

**City of Carpinteria  
Special Meeting of the  
Ad Hoc District Elections Committee**

**Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.  
Notice of Virtual Meeting and Agenda**

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**THE CITY OF CARPINTERIA HAS DETERMINED THIS MEETING TO BE AN  
ESSENTIAL PUBLIC MEETING THAT WILL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE  
PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS N-29-20 AND N-33-20  
AND SANTA BARBARA COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER'S ORDER**

In response to the spread of the COVID-19 virus, Governor Newsom has temporarily suspended the requirement for local agencies to provide a physical location from which members of the public can observe and offer public comment, and has ordered all Californians to stay home except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of certain critical infrastructure.

In compliance with these orders, and to minimize the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus, the City of Carpinteria is not permitting public access to the City Council Chambers for this meeting. Instead, you are strongly encouraged to participate in the alternative methods explained below:

#### **VIRTUAL VIEWING OF PUBLIC MEETINGS**

This meeting is available to view live. Instructions and links are provided below.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

If you wish to make a general public comment or to make a comment on a specific agenda item, via the **eComment** link on the City's agenda website the following methods are available. Please note that the **eComment** link does not become active until an agenda is posted.

- Distribution to Board Members. If you wish to submit a hard copy of written comments to board members (as either general public comment, as applicable, or on a specific agenda item), please submit your comment via the **eComment** link on the City's agenda website (<https://carpinteria.ca.us/city-hall/agendas-meetings>) at least **three (3) hours prior to the start time of the meeting**. Please note that these comments will not be read into the record during the meeting.
  
- Read Into the Record During Meeting. If you would like your comment read into the record during the meeting (as either general public comment, as applicable, or on a specific agenda item), please specify this in your comment. Please submit your comment of less than 250 words via the **eComment** link on the City's agenda website (<https://carpinteria.ca.us/city-hall/agendas-meetings>) at least **three (3) hours prior to the start time of the meeting**. Every effort will be made to read your comment into the record, but some comments may not be read due to time limitations. Please also note that if you submit a written comment *that is over 250 words or do not specify that you would like this comment read into the record* during the meeting, consistent with the City's

practice when it receives written public comments on agenda items, your comment will be forwarded to board members for their consideration.

- Real-Time Public Comment Through Zoom Webinar. Members of the public attending the public meeting through the City's Zoom Webinar platform (see link provided below) have the option of providing real-time public comments on agenda matters. To make public comments through this platform please use the "raise your hand" feature to notify staff that you would like to make a public comment during designated public comment times. Once it is your turn to provide a public comment, staff will unmute your microphone and you will be given a designated amount of time to provide your comment (typically, the practice has been up to three (3) minutes per speaker on each item). At the end of your comment, staff will once again mute your microphone.

The situation with COVID-19 is constantly evolving and the City will provide updates to any changes to this policy as soon as possible. The public is referred to the City's web at [www.carpinteria.ca.us](http://www.carpinteria.ca.us) for the latest COVID-19 policies and information. The City of Carpinteria thanks you in advance for taking all precautions to prevent spreading the COVID-19 virus.

**ZOOM WEBINAR LINK:** This meeting is available to view live via Zoom Webinar by [CLICKING HERE!](#) Alternatively, you can join by following one of these methods: (1) log on to [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us), download the application, select "Join Meeting", and enter Webinar ID 813 5688 4641; OR (2) call +1 (669) 900-9128 and enter Webinar ID 813 5688 4641.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call.
2. Public Comment: This is a time for public comments on matters not otherwise on the agenda but within the subject matter jurisdiction of the District Elections Committee.
3. Approval of meeting minutes of July 13, 2021.
4. Discuss website updates.
5. Discuss and recommend a schedule of public community workshops and timeline and outline the format of the first meeting.
6. Scheduling of next meeting.
7. Adjournment.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 755-4403 or the California Relay Service at (866) 735-2929. Notification one business day prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements for accessibility to this meeting.

This agenda was posted on Friday, August 20, 2021, on the City Hall Public Notices Window and on the Internet.

**City of Carpinteria  
Ad Hoc District Elections Committee  
Special Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.  
Virtual Meeting**

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Acting City Clerk Barrett noted for the record that this meeting would be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Governor's Executive Orders N-29-20 and N-33-20 and Santa Barbara County Health Officer's Order in response to the spread of the COVID-19 virus and provided the protocols by which the public would be participating and stated that members of the Committee, staff and any presenters would be participating by video conference.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call.

Councilmember Alarcon called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

Committee Members present: Councilmember Natalia Alarcon  
Vice Mayor Al Clark

Staff members present: Dave Durflinger, City Manager  
Olivia Uribe Mutal, Program Manager  
Brian C. Barrett, Acting City Clerk

Others present: Chris Chafee, Redistricting Partners  
Fred Shaw  
Lisa Guravitz  
Kay Montplaisir  
Russell Ruiz

2. Public Comment:

There was no public comment.

3. Approval of meeting minutes of June 8, 2021.

Motion by Vice Mayor Clark, seconded by Councilmember Alarcon, to approve the meeting minutes of June 8, 2021. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Alarcon, Vice Mayor Clark  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

The motion carried unanimously.

4. Discuss and recommend the option for four districts with an at-large elected Mayor or five districts.

City Manager Durlinger presented the options for the Committee's consideration. Chris Chaffee with Redistricting Partners, presented the staff memo.

Speakers via Zoom: Fred Shaw and Lisa Guravitz asked about the cost of an at-large mayoral election.

Motion by Vice Mayor Clark, seconded by Councilmember Alarcon, to recommend the option of five districts. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Alarcon, Vice Mayor Clark  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

The motion carried unanimously.

5. Discuss and recommend a process for City Council to determine which three districts will be a part of the November 2022 election.

Chris Chaffee with Redistricting Partners presented the staff memo.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Vice Mayor Clark, seconded by Councilmember Alarcon, to follow Elections Code Section 10010 (a) and (b) to establish a process for the City Council to determine which three districts will be a part of the November 2022 election. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Alarcon, Vice Mayor Clark  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None  
ABSTAIN: None

The motion carried unanimously.

6. Discuss and recommend which mapping tools will be made available to the public.

Chris Chaffee with Redistricting Partners presented the staff memo.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Alarcon, seconded by Vice Mayor Clark, to recommend the use of DistrictR and paper maps as the mapping tools that will be made available to the public. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Alarcon, Vice Mayor Clark

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

The motion carried unanimously.

7. Scheduling of next meeting.

The next meeting was scheduled for August 17, 2021 at 3:00 pm.

8. Adjournment.

Councilmember Alarcon adjourned the meeting at 4:07 pm.

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Brian C. Barrett, Acting City Clerk