

**City of Carpinteria  
City Council Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
Council Chambers  
Monday, June 25, 2012**

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**ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Al Clark at 5:35 p.m.

Councilmembers present:

Councilmember Gregg Carty  
Councilmember Kathleen Reddington  
Councilmember Joe Armendariz (absent)  
Vice Mayor Bradley J. Stein  
Mayor Al Clark

Staff members present:

Dave Durlinger, City Manager  
Beth Collins-Burgard, Deputy City Attorney  
Fidela Garcia, City Clerk  
Ariene Balmadrid, Human Resources Administrator  
Kevin Silk, Assistant to the City Manager  
Charles Ebeling, Public Works Director/City Engineer/Traffic Engineer

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

All present were led in the salute to the flag by Mayor Clark.

**INTRODUCTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

1. Presentation by CalGRIP representatives.

Sharon Valarde, Project Director of Safe Schools Healthy Students Project for Carpinteria Unified School District, and Shareen Khatapoush, Assistant Director, provided literature regarding the project. Ms. Valarde noted that the school district received \$3 million in grants over the past five years and the program was a collaborative effort of the federal government to bring agencies together to benefit children and students in the community on violence prevention and mental health. She noted that collaboration was formed with County Mental Health, Probation Department, Sheriff's Department, Council of Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Family Service Agency, and other community agencies. Ms. Khatapoush provided a PowerPoint presentation of the following: Element 1 is safe school environment and violence prevention which allowed them to work with a Deputy Probation Officer and a Probation Officer on campus as well

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as establishing Teen Court and Parent Program for juvenile justice system diversion. Element 2 is alcohol, tobacco, and other drug prevention which included Substance User Prevention Education Resource (SUPER) Program, drug treatment counseling, Youth Service Specialists, and reconnecting youth classes. Element 3 is student behavioral, social, and emotional support which included after school program, mentor program, and LINK Program. Element 4 is Mental Health Services which included Support Treatment Advocacy and Referral (START) Counselors. Element 5 is Early Childhood Social and Emotional Learning which included Catalino Preschool. Ms. Valarde and Ms. Khatapoush spoke regarding Carpinteria's Cal-GRIP Partnership which provided oversight and fiscal management.

2. Presentation by South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs Representatives

Fran Foreman, Executive Director for the Community Action Commission of Santa Barbara County, accompanied by Saul Serrano, Interim Coordinator, distributed a copy of their annual report. Ms. Foreman stated that the program included the Head Start Program, energy services assistance, and the Senior Nutrition Program.

Mr. Serrano presented a PowerPoint presentation. He noted that the Memorandum of Understanding was entered into with the Cities of Carpinteria, Santa Barbara, and Goleta and the County of Santa Barbara to provide funds and to establish the work of the task force. He summarized the milestones that the task force had met which included coordination to target youth and families, coordination with the South Coast Youth Intervention Project, and future plans.

**PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

- Rods and Roses event on Linden Avenue on June 30.
- Independence Day parade on June 30.
- Relay for Life on Linden Field on July 7.
- Reminder that bicycling and skateboarding are not allowed on sidewalks in the downtown area.
- Reminder that no smoking is allowed in public parks, public beach, and public areas.
- City Hall will be closed on July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

**PRESENTATIONS BY CITIZENS/PUBLIC COMMENT**

Tom Perry 5364 Ogan Road, requested installation of a stop sign on Ogan Road. He stated that recently a car made contact with a 14-year old by hitting him on the thigh. He also requested installation of a gross vehicle weight limit sign installed on Ogan Road. He noted that traffic counts were only conducted one day and the speed trailer was only placed for a day and a half when it was promised to be in place for five days. He spoke

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regarding the Casitas Pass and Linden Avenue Interchange Project and stated that the reason the bridges will be taller was because the creeks overflowed and flooded the freeway in 1969. He noted that the height of the freeway and the bridges would be raised. Mayor Clark stated that he would follow-up with staff regarding Mr. Perry's requests for Ogan Road and regarding the data collected. City Manager Dave Durflinger noted that these matters were scheduled to come before the Traffic Safety Committee.

George Lehtinen noted that the Consent Calendar is a collection of routine items approved under one motion. He stated that the items were usually read individually by title only; however, the process was not completely consistent. He requested that an effort be made in being consistent by reading all the items individually and by asking the City Manager or City Clerk to read them as a service to those viewing from home.

**AGENDA MODIFICATIONS:** None.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion by Councilmember Reddington, seconded by Vice Mayor Stein, to approve the Consent Calendar and to read the Consent Calendar so that everyone in the public would know what is on the Consent Calendar and what the Council is voting on. Councilmember Reddington read the items on the Consent Calendar by title only.

Upon voice vote, motion carried. Councilmember Armendariz was absent.

3. Minutes of the regular meeting held June 11, 2012.
4. Expenditures for the period ending June 6, 2012.
5. Designation of a Voting Delegate for the 2012 League of California Cities' Annual Conference and Approve Councilmember Kathleen Reddington's Travel to the Conference.
6. Close-Out of City Maintenance Project No. 15027, Linden Avenue/Street Maintenance 79.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

7. Resolution No. 5396 and 5397 Revising Conditions of Employment for Management and Miscellaneous Personnel

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 5396 and 5397 as read by title only, adopting revisions to the Condition of Employment for Management and Miscellaneous Personnel

Arlene Balmadrid, Human Resources Administrator, presented the staff report.

No public comment.

Motion by Councilmember Reddington, seconded by Vice Mayor Stein, to adopt Resolution Numbers 5396 and 5397, as read by title only, approving the revisions to the Conditions of Employment for Management and miscellaneous personnel and authorize the City Manager to implement the changes effective July 1, 2012.

Upon voice vote, motion carried. Councilmember Armendariz was absent.

8. Resolution No. 5398 Approving and Adopting the Memorandum of Understanding for Fiscal Year 2012-2014 between the City and Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 620 Representing employees in the General Service and Public Works Bargaining Units

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 5398, as read by title only, adopting the Memorandum of Understanding for Fiscal Year 2012-2014 between the City of Carpinteria and Service Employees International (SEIU) Local 620 and authorize the City Manager to implement the changes effective July 1, 2012.

Arlene Balmadrid, Human Resources Administrator, presented the staff report.

No public comment.

Motion by Vice Mayor Stein, seconded by Mayor Clark, to adopt Resolution No. 5398, as read by title only, adopting the Memorandum of Understanding for Fiscal Year 2012-2014 between the City of Carpinteria and Service Employees International (SEIU) Local 620 and authorize the City Manager to implement the changes effective July 1, 2012.

Upon voice vote, motion carried. Councilmember Armendariz was absent.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

9. Initiation of Amendment to Carpinteria Municipal Code (CMC) Chapter 8.51 Pertaining to Commercial Establishments Dispensing Single-Use Carryout Bags to Customers in the City of Carpinteria

Recommendation: Direct staff concerning amendment to the City's single-use bag regulations at CMC 8.51.

Dave Durlinger, City Manager, presented the staff report. He noted that the recommendation included amending the ordinance to include settlement agreement changes, hybrid food markets/food counters, and timing of implementation. He also noted that a letter was submitted from Santa Barbara Channel Keeper in support of the

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changes being recommended by staff. He further noted that he received a telephone call from a representative of the California Grocers Association of its continued opposition of the City establishing a single-use bag regulation that treats stores differently.

No public comment.

Motion by Vice Mayor Stein, seconded by Councilmember Carty, to direct staff to prepare a draft ordinance with the three changes recommended by staff amending the single-use bag regulations at CMC 8.51, and to suspend the first phase of implementation of the existing single-use bag regulations.

Upon voice vote, motion carried. Councilmember Armendariz was absent.

10. Informational Report on Warming Centers on the South Coast of Santa Barbara County

Recommendation: Receive informational report regarding warming centers on the South Coast of Santa Barbara County

Kevin Silk, Assistant to the City Manager, presented the staff report.

Maria Long, Program Coordinator for Freedom Warming Centers, spoke regarding the history and the users of the Freedom Warming Centers which was created from a grassroots effort. She noted that they were under the fiscal administration of the Unitarian Society. She also noted that funding sources include the County, City, private donations, and fundraisers. She spoke regarding the operation of the warming center.

Councilmember Reddington expressed her hope of providing funds through Community Development Block Grant or other funding and that the City could work to assist the homeless by contributing and providing transportation to a warming center in Santa Barbara. Ms. Long suggested that the City Council investigate a facility for approximately ten homeless people in Carpinteria. She noted that the County Board of Supervisors was willing to explore providing additional funding if the City of Carpinteria would look into opening a site in the City.

Jackie Markel spoke in support of a local warming center. She expressed concern with homeless people being asked to ride in a vehicle to Santa Barbara while leaving their belongings behind.

Mayor Clark suggested that staff investigate further to see how much this would cost and when the City might be able to open a warming center. Councilmember Reddington suggested finding a partnership among the warming centers, the County, local agencies, and local churches and finding a location where the City might open a warming center during inclement weather. Mr. Durflinger suggested that the City

Council authorize to jointly write a letter to the local churches to explore interest in housing a warming center.

Motion by Vice Mayor Stein, seconded by Councilmember Reddington, to direct staff to write a letter to the local churches to explore interest in housing a warming center.

Upon voice vote, motion carried. Councilmember Armendariz was absent.

11. Authorization to Release a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for On Call Professional Services Program 2012

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize the Department of Public Works to release a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for On-Call Professional Services in order to establish qualified on-call consultant lists in a variety of technical categories for a period of up to five years.

Charles Ebeling, Public Works Director/City Engineer/Traffic Engineer, presented the staff report.

Councilmember Reddington expressed a desire to limit the period for on-call professional services to one year and for establishing a yearly audit.

No public comment.

Motion by Vice Mayor Stein, seconded by Councilmember Carty, to authorize the Department of Public Works to release a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for On-Call Professional Services in order to establish qualified on-call consultant lists in a variety of technical categories for a period of up to five years.

Upon voice vote, motion carried. Councilmember Reddington dissented. Councilmember Armendariz was absent.

12. Approval of Contract with Bengal Engineering for a Hydraulics and Hydrology Study for the Carpinteria Avenue Bridge Project

Recommendation: That the City Council authorize execution of an engineering agreement with Bengal Engineering for the scope and cost of work in the attachment to staff report.

Charles Ebeling, Public Works Director/City Engineer/Traffic Engineer, presented the staff report.

No public comment.

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Motion by Vice Mayor Stein, seconded by Councilmember Reddington, to authorize execution of an engineering agreement with Bengal Engineering for the scope and cost of work in the attachment to staff report.

Upon voice vote, motion carried. Councilmember Armendariz was absent.

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

Councilmember Reddington reported that the Air Pollution Control District reappointed Dave Van Mullen as the Executive Director. She stated that the City of Ojai and 56 other California cities had opted out of Edison's smart meters. She asked the City Council to consider directing staff to report on how opting out is working, how it is not working, opting out as an entire community, and opting out as small neighborhoods within a community. She stated that constituents had asked her to inquire regarding the water district's water reclamation project and what is the quality of that water and how it will affect children and pets if the reclaimed water is delivered to water shrubs. Vice Mayor Stein stated that the constituents should contact the water district since they are the purveyor. Councilmember Reddington responded that since she and Vice Mayor Stein serve on the water district committee she wanted to receive information on the status of this project. Mr. Durflinger responded that he would follow-up with the water district and he would provide documentation and status to the City Council. He noted that as far as opting out of the smart meters there were two options discussed during the presentation. He stated that one was a temporary opt out and the other was to opt out permanently by paying a monthly charge. He also stated that if cities or communities were electing to opt out that he would guess they elected to pay the fee. Councilmember Reddington stated that she wanted to receive a brief report on the action taken by the City of Ojai and information regarding the concept of neighborhoods opting out. Mr. Durflinger responded that staff would conduct a small amount of research and email the results to the City Council, and if this requires additional research the City Council could decide to agendaize for a future meeting. Councilmember Reddington requested a report under City Manager's Report as well.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m. by Mayor Clark.

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Al Clark, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Fidela Garcia, CMC  
City Clerk