

**City of Carpinteria  
City Council Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
Monday, December 13, 2021**

**In-Person and Virtual**

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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 4:02 pm.

**ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present:            Councilmember Natalia Alarcon  
   Councilmember Gregg A. Carty  
   Councilmember Roy Lee  
   Vice Mayor Al Clark (arrived at 4:05 pm)  
   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  
   Laura Hernández, Human Resources/Risk Manager

**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 Durlinger, City Manager;  
Employee Organization: Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 620

## **TEMPORARY ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor Nomura temporarily adjourned to Closed Session at 4:03 pm.

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Nomura called the meeting to order at 5:31 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  
Laura Hernández, Human Resources/Risk Manager  
Michael Ramirez, Assistant City Manager  
John L Ilasin, Public Works Director  
Olivia Uribe Mutal, Program Manager  
Erin Maker, Environmental Program Manager (present  
via Zoom)  
Steve Goggia, Community Development Director  
Matt Roberts, Parks, Recreation & Public Facilities  
Director

## **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

Human Resources/Risk Manager Hernández 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.

## **TEMPORARY ADJOURNMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF HOLDING THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE CARPINTERIA LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Mayor Nomura temporarily adjourned the meeting at 5:34 pm.

## **RECONVENE THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Mayor Nomura reconvened the meeting at 5:44 pm.

## **INTRODUCTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Emails distributed: Russell Ruiz

Motion by Councilmember Lee, seconded by Councilmember Carty, to approve the Proclamation Commending the Carpinteria High School Boys Water Polo Team for Winning the CIF Championships for the First Time in History. Upon voice vote, the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Nomura and the City Council congratulated and presented the Proclamation to the Carpinteria High School Boys Water Polo Team.

2. Proclamation Commending the Carpinteria High School Boys Water Polo Team for Winning the CIF Championships for the First Time in History.

## **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 Durlinger introduced Michael Ramirez as the City's Assistant City Manager. Mr. Ramirez thanked staff and the City Council gave him a warm welcome.

## **PRESENTATIONS BY CITIZENS / PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no in-person public comment nor speakers via Zoom.

Emails distributed: Janet and Andrew Klimowich and Michelle Doyle

## **AGENDA MODIFICATIONS: NONE**

## **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Emails distributed: Russell Ruiz (for Agenda Item No. 6)

Motion by Councilmember Lee, seconded by Vice Mayor Clark, to approve the Consent Calendar Item Nos. 3 through 6. 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 November 22, 2021 and the minutes of the special City Council meeting of November 29, 2021.
4. Receive and file the Expenditures for the period beginning November 13, 2021 and ending December 3, 2021.
5. Receive and file the Monthly City Treasurer's Report on Compliance with Statement of Safekeeping and Investment of Public Funds.
6. Approve the term extension for an Operating Agreement between the City and California Department of Parks & Recreation concerning use and maintenance of portions of Carpinteria State Beach generally located adjacent the south end of Linden Avenue.

**ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:**

7. Amendment No. 2 to Agreement with West Coast Arborists, Inc. for a One-Year Term Extension and Increase to Related Costs to Provide Tree Maintenance Services.

Recommendation: Authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement with West Coast Arborists, Inc. for a one-year term extension to provide tree maintenance services in an amount not-to-exceed \$144,577 for a total amended agreement amount of \$648,179. *(This motion requires a roll call vote.)*

Staff Presenter: John L. Ilasin, Public Works Director

There was no public comment.

Motion by Vice Mayor Clark, seconded by Councilmember Alarcon, to authorize the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement with West Coast Arborists, Inc. for a one-year term extension to provide tree maintenance services in an amount not-to-exceed \$144,577 for a total amended agreement amount of \$648,179. 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.

8. Scheduling a special meeting of the City Council for consideration of the Annual Work Plan.

Recommendation: Schedule a special City Council meeting for consideration of the Annual Work Plan, to be held from 8:00 a.m. to approximately noon, Saturday, January 22, 2022.

Staff Presenter: Dave Durlinger, City Manager

There was no public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Alarcon, seconded by Vice Mayor Clark, to schedule a special City Council meeting for consideration of the Annual Work Plan, 8 a.m. to approximately noon, Saturday, January 22, 2022. 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:**

9. City Council District Mapping, Second Pre-Map Hearing: Presentation around the principles of districting, opportunity for pre-map public input on communities of interest and city districts. Presentation from the public of any maps identifying communities, discussion of preferences of neighborhoods, geographic or other features that should be considered in drawing of public plans.

Recommendation: Receive the staff presentation, open the public hearing and receive public comment, close the public hearing and schedule the next meeting.

Staff Presenter: Dave Durlinger, City Manager, Olivia Uribe Mutal, Program Manager, and Sophia Garcia with Redistricting Partners (Ms. Garcia was present via Zoom)

Mayor Nomura opened up the public hearing at 6:55 pm.

Emails distributed: Russell Ruiz

Speakers via Zoom: Mike Wondolowski

Mayor Nomura closed the public hearing at 6:57 pm.

Motion by Councilmember Lee, seconded by Councilmember Alarcon, 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.

10. Ordinance No. 750, adding Article V (Specific Regulations for Organics Waste Disposal, Reduction, Recycling, and Solid Waste Collection) to Chapter 8.08 (Integrated Waste Management) of the Carpinteria Municipal Code.

Recommendation: Approve Ordinance No. 750, waive further reading, introduce as read by title only, and continue to January 10, 2022 for second reading and adoption.

Staff Presenter: John L. Ilasin, Public Works Director, Erin Maker, Environmental Program Manager (Ms. Maker was present via Zoom), and Kim Nilsson with Solid Waste Solutions, Inc.

Mayor Nomura opened the public hearing at 7:22 pm and being there was no public comment, closed the public hearing at 7:22 pm.

City Manager Durlinger noted that since this was the first reading of Ordinance No. 750, there was no need to waive further reading as that will occur at the second reading of Ordinance No. 750.

Motion by Councilmember Alarcon, seconded by Vice Mayor Clark, to approve Ordinance No. 750, waive further reading, introduce as read by title only, and continue for adoption to January 10, 2022.

Mayor Nomura reminded staff's modification to strike "waive further reading" from the motion.

Councilmember Alarcon amended the motion, and Vice Mayor Clark seconded the amended motion, to approve Ordinance No. 750, introduce as read by title only, and continue for adoption to January 10, 2022. The roll call vote on the amended motion 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:**

11. A report to the City Council pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9212 ("9212 Report") analyzing the impacts and effects of a proposed "Initiative Measure to Change and/or Readopt the City of Carpinteria's General Plan Designation and Zoning Designation for Two Parcels of City-Owned Property (APN 004-105-011 and APN 004- 105-026) Located Adjacent to the Railroad Tracks to the West of Linden Avenue and to Amend the Definition of the Open Space/Recreation (OSR) Land Use Category of the General Plan Land Use Element" ("Initiative"). This Initiative was put forth by proponents in response to the Surfliner Inn Project.

Recommendation: Receive and file the 9212 Report analyzing the impacts and effects of the proposed Initiative measure.

Staff Presenter: Dave Durlinger, City Manager, Steve Goggia, Community Development Director, and Jena Shoaf Acos, on behalf of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP acting as City Attorney of the City of Carpinteria

In-Person Speakers: Amrita Salm and Susan Allen

Speakers via Zoom: Mike Wondolowski and Ted Rhodes

Emails distributed: Russell Ruiz, Beverly Palmer with Strumwasser & Woocher LLP

Even though this item was a non-action item, Mayor Nomura requested a roll call vote to receive and file the 9212 Report analyzing the impacts and effects of the proposed Initiative measure. 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 9212 Report was received and filed.

Mayor Nomura recessed to a break at 8:37 pm and reconvened the meeting at 8:42 pm.

The Council gave consensus to hear Agenda Item No. 13 before Agenda Item Nos. 12 and 14.

13. Presentation of the 2021 Carpinteria Valley Economic Profile.

Recommendation: Receive and file the 2021 Carpinteria Valley Economic Profile report and presentation by Mark Schniepp, Ph.D., Director of the California Economic Forecast Project.

Staff Presenter: Dave Durlinger, City Manager and Mark Schniepp, Ph.D., Director of the California Economic Forecast Project

Speakers via Zoom: Mike Wondolowski

Emails distributed: Russell Ruiz

Motion by Councilmember Lee, seconded by Councilmember Carty, to receive and file the presentation. 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.

12. Acquisition of real property located at 5467 Carpinteria Avenue (APN 001-070-029, 003-280-006 and 003-280-007) totaling 0.61 acres.

Recommendation: Authorize the Mayor to sign the Purchase and Sale Agreement and other necessary documents to complete the acquisition of 5467 Carpinteria Avenue.

Staff Presenter: Matt Roberts, Parks, Recreation and Public Facilities Director

There was no public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Lee, seconded by Councilmember Alarcon, to authorize the Mayor to execute the Purchase and Sale Agreement and other necessary documents to complete the acquisition of 5467 Carpinteria Avenue. 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.

14. Joining a national opioid litigation settlement.

Recommendation: Approve joining the national opioid litigation settlement and authorize the City Manager to submit the necessary participation forms.

Staff Presenter: Dave Durflinger, City Manager

There was no public comment.

Motion by Vice Mayor Clark, seconded by Councilmember Alarcon, to join the national opioid litigation settlement and authorize the City Manager to submit the necessary participation forms. 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.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS, INQUIRIES AND OTHER MATTERS PRESENTED BY COUNCILMEMBERS**

Councilmember Carty recognized the Carpinteria Lion's Club for all they do throughout the year for the City and the Festival of Trees along with the Skate Park Foundation raised \$47,000 for the Skate Park Project.

**ATTENDANCE OF COUNCILMEMBERS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

All Councilmembers are expected to be in attendance at the next regular City Council meeting of January 10, 2022.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Nomura adjourned the meeting at 9:23 p.m.

  
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Wade T. Nomura, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Brian C. Barrett, Acting City Clerk