

**City of Carpinteria
City Council Minutes
Regular Meeting
Monday, January 24, 2022**

In-Person and Virtual

Acting City Clerk Brian C. Barrett noted for the record that in response to the Governor's Executive Orders N-07-21 and N-08-21, the City of Carpinteria has made the decision to provide both in-person and virtual attendance and participation options available to the public for this meeting and additionally noted the protocols by which the public could participate and should one of the virtual attendance/viewing or public comment options be unavailable due to technological issues, the public is invited to take advantage of one of the other participation options available.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nomura called the meeting to order at 4:32 pm.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Councilmember Natalia Alarcon
 Councilmember Gregg A. Carty
 Councilmember Roy Lee
 Vice Mayor Al Clark
 Mayor Wade T. Nomura

Staff members present: Dave Durflinger, City Manager
 Brian C. Barrett, Acting City Clerk

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION MATTERS

There was no public comment.

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR(S)
 Government Code Section 54957.6; City Negotiator(s): Laura Hernandez, Human Resources Administrator and Dave Durflinger, City Manager;
 Employee Organization: Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 620

TEMPORARY ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Nomura temporarily adjourned to Closed Session at 4:33 pm.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nomura called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Councilmember Natalia Alarcon
Councilmember Gregg A. Carty
Councilmember Roy Lee
Vice Mayor Al Clark
Mayor Wade T. Nomura

Staff members present: Dave Durlinger, City Manager
Jena Shoaf Acos, on behalf of Brownstein Hyatt Farber
Schreck, LLP acting as City Attorney of the City
of Carpinteria
Brian C. Barrett, Acting City Clerk
Michael Ramirez, Assistant City Manager
Olivia Uribe Mutal, Program Manager
John L. Ilasin, Public Works Director
Matt Roberts, Parks, Recreation & Public Facilities
Director
Licette Maldonado, Administrative Services Director

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Manager Durlinger announced that there was no reportable action from the Closed Session.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Nomura led those present in the salute to the flag.

INTRODUCTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

2. Proclamation Designating the Month of February 2022 as "Black History Month".

Speakers via Zoom: Jordan Killebrew on behalf of Healing Justice Santa Barbara

Motion by Councilmember Alarcon, seconded by Vice Mayor Clark, to approve the Proclamation Designating the Month of February 2022 as "Black History Month." The voice vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Alarcon, Councilmember Carty, Councilmember Lee, Vice Mayor Clark, and Mayor Nomura
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Nomura and the City Council virtually presented the proclamation to Mr. Killebrew.

PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lieutenant Butch Arnoldi with the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department provided an update on crime in the City.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Durflinger reported on the City Council Workplan Session held the past Saturday and Program Manager Uribe Mutal provided an update on the COVID-19 pandemic and the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

PRESENTATIONS BY CITIZENS / PUBLIC COMMENT

Emails distributed: Suzan Cluderay and Stephen Meade

There was no oral public comment.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS: NONE

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Motion by Councilmember Lee, seconded by Vice Mayor Clark, to approve the Consent Calendar Item Nos. 3 through 7. The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Alarcon, Councilmember Carty, Councilmember Lee, Vice Mayor Clark, and Mayor Nomura
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of January 10, 2022.

4. Receive and file the Expenditures for the period beginning January 1, 2022 and ending January 14, 2022.
5. Receive and file the Contracts executed by the City Manager on behalf of the City for the period of November 16, 2021 through January 17, 2022.
6. Receive and file the Monthly City Treasurer's Report on Compliance with Statement of Safekeeping and Investment of Public Funds.
7. Receive and file the Quarterly Review of Pension Stabilization Trust.

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

8. Authorization for the City Manager to sign and submit a notice of dispute ("Notice of Dispute") to the County of Santa Barbara ("County") Sheriff's Office ("Sheriff's Office") disputing the Sheriff's Office's recomputation of compensation for fiscal year ("FY") 2022-23.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to sign and submit a Notice of Dispute to the County Sheriff's Office.

City Manager Durlinger and Russ Branson with Russ Branson Consulting presented the staff report. Mr. Branson was present via Zoom.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Alarcon, seconded by Vice Mayor Clark, to authorize the City Manager to sign and submit a Notice of Dispute to the County Sheriff's Office. The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Alarcon, Councilmember Carty, Councilmember Lee, Vice Mayor Clark, and Mayor Nomura
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

The motion carried unanimously.

9. Authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 7 to the Agreement with COM3 Consulting, Inc. for consulting project management services for the Carpinteria Avenue Bridge Replacement Project.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 7 to the Agreement with COM3 Consulting, Inc. for consulting project management services for the Carpinteria Avenue Bridge Replacement Project in a not-to-exceed

amount of \$21,360, thereby extending the term and increasing the maximum Agreement amount to \$156,060. *(This motion requires a roll call vote.)*

Public Works Director Ilasin presented the staff report.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Lee, seconded by Councilmember Alarcon, to authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 7 to the Agreement with COM3 Consulting, Inc. for consulting project management service for the Carpinteria Avenue Bridge Replacement Project in a not-to-exceed amount of \$21,360, thereby extending the term and increasing the maximum Agreement amount to \$156,060. The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Alarcon, Councilmember Carty, Councilmember Lee, Vice Mayor Clark, and Mayor Nomura
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

The motion carried unanimously.

10. Resolution No. 6097, approving applications for the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) to the California Department of Parks and Recreation Office of Grants and Local Services. *(This motion requires a roll call vote.)*

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 6097, approving applications for the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

Parks, Recreation & Public Facilities Director Roberts presented the staff report.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Vice Mayor Clark, seconded by Councilmember Lee, to adopt Resolution No. 6097, as read by title only. The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Alarcon, Councilmember Carty, Councilmember Lee, Vice Mayor Clark, and Mayor Nomura
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING:

11. City Council District Maps review, including presentation on three draft plans created by Redistricting Partners for Council review and feedback.

Recommendation: Receive the staff presentation, open the public hearing and receive public comment, close the public hearing, deliberate and provide direction to staff and consultant as determined appropriate, and schedule the next meeting.

City Manager Durlinger, Program Manager Uribe Mutal, and Sophia Garcia with Redistricting Partners presented the staff report. Ms. Garcia was present via Zoom.

Mayor Nomura opened up the public hearing at 7:11 pm.

Emails distributed: Russell Ruiz

Speakers via Zoom: Lisa Guravitz

Mayor Nomura closed the public hearing at 7:12 pm.

Vice Mayor Clark was in favor of a map that uses the freeway as a dividing line and has discrete neighborhoods on each side as well as keeping the beach area as one neighborhood. He presented his map to the Council.

Councilmember Lee was in favor of Draft Plan A with a change to include Sawyer Avenue for District C and remove it from District E.

Mayor Nomura commented that it makes sense to have the freeway as a dividing corridor.

Vice Mayor Clark recommended Draft Map A, but to remove the smaller portion of District E north of the freeway and combine it with District D.

Mayor Nomura requested that Ms. Garcia come back with an amended Draft Map A to remove the smaller portion of District E north of the freeway and combine it with District D for the Council to consider at the next meeting.

Councilmember Alarcon suggested Draft Map A, but preferred removing the smaller portion of District E north of the freeway and combine it with District D. She also suggested Draft Map B even though District E crossed over the freeway, but assumed there could be communities of interest there.

Vice Mayor Clark appreciated Draft Plan B, but did not like District E crossing over the freeway.

Motion by Councilmember Lee, seconded by Councilmember Carty, to receive and file the presentation and public comments received to date. The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Alarcon, Councilmember Carty, Councilmember Lee, Vice Mayor Clark, and Mayor Nomura
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

The motion carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS:

12. Appointments to the Harbor Seal Advisory Committee.

Recommendation: Make appointments to the Harbor Seal Advisory Committee.

Parks, Recreation & Public Facilities Director Roberts presented the staff report.

Emails distributed: Susan Mailheau

There was no oral public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Lee, seconded by Councilmember Carty, to approve those individuals as nominated by Councilmembers Clark and Lee: Andrew Brooks, David Allen, and Susan Mailheau and to also appoint two additional members to the Harbor Seal Advisory Committee as follows: (1) C Kathleen Lord (2) Teri Kay Pulliam. The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Alarcon, Councilmember Carty, Councilmember Lee, Vice Mayor Clark, and Mayor Nomura
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

The motion carried unanimously.

13. General Fiscal Outlook and General Fund Reserve Policy report related to the City's update of its Long-Term Financial Plan.

Recommendation: (1) Receive and file the Fiscal Outlook report and (2) Receive the General Fund Reserve Policy report and direct staff, based on the report, to prepare and return with an updated policy for City Council consideration.

Administrative Services Director Maldonado and Consultant Bill Statler presented the staff report.

Vice Mayor Clark asked for clarification if the update to the General Fund Reserve Policy would align with the recommendations presented by the Consultant. Administrative Services Director Maldonado answered affirmatively.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Lee, seconded by Vice Mayor Clark, to receive and file the Fiscal Outlook and Reserve Policy reports and direct staff to prepare an updated General Fund Reserve Policy for Council consideration at a future meeting. The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmember Alarcon, Councilmember Carty, Councilmember Lee, Vice Mayor Clark, and Mayor Nomura
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

The motion carried unanimously.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:

City Manager Durflinger presented the usual attachments from the League of California Cities.

Councilmember Lee noted that the Santa Barbara Humane Society will be asking the County Board of Supervisors to approve policy changes in July and requested staff look into such policies and support the changes to the Human Society. The Council gave consensus to having staff fulfill Councilmember Lee's request. City Manager Durflinger clarified that staff will bring back an agenda matter for the Council to consider.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, INQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS PRESENTED BY COUNCILMEMBERS


Councilmember Alarcon reported on the South Coast Youth Safety Partnership meeting she attended where discussion centered on the trend in opioid use specific to fentanyl in the County.

ATTENDANCE OF COUNCILMEMBERS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

All Councilmembers are expected to be in attendance at the next regular City Council meeting of February 14th.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Nomura adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.



Wade T. Nomura, Mayor

ATTEST:



Brian C. Barrett, Acting City Clerk

