

• To the Home Owners of Torrance • To All Its Citizens •  
 • To the Members of the Chamber of Commerce •  
 • To the three Members of the Torrance Citizens Committee •

# VOTE YES FOR TORRANCE

These Are The Facts as to the Municipal Bonds Submitted For Your Thoughtful Consideration And Vote of Approval  
**ON AUGUST 20<sup>TH</sup>**

These facts are set forth that you may not be misled by the superficial and unstudied appeal for a "NO" vote by some officers of a "citizens committee" and purportedly by the Chamber of Commerce through its directors. LET US consider the bond proposals in the light of their present day need and their long range benefits to Torrance and its home owners. LET US not be misled by those objections which in their negative arguments reflect no comprehension of the proposals or are deliberately set forth to becloud.

<b>Bond Proposition No. 1</b> <b>TRUNK SANITARY SEWERS</b> \$350,000.00	<b>YES</b>	<b>BECAUSE:</b> Torrance fails to meet its duty to property owners and that known record has stepped new growth and retarded population increase. We need the Sub-divider and Home Builders who will not await the special assessments and the formation of sanitary districts. Failure to have or to provide these facilities forces them into adjacent towns and areas with more expensive vision. Expanded facilities which result in community growth increases the City's assessed valuation and revenues for the benefit of all and produces an expanded buying power to our stores and our commercial center. This proposition extends sanitary trunk sewers into South Torrance District into WALTERIA District into North Torrance District and Hollywood Riviera District. WHICH OF THESE DISTRICTS DESIRES TO BECOME AND REMAIN IN THE CESSPOOL DISTRICT?
<b>Bond Proposition No. 2</b> <b>STORM DRAINS</b> \$95,000.00	<b>YES</b>	<b>BECAUSE:</b> "The same reasons as for sewers, proposition No. 1." Storm drains extend from South Torrance District. Storm drains extend from Central Torrance District. This is logical City improvement, and there can be found no excuse for denying normal good City Engineering as it applies to the control of surface and flood waters.
<b>Bond Proposition No. 3</b> <b>FIRE STATIONS, Etc.</b> \$125,000.00	<b>YES</b>	<b>BECAUSE:</b> The relocation and expansion to the Central Fire Station is imperative as the present Fire House has been condemned as unsafe for further use. It is inadequate in size and not logically located for the fast in and out movement of equipment. Its cost with a training tower and some new equipment is \$108,908.00. A new district station is proposed in WALTERIA, which together with its equipment will cost \$16,092.00. This proposition should be deemed mandatory by all.
<b>Bond Proposition No. 4</b> <b>POLICE STATION, GARAGES, Etc.</b> \$60,000.00	<b>YES</b>	<b>BECAUSE:</b> Present Police Station is inadequate to serve the Community. The present condemned Fire Station in the Civic Center, adjacent to City Hall is a logical location. The structure can be rehabilitated, new partitions installed, all old cells and jail equipment transferred affording a rehabilitated building to be occupied by Police Department at a cost of \$20,312.00. The City Hall Court Room and Judge's Chambers should be moved to afford expanded area for Building Department, Engineers offices and other crowded departments. Therefore, it is proposed to construct a one-story and basement addition at rear of Jail for a Court Room, Judge's Chambers and Jury Room, costing \$18,000.00. At the rear of Courts addition, 4 police car stalls are to be constructed opening onto alley. The basement beneath Courts Building is to be used for the Torrance Hall of Records. It appears that those officials of this proposition have little knowledge of the volume of ever-expanding records from offices of City Clerk, City Engineer, Building Department, Police Department, Fire Department, Court Records, Tax and License Records, etc., etc. The preservation of these records is mandatory. This basement record room is 30 ft. x 33 ft. and together with car stall addition on the ground floor costs \$15,686.00. This Jail, Police Department, Courts Building and "Hall of Records" has been branded by the Chamber of Commerce as "Bonding the City for construction of storage rooms."
<b>Bond Proposition No. 5</b> <b>STREET IMPROVEMENTS</b> \$400,000.00	<b>YES</b>	<b>BECAUSE:</b> "A specific plan for the use of this money" has been made available. There is over \$1,200,000.00 of street work which should be constructed in Torrance. This issue seeks \$400,000.00. This will keep Torrance to some measure extent abreast of other cities. It is proposed out of all the work needed at this time. To expend in SOUTH TORRANCE—on streets, \$38,000.00. To pave 11,500 lineal feet of alleys at a cost of \$23,000.00 in WALTERIA. To expend in new street work, \$62,000.00 in VISTA HIGHLANDS; to expend in new street work \$50,000.00 in NORTH TORRANCE, to provide alley paving at \$92,000.00 and street work at \$100,000.00 in Central Torrance. To the above, all added City Engineering 10% estimated fees. Critical comment has occurred that "the people are being asked to sign a \$400,000.00 Blank Check," a rather stupid and challenging statement to those who have exhaustively explored the need, and analyzed the potentials of matching funds through Federal, State and County hoped for aid, and which if attained, might expand the program into balance with the real need. YES! Let's ask you voters to endorse this, our fancied \$400,000.00 "Blank Check."
<b>Bond Proposition No. 6</b> <b>RECREATION FACILITIES</b> \$480,000.00	<b>YES</b>	<b>BECAUSE:</b> All items embodied in the Recreation program are a vital part of the life, happiness and betterment of Torrance. Probably in the field of adverse criticisms to the Bond proposals, no one item is so erroneously described and disclosed such lack of ability to read plans as the reference to "An Arts and Crafts Central Building" for there is no such building. All courts and welfare agencies concede that properly planned recreation and the wholesome, busy activity of interesting vocational training are the first lines of defense in combating delinquency. Our Recreation Department is charged with that duty, we must arm them with the means to work. Torrance recently voted to hold and maintain itself a clean City and we would keep our juveniles and our grown-ups from the lures of neighboring towns. BUT WHAT are we offering in exchange? THIS: a. The first unit of a Ball Park concrete stadium, located on the present Ball Park grounds. This is about one-third of the ultimate size, but contains all the dugouts, toilets, dressing rooms, etc., and the capacity will now be adequate by constructing side wings as wooden bleachers of the present usable material. An underpass adjacent connects the two park areas beneath the Santa Fe tracks. This cost is \$56,107.00. b. Municipal outdoor swimming pool of size for regulation contests. This project located adjacent to the Central Recreation Building, with heating, chlorination, runways, showers and locker rooms will cost \$111,648.00. c. WALTERIA Community Center and Recreation Building, with an assembly room, stage and two dressing rooms, Boy Scout room, Community Kitchen and two toilets. Beneath the stage is a small room for seat and table storage and which may be used till school take over for limited work of Arts and Crafts. The building has 4410 square feet, the space beneath stage is in area 840 square feet. Cost of this building with seating, furnishings, and equipment is \$65,780.00. This is one of our "Arts and Crafts Central Buildings." d. For the Civic Center there is proposed a Community Recreation Building, 1-story, part 2-story and basement in ground area 128 ft. x 130 ft. with total floor area of 31,058 square feet. First floor provides a gymnasium and basketball court, with spectators bank for 850. Lockers, showers, wash and toilet rooms for boys and girls. Teen age club room and three service club rooms, with offices for business and service clubs and a kitchen. Second floor provides two club rooms for Y.W.C.A. and Y.M.C.A. with tables and wash rooms for each. Basement provides a large and small game room for ping pong, shuffle board, pool, billiards, checkers and chess. A room for Boy Scouts and one for Girl Scouts. A boiler and maintenance room. Public Comfort Stations open off Craven Street. An area in basement of 1680 square feet has been requested for use of Arts and Crafts till schools can take this function over. 5% of total area of this building is temporarily allotted to Arts and Crafts. It would appear that defining this structure as "An Arts and Crafts Central Building" is born out of the fullness of someone's ignorance. Practically every person, young or old has a use for one of the phases of the activities of this building. Its total cost with equipment is \$269,375.00.
<b>Bond Proposition No. 7</b> <b>MAIN FOR COLORADO RIVER WATER</b> \$40,000.00	<b>YES</b>	<b>BECAUSE:</b> No main water line connects this Hollywood Riviera District with Torrance Municipal Water District and the residents are entitled to their share of such benefits.

Your Vote if "No" Upon These Issues "Will Retard Progress" — **BOND PROPOSITIONS • 1 to 7 YES!**  
 "Will Suffocate Industry" — "Will Burden Every Person Living in Torrance."  
**BECAUSE: WE WILL HAVE FAILED TO MEET OUR CITY'S NEED AND WITH A CONSCIOUSNESS OF A DUTY UNDONE.**  
 YOU HOME OWNERS — YOU WORKERS AND DWELLERS IN TORRANCE ARE ENTITLED TO THE BENEFITS AS SET FORTH IN THIS THOUGHTFULLY PREPARED PLAN FOR CITY IMPROVEMENTS AND COMMUNITY BETTERMENTS.