projected transportation committee  
17 look into the matter of the industry. Anything I can do or my  
18 company along that way -- you can count on me. Thank you.

19           MR. SCHULTE: Could you leave your card with the city  
20 manager, please.

21           MAYOR TERRIGNO: I would like to move that we adjourn,  
22 recess to closed session to review some potential litigation  
23 regarding vested rights. Thank you all for coming tonight.  
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