



# ***City Hall Advance***

**Current & Upcoming Projects/News  
from Carpinteria City Hall  
for January 2018**

## **EXECUTIVE/CITY CLERK SUMMARY**



### **New Year's Resolution**

The City Council will meet on Saturday, January 27, 8 a.m. to discuss the Work Plan and strategic initiatives for the 2018 calendar year. The special meeting is held annually in the City Hall Council chambers and, among other things, is an opportunity for members of the public to request specific work matters be considered by the Council for priority and funding during the upcoming year.

### **Thomas Fire Recovery Information**

For up to date information on how to safely conduct ash clean-up and other health & safety recommendations, go to the City's website: [www.carpinteria.ca.us](http://www.carpinteria.ca.us). Copies of the Ash Management Plan are also available at City Hall, 5775 Carpinteria Avenue.

The City will continue to host a number of Thomas Fire recovery forums. In coordination with local, state and federal partners, the County of Santa Barbara held a recovery assistance meeting at Carpinteria Community Church on December 22. Recovery assistance meetings serve as a centralized, single point locations to provide essential resources and services to community members who are beginning the recovery process to restore their households.

Representatives from various local, state and federal agencies will be present to answer questions and provide important information. Information will be provided to aid in rebuilding assistance, permitting, hazardous materials clean-up and many other topics. This is the first step to the many that will follow in our community recovery process. Check the County's Thomas Fire website for the next scheduled meeting: <http://www.countyofsb.org/thomasfire.sbc#update> , or call 805 681-5542.

An agriculture stakeholders meeting will be scheduled for January, at City Hall, 5775 Carpinteria Avenue. The USDA's Farm Service Agency and Natural Resources Conservation Service will have workshops to aid agricultural producers; including cattle, tree, nursery, vegetable, and berry farmers in

filing for federal assistance programs. Appointments can be arranged now for filing applications during these workshops.

The California Avocado Commission and University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) are coordinating with the USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) the availability of field appointments for growers who have been impacted by the Thomas Fire. Personnel from both FSA and NRCS will be available to assist growers with the necessary paperwork to apply for federal assistance.

For more information, contact the County of Santa Barbara Agricultural Commissioner's office: <http://cosb.countyofsb.org/agcomm/>, or call 805 681-5542.

### **Carpinteria Oil & Gas Plant Shutdown**

Consistent with the plan filed in bankruptcy court by Venoco and Chevron as well as public announcements of Chevron, it is expected that offshore platforms Gail and Grace and the onshore Carpinteria oil & gas processing facility will be completely shut down and ownership transfer from Venoco to Chevron completed in January 2018. This milestone will also mark the beginning of the permitting process whereby Chevron will seek federal, state and local permits for decommissioning the offshore and onshore facilities. Future use(s) of the 50-plus acre site, located directly behind City Hall, is a major topic of the City's ongoing General Plan update process (see Community Development section for more information on the next General Plan update meeting).

### **City Council Meeting Agenda Matters Tentatively Scheduled for January 2018**

- Volunteer of the Year (Annual Chamber Merit Award)
- Annual Report on Homeless Services Program
- Ash Avenue Improvement Project Close Out
- Results of RFP Process - Inn Project at the Railroad Site
- Heath Park Ranch Options (level 3 report)
- Approval of Independent Auditor Report (CAFR)
- Quarterly Review of Investments Results
- Integrated Pest Management Annual Report
- Marijuana Ordinance
- Options for Reducing Parking DIF and Increasing It Incrementally
- Army Corp of Engineers Shoreline Feasibility Study
- Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act Ordinance
- Consider Carpinteria Sanitary District's DIF Waiver Request

## **BUSINESS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

### **First Friday:**

January's First Friday theme is "Unity in the Community" and is happening on January 5, 2018. Come to Downtown Linden Avenue and support our local businesses and take advantage of after-holiday prices. The Annual Hospice Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place at 5:30 pm at the Seal Fountain and at 6:30 pm join us in acknowledging our local fire heroes at the Seal Fountain. Out of the Blue and South on Linden bands will be performing at the Carpinteria Arts Center from 7 to 10 pm.



**City of Carpinteria  
GATV Channel 21 Schedule for January 2018**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Program</b>		<b>Start Time</b>	<b>Estimated End Time</b>
1/1/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/2/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/3/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/4/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/5/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/6/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/7/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/8/2018	City Council Meeting	Live Broadcast	5:30 PM	7:30 PM
1/9/2018	School District Board Meeting	Live Broadcast	5:30 PM	7:30 PM
1/10/2018	Water District Board Meeting	Live Broadcast	5:30 PM	7:30 PM
1/10/2018	City Council Meeting	Rebroadcast	8:00 PM	10:00 PM
1/11/2018	School District Board Meeting	Rebroadcast	7:00 PM	9:00 PM
1/12/2018	Water District Board Meeting	Rebroadcast	7:00 PM	9:00 PM
1/13/2018	City Council Meeting	Rebroadcast	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
1/14/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/15/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/16/2018	General Plan Update Committee Meeting	Live Broadcast	5:30 PM	7:30 PM
1/17/2018	General Plan Update Committee Meeting	Rebroadcast	8:00 PM	10:00 PM
1/18/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/19/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/20/2018	General Plan Update Committee Meeting	Rebroadcast	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
1/21/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/22/2018	City Council Meeting	Live Broadcast	5:30 PM	7:30 PM
1/23/2018	School District Board Meeting	Live Broadcast	5:30 PM	7:30 PM
1/24/2018	Water District Board Meeting	Live Broadcast	5:30 PM	7:30 PM
1/24/2018	City Council Meeting	Rebroadcast	8:00 PM	10:00 PM
1/25/2018	School District Board Meeting	Rebroadcast	7:00 PM	8:00 PM
1/26/2018	Water District Board Meeting	Rebroadcast	7:00 PM	9:00 PM
1/27/2018	City Council Meeting	Rebroadcast	5:00 PM	7:00 PM
1/28/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/29/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	
1/30/2018	School Board Budget Study Session	Live Broadcast	6:00 PM	8:00 PM
1/31/2018	Community Scroll		All Day	

\*\*Note: Community Scroll plays before & after broadcasts listed



## ENGINEERING DIVISION

### **Letter of Support for the Construction of a Second Platform and a Passenger Siding at the Carpinteria Railroad Station**

The City Council approved the letter of support for the construction of a second platform and a passenger siding at the Carpinteria Railroad Station and authorized the Mayor to sign it and send it to the California State Transportation Agency at its meeting of December 11, 2017. The potential project would allow passenger trains to pass one another and would expand the ability to adjust the train schedule and would likely include construction of a pedestrian underpass at Holly Avenue or Ash Avenue.

### **Budget Appropriation for City Hall Interior Remodel Project**

The City Council approved a project budget of \$500,000 and authorized appropriations from the Major Asset Replacement & Repair Reserve and the General Fund Available Fund Balance on November 27, 2017. The Council previously approved a contract with AB Design Studio for professional architectural services. After thorough review with City staff, AB Design has developed a conceptual layout of City Hall and has moved into design development for the remodel project. Once AB Design has prepared a final design layout of City Hall, staff will return to the City Council for approval and begin to prepare the project for bid.

### **Upcoming Council Items:**

- Closeout of Ash Avenue Improvements Project
- Public Works Annual Work Plan
- Options for Reducing Parking DIF and Increasing It Incrementally
- Extended Polystyrene Ban
- Speed Zone Ordinance
- Ordinance amending Carpinteria Municipal Code Section 8.26.070, adding new category use on Fire Mitigation Fees per the 2016 Fire Mitigation Fee Nexus Study.
- Receive Council direction on outdoor seating areas and amending the Downtown "T" Guidelines

## CAPITAL PROJECTS

### **Carpinteria Avenue Bridge Replacement Project**

The project received approval through the Planning Commission in November. With Planning Commission approval, the project team has completed the permit process through California Fish and Wildlife, US Army Corps of Engineers and the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (CCRWQCB).

Public Works has begun work on Utility Coordination and continues to make progress. Major utilities that will be affected include the overhead electrical lines on the mountain side of the bridge, a sanitary line located under the creek bed, and multiple other utilities currently strapped to the outside of the bridge. The new bridge design will accommodate the utilities to be placed in/on the bridge structure. Carpinteria Sanitary District has utility lines located under the existing bridge structure and creek bed. They were recently able to locate and mark the locations. Another utility coordination meeting was held on November 14th at City Hall where the project team discussed utility coordination with all affected utility companies.

Public Works has also begun obtaining affected property owner signatures and coordination with residents along Carpinteria Creek. A DRAFT right of way exhibit has been prepared to include with coordination with the residents. Part of the construction and mitigation efforts include work and access to the creek bed on private property. Much of the work in the creek bed includes removal of non-native vegetation and invasive species while also planting native riparian plants.

Public Works is also working closely with the design consultants to make progress on the 95% plans, specifications and estimates.

### **Carpinteria Avenue Bridge Replacement Project**

The Carpinteria Avenue Bridge Replacement Project consists of replacing the existing bridge over Carpinteria Creek. The proposed bridge deck includes two 12 foot lanes, two 5-foot bike path lanes, a 14-foot striped median, and 8-foot-wide raised sidewalks on each side of the road. The proposed bridge structure is a three-span alternative with two sets of columns placed outside of the low point of the creek. To fund the estimated \$16 million project, Public Works obtained a federal grant under the Federal Highway Administration's Highway Bridge Program. The grant will pay 88.53% of all eligible costs to replace the bridge. Additional funding will come from the City's Development Impact Fee program and Measure A revenues.

### **Linden Avenue and Casitas Pass Road Interchanges Project**

The Department of Public Works is currently working, as project partner, with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to develop this project.

Freeway construction continues along the shoulders and median as well as construction of the new US-101 bridges over Carpinteria Creek and the new Via Real bridge. Portions of the new US-101 northbound lanes have been completed as well as the new northbound Casitas Pass off-ramp. Northbound freeway traffic is expected to shift onto the new portions of the road in the middle of November. Casitas Pass northbound off-ramp will continue to be closed until the middle of November when the new off-ramp will open. Additionally, new bridge abutments continue to near completion for both the Casitas Pass and Linden Avenue overcrossings.

Public Works Staff has been monitoring the clearing of the area west of Carpinteria Creek where the proposed new northbound Casitas Pass ramps will be located. Staff performs site visits and verifies that the protected areas and grading work is consistent with the approved plans.

The City will take ownership of certain parts of the project once construction is completed. The new Via Real bridge over Carpinteria Creek will become a City owned structure. Public Works continues to inspect and review Caltrans work to ensure the City receives a good product with the new facilities.

The Department continues to coordinate and make progress with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) floodplain mapping for the project. Staff has provided FEMA a floodplain analysis and responds to additional requests and comments as they are received.







## **2017 Pavement Maintenance Project**

The City Council previously authorized the Department of Public Works to advertise the 2017 Pavement Maintenance Project for construction. The Department received three bids and the lowest responsive bid was provided by J&H Engineering. On October 9, 2017, the City Council awarded J&H Engineering the project contract and authorized a construction budget of \$806,389.99. Public Works anticipates the project to be completed early Winter.



Proposed street segments to include in the 2017 Pavement Maintenance Project.

## **BOARDS & COMMITTEES**

### **Downtown "T" Business Advisory Board & Carpinteria First Committee**

The next meeting of the Downtown "T" Business Advisory Board and the Carpinteria First Committee is scheduled for January 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am and 8:45 am, respectively, at City Hall.

### **Traffic Safety Committee**

The next regular meeting of the Traffic Safety Committee (TSC) will take place on Wednesday, January 31, 2018 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chamber. The TSC is a six-member board that acts as an advisory to the City Council, City Traffic Engineer, and City Staff in the administration of all traffic matters. The Committee will review progress on existing public requests and any new requests.

### **Tree Advisory Board**

The next regular meeting of the Tree Advisory Board (TAB) will take place on Thursday, February 22, 2018 at 5:30 pm in the Council Chamber. The TAB is a five-member board that acts as an advisory to the City Council, City Manager, and City Staff in the administration of all street tree matters.

## SOLID WASTE

New polystyrene foam (commonly called Styrofoam) regulations applying to the retail sale of cups, plates, bowls, and single use coolers, as well as packaging for shipping, will take effect January 1st. Stores that are affected will have up to 6 months to comply with the regulations, depending on their individual needs. The City will be working with business owners and operators on compliance beginning in January. These regulations do not include building materials or materials fully encased in a hard material.

## STREET SWEEPING

The City is increasing street sweeping on heavily traveled streets and City-owned parking lots to mitigate ash from the Thomas Fire. Regularly scheduled street sweeping will continue in residential neighborhoods throughout the month of January.

## STREET MAINTENANCE

- First Friday
- City Hall Holiday Lighting (Remove)
- Downtown Holiday Lighting (Remove)
- Hospice Living Tree (Remove)
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Flags)
- Pot Hole Repairs
- Winter Tree Trimming (West Coast Arborists)
- Unity in The Community Event
- Tree Watering (continue)
- Annual Tree Plantings
- City Drainage Maintenance (continue)
- Neighborhood Sidewalk Replacements
- Neighborhood Sidewalk Ramping
- Sidewalk Grinding (Precision Concrete)
- DTBAAB Banner Installation
- Annual Tree Advisory Board Removals
- City Welcome Signs Project

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### PLANNING & BUILDING

#### Planning Commission

The Planning Commission hearing scheduled for January 2, 2018 has been cancelled due to a lack of items to consider.

#### The Architectural Review Board

The Architectural Review Board will meet next on Thursday, January 11<sup>th</sup>. Tentative items for this meeting include a request of the Carpinteria Sanitary District to demolish the existing 6,600 square foot





modular office building and construct a new 4,118 square foot office building at their Sixth Street headquarters. The ARB may also consider six new homes proposed by Faith Lutheran Church at 1335 Vallecito Place. A proposed eight lot subdivision would allow the Church and existing parsonage home to remain in place on two lots. Six new lots would be created on the southern portion of the site. The homes proposed on the newly created lots would be one and two-story structures and range from 2,008 to 2,400 square feet. Story poles have been erected to show the mass and scale of the proposed residences.

### **SBCAG**

The next Technical Planning Advisory Committee (TPAC) meeting will be held at Solvang City Hall on January 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. TPAC meets the first Thursday of each month to discuss land use issues of regional importance.

### **General/Coastal Plan Update Committee**

The General/Coastal Plan Update Committee will meet on next on Monday January 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM in the Council Chamber. Thus far the City has engaged the public at two events. The first was at the Carpinteria Children's Project Health Fair in October followed by a workshop at the Casas de las Flores community room in November. The purpose of these events is to gather input on the General Plan/LCP update from individuals who are less likely to attend General Plan Committee meetings at the Council Chamber to support a diverse and inclusive outreach process. Presentations, activities, and materials were translated in both English and Spanish. Attendees were asked to discuss the City's strengths and assets as well as identify areas of improvement.

## **P A R K S & R E C R E A T I O N**

### **CARPINTERIA GARDEN PARK**

The community garden is bustling, with 85 members sowing seeds and planting cool season crops such as garlic, chard, lettuce, beets, and carrots. Garden members are of all ages and backgrounds, with many folks walking or biking from their homes just a few blocks away.



The garden is looking forward to its first volunteer workday and potluck lunch in mid-January. Since the garden entails a volunteer commitment from each member, this will be the first opportunity to work as a group to build the garden. Activities will include mulching and flower seed broadcasting in preparation for winter rains, as well as planting more fruit trees and native plants.

The garden will also host classes in the New Year on topics ranging from organic gardening practices to composting with worms to growing medicinal herbs. For updates, you can follow the garden on social media. Find the garden on Facebook at "Carpinteria Garden Park," on Instagram @carp\_garden, or online at [www.carp-garden.com](http://www.carp-garden.com). There are still a few garden plots available. You can find an application online on the garden's web site under "Getting Involved." For more information, contact Garden Coordinator Alena Steen at [alenas@ci.carpinteria.ca.us](mailto:alenas@ci.carpinteria.ca.us).

### **MEMORIAL PARK**

The Memorial Park improvement project has been delayed due to the Thomas Fire because of poor air quality and poor work conditions with smoke and ash. Work will resume after the holidays when the air quality should be greatly improved.

## CARPINTERIA COMMUNITY POOL

The Carpinteria Community Pool will be open for business and ready to dive into the New Year on January 3, 2018. On Friday, January 5th the Carpinteria Girls water polo will host a game at the pool and the pool will be closed from 2:00 -5:30 pm. Come to the pool to cheer the girl's water polo team on! In observance of Martin Luther King Day, Monday January 15th the pool will be open from 10 AM-2 PM. The 805 Water Polo Club has booked a special event at the pool on January 20th and 21st and the pool will be closed to the public during the water polo tournament. The Carpinteria Triton's anticipate entering a team into this tournament. The Public is invited to watch and cheer for our home team!

All regular programming is being offered during the month of January including swim lessons by appointment, water aerobics, Masters and Carpinteria Aquatics Club. Get the year off to healthy start and inquire about what we have to offer, for additional information find us on the Web at [carp-pool.com](http://carp-pool.com) or contact us by phone (805) 566-2417, or email at [carppool@verizon.net](mailto:carppool@verizon.net).

## SWIM CLUB

In January the Tritons Swim Club is offering a one-week **free trial** for any first time participants during the week of January 22-26.

Monday, January 15, practice will be from 9 AM-10 AM due to holiday hours at the pool. There is a Swim Meet on Jan 27 and 28 at Adolfo Camarillo High School. The deadline to sign up is Jan 9.

## ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES/FINANCE DEPARTMENT

### MEMORANDUM

To: Fidela Garcia, City Clerk

From: John Thornberry, City Treasurer

Date: 12/22/2017

Subject: Cash Report – Government Code 41004



In accordance with California Government Code Section 41004, attached please find a schedule showing Cash Disbursements, Cash Receipts and Ending Cash Balances for each fund of the City for the periods beginning October 31, 2017 through November 30, 2017. Also in accordance with CGC 41004 I request that a copy of this report be filed with the City Council at your earliest convenience.

**City of Carpinteria**

**Treasurer's Cash Report**

**10/31/2017**

**11/30/2017**

	Fund	Cash	Disbursements	Receipts	Change	Cash
10	General	6,123,565.40	(1,161,445.98)	837,552.48	(323,893.50)	5,799,671.90
11	Traffic Safety	15,527.29	(1,315.89)	10.00	(1,305.89)	14,221.40
13	General Reserve	1,099,641.12	960.36	0.00	960.36	1,100,601.48
15	Replacement/Repair Reserve	1,052,201.04	918.93	0.00	918.93	1,053,119.97
20	Revolving	391,454.18	(622,923.21)	12,322.22	(610,600.99)	(219,146.81)
21	Replacement	5,089.34	(646.62)	0.00	(646.62)	4,442.72
22	Park Development	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
23	Park Maintenance	(111,719.20)	(43,514.49)	245.00	(43,269.49)	(154,988.69)
25	Gas Tax	148,173.04	(46,891.63)	27,282.07	(19,609.56)	128,563.48
26	Local Transportation	61,581.83	59.35	1,026.35	1,085.70	62,667.53
27	Measure A	1,273,159.53	(91,950.99)	71,983.77	(19,967.22)	1,253,192.31
28	Tidelands Trust	119,216.86	(7,798.22)	0.00	(7,798.22)	111,418.64
29	Street Lighting	1,052,389.92	(6,035.34)	53,730.81	47,695.47	1,100,085.39
31	Trust & Agency	2,079,178.87	(8,810.36)	0.00	(8,810.36)	2,070,368.51
33	Right of Way	(83,607.60)	(39,373.04)	92.69	(39,280.35)	(122,887.95)
38	PBIA	59,841.61	(2,103.34)	954.00	(1,149.34)	58,692.27
39	AB939	173,255.56	4,078.40	63,806.51	67,884.91	241,140.47
41	Measure D	395,549.13	(76,402.87)	0.00	(76,402.87)	319,146.26
42	Capital Improvement	530,238.57	(5,892.00)	0.00	(5,892.00)	524,346.57
48	Recreation Services	(76,659.11)	(31,781.05)	9,038.39	(22,742.66)	(99,401.77)
<b>Total</b>		<b>14,308,077.38</b>	<b>(2,140,867.99)</b>	<b>1,078,044.29</b>	<b>(1,062,823.70)</b>	<b>13,245,253.68</b>