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# GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MAY 6th 8:00 P.M. PARKWAY SCHOOL CAFETORIUM

MEET YOUR RHA BOARD MEMBERS
UP-DATE ON OFF-SHORE OIL DRILLING

### Congratulations to Katy

Sincere congratulations to Katy Geissert, our city's first councilwoman, and a salute also to her campaign staff which worked so hard to achieve the final results.

Over the years, many of our Rivierans have become involved in local government, and it is with great pride that we witness the latest achievement of one of our members.

We know she will serve well and hope she will serve long.

Issues and Information of Importance to the Riviera



The larger than normal attendance at our April 1st meeting signified once again our members' keen interest in city politics and resulted in a lively and informative meeting.

Our May 6th meeting will offer a detailed review of your executive board's structure and how it functions to serve you.

Please come out and meet the board members. This will be our next-to-last general meeting before we break for the summer.

We will also be able to brief you on the latest developments regarding off-shore oil drilling in our beach area.

Jerry Galuhn

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## Torrance Municipal Airport-Environmental Impact Study Critique

EXCERPTS FROM A LETTER TO WILLIAM CRITCHFIELD, AIRPORT MANAGER

"A committee, chaired by the Riviera Homeowners Association was formed to study the EIS for the Torrance Municipal Airport. Two separate groups have done an in-depth study and these studies are attached.

"In summary, we believe this report is inadequate and should be sent back to DMJM (Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall) for further study and additional factual study and additional factual information. This report is being paid for by taxpayers money and we feel that we are entitled to our money's worth.

"We cannot believe that an organization such as DMJM could not do a much better job . . .

"Torrance Airport has a tremendous affect on the people in the surrounding areas and must be very carefully studied and controlled or we will have a miniature Westchester and this cannot be tolerated."

Sincerely.

Joe Clukey Chairman, Riviera Homeowners Airport Committee Chairman, EIS Torrance Airport Study Group

#### SUMMARY STATEMENTS BY GROUP I

"The draft environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Torrance Municipal Airport prepared by Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall (DMJM) is superficial and seems to avoid the issues. In fact, we doubt if this EIS meets the legal requirements of the federal and state governments for such a study.

"The federal and California acts for environmental impact statements/reports require that the following be described and eval-

- 1. Adverse environmental impacts
- 2. Alternatives to the proposed action

"Neither of these requirements receives adequate treatment. The principal adverse impacts are: (1) Noise--data grossly inadequate; (2) Safety--no separate section and mentioned only in passing; and (3) Air Pollution--inadequately treated. In addition, previous EIR's accepted by the city have included a section on Suggested Ameliorative Measures for Minimizing Adverse Environmental Impacts; this report does not. The section on Alternatives to the Proposed Action is inadequate and incomplete.

"For the reasons listed above, we feel that the legal requirements for such an EIS have not been satisfied."

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