

# City of Carpinteria Memorandum

**TO**: General Plan/Coastal Plan Update Committee

**FROM:** Steve Goggia, Community Development Director

**CC:** Dave Durflinger, City Manager

**SUBJECT:** Committee Discussion Items for the Meeting of August 21, 2017

**DATE:** August 18, 2017

# July 17, 2017 Meeting Action Minutes

The Draft Action Minutes are included as Attachment A

# Sea Level Rise Vulnerability Assessment & Adaption Plan

The August 21<sup>st</sup> General Plan Committee meeting will focus on the presentation of Coastal Commission guidance, range of adaptation strategies, key issue areas, coastal resilience model, hazard types, and categories of vulnerability sectors.

Amec Foster Wheeler is launching work on the preparation of the Carpinteria sea level rise (SLR) vulnerability assessment and adaptation plan as a part of the update to the General Plan/LCP. The sea level rise vulnerability assessment will enhance the understanding of potential sea level rise impacts to the City and available adaptation strategies. Sea level rise is anticipated to have community wide effects and the vulnerability assessment can help identify potential health and safety hazards, loss of public and private property, damage to natural and cultural resources, and erosion of beaches and bluffs within City limits. The SLR vulnerability assessment will be conducted by Revell Coastal and will show projections based on best available science and data. The goals of the SLR vulnerability assessment are to:

- Identify what assets may be at risk under various SLR scenarios
- Prioritize community assets
- Develop policies in General Plan/LCP to promote resiliency and reduce exposure and risks to SLR related hazards

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The California Coastal Commission (CCC) provides guidance on the vulnerability assessment. The vulnerability assessment will involve: 1) determining the range of sea level rise projections, 2) identifying potential physical impacts and vulnerabilities, 3) assessing potential risks to development and resources, and 4) identifying a range of adaptation measures and options. Adaptation strategies may include beach nourishment, seawalls and other shoreline protective structures, living shorelines (e.g., offshore multi-purpose reef), and managed or planned retreat. Once the SLR vulnerability assessment and adaptation plan have been completed, the draft policies for updated General Plan/LCP will be drafted.

An important part of the SLR Vulnerability Assessment includes the identification of various sectors of asset, infrastructure, and coastal resource information, possible quantitative metrics for the assessment, and identification of relevant planning issues associated with climate change impacts. This assessment will be done in concert with the outreach and educational process to capture City and community priorities and concerns and to distill the results to support the various City departments and support CCC certification. Key stakeholders from the community have been invited to participate in this meeting and share what assets they think are most important to protect from sea level rise in Carpinteria. Input from stakeholders early in the process is important to quickly understand which assets are most valuable to the community, build relationships for the outreach process, and disseminate information about the project and participation opportunities.

# **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A July 17th meeting DRAFT Action Minutes

#### **Committee Members**

Location

Councilmember Al Clark
Councilmember Brad Stein
Commissioner David Allen
Commissioner John Callender



City Council Chambers 5775 Carpinteria Avenue Carpinteria, CA 93013

# **CITY OF CARPINTERIA**

# General Plan/Coastal Plan Update Committee July 17, 2017 Draft Meeting Action Minutes

- 1. Call to Order: 5:30 pm
- 2. Roll Call: Clark, Stein and Callender present
- 3. Healthy Community Workshop presented by Amec Foster Wheeler: Amec Foster Wheeler provided context and introductions for the healthy community workshop. Presentations were given on the following elements necessary for a healthy community:

#### a. Active Living

- COAST presented by Joanna Kaufmann COAST is concerned with providing education on alternative transportation, providing safe routes to school, conducting in-class transportation education, teaching communities how to ride bikes, commuter issues and quality of life.
- ii. Happy People Happy Trails presented by *Mark Wilkinson* HPHT aims their efforts at strengthening the use of parks, trails and their benefit in creating a healthy lifestyle. Efforts are focused towards less active populations.

# b. Healthy Food Systems

 County Nutrition Services – presented by Susan Liles discussed the Heathy Eating Active Living Cites Campaign (HEAL) and the County of Santa Barbara's participation.

### c. Environmental Factors

- i. Smoke Free Carpinteria presented by *Jim Taylor* discussed having a "smoke-free" city and how preventing bonfires on Carpinteria State Beach is a part of better air quality.
- d. Community Connection

- Carpinteria School District Diana Rigby represented the Carpinteria school district and discussed their health programs and physical activity.
- ii. Carpinteria Educational Foundation *Debora McCarty* discussed the active living opportunities in Carpinteria including the Orchard 2 Ocean run and the Avocado run.
- iii. Thrive/Children's Project *Maria Fisk* discussed the bridge between the school district and the community.
- iv. Boys and Girls Club *Debra Herrick* discussed the club's after school programs, healthy habits program, nutrition program and homework help. Focused on how to link open spaces to recreational programs/schools and how that link can be more acceptable.

#### e. Health and Mental Health

i. C3H- Maggy Elsousou raised concern over available health resources including: homeless accessibility to showers, access to clean needles, needle disposal and a needle exchange programs, and increasing the county's mental health services, which are currently experiencing a strain.

# 4. Committee Member Comments:

- Clark Health is the rational for all other planning elements. Having knowledge of how to create a successful healthy community element will help the City create new polices and make all of the planning elements better. Clark also discussed access to health services and health education.
- Callender The healthy community element gives the City the opportunity to think about bigger changes. For example, homelessness and affordable housing issues, and APA policy guide on homelessness and the tools that are available.
- Stein Responded to Clark and Callender, We are a very small community and have done a lot already (low income housing) and assistance is limited. We have the same group of people on the streets, this is a start and we are a great community for helping keep things in perspective.
- 5. <u>Public Comments:</u> The floor was also open to attendees from the community to provide comment on what they believe needs to be included in a Healthy Community Plan for the City. Comments are as follows:
  - Dave Moore HopeNet, faith community, C3H
  - Gail Marshall provided CVA Comments on campfires, safe streets very concerned with the ability to safely walk, push a stroller etc. when many streets don't have sidewalks. Believes streets need a higher standard. Additionally, Libraries should be a priority.
  - Becky Norton VP of HopeNet, a grassroots organization focused on mental health. Appreciates the City's backing, mental health is an ongoing

- need, we need to work to reduce the sigma with educators, youth and want to see the General Plan emphasize mental health. Would like to see a direct service drop-in mental health center in Carpinteria.
- Phylene Wiggins SB Foundation. Concerned with the increasing senior population. Challenges will be access to community resources, and social isolation of seniors.
- Matthew Regan From CAC, discussed Head Start, Meals on Wheels, and support projects.
- Nola Ferguson Carpinteria Care Givers, works with individuals with Alzheimer's. Wants to be sure the senior population is considered in the healthy community element.
- Rosa NOBE program, Communities of Excellence surveys food accessibility, grocery stores, fast food, walkability of neighborhoods. Would be able to offer training.
- Jim Taylor CVA, Venoco site, water issues.

# 6. Next Steps:

- The City will be holding at least 2 more public workshops this quarter.
- The website should be up and running soon.
- The next General Plan/Costal Plan Update Committee Meeting will be held Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. The meeting will focus on Seal Level Rise and Adaption.
- 7. Adjournment: 6:15 p.m.