

City of Carpinteria
City Council Regular Meeting Agenda
Monday, August 8, 2016
Council Chamber, 5775 Carpinteria Avenue

4:30 p.m. Closed Session – 5:30 p.m. Regular Session

INFORMATION ABOUT CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS:

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- If you wish to speak on a matter scheduled for consideration in a closed session, you will have an opportunity to address the City Council before the Council retires to its closed session deliberations.

**ESTIMATED
TIME:**

4:30 p.m. **CALL TO ORDER**

4:30 p.m. **ROLL CALL**

4:30 p.m. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION MATTER**

4:32 p.m. **CLOSED SESSION**

1a. Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Government Code
Section 54957

Title: City Manager Dave Durflinger

1b. Conference with Labor Negotiator(s) – Government Code Section
54957.6

Agency Designated Representatives: Arlene Balmadrid, Human
Resources Director and Peter N. Brown and Hillary Steenberge, on
behalf of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP acting as City
Attorney of the City of Carpinteria

Unrepresented Employee - City Manager Dave Durflinger

4:32 p.m. **TEMPORARY ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION**

5:30 p.m. **CALL BACK TO ORDER**

5:30 p.m. **ROLL CALL**

5:30 p.m. **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

5:31 p.m. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

5:31 p.m. **INTRODUCTIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

5:31 p.m. **PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

5:32 p.m. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

The City Manager will report to the City Council regarding various City
and/or community events and/or matters of interest. There will be no City

Council discussion except to ask questions or refer matters to staff; and no action will be taken unless listed on a subsequent agenda.

5:35 p.m.

PRESENTATIONS BY CITIZENS/PUBLIC COMMENT

This is a time for public comments on matters not otherwise on the agenda but within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. The Public Comment period is limited to 15 minutes and divided among those persons desiring to speak. No person shall speak longer than three minutes; however, the Mayor may establish shorter periods based on the time available and/or the number of persons waiting to speak. Persons wishing to speak on a specific item will be recognized at the time the agenda item is considered.

Please be aware that items on the consent calendar are considered to be routine and are normally enacted by one unanimous vote of the Council. If you wish to speak on a consent calendar item, or on a matter scheduled for consideration in a closed session at the end of the agenda, please do so during the Presentations by Citizens/Public Comment portion of the meeting.

The City and the City Council are not responsible for the content of statements made during the public comment period, or the factual accuracy of any such statements.

AGENDA MODIFICATIONS: The City Council may modify the regular agenda by tabling items, adding urgency items to the agenda or changing the order in which items are considered. Changes to the Consent Calendar are considered at the time the Consent Calendar is considered.

5:50 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Individual items may be removed and considered separately at the request of a Councilmember. Any item, which is removed from the Consent Calendar, will be added to the end of the agenda under Other Business.

2. Receive and file the Expenditures Report for the period beginning July 20, 2016 and ending August 1, 2016.
3. Receive and file the Report of Contracts Executed by the City Manager on behalf of the City for the Period of July 1, 2015 through July 31, 2016.

5:52 p.m.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- 5:52 p.m. 4. Receipt of Requested Documents Identified in Legislative Subpoenas Served to Carpinteria Property Owners
- Recommendation: That the City Council accept copies of subpoenaed records.
- Staff presenter: Shanna Farley-Judkins, Associate Planner
- a. Staff Report
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. City Council Determination
- 5:57 p.m. 5. 2016 Work Plan Status Report
- Recommendation: Receive and file the 2016 Work Plan Status Report.
- Staff presenter: Dave Durflinger, City Manager
- a. Staff Report
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. City Council Determination
- 6:50 p.m. 6. Closeout of City Maintenance Project No. 15078, 2015 Street Rehabilitation Project
- Recommendation: Authorize the Mayor to sign the Closeout Agreement and Release of Claims for City Maintenance Project No. 15078 (2015 Street Rehabilitation Project) with Granite Construction, and authorize the City Clerk to Release Performance Bond No. 82389675 in the amount of \$483,061.05.
- Staff presenter: Matt Maechler, Civil Engineer
- a. Staff Report
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. City Council Determination
- 7:00 p.m. 7. California Public Utilities Commission Notification Concerning Introduction of a New Area Code to the Area Served by the 805 Area Code and Consideration of Comment
- Recommendation: Receive the report related to the introduction of a new area code to the area now served by the 805 area code and direct staff as determined appropriate.

Staff presenter: Kevin Silk, Assistant to the City Manager

- a. Staff Report
- b. Public Comment
- c. City Council Determination

7:15 p.m.

8. Establishing a City Legislative Platform and/or a Legislative Committee

Recommendation: Provide direction to staff regarding establishing a Legislative Platform and/or a Legislative Committee.

Staff presenter: Kevin Silk, Assistant to the City Manager

- a. Staff Report
- b. Public Comment
- c. City Council Determination

7:35 p.m.

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

Informational reports from Councilmember representatives on the committees, commissions and organizations listed below. This is also an opportunity for Councilmembers to request information from staff or seek support from fellow Councilmembers for future agenda items.

- 1. Representatives to Regional Agencies and Committees
 - a. Beach Erosion Authority for Clean Oceans and Nourishment (BEACON) (Shaw/Alt. Carty)
 - b. California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (CJPIA) (Clark/Alt. Shaw)
 - c. Channel Counties Division, League of California Cities (Nomura/Alt. Shaw)
 - d. Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG)(Clark/Alt. Nomura)
 - e. Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District (APCD)(Clark/Alt. Nomura)
 - f. Santa Barbara Joint Housing Task Group (Carty & Shaw)
 - g. Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness (C3H) (Clark)
 - h. South Coast Task Force on Youth Safety Leadership and Executive Council (Carty & Clark)
- 2. Joint and Standing Committees

- a. City Council/Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors Committee (Carty & Nomura)
- b. City Council/Public Safety Committee (Clark & Shaw)
- c. City Council/School Board Committee (Stein & Carty)
- d. City Council/Utilities Committee (Stein & Nomura)
- e. City Council/First District Supervisor Committee (Stein & Carty)
- f. City Council Finance/Budget Committee (Stein & Clark)

3. Ad Hoc Committees

- a. Public Facility Site Acquisition/Development Committee (Carty & Nomura)
- b. Transportation Committee (Stein & Shaw)
- c. Joint City Council / Planning Committee General Plan and Coastal Plan Update Committee (Stein & Clark)
- d. Housing Assistance Benefit Committee (Stein & Nomura)

4. City Representatives on other Committees

- a. Community Media Access Center (Gary Dobbins)
- b. Santa Barbara Coastal Vector Control District (Ronald Hurd)
- c. Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District (Chuck McQuary)

7:35 p.m.

ATTENDANCE OF COUNCILMEMBERS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

7:35 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting to be held on **Monday, September 12, 2016** at **5:30 P.M.**, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 5775 Carpinteria Avenue, Carpinteria, California.

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This agenda was posted on Wednesday, August 3, 2016, in the City Clerk's Office, on the City Hall Public Notices Board, and on the Internet.



City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT August 8, 2016

ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Expenditures for the period beginning July 20, 2016 and ending August 1, 2016.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Action Item ____ ; Non-Action Item X

That the City Council accept this report concerning the current list of warrants pursuant to Carpinteria Municipal Code 2.08.150(F).

DISCUSSION

As part of each regular City Council agenda, a list of all checks (attached) dispersed since the last reporting period is presented to the City Council pursuant to C.M.C. 2.08.150(F). The report is provided for City Council and public information and serves as Staff's verification that the expenditures have been reviewed and are within budgeted appropriations.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The warrant register included as an attachment is designed to communicate fiscal activity since the prior reporting period. No action is requested as part of this report.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Warrant Register for the period beginning July 20, 2016 and ending August 1, 2016.

Staff contact: Monique Epley, Finance Supervisor
(805) 684-5405 ext. 406

moniquee@ci.carpinteria.ca.us


Signature

Reviewed by: John Thornberry, Admin. Services Director



Signature

Reviewed by: Dave Durflinger, City Manager



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CITY OF CARPINTERIA
Warrant Register
 July 20 through August 1, 2016

Date	Num	Name	Source Name	Memo	Account	Paid Amount
07/20/16	88546	ALL AROUND LANDSCAPE SUPPLY	ALL AROUND LAN...	S1886605.001	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/20/16	S1886605.0...		ALL AROUND LAN...	PARKS	2361221 · Miscellaneous Contracts	(35.47)
TOTAL						(35.47)
07/20/16	88547	AMERICAN SILKSCREEN, INC	AMERICAN SILKS...	19525	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/06/16	19525		AMERICAN SILKSC...	JR GUARDS	4867308 · Supplies & Materials 67	(827.44)
TOTAL						(827.44)
07/20/16	88548	ASBURY ENVIRONMENTAL SVCS	ASBURY ENVIRON...	CIT510	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
05/06/16	I500-000366...		ASBURY ENVIRON...	ASBURY OIL COLLECTION	2000261 · Deferred Revenue 20	(100.00)
TOTAL						(100.00)
07/20/16	88549	AT & T MOBILITY	AT & T MOBILITY	287270260355X07152016	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/07/16	2872702603...		AT & T MOBILITY	POOL SUPT	4866308 · Supplies & Materials 66	(19.02)
			AT & T MOBILITY	ASP/AC	4868308 · Supplies & Materials 68	(19.02)
			AT & T MOBILITY	PARK MTC	2862308 · Supplies & Materials 62	(19.02)
			AT & T MOBILITY	BEACH	2862308 · Supplies & Materials 62	(19.02)
			AT & T MOBILITY	PW	1013308 · Supplies & Materials 13	(112.01)
			AT & T MOBILITY	PW	3332308 · Supplies & Materials 32	(19.02)
			AT & T MOBILITY	PW	2531308 · Supplies & Materials 31	(19.02)
TOTAL						(226.13)
07/20/16	88550	CALIFORNIA STATE DISBURSEMENT UNIT	CALIFORNIA STAT...	CASE NUMBER 0850182383-01	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/20/16	PAYROLL 0...		CALIFORNIA STAT...	PAYROLL WITHHOLDING 07-21-16	1000105 · ICMA Cash	(330.46)
TOTAL						(330.46)
07/20/16	88551	CENTRAL COAST IMAGING SOLUTIONS	CENTRAL COAST I...	AR33438	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/13/16	AR33438		CENTRAL COAST I...	COPIER SERVICING	1018222 · Equipment Maintenance	(778.32)
TOTAL						(778.32)
07/20/16	88552	COASTAL VIEW NEWS	COASTAL VIEW N...		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/13/16	48181		COASTAL VIEW NE...	OIL PAYMENT PROGRAM	2000261 · Deferred Revenue 20	(248.00)
07/15/16	48414		COASTAL VIEW NE...	CITY HALL NEWS	1045303 · Printing & Advertising 45	(2,682.00)
TOTAL						(2,930.00)
07/20/16	88553	DESCHAMPS MAT SYSTEMS	DESCHAMPS MAT ...	1720	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	

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Date	Num	Name	Source Name	Memo	Account	Paid Amount
07/13/16	1720		DESCHAMPS MAT ...	BEACHES	2862308 · Supplies & Materials 62	(1,029.75)
TOTAL						(1,029.75)
07/20/16	88554	DRAKE HAGLAN & ASSOCIATES, INC.	DRAKE HAGLAN &...	INVOICE #12034-46	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/11/16	12034-46	15016	DRAKE HAGLAN & ...	HBR GRANT	2000261 · Deferred Revenue 20	(2,125.25)
		15016	DRAKE HAGLAN & ...	HBR GRANT	2079614 · FHWA HBR 20	(2,125.25)
		15016	DRAKE HAGLAN & ...	DIF PROGRAM HIGHWAY BRIDGES & INTERC...	3100232 · DIF Highway Interchange	(275.35)
		15016	DRAKE HAGLAN & ...	DIF PROGRAM HIGHWAY BRIDGES & INTERC...	3179616 · FHWA HBR 31	(275.35)
TOTAL						(4,801.20)
07/20/16	88555	DUDEK	DUDEK	20163514	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/12/16	20163514		DUDEK	PROJ 1522	1000251 · Development Deposits	(200.00)
TOTAL						(200.00)
07/20/16	88556	EDD-SDI	EDD-SDI	776-5147-9	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/20/16	PAYROLL 0...		EDD-SDI	PAYROLL 07-21-16	1000223 · SDI Withheld	(1,047.60)
TOTAL						(1,047.60)
07/20/16	88557	EDD-SIT	EDD-SIT	932-0283-6	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/20/16	PAYROLL 0...		EDD-SIT	PAYROLL 07-21-16	1000221 · SIT Withheld	(4,705.73)
TOTAL						(4,705.73)
07/20/16	88558	HARTHORN, ROY	HARTHORN, ROY	1279	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/19/16	1279		HARTHORN, ROY	BP 11746	1010188 · BLDG PLAN CHECK C...	(7,757.59)
TOTAL						(7,757.59)
07/20/16	88559	JOY EQUIPMENT PROTECTION INC	JOY EQUIPMENT P...	INVOICE #66303	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/07/16	66303		JOY EQUIPMENT P...	FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	3937224 · ABOP Collection	(52.82)
TOTAL						(52.82)
07/20/16	88560	MURRAY, CECELIA*	MURRAY, CECELIA*	PROGRAM REFUND	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/20/16	REFUND		MURRAY, CECELIA*	SWIM PROGRAM REFUND	4848413 · SWIM TEAM TUITIONS	(30.00)
TOTAL						(30.00)
07/20/16	88561	ROCKWELL PRINTING	ROCKWELL PRINT...		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	

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07/13/16	28322		ROCKWELL PRINTI...	BUS LICENSE FORMS	1013308 · Supplies & Materials 13	(196.88)
07/15/16	28330		ROCKWELL PRINTI...	OFFICE ENVELOPES	1013308 · Supplies & Materials 13	(679.11)
TOTAL						(875.99)
07/20/16	88562	SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, PUBLIC WOR...	SANTA BARBARA ...		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/11/16	CAR 07112...		SANTA BARBARA ...	POLLUTANT LOAD MODELING	1072217 · WM Program Implemen...	(1,077.07)
07/14/16	CAR 07142...		SANTA BARBARA ...	FY 15/16 ANNUAL INSTALLMENT	1072217 · WM Program Implemen...	(2,515.00)
TOTAL						(3,592.07)
07/20/16	88563	SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, SHERIFF'S D...	SANTA BARBARA ...		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/20/16	16-312		SANTA BARBARA ...	SHERIFF OVERTIME	1021215 · Sheriff's Overtime	(986.64)
06/27/16	16-322		SANTA BARBARA ...	SHERIFF OVERTIME	1021215 · Sheriff's Overtime	(366.10)
			SANTA BARBARA ...	SUMMER AUGMENTATION	1021216 · Augmentation	(374.37)
TOTAL						(1,727.11)
07/20/16	88564	SEUI LOCAL 620	SEUI LOCAL 620	PAYROLL 07-21-16	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/20/16	PAYROLL 0...		SEUI LOCAL 620	PAYROLL 07-21-16	1000229 · SEIU Local 620	(168.67)
TOTAL						(168.67)
07/20/16	88565	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	STAPLES ADVANT...	3306206798	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/24/16	3306206798		STAPLES ADVANT...	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1013308 · Supplies & Materials 13	(136.07)
TOTAL						(136.07)
07/20/16	88566	T. ROWE PRICE	T. ROWE PRICE	PAYROLL CONTRIBUTION - ANTHONY VEGA	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/20/16	PAYROLL 0...		T. ROWE PRICE	PAYROLL 07-21-16 ANTHONY VEGA	1000105 · ICMA Cash	(50.00)
TOTAL						(50.00)
07/20/16	88567	THE STORAGE PLACE	THE STORAGE PL...	STORAGE JULY 2016	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/05/16	8077		THE STORAGE PL...	OFFSITE STORAGE RENTAL	1013221 · Miscellaneous Contract...	(325.00)
TOTAL						(325.00)
07/20/16	88568	UNITED WAY OF SANTA BARBARA COUN...	UNITED WAY OF S...	PAYROLL 07-21-16	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/20/16	PAYROLL 0...		UNITED WAY OF S...	PAYROLL 07-21-16	1000224 · United Way Payable	(24.00)
TOTAL						(24.00)

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Date	Num	Name	Source Name	Memo	Account	Paid Amount
07/20/16	88569	VANTAGEPOINT TRANSFER AGENTS - 457	VANTAGEPOINT T...	PAYROLL 07-21-16	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/20/16	PAYROLL 0...		VANTAGEPOINT T...	PAYROLL 07-21-16	1000105 · ICMA Cash	(1,125.00)
TOTAL						(1,125.00)
07/20/16	88570	VISIONS PAINT RECYCLING INC	VISIONS PAINT RE...	105692	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/24/16	105692		VISIONS PAINT RE...	GRAFFITI REMOVAL SUPPLIES	3332224 · Graffiti Removal	(731.16)
TOTAL						(731.16)
07/20/16	88571	WEST GROUP	WEST GROUP	565-139-500	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/30/16	834260963		WEST GROUP	SUBSCRIPTION PRODUCT CHARGES	1051305 · Dues & Subscriptions 51	(136.66)
TOTAL						(136.66)
07/20/16	88572	WESTERN EXTERMINATOR COMPANY	WESTERN EXTER...	JUNE 2016 BILLING	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/30/16	JUNE 2016 ...		WESTERN EXTER...	PROJ 4865 MEDICAL CLINIC	1000251 · Development Deposits	(48.50)
TOTAL						(48.50)
07/20/16	88573	YESTERDAYS SPORTSWEAR	YESTERDAYS SPO...	26646	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/28/16	26646		YESTERDAYS SPO...	JG CAPS	4866308 · Supplies & Materials 66	(859.31)
TOTAL						(859.31)
07/20/16	88574	BIG GREEN CLEANING COMPANY	BIG GREEN CLEA...		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/30/16	478675		BIG GREEN CLEAN...	ROW	3332221 · Miscellaneous Contract...	(288.00)
06/30/16	478674		BIG GREEN CLEAN...	ROW	3332221 · Miscellaneous Contract...	(237.70)
			BIG GREEN CLEAN...	BEACHES	2861225 · Marsh Park Maintenance	(118.90)
			BIG GREEN CLEAN...	PARKS	2361221 · Miscellaneous Contracts	(475.40)
06/30/16	478662		BIG GREEN CLEAN...	VETS HALL	4865309 · Misc Operating Expens...	(126.00)
TOTAL						(1,246.00)
07/20/16	88575	BROWNSTEIN HYATT FARBER SCHRECK	BROWNSTEIN HYA...	642633	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/27/16	642633		BROWNSTEIN HYA...	CITY ATTORNEY RETAINER	1017220 · City Attorney Retainer	(43,355.50)
TOTAL						(43,355.50)
07/20/16	88576	BUENA TOOL COMPANY	BUENA TOOL COM...	C2590	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/23/16	17236		BUENA TOOL COM...	PW SHOP	3332308 · Supplies & Materials 32	(131.62)
TOTAL						(131.62)

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07/20/16	88577	FEDEX	FEDEX	5-482-51077	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/15/16	5-482-51077		FEDEX	PROJ 1767	1000251 · Development Deposits	(70.03)
TOTAL						(70.03)
07/20/16	88578	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	FRONTIER COMM...	209-188-2500-061589-5	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/28/16	209-188-25...		FRONTIER COMMU...	PHONE SERVICES	1013301 · Telephone 13	(645.61)
TOTAL						(645.61)
07/20/16	88579	MGT OF AMERICA, INC	MGT OF AMERICA,...	INVOICE #28569	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/13/16	28569		MGT OF AMERICA, ...	SB90 CLAIMS FY 2015-2016	1010165 · SB90 CLAIMS	(572.00)
TOTAL						(572.00)
07/20/16	88580	MUNICIPAL CODE CORPORATION	MUNICIPAL CODE ...	00272122	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/29/16	00272122		MUNICIPAL CODE ...	MUNICODE UPDATES	1011221 · Contract Services 11	(322.46)
TOTAL						(322.46)
07/20/16	88581	PQL LIGHTING	PQL LIGHTING	INVOICE #483486	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/27/16	403486		PQL LIGHTING	CIVIC CENTER	1013224 · Interior Maintenance	(534.30)
TOTAL						(534.30)
07/20/16	88582	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	STAPLES ADVANT...		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/29/16	3306678994		STAPLES ADVANT...	PW SUPPLIES	2531308 · Supplies & Materials 31	(306.00)
06/30/16	3306891009		STAPLES ADVANT...	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1013308 · Supplies & Materials 13	(101.14)
06/30/16	3306678999		STAPLES ADVANT...	POOL SUPPLIES	4866308 · Supplies & Materials 66	(20.73)
TOTAL						(427.87)
07/20/16	88583	VJS BIOLOGICAL CONSULTING	VJS BIOLOGICAL ...	MAY/JUN 2016	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/30/16	MAY/JUN 2...		VJS BIOLOGICAL C...	BEACHES	2362221 · Beach Dune Maintena...	(645.00)
TOTAL						(645.00)
07/20/16	88584	WATER GEAR INC	WATER GEAR INC	00250752	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/30/16	00250752		WATER GEAR INC	POOL RESALE ITEMS	4866350 · Supplies for Resale	(295.82)
TOTAL						(295.82)

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07/20/16	88585	SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, SHERIFF'S D...	SANTA BARBARA ...	17-002	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/20/16	17-002		SANTA BARBARA ...	CONTRACT SERVICES	1021214 · SB County Sheriff	(281,468.42)
			SANTA BARBARA ...	CONTRACT SERVICES	1000150 · COPS Grant Receivable	(8,333.33)
			SANTA BARBARA ...	CONTRACT SERVICES	1121214 · SB County Sheriff 11	(1,303.25)
TOTAL						(291,105.00)
07/20/16	88586	FIRST BANKCARD	FIRST BANKCARD	2142	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/27/16	2142		FIRST BANKCARD	BEACH STORE	4864308 · Supplies & Materials 64	(193.95)
			FIRST BANKCARD	SWING MAINTENANCE	2361221 · Miscellaneous Contracts	(156.96)
			FIRST BANKCARD	VOLUNTEER KIOSK	2361221 · Miscellaneous Contracts	(292.18)
			FIRST BANKCARD	VETS HALL	4865309 · Misc Operating Expens...	(72.76)
			FIRST BANKCARD	BEACH	2879610 · Boardwalk Project/Strsc...	(1,241.50)
			FIRST BANKCARD	FEES CHARGED	1069308 · Supplies & Materials 69	(78.00)
			FIRST BANKCARD	INTEREST CHARGED	1069308 · Supplies & Materials 69	(71.40)
TOTAL						(2,106.75)
07/20/16	88587	S.M.A.R.T., LLC	S.M.A.R.T., LLC	TRIATHLON 2016	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/27/16	TRIATHLO...		S.M.A.R.T., LLC	TRIATHLON 2016	4863300 · Triathlon Expense	(360.00)
TOTAL						(360.00)
07/20/16	88588	ZEPEDA, CHRISTINA	ZEPEDA, CHRISTINA	JG COMPETITION TROPHY ART	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/30/16	JG COMP T...		ZEPEDA, CHRISTINA	JG COMPETITION TROPHY ART	4867308 · Supplies & Materials 67	(150.00)
TOTAL						(150.00)
07/21/16	88589	CSLSA	CSLSA	2016 REGIONAL FEES	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/21/16	REGIONAL ...		CSLSA	2016 REGIONAL FEES	4867308 · Supplies & Materials 67	(480.00)
TOTAL						(480.00)
07/21/16	88590	USLA MEMBERSHIP	USLA MEMBERSHIP	USLA 2016	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/21/16	2016 USLA		USLA MEMBERSHIP	USLA 2016 REGIONALS	4867308 · Supplies & Materials 67	(480.00)
TOTAL						(480.00)
07/27/16	88592	AG ENT INC	AG ENT INC		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/03/16	15969		AG ENT INC	BF TEST	3332223 · Chemical Treatment	(45.00)
07/05/16	15973		AG ENT INC	BF TEST	3332223 · Chemical Treatment	(45.00)
07/05/16	15972		AG ENT INC	BF TEST	3332223 · Chemical Treatment	(45.00)
TOTAL						(135.00)

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07/27/16	88593	ANIMAL MEDICAL CLINIC	ANIMAL MEDICAL ...	182145	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/14/16	182145		ANIMAL MEDICAL ...	ANIMAL SHELTERING	1047213 · Animal Sheltering	(1,574.12)
TOTAL						(1,574.12)
07/27/16	88594	ARYA ICE CREAM	ARYA ICE CREAM		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
04/28/16	1521611902		ARYA ICE CREAM	POOL RESALE ITEMS	4866350 · Supplies for Resale	(49.92)
06/22/16	1391617405		ARYA ICE CREAM	POOL RESALE ITEMS	4866350 · Supplies for Resale	(49.92)
TOTAL						(99.84)
07/27/16	88595	ATT	ATT	ACCOUNT 030-602-5152-001	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/12/16	0306025152...		ATT	CIVIC CENTER	1013301 · Telephone 13	(33.98)
			ATT	PW	2531301 · Telephone 31	(1.51)
			ATT	BEACH	2862301 · Telephone 62	(5.52)
			ATT	POOL	4866301 · Telephone 66	(6.06)
TOTAL						(47.07)
07/27/16	88596	BEGA	BEGA	INVOICE #222191	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/19/16	222191		BEGA	5TH & HOLLY	2923220 · Street Lighting	(7,195.55)
TOTAL						(7,195.55)
07/27/16	88597	BIG GREEN CLEANING COMPANY	BIG GREEN CLEA...		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/01/16	478860		BIG GREEN CLEAN...	ASH	2861225 · Marsh Park Maintenance	(388.00)
			BIG GREEN CLEAN...	ROW	3332221 · Miscellaneous Contract...	(776.00)
			BIG GREEN CLEAN...	PARKS	2361221 · Miscellaneous Contracts	(1,555.00)
07/01/16	478856		BIG GREEN CLEAN...	CITY HALL	1013224 · Interior Maintenance	(900.00)
			BIG GREEN CLEAN...	VETS HALL	4865224 · Custodial Services	(811.00)
07/01/16	478855		BIG GREEN CLEAN...	SEASIDE BUILDING	4865309 · Misc Operating Expens...	(185.00)
TOTAL						(4,615.00)
07/27/16	88598	BMI MUSIC PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT	BMI MUSIC PERFO...	28288444	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/02/16	28288444		BMI MUSIC PERFO...	MUSIC PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT FEES F...	1013221 · Miscellaneous Contract...	(236.00)
			BMI MUSIC PERFO...	MUSIC PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT FEES F...	3845222 · Marketing/Project Carpi...	(100.00)
TOTAL						(336.00)
07/27/16	88599	BOB TRAUTZ LAND DEV CO, INC	BOB TRAUTZ LAN...	INVOICE 4946	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/15/16	4946		BOB TRAUTZ LAN...	CARPINTERIA DIF AQUATICS	3100243 · Park Aquatics DIF	(2,627.30)

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TOTAL						(2,627.30)
07/27/16	88600	C3 INTELLIGENCE, INC	C3 INTELLIGENCE,...	9569	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/01/16	9569		C3 INTELLIGENCE,...	RECRUITMENT	1016320 · Pre-placement Health S...	(575.50)
TOTAL						(575.50)
07/27/16	88601	CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS COM...	CALIFORNIA BUIL...		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/15/16	2016 QUAR...		CALIFORNIA BUILD...	STATE BUILDING STANDARDS FUND APR-JUN	1000226 · SB1473 State Building ...	(185.00)
07/15/16	2016 FEES ...		CALIFORNIA BUILD...	STATE BUILDING STANDARDS FUND JAN - M...	1000226 · SB1473 State Building ...	(70.65)
TOTAL						(255.65)
07/27/16	88602	CalPERS	CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/22/16	AUG 2016 ...		CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1051194 · Wellness 51	(4,661.12)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1011194 · Wellness 11	(1,877.65)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1012194 · Wellness 12	(2,782.72)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1013194 · Wellness 13	(1,472.98)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1014194 · Wellness 14	(4,491.62)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1016194 · Wellness 16	(666.91)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1030194 · Wellness 30	(5,471.08)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	2531194 · Wellness 31	(4,418.94)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1041194 · Wellness 41	(3,742.17)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1042194 · Wellness 42	(1,413.96)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1069194 · Wellness 69	(2,155.50)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1022194 · Wellness 22	(2,606.04)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	2361194 · Wellness 61	(1,472.98)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	3332194 · Wellness 32	(1,472.98)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1044194 · Wellness 44	(1,472.98)
			CalPERS	PROJ 4860	1000251 · Development Deposits	(320.98)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	1016196 · Health Insurance Surch...	(144.20)
			CalPERS	AUGUST 2016 HEALTH	4868194 · Wellness 68	(1,133.06)
TOTAL						(41,777.87)
07/27/16	88603	CARPINTERIA-SUMMERLAND FIRE DISTR...	CARPINTERIA-SU...	JUNE 2016 FIRE FEES	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/22/16	JUNE 2016 ...		CARPINTERIA-SU...	PROJ 1829	1000261 · Fire District Fees	(205.00)
			CARPINTERIA-SU...	BP 11746	1000261 · Fire District Fees	(205.00)
TOTAL						(410.00)
07/27/16	88604	CARPINTERIA LOCK & KEY	CARPINTERIA LOC...	INVOICE #1390	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/12/16	1390		CARPINTERIA LOC...	ROW	2923225 · Public Right of Way Lig...	(24.46)
TOTAL						(24.46)
07/27/16	88605	CHEVRON & TEXACO BUSINESS CARD S...	CHEVRON & TEXA...	789-819-058-7	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	

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07/22/16	47971377		CHEVRON & TEXA...	VEHICLE FUEL	1013307 · Vehicle Oper & Mainten...	(203.32)
			CHEVRON & TEXA...	VEHICLE FUEL	2531307 · Vehicle Oper & Mainten...	(292.04)
			CHEVRON & TEXA...	VEHICLE FUEL	3332307 · Vehicle Oper & Mainten...	(346.69)
			CHEVRON & TEXA...	VEHICLE FUEL	2361307 · Vehicle Oper/Maintena...	(107.99)
			CHEVRON & TEXA...	VEHICLE FUEL	4868308 · Supplies & Materials 68	(83.18)
TOTAL						(1,033.22)
07/27/16	88606	COASTAL VIEW NEWS	COASTAL VIEW N...		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/07/16	48378		COASTAL VIEW NE...	LEGAL NOTICES	1011303 · Printing & Advertising 11	(73.50)
07/07/16	48360		COASTAL VIEW NE...	NOTICE OF ELECTION	1011303 · Printing & Advertising 11	(288.00)
07/07/16	48379		COASTAL VIEW NE...	LEGAL NOTICES	1011303 · Printing & Advertising 11	(94.50)
07/15/16	48403		COASTAL VIEW NE...	LEGAL NOTICES	1011303 · Printing & Advertising 11	(264.00)
07/21/16	48469		COASTAL VIEW NE...	PET AD	1047303 · Printing & Advertising 47	(25.00)
TOTAL						(745.00)
07/27/16	88607	DEERE & COMPANY	DEERE & COMPANY	INVOICE #115375219	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/22/16	115375219		DEERE & COMPANY	BEACH TRACTOR	2870414 · Lifeguard Tower Refit	(15,268.56)
			DEERE & COMPANY	PW VEHICLES	2770415 · Public Works Vehicles 27	(15,268.56)
TOTAL						(30,537.12)
07/27/16	88608	DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION	DEPARTMENT OF ...	2016 Q2 SMIP FEES	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/21/16	2016 Q2 SM...		DEPARTMENT OF ...	2016 Q2 SMIP FEES	1000202 · SMIP Payable	(943.11)
TOTAL						(943.11)
07/27/16	88609	DOWNS, MICHAEL	DOWNS, MICHAEL	PROGRAM REFUND	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/19/16	PROGRAM ...		DOWNS, MICHAEL	POOL PROGRAM REFUND	4848281 · JR LIFEGUARD FEES	(55.00)
TOTAL						(55.00)
07/27/16	88610	EARLY, LYNN	EARLY, LYNN	PROGRAM REFUND	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/26/16	PROGRAM ...		EARLY, LYNN	PROGRAM REFUND	4848400 · UNIFORM SALES	(55.00)
TOTAL						(55.00)
07/27/16	88611	EDD-SDI	EDD-SDI	776-5147-9	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/14/16	2016 Q2 UN...		EDD-SDI	2016 QUARTER 2 UNDERPAYMENT	1000223 · SDI Withheld	(1.68)
TOTAL						(1.68)
07/27/16	88612	EMBLEM ENTERPRISES INC	EMBLEM ENTERP...	649847	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	

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05/17/16	649847		EMBLEM ENTERP...	JG SUPPLIES	4867308 · Supplies & Materials 87	(674.52)
TOTAL						(674.52)
07/27/16	88613	GRANICUS	GRANICUS	3 MONTHLY MANAGED SERVICE	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/01/16	78037		GRANICUS	SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE	1018224 · Software Maintenance	(1,797.00)
TOTAL						(1,797.00)
07/27/16	88614	HAMMOCK, ARNOLD, SMITH & CO	HAMMOCK, ARNO...		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/30/16	6155, 6175 ...		HAMMOCK, ARNOL...	PROPOSED PUBLIC TRAIL EASEMENT	3100244 · Park Open Space DIF	(2,500.00)
07/08/16	5467 CARP ...		HAMMOCK, ARNOL...	PROPOSED PUBLIC TRAIL EASEMENT	3100244 · Park Open Space DIF	(3,000.00)
TOTAL						(5,500.00)
07/27/16	88615	HASLER	HASLER	7900-0110-3770-5400	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/12/16	7900-0110-...		HASLER	POSTAGE	1013302 · Postage 13	(1,000.00)
TOTAL						(1,000.00)
07/27/16	88616	INTERNATIONAL IDENTIFICATION INC	INTERNATIONAL I...	INVOICE #424441	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/01/16	424441		INTERNATIONAL I...	DOG TAGS	1047308 · Supplies & Materials	(90.58)
TOTAL						(90.58)
07/27/16	88617	JFM WEB DESIGN	JFM WEB DESIGN	INVOICE 16-0112	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
05/25/16	16-0112		JFM WEB DESIGN	QUARTERLY BASIC HOSTING TRIATHLON 2016	4863300 · Triathlon Expense	(48.13)
TOTAL						(48.13)
07/27/16	88618	KNISS, MEGAN	KNISS, MEGAN	PROGRAM REFUND	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/15/16	PROGRAM ...		KNISS, MEGAN	PROGRAM REFUND	4848401 · LEARN TO SWIM TUIT...	(166.00)
TOTAL						(166.00)
07/27/16	88619	LESLIE'S POOL SUPPLIES INC	LESLIE'S POOL SU...		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
04/14/16	3013-101643		LESLIE'S POOL SU...	CITY POOL	4866338 · Chemicals	(1,618.65)
05/05/16	3013-102375		LESLIE'S POOL SU...	CITY POOL	4866338 · Chemicals	(2,289.00)
05/27/16	3013-103056		LESLIE'S POOL SU...	CITY POOL	4866338 · Chemicals	(327.00)
07/14/16	3013-104446		LESLIE'S POOL SU...	CITY POOL	4866338 · Chemicals	(4,152.90)
TOTAL						(8,387.55)

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07/27/16	88620	LIEBERT CASSIDY WHITMORE	LIEBERT CASSIDY...	WEBINAR REGISTRATION - BALMADRID	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/21/16	REGISTRA...		LIEBERT CASSIDY ...	WEBINAR REGISTRATION - BALMADRID	1016228 · Employee Training	(85.00)
TOTAL						(85.00)
07/27/16	88621	MALKASIAN, LAUREN	MALKASIAN, LAU...	PROGRAM REFUND	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/26/16	PROGRAM ...		MALKASIAN, LAUR...	PROGRAM REFUND	4848412 · SEASON PASS SALES	(50.00)
TOTAL						(50.00)
07/27/16	88622	MCCORMIX CORP	MCCORMIX CORP	917867	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
06/30/16	917867		MCCORMIX CORP	PW VEHICLE FUEL	3332307 · Vehicle Oper & Mainten...	(77.39)
TOTAL						(77.39)
07/27/16	88623	METLIFE - GROUP BENEFITS	METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/21/16	AUG 2016 ...		METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1051194 · Wellness 51	(477.44)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1011194 · Wellness 11	(181.21)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1012194 · Wellness 12	(314.57)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1013194 · Wellness 13	(195.21)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1014194 · Wellness 14	(390.42)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1016194 · Wellness 16	(58.61)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1030194 · Wellness 30	(554.39)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	2531194 · Wellness 31	(585.63)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1041194 · Wellness 41	(449.03)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1042194 · Wellness 42	(195.21)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1069194 · Wellness 69	(253.82)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1022194 · Wellness 22	(239.82)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	3332194 · Wellness 32	(704.99)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	1044194 · Wellness 44	(195.21)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	2361194 · Wellness 61	(195.21)
			METLIFE - GROUP ...	AUG 2016 DENTAL	4868194 · Wellness 68	(117.22)
TOTAL						(5,107.99)
07/27/16	88624	MITCHELL, YOLANDA	MITCHELL, YOLAN...	POOL REFUND	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/26/16	POOL REF...		MITCHELL, YOLAN...	POOL REFUND	4848401 · LEARN TO SWIM TUIT...	(110.00)
TOTAL						(110.00)
07/27/16	88625	SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, PUBLIC WOR...	SANTA BARBARA ...	2016 GBPSBC	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/02/16	2016 GBPS...		SANTA BARBARA ...	2016 CERTIFICATION OF CITY OF CARPINTER...	4866308 · Supplies & Materials 66	(300.00)
TOTAL						(300.00)
07/27/16	88626	SPECTRUM SQUATICS	SPECTRUM SQUA...	0149194-IN	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	

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04/28/16	0149194-IN		SPECTRUM SQUA...	POOL SUPPLIES	4866308 · Supplies & Materials 66	(282.05)
TOTAL						(282.05)
07/27/16	88627	SPRINT*	SPRINT*	263847979-001	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/02/16	263847979-...		SPRINT*	BEACH STORE IPAD	4864308 · Supplies & Materials 64	(135.70)
TOTAL						(135.70)
07/27/16	88628	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	STAPLES ADVANT...		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/01/16	3307110699		STAPLES ADVANT...	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1013308 · Supplies & Materials 13	(25.27)
07/01/16	3307110696		STAPLES ADVANT...	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1013308 · Supplies & Materials 13	(35.14)
TOTAL						(60.41)
07/27/16	88629	TRANSAMERICA EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	TRANSAMERICA E...	GROUP ID#G000026466	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
08/01/16	AUG 2016 ...		TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1030194 · Wellness 30	(18.75)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1016194 · Wellness 16	(35.70)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1030194 · Wellness 30	(56.75)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1041194 · Wellness 41	(36.45)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	4868194 · Wellness 68	(35.70)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1011194 · Wellness 11	(18.75)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1030194 · Wellness 30	(40.68)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1012194 · Wellness 12	(33.12)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1022194 · Wellness 22	(35.70)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1012194 · Wellness 12	(35.70)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1041194 · Wellness 41	(87.43)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1041194 · Wellness 41	(33.12)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1022194 · Wellness 22	(72.48)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	2531194 · Wellness 31	(109.37)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1030194 · Wellness 30	(35.70)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	2531194 · Wellness 31	(67.40)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1011194 · Wellness 11	(35.70)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	1022194 · Wellness 22	(18.75)
			TRANSAMERICA E...	AUGUST 2016 WELLNESS	4868194 · Wellness 68	(18.75)
TOTAL						(826.00)
07/27/16	88630	VENTURA COUNTY MEDICAL ASSOC	VENTURA COUNT...	CLEANING DEPOSIT REIMBURSEMENT	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/15/16	VETS HALL...		VENTURA COUNT...	VETS HALL CLEANING DEPOSIT REIMBURSE...	1000231 · Veterans Building Depo...	(300.00)
TOTAL						(300.00)
07/27/16	88631	ZAKOSEK, DAVORKA *	ZAKOSEK, DAVOR...	PROGRAM REFUND	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/19/16	PROGRAM ...		ZAKOSEK, DAVOR...	PROGRAM REFUND	4848401 · LEARN TO SWIM TUIT...	(80.00)

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TOTAL						(80.00)
07/27/16	88632	ZWORLD GIS	ZWORLD GIS	2016-0168	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/01/16	2016-0168		ZWORLD GIS	GIS WEB MAPPING	2536226 · Engineering Retainer	(5,000.00)
			ZWORLD GIS	GIS WEB MAPPING	1041224 · Drafting/Mapping	(5,000.00)
TOTAL						(10,000.00)
07/27/16	88633	ARYA ICE CREAM	ARYA ICE CREAM	1391618904	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/07/16	1391618904		ARYA ICE CREAM	POOL RESALE ITEMS	4866350 · Supplies for Resale	(95.85)
TOTAL						(95.85)
07/27/16	88634	COLANTUONO, HIGHSMITH & WHATLEY, ...	COLANTUONO, HI...	2015 ASSESSMENTS	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/05/16	31108		COLANTUONO, HI...	2015 ASSESSMENTS	1030221 · Contract Services 30	(1,820.00)
TOTAL						(1,820.00)
07/27/16	88635	FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	FRONTIER COMM...	80568476130422055	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/07/16	8056847613...		FRONTIER COMMU...	PHONE SERVICES	1013301 · Telephone 13	(177.45)
TOTAL						(177.45)
07/27/16	88636	JOY EQUIPMENT PROTECTION INC	JOY EQUIPMENT P...	INVOICE #66402	1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/07/16	66402		JOY EQUIPMENT P...	FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	3332221 · Miscellaneous Contract...	(125.00)
TOTAL						(125.00)
07/27/16	88637	SO CA EDISON	SO CA EDISON		1000101 · Operating Cash 10	
07/20/16	2-25-126-20...		SO CA EDISON	VIOLA	2361313 · Utility - Electric 23	(35.62)
07/20/16	2-27-939-99...		SO CA EDISON	ROLLER RINK	1013314 · Utility - Natural Gas	(25.61)
TOTAL						(61.23)
TOTAL					TOTAL	\$507,981.35



City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT August 8, 2016

ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Contracts Executed by the City Manager on behalf of the City for the Period of July 1, 2016 through July 31, 2016.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Action Item ; Non-Action Item X

Receive and file Report of Contracts Executed by the City Manager for the period of July 1, 2016 through July 31, 2016.

Motion: I move to receive and file the Report of Contracts Executed by the City Manager for the period of July 1, 2016 through July 31, 2016.

DISCUSSION

The City Manager is delegated authority by the Carpinteria Municipal Code (CMC), §2.08.150B, to execute contracts on behalf of the City in the amount of \$30,000 or less. Pursuant to CMC §2.08.150C, a list of all contracts executed by the City Manager is provided for City Council information and appended to this Staff Report as Attachment A. Attachment A lists all contracts entered into on behalf of the City for goods, construction and services for the period of July 1, 2016 through July 31, 2016.

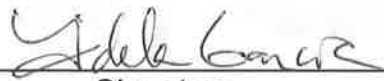
FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

All contracts entered into are within the appropriated budgeted amounts.

ATTACHMENTS

A. Report of Contracts Executed by the City Manager

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Reviewed by: Dave Durflinger, City Manager


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ATTACHMENT A

Report of Contracts Executed by the City Manager Period of July 1 to July 31, 2016

VENDOR	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
EVERYWHERE RIGHT NOW	WEB PAGE CONSULTANT	NOT TO EXCEED \$3000
TERRY KRIEG	AUDITING SERVICES FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2016	NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000



City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT August 8, 2016

ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Receipt of requested documents identified in legislative subpoenas served to Carpinteria property owners.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Action Item ; Non-Action Item X

That the City Council accept copies of subpoenaed records.

BACKGROUND

On November 23, 2015, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 5635 authorizing the Mayor to sign, and the City Manager to serve, legislative subpoenas on property owners within the R-1 District, PUD District, and the MHP District who are advertising residential units for rent as vacation rentals, and on persons who facilitate such rentals, such as companies that operate websites and other forums where offers for rent as vacation rentals are displayed.

Pursuant to this authorization, the City has issued its first set of legislative subpoenas and has been receiving responses from the parties who have been served.

The subpoenas require the subpoenaed parties to produce copies of requested records relating to the operation of all rentals of the identified residential units for periods of 30 consecutive days or less and/or appear before the City Council to produce such documents. The legislative subpoenas also require that produced documents be accompanied by a declaration or affidavit warranting to their accuracy and completeness. The subpoenaed parties were ordered to appear in person to provide such documents to the City Clerk by July 29, 2016 or at the August 8, 2016 regular meeting of the City Council.

DISCUSSION

If any of the subpoenaed parties fail to produce the requested records and/or appear at the City Council meeting, the Mayor is authorized to submit a report of noncompliance to the Santa Barbara Superior Court for enforcement of the subpoena. Superior Court review is necessary before remedies can be sought for failure to comply with the legislative subpoena. Upon an order from the court, a writ of attachment may be issued directing the Santa Barbara County Sheriff to bring the individual before the court. Upon appearance before the court, a judge has jurisdiction to issue a contempt order. The punishment for disobedience of a legislative subpoena is the same as if contempt has been committed in a civil trial in superior court.

The City requires these records to assist it in evaluating, investigating, and enforcing compliance with the Carpinteria Municipal Code (CMC), including provisions of the zoning code prohibiting unlawful Short-term Rentals in the R-1, PUD, and MHP Zones pursuant to CMC Chapters 14.12, 14.16 and 14.18. Upon receipt of the subpoenaed documents, staff will determine if any violations of the prohibition on Short-term Rentals have occurred. Appropriate action will be taken to enforce the requirements of the CMC, which may include citation, penalties or other legal action.

LEGAL

Under Government Code section 37104 and Carpinteria Municipal Code section 2.04.600, the City Council has the authority to issue legislative subpoenas requiring the attendance of witnesses or production of documents with respect to all matters within its legislative power and all matters pertaining to the administration of the business of the city, including compliance with local zoning and taxation regulations. City staff has worked closely with the City Attorney's office in issuing the legislative subpoenas and preparing this staff report.

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City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT August 8, 2016

ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

2016 Work Plan Status Report.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Action Item ; Non-Action Item X

Receive and file the 2016 Work Plan status report.

BACKGROUND

Each year in late January the City Council, City Manager and staff Department Heads meet to discuss strategic issues and the Annual Work Plan. The public meeting was held this year on Saturday, January 23, 2016, and the approved Work Plan can be found on the City's website at: <http://www.carpinteria.ca.us/PDFs/Work%20Program.pdf>.

The annual Work Plan is the primary document that guides new or significantly modified staff work for the coming year. The document includes a brief description of all Departments, including a mission statement, and detailed information about discrete Department work matters. Each proposed work item in the Plan includes the following information:

- Project Description
- Objective and Policy Consistency
- Previous and Ongoing Work
- Tasks
- Products/Completion date
- Staff Requirements
- Budget and Funding Source

The Annual Work Plan also includes the identification of strategic issues facing the City, a discussion of the proposed approach to addressing these issues, and implementation measures set out through the Plan.

This agenda matter is intended to allow for Department Heads to present information to the City Council on the status of work for which they are responsible and for the City Council to ask questions, discuss the work and priorities.

DISCUSSION

A progress report on each Work Plan matter is attached to this Staff Report and will be presented by Department Heads at the Council meeting.

The annual Work Plan represents discrete work items that have been anticipated and, typically, are not of a recurring or ongoing nature. As such, the Work Plan does not reflect all work conducted during the year. For example, in circumstances where the day-to-day work in a Department makes significant demands on staff resources, the Work Plan may represent a small fraction of the work undertaken annually.

Annual City work also includes cooperative and collaborative work with other agencies and organizations. This work can be critical and time consuming because, as a small government agency, services that are important to Carpinterians such as health and human services, youth education, transportation and housing, is most efficiently and effectively addressed at a regional level and/or in cooperation with other agencies that have primary responsibility for these services.

Day-to-Day Work Summaries. Below are highlights from each Department on day-to-day or newly prioritized work matters that are notable because of the demand they placed on City resources during the first half of the calendar year.

1. General Government/Administrative Services

The preparation and adoption of the annual budget is a large time commitment occurring annually during the first half of the calendar year. A balanced budget was presented and adopted by the City Council on June 13.

Council member Clark, the City Manager, the Community Resource Deputy and Code Compliance staff, participate in coordination meetings concerning services and housing for people experiencing homelessness. The C3H collaborative, which involves community members, regional C3H staff, social and health workers, and City staff working collaboratively, has now had some success both in addressing needs of people experiencing homelessness, preventing homelessness and, in at least one case, identifying that a person recently homeless in Carpinteria has found a home with Peoples Self-Help Housing. The number and acute issues resulting from people experiencing homelessness in Carpinteria is demanding a significant amount of time for law and code enforcement, public works and parks field staff, as well as administration/policy and this is expected to continue through the calendar year and beyond.

The Administrative Services Director and City Manager are coordinating a number of efforts to evaluate, update and/or establish a number of legislative and policy documents effecting the City's financial condition. In response to changes in government accounting standards the City has hired a consultant to prepare a report that will allow the City to meet GASB 68 standards concerning the reporting of Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) liability. The City has also solicited and a proposal for an OPEB actuarial evaluation. This work as well as the updated Capital Improvement and Development Impact Fee programs, and the evaluation of current Assessment and Special Tax Districts, will be used to educate the preparation of the City's first Long-Term Financial Plan. Staff has solicited and received a proposal for consultant services for

assisting in the preparation of the Plan, which will be reviewed this month by the City Council Finance Committee.

2. Community Development

Last month, the City Council presented Jeff Keough with a Certificate of Commendation on his Retirement as Building Inspector for the City. The recruitment process for Building Inspector position is ongoing. Following a review of applications, an initial round of interviews occurred early in June, followed by a second round of interviews on August 3rd. Staff is also in the process of setting up interviews as a part of the recruitment for the Assistant Planner position.

The Department continues to move ahead with efforts to digitize approved building plans, project files and address files in support of the goal to deliver information and services to the public as efficiently and effectively as possible. Together with the Public Works Department a new web-based GIS map viewing software application has been purchased.

In May a consultant was retained to review and assist with editing the Zone Code update in preparation for a public rollout the draft document later this year. The first General Plan Update Committee meeting occurred in April. Several consultant firms specializing in Coastal Zone updates have submitted their qualifications for consideration and it is anticipated that a Request for Proposals will be issued within the next two months.

Community Development staff continues to participate in ongoing meetings between Caltrans, SBCAG and Public Works Department staff in preparation for the commencement this fall of the Casitas Pass and Linden Avenue Interchanges and Via Real Extension project. Caltrans has also contacted Planning staff concerning restarting City development review of the South Coast HOV Lane project, i.e., widening the freeway from Carpinteria Creek Bridge to Montecito, after amendments to the project Environmental Impact Report are completed.

The Short-term Rentals Ordinance and related work efforts such as the Moratorium Hardship Waiver request and Legislative Subpoena actions are consuming a great deal of staff time. Finally, during the first half of the year Planning staff have been busy with developer meetings and application review for several large projects, including the proposed 10-room hotel project on the north side of Via Real, a proposal for the Bluffs I site, and assisting potential buyers of the 700 block of Linden Avenue with their due diligence investigations.

3. Public Works

The Department of Public Works continues to deliver on a wide variety of programs, projects and services. Recently, Public Works completed two construction projects, the 2015 Street Rehabilitation Project and the Via Real Sidewalk Improvements Project. The Main School Sidewalk Improvements Project is currently under construction and expects to be completed in early August. The Department is also making progress on several other projects. The Ash Avenue Improvements Project is expected to be completed in fall 2016 and the Carpinteria Avenue Bridge Replacement Project is nearing completion of the Environmental Impact Report and the 65% plans. Additionally, the construction contract for the US-101 projects was recently awarded and is expected to begin construction in fall 2016.

4. Parks & Recreation

The Parks and Recreation Department has included some new additions in its work program that are of a nature to require immediate action.

The Land Trust for Santa Barbara County has announced that they have entered into a purchase arrangement most of the Bluffs III area with the intention to convey the property to the City. City staff tasks include grant writing, budget analysis, property assessment and negotiation of terms of property transfer.

Council direction on Heath Ranch Park to develop a park management and redesign of Heath Ranch Park will take more staff time than anticipated in order to help improve the park conditions.

A complete reconsideration of the Linden Field agreement is forthcoming. The Agreement will likely involve the City keeping maintenance responsibility for the Tomol Interpretive Play Area, the Palm to Linden Trail, and the plaza area at the end of Linden Avenue but no longer being responsible for the Linden Field. Look for this matter to be brought forth for City Council Consideration in September.

Strategic Initiatives. The following is a review of work completed or in progress this calendar year that directly addresses Goals of the City's Strategic Initiatives, a discussion of which begins on page 4 of the Work Plan.

1. The Organization.

- A. Public Facilities and Systems. An updated assessment of street conditions was initiated in anticipation of selecting streets for pavement maintenance treatments, which have been budgeted for this year. Work was also initiated to redesign Heath Ranch Park and replace street and parking lot landscaping in the Downtown. The Downtown landscaping is expected to be bid later this summer and installed in late October. City Hall floor planning work has progressed this spring with the goal of interior remodeling to make more efficient use of existing work space and anticipate future work space needs. As a part of the revitalization of the City Hall building, all exterior doors will be replaced in August and related security upgraded. City Hall grounds work has been put on hold while skatepark planning is progressing. Staff met with Venoco, Inc. representatives to discuss the possible expansion of the City Hall campus for parking and storage. An appraisal was completed for a private property on Bluffs II in order to facilitate negotiations for acquisition of an easement for the Coastal Vista Trail. Also, the City Council authorized negotiations with the Land Trust concerning terms for accepting 21 acres at Bluffs III as a part of the City's parks and open space system. Finally, plans for the Community Garden on 5th Street have been completed, garden components selected and purchased, and construction work is expected to commence in earnest later this summer.
- B. Policies and Procedures. Updates to the Zone Code were approved by Council and have been submitted for consummation by the Coastal Commission. The General Plan Committee began meeting and has held meetings to organize and plan the scope and nature of the update. As discussed in the prior section, the City has engaged a consultant to prepare the compliance report related to new Government Accounting Standards Board recommendations (GASB 68), and staff has received proposals for consultant services related to an actuarial evaluation of Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) liability and developing the City's first Long-Range Financial Plan.
- C. Workforce: Terms of employment have been implemented through the budget process and the City's Health Insurance Committee has met this year to consider

health insurance alternatives. This is the third and final year of the current labor agreement applying to represented employees and it is expected that meetings will begin in late fall early winter to discuss a successor agreement.

- D. **Finances:** The City contracted with a consultant to update its fee schedule in order to ensure appropriate cost recovery. The updated schedule is expected to be considered by the City Council in the fall. As mentioned under Policies and Procedures, the City started work this year on both an OPEB actuarial evaluation and a long-range financial plan. The results of this work is expected to be improved tools for communicating City financial conditions and financial decision-making. Finally, during the first half of the year staff has met with developers about prospective projects in the Downtown and on the bluffs and which are of a type and size that could positively influence City finances. A draft feasibility study was also completed for a small hotel/restaurant project on City property located at the corner of Linden Avenue and 5th Street. The results of the feasibility study are expected to be considered by the Council in September.
- 2. **A Sustainable Community.** The City's Sustainable Community Policy provides a structure for evaluating local projects, programs and services in the context of Economic Vitality, Environmental Stewardship and Community Health, Safety and Wellness. Implementation of the policy will occur in the City's major policy documents such as the General Plan/Local Coastal Plan update and various programs and services.
 - A. **Economic Vitality:** As touched on above, the City staff continues to meet with property owners and prospective developers in order to encourage appropriate development and to fill key retail, office and industrial vacancies. In particular, the City has met with developers interested in the 700 block of Linden, Bluffs I, and a hotel development application has been submitted for the former Nazarene Church site at the west end of Via Real. Staff continues to participate on the Chamber of Commerce and cooperate on various efforts in support of local businesses such as the Downtown Business Advisory Board/Carpinteria First Committee. Also this year new prospects for the acquisition of bluffs open space and trail segments have developed and are being pursued. The City's parks, open space and trails system has proven to be a significant attraction to visitors and business, supporting both community hospitality industry as well as corporate headquarters, e.g. Procore.
 - B. **Environmental Stewardship:** The City's stormwater management program will be audited by the state this year. This will be an opportunity to identify program strengths and weaknesses and to make improvements. The City has been meeting with County and Venoco representatives as a part of negotiations for a successor tidelands pipeline lease. This process represents an opportunity to ensure that best practices are established and being followed for safety and the protection of sensitive coastal resources. LED replacement lighting was installed at Parking Lot #1 and is expected to result in significant cost savings and reduced energy use over time. Finally, in response to a request from the Land Trust for Santa Barbara County, the City has initiated negotiations concerning the City acquiring the area as a part of its public parks, trails and open space system. This acquisition represents a significant opportunity to protect and enhance sensitive coastal bluffs habitat.
 - C. **Health, Safety, and Wellness:** The City's law enforcement contract is scheduled to expire in June 2017 and earlier this year staff met with Santa Barbara County

Sheriff's representatives for preliminary discussions about the update process. City and Sheriff's representatives are expected to begin meeting in earnest on a successor agreement in the winter. City staff and law enforcement partners met regularly throughout the first half of the year with community members and service providers in order to address issues related to homelessness and to strategize on services and housing for people experiencing homelessness in Carpinteria. This has proven to be a major undertaking involving parallel efforts to manage homeless issues and greatly reduce the number of people that are homelessness.

The City's emergency preparedness program graduated another CERT class in the spring and is planning a fall class and plans are underway to use the Avocado Festival for training.

As previously mentioned, important progress toward the development of key Coastal Vista Trail links has occurred in the first part of 2016. Completion of the trail will provide an approximately five mile length walking and bicycling trail along the coastline of Carpinteria and will be an unprecedented recreation and coastal access amenity in the region and perhaps the State.

The community garden plan was also put in final form and work on the 5th street site will soon begin, ultimately allowing residents access to plots for growing their own vegetables. Also, staff initiated talks with the school district and community groups concerning management of the garden and creating a community garden and agricultural education program. Funding for establishing the program as a five year pilot will come later this year from the state as a part of the Linden-Casitas Interchange project.

Finally, earlier this year the City Manager assisted the executive director of the Carpinteria Children's Project (CCP) and a group of non-profit and service representatives to form a non-profit aimed at ensuring that CCP is able to continue to grow and meet the needs of Carpinteria children and families from "cradle to career".

3. Interagency Cooperation/Coordination.

- A. Housing and Employment: The City's Housing Element update was approved earlier this year by the California Coastal Commission and in response to the approval, in June, the City Council consummated the ordinance implementing provisions concerning density bonus, transitional and supportive housing, single room occupancy housing, agricultural employee housing, emergency shelters and housing for persons with disabilities.

The City also continued efforts to collaborate with other agencies and housing and related support services including participation in regional housing efforts at the County level, e.g., Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness and the Santa Barbara Joint Housing Taskforce. Through the Carpinteria Regional Coordination Committee, staff worked with the Housing Authority of Santa Barbara County and People's Self Help Housing Corporation to identify housing opportunities in Carpinteria that can help to meet needs related people experiencing homelessness in Carpinteria. Possibilities being investigated by the group range from agreements with landlords of rental housing to new construction.

- B. Open Space: Work on the City's General Plan update began this year and will include a focus on policies related to Sea Level Rise Adaptation and updating land use policies for the Carpinteria Bluffs, among other matters. Also in the first half of 2016, as mentioned above, the City continued its cooperative to address issues associated with homelessness. This includes managing illegal camping in open space areas where sensitive habitat can be damaged by pollution, fire and other human activities.
- C. Transportation: A major pavement rehabilitation project was funded as a part of the 2016-17 Budget and is expected to be constructed this fall. Staff has been working with Caltrans and MTD concerning Highway 101 improvement project impacts to local transportation and the implementation of related project conditions/mitigation measures. Construction of the Linden-Casitas Interchanges project begins this fall and plans are being made in anticipation of various construction related impacts to streets, sidewalks and trails.

Finally, as mentioned above, progress continues to be being made on both the Rincon and Santa Claus Lane Coastal Vista Trail segments. In the first half of 2016, staff cooperated with SBCAG on a grant application to fund construction of the Rincon Trail and participated in planning work for the Santa Claus Lane trail project, which is a part of the 101 widening project (Phase IV of the 101 improvements).

- D. Education, Health and Human Services: As mentioned previously, the City participates in THRIVE and on the Board of the Carpinteria Children's Project in support of early childhood education and college/career readiness, and in a variety of efforts to deliver services to the City's population of people experiencing homelessness. In March, representatives of the City Council and School Board met and discussed matters of mutual interest. Also, work was initiated earlier in the year on a community garden project and program, which aims to improve resident's access to affordable local produce. Finally, the City's General Plan Committee is considering including a community Health & Wellness element as a part of the General Plan update.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

With the adoption of the 2016-17 fiscal year budget in June, funding will be available for many Work Program projects to be accomplished in the current calendar year. Other discrete projects may be addressed in future years or will be brought before the City Council for consideration of a specific appropriation.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. 2016 Work Plan Status Report Table

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ATTACHMENT A

The fourth part of the document discusses the role of the accounting department in the overall management of the organization. It highlights the importance of the accounting function in providing valuable insights into the organization's performance and in supporting strategic decision-making. The document also discusses the need for ongoing communication and collaboration between the accounting department and other parts of the organization.

The fifth part of the document provides a summary of the key points discussed in the previous sections. It reiterates the importance of accurate record-keeping, proper accounting procedures, and transparent financial reporting. The document also emphasizes the need for ongoing monitoring and improvement of the financial system to ensure its continued effectiveness.

The final part of the document provides a conclusion and a call to action. It encourages all members of the organization to take responsibility for their role in maintaining accurate financial records and to work together to ensure the integrity and transparency of the financial system. The document also provides a list of resources and references for further information on accounting and financial management.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT
August 2016 Work Plan Status

Activity	Comments
Program: Legislative & Policy	
Legislative Advocacy	The City relies, generally, on the League of California Cities to advocate the State legislature on matters of local government interest and to assist the City in identifying issues of unique local interest. Over the first half of the year the City Council authorized sending letters of opposition regarding SB 876 (Liu), a proposal to preempt local government restrictions on camping in public places and the Governor's so-called "By Right" housing proposal that includes preempting much local development review discretion. The City also began advocating for funding through grant applications for two new projects, the Rincon Trail and the Bluffs III acquisition, and for continued funding necessary to complete the Army Corps of Engineer's Shoreline Protection Feasibility Study.
Regional Programs Collaboration and Cooperation	In April the City hosted a joint meeting of the Sanitary, Water District and City Council to receive a recycled water feasibility study. The City hosts and participates in the C3H Carpinteria Regional Coordination Committee, which is working on providing services and housing for people experiencing homelessness. The City participates in THRIVE and the Carpinteria Children's Project and hosted a committee meeting with the Carpinteria Unified School District. The City Council received a report from Ayar's & Associates on the public outreach program for the Linden-Casitas Interchanges project that is scheduled to begin construction in September.
Legislative & Policy Research and Development	The City has conducted extensive research on city programs to implement short-term rental regulations and conduct enforcement activities, e.g., legislative subpoenas. The City has monitored development of ballot initiatives concerning marijuana regulation/recreational use in order to anticipate interaction with City medical marijuana regulations. The City is auditing its assessment districts to ensure procedures for renewals are being following correctly and to anticipate interest in changed or new districts. The City conducted extensive research on Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) and is pursuing an independent actuarial valuation/report to better understand the City's financial liability and options for funding. The City researched and responded to changes in minimum wage law.
Program: City Administration	
Long-Term Financial Plan	City staff researched examples of Plans, attended training/seminar on long-term financial planning and solicited a consultant proposal. Staff expects to enter into a consultant contract in August and to complete the draft plan by November.
Public Facilities Access	Staff is working to finalize an update of the City's ADA related self-evaluation and transition plan which includes an Executive Summary and report to the City Council which is anticipated to

	occur at the meeting of September 26.
Program: Community Promotion and Communications	
City Web Site Update	For funding reasons the City's web site update will be addressed at a future date (possibly at mid-year 2016 or FY 2017)
Program: Economic Vitality	
Business Development Support	Staff is working to complete a Chamber of Commerce / City committee Economic Vitality strategic planning outline for review by the Committee which is anticipated for the fall 2016
Inn and Restaurant at the Railroad	Staff has met with the Public Facility Site Acquisition/Development Committee to review and discuss draft Hotel Market Conditions and Financial Analysis reports related to the proposed Inn project. The reports will be presented to the City Council at an upcoming Council meeting in September 2016.
Program: Elections	
2016 Municipal Election	• Prepared resolutions for adoption by City Council calling the November 8, 2016 General Municipal Election, requesting consolidation of election with Santa Barbara County Elections and setting requirements for campaign statements • Published Notice of Election per State Elections Code • Prepared candidate handbook and candidate packets • Candidate nomination period is now open and will continue through August 12. Candidate orientations, issuance of nomination forms and signature verification has begun and will continue until the close of the nomination period.
Program: Law Enforcement	
Community Outreach	Various outreach efforts were conducted including Coffee with a Cop event and Downtown/Beach area foot and bicycle patrols.
Program: Emergency Services	
Community Preparedness & Engagement Program	• Presentations to community members and groups are scheduled on an on-going basis using "Don't Panic! Prepare!" information and handing out starter emergency kits. The Aware and Prepare alert system has been added to all presentations encouraging everyone to opt-in. • A CERT basic training course was held at the end of May graduating ten community members. Another CERT training is scheduled for September 23, 24, and October 1. A traffic and crowd management course will be held at City Hall on September 17. In addition, the City will host a CERT Train the Trainer November 3-5.

Emergency Response Capacity Building	• Work is nearly completed on the updated Multi-jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Mitigation Advisory Committee and Santa Barbara County Office of Emergency Management are reviewing a draft plan. The final plan will go to Council for approval this fall. • Planning has begun with the Carpinteria Unified School District Safety Committee to create a long-term management plan for the district's emergency sheds. • Staff training has been scheduled on the Everbridge notification system.
City Staff Training & Exercise	• A training session for elected officials was held in April. • Tentative exercise scheduled in early October.
StormReady / TsunamiReady	No activity
Program: Volunteer Services	
Volunteer Management	• Began work on standardized department-wide volunteer tracking. • Recruited eight new volunteers for the HOST program
Neighbor-to-Neighbor	• Held exploratory meetings on creating a program. Planning meetings will begin in the fall.
Staff Recruitment & Retention	Promotions were made to fill the Community Development Director, Senior Planner, Associate Planner, and Lead Maintenance Work positions. A successful recruitment was conducted for the Public Works Street Maintenance Worker and recruitments were initiated for Building Inspector and Assistant Planner.
Wellness Program Alternatives	The Staff committee has been formed and is meeting to formulate recommendations.
Employee Hand Book Update	The draft has been completed, including legal review, and will be published by the end of the summer.
Job Descriptions Update	Key job description updates were completed in advance of job recruitments and the comprehensive update of all remaining job descriptions has been initiated and is expected to be completed by the end of the calendar year.
Time Sheet and Time Clock Implementation	Software and equipment purchases and training have been conducted. Roll-out expected in the fall.
Program: Risk Management	
Complete Implementation of CJPIA Loss Control Action Plan (LossCAP)	No Activity

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
August 2016 Work Plan Status

Activity	Comments
Program: Financial Management Services	
Accounting	On-going
Auditing	On-going
Payroll	On-going
Budgeting	Adopted June 13
Financial Reporting	On-going
Program: Central Services	
Phone Operations	On-going
Purchases	On-going
Program: Management Information Services	
Trouble shooting	On-going
Backup	On-going
Security	On-going
Website Maintenance	On-going
Training and Instruction	On-going
Fee Schedule Update	In process
Internal Audit Report	Transmitted to Council by memorandum on April 13
Part time Account Clerk	Began work July 18

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

August 2016 Work Plan Status

Activity	Comments
Program: ADMINISTRATION	
Digitize / Modernize - Digitize Approved Building Plans, Project Files and Address Files - Purchase a Web-based GIS Application - Investigate Purchase of a Large Format Scanner	Ongoing. The Department continues to move forward scanning approved building plans, project files and address files. The Community Development and Public Works Departments have purchased a new web-based GIS map viewing software application. The Departments have investigated the lease / purchase of a large format scanner, although no commitment made as of yet.
Program: ADVANCED PLANNING	
Climate Change Adaptation Policy	Ongoing. The Department continues to participate in the regional Sea Grant study on Climate Change Impacts on Coastal Habitats and in the Santa Barbara Area Coastal Ecosystem Vulnerability Assessment (SBA CEVA). Information from these studies will support the preparation of the Climate Change / Sea Level Rise issue section of the General Plan update. The City has just been notified that Coastal Commission staff is recommending approval of a \$150,000 grant application to assist with this section. The Coastal Commission will consider the recommendation on August 12th.
General Plan Update Multi-Year Comprehensive Update to General / Coastal Plan	The kick off meeting of the General Plan Update Committee occurred in April. The Committee is in the process of reviewing the qualifications of several consultant firms specializing in Coastal Zone updates. The Committee is also reviewing materials in order to make a recommendation as to issue areas to be considered in the update. It is anticipated that <i>Request for Proposals</i> will be sent this Fall.
Zoning Code Update Multi-Year Comprehensive Update to Zoning Code	The public draft Zoning Code will be released this Fall after a comprehensive review and edits to the document are completed
Program: DEVELOPMENT REVIEW & BUILDING	

Highway 101 Projects • Linden/Casitas Interchanges and Via Real Extension • South Coast HOV Lanes	Ongoing. Construction of the Interchanges project is expected to commence this Fall. The Final EIR was released in September 2014. Currently awaiting the outcome of two CEQA lawsuits filed against Caltrans et al. SBCAG has hired Corridor Coordinator and is putting together consultant team to work on design, public outreach and permitting.
Program: CODE COMPLIANCE	
Massage Regulations • Update Municipal Code Massage Regulations	Ongoing. Updates to the massage regulations will be included in the Zoning Code update work effort.
Program: BUILDING	
Vulnerable Building Assessment and Policy • Identify vulnerable buildings and determine an appropriate remediation program	Ongoing. Potential "soft story" buildings have been identified and work has begun to review the building and engineering plans on file for these structures in order to determine if retrofits are needed.

PUBLIC WORKS
August 2016 Work Plan Status

Activity	Comments
Program: Administration	
Administration	Continuing to update permit tracking system and financial database
CIP and DIF updates	- Completing the Capital Projects Plan - Began developing a request for proposals, preliminary scope of work and estimate cost study
Review and Update of Assessment Districts	Began developing a scope and cost for consultant services
Floodplain Management	Created a draft floodplain management permit application
Malibu Channel	Continuing the research into the ownership status of the Malibu Channel
Municipal Code Updates	Coordinated with County Sherriff to begin new speed survey for speed zone updates
Public Parking Management Plan	Began working on Parking Management Plan
Program: Capital Improvements	
US 101 Projects	- Continuing to coordinate with FEMA staff and make progress - Presented project update to City Council - Continuing to coordinate with Caltrans staff as construction begins
Carpinteria Ave. Bridge Replacement Project	- Completed and circulated the Draft Environmental Impact Report - Preparing the Final Environmental Impact Report - Preparing 65% Plans, Specifications and Estimates
Ash Ave. Improvements Project	Finalizing Plans, Specifications and Estimates
Main School Sidewalk Improvements Project	Completing construction in early August
Program: Street Maintenance	
Pavement Maintenance Program	- Completed the 2015 Street Rehabilitation Project - Coordinated with design consultants to analyze City streets and begin preparing a plan set for a new pavement rehabilitation project
Annual Street Tree Maintenance and Special Condition Streets	- Began the process of identifying Special Condition Streets - Completed portions of the Linden Ave. Concrete Repair and Tree Replacement Project Phase II
Downtown Landscape Rehabilitation	Coordinated with design consultants and received draft plans
Program: Watershed Management	
Phase II MS4 Permit Implementation	- Continuing with public education, outreach, and involvement - Continuing to require compliance with County of Santa

	Barbara Technical Guide for Post-Construction Runoff Controls for all new and redevelopment projects
Program: Transportation, Parking and Lighting	
Parking Lot Lighting Improvements	Began the analysis of existing parking lot lighting and identifying the need for upgrades/additions

PARKS & RECREATION
August 2016 Work Plan Status

Activity	Comments
Parks Administration	
Park Property on Linden Concept Planning	Have concept layout designs for a parking area, a community garden, trails, a railroad undercrossing and a small hotel with a food and beverage establishment for the area. Anticipate preliminary subcommittee and City Council review to occur this fall.
Skate Park Planning	Staff has been meeting with the Skate Foundation and has developed a concept plan that includes new parking and picnic amenities. The plan is now under review internally. The plan will require the cooperation of a land owner adjacent to City Hall.
Carpinteria City Hall Campus Improvement Project	Phase one of the project is to replace 5 doors in the building. These doors have been ordered and are expected to be installed in August. The next phase is to replace the front building steps, parking and hardscape. Specifications are being developed for this work. Bids will be solicited when the specifications are ready.
Carpinteria Coastal Trail / Carpinteria Rincon Trail	The Project is being pursued as a partnership project among Cal Trans, SBCAG, the County of Santa Barbara and the City of Carpinteria. The County CDP is being applied for in August 2016. An ATP grant has been submitted for construction funding; the results of which will not be known until October 2016. \$100,000 in Measure funds are still available to further design. The preparation of NEPA clearance is underway, The CPUC license to over cross the railroad tracks in in process, and work to transfer some ROW to the City is still pending Cal Trans action.
Historical Marker #535 Pocket Park	A Civil survey is being prepared for the project that will help to identify site constraints and other important criteria. Once the Civil survey is completed, a concept design can be prepared.

Memorial Park Improvements	A public outreach effort to the neighborhood resulted in a few responses of interested persons. Staff will select some proposed playground equipment and that determines the design of the fall area. Then additional amenities will be placed near the playground
Heath Ranch Park	The City Council has asked for a tree management plan and revised park plan that helps to ameliorate the risk of the tall trees in the park. Staff is working to prepare that plan at this time. The work product will include a tree maintenance plan, a analysis of removing or relocating the play structure, the establishment of tree area exclusion fencing and a no parking area along eucalyptus lane.
Community Pool Program	
Sustainability and energy efficiency at the community pool.	This project includes upgrades to the pool building's furnaces, indoor lighting and outdoor deck lighting as well as the installation of a solar system on the building roof. At this time, energy upgrade incentives have been applied for, the solar system installation is being designed by an electrical engineer, and the project's costs are being more precisely estimated.
Parks Facility Improvement and Maintenance	
Community Garden at Fifth Street	Project details are being put to paper using two consultants, a building architect and a landscape designer. The garden center building is about 80% restored. A sewer and electrical connection permit has been obtained and sewer connection bids are being solicited. Park furniture, lighting and other materials have been ordered and have been received or are in route.
Ocean Beach Services	
Boardwalk Replacement	The City has installed a new access way to provide better access from the dry sand to the hard sand to make coastal access easier at Linden Avenue. The new beach mat product is easier to seasonally install and remove. So far the new board walk is well received by the public.



City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT August 8, 2016

ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Closeout of City Maintenance Project No. 15078, 2015 Street Rehabilitation Project

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Action Item X ; Non-Action Item

Authorize the Mayor to sign the Closeout Agreement and Release of Claims for City Maintenance Project No. 15078 (2015 Street Rehabilitation Project) with Granite Construction, and authorize the City Clerk to release Performance Bond No. 82389675 in the amount of \$483,061.05.

Motion: I move to authorize the Mayor to sign the Closeout Agreement and Release of Claims and direct the City Clerk to release the Performance Bond for Project No. 15078.

BACKGROUND

On May 26, 2015, City Council authorized Public Works to include a \$500,000 Pavement Rehabilitation Project to be funded through the General Fund and included in the FY 2015-2016 City of Carpinteria Budget. The Department directed Pavement Engineering Inc. to prepare a plans, specifications and estimates package to satisfy a \$500,000 pavement project with street location selections based on City Council guidance from the August 10, 2015 Council Meeting.

Bids from qualified contractors were solicited using the formal bid process required by California Public Contract Code, and the Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission Manual, as adopted by the City of Carpinteria. Requests for bids were issued on September 10, 2015 and a notice was posted in the Coastal View newspaper. Bids were received from three contractors and the lowest responsive bid was provided by Granite Construction.

DISCUSSION

Construction began in March and was completed in May. Public Works hired Pavement Engineering Inc. to inspect and run lab tests on the materials and ensure that the City received a good product. On May 4, the Department received the inspection report concluding that all materials were placed correctly and that no issues were found. In addition to the laboratory testing, Pavement Engineering also performed on site visual inspections of the new roadway surfaces multiple times after project completion (as recent as July 27) and found no issues.

POLICY CONSISTENCY

The Circulation Element of the City's General Plan discusses implementing a PMP to help establish baselines and improvement strategies to repair and replace aging street infrastructure over time. A Pavement Maintenance Project is also listed in the City's Annual Work Program.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The 2015 Street Rehabilitation Project was listed in the Department's Capital Improvements Program and the 2015/2016 Budget. The City authorized a construction budget of \$555,520.21 while the final construction cost was \$460,969.15. The project will be funded by Measure A and the General Fund.

LEGAL

The Closeout Agreement is standard protocol according to the City's approved construction contract documents and boilerplate. The Agreement is required to complete the project.

OPTIONS

1. Approve and authorize the Mayor to Sign the Closeout Agreement and Release of Claims and direct the City Clerk to release the Performance Bond for Project No. 15078.
2. Decline to authorize the Mayor to Sign the Closeout Agreement and Release of Claims, not direct the City Clerk to release the Performance Bond for Project No. 15078, and provide further direction to staff.

PRINCIPAL PARTIES EXPECTED AT MEETING

There are no principal parties expected at the meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Closeout Agreement for Project No. 15078

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805-755-4441, mattm@ci.carpinteria.ca.us



Signature

Reviewed by: Charles Ebeling, PE, Director
805-880-3402, cebeling@ci.carpinteria.ca.us



Signature

Reviewed by: Dave Durflinger, City Manager



Signature

Attachment A

THIS AGREEMENT AND RELEASE OF CLAIMS (Agreement) is made in Carpinteria, California, this 15 day of, July, 2016, by and between the City of Carpinteria, (City), and Granite Construction (Contractor).

1. That the undersigned, as the authorized representative of Contractor, and for each of its successors, assigns and partners, for and in consideration of FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY THREE THOUSAND SIXTY ONE and 05/100 (\$483,061.05), for the original Contract amount, and the sum of

B. Change Orders Nos. one (1) through none (), as approved by the parties, pertaining to Purchase Order No. and shown in Payment Request No. (), dated .

- Adjusted Calendar Days 60 days

- BALANCE: \$ 0

8. The release made by Contractor is not to be construed as an admission or admissions of liability and Contractor denies any such liability. Contractor agrees that it will forever refrain and forebear from commencing, instituting or

prosecuting any lawsuit, action or other proceeding against City based on, arising out of, or in any way connected with the subject matter of this release.

9. Except as specifically provided in this Agreement, the Contractor releases City from all claims, including but not limited to those of its Subcontractors for all delay and impact costs, if any.
10. The Contractor represents and warrants to City that Contractor has not assigned or transferred or purported to assign or transfer to any person, firm, corporation, association or entity any of the rights, claims, warranties, demands, debts, obligations, liabilities, actions, causes of action, damages, costs, expenses and other claims and Contractor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless City, its successors, assigns, council members, officers, agents, servants, volunteers and employees, from and against, without limitation, any and all rights, claims, warranties, demands, debts, obligations, liabilities, actions, causes of action, damages, costs, expenses and other claims, including but not limited to attorneys', paralegal and experts' fees, costs and expenses arising out of or connected with any such assignment or transfer or purported assignment or transfer.
11. The parties acknowledge that they have been represented by counsel of their own choice in connection with the preparation and execution of this Agreement. The parties acknowledge and represent that they understand and voluntarily consent and agree to each and every provision contained in this Agreement.
12. The persons executing this Agreement represent and warrant to the other party that the execution and performance of the terms of this Agreement have been duly authorized by all individual, corporate, partnership, or other entity requirements and that such persons have the right, power, legal capacity and authority to execute and enter into this Agreement.
13. The parties further acknowledge and represent that no promise, inducement or agreement, not expressed in this Agreement, have been made and that, with respect to the matters considered, this Agreement contains the entire agreement among the parties and that the terms of the Agreement are contractual and not a mere recital.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY OF CARPINTERIA
a Municipal Corporation

City Attorney

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

CONTRACTOR:

City Engineer

Authorized Signature

Title

ATTEST:

City Clerk



City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT August 8, 2016

ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

California Public Utilities Commission notification concerning introduction of a new area code to the area served by the 805 area code and consideration of comment.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Action Item X ; Non-Action Item

Receive the report related to the introduction of a new area code to the area now served by the 805 area code and direct staff as determined appropriate.

BACKGROUND

On July 27, 2016 the City received a letter of invitation from the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to participate in the decision-making process to introduce a new area code to the area now served by the 805 area code. Meetings for local jurisdictions and the public regarding the changes will be held August 22 and August 23, 2016 (see attachment A for additional details).

DISCUSSION

The area code change is being enacted as the 805 area code is expected to use up all available prefixes by June 2018. The telecommunications industry is recommending that the new Area Code be implemented through what's known as an "overlay" which allows current telephone numbers with 805 area codes to be maintained. The overlay would, ultimately, require 10 digit dialing for all calls in the area, including local calls. Once the overlay is in effect, numbers with the new Area code begin being assigned in the same geographic area as the 805, resulting in a combined Area code region. This was done in the Los Angeles area several years ago where a combined 818/747 district now exists. In other regions, this approach was rejected and a "geographic" split has been implemented. In this scenario, some portion of the 805 would keep that number

and some portion would be assigned a new Area Code. In both areas, local seven digit dialing would continue.

OPTIONS

- 1) Support public outreach efforts of the CPUC related to the proposed introduction of a new area code.
- 2) Direct staff to write a letter to the CPUC advocating for a particular outcome.

ATTACHMENTS

A. Letter from the California Public Utilities Commission regarding the 805 area code change

Staff contact: Kevin Silk, Assist. to the City Manager
805/755-4450; email kevins@ci.carpinteria.ca.us



Signature



Signature

Reviewed by: Dave Durflinger, City Manager

Attachment A

Letter from the California Public Utilities Commission Regarding the 805 Area Code Change

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

505 VAN NESS AVENUE
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94102-3298



July 25, 2016

David Durflinger, City Manager
City of Carpinteria
5775 Carpinteria Avenue
Carpinteria, CA 93013

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RE: 805 Area Code Meeting

Dear Mr. Durflinger:

This letter is to invite you to participate in the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC)'s decision-making process to introduce a new area code to the area that is now served by the 805 area code. The 805 area code is expected to use up all available prefixes by June 2018. Pursuant to Federal Communications Commission rules, the CPUC must adopt a plan for additional numbering resources in the 805 area. Adding a new area code to the 805 area, a plan known as an overlay that is proposed by the telecommunications industry, will provide additional prefixes and ensure new telephone numbers are available for the 805 area code customers.

When the CPUC considers a change in the region served by an area code, the perspectives of local government officials and the community are very important. On August 22 and 23, 2016, in conjunction with the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA), the CPUC will host meetings for the local jurisdictions and the public. At the meetings, CPUC staff and NANPA representatives will explain the changes in the region served by the 805 area code. We invite you to join us to discuss and to express your concerns about the changes. We will also present the current status of numbering resources in the 805 area code that should be useful to you in explaining the changes to your own constituents. The local jurisdiction and public meetings will take place at the following dates and locations:

AUGUST 22, 2016 – 2:00 P.M.
Oxnard City Council Chambers
300 West 3rd St.
Oxnard, CA

AUGUST 22, 2016 – 7:00 P.M.
Eastside Branch Library
Martin Luther King Jr. Wing
1102 East Montecito St.
Roseville, CA

AUGUST 23, 2016 – 11:00 A.M.
San Luis Obispo City Council Chambers
990 Palm St.
San Luis Obispo, CA

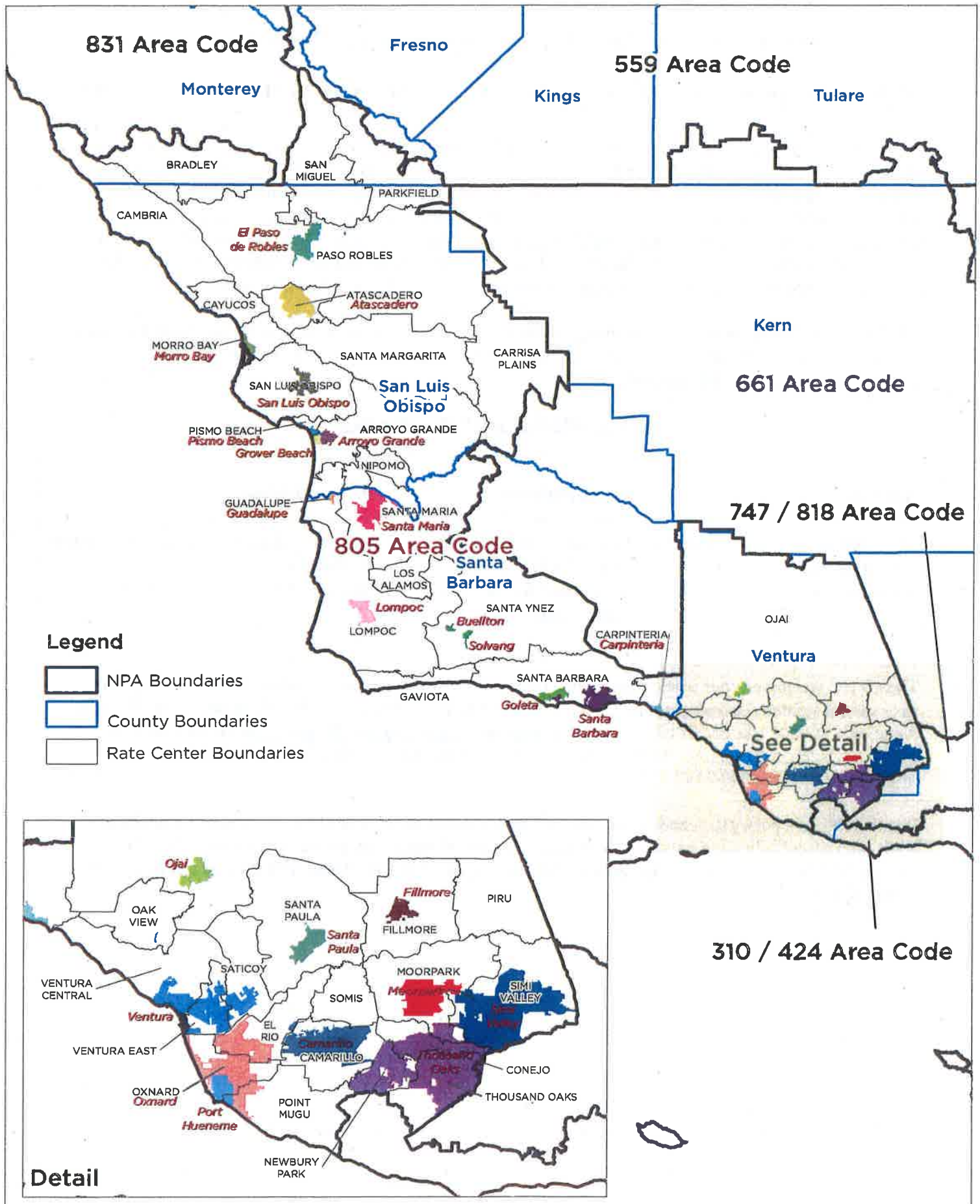
Enclosed is a flyer with the meeting details, along with a map of the 805 area code. Please share this area code meeting information with your constituents and encourage them to attend one of the meetings. Following the meetings, NANPA will submit a petition to the CPUC for authorization to implement an area code change plan in the 805 area code.

Written comments may be submitted to the Commission's Public Advisor's Office at 320 West 4th Street, Suite 500, Los Angeles, CA 90013 or via email to public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov. Additionally, you may provide your comments by calling the Area Code Hotline at (866) 340-6147.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Lakritz, Consumer Programs Manager
Communications Division

Enclosures



Schedule and Locations of Local Jurisdiction and Public Meetings

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETINGS REGARDING CHANGES IN THE 805 AREA CODE

The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will begin the process to introduce a new area code to the area now served by the 805, as the 805 is expected to use up its available prefixes by December 2018. Adding a new area code is known as an overlay, which will provide additional prefixes and new telephone numbers for the 805 customers. The overlay, pending CPUC approval, will allow all customers to keep their current phone numbers, including their area code. To avoid service disruption, the new area code will be added to the 805 by June 2018, six months before depletion of prefixes. In June 2018, customers requesting new phone numbers may be assigned a new area code.

The CPUC will be holding public meetings on August 22 and 23, 2016, to inform the public and to hear concerns about changes in the 805 area code region. More information is available at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/805areacode>.

Local Jurisdiction and Public Meetings

Oxnard

2 p.m., August 22, 2016

Oxnard City Council Chambers
300 West 3rd St.
Oxnard, CA

Santa Barbara

7 p.m., August 22, 2016

Eastside Branch Library
Martin Luther King Jr. Wing
1102 East Montecito St.
Santa Barbara, CA

San Luis Obispo

11 a.m., August 23, 2016

San Luis Obispo City Council Chambers
990 Palm St.
San Luis Obispo, CA

The CPUC welcomes your participation and comments. If you are unable to attend these meetings, you may submit written comments to the CPUC Public Advisor's Office at 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 500, Los Angeles, CA 90013, at the CPUC's website at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/805areacode>, or via e-mail to public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov. Additionally, you may call the **Area Code Hotline** number for more information at (866) 340-6147.

It is the CPUC's policy to schedule hearings in locations that are accessible to everyone. If you require additional accessibility assistance, such as a sign language interpreter, please contact the CPUC Public Advisor's Office five business days prior to the meeting date toll free at 866-849-8390 or toll free TTY at 866-836-7825.



City of Carpinteria

COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT August 8, 2016

ITEM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

Establishing a City Legislative Platform and/or a Legislative Committee

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Action Item X ; Non-Action Item

Provide direction to staff regarding establishing a Legislative Platform and/or a Legislative Committee.

BACKGROUND

The City Council occasionally requests an opportunity to advocate for a particular outcome on local, state or federal legislation, rule making, or funding. A recent example is the City Council's approval of a letter to state representatives opposing the Governor's so-called "By Right" housing proposal that would preempt local authority over certain development projects.

Currently, issues that the City determines warrant advocacy efforts are identified by staff, legal counsel, and/or City Council members through information provided by the League of California Cities, other local government sources and/or have been anticipated and are a part of the City's Annual Work Plan Legislative & Policy program (see Attachment A).

Many cities and counties have adopted Legislative Platforms and some also have Legislative Committees of the City Council. Earlier this year, City Council members requested an opportunity to review examples of city Legislative Platforms and committee processes for discussion purposes. The purpose of this agenda matter is to allow for the Council to discuss whether or not it wishes to initiate a process to develop Legislative Platform and/or form a Legislative Committee of the City Council.

DISCUSSION

A Legislative Platform is a document of locally approved policy statements that summarize a jurisdiction's position on a variety of policy issues. Legislative Platforms contain various issue areas that can include Finance, Housing, Public Safety,

Transportation, Land Use Planning, Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Economic Development, etc. Having an established Legislative Platform can allow a jurisdiction to respond more efficiently and effectively to various local, state or federal legislative issues, and funding opportunities.

A Legislative Platform may be used by a committee or by the Council itself in considering various types of advocacy. City staff has reviewed legislative platforms from various jurisdictions and have included samples for review (see Attachment B). The Platform can be reviewed annually to allow for updates that reflect the current needs of the local jurisdiction.

In several of the Legislative Platforms reviewed by staff, the Platforms work in conjunction with a committee. For example, the City of Santa Barbara has a Council Committee on Legislation that consists of three City Councilmembers. When legislation or a policy issue comes up that is not specifically addressed by the Platform it is presented to the Committee for review and possible determination that a formal position be taken by the City Council. In the City of Arcata, however, there is no formal committee. The City Manager (or designee) works with the Mayor in reviewing requests for a Mayor's letter on legislative issues to determine if the legislation aligns with the City's Legislative Policy. (See Attachment B for additional details).

OPTIONS

- 1) Form an ad hoc committee to work with staff on drafting a Legislative Platform for consideration by the City Council. As described above, should this option be selected the Council should also decide whether or not it wishes to establish a standing legislative committee.
- 2) Decide not to pursue a Legislative Platform at this time and continue to identify and address legislative issues via the City's Annual Work Plan and on a case-by-case basis.

ATTACHMENTS

A City's Annual Work Plan Legislative & Policy Program

B Legislative Platforms/Information of Santa Barbara County, City of Santa Barbara, City of Goleta, and City of Arcata

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Reviewed by: Dave Durlinger, City Manager



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Attachment A

City's Annual Work Plan
Legislative & Policy Program

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**Program: Legislation & Policy
Legislative Advocacy**

Project/Program Description

Establishing and maintaining good communication and working relationships with county, state and federal officials including elected representatives. This may include conducting advocacy and/or building supportive coalitions for City positions, drafting legislation, making presentations, and providing testimony before other agencies or directly to legislators.

Objective and Policy Consistency

In carrying out its legislative and policy making responsibilities, the City Council seeks to maintain channels of communication with county, state and federal officials and to keep abreast of established and proposed laws and other regulations that could impact City programs and services. This work is consistent with the City's Mission Statement, including the interest in providing services consistent with community needs as well as protecting the social and physical environment.

Previous and Ongoing Work

- **League of Cities:** Membership and participation in the League of California Cities, including its Grass Roots Network and educational opportunities is ongoing. Councilmembers, appointed officials and staff typically attend one or more League conferences/seminars each year where important information on City issues is communicated. The City also has the opportunity to participate in Channel Counties Division meetings and through various policy committees of the League. Further, the City Council and staff receive email notices and updates from the Regional Representative of the League's Channel Counties Division concerning topical issues and state legislation that may require City Council consideration. Updates are also provided by the Regional Representative at quarterly Santa Barbara County Managers & Administrators meetings. Current legislation that the League is advocating on and which align with City interests include:
 1. Affordable housing funding
 2. Homeless services
 3. Short-term vacation rentals
 4. Road maintenance funding
 5. Stormwater management funding
- **Coastal Commission Matters:** The City of Carpinteria is located entirely within the Coastal Zone and is subject to regulations of the California Coastal Act. Although the City is a permitting agency, amendments and updates to the City's Local Coastal Plan and appeals of certain Coastal Permits issued by the City, routinely come before the California Coastal Commission (CCC). Certain public projects also require Coastal Development Permits, including the annual sand berm construction on the City Beach and other projects that are within the permanent permit jurisdiction of the State. It is anticipated that the City will work with Coastal Commissioners and staff on a variety of matters including, but not limited

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to, Sea Level Rise policy guidance, the Local Coastal Plan Amendment related to the Freeway Interchanges Project, the City's Zoning Code update.

- Freeway Interchanges and widening: The City is currently working with Caltrans and SBCAG staff on Highway 101 improvement projects that include the Linden - Casitas Interchanges Project and the South Coast HOV Lanes Project. City staff works as a part of the Project Teams to prepare the projects for the development and permit review processes. The City also has permit authority over the portions of the projects that are within the City limits and will analyze the project applications for consistency with local, state and federal regulations and, if determined appropriate, issue the development permits for the projects.

In 2015, the Linden-Casitas project received development permit approval from the City and Coastal Commission. Implementation of the project will involve, utility coordination and permits from myriad state and federal agencies, including the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The project partners will be working with FEMA at the national level to apply floodplain policy and regulations. This effort is expected to require lobbying efforts if the partners need assistance from the region's congressional leadership.

- Parks and Trails: The Carpinteria State Beach is located entirely within the City and occupies a key location along the coast and adjacent Linden Avenue, the Downtown thoroughfare. The City will work cooperatively with State Parks to look at options for the Linden Field and the Linden street-end that can best meet the needs of the community and visitors. Also, the City is responsible for protecting coastal resources for public use. Completion of the City's Coastal Vista Trail and establishing access across the rail corridor requires cooperation with multiple public and quasi-public agencies including Caltrans, Coastal Commission, County of Santa Barbara, Union Pacific Railroad and the Public Utilities Commission. After more than a decade of slow progress on a Beach Nourishment Study aimed at determining a long term solution for the protection of sandy beaches and public and private improvements, funding to complete the study must now be found. The City will need to advocate for adequate funding to complete the project through state and federal representatives with influence over the Army Corps of Engineers and State Parks Department, division of Boating and Waterways budgets.
- Oil & Gas Development: Significant oil and gas resources and associated extraction and transportation facilities are within and adjacent to Carpinteria. The City monitors projects and legislation related to oil and gas operations that may affect the City. Two projects, Paredon and Carone, an onshore directional drilling project and an offshore drilling project respectively, could involve review/participation by the City in 2016. Also, the City may provide additional comment on the Phillips 66 Rail Spur project in San Luis Obispo County as it could result in significantly increased risk of oil-by-rail transportation accidents in the region.

Tasks

1. Identify appropriate officials to contact concerning identified projects/issues requiring advocacy

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2. Arrange for formal/informal contacts as determined appropriate
3. Prepare for meetings including, as appropriate, briefing Councilmembers
4. Follow-up on contacts made.

Products

- N/A

Date

Ongoing

Staff Requirements

- City Manager, Assistant to the City Manager, Legal Counsel, Department Heads

Budget

None

Funding Source

General Fund and other
Sources of personnel/contract
funding

General Government

Program: Legislative & Policy Regional Programs Collaboration and Cooperation

Project Description

City Council members and staff participate on a number of regional committees and groups. Council member assignments to these entities are listed on the City Council agenda and include Joint Committees of elected representatives of the City and School Board, Sanitary District and Water District for example, as well as representatives to formal regional organizations such as the Air Pollution Control District (APCD), and the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG).

This 2015 work item includes but is not limited to City participation in the South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs, CalGRIP grant administration, THRIVE, work with the Carpinteria Valley Chamber of Commerce, work with C3H and community members to establish a community committee on homelessness, and continued cooperation on a recycled water program with Water and Sanitary Districts.

Objective and Policy Consistency

The City will collaborate and cooperate in program and service delivery with other agencies where those agencies deliver services to the Carpinteria community and/or make resources and expertise available to other agencies. This effort is consistent with the City's policy interest in maintaining a healthy, safe and positive environment for residents and visitors to the community.

Previous and Ongoing Work

- City Council Committees: This work involved staff support from the City Manager and Department Heads for the various City Council committee meetings held in 2015, including meetings with the Water and Sanitary District, Chamber of Commerce and School District.
- Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness (C3H): This regional began in earnest in 2015 and is poised to better address issues facing people experiencing homelessness. This collaboration replaced a number of other groups addressing the issues caused by homelessness in the region including the South Coast Homeless Advisory Committee, on which the City had participated.
- Youth and Family Services: City Manager, Councilmembers attend quarterly meetings of the South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs. The Task Force is transitioning this year and will be known as the South Coast Task Force on Youth Safety.
- The City works cooperatively with the School District and the Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (CADA) to administer a CalGRIP grant (successor funding will be sought in 2016) and in promoting and developing the THRIVE program involving extended education and family services.

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- **Freeway Improvement Projects:** The Linden-Casitas Interchanges project received development approval in 2015 and is expected to be under construction in 2016. In particular, work on Flood Mapping and construction coordination is expected to be a priority in the coming year. The City, Caltrans and SBCAG will continue working toward development approval of the Highway 101 HOV project in 2016.
- **Stormwater Management.** The City has been an active participant in the Santa Barbara County Integrated Regional Water Management group through which Proposition 50 and Proposition 84 funding were distributed. Regional collaboration allows partner agencies to apply for grant funding and prioritize projects that are multi-beneficial. With the passage of Proposition 1, any agency wishing to apply for stormwater or flood management grants now is required to have a Storm Water Resource Plan, which must be adopted into the Integrated Regional Water Management Plan. Storm Water Resource Plans (SWRP) take a watershed based approach to dealing with storm water and flood management, and collaboration is encouraged for eligibility for grant funding. Staff is currently working with the County of Santa Barbara and other local agencies in developing a scope of work and application for a planning grant, which would pay for the development of a regional SWRP.
- **Reclaimed Water.** The City has joined a collaboration with the Carpinteria Sanitary and Water Districts to explore the feasibility of creating a reclaimed water program in the Carpinteria Valley.

Tasks

1. Continue participation in collaborations concerning regional matters of concern to the City such as the freeway improvement project and stormwater management.
2. Identify and facilitate bringing youth related services and programs to Carpinteria
3. Identify and facilitate bringing homeless related services and program to Carpinteria
4. Schedule any funding requests for City Council consideration
5. Schedule City Council Committee meetings with School District, Chamber of Commerce, Fire District, etc., as determined necessary.

Products

N/A

Staff Requirements

- City Manager, Assistant to the City Manager, City Clerk, Department Heads
- City Council members

Budget/Source

General Fund

**Program: Legislative & Policy
Legislative & Policy Research & Development**

Project/Program Description

Local legislative and policy responses to new/changed federal and state laws, legal or practical mandates, and changing community needs/expectations.

Objective and Policy Consistency

- Awareness of new and/or changing laws, mandates or conditions
- Research of local legislative options in response to community needs and expectations
- Understanding of the ramifications of new and/or changing laws or conditions on City finances, practices, programs and services
- Compliance with or adjustment to, new laws, legislative mandates.

Previous and Ongoing Work

- **Local Legislation:** Each year, based on important local issues coming to the City's attention or new or changed state or federal law, the City Council directs staff to research options for the adoption of local legislation. Examples of issue areas that are currently being monitored and/or analyzed include:
 - a. short term property rentals
 - b. medical marijuana regulation
 - c. assessment district compliance, updates/new formation
 - d. potential ordinance amendments in support of Public Works work program, including pavement life warranty program and comprehensive review of City's development impact fee and assessment district programs
 - e. update of procedural requirements regarding City's revenue and finance ordinances
 - f. comprehensive zone code update
 - g. monitor court cases on wide variety of matters, including California Environmental Quality Act, planning and zoning, fiscal, and regulatory matters.
- **Pension Reform:** In late 2012 the State passed AB 340, the Public Pension Employees Pension Reform Act of 2013. The City has incorporated changes consistent with AB340 in its labor agreements and will continue to implement the new requirements through 2018.
- **Zone Code Update:** The City has completed an administrative draft of a comprehensive update to the City's zoning regulations, Chapter 14 of the Municipal Code. It is anticipated that public hearings before the Planning Commission and City Council will be held in spring and summer of 2016.

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Tasks

1. Establishing/maintaining effective communications in order for staff and decision-makers to be aware of new and changing laws, or any condition that may negatively affect the City carrying out policies, programs and services.
2. Analysis of new or changing law as it may affect City policies, practices, programs and services.
3. Research of legislative and/or policy options in response to community needs and expectations, and drafting of local legislation and policies
4. Education, training, and local legislative responses.

Products

Memorandums, staff reports
Resolutions and/or ordinances

Date

Ongoing

Staff Requirements

City Manager, Assistant to the City Manager, City Attorney, Department Heads

Budget

None

Funding Source

General Fund and other sources of personnel/contract funding

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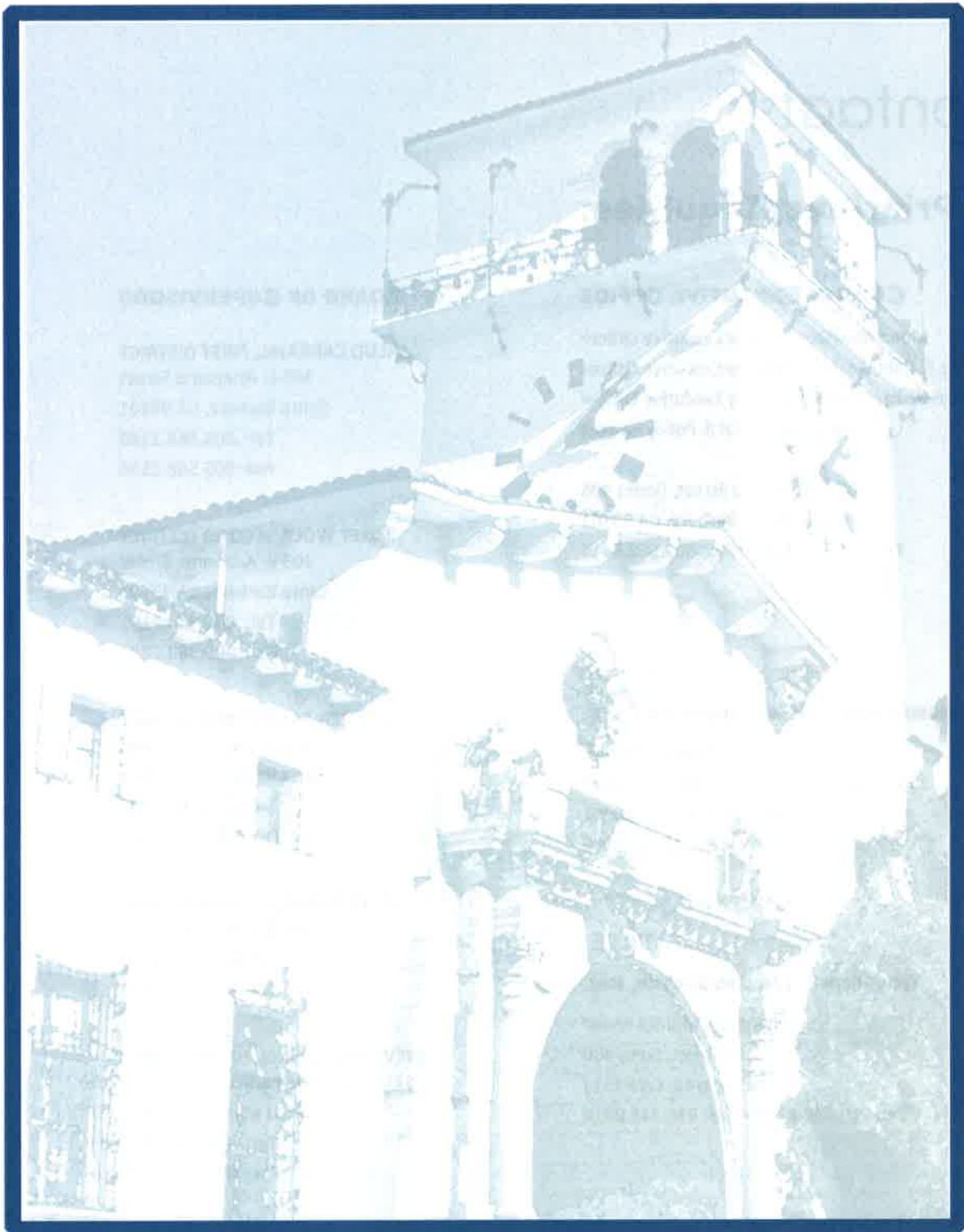
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Legislative Platforms/Information

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2016 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

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SANTA BARBARA COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

PURPOSE

Established in 1991, the Legislative Program Committee is an advisory body to the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors. A dynamic program of County sponsored legislative actions is developed and tracked by the Committee with the assistance of county departments and legislative advocates in Washington, DC and Sacramento. The Committee meets almost monthly and public comment is welcome. Committee membership includes: two members of the Board of Supervisors appointed by the Board, County Executive Officer, County Counsel, and the Auditor-Controller.

Each year, the Committee drafts a Legislative Platform of prioritized legislative principles, specific issues, projects and/or programs (priorities) that warrant targeted advocacy, funding requests and/or legislation. The proposed legislative Platform is recommended to the Board of Supervisors for subsequent review and approval. Once the Legislative Platform is adopted by the Board, various advocacy strategies are used to advance the identified principles and Legislative Platform Planks with regular reporting to the Legislative Program Committee. Pending legislation of interest to Santa Barbara County is tracked and updates of the status are provided continuously by legislative advocates to the Legislative Program Committee and the Board of Supervisors.

2015 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Legislative Program for Santa Barbara County, in conjunction with its State and Federal advocates, successfully advanced the 2015 Platform Principles, including but not limited to the following:

Job Growth and Economic Vitality

- Supported the Community Development Block Grant, HOME and other Federal housing and economic development funding streams to successfully oppose significant cuts to these programs.

Efficient Service Delivery and Operations

- Introduced AB 514 through Assemblymember Das Williams to increase fines for out of compliance permits relevant to one-time events, construction, and other violations. The bill was ultimately vetoed by the Governor, but this will be advocated for again in 2016.
- Successfully supported legislation to reauthorize Federal surface transportation programs, including maintenance of local bridges.

Fiscal Stability

- Full funding for the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Program was successfully advocated for and provided Santa Barbara County with \$1.6 million in funding.

Inter-Agency Collaboration

- In conjunction with CSAC, successfully supported increased funding for the State Criminal Alien Assistance (SCAAP) Program.

Local Control

- Supported AB 3 – the Isla Vista Community Services District to allow for Isla Vista, in conjunction with the Board of Supervisors, to determine if they should have a special district to support the needs of the community.

Health and Human Services

- Worked to ensure that undocumented children would be eligible for care under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) to take the pressure off of local resources in our health care delivery system.
- Reauthorization of the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) was successfully supported.

Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection

- Supported SB 788 – California Coastal Protection Act of 2015, which eliminates the exception in the California Coastal Sanctuary Act of 1994 (AB 2444, O'Connell) that allows the State Lands Commission to issue an offshore oil lease if state oil or gas deposits are being drained by wells on federal lands and the lease is in the best interests of the state.
- Brought in Federal resources through the annual appropriations process for pest detection and management activities, food and safety inspection, and Specialty Crop Pests.

2016 LEGISLATIVE PRINCIPLES

The Legislative Platform aligns with the County's legislative principles. These principles serve as a guide for the County in developing a position on any forthcoming federal and state legislation.

❖ **JOB GROWTH AND ECONOMIC VITALITY:** Continue to support the development of employment opportunities, and support efforts to promote local business and job growth in an endeavor to decrease the unemployment rate and heighten individual and community economic vitality. Foster interaction and dialogue with public, private, and nonprofit sectors, with a focus on the pursuit of and advocacy for economic vitality and innovation. Support necessary infrastructure development projects as a job creator and economic engine which increases economic vitality across multiple industries and markets.

❖ **EFFICIENT SERVICE DELIVERY AND OPERATIONS:** Striving to balance the diversity of needs countywide, support efforts to streamline processes and promote operational enhancements relevant to County departments' missions and core services by thoroughly evaluating legislation, and if warranted, consider opposition to legislation that creates undue fiscal and operation burdens on individual departments.

❖ **FISCAL STABILITY:** Support efforts to generate new intergovernmental revenue and/or enhance existing revenue/reimbursement levels and oppose the loss of, or redirecting of, existing revenue and/or the creation of additional unfunded mandates to the County. Such efforts also include supporting a majority state budget vote requirement and a timely adoption of the state budget before the new fiscal year begins.

❖ **INTER-AGENCY COLLABORATION:** Partner with neighboring cities on infrastructure and other large-scale projects when possible. Support the advocacy efforts of such organizations as the: California State Association of Counties (CSAC), National Association of Counties (NACO), Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG), First 5 Santa Barbara, and other local and regional agencies. Collaborate with other institutions and entities on mutually beneficial issues such as transportation, housing, protection of children, the elderly and other "at risk" populations while upholding the principles of efficient service delivery and operations, fiscal stability and local control.

❖ **LOCAL CONTROL:** Ensure local authority and control over governance issues, land use policies and the delivery of services, including flexibility and customization in designing and implementing policies and services that are responsive to the community's preferences. Secure where appropriate, direct distribution of federal funds to local governments rather than state pass-throughs. Support efforts to maximize local control to ensure safe and effective speed limits.

❖ **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES:** Support efforts to maintain and enhance "safety net" services that protect the most vulnerable within a community, including children, the elderly and other "at risk" populations. Such services in the area of health and human assistance include, but are not limited to, preventive and emergency health care to the uninsured and underinsured; HIV/AIDS programs; maternal and children health; adult protective services; dependent care; child welfare services; adoptions and foster care; Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and unemployment assistance and workforce development. The County supports collaboration between the federal, state and local governments in the delivery and funding of such services. The County opposes the further erosion in federal and state funding of these vital services.

❖ **COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION:** Support efforts to foster communitywide sustainability by promoting economic stability and environmental protection and stewardship through participation in the growing green economy. Continue to engage in federal and state deliberations to ensure that local government receives the economic and financial benefits associated with new policies. Support efforts to catalyze community renewal, redevelopment and reinvestment, incubate and support innovative businesses, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and incentivize energy efficiency, water conservation, and the use of renewable energy. Recognize the need to promote mutually beneficial partnerships with public, private, and nonprofit sectors to maintain and protect agricultural and rural resources, housing, coastal areas, and bio-diversity. Support actions to secure sustainable water supplies throughout the region through ensuring both reliable quality and quantity, and promoting best practices for water conservation measures. Encourage actions to address climate change, reduce pollution, and protect the environment. These collective efforts aim to engender healthy communities by balancing social well-being, economic prosperity, and environmental responsibility.

2016 LEGISLATIVE PLANKS

ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AND GIRLS

Principle	
Job Growth and Economic Vitality	
Strategy	Target
Legislative & Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

We can be successful in improving the opportunities women and girls in Santa Barbara County have by supporting public policies that aim to bolster: women's access to equitable health care, affordable and quality child care, economic and workplace advancement opportunities to close the gender wage gap, and to better support survivors of domestic violence and human trafficking.

In Santa Barbara County, women comprise 39% of the workforce, but earn \$0.81 for every dollar their male counterparts earn. Women are more likely than their male counterparts to live in poverty, both among peer groups in the workforce and for those who are unemployed. And while cases of domestic violence and human trafficking are lower in Santa Barbara County than across the state, much can be done to better aid survivors and punish the perpetrators of violence against women.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐ Funding Request ☒ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests the county's state and federal delegation to aggressively seek and secure legislation and funding for programs and services that improves the lives of women and girls in the following areas:

- Women, Poverty and Economic Empowerment Opportunities
- Women, Working Families and the Workplace
- Women's Access to Health Equity
- Addressing Human Trafficking and Violence Against Women and Girls

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Supporting women and girls is essential. It has been proven that women make special and unique contributions to governing bodies and boards (public, private and not-for-profit), and that they offer perspectives often overlooked. The more opportunities women and girls are afforded, the more our society will benefit.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

No direct cost at this time. Nevertheless, for all of the stated items any financial cost will be more than recovered when women can meet their full capacity. Economic empowerment, legislation that helps working families, access to health equity and addressing human trafficking and violence will make women more productive and lead them to higher paying work and success. In turn, they will be earning and spending more money and expand their tax contribution.

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ARTS COMMISSION

Principle	
Job Growth and Economic Vitality	
Strategy	Target
Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The role of Arts and Culture in the community can be a force in developing economic vitality. Recent studies and arts-grant funding initiatives at the National and State level are helping to demonstrate the vital impact arts & culture have on the economy and on civic engagement. Art includes, but is not limited to literary, visual and performing arts, dance, drama, film and new media.

Arts as a tool for creating economic vitality and stimulating job growth

Nationally, Creative Placemaking has proven to be invaluable as a tool in stimulating and creating economic development, job growth, neighborhood revitalization, greater vitality, while building safer communities and neighborhoods.

Creating a workforce for the 21st Century- Support for Arts Education in Schools

Studies have proven that workforce needs are dramatically shifting. The Business Sector and companies are looking for employees with new skill sets that focus on "out of the box" thinking and solutions; and workers that do well as part of a team. Studies show that arts in schools help develop these skills and better prepare youth for the job market and new career paths. Studies show that students exposed to arts in school stay in school and are less likely to drop out.

Arts as a tool for addressing Social Service Issues

A number of recent initiatives are employing arts to solve social issues. Examples are programs that engage veterans and their families in arts programs and arts in prison that are aimed to decrease recidivism.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐ Funding Request ☐ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action: Support legislative efforts to increase funding support from the **National Endowment for the Arts** (NEA) and the **California Arts Council** (CAC) in particular. The NEA and CAC agencies are committed to supporting the Arts and increasing access to the arts for all. Programs for literary, visual and performing arts, as well as intra-disciplinary arts are included. A number of initiatives and grants focus on the arts as a tool for creating economic vitality. Additionally, each do Economic Impact Studies and research to indicate the economic impact of art and culture which have been powerful tools in shaping public opinion and policy. Support legislative efforts to increase funding support for Arts Education in the Schools/Preparing next generation workforce.

Support for Public Art Programs and Creative Placemaking grant opportunities that link the public and private sectors, and programs that link Arts to addressing Social Services (i.e., Arts linked to veteran's families, people with disabilities and, the incarcerated).

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

- Quality of life and lifelong learning
- Building alliances between the public and private sector
- Increased access to art results in community engagement
- Public spaces and parks activated through the arts
- Increased public safety
- Preserving cultural assets and practices and increasing cross-cultural understanding
- Providing youth with opportunities and skills for careers to meet a changing workforce

COST TO GOVERNMENT

Grant funds from National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and California Arts Council (CAC) are used to attract private sector support and to leverage matching public sector funds. As an example, the Arts

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Commission's recently awarded \$43,500 California Creative Community Grant for the LightWorks Isla Vista Project in collaboration with the University of California at Santa Barbara (UCSB) Arts Department, and Isla Vista Recreation & Parks Department.

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COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM

Principle	
Job Growth and Economic Vitality	
Strategy	Target
Advocacy	Federal

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The challenges associated with our nation's broken immigration system has been an ongoing issue that has impacted all levels of our government, multiple sectors of the economy, wage-earners, taxpayers and families across the country. In many communities across the nation, including Santa Barbara County, we have seen the impacts of a broken immigration system on local communities, especially the agricultural industry that makes up a major part of the local economy. Various proposals for immigration reform have been discussed in recent years but have not resulted in the adoption of any legislation. The possibility of a bipartisan comprehensive immigration reform solution has created the opportunity for advocacy.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐ Funding Request ☐ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors urges Congress and the President to enact comprehensive immigration reform this year that:

- Secures the borders of the United States;
- Includes a national strategy for coordination among federal, state local and tribal authorities;
- Establishes a sensible and orderly guest worker program;
- Imposes no unfunded mandates on state and local governments;
- Includes no mandates on counties to enforce immigration laws;
- Preserves the eligibility of legal non-citizens for federal-funded health benefits and provides sustainable funding streams to counties for their cost of providing health services to legal non-citizens who are denied federal-funded health benefits;
- Establishes an earned path to citizenship that includes registering, background checks, demonstrating employment, learning English and civics, paying back taxes and fees that may be required;
- Improves and simplifies the current legal immigration system, and
- Provides green cards for science, technology, engineering and mathematics students who have received a graduate degree from American universities.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Legal immigrants, refugees, undocumented individuals and others enter and remain in this country as a result federal action or inaction. Our current immigration system is confusing and complicated. Communities would benefit economically from comprehensive immigration reform based on the framework identified above.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

While immigration is a federal responsibility, counties are directly affected by immigration. Counties provide health, education and public safety to all residents, regardless of immigration status. Immigrants and their families, regardless of whether they are authorized or unauthorized to be in this country, contribute to the local economy. As an employer, the County may be impacted by the backlog of employer visas.

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ECONOMIC ENHANCEMENT/ REVENUE DIVERSIFICATION

Principle	
Job Growth and Economic Vitality	
Strategy	Target
Funding & Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Economic enhancement offers local government, the private sector, the nonprofit sectors and residents the opportunity to work together to improve local economy. It aims to enhance competitiveness and thus encourage sustainable economic growth given the priorities for a specific area.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action: The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests the county's state and federal delegation in aggressively seeking and securing legislation to provide for enhanced funding and streamlined processes that will encourage the diversification, development, incubation, and growth of business determined to be of priority to California counties in general and Santa Barbara County specifically.

Funding and process improvements should include, but not be limited to, County's access to:

- Establishing or expanding revolving loan funds,
- Small business loans,
- Community Reinvestment Act Community Development loans and investments, and
- Equity capital and tax relief for startup businesses.

This funding will enhance opportunities to increase economic vitality and diversify the county's revenue base. In addition, the County supports efforts to secure, where appropriate, direct distribution of federal funds to local governments rather than state pass-throughs.

Priority focus areas for Santa Barbra County include but are not limited to:

- Film and tourism
- Agriculture
- Wine Industry
- Green technology and manufacturing
- Education
- Aerospace
- Entrepreneurial development
- Developing hard and soft infrastructure to support economic growth
- Technology infrastructure improvements
- University/Governmental Research
- Clean energy

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Facilitating local job growth, economic enhancement and revenue diversification of local revenues, based on community priorities, creates an environmentally sustainable economy that improves the community's ability to generate and retain local revenues, address priority needs, create jobs, and weather the swings in the economy.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

In the long term, costs to government are reduced as the private and nonprofit sectors expand and diversify.

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LOWER MISSION CREEK

Principle	
Job Growth and Economic Vitality	
Strategy	Target
Funding, Legislative, & Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The Lower Mission Creek Project was initiated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) to study the flood threat to the City of Santa Barbara. Through a series of feasibility studies, a final project was developed in the 1990's that optimized the costs and environmental features of the project that would provide additional flood protection with a project that was locally acceptable.

The EIS/EIR was completed and certified in 2001 and since that time the permit process was completed and some design work started by the Corps. Today, the project is stalled because the new cost estimate from the recent design work puts the project below the required Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR).

The City and County of Santa Barbara have worked to forward the project starting at the lower end and hope to implement the elements below U.S. 101. We desire the Corps to find a way to fund the remainder of the work. This project has seen significant investments by the Corps and local agencies and as such we need to finish the project. The Lower Mission Creek: County Funding Table, below, shows the amount of money that has been locally invested including a one-time contribution from the State.

REQUEST STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request

☒ Legislative Proposal

☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

Fund the completion of Design and Construction; include language in the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) to keep Lower Mission Creek a viable project; Advocate for continued Corps funding. The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests that the Corps of Engineers be funded to complete the design of the Lower Mission Creek Project and continue into construction. Both the Corps and local agencies have spent decades developing the current project and each has spent significant dollars on getting to a viable project.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Lower Mission Creek dissects the City of Santa Barbara. Past flood events, most notably the 1995 flood events have shown the devastating impact these floods have on the community. The 1995 events showed that aside from the obvious devastating impacts to home owners and business owners, there is a serious impact to the transportation system, including U.S. 101 (a major North – South Transportation corridor), the railroad, and local streets. In addition, damages to public infrastructure results.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

Previous costs estimates put the project costs at about \$80 million which would leave approximately \$40 million local share. Local funding for this project would take decades without federal assistance. Local costs could be further mitigated by subventions of the federal project with state funding.

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LOWER MISSION CREEK: COUNTY FUNDING TABLE*

Fund 2610 -- So Coast Flood Zone 2 SC8042 LOWER MISSION CREEK CIP		Expenditures
FISCAL YEAR		
1997-98	\$	390,300
1998-99	\$	145,000
1999-00	\$	4,600
2000-01	\$	47,700
2001-02	\$	6,200
2002-03	\$	203,200
2003-04	\$	95,200
2004-05	\$	142,300
2005-06	\$	25,000
2006-07	\$	61,800
2007-08	\$	359,300
2008-09	\$	2,013,000
2009-10	\$	517,500
2010-11	\$	539,300
2011-12	\$	3,700,000
2012-13	\$	3,300,000
2013-14	\$	1,081,600
2014-15	\$	584,600
totals		\$ 13,216,600

*Data only available back to 1997-98

SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT FUNDING

Principle	
Job Growth and Economic Vitality	
Strategy	Target
Funding & Legislative	State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Two groundwater bills became effective January 1, 2015 (SB 1168, and SB 1319). Together these bills comprise the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). The intent of the Act, which is being implemented by the Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), is the sustainable management of California's groundwater within about 25 years. Basins that are subject to the legislation include all medium and high priority basins as defined by DWR that have not previously been adjudicated. Within Santa Barbara County, there are three such basins. They are the Cuyama Valley, San Antonio, and Santa Ynez Groundwater Basins.

The Act requires the completion of Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSPs) for each basin. The general components of GSPs will include technical information about aquifer yield, use, and balance, measurable objectives for sustainability, and actions to meet the sustainable yield. The entity responsible for complying with the requirements of the Act is the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA). Counties are the presumed GSAs in the absence of other entities assuming the role.

Although the Proposition 1 includes \$100 million in grant funds for SGMA, it is a relatively small amount for the number of basins subject to the Legislation and it is currently unknown how the funds will be distributed or prioritized. Therefore, we desire the State to provide additional funding mechanisms for SGMA implementation as compliance will require the expenditure of significant resources over a period of decades.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒Funding Request ☒Legislative Proposal ☐Targeted Advocacy

Action: The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests that the Government, State Legislature and the Department of Water Resources develop additional funding mechanisms for Santa Barbara County to implement the requirements of SGMA, which is, in essence, a mandate for comprehensive analysis and management of the three largest groundwater basins in Santa Barbara County.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

California is one of the last remaining States that has not required some form of sustainable management of groundwater. As a result, many of the State's basins are in a state of critical imbalance which has resulted in degradation of water quality, land subsidence, loss of surface water interaction, and economic hardship among users. In addition, it has reduced the water available for use during periods of drought such as the current one. Creating additional funding mechanisms for the implementation of SGMA will allow for sustainable management of the County's basins which will ultimately benefit several of the 2015 Legislative Principles including Economic Vitality, Community Stability, and Health and Human Services. It will allow basins to retain their value as sources of emergency water supply, agricultural vitality, and environmental resources.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

Precise cost estimates for the implementation of SGMA are unavailable at this time as the State has not yet finalized guidelines for its implementation and because associated costs will extend far into the future.

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US HIGHWAY 101 - REGIONAL

Principle	
Job Growth and Economic Vitality	
Strategy	Target
Funding & Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Highway 101 Lane Widening is the No. 1 Regional funding priority for the County. The project will increase U.S. Highway 101 from 4 to 6 lanes by adding High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes between the Cities of Carpinteria and Santa Barbara, a distance of 10 miles, to improve safety, reduce traffic congestion and match the 6-lane highway south of Carpinteria and north of Santa Barbara. US 101 is one of two north-south highways in California that connect the Los Angeles basin, with a population of 13 million, and the greater San Francisco Bay Area, with a population of 7 million. The other north-south highway, Interstate 5, is periodically closed due to inclement weather and US 101 serves as the primary alternate route in California during those periods.

The corridor provides access from Central Coast agricultural operations to markets around the country. US 101 also provides critical access to Vandenberg Air Force Base in central Santa Barbara County. The entire project corridor is within the Santa Barbara urbanized area that includes the University of California at Santa Barbara, defense-related businesses, and hundreds of businesses related to the tourism industry. On a daily basis, commuters from neighboring Ventura County, interregional truck traffic, and tourists contribute to the facility's average daily traffic of 90,000 vehicles, exceeding the capacity of the four-lane facility for hours at a time, bringing this 10-mile segment of highway to a crawl.

Upon completion of the project, the corridor will be a part of a continuous 40-mile, 6-lane facility, extending from the City of Ventura in Ventura County to the City of Goleta in Santa Barbara County. The corridor will include 16 miles of continuous HOV lanes. This 10-mile segment, and an adjacent 6-mile segment to the south at the Ventura/Santa Barbara County line currently under construction, will be the first HOV lanes on the Central Coast of California.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request ☐ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action: Santa Barbara County and the eight cities within the County support the Highway 101 Widening Project as the region's top regional roadway priority for Federal funding. Santa Barbara County will work in a support position to the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments to promote the critical nature of the project at the State and Federal level.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

US Highway 101 is one of only two north-south transportation routes between Los Angeles and San Francisco within the State of California. Transportation of commuters and goods and services, including Central Coast agricultural crops, are essential to the overall economic health and vitality of the State. When Interstate 5 is closed, due to accident, fire or snow, all north-south traffic is diverted to the US 101. It is designated as a State Focus Route and High Emphasis Route.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

The total estimated cost of the project is \$425 million. The project will be funded by \$140 million from Measure A, the local transportation sales tax, and \$285 million in State and Federal funding.

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COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES

Principle	
Efficient Service Delivery and Operations	
Strategy	Target
Funding	State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The County of Santa Barbara funds Library services and operations for 17 city and county libraries. Library services in the County are administered via contracts with the City of Santa Barbara, the City of Santa Maria and the City of Lompoc. Through this arrangement, the county partners with local cities to provide library facilities, services and materials in a cost effective manner. Library services are provided through the following established zones:

Zone 1: Santa Barbara. Services provided to the cities and unincorporated areas located within or in close proximity to Santa Barbara, Carpinteria, Montecito, Isla Vista, Goleta, Buellton, Solvang, Santa Ynez and Los Olivos.

Zone 2: Lompoc. Services provided to the cities and unincorporated areas located within or in close proximity to Lompoc, Vandenberg Village and Vandenberg Air Force Base.

Zone 3: Santa Maria. Services provided to the cities and unincorporated areas located within or in close proximity to Cuyama, Guadalupe, Los Alamos, Orcutt and Santa Maria.

The County's contribution to library services for each zone is based on the population of the cities and unincorporated areas within the respective zone as certified January 1st of the prior fiscal year by the California State Library Public Library Fund (PLF).

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☐ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests state funding for our library system. The first priority is to fund needed new library technology, books and materials. In addition, the County seeks funding for equipment, furnishings and to expand hours of operations at various library locations.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

The demand for countywide library services continues to increase. Residents of the County view library services as an essential part of the community and an avenue for all segments of the population to continue self-improvement and education. Current library facilities are in need of renovation, new books and materials, new technology and increased hours of operation.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

The County contributes approximately \$3.38 M annually from its General Fund, for library services and operations countywide. The cost to maintain library operating hours, replace materials, books, and technology far exceeds our current ability to provide funding. The County seeks additional annual funding, to allow for replacement of out dated equipment, furnishings, technology and materials and increase library hours of operation.

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IMPROVING LOCAL GOVERNANCE: UNINCORPORATED POWERS

Principle	
Efficient Service Delivery and Operations	
Strategy	Target
Legislative & Advocacy	State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

States grant cities and counties the ability to administer government at the local level. Santa Barbara County as a general law County operates under California Government Code Title 3, and other applicable California laws. General Law cities operate under California Government Code Title 4 and other applicable California laws.

In many counties in California, more than half of a county's population is in an unincorporated area, as opposed to an incorporated city. Therefore, the county government is responsible for the provision of services and addressing infrastructure needs. Counties, however, do not enjoy the same taxing, revenue generation, and governing authorities as cities. AB2119 signed by Governor Brown on July 18, 2014, is intended to provide more flexibility to counties to raise certain revenues to fund local services in unincorporated areas consistent with incorporated areas. Specifically, AB 2119 allows voters in the unincorporated areas of a county to vote on a tax measure that would apply within an unincorporated area only. AB 2119 requires the revenue derived from the imposition of the tax to only be used within the area from which the tax was approved by the voters. While this new legislation provides for the imposition of sales and use tax, within a specific unincorporated area, increasing of the opportunities available for revenue generation, a general law county's ability to enjoy the full spectrum of governance powers provided to general law cities remains limited.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐Funding Request ☒Legislative Proposal ☒Targeted Advocacy

Action: Work in conjunction with the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) to fully assess spectrum of differences in powers of general law cities vs general law counties and develop and support legislation which provides general law counties all governance powers afforded general law cities in order to adequately address full spectrum of services and infrastructure needs in unincorporated areas.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Unincorporated areas of counties must have mechanisms in place to address service and facility needs. Residents of unincorporated areas of a county should not be limited in the ability to achieve goals and address needs as a result of a lack of governance powers provided via the State. Preserving, enhancing and managing the revenue base in addition to employing all tools currently available to cities is essential to govern effectively and address collective and community specific needs. Tools to be explored will include but are not limited to levying of all administrative fines, forfeitures and penalties.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

Counties will be better able to manage operating budgets if afforded the instruments to recover costs for services and infrastructure in unincorporated cities. Current services require funding sources that are acquired through indirect means. Using tools such as but not limited to fines, forfeitures and penalties will better equip counties with the potential for full cost recovery.

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BRIDGES

Principle	
Fiscal Stability	
Strategy	Target
Funding, Legislative, & Advocacy	State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Reauthorization of the transportation bill must prioritize funding for locally-owned bridges and include a dedicated funding set aside for all bridge classifications.

There are three major classifications for bridges in the national bridge inventory (see illustrations below):

- National Highway System (NHS) bridges – those on major freeways, expressways, and interstates, etc.
- off-NHS, on federal aid route (on-system, off-NHS) bridges on major and minor collectors; and
- local and rural road bridges (off-system).



Continuing federal bridge funding as a core formula program is critical to local, state, and federal agencies' ability to maintain the nation's entire bridge network. On-system bridges; those on Federal-Aid routes but not on the NHS, account for over half of California's local bridge inventory. They carry millions of vehicles each day and are an integral part of our arterial and collector road system, delivering goods, services and people across the nation. These bridges are a unique component of our nation's transportation system and there is little room for error when it comes to bridge safety. A failed bridge severs transportation network continuity; while resilient bridges help ensure mobility for the traveling public.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy:

☒ Funding Request

☒ Legislative Proposal

☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests inclusion of a fully-funded bridge maintenance, rehabilitation, and replacement program in the transportation bill for all three categories of bridges: NHS, off-NHS on-system, and off-system.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Roadway bridges are a significant piece of county transportation infrastructure. Without dedicated funding for all three categories of bridges, National Highway System (NHS), on-system, and off-system, local agencies would have to divert billions of dollars from other transportation infrastructure projects and programs, or let bridges degrade, putting our nation's infrastructure at risk and in need of higher-cost repairs in the future.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

If bridge program funding is included as a core formula program in the transportation reauthorization bill with specific set-asides, it could be absorbed in current transportation funding programs.

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SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

Principle	
Fiscal Stability	
Strategy	Target
Funding, Legislative, & Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Every trip begins and ends on a local facility. Local transportation systems are critical for moving people, goods, and services reliably and safely to their destination. Traditional sources of revenue for transportation are declining as communities develop more sustainably and vehicles become more fuel-efficient. Additional funding is required to respond significantly to transportation needs.

In order to maintain the transportation system in a safe and serviceable condition the philosophy of system preservation must be embraced by our country's leadership to provide the right treatment, to the right facility at the right time. This issue is well documented at every level of government in needs assessments throughout the country.

A multi-year transportation bill is needed that provides certainty for businesses and communities, creates jobs, and makes necessary policy updates to lay the foundation for lasting economic growth. Transportation infrastructure is too essential to suffer continued neglect. We must commit to finding ways to support maintenance of existing infrastructure.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy:

☒ Funding Request

☒ Legislative Proposal

☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors calls on Congress, the Governor, and the California State Legislature to commit to a sound, long-term financial solution that will ensure stability of the surface transportation system.

The solution must include dedicated funding for properly maintaining existing transportation infrastructure including, but not limited to pavement, bridges and pedestrian facilities.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

This project supports the existing transportation network, to maintain safe and efficient movement of goods, services, and people. If the backlog of existing maintenance is not addressed now, the cost to maintain it will double in the next decade. For Santa Barbara County, this means the transportation maintenance backlog will increase from \$250M to \$500M. An additional \$9M annual funding is needed for pavement maintenance alone to prevent roads from deteriorating further.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

Ongoing sustainable funding to maintain roads and other essential transportation infrastructure is critical to the public's health, safety and welfare throughout the nation. The lack of a consistent source of funding leads to costly deferred maintenance, extensive repairs and increased liability claims.

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HOLLISTER/STATE STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Principle	
Inter-Agency Collaboration	
Strategy	Target
Funding	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Hollister Avenue from San Antonio Road to Modoc and State Street from Modoc to State Route 154 are primary arterials in Santa Barbara County. This corridor serves as an alternative route to U.S. 101 and needs improvements to accommodate multimodal travel at current and future traffic volumes.

Proposed improvements include widening the corridor to create additional capacity and improve multimodal circulation. The project will add pedestrian boulevards, bike lanes, bus accommodation, transportation enhancements, and replace a narrow and outdated railroad overhead crossing. The project is supported by the community and will promote a unified sense of community, improve public health and welfare, provide alternative routes for movement of goods and services, and stimulate economic development throughout the area.

The County requests \$8M for design and construction of the portion of Hollister Avenue between San Antonio and Modoc Roads.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy:

☒ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☐ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests participation by providing funds for design and implementation of this project.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

This project supports multimodal transportation and infill development. Some of the benefits to the community include:

- Reduced travel time for movement of people, goods and services, resulting in less congestion, and pollution and improved regional air quality
- Reduced conversion of agricultural land, sensitive habitat, and open space for new development
- Reduced costs to build and maintain expensive new infrastructure
- Improved health and welfare with opportunities for active transportation
- Added vibrancy and a unified sense of community to the corridor
- Implements complete streets concepts, accommodating vehicles, pedestrians, and bicycles
- Improves facilities to comply with the American Disabilities Act

COST TO GOVERNMENT

\$8M for design and construction of the portion of Hollister Avenue between San Antonio and Modoc Roads.

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LAKE CACHUMA

Principle	
Inter-Agency Collaboration	
Strategy	Target
Funding & Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

As a result of a biological opinion issued by the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Federal Bureau of Reclamation (Bureau) has evaluated the impacts of raising the water level at Lake Cachuma to protect the endangered steelhead trout. The increased water level, coupled with the need to replace outdated and aging infrastructure, is the catalyst for funding requests to continue Parks operations listed below.

REQUEST STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request ☐ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action: The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests its Congressional delegation support new appropriation requests as follows: Fire flow and water distribution system improvements - \$5.6 million; New water treatment plant and related systems - \$3.7 million; Sewage treatment - \$5.1 million; Recreational improvements - \$10.1 million.

PROJECT	TOTAL COST	AMOUNT FUNDED	STRATEGY TO SECURE FUNDING
BIOLOGICAL OPINION / SURCHARGE INITIATED PROJECTS			
Fire Flow and Water Distribution Improvements	\$2,100,000	-	BOR
Construction Road Repair & Access Improvements (connected to fire flow for fire truck access)	\$3,500,000	-	BOR
New Water Treatment Plant and Related Systems	\$3,700,000	-	BOR
Sewage Treatment Plant and Related Systems	\$5,100,000	-	BOR
TOTAL	\$14,400,000		
OTHER CAPITAL FACILITIES AND RECREATIONAL PROJECTS			
Boat Ramp Extension	\$1,000,000	-	DB&W
New Overnight Accommodations (Cabins/Yurts)	\$2,200,000	-	BOR
Recreation Improvements (Pool Facilities)	\$6,900,000	-	BOR
TOTAL	\$10,100,000		
GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL PROJECTS	\$24,500,000		

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

The County provides an array of recreational amenities including boating, fishing, camping (tent, RV, yurts and cabins), seasonal naturalist programs, and nature cruises to approximately 800,000 visitors year-round.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

The Bureau owns all "project" facilities and operates Bradbury Dam, which was constructed under contract with the Santa Barbara County Water Agency to provide irrigation and water supplies.

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LAND USE: ENFORCEMENT FINES FOR LAND USE VIOLATIONS

Principle	
Local Control	
Strategy	Target
Legislative & Advocacy	State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

State law governing ordinance violations sets maximum fine amounts for violators of land use codes at a maximum of \$100 for the first violation within a one year timeframe, a maximum of \$200 for the second violation within a one year timeframe, and a maximum of \$500 for each additional violation within a one year timeframe, including one-time violations. One-time violations are violations that cannot be corrected or cured. Similarly, fine amounts for violators of local building codes are set at a maximum of \$1,000 for each violation within a one year timeframe.

Santa Barbara County recognizes the need for the State legislature to set maximum fine amounts to ensure fairness and consistency across the State of California. However, the \$500 maximum severely hinders the County's ability to adequately enforce land use violations, particularly regarding one-time violations. One-time violations often occur when owners rent out their properties for special events (e.g. weddings). The County's Land Use Codes specifically prohibit this type of use on residentially zoned properties without proper permits. As written, the maximum amount the County may fine the owner for this type of violation is only up to a maximum of \$500 in any given year. This substantially undermines the County's Land Use Codes because the maximum allowable fine amount is insufficient to deter owners who rent out their properties for commercial purposes when the profit margin for violating the local ordinance is much greater. For example, a large commercial wedding with over 300 guests was held on residential property without the benefit of permits. Permit review would have addressed public safety and traffic concerns for an event of this magnitude. In this case, the County was only allowed to fine this owner \$100 for this purposeful violation. This amount is insufficient to deter property owners who can easily absorb this as part of their routine business operating expense.

Redrafting the applicable state codes to enable the local agency more discretion to impose appropriate fines, and the collection and enforcement of those fines, would greatly enhance the land use and building code enforcement program in Santa Barbara County.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy:

☐ Funding Request

☒ Legislative Proposal

☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The County requests its delegation to support legislation that would provide the County with more local control and discretion over fines imposed for violations of the County's Land Use and Development Codes. For violations where a permit is available, the County requests that fines imposed be set at the discretion of the local agency, and up to ten times the maximum amount of permit fees allowable under the agency's adopted fee schedules. Where a permit is not available for the offending activity, the fines should be set at no less than \$1,000 per violation, with a maximum amount to be set at the discretion of the local agency not to exceed \$15,000. Property owners will continue to have rights to appeal any fines imposed and the appeal hearing officer will continue to have the discretion to waive, reduce, or modify the fine. In addition, the one year timeframe should be stricken from the Government Code, or in the alternative, be increased to a five year timeframe, so that fines may further deter repeat offenders.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Revised legislation of applicable state law would provide the County with more effective tools to gain compliance from those who violate our County's land use codes. Increased penalties for one-time violations would be a greater disincentive and promote greater compliance with County ordinances. This would ensure

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that the County's land use codes are enforced thereby ensuring that the County's policies regarding land use and development continue to be met.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

No direct costs to the government are anticipated.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS LEGISLATION

Principle	
Local Control	
Strategy	Target
Advocacy	Federal

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Section 332(c)(7) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 prevents local governments, including the County of Santa Barbara, from opposing the placement and regulation of personal wireless service facilities on the basis of the environmental effects of radio-frequency emissions to the extent that the proposed facilities comply with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulations concerning such emissions. The California Public Utilities Code also limits the authority of local governments to regulate wireless facilities in public rights of way.

There is ongoing debate within the scientific community regarding how thoroughly the long-term health effects of low-frequency electromagnetic and radio-frequency emissions are understood. Questions remain regarding how well the existing regulations established by the FCC protect more vulnerable populations such as school-aged children, and how well they protect against the cumulative effect of radio-frequency emissions on people who live or work in close proximity to multiple cellular facilities. Currently, the ability of local governments to include a consideration of the health and environmental effects of these facilities when deciding whether or not to approve the construction or modification of a cellular communications facility is limited. Existing regulations regarding telecommunication facilities also hamper local agencies' ability to protect the visual quality of their communities. Protecting a high quality visual environment is vitally important to community residents; it is equally important to protect the desirability of an area as a tourist destination.

On November 18, 2009, the Cellular Telecommunications Industry of America (CTIA) petitioned the FCC to make certain declaratory rulings related to the local zoning authority of state and local governments, including requesting the FCC establish a review time of 45 and 75 days for wireless tower siting applications; deem applications granted if a government entity does not adhere to these stipulated timeframes; prohibit state and local governments from considering the presence of service by other carriers in evaluating an additional carrier's application and preempt any state or local zoning ordinances that require variances for wireless tower siting applications. As a result, the FCC ruled in favor of the CTIA, thus upholding limitations of local government control.

In addition, on October 9, 2015, the Governor signed into law AB 57 (Quirk), which provides that an application for collocation or siting of a wireless facility is deemed approved if the city or county fails to approve or disapproved the application within a reasonable period of time as specified in federal law. The new law allows for the tolling of the reasonable period of time by mutual agreement when there is a legitimate need to request information necessary to complete the application.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐Funding Request ☐Legislative Proposal ☒Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The County requests that its delegation seek and support state and federal legislation to repeal limitations on state and local authority imposed by AB 57 and the Telecommunications Act of 1996 that infringe upon the authority of local governments to regulate the placement, construction, and modification of telecommunications towers and other personal wireless service facilities on the basis of the health and environmental effects of these facilities. The County opposes sections of the Act that preempt local control and prevent local governments from considering health effects. The County urges the FCC to work in cooperation with the FDA and other relevant federal agencies to revisit and update studies on potential health concerns arising from wireless emissions in light of the national proliferation of wireless use. In particular, the County believes it is imperative that the FCC undertake longitudinal health studies to determine whether its existing exposure limits are adequate to protect public health. The longitudinal studies should encompass a broad demographic (i.e. children, people with compromised health, etc.) in order to fully

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protect public health. It is significant to note that the exposure limits allowed by the FCC appear to exceed the levels considered permissible by most other countries.¹ Finally, the County requests that the FCC revise the processing deadlines for new telecommunication facilities to insure that local agencies have adequate time to fully evaluate siting and design options to minimize visual impacts and protect a high quality visual environment. Santa Barbara County's stance advocating for improved local regulation over telecommunications facilities aligns with the position taken on this issue by the National Association of Counties (NACO).² NACO's platform advocates for Counties, as the trustees of public property and as protectors of public safety and welfare, to retain authority over telecommunication facilities. NACO's platform states that Counties have an obligation to their constituents to ensure that the public health, safety, and welfare are not endangered or otherwise compromised by the construction, modification, or installation of wireless communications facilities. Santa Barbara County shares these concerns and NACO's advocacy position.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Health advocates have worried for decades that exposure to frequencies emanating from telecommunications sources might be harmful. There are increasing health and environmental effects resulting from the location of certain cell phone towers and antennas, especially in regards to the cumulative effect of radio-frequency emissions on people who live or work in close proximity to multiple cellular facilities. Longitudinal studies need to be conducted to determine whether the exposure levels currently allowed by the FCC are safe or whether they may cause adverse health effects to any population group. Citizens would be better served by allowing local government greater flexibility to regulate the placement of cellular facilities near areas such as residences, schools, daycares, or parks. Longer processing times would give local agencies the opportunity to evaluate alternative locations and designs in order to maximize the protection of a high quality visual environment.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

This is largely a regulatory function to allow local governments' greater discretion to decide how, when, and where cellular facilities should be sited.

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¹ See Reference:

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<http://www.naco.org/legislation/pages/legislative-affairs.aspx>

TRIBAL GAMING COMPACTS & LAND USE

Principle	
Local Control	
Strategy	Target
Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The County of Santa Barbara supports government-to-government relations that recognize the role and unique interests of tribes, states, counties, and other local governments to protect all members of their communities and to provide governmental services and infrastructure beneficial to all. In addition, the County recognizes and respects the tribal right of self-governance to provide for tribal members and to preserve traditional tribal culture and heritage. In similar fashion, the County recognizes and promotes self-governance by counties to provide for the health, safety, and general welfare of all members of our communities. In order to provide for full participation by all community members, the County supports the full involvement of local government agencies on issues and activities taking place on tribal fee or trust lands which may create impacts to public health, safety or the environment.

The County of Santa Barbara recognizes that gaming on tribal land in California is governed by a unique structure that combines federal, state, and tribal law. While the impacts of gaming fall primarily on local communities and governments, policy is largely directed and controlled at the state and federal level. However, consistent with the legislative platform adopted by the California Association of Counties (CSAC), many impacted counties find that the compacts as well as distribution of funds via the Special Distribution Fund (SDF) fail to adequately address these impacts and/or to provide meaningful and enforceable mechanisms to prevent or mitigate impacts.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐ Funding Request ☐ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

Support the restoration of full funding of the county share as a direct contribution of the annual Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund with letters of support, as well as, the appearance and testimony of County lobbyists.

In the spirit of developing and continuing government-to-government relationships between federal, tribal, state, and local governments; the County of Santa Barbara will coordinate work with CSAC, NACo, and the legislative delegation to improve existing and future Compact language in the following areas:

1. A Tribal Government constructing or expanding a casino or other related businesses or development that impacts off-reservation land will seek review and approval of the local jurisdiction to construct off-reservation improvements consistent with state law and local ordinances including the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
2. A Tribal Government operating a casino or other related businesses or development will mitigate all off-reservation impacts caused by project. In order to ensure consistent regulation, public participation, and maximum environmental protection, Tribes will promulgate and publish environmental protection laws that are at least as stringent as those of the surrounding local community and comply with CEQA.
3. A Tribal Government operating a casino or other related businesses or development will be subject to the authority of a local jurisdiction over health and safety issues including, but not limited to, water service, sewer service, fire inspection and protection, rescue/ambulance service, food inspection, and law enforcement, and reach written agreement on such points.
4. A Tribal Government operating a casino or other related businesses or development will pay to the local jurisdiction the Tribe's fair share of appropriate costs for local government services. These services include, but are not limited to, water, sewer, fire inspection and protection, rescue/ambulance, food inspection, health and social services, law enforcement, roads, transit, flood control, and other public infrastructure.

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5. The Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund, created by Section 5 of the Tribal-State Compact will not be the exclusive source of mitigation, but will ensure that counties receive some funding to mitigate off-reservation impacts caused by tribal gaming.

The County of Santa Barbara continues to support the policy and platform positions of CSAC and NACo stating that judicially enforceable agreements between counties and tribal governments must be required in order to ensure that potential impacts resulting from projects are fully analyzed and mitigated to the satisfaction of the surrounding local governments. These agreements would fully mitigate local impacts from a tribal government's business and development activities and fully identify the governmental services to be provided by the county to that tribe. Furthermore, the County will continue to work in conjunction with the CSAC Housing, Land Use & Transportation Committee to assist in the development of information and policy positions for consideration by CSAC.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Involvement of the local government, general public and technical consultants in matters pertaining to future land use and potential development is critical to the overall review of any project to ensure compliance with Community Plans and the County's General Plan. Failure to fully engage critical stakeholders in project development and review impairs the ability of a local government to seek appropriate mitigation and/or provide critical public services which may have long term impacts on a region as a whole.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

The County of Santa Barbara previously enjoyed a distribution from the SDF of approximately \$1.4 million annually. Recent reports from the state Legislative Analyst's Office and Controllers office indicate that funds are unlikely to be available for gaming impact mitigation grants. These funds were previously utilized to fund fire, law enforcement, and capital projects. In addition development which occurs on lands taken fee to trust are taken off property tax rolls thus critical revenue to address service and infrastructure related impacts are lost to a local government in perpetuity.

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ACCESS TO QUALITY HEALTH SERVICES

Principle	
Health & Human Services	
Strategy	Target
Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

One of the most important ways of supporting the health of Santa Barbara County residents is to ensure their access to health care coverage and health care services. With the implementation of the Affordable Care Act, many residents are now eligible for health care coverage for the first time. All health care plans now include some essential benefits like maternity, mental health, preventive, and pediatric dental care. Thus, enrollment in these health plans provides many health benefits. To maintain the health of our residents, we are committed to assisting residents enroll in benefits for which they are eligible, providing health care services through Federally Qualified Health Centers for individuals who receive Medi-Cal or Medicare in addition to those without other coverage options, maintaining infrastructure for a quality health service agency, and pursuing related requirements to receive federal funding for public healthcare organizations.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐ Funding Request ☐ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors support measures which establish, enhance or fund policies, programs, research, standards, educational material and public awareness campaigns that prevent disease, promote wellness and ensure access to needed health care.

- Assistance for health care coverage – Support direct assistance with applications and patient education concerning health care coverage, support for renewals and re-application for health benefits, coordination with our county and state partners at the Department of Social Services, CenCal Health, and Covered California.
- Organizational infrastructure for public healthcare organizations – Support automated systems and staffing that manage, report on and evaluate health care delivery, programs and incentives to maximize the capacity of our systems and coordination of care.
- Provision of essential health care services – Support measures that would provide for the continued expansion of both county and community Federally Qualified Health Clinics (FQHCs) and the provision of quality health care services. Favor approaches such as the Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) that promotes partnerships and coordination in the provision of services to patients. Continue to advocate for programs and FQHC payment reform that provides for reimbursement for the necessary wrap around and support services of the treatment team, such as pharmacists and Marriage & Family Therapists (MFTs).

Support should include no decreases in current funding levels in these health related programs.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

There will be an increase in access to health care coverage and a decrease in morbidity and mortality among residents in Santa Barbara County.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

There is no immediate or additional cost incurred directly.

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HEALTH IN OUR COMMUNITY

Principle	
Health & Human Services	
Strategy	Target
Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

We can be successful in improving the health of all residents by supporting legislation that prevents chronic disease, prevents the spread of illness, promotes healthy behaviors and promotes wellness. Legislative, policy, environmental changes and education can influence behavior and thus impact health and health outcomes. Three behaviors (poor diet, physical activity levels and tobacco use) contribute to four chronic diseases (vascular disease, cancer, lung disease and type 2 diabetes) that cause more than 50 percent of the deaths in Santa Barbara County. We can directly impact behaviors that drive chronic and communicable diseases and poor health outcomes. We can also directly impact health with access to services, preparedness, and our response to health conditions.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐Funding Request ☐Legislative Proposal ☒Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors support measures which establish, enhance or fund policies, programs, research, standards, educational material and public awareness campaigns that prevent disease, promote wellness and ensure access to needed health care.

- Healthy behaviors and activities to promote wellness- Support programs and funding that encourage physical activity, healthy eating, breastfeeding, healthy parenting practices, healthy and safe foods, and reduce the prevalence of smoking and obesity.
- Disaster preparedness and emergency medical response to protect the community - Support programs and funding that prepare our emergency response procedures, training, and disaster command structures for the entire community including vulnerable populations and medically fragile residents. Support legislation and regulatory measures that improve the quality and delivery of emergency medical services and pre-hospital care.
- Prevention of harmful health conditions and ensures access to health care – Support programs and funding that prevent injuries and violence, prevent the spread of communicable disease, promote infection control and laboratory practices, identify and address environmental conditions that are barriers to health.

Support should minimally include no decreases in current funding levels in these health related programs and measures that maintain or strengthen local agency roles.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

There will be a decrease in disease and illness and a decrease in premature death among residents in Santa Barbara County.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

There is no immediate or additional cost incurred directly.

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HOMELESSNESS

Principle	
Health & Human Services	
Strategy	Target
Funding & Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The County of Santa Barbara in partnership with cities and community organizations drafted the "Bringing Our Community Home: The Santa Barbara Countywide 10-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness" plan in 2006. The County continues to work on these and other efforts in partnership with the Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness or C3H. The County seeks funding support to implement this plan, including financing a comprehensive system of housing, services and treatment to help prevent homelessness.

REQUEST STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy:

☒ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests that its state and federal delegations support existing and new legislation to address the issue of homelessness and support funding of housing, services and treatment programs to end chronic homelessness.

Specifically, the County requests the Federal delegation's support for funding McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Grants, including the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program, and the Continuum of Care (CoC) Program. These programs are authorized under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as amended by the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing Act of 2009. The County recommends the inclusion of provisions which allow for additional flexibility in the use of Federal funds on the local level to address housing for the homeless. The County also requests continuing support for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and the HOME program. These two programs provide additional public services, capital improvements, and new affordable housing, which work together to reduce homelessness and prevent additional persons and families from becoming homeless.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Each year more than 6,300 people in Santa Barbara County experience homelessness; on any given night, nearly 2,000 people are homeless. Of the people who are homeless, 45% or as many as 913 people are chronically homeless. Santa Barbara County's chronically homeless population is composed of single adults and families with children who have either been continuously homeless for a year or more or have had at least four episodes of homelessness in the past three years, have a disabling condition and have been sleeping in a place not meant for human habitation (e.g. living on the streets) or in an emergency shelter during that time. Many of these individuals have serious mental illnesses; two-thirds of all people with serious mental illness have been homeless or have been at risk of being homeless at some point in their lives.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

Chronically homeless people may consume more than 50% of all the services provided to homeless people due to their continued movement through the service system without obtaining the help they need. Chronically homeless individuals are also frequent users of other costly public services, such as hospital emergency rooms, psych emergency wards and the criminal justice system. Chronic homelessness is expensive, but these costs can be reduced and chronic homelessness can be ended through the provision of permanent supportive housing. Studies have demonstrated that providing people with permanent supportive housing is the most humane and cost-effective way to end chronic homelessness.

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OCEAN WATER TESTING

Principle	
Health & Human Services	
Strategy	Target
Funding	State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Ocean water testing is performed at sixteen Santa Barbara County beaches on a weekly basis to identify any areas where bacterial health standards are exceeded. When sampling results indicate water quality meets state health standards, the beaches are open. Warnings are posted at beaches when one or more of the state health standards have been exceeded. Beaches are closed when water is contaminated by sewage at the location and there is an imminent public health concern. The current testing methodology provides test results 24 hours after the ocean water has been tested. There is a new ocean water testing methodology, Method 1609 polymerase chain reaction (qPCR,) that provides point in time water testing results. These results could be provided to the public in a timelier manner, thus supporting timely postings of beach warnings and closures to keep our residents safe and healthy.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☐ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests funding support in the amount of \$70,500 for the costs associated with the implementation of Method 1609 qPCR for ocean water testing. These costs are due to the "parallel" testing (running duplicate methods to ensure accurate and consistent results) is required for the first year of implementation.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Beaches are a significant environmental resource in Santa Barbara County used by many residents. If residents enter ocean water when water quality exceeds safe standards, there are increased health risks. Ocean water testing results are shared broadly on our website, in media and through various organizations as a public health service to our community.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

During Fiscal Year 2014-15, the Public Health laboratory testing cost \$73,000 under the existing testing methodology. The new Method 1609qPCR testing is projected to increase costs one-time by \$70,500 for the first year of implementation because of the parallel testing required. This projected one-time cost is currently unfunded.

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SAFETY NET PRESERVATION

Principle	
Health & Human Services	
Strategy	Target
Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

According to 2013 Census figures, in Santa Barbara County 68,116 people (16% of residents) are still living below the federal poverty level (compared to 11.9% in 2007). There are approximately 19,866 (21%) of the County's children living in poverty (compared to 13.5% in 2007). Our poverty rates reflect the impacts of a weakened economy and the slow and prolonged recovery from the Great Recession, and drastic cuts in health and human services programs at the State and Federal levels. All of these factors have disproportionately affected low income seniors as well as children and families, leaving their "basic" needs of food, shelter, personal and financial security, health and welfare at risk of being unmet and leading to food insecurity, diminished health, and homelessness.

For those workers and their families who are getting by living paycheck to paycheck with little to no assets to fall back on, the loss of a job or serious illness can plunge their families into poverty. Many will turn to government-run safety net programs for help. Unfortunately, cumulative cuts to county-administered health and human services programs add up to a loss of more than \$2.4 billion in state and federal funds since June 2001. Additionally, nationwide, food stamp benefits saw a \$5 billion reduction in November 2013 when Congress allowed a recession-era boost to expire. The shrinking public safety net has put extreme pressure on underfunded faith-based and community-based organizations to "catch" these needy families. If the safety net, "public" or "non-public," cannot respond to the growing need to temporarily assist those in need until their economic conditions improve, more residents will fall into poverty.

REQUEST STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐ Funding Request ☐ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action: In order to preserve the safety net for the County's most vulnerable citizens we request that its delegation advocate to preserve existing safety net program funding levels at both the State and Federal levels and restore cuts to safety net programs in future budgets.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Hunger and malnutrition exacerbate chronic and acute diseases and speed the onset of degenerative diseases among the elderly, which affects their quality of life and increases the cost of caring for them. Children who are hungry or sick cannot learn, and may fail to reach their full potential, leading to an uneducated future workforce who compromise future personal self-sufficiency and economic competitiveness. Residents that do not qualify for Medi-Cal expansion of coverage or unable to pay the insurance premium through Covered California continue to be without health insurance and turn to emergency rooms, which shifts the burden and cost of health care to local communities. They may forego preventive or basic care, which increases the risk they will need more expensive care in the future. Without child care subsidies, low income working parents may be forced to quit their jobs as the costs of child care becomes too expensive and staying home to provide child care affects their ability to maintain their employment and self-sufficiency.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

Poverty imposes enormous costs on society and can have devastating implications on the short-term and long-term economic vitality of Santa Barbara County. The long-term economic impacts of poverty include the lost potential of children raised in poor households. The short-term impacts include lower productivity, earning, and purchasing power of poor adults, poor health, increased crime, and broken-down neighborhoods.

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SENIOR SERVICES- OLDER AMERICANS ACT REAUTHORIZATION

Principle	
Health & Human Services	
Strategy	Target
Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The Older Americans Act provides federal funding to Area Agencies on Aging (AAA's) to help low-income seniors live independently in their communities through supportive, nutrition and health promotion programs and services. According to 2013 Census data there are over 59,000 seniors age 65 and older within the County of Santa Barbara (14% of the County's population). This number is expected to double by the year 2050 placing additional demands on a variety of health and human services programs. Key issues facing seniors within the County are in-home care housing as well as public assistance needs for those that live below the poverty level. Therefore, it is imperative to ensure that the services and programs currently in place are reauthorized to meet the growing population and needs of low-income seniors.

REQUEST STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐ Funding Request ☐ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action: That the County work with its federal and state legislative delegations and key representatives to support reauthorization of the Older Americans Act and increase funding (federal and state) for senior related services. Support critical components of the Older American's Act which promotes the health and well-being of low-income seniors by providing funding for Area Agencies on Aging for nutrition services and prevention and health promotions services enhancing the quality of life of low-income seniors.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

While seniors are the fastest growing sector of the population, little funding is provided to address overall spectrum of needs faced by individuals as they age. Without assistance, seniors often lack the ability to remain in their own homes and thus must resort to assisted living facilities at extraordinary costs or rely on family members and professional or informal caregivers for continued care. In addition, as a result of increasing medical needs, seniors utilize emergency rooms and public clinics at an increasing rate as a result of lack of appropriate health coverage. A comprehensive program of safety net services provided via community providers and governmental agencies, provides for the opportunity for seniors to remain independent for a longer period and provides for the spectrum of health and human services needs required to age with dignity.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

For many older adults, a few hours a week of in-home services provided by the Older Americans Act can delay or prevent costly nursing home care for low-income seniors who are not eligible for In-Home Supportive Services administered by the Department of Social Services. Evidence confirms that good nutrition is important in maintaining the health and functional independence of older adults. It can reduce costly hospital admissions and delay nursing home placement. A majority of older adults in the US have diabetes, hypertension, high cholesterol or a combination of these chronic conditions. These conditions can be successfully managed with appropriate nutrition interventions that will improve health and quality of life. Left unchecked, these conditions result in increased costs.

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SOCIAL SERVICES TANF REAUTHORIZATION

Principle	
Health & Human Services	
Strategy	Target
Advocacy	Federal

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program was founded on the idea that states should have the flexibility to design their programs in a way best suited to their unique populations in order to help families transition from assistance to self-sufficiency. The last reauthorization of TANF, which was part of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, was heavily weighted toward Federal oversight and penalties instead of state flexibility – a change that reflected a level of distrust that was unwarranted given the progress states made in reducing the welfare rolls after TANF was initially implemented. The success of TANF depends on counties' flexibility to target local needs and support participant's work activities. Without that flexibility and the funding to implement it, the working families who are struggling toward self-sufficiency will lose supportive services and many will be unable to successfully end their reliance on cash assistance. Welfare reform is an ongoing process of supporting working families in gaining self-sufficiency, not a one-time removal of families from the welfare rolls.

With congressional reauthorization looming, the county supports flexibility that allows States and counties to meet the individual needs of their caseloads. We support establishing Federal rules that measure the effectiveness of welfare programs by utilizing more outcome-based measures.

REQUEST STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐ Funding Request ☐ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action: The County requests that its delegation advocate at the Federal level to reauthorize the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program to restore and enhance state and county flexibility to tailor work and support services that move families into self-sufficiency based on their unique needs. TANF Reauthorization must reverse the damaging effects of the 2005 TANF Reauthorization changes to the Work Participation Rates (WPR) formula and definition of "work." The County is interested in a balanced approach between federal oversight and state flexibility with better and more outcome-based measures of success.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Santa Barbara County continues to struggle with the challenge of complying with Federal regulations and finds it difficult to achieve the federal WPR, placing our county at risk of fiscal sanction. TANF Reauthorization offers an opportunity to change the current one-size fits all Federal rules that penalize States and Counties instead of offering flexibility and incentives gauged toward effective measures of welfare program success.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

Since TANF Reauthorization in 2005, the current required Federal participation rate of 50% has not been met statewide and State Legislation requires that counties participate in the required fiscal sanction. TANF Reauthorization offers an opportunity to change the current one-size fits all Federal rules that penalize States and Counties instead of offering flexibility and incentives gauged toward effective measures of welfare program success.

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SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE

Principle	
Health & Human Services	
Strategy	Target
Advocacy	State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

As the California legislature responded to the state's budget deficits over the past 7 years, cuts were made virtually across the board, but subsidized child care services and supports funded through the Department of Education's Child Development Division (now Early Education Support Services) were reduced disproportionately. These services for low income families include CalWORKs and Alternative Payment child care subsidies, "General Child Care" subsidy contracts with centers and State Preschools, as well as critical support services such as Child Care Planning Council and Children's Resource and Referral. Without child care subsidies, low income working parents are either forced to quit their jobs or put their children in substandard care which impacts children's futures and our communities' viability. And, without adequate investment in the child care infrastructure, providers and parents lack the supports necessary for a strong system. The state legislature is beginning to restore funding and the County is advocating for further restoration of funding to increase quality, child care slots, reimbursement rates and infrastructure.

REQUEST STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐ Funding Request ☐ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action: The County requests that its delegation advocate at the State level to strategically increase funding for child care subsidies, rates and support services to align with current programming and trends in the early care and education field.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Researchers and economists have documented that high quality early care and education offers a high return on investment (\$4.00 to \$17.00/per dollar spent), especially for children with risk factors. Reductions in juvenile crime, teen pregnancy, high school drop-out rates and intervention services are well-documented for children who attended such programs. Additionally, the child care industry contributes significantly to the local economy both in their workforce, and the ability for parents to be gainfully employed. Therefore, providing children with a strong start can counteract the negative implications of disadvantaged environments.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

In FY 2014-15 Santa Barbara County received \$3,310,139 in stage 1 child care funding, as compared to \$3,695,410 in FY 2013-14, translating to a 10% decrease in funding. In addition to the decreased funding, in October 2015, the Regional Market Rate will increase 4.5% for child care reimbursements. This will result in additional expenditures for the CalWORKs and Alternative Payment programs.

When former CalWORKs families who cannot work due to the reduction in child care benefits end up back on aid receiving cash benefits, CalFresh benefits, and Medi-Cal, the local economy is impacted. Costs shift from a relatively reasonable cost for keeping people employed to a more expensive model in which the State and Counties pay for people to remain on public assistance. Additionally, reduced access to high quality early care and education services for children at risk will result in higher social service and law enforcement costs in the near future.

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AGRICULTURE/ WILLIAMSON ACT SUBVENTION

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding	State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

California's agricultural sector is the most important in the United States, leading the nation's production in over 77 different products including dairy and a number of fruit and vegetable "specialty" crops. The large variety of crops grown allows California to be on the leading edge of agricultural markets and technology. California produces almost twice as much as its closest competitor, Texas, and is the sole U.S. producer of crops such as almonds, artichokes, persimmons, raisins, and walnuts.

Locally, agriculture continues to be the County's major producing industry. The 2014 gross production was valued at \$1.5 billion. This is a \$53 million (3.71%) increase in gross value when compared with the 2013 figures and is the ninth year in a row that agriculture has surpassed the one billion dollar benchmark. The County is the second largest producer in the state for broccoli and cauliflower as well as having a high production of strawberries, wine grapes, lettuce, and other produce. Farming and ranching operations are also one of the most important industries and economic drivers in the County.

The California Land Conservation Act of 1965, also known as the Williamson Act, allows local governments to enter into ten year contracts with private landowners for the purpose of restricting specific parcels of land to agricultural or related open space use. Landowners are assessed property taxes based upon farming and open space uses as opposed to full market value of the land. Local government in exchange receives an annual subvention of forgone property tax revenues from the State via the Open Space Subvention Act of 1971. Approximately 550,000 acres of land are enrolled within the Williamson Act within the County of Santa Barbara. The FY 2009-10 state budget reduced the Williamson Act Subvention payments from \$39 million to \$1,000, effectively suspending the payments to local governments during an already difficult economic time. There have been no subvention payments to the County since then. Historically, the County had received an annual subvention payment from the State of approximately \$653,000.

REQUEST STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy:

☒ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☐ Targeted Advocacy

Action: The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests its State delegation, the Legislature, and the Administration to restore the funding for subvention reimbursement to counties who continue to have a Williamson Act program.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

The Williamson Act program has been an effective tool to preserve farmland and open space. It assists local government with general plan and zoning objectives and promotes orderly growth.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

There has been no appropriation of subvention funds for the Williamson Act program since FY 2011-12.

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AIR QUALITY – MARINE VESSEL EMISSIONS

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

In Santa Barbara County, the thousands of marine vessels that travel along the 130 miles coastline produce significant emissions of nitrogen oxides (NOx), particulates, air toxics, and greenhouse gases. The Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District has estimated that more than half of the smog-forming NOx emissions in the County are from marine vessels transiting the Santa Barbara Channel (Channel). Emissions threaten air quality and public health and constrain the County's ability to meet federal and state standards pertaining to ozone and particulates. In the summer of 2014, The Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District worked with partners to institute a small-scale trial incentive program to reduce ship speeds in the Channel to gather data and help establish the foundation for a larger scale program.

While progress has been made in efforts such as the trial program, and in achieving regulations such as the California Air Resources Board fuel rule, and engine and fuel rules associated with the International Maritime Organization (IMO) designating 200 miles off the coast of North America as an Emission Control Area (ECA), there are four areas that still need to be addressed namely:

1. Responding to challenges to the ECA and its rules that need to be addressed by the U.S. Delegation to the IMO
2. Efforts to reduce emission from existing engines
3. Quantifying air quality impacts associated with the existing shipping lanes in the Channel and
4. Identifying funding and/or regulatory options to implement a large-scale vessel speed reduction plan in the Channel to reduce ship speeds down to 12 knots or less, providing air quality (and whale-protection) benefits.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy:

☐ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The County requests its delegation support efforts to reduce emissions from marine vessels through securing economic incentives to accelerate the retrofit of engines and funding for research and development of new technologies and strategies to control shipping emissions. The County also requests its delegation support efforts related to analyzing the current shipping lanes and traffic north and south of the Channel Islands and the speed at which vessels travel, and to support funding for a large-scale vessel speed reduction program in the Santa Barbara Channel. Such a program could be structured as a voluntary incentive program (with an identified source of funding, for example, State Cap-and-Trade auction revenues). Implementing a full-scale vessel speed reduction program in the Santa Barbara Channel of 12 knots or less could reduce emissions from these large marine vessels and reduce lethality of ship strikes on endangered whale species.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Ships contribute to worldwide emissions of nitrogen oxides, particulate matter, sulfur, air toxics, and greenhouse gases. These emissions represent a serious threat to air quality and public health. Moreover, local control is diminished as federal and state laws (Federal and California Clean Air Acts) require adherence to air quality standards and local jurisdictions have limited authority over regulating shipping vessels. Ship speed reduction to 12 knots will reduce emissions of all pollutants by up to 50% annually and would increase the protection of endangered whales and other marine mammals.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

There may be indirect costs to local governments that are required to maintain federal and state standards for air quality and greenhouse gas reductions, despite having no local control over shipping vessels' emissions.

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding & Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The National Association of Homebuilders reported Santa Barbara County as the 5th least affordable small housing market in the nation. The elimination of redevelopment agency funding at the state level and reductions in federal affordable housing funds puts greater emphasis on finding other funding streams to help create and preserve both affordable rental and ownership housing. There is a need for improvement in community resources, services, and infrastructure to improve the economic, social and community well-being of the County. The impact of the lack of affordable housing, social services, and accessible employment was underscored by the County's 2013 Poverty Study, which found an unacceptably high percentage of County residents living below the federal poverty threshold, including an increasing incidence of child poverty. Federal resources, such as the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) programs have continually been subject to appropriation reductions; since 2010, the County's funding for these programs dropped 43%. Such reductions negatively impact our community as this funding provides an important resource to address County needs in the areas of capital infrastructure, public service, micro-economic development and affordable housing. Such funding is critical in maintaining a level of community sustainability that provides for a growing and vibrant economy. The County also supports creative strategies to preserve, build, and make affordable housing available for individual and family households countywide.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The County supports community development program efforts at the local, state, and national level to: 1) provide resources to address the housing needs of elderly persons, persons with disabilities (including developmental disabilities), low-moderate income households, workforce households, large families, farmworker households, single parent headed households, persons needing emergency shelter, transitional housing and supportive housing, and veteran households; and 2) create public-private partnerships to develop housing and services. At the state level, the County supports advocacy for housing finance bills in the Legislature to create a dedicated source of revenue to produce new housing. At the federal level, the County supports continued advocacy for affordable housing and community development programs including, but not limited to, CDBG, HOME, the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program and the new National Housing Trust Fund, which will begin in 2016. The County also supports full funding of HUD's homeless assistance programs, such as the Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and the Continuum of Care (CoC) programs.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

The development of affordable housing at all income levels will not only help mitigate the County's housing crisis, but will increase construction jobs and tax revenues. Federal and state efforts to develop creative funding strategies, such as a \$75 recordation fee on real estate transactions, the LIHTC Program, and the National Housing Trust Fund, among other federal and state programs, will help to address housing needs. The availability of housing and community services supports stronger communities, improved outcomes in schools, and work-ready community residents. Federal and state legislation in support of housing and community infrastructure would stimulate the construction industry, generating tax revenue and positive ripple effects throughout the economy.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

The Federal CDBG and HOME programs provide up to 20% and 10%, respectively, of the annual grant amount to offset program administration costs to government. Advocates point out that for every \$1 in CDBG or HOME funds expended, the community leverages over \$4 from other sources. In terms of the cost benefit to government in providing funding to supportive housing for homeless persons, a 2010 study by the National Alliance to end Homelessness found that the use of permanent supportive housing was cost effective and reduced the use of shelter, ambulance, police/jails, health care, emergency room, behavioral health, and other service costs. Secondary positive impacts include improved outcomes for children and families, low/moderate income households, senior adults, disabled households, and veterans.

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ENERGY AND CLIMATE ACTION

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding, Legislative, & Advocacy	Federal

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

In March 2009, the County of Santa Barbara instituted taking immediate, cost-effective and coordinated steps to reduce the County's collective Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions. The County has since accelerated existing or established new sustainability initiatives, including making clean energy and building efficiency improvements to public facilities, and helping residents and businesses do the same. The County recently produced an Energy and Climate Action Plan (ECAP) to lower GHG emissions 15% below baseline levels (2007) by 2020. The ECAP includes fifty emission reduction measures encompassed in the following 11 categories:

Community Choice Energy	Industrial Energy Efficiency
Sustainable Communities Strategy	Waste Reduction
Land Use Design	Agriculture
Transportation	Water Efficiency
Built Environment	Governmental Operations
Renewable Energy	

While some of the emission reduction measures in the ECAP are already in existence, others require funding for further development. The ability to fully develop the ECAP measures and make sustainable energy programs more robust is integral for countywide reduction of energy consumption in order to meet climate and sustainability goals.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request

☒ Legislative Proposal

☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The County supports advocacy for sustainability initiatives and seeks funding to implement emission reduction and sustainability measures; for example, 41% of the emission reductions in the County's ECAP are anticipated to come from voluntary building efficiency initiatives. Executive, regulatory or legislative items that could impact the local climate action planning and implementation efforts are policies related to Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing, net zero or high performance buildings, Community Choice Energy, distributed clean energy, and alternative transportation. Potential funding sources include, but are not limited to grants, rate-payer funded contracts, and revenue generation opportunities.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Co-benefits of climate action implementation and achieving the ECAP goal of lowering GHG emissions 15% below baseline levels by 2020 include:

- Reduced energy usage
- Support of the local economy
- Improved mobility
- Informed public
- Improved public health
- Reduction in water use
- Monetary savings
- Conservation of natural resources

COST TO GOVERNMENT

Specific emission reduction measures not already in existence will vary in cost; costs for development and implementation of most are anticipated to be good candidates for external funding, while others may require County investment.

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FUNDING FOR EXCLUSION AND EARLY PEST DETECTION PROGRAMS AGAINST HIGH RISK PESTS

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

California's impressive and valuable agricultural production, which California's County Agricultural Commissioners are entrusted to promote and protect include (based on latest USDA national agricultural statistics information):

- California is ranked #1 in the United States in cash receipts at \$42.6 billion for their output in 2012
- California represents 11.9 percent of total U.S. agricultural revenue
- There are approximately 77,857 farms and ranches and 25,569,001 total acres.
- The largest dairy industry in the nation
- More than 400 commodities are grown in California
- California produces about half of the U.S. grown fruits, nuts and vegetables
- Many crops are solely produced in California

There are a number of significant invasive species being introduced and detected in California that threaten agriculture and the environment. Continued funding of Pest Exclusion, Pest Detection trapping and Survey Activities, Rapid Response, Pest Management and Eradication (if feasible), and Public Education Outreach Programs is critical in protecting California's resources. Unique in the United States to California, County Commissioners and Sealers provide the first line of defense against the introduction of injurious plant and animal pests.

REQUEST STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy:

☒ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☐ Targeted Advocacy

Action: The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests its federal delegation, the Legislature, and the Administration to:

- Protect existing revenue sources and enhance state and federal funding of Pest Prevention Program activities.
- Provide full cost recovery for new Invasive Pest programs and maintain or enhance funding for current Invasive Pest programs.
- Support all reasonable efforts by the California Department of Food and Agriculture, County Agricultural Commissioners, and the agricultural industry to acquire funding and to prevent the introduction and potential spread of invasive pests in California.
- Support Legislation and/or state and federal programs that provide for effective pest management and eradication activities.
- Provide local flexibility to enhance the Agricultural Commissioner's ability to respond to pest emergencies and high priority local pest exclusion pathways.
- Support research on invasive species pathways as well as funding mechanisms to close potential pathways.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

In addition to benefits to California agriculture, early pest detection and surveillance programs benefit the natural ecosystem, consumer interests, and human health, as well as agriculture in states other than California.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

A reduction or elimination of federal and state funding for the State and counties to perform early pest detection and surveillance activities will result in either an additional cost to local governments to cover the costs of these critical pest exclusion activities or a reduction or elimination of these services all together. This will lead to the agricultural industry, the public and environment being put at risk for further invasive pest infestations. California agricultural losses to exotic pests exceed \$3 billion annually.

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HEALTHY SOILS INITIATIVE

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding & Legislative	State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Scientific and policy developments in California now provide a unique opportunity to advance and scale agricultural and land management practices that improve soil carbon (and soil health) and increase water holding capacity in soils, while addressing the State's climate change goals. Policy proposals being considered by the State Legislature and the Governor's Office would create an incentives program that would provide farmers, ranchers, and organizations with financial incentives to implement carbon-beneficial agricultural practices that sequester carbon, reduce greenhouse gases and increase soil carbon. This program, the Healthy Soils Initiative, is being advanced by Governor Jerry Brown and will be administered by the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), the Department of Conservation (DoC), CalRecycle (for compost production and application to farms and ranches), and several other key agencies.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request

☒ Legislative Proposal

☐ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

- Support legislation that provides funding resources at the state and local level to develop and implement land management practices to improve soil carbon and soil health.
- Support legislation that creates incentives programs that would provide farmers, ranchers, and organizations with financial incentives to implement carbon-beneficial agricultural practices that sequester carbon.
- Support State funding for Healthy Soils Program and Sustainable Agricultural Land Conservation Program from Cap and Trade Revenue.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

- Sustainability: Carbon sequestration aligns with the goals of the County's adopted Energy and Climate Action Plan and provides a mechanism/tool to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- Agricultural: Pilot programs that utilize carbon sequestration land management practices have resulted in increased productivity and increased water holding capacity in soils.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

No direct costs to the government are anticipated.

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HISTORIC SANTA BARBARA COUNTY COURTHOUSE

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The Santa Barbara Courthouse is owned by the County of Santa Barbara and serves as a community resource for the area's civic groups, non-profit groups, and other residents. However, this aging building is in need of funding to correct deficiencies and undertake historic rehabilitation of the structure.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request ☐ Legislative Proposal ☐ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

Fund the continued conservation and preservation of this iconic National Historic Landmark through the Department of the Interior, National Endowment for the Arts, Housing and Community Development, Homeland Security, or direct Budget Appropriation. Five million dollars over the next five years is requested.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

The historic (City Landmark, State Historic Landmark, and National Historic Landmark) Santa Barbara Courthouse, constructed in 1929, is a 156,000 square foot building home to the Superior Court of California and Civic Government. It is comprised of multiple offices, courtrooms, and historic rooms that are able to accommodate hundreds of people. Moreover, it serves as a vital component of civic society, primarily as a gathering place for community celebrations in the area.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

The County has estimated the cost of renovation to be approximately \$40 million, which includes:

- ADA upgrades including lift installation, restroom upgrade, handrail and signage installation (\$1,235,000)
- Architectural/Safety upgrades including installation of exit sign, fire rated doors and related hardware, fire alarm and fire sprinkler system, stone and cast stone restoration, leather and furniture restoration, painted ceiling restoration, draperies and textile restoration, insulation, restroom addition, roof tile and downspout repair (\$22,000,000)
- Structural upgrades including structural analysis and retrofitting of structural elements (\$1,775,000)
- Mechanical upgrades to existing heating and plumbing systems (\$6,475,000)
- Electrical upgrades including replacement of circuitry and re-wiring of building (\$2,760,000)
- Hazardous material abatement including asbestos and lead paint abatement, and termite inspection report (\$4,600,000)
- Exterior modifications including repair of existing sidewalks, curbs and gutters and enhanced landscaping (\$3,118,000)

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MARKET PLACE EQUITY AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding	State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Weights and Measures Programs are important to businesses and consumers in California. Weights and Measures ensure there is a "level playing field", maintaining fair competition for business and industries. Likewise, these programs are critical in providing protection for consumers and a method for making value comparisons.

The Division of Measurement Standards (DMS) within the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) is the lead agency for weights and measures and works closely with county sealers of weights and measures who carry out the vast majority of weights and measures enforcement activities at the local level. County sealers of weights and measures have a variety of programs that protect consumers and provide an equitable marketplace for local business. Examples of programs consist of Device Registration & Inspection, Price & Quantity Control, Weighmaster, Service Agents, and Petroleum Products. DMS provides the regulatory oversight for county sealers for weights and measures programs in addition to the California Type Evaluation Program and Metrology. The California Type Evaluation Program tests, evaluates and approves all new commercial weighting and measuring devices to be used for commercial purposes in California. The State Metrology laboratory keeps and maintains standards of weight, volume, time, temperature, and length that are used to ensure accuracy for weights and measures in the state of California. These physical standards form the legal and scientific basis for commercial transactions in California involving weights and measure. The values of these standards are traceable to national and international standards. Without these standards, county sealers could not test commercial devices for accuracy and businesses would be at a disadvantage globally without proof of accurate measurement standards. DMS has taken significant general fund reductions that have diminished their role in consumer protection, promoting an equitable marketplace and support services for county sealers. General fund support for all programs except Metrology has been eliminated.

REQUEST STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy:

☒ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☐ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

- Support legislation that preserves and enhances funding resources for weights and measures programs at the state (DMS) and local (Sealer) level for consumer protection.
- Encourage the use of state general fund for the Division of Measurement Standards.
- Support legislation which assures clear labeling and accuracy of the net quantity of package products to promote value comparison and to ensure the consumer receives the correct product and the quantity of product for which they pay.
- Oppose legislation that would exempt certain commercial weighing and measuring devices from the California Type Evaluation tests.
- Oppose legislation that would diminish or remove protections now afforded to consumers for transactions measured by weighing or measuring devices.
- Support legislation that establishes funding for quantity control and package inspection.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Weights and measures programs serve the people of California by aggressively preserving and defending the measurement standards essential in providing the citizens a basis of value comparison and fair competition in the marketplace.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

During the 2011-12 fiscal year, CDFA experienced a \$19 million General Fund reduction. Funding for many important programs was affected including those in DMS. An industry led consortium guided CDFA through the reduction process, in which alternatives were considered, including reduction and elimination of programs, and other funding sources. The Device Administrative Fee was authorized by the California Legislature in Assembly Bill 120 and signed by Governor Brown on July 26, 2011. This fee is to fund the DMS Device Compliance Program which provides oversight and training to county weights and measures officials in areas of commercial weighing and measuring device inspection. However, other weights and measures programs continue to lack the necessary funding to provide adequate services.

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OIL RESEARCH AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding, Legislative, & Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

- Oil & gas development has occurred in Santa Barbara County since as early as the 1890's. A significant amount of onshore and offshore oil & gas production continues within the County today. Numerous private operators utilize infrastructure such as pipelines, tanks and specialized equipment to serve this ongoing production. Existing infrastructure continues to age and degrade, some of which is in need of replacement and unused, historic infrastructure persists.
- Existing, aging oil & gas infrastructure is less likely to include modern technological features that help ensure safe operations and reduce potential for spill/upset.
- A significant amount of historic, abandoned infrastructure associated with discontinued operations is also located within the County.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request ☒ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

- Seek legislation that would incentivize and/or require private oil & gas operating companies to repair/replace aging infrastructure including pipelines and tanks. Also include requirements for the use of best available safety-related technologies with the intent of reducing the frequency and volume of upset events resulting in environmental damage. (funding for improvements would be provided by the affected company)
- Seek legislation that would provide local jurisdictions with increased regulatory authority to oversee inspection and maintenance activities of existing/future oil & gas infrastructure.
- Seek funding for cleanup/removal of historic, abandoned oil & gas wells and equipment where there is no existing responsible party with an urgent priority targeting wells that pollute the marine environment, as well as for equipment that creates public safety/nuisance concerns.
- Seek legislation to strengthen the rules set forth by, and enforcement capabilities of, the Division of Oil, Gas & Geothermal Resources (DOGGR) and State Lands Commission (SLC) to require timely and proper abandonment of oil & gas facilities which have an existing responsible party.
- Advocate for the above.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Reduce likelihood of oil spills and public safety hazards with the intent of protecting the ecologically sensitive habitats of Santa Barbara including both terrestrial and marine environments.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

There are no known direct costs to the County. Economic impacts would be absorbed by private oil & gas operators.

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PARKS AND OPEN SPACE

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Santa Barbara County Parks provides services to over 7 million annual visitors to 71 day use parks, open space locations and two camping parks as well as to a network of trails and coastal access easements. The County is interested in preserving and expanding the amount of open space located within its boundary. As such, the County is supportive of funding opportunities that enable local governments: (1) to maintain existing facilities (i.e. funding for park and trail maintenance); (2) to acquire additional land for open space preservation and (3) to ensure safe access to beaches, parks and open space. Examples of these projects are listed below as well as in other areas of the 2016 platform.

Gaviota Coast Preservation: The Gaviota Coast is a largely undeveloped area along Highway 101 North of Goleta and South of Lompoc that consists primarily of agricultural land in private ownership, Vandenberg Air Force Base, US Forest Service Land, and three state parks. There are a number of endangered or threatened species in the area, including the red legged frog, steelhead trout, and California tiger salamander. A National Park Service Study looked at various conservation methods, including a potential federal designation, and concluded that the area is "nationally significant" and the best conservation approach was through local and private conservation efforts. Currently there is no interest in reconsidering a potential federal designation for the Gaviota Coast. There is a need for federal funding and assistance for planning efforts and land conversation acquisition by local government and/or private land trusts.

Point Sal Access and Management Plan and Implementation: This project will provide public access to Point Sal "Reserve", which consists of 2,600 acres of publicly and privately-owned lands located in the northwestern corner of the County, along the coast of the Pacific Ocean. In 1991, an original management plan was developed and revised in 2002 under an internal administrative draft to include parcels acquired by the County since the original 1991 plan. Costs total approximately \$8 Million to update the management plan (\$50,000), implement public access including land acquisition and vehicle improvements to the trail-head and pedestrian trail (\$7.6 Million), signage and cattle control (\$350,000). The United States Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service has provided a \$200,000 California Impact Assistance Program (CIAP) Grant for the preparation of environmental documents, design, permit applications and construction of a culvert improvement for improved public access.

Santa Claus Lane Beach Access and Development: This project will secure public access rights and easements to the beach and open an access way over the existing railroad tracks and rock seawall. The total project cost is approximately \$6.9 million which includes acquiring access rights and the design and construction of safety developments for the railroad and seawall crossings, installation of a parking lot, landscape screening, a restroom and other ancillary facilities. The United States Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service has provided a \$316,000 California Impact Assistance Program (CIAP) Grant to facilitate securing access rights.

Jalama Beach Facility Improvements: This project will improve existing facilities to better serve the public at one of the only overnight camping parks in northern Santa Barbara County. The total project cost is approximately \$2.5 million and includes systematic renovations to the restroom and shower facilities to meet major maintenance needs and bring facilities into ADA compliance. The Coastal Resource Enhancement Fund (CREF) has provided \$450,000 to facilitate some of the restroom improvements.

REQUEST STRATEGY AND ACTION

☒ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☐ Targeted Advocacy

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The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors County requests support from its delegation to: (1) assist the County in its interaction with other affected agencies and (2) identify funding opportunities for these projects.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

These projects enhance the opportunities of residents and visitors to the County to gain safe access to beaches, partake in recreational activities and learn more about natural habitat.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

The County has secured partial funding for many of these projects and is seeking additional funding to complete these projects.

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PESTICIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The size and diversity of California agriculture, and the State's increasing urbanization, require a more complex partnership between state and local pesticide regulatory authorities than anywhere else in the nation. The California Department of Pesticide Regulation (CDPR) is vested with primary authority through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) to enforce federal and state laws pertaining to the proper and safe use of pesticides. DPR's enforcement of pesticide use in the field is largely carried out in California's 58 counties by County Agricultural Commissioners (CACs) and their staffs (approximately 400 inspector/biologists). CACs seek compliance through education, including presentations to community and industry groups, training sessions for pesticide users, informal or formal compliance actions (such as warning letters), and corrective interviews. CACs regulate pesticide use to prevent misapplication or drift, and possible contamination of people or the environment. Among a Commissioner's most important responsibilities is investigating pesticide-related illnesses and injuries. All reported pesticide related illnesses and injuries are investigated by the CAC in the county which the illness occurred. If the law was broken and people made ill, the commissioner takes enforcement action. CAC staffs also enforce regulations to protect ground and surface water from pesticide contamination. To do this, they may work with regional waters boards and the State Water Resources Control Board. Farmers must obtain site-specific permits from their CAC to buy or use many agricultural chemicals. The CAC staff must evaluate the proposed use to determine if the pesticide can be used safely, particularly in sensitive areas, such as near residential neighborhoods, schools and other sensitive sites. State law requires CACs to ensure that applicators take precautions to protect people and the environment.

REQUEST STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request ☐ Legislative Proposal ☐ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests its State delegation, the Legislature, and the Administration to:

- Support methods that would provide long-term funding for county pesticide regulatory activities.
- Support the preemptive status of state pesticide laws and authority provided to the Department of Pesticide Regulation (CDPR) and California Agricultural Commissioners.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

The mission and objectives of local pesticide enforcement programs is to protect public safety, the environment and farm labor from pesticide exposure. County Agricultural Commissioner's provide the local regulatory framework to carry out the mission and to meet the objectives of the pesticide enforcement program.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

During the 2014 Legislative Session, the budget-trailer bill (Chapter 741, Statutes of 2003; SB 1049) intent language indicates that the Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) should fund County Agricultural Commissioners' local pesticide regulatory programs with \$22 million annually. The Legislature failed to appropriate adequate funding to DPR to meet this level. Approximately \$15 million in County general funds in California are contributed per fiscal year in order to maintain the integrity and quality of the pesticide regulatory system Californians have grown to expect.

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REGIONAL COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROJECTS – FEDERAL AUTHORITY FOR CALIFORNIA

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Advocacy	Federal

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Our coast provides enormous recreational and economic benefits and houses an immense range of ecological resources. However, the California Coast is under severe threat from:

- Coastal erosion
- Storm damage
- Coastal environmental impacts
- Sea level rise

These threats not only impact the ecological, recreational and economic threats to the coast, but the ability to maintain navigation channels as well. Regional Sediment Management solutions to these threats include:

- Recognizing coastal sediment as a natural resource
- Maintaining and enhancing the natural sand (sediment) supply on the coast
- Ensuring regular small-harbor dredging and improving the beneficial reuse of sediment (i.e., use of dredged sand from harbors)
- Linking coastal sand needs with availability
- Undertaking beach nourishment projects and considering other innovative technologies to maintain our coastal beaches

With the exception of harbor dredging, there are no specific Federal Authorities in place designed to fund Regional Sediment Management Projects that can result in a systems approach to a sustainable and resilient California Coast. Over the past eight years, nine separate regions along the California Coast have prepared or are preparing Regional Sediment Management Plans that define appropriate projects and policies to address regional challenges. As a result, California is ready to act.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☐Funding Request

☐Legislative Proposal

☒Targeted Advocacy

Action:

Establish Federal Authority that is consistent with the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) mission of coastal risk reduction, ecosystem restoration and navigation, and that will fund Regional Sediment Management projects on the California Coast. The purpose of the Federal Authority will be to:

- Implement coastal projects that restore, maintain, and enhance the natural flow of sediments to the coast.
- Ensure regular small-harbor dredging.
- Improve beneficial use of sediment from dredging operations.
- Link coastal sand needs with availability.
- Implement beach nourishment and consider the use of innovative technologies to maintain California's coastal beaches.
- Implement coastal wetland and coastal dune restoration projects.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

The 1,100 mile California Coast is one of the most prized natural resources in the nation. It provides enormous recreational and economic benefits and includes an extensive array of ecological resources. However, this vital resource is under constant threat from upland and coastal development, ocean pollution, rising sea-levels, increasingly frequent intense coastal storms, and a reduction in the natural sediment supply. To address these threats, Coastal Regional Sediment Management Plans funded through the USACE and cost shared with the State have resulted in a comprehensive and integrated approach for resolving coastal issues in California.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

The total projected cost to implement the BEACON Plan is \$175M over 20 to 30 years.

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RESOURCE RECOVERY PROJECT

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding, Legislative, & Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The County of Santa Barbara, in collaboration with the cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta, Solvang and Buellton, are pursuing the development of the Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project. This facility is projected to be publically owned and privately operated by contract on the County owned and operated Tajiguas Landfill. All waste currently buried at this public landfill would now be processed first, taking out recyclables to be sold, and organics to be further processed into biogas and digestate. This facility would provide a 20-year waste management system increasing the region's recycling rate, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and generating green energy.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request ☒ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

Santa Barbara County, along with the four partnering cities, has been pursuing this project as an environmentally beneficial alternative to landfilling of our municipal solid waste. Costs for this facility range from \$100 to \$120 million dollars. In order to limit financial impact to the ratepayer the County is looking for funding or other resources to support the development of this important project.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

The Resource Recovery Project would have several sustainable and beneficial impacts:

- Providing a comprehensive and flexible 20 year solid waste management solution for the region
- Increasing the amount of material recycled in our region
- Providing a local source of green energy
- Eliminating future greenhouse gases generated by the landfill

Helps the County achieve State mandates on waste diversion (75% by 2020 – AB 341), greenhouse gas reduction (1990 levels achieved by 2020 – AB 32), and green energy production (33% renewable energy by 2020 – SB X1 2).

COST TO GOVERNMENT

The estimated capital cost of the project is approximately \$100 to \$120 million. The project will be financed through a tipping fee at the facility. This cost will then be passed onto the ratepayers in their monthly bills. The costs for a project that includes a MRF and AD Facility are comparable to the alternatives available to the affected communities (exportation to another facility or expansion of the existing landfill). Any external resources that can be provided will assist in the financial feasibility of the project.

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SEISMIC MONITORING

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding, Legislative, & Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The California Integrated Seismic Network is a *collaborative* effort, founded in 2000, to *integrate* existing, separate California earthquake monitoring networks into a single seismic monitoring system. The CISN provides the organizational framework to coordinate these earthquake-monitoring operations. The CISN constitutes the California region within Advanced National Seismic System (ANSS). Santa Barbara County has recently added 7 vault installations contributing towards CISN and looks to implement the beta platform for ShakeAlert which provides Earthquake Early Warning System capabilities. Santa Barbara County Emergency Management Director Ryan Rockabrand currently serves as the Vice-Chair of the CISN Advisory Committee and 1st District Supervisor Salud Carbajal serves on the California Seismic Safety Commission. More information on CISN is available at www.cisn.org.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request ☒ Legislative Proposal ☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action: The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests funding, legislative and advocacy support for the continued development of CISN. This support will augment the core members which include the California Geological Survey, U.C. Berkeley Seismological Laboratory, Caltech Seismological Laboratory, Menlo Park USGS, Pasadena USGS, USGS National Strong Motion Project and contributing members including the University of California, Santa Barbara; University of California, San Diego; University of Nevada, Reno; University of Washington; California Department of Water Resources; Lawrence Livermore National Lab; and Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Contribute towards the operation of a *reliable* and *robust* statewide system to record earthquake ground motions over the *relevant range of frequencies and shaking levels*. To distribute information about earthquakes *rapidly* after their occurrence for emergency response and public information. Lastly, to create an *easily accessible archive* of California earthquake data for engineering and seismological research, including waveform data and derived products.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

The cost of short-term and long-term solutions for CISN include costs for design and engineering, preparing and filing permit applications, monitoring associated vault installations, conducting public outreach, and preparing notification protocols. The total project costs associated with implementing short-term installations statewide of approximately \$20 million with a sustained annual cost of approximately \$16 million. The United States Geological Survey in conjunction with Caltech has provided a roadmap in the form of an implementation plan outlining these costs in detail. (<http://pubs.usgs.gov/of/2014/1097/pdf/ofr2014-1097.pdf>)

On December 16, 2014, President Obama signed into a law a \$1.1 trillion spending bill. Prior to the signing, Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and U.S. Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Burbank, released a joint statement that \$5 million has been allocated to support the continued development of the USGS/Caltech earthquake early warning system. In 2013, California legislators passed a bill asking officials to set up a seismic early warning system. The bill was approved by the Governor however; no funding was attached to the bill. The state has until January 2016 to get funding in place.

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SUPPORT FOR WASTE RECOVERY AND REDUCTION PROGRAMS & FACILITIES

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding, Legislative, & Advocacy	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Communities are continually affected by new state and federal mandates regarding the safe and effective management of waste materials, including the increased recovery of materials for beneficial reuse and recycling, as well as the appropriate management of a growing number of commonly used hazardous wastes. In order to implement new programs and to build facilities to comply with growing regulations and general interest in doing more with waste materials, the County would benefit from receiving resources such as funding, permitting assistance, and resources associated with the better management of waste.

Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) is an alternative approach to materials management that requires manufacturers and retailers to take greater responsibility for reducing the life-cycle impacts of their products and packaging. This approach encourages designing products for recycling, reducing excess packaging, and eliminating or reducing toxic materials in products. EPR also involves the development of effective end-of-life collection and recycling/disposal programs that are designed, funded, and operated by producers or their associated stewardship organizations.

Household hazardous waste (HHW)(e.g. paint, used motor oil, antifreeze, batteries, fluorescent lights, and electronic devices, such as computers, televisions, and cell phones) is a classification of solid waste that includes products that are toxic, flammable, corrosive, or reactive. These types of products are prime candidates for establishing EPR programs. Due to their hazardous nature, the disposal of these products must be handled separately from other types of solid waste. Local governments must provide collection and disposal/recycling opportunities, which may include permanent collection centers, periodic collection events, or curbside collection services. These programs, which require considerable public outreach and education, are costly to operate.

The County of Santa Barbara, in collaboration with the cities of Santa Barbara, Goleta, Solvang, and Buellton, is pursuing the development of the Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project (TRRP). This facility is projected to be publicly owned and privately operated on the County owned and operated Tajiguas Landfill. All waste currently buried at this landfill will be processed by removing recyclables for sale and having organics anaerobically digested into biogas and digestate. This facility will provide a 20-year waste management system by increasing the region's recycling rate, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and generating green energy.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy:

☒ Funding Request

☒ Legislative Proposal

☒ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The County requests that its delegation actively support: 1) funding opportunities such as grant programs or other funding mechanisms related to implementing new waste recovery programs and facilities and 2) existing and new legislation that will help local governments sustainably and cost effectively manage solid waste, such as HHW, including mandated EPR programs, for individual products or groups of products.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

The County of Santa Barbara would benefit from assistance, including new funding opportunities available for waste recovery programs and facilities in order to support the local economy, provide cost effective services, and a create a variety of environmental benefits including:

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- Reduction of greenhouse gasses
- Conservation of water and energy
- Conservation of natural resources by reusing extracted materials rather than extracting new materials and further impacting natural areas
- Reduction in use of toxic chemicals
- Keeping dangerous and potentially harmful materials out of our environment
- Reduction in air emissions

Other benefits include a decrease in costs to local government and improved worker safety. The Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project in particular, will help the County achieve State mandates on waste diversion (75% by 2020 – AB341), greenhouse gas reduction (1990 levels achieved by 2020 – AB 32), green energy production (33% renewable energy by 2020 – SB X12), and the reduced disposal of organics (collection and diversion of organics from commercial generators - AB 1826, 15 years of organics processing capacity - AB876, and the collaboration of state entities on the development of composting facilities - AB1045).

COST TO GOVERNMENT

Local governments are currently responsible for providing recycling and disposal programs for unwanted products. The implementation of these types of programs and facilities can cost in the range of tens of thousands of dollars to over a hundred million dollars, so securing external resources would greatly benefit these efforts. For example, costs for managing products containing hazardous materials are very expensive. Legislation that would alleviate these burdens, such as EPR programs that shift the financial burden of managing products to producers and retailers of those products, would result in significant cost savings and potentially enhanced customer service for local governments.

The estimated capital cost for the TRRP is approximately \$100 million. The project will be financed through a tipping fee at the facility, and this cost will then be passed on to ratepayers in their monthly bills. This project's costs, which include a Materials Recovery Facility and an Anaerobic Digestion Facility, are comparable to other alternatives (e.g. exporting waste to another facility or expanding the existing landfill). Any external resources that can be provided will assist in the financial feasibility of this project.

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VETERANS MEMORIAL BUILDINGS

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding	Fed/State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

The Santa Barbara, Lompoc, and Carpinteria Veterans Memorial Buildings are owned by the County of Santa Barbara and serve as a community resource for the area's veterans, non-profit groups, and other residents.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☐ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

Veterans of foreign wars are often overlooked, forgotten, and misunderstood. Giving them a place to interact with other veterans regardless of wartime experience is not only important, it is our duty to do so. The generation of the 1920s and 1930s understood this obligation; the generation of this decade needs to follow through. This request will enable the Veterans Memorial Buildings within the County of Santa Barbara to continue to serve our returning veterans for decades to come.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Santa Barbara Building

The historic (City Landmark and eligible for the National Register) Santa Barbara Veterans Memorial Building, constructed in 1927, is located on Santa Barbara's premier waterfront. It is heavily used by veterans and the community alike. Historically, Veterans Memorial Buildings came into being through the counties of California, which provided publicly-owned or donated land for the construction of memorial sites to be built in their cities. Throughout the 1920s and 1930s, memorial halls and structures were constructed and dedicated as a tribute to those who fought in World War I. The usage of these spaces is guided and governed by the California Military and Veterans Code, which provides for the use of such facilities by veterans and persons or organizations other than veterans, either free of charge or for stated compensation to aid in defraying the cost of maintenance. These facilities are being closed in many counties. It is desired to save this building and ensure the usage for many years to come.

Lompoc Building

The historic (City Landmark and eligible for the National Register) Lompoc Veterans Memorial Building, constructed in 1936, is a 20,393 square foot building home to several veterans' groups. It is comprised of multiple offices, a large commercial kitchen, and two large halls that are able to accommodate hundreds of people. Moreover, it serves as a vital component of Lompoc civic society, primarily as a gathering place for the military veterans in the area.

Carpinteria Building

The historic (City Landmark and eligible for the National Register of Historic Places) Carpinteria Veterans Memorial Building, constructed in the early 1930s, is a 13,400 square foot home to the Carpinteria Valley Veterans of Foreign Wars and many local non-profit community service organizations. Due to the age of the building, major areas of work include: electrical systems, seismic upgrading or retrofitting, exterior and interior ADA improvements, replacement of aging and failing wood components, and heating, ventilation and air conditioning.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

The work items listed below are in priority order for each building.

Santa Barbara Building

The County has estimated the cost of renovation to be approximately \$800,000, which includes:

- 1) **Seismic Safety:** This includes seismic retrofitting, foundation stabilization, and deteriorated wood framing components. Total cost estimated for this work is \$300,000.
- 2) **Electrical Systems:** This includes main panel, subpanel upgrades, internal wiring systems, and aging light fixtures. Total cost estimated for this work is \$200,000.
- 3) **Energy:** This includes water distribution systems, HVAC, utility regulation equipment, and window upgrades. Total cost estimated for this work is \$300,000.

Lompoc Building

The County has estimated the cost for restoration to be \$700,000, which includes:

- 1) **Architectural:** This section includes exiting, fire protection, accessibility for the disabled and other life-safety related projects; roofing, replacement of doors and windows, and related buildings systems upgrades. Federal Share request is \$400,000.
- 2) **Hazardous Materials:** This section includes removal of lead based paints and asbestos materials. Federal Share request is \$300,000.

Carpinteria Building

The County has estimated cost for restoration to be \$900,000, which includes:

1. **Architectural:** This section includes exiting, fire protection, accessibility for the disabled and other life-safety related projects; roofing, replacement of doors and windows, and related buildings systems upgrades. Federal Share request is \$400,000.
2. **Hazardous Materials:** This section includes removal of lead based paints and asbestos materials. Federal Share request is \$300,000.
3. **Seismic Safety.** The main spaces and bell tower are in need of seismic stabilization and the building in general requires seismic retrofitting to attach roof, wall, and foundation systems for movement during an earthquake event. Federal Share request is \$200,000.

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WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS

Principle	
Community Sustainability and Environmental Protection	
Strategy	Target
Funding	State

SUMMARY OF THE ISSUE

Onsite wastewater treatment systems (septic systems) that are properly sited, installed and maintained provide a safe and effective means of handling domestic wastewater in areas where the public sewer is unavailable. Conversely, antiquated systems or systems installed in areas that are not especially suitable for the use of septic systems represent a potential health and safety hazard as they may expose the public to sewage and noxious odors as well as contaminating surface water (creeks) and groundwater.

In 2012, the State Water Resources Control Board adopted the Water Quality Control Policy for the Design, Operation and Maintenance of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (OWTS) that for the first time established statewide regulations for OWTS. The policy not only sets stringent standards for new systems but also for the repair or modification of existing systems. Depending on location specific conditions, the cost of installing or repairing an OWTS will increase significantly. As a result, homeowners may delay making needed repairs or upgrades to their systems.

By providing financial assistance in the form of grants or low or no interest loans, property owners will be more proactive to replace or repair a failing or antiquated OWTS. Such a program would enhance the public health and safety by eliminating exposure to sewage and preventing contamination of the County's water resources.

REQUESTED STRATEGY AND ACTION

Strategy: ☒ Funding Request

☐ Legislative Proposal

☐ Targeted Advocacy

Action:

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors requests that funds be made available in the form of grants, low interest loans or no interest loans to assist homeowners that must make expensive repairs or upgrades to their OWTS in order to be in compliance with new state standards.

PUBLIC BENEFIT/IMPACT

Providing inducements to replace or repair antiquated or failing OWTS will reduce the potential for exposure to sewage and contamination of surface water and groundwater provide greater protection of the public health and safety.

COST TO GOVERNMENT

No immediate direct cost but unknown administrative costs associated with working with a financial institution or other entity with expertise to manage a grant or loan program.

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Appendix



County at a Glance

The People (U.S. Census Bureau)

Population: (2014 estimate) 440,668

Ethnicity: (2014 estimate)

- 45.9% White
- 44.4% Hispanic
- 5.7% Asian
- 2.4% Black

Age: (2014 estimate)

- 22.4% under 18 years of age
- 14.0% over 65 years of age

The Cities

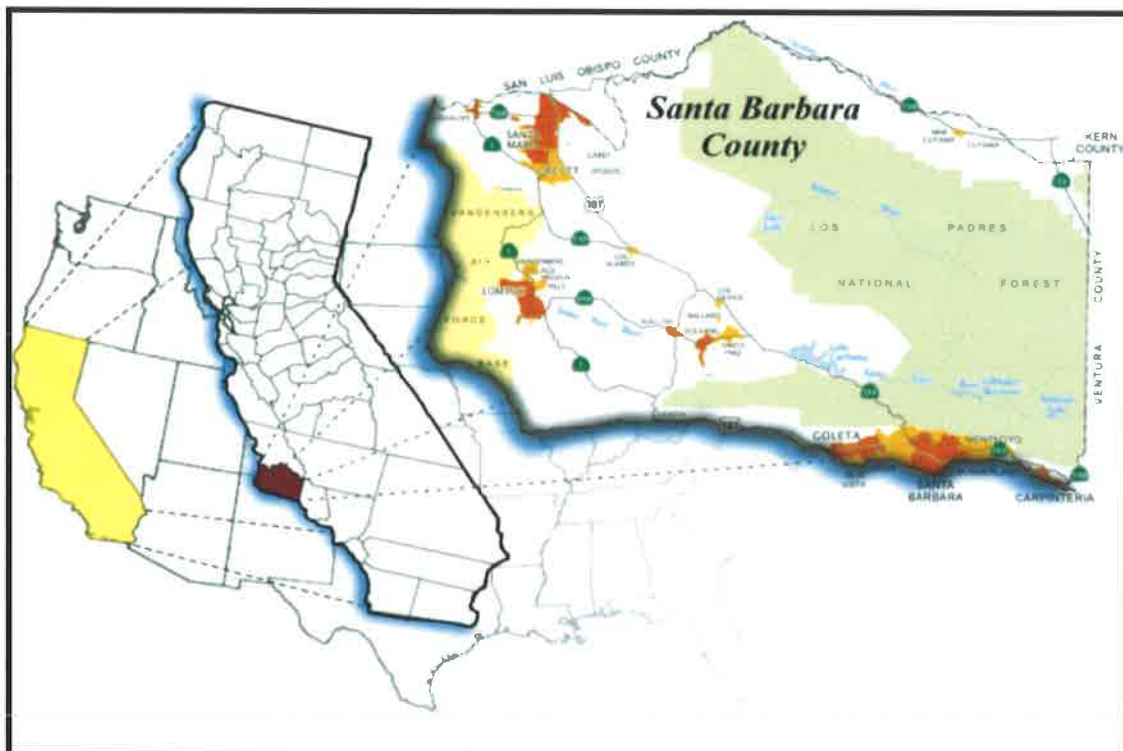
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- Goleta
- Guadalupe
- Lompoc
- Santa Barbara
- Santa Maria
- Solvang

The Community

- 114 parks
- 18 beaches
- 18 open space preserves
- 17 public libraries
- 17 golf courses
- Civic Participation (November 4, 2014)
 - Number of Voting Precincts: 250
 - Number of Registered Voters: 196,998

The Land

- 2,735 square miles
- 1/3 located within the Los Padres National Forest
- 150 square miles Vandenberg Air Force Base
- 117 miles of coastline
- Average temperature 64 degrees F
- Average 300 days of sunshine a year



Santa Barbara County

Federal Officials	State Officials
President Barack Hussein Obama II, 44th President of the US <i>whitehouse.gov</i> Bio - Previous occupation: US Senator. Elected in 2008. Key Issues: Revitalizing the economy, healthcare, US global leadership and homeland security. United States Senator Barbara Boxer, 114th Congress <i>boxer.senate.gov</i> Bio - Previous occupation: Politician-10 years as member of the US House of Representatives. Elected to Senate in 1993. Committee assignments include Commerce, Science and Technology, Environment and Public Works (Chair), Foreign Relations and Ethics. Key Issues: Public education and after school programs, affordable health care and patient bill of rights and environmental issues including safe drinking water. United States Senator Dianne Feinstein, 114th Congress <i>feinstein.senate.gov/public</i> Bio - Previous occupation: Politician- Member Board of Supervisors and Mayor, San Francisco. Elected to Senate in 1992. Committee assignments include Appropriations, Intelligence (Chair), Judiciary, and Rules & Administration. Key Issues- crime victims' rights, healthcare, economy, national security/homeland security, environmental issues including water supply and agriculture and education. Congresswoman Lois Capps, 24th District <i>capps.house.gov</i> Bio - Previous occupation: Nurse, educator. Elected to Congress in 1998. Committee assignments include Committee on Energy and Commerce, and Natural Resources Committee. Key Issues: Budget, education, energy and environmental issues, public health, immigration, gas prices and health care issues.	Governor Jerry Brown, 39th Governor <i>gov.ca.gov</i> Bio - Previous occupation: Elected Governor of California in 2010, elected California Attorney General in 2006, elected Mayor of Oakland in 1998 and reelected in 2002, elected Governor of California in 1974 and reelected in 1978, elected California Secretary of State in 1970. Key issues- jobs for California's future, education, budget , environment, clean energy jobs plan, pension reform, water for the 21st century, and fighting to protect civil rights. California State Senator Hannah-Beth Jackson, 19th District <i>sd19.senate.ca.gov</i> Bio – Previous occupation: Deputy District Attorney, CA State Assemblymember elected to State Senate in 2012. Key Issues: Reproductive health, spousal support, economic and wage equality. California State Assemblyman Katcho Archadjian, 35th District <i>arc.asm.ca.gov/member/AD35</i> Bio - Previous occupation: Business owner, elected County Supervisor in 1998, appointed to California Coastal Commission in 2006, Elected CA Assemblymember in 2010. Key Issues: Health care, public safety, community improvement, fiscal reform and education. California State Assemblyman Das Williams, 37th District <i>asmdc.org/members/a37</i> Bio- Previous occupation: CA State Assemblymember, City Councilmember, Educator, and Legislative Aide. Key issues: State budget, higher education improvement, fiscal issues and off-shore oil drilling.



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Legislative Services

The purpose of the City's Legislation Program is to advocate for state and federal legislation that will

- Establish sound public policy for responsible governance;
- Protect and enhance public health, safety and welfare; and
- Help the City delivery high quality services to its residents.

On an annual basis, the City Council adopts a **Legislative Platform** (<http://santabarbaraca.gov/civicax/filebank/blobdload.aspx?BlobID=172628>) that reflects the interests common to cities throughout the state as well as the interests special or unique to the City of Santa Barbara. Guided by the Legislative Platform, City staff monitors pending legislation. On high priority issues, advocacy correspondence and briefing materials are prepared for the Mayor and Councilmembers for use in their communication with state and federal representatives such that the resultant legislation reflects the City's interests.

When proposed legislation, or a significant public policy issue, comes to the attention of City officials that is not specifically addressed by the Legislative Platform, it is presented to the Council Committee on Legislation for review. If the Council Committee on Legislation determines that the proposed legislation or policy issue is of such importance to the City, it will recommend to the full City Council that a formal position on the matter should be taken, which may involve adoption of a Council Resolution.

Council Committee on Legislation

- Harwood "Bendy" White, Chair
- Gregg Hart
- Frank Hotchkiss

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact [Nina Johnson \(mailto:NJohnson@SantaBarbaraCA.gov\)](mailto:NJohnson@SantaBarbaraCA.gov), Assistant to the City Administrator.

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Legislative Platform

City of Santa Barbara

Revision Date: 6/14/2016

City of Santa Barbara Legislative Platform

CITY ADMINISTRATION		Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues regarding local authority, state and federal mandates, election law and administration, tort reform, open meeting law (Brown Act), the Public Records Act, the Political Reform Act, and other conflict of interest laws
LOCAL AUTHORITY AND DISCRETION		ALL DEPARTMENTS	Support the ability of local governments to enact local standards or regulations that differ from those enacted at the state and federal level regarding any issue described in the legislative platform. Oppose legislation or regulation that restricts local authority and discretion.
STATE AND FEDERAL MANDATES		ALL DEPARTMENTS	Support funding for any improvements, programs, and projects required of the City through state or federal mandates. Oppose unfunded state or federal mandates.
OPEN MEETING LAW (THE BROWN ACT) • <i>Open Meetings</i> • <i>Restrictions</i> • <i>Closed Sessions</i> • <i>Privacy Rights</i> • <i>Personnel Issues</i> • <i>Property Acquisitions</i> • <i>Attorney/Client Privilege</i>		ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES/CITY ATTORNEY	Support legislation that recognizes the need to conduct the public's business in public. To this end, the City supports the regulation of the State Legislature and other public agencies to ensure conformance to the principles of the open meetings provision in the Ralph M. Brown Act. Support legislation that extends application of the Brown Act to the State Legislature. Oppose legislation claiming to enhance open and public meetings that in practice unnecessarily complicates the ability of a city to properly communicate with the public and that discourages communications among governing body members through unproductive restrictions and inappropriate activities. Oppose legislation that would impose further unnecessary restrictions on the action that a governing body can take in closed sessions. Support legislation that recognizes the realities of other constraints under which a local governing body must operate that necessitates judicious use of closed sessions, including: • The privacy rights granted to individuals under the U.S. and California constitutions; • The personnel issues that have a potential impact on an individual's career and potential earning capacity and that raise serious liability questions for a local jurisdiction; • The protection of the taxpayer's interests over property and other acquisitions or sales by a public agency; • The proper maintenance of the same attorney-client privilege enjoyed by the private sector; and • The ability of the City to conduct sensitive business negotiations confidentially.
ALLIANCES		ALL DEPARTMENTS	Support alliances with counties, schools, other cities, employee organizations, other local agencies, and business and professional organizations to support cooperation, sound financial policies, and joint action.
POLITICAL REFORM ACT • <i>Practices</i> • <i>Local Authority</i> • <i>Reproduction Costs</i>		ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	Oppose regulations and legislation that would restrict or preempt local regulation of campaign financing. Support appropriate efforts to improve and streamline the Political Reform Act and its implementation through regulations. Support an increase in the fee for the reproduction of statements required under the Political Reform Act from ten cents (\$0.10) to twenty-five cents (\$0.25) per page.

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ELECTIONS • <i>Costs/Procedures</i> • <i>Mail Ballots</i> • <i>Ballot Measures</i> • <i>Transparency</i>	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES/CITY ATTORNEY	Support legislation that reduces any unnecessary and costly procedures for conducting a municipal election. Oppose legislation that mandates costly and unnecessary procedures related to the local election process. Support vote by mail elections for a county election. Support the requirement that the intent and text of a local ballot measure is to be filed with the City Clerk with a filing fee. Support publishing the title of a local ballot measure in a newspaper of general circulation instead of the full text. Oppose legislation which would allow California Voting Rights Act lawsuits against cities that already have district elections. Oppose legislation that would mandate the dates on which to hold local elections. Support legislation that promotes transparency in political campaign funding and/or spending.	
LITIGATION REFORM • <i>Local Exposure</i> • <i>Liability</i> • <i>Business Climate</i>	CITY ATTORNEY	Support legislation that limits the exposure of local governments to lawsuits related to liability, including but not limited to such areas as unimproved natural conditions, design immunity, hazardous recreational activities, and injuries due to wild animals in public places. Support modifications to the joint and several liability laws that require the responsible parties in a civil action to pay only their fair share of judgment based on their relative responsibility. Support limitations on lawsuits that have little merit by eliminating the availability of provisions for fee recovery by petitioners or by authorizing cities to collect their fees and costs in cases where they are the prevailing party. Oppose legislation which limits the power of cities to negotiate indemnification protections in public contracts.	

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REVENUE AND TAXATION	Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues and recommendations related to finance administration, taxation reform, revenue needs, and revenue sources at the federal, state, and local levels.
EFFECTIVE FINANCING	FINANCE	Support meaningful fiscal reform that allows each level of government to adequately finance its service responsibilities.
LOCAL CONTROL	FINANCE	Support local control and accountability for revenues raised and services provided. Support the protection of existing city revenue sources, including the local share of property tax, sales tax, and COPS funding, etc. Support the authority of local governments to collect revenues from telecommunications providers and ensure that any future changes are revenue neutral for local governments. Oppose any state or federal legislation that would pre-empt or threaten local taxation authority.
ADDITIONAL REVENUE FOR LOCAL NEEDS	FINANCE	Support efforts and legislation to bring additional revenue to state/local governments to fund the maintenance of rapidly deteriorating streets and roadways. Support legislation that facilitates the financing of capital infrastructure through local bonds and other indebtedness, including lowering the voter approval thresholds from 2/3 to 55% for this purpose.
STATE MANDATES REIMBURSEMENT	FINANCE	Support full and prompt reimbursement to all local agencies for all state-mandated programs and/or infractions and losses associated with local revenue shifts. Support reforms prohibiting the State from deferring mandate payments. Oppose unfunded state and federal mandates.
DISASTER RECOVERY	FINANCE	Support disaster recovery legislation that mitigates losses experienced by local governments.
SALES TAXES	FINANCE	Support efforts to preserve the existing Situs-based sales tax under the Bradley Burns 1% baseline. Support efforts to reduce competition for Situs-based new revenues. Support allocation of tax proceeds collected from internet sales to the jurisdiction where the product is received by the purchaser. Oppose circumvention of the principle of Situs-based sales. Oppose diversion of sales tax revenues from other regions in return for favorable terms with retail or distribution outlets.
TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX (TOT)	FINANCE	Support legislation that requires online home sharing platforms to provide information to local jurisdictions, including property address, length of stay, rates, and other pertinent information, regarding properties used as vacation rentals within the jurisdiction's boundaries. Support legislation and efforts to collect the full amount of local transient occupancy tax generated from sales by online travel companies. Oppose any legislation that would prohibit local voter-approved transient occupancy taxes.
UTILITY USER TAX (UUT)	FINANCE	Oppose legislation that would prohibit local governments from collecting Utility User Tax from modern telecommunication and video technologies, including but not limited to cell phones, Internet-based telephone services (VoIP), pre-paid wireless services, and other wired or wireless technology.

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REVENUE AND TAXATION	Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues and recommendations related to finance administration, taxation reform, revenue needs, and revenue sources at the federal, state, and local levels.
REGIONAL REVENUES	FINANCE	Support the identification and implementation of multi-jurisdictional revenues in cases where regional issues, programs, and services are identified.
FRANCHISE FEES	FINANCE	Support local government ability to receive compensation for use of its public-right-of-way, including but not limited to gas, electric, refuse, and cable and video providers. Oppose any legislation that would reduce video franchise fees or PEG access fees.
PUBLIC, EDUCATIONAL, AND GOVERNMENT (PEG) ACCESS TELEVISION	FINANCE	Support legislation that preserves PEG access television and allows PEG access funding to be used to support basic operational costs, including employee salaries, as well as capital maintenance and replacement.

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EMPLOYEE RELATIONS AND RISK MANAGEMENT		Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues related to the field of labor relations and human resource management.
LABOR RELATIONS • <i>Local Authority</i> • <i>MOU</i> • <i>Mutual Agreement</i>	CITY ADMINISTRATOR	Support efforts to promote, initiate, and improve both public and private sector labor-management relations. Oppose interference with management rights or the ability of cities and their employees to bargain on matters within the scope of representation. Support legislation that specifically exempts local public agencies from the requirement to negotiate with any labor or special interest group about matters submitted to the voters of that jurisdiction as initiatives or Charter amendments. Support the long-held position of California courts that public employees cannot engage in strikes. Support local government control of the budget process related to employee compensation. Oppose any legislative action that requires the continuation of the terms of any Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between a public agency and an employee organization until a successor MOU is agreed upon. Oppose the expansion of a local agency's collective bargaining responsibilities to employees over whose conditions of employment, the local agency does not have full control. Oppose any extension of the State Public Employment Relations Board jurisdiction over local public agency labor relation disputes and charges of unfair labor practices, and to any interference or intervention in local collective bargaining by any labor-management relations councils or boards. Oppose state-mandated compulsory labor arbitration, mediation, or fact-finding processes. Oppose state-mandated paid time off for employee's union activities.	
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY • <i>Civil Rights/EEO</i> • <i>Sexual Harassment</i> • <i>Standards</i> • <i>Family Leave</i> • <i>Sexual Orientation</i>	CITY ADMINISTRATOR	Support legislation furthering the purpose and clarifying the application of state and federal civil rights and equal employment opportunity laws. Support consistent standards for discrimination and harassment claims between state and federal law. Support efforts to conform the California Family Care Leave Laws to the federal Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA). Support the amendment of federal civil rights legislation to prohibit employment discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity. Oppose extending the filing dates for Fair Employment and Housing Commission (FEHC) charges, and oppose permitting the FEHC to provide affirmative or prospective relief to prevent the recurrence of an unlawful practice.	

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS AND RISK MANAGEMENT	Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues related to the field of labor relations and human resource management.
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS) • <i>Coalition</i> • <i>Public Pension Systems</i> • <i>Exemptions</i> • <i>Limitations</i> • <i>Fraud</i> • <i>PERS Credit</i> • <i>Disability</i> • <i>Airport Patrol</i> • <i>Pension System Reform</i> • <i>Employer Rate</i> • <i>Part-Time Work</i> • <i>Mandates</i> • <i>CalPERS Board</i>	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	Support the PERS Public Agency Coalition (PERS/PAC) and its efforts to maintain or further the interests of contracting agencies. Support allowing changes to retirement benefits applicable to the prospective service of existing employees, consistent with the state and federal constitutions and other applicable law. Oppose preemption of charter city authority over their public pension systems. Support certain limitations upon recoveries under judgments against public retirement systems. Support efforts to reduce retirement benefit fraud and a requirement that the PERS Board adjust or cancel the retirement allowance of any person convicted of making fraudulent benefit claims. Support efforts: • reducing all disability retirement payments for employees hired after a certain date; • imposing an earnings test for persons receiving industrial disability retirement; • requiring state departments to identify annual unemployment and disability payments in separate budget items; • requiring persons receiving disability retirement payments to obtain an annual medical examination; • prescribing a 60% cap on payments for either job-related or non-job-related disabilities; • eliminating the tax-exempt status of disability retirement payments; • requiring mandatory reinstatement for employees certified able to work by medical exam; and • discontinuing disability retirement payments if the employee rejects reinstatement. Oppose requiring an employer to continue to pay the salary of a member while PERS makes its decision on the member's application for involuntary disability retirement. Support restructuring the membership of the CalPERS Board of Administration to include new members appointed by the League of California Cities and substantially increase the number of independent public members (preferably with financial expertise). Support increasing the transparency of both PERS pension programs and funding, and non-pension post-retirement benefits and subsidies. Support exempting part-time, seasonal, and temporary employees from CalPERS eligibility entirely and eliminating the 1,000-hour eligibility threshold. Support legislation exempting local agencies participating in PEMHCA from the requirement to make contributions toward health benefits for retired individuals.
FEDERAL FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT (FLSA)	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	Support the position that the FLSA was inappropriately applied to state and local governments through court decisions and was never designed to regulate public sector employment.
DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	Support legislation that deletes the current state criteria that persons in a Domestic Partnership must be members of the same sex or be over 62 years of age.

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS AND RISK MANAGEMENT		Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues related to the field of labor relations and human resource management.
EMPLOYMENT-RELATED ISSUES • <i>Mandates</i> • <i>OSHA</i> • <i>FEHC</i>	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	Support the special protection of elected officials, county public defenders, public figures, and public employees acting in their official capacity against threats of death or serious bodily injury. Support federal and state legislation affirming the establishment of tax-exempt employee savings accounts for retirement health expenses. Oppose a mandatory Social Security tax on any public sector employees or employers by the federal government. Oppose any state or federal mandate of benefits on local agency employers, including, but not limited to, benefits for temporary or part-time employees, and veterans' preferences. Oppose legislation limiting the ability of public agencies to monitor public employees' use of public assets and resources. Oppose further limitation on a public sector employer's ability to conduct job related pre-employment inquiries and background checks in order to prevent physical, financial, economic, and personal identity threats to employees and the general public.	
WORKERS' COMPENSATION • <i>Injuries</i> • <i>Medical Expenses</i> • <i>Presumptive Injury</i> • <i>Legal Process</i>	FINANCE	Support the principles that describe an industrial injury or illness using a narrow view on causation and definition of injury. Support requiring the employee to prove by clear and convincing evidence that sudden or extraordinary employment conditions were the predominant causes for the injury. Support existing workers' compensation laws to be liberally construed only after an injury is deemed "specific" and consists of serious physical or bodily harm. Support the cost containment of medical expenses for workers' compensation claims. Oppose regulations or legislation that would require increased employer medical costs for workers' compensation. Oppose regulations or legislation that would expand the definition of a "presumptive" injury or create new "presumptive" injury categories that lack a basis in current proven medical science. Oppose legislation that would permit an employee to use more than one legal process in regard to disability claims (i.e., ADA, workers' compensation, DFEH), or any other erosion of the "exclusive remedy" principle as it relates to disability claims covered under workers' compensation. Oppose any regulation or legislation that would alter current California law on disability benefits to expand eligibility for specific types of disability benefits to new or additional job classifications, or extend the term for disability benefits to an eligible employee beyond what is established by current California law.	
GENERAL INSURANCE	FINANCE	Oppose regulations or legislation that would increase employer costs for mandated insurance coverage (i.e. general liability, automobile liability, etc.), including expanding employer coverage for personal property owned by an employee or volunteer. Oppose regulations or legislation that would require a city to repair a sidewalk when the sidewalk damage is caused by privately owned plants or trees and hold a city liable for any injury resulting from the failure to repair the sidewalk.	

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PUBLIC SAFETY		Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Federal and state legislation and issues related to law enforcement, fire and life safety policies, emergency communications and services, and disaster preparedness.
LAW ENFORCEMENT		POLICE	
• <i>Penalties</i> • <i>Violent Offenders</i> • <i>Cost Reimbursement</i> • <i>Booking Fees</i> • <i>Parking Citations</i> • <i>Data Collection</i> • <i>Predators</i> • <i>Racial Profiling</i> • <i>Deportable Criminals</i>			Support the promotion of public safety through stiffer penalties for violent offenders, and protection and supplementation of additional funding for local agencies to recoup the costs of crime and increase community safety. Support legislation which provides funding for local law enforcement agencies' acquisition of body cameras and related data storage and equipment. Support legislation which expands the exemption under the California Public Records Act to include any audio or video recording created during an investigation, intelligence gathering operation, or the conducting of security procedures. Oppose booking fees and seek their repeal, while encouraging localities to pursue resolution of the issues with their respective counties. Support data collection on hate crimes based on race, national origin, religion, gender, or sexual orientation, and improved federal-local communication and coordination on hate crimes. Support legislation that builds trust between law enforcement agencies and the communities they serve, including the immigrant community, to ensure that individuals can safely report crimes and fully cooperate with local police and Sheriff departments. Support federal action to identify predatory lending practices and increase federal enforcement action against lenders who target vulnerable populations, including, but not limited to, elderly, low-income families, and racial minorities. Support federal anti-racial profiling legislation that provides financial support to state and local law enforcement agencies for training. Support reimbursement by the federal government to local agencies, specifically cities, for the costs associated with incarcerating deportable criminals. Support increased penalties for metal theft, and recognize that statewide regulation is needed to discourage "jurisdiction shopping."
NUISANCE CONTROL		POLICE	
• <i>Adult Entertainment</i> • <i>Alcohol</i> • <i>Medical Marijuana Dispensaries</i> • <i>Drugs</i> • <i>Public Space Behavior</i> • <i>Vicious Dog Definition</i>			Support enhanced local control over public nuisances including, but not limited to: • Adult entertainment facilities; • Problem alcohol establishments; • Improperly licensed massage therapy businesses; • Problem medical marijuana dispensaries; and • Properties where illegal drugs are sold. Support legislation requiring all persons convicted of Driving Under the Influence (DUI) offenses to install and maintain an Ignition Interlock Device (IID), a breathalyzer requiring a driver to blow into a mouthpiece in order to start an automobile engine. Support legislation which removes from the definition of "vicious dog" any dog seized from a dog fighting operation. Oppose legislation that diminishes or removes the ability of the local authority to establish regulations regarding reasonable use of public space and appropriate behavior in public spaces.

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PUBLIC SAFETY	Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Federal and state legislation and issues related to law enforcement, fire and life safety policies, emergency communications and services, and disaster preparedness.
SMOKING AND TOBACCO CONTROL	POLICE	Support legislation that limits the ability of minors to obtain tobacco products. Support legislation that reduces the impacts of environmental tobacco smoke. Support legislation that would provide additional funding to reduce tobacco consumption and improve cancer and smoking-related research.
VIOLENT CRIMES	POLICE	Support the reduction of violence through strategies that address domestic violence, access to tools of violence, including but not limited to firearms, knives, etc. Support legislation that prohibits the possession of large-capacity magazines of 11 rounds or more. Support legislation that requires background checks at point of sale and prohibits sale of ammunition to persons convicted of a felony, a violent misdemeanor, has a restraining order, or has been declared dangerously mentally ill. Support legislation that requires firearm owners to notify law enforcement if their firearm has been lost or stolen. Support legislation which mandates that California share data with the FBI/NICS (National Instant Background Check System).
GRAFFITI	POLICE	Support increased authority and resources devoted to cities for abatement of graffiti and other acts of public vandalism.
GANG VIOLENCE	POLICE	Support programs and funding for cities to prevent gang violence and enhance prevention, intervention, and enforcement efforts.
DISASTER RESPONSE	FIRE	Support funding for improved public notification mechanisms during natural disasters and other emergencies, including continuous radio reporting. Support additional funding for local agencies to recoup the costs associated with fire safety in the community and timely mutual aid reimbursement for disaster response services in other jurisdictions.
FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES • <i>Mission</i> • <i>Local Control</i> • <i>Transport</i> • <i>Staffing</i> • <i>Wildland Fuel Management</i> • <i>Unmanned Aircraft Systems</i>	FIRE	Support the fire service mission of saving lives and protecting property through fire prevention, disaster preparedness, hazardous-materials mitigation, specialized rescue, etc., as well as cities authority and discretion to provide all emergency services in their communities. Support local control of emergency medical services and authorize cities and fire districts to prescribe and monitor the manner and scope of pre-hospital emergency medical services, including ambulance transport services, provided within local boundaries to improve pre-hospital emergency medical service. Oppose legislation, regulations, and standards that impose minimum staffing and response time standards for city fire and emergency medical services since such determinations should reflect the conditions and priorities of individual cities. Support activities and funding which foster cooperation, coordination, and communication in the development of wildland fuel management programs to decrease impacts to public health and safety resulting from wildland urban interface fires. Support legislation that provides immunity for first responders who damage a civilian drone directly interfering with ambulance services, firefighting-related services, and search and rescue operations.

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PUBLIC SAFETY		
Scope: Federal and state legislation and issues related to law enforcement, fire and life safety policies, emergency communications and services, and disaster preparedness.		
EMERGENCY SERVICES AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS	POLICE/FIRE	Support activities to develop and implement statewide integrated public safety communication systems that facilitate interoperability and other shared uses of public safety spectrum with local, state, and federal law enforcement, fire, emergency medical, and other public safety agencies. Support efforts to improve 911 services including, but not limited to, directing 911 emergency calls from mobile telephones to the nearest Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP). Support representation of cities and counties on decisions affecting 911 systems and effective emergency response.
INSURANCE	POLICE/FIRE	Support the statewide administrative program that requires a motorist to have proof of insurance to register a vehicle with the Department of Motor Vehicles. Support uninsured vehicles being subject to impoundment, and redeemed only with proof of insurance, with unredeemed vehicles being sold to pay for the cost of the program. Support state legislation providing Fair Access to Insurance Requirements (FAIR) Plan for last resort earthquake and fire coverage in high-risk areas.
FEDERAL HOMELAND SECURITY • <i>Communication</i> • <i>Standards</i> • <i>Broadband Network</i>	POLICE/FIRE	Support direct communication between federal agencies and local authorities on critical homeland issues. Support federal standards, guidelines, and funding to ensure reliable, consistent, timely, and redundant preparedness on the front lines.
FEDERAL RESOURCES	POLICE/FIRE	Support federal funding for public safety, including the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant, Homeland Security Block Grant, the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program, Assistance for Firefighters Grant, Staffing for Firefighters and Emergency Response Grant, Fire Prevention and Safety Grants, as well as other public safety funding sources. Support provision for a permanent dual-use fire station between the City of Santa Barbara and the U.S. Forest Service.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY	Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues related to air and water quality, CEQA, integrated waste management, hazardous materials, coastal issues, energy, water conservation, and utilities.
INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT • <i>Market Development</i> • <i>Electronic Waste</i> • <i>Curbside Recycling</i> • <i>Multi-Unit Housing</i> • <i>Recycling</i> • <i>Land Use</i> • <i>Landfill</i>	FINANCE/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support legislation and other efforts to increase the markets for recycled materials, including advance disposal fees, minimum content laws, and recycling market development zones. Support legislation to strengthen manufacturer responsibility for electronic waste recycling. Support efforts to strengthen curbside recycling programs. Support legislation to expand the container types included in the California Redemption Value Program. Support legislation that promotes reduced packaging and Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR). Support legislation that requires owners of multi-unit housing to provide recycling to tenants. Support legislation to limit landfill disposal of organic materials. Support legislation to develop a permit process for solid waste anaerobic digestion and/or conversion technologies that are capable of minimizing the amount of solid waste landfill, and do not impede or impair existing and planned recycling and waste reduction programs. Support legislation to encourage the development of non-burn transformation technologies by providing full diversion credit for the waste that jurisdictions send to non-burn transformation facilities. Support legislation that prohibits dumping waste matter on public property or on private property without the consent of the owner, and makes this offense punishable by fines. Support legislation and other efforts that facilitate collection and proper disposal of waste pharmaceuticals. Support the right of cities under existing law to be designated as Local Enforcement Agencies for solid waste facility permitting, inspection, and enforcement. Oppose legislation that would preempt local land use authority over solid waste facilities, restrict the ability of a city to issue a land use permit for a solid waste facility, or restrict the ability of a city to apply conditions to such facilities through the conditional use permit process. Oppose legislation that would require local governments to give bidding or procurement preference to solid waste and transportation service contractors that agree to retain employees from the previous contractor. Support legislation to provide changes to AB 939 (the California Integrated Waste Management Act) that will: • Place more emphasis on implementation of waste diversion programs and less strict mathematical accounting; and • Require Cal Recycle to evaluate the level of accuracy of the existing system the board uses to measure jurisdictions' achievement of the waste diversion requirements of state law and develop appropriate policies, in consultation with local jurisdictions, to account for any inaccuracies in the system.
SINGLE-USE CARRYOUT BAGS	FINANCE/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support legislation and other efforts to promote the use of multi-use bags by consumers and to reduce the prevalence of single-use bags in the environment.

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UTILITIES/ENERGY	PUBLIC WORKS/ FINANCE	Oppose any legislation that interferes with local utility rate setting authority. Support efforts and legislation which improves distribution system reliability of the electrical supply. Support efforts and legislation which improves and upgrades transmission and generation systems providing greater electrical supply reliability, including removing barriers to local siting of generation.
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS • <i>Streamlining</i> • <i>Administrating Agencies</i> • <i>Building Permits</i> • <i>Land Use</i> • <i>Biodiesel</i>	PUBLIC WORKS/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ FIRE	Support efforts to streamline and coordinate hazardous materials regulation among various levels of government, including city fire departments and county environmental health departments. Support city fire departments as the administrating agencies for hazardous materials regulations or to be the lead agency (the Certified Unified Program Agency) to approve the use and storage of hazardous materials above certain threshold limits and to manage inventory information used by emergency first responders. Oppose legislation or regulations to restrict such authority. Oppose efforts to restrict the ability of cities to issue building or other permits relative to hazardous materials, as long as such facilities comply with the local zoning ordinance and established health and safety regulations. Oppose any proposals that would preempt the ability of a city to deny a land use permit or restrict its ability to issue a conditional use permit for the siting of a hazardous waste facility. Support regulation that allows biodiesel storage in existing Underwriters Laboratory (UL) rated in ground tanks that have secondary containment and working leak detection systems, at the discretion of the local jurisdiction.
REVITALIZATION OF BROWNFIELDS • <i>Local Control</i> • <i>Additional Funding</i> • <i>Mitigation</i> • <i>Remediation</i> • <i>Restrictions</i> • <i>State Involvement</i> • <i>Owner Responsibility</i>	PUBLIC WORKS/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION	Support cities' determination that brownfield remediation projects are consistent with local land use policy. Support additional fiscal resources and options to restore and develop urban and industrial brownfields contaminated by hazardous materials. Support establishing site-specific remediation levels based on the proposed use (i.e. parking garage, as opposed to residential development). Support restrictive covenants or deed restrictions to ensure that the level of remediation is appropriate for the future land use. Support continued state responsibility for technical evaluation of site assessments and remediation plans. Support continued site owner responsibility for necessary site assessments and remediation.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY	Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues related to air and water quality, CEQA, integrated waste management, hazardous materials, coastal issues, energy, water conservation, and utilities.
WATER RESOURCES • <i>Infrastructure Investment</i> • <i>Comprehensive Solutions</i> • <i>Supply</i> • <i>Storage</i> • <i>Infrastructure Investment</i> • <i>Recycling</i> • <i>Reclaimed Water</i> • <i>Reuse</i> • <i>Treatment</i> • <i>Conservation</i> • <i>Gray Water</i> • <i>Water Softeners</i> • <i>Financial Commitment</i>	PUBLIC WORKS/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION	Support comprehensive solutions for water quality, water conservation, and water use efficiency as part of a solution that includes local resource development and infrastructure improvements, including storage and conveyance, as part of a statewide system that promotes economic and environmental sustainability. Support state and federal funding for water resources infrastructure. Support the development of additional groundwater and surface water storage. Support appropriate funding sources for providing adequate water supply including, but are not limited to user fees, bonds, and federal funding. Support funding for the development of plans for short-term water emergencies and long-term cooperative water management plans and policies. Support legislation to protect public agencies that provide wastewater treatment services from liability for pollution or contamination to groundwater resulting from chemicals that are unlawfully discharged into the collection system. Support efforts to improve the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act and the Federal Clean Water Act and implementation plans to protect public health and the environment in an efficient and effective manner. Oppose legislation that requires the use of unreasonable numeric limits in waste discharge permits. Support the rights of cities to enact ordinances that restrict the use of water softeners to minimize impacts to wastewater treatment operations. Support legislation that encourages the cost-effective treatment of municipal wastewater, authorizes funding for projects improving, enhancing, or expanding the use of recycled water, and maximizes the responsible use of recycled water as an alternative to California's fresh water supply. Support legislation that updates gray water standards, encourages simple and cost effective permitting process of gray water systems, and removes barriers to installing gray water systems in public, commercial, industrial, multi-family, and single-family projects. Support the review and evaluation of proposals for state water taxes. Support legislation to streamline water transfers among jurisdictions. Support legislation providing agencies the ability to provide rate subsidies for low-income rate payers. Support the use of inclined block rate structures to encourage water conservation. Support desalination as a drought water supply. Support efforts that expedite regulations expanding the uses of wastewater for direct and indirect potable reuse. Support efforts that promote more flexibility to adjust water rates to achieve water use reductions during a water shortage emergency.

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WATER QUALITY • <i>Infrastructure Investment</i> • <i>Standards</i> • <i>Liability</i> • <i>Federal Safe/Clean Water</i> • <i>Watershed Management</i> • <i>Numeric Limits</i> • <i>Water Quality Control Boards</i> • <i>Fees/Penalty Revenues</i>	PUBLIC WORKS/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION	Support state and federal funding and efforts for improved water infrastructure, water quality, beach and coastal resource protection and enhancement, wetland protection and enhancement, and urban creek restoration, especially for cities with a history of effective management of water and wastewater infrastructure. Support as appropriate, state and federal legislative and administrative remedies that: • Limit citizen lawsuits for minor technical violations of the Clean Water Act but continue to allow injunctive relief for documented violations resulting in substantial documented adverse impacts to water quality; • Ensure that the funds collected from a city as fees, penalties, or judgments are directed toward correcting violations; • Return limited discretion to state and regional water quality control boards in setting penalties to allow fairness based on severity and circumstances of the violation; and • Encourage the state and regional water quality control boards to use their existing discretionary authority, consistent with the requirements of the Clean Water Act, to issue permits that are reasonably achievable. Oppose legislation that requires the use of unreasonable numeric limits in storm water permits. Oppose legislation to enact rewards for individuals who identify water quality or water pollution violators. Oppose legislation or efforts which would limit public agencies ability to set contractor requirements and monitor for regulatory compliance in storm water pollution prevention. Support efforts to set well-defined water quality goals. Support regulations and legislation that promote watershed management as a tool to improve water quality. Support regulations and legislation to prevent surface water contamination from neonicotinoid and other systemic pesticides.
AIR QUALITY • <i>Improvements</i> • <i>Regulations</i> • <i>Land Use</i> • <i>Fund Diversion</i> • <i>Programs/ Standards</i> • <i>Health and Safety Code</i>	PUBLIC WORKS/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support regulatory changes and infrastructure improvements that will reduce air pollution. Oppose legislation that will reduce air quality standards or restrict city permitting and land use planning authority to minimize negative air quality impacts. Oppose state regulatory changes that mandate restrictions on residential development setbacks from high vehicle traffic without local input. Oppose legislation redirecting funds authorized by Health and Safety Code Section 44223, for locally based air quality programs.

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CLIMATE PROTECTION • <i>Incentives</i> • <i>Fuel Efficiency</i> • <i>Renewable Energy</i> • <i>Adaptation Measures</i> • <i>Green Infrastructure</i>	PUBLIC WORKS/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION	Support grants, loans, tax credits, and other incentives to assist local governments, businesses, and the public to invest in energy efficient equipment and renewable energy technology. Support grants and other financial incentives for local governments to implement state mandates, including completing and updating an inventory of local government facility greenhouse gas emissions, conducting and updating an inventory of their whole jurisdiction, setting emission reduction targets and monitoring progress, and creating emission reduction action plans. Support grants and other financial incentives for local governments to assess climate change vulnerability due to sea level rise, coastal erosion and inundation, flood and wildfire hazards, and develop and implement adaptive management measures to protect resources such as critical infrastructure, vulnerable populations/public health, biological resources, recreation, public access, water supply, water quality, and the local economy. Support grants and other funding sources for regional sustainability plans and multi-jurisdictional planning efforts that integrate housing, land use, economic and workforce development, transportation, and infrastructure investments. Support grants, loans, tax credits, and other incentives to assist the public and local governments in using alternative fuels and purchasing fuel-efficient and/or flex-fueled vehicles. Support legislation that increases energy efficiency requirements as part of the building codes as long as they are healthful. Support legislation to permit assignment of the Public Goods Charge to local governments for implementation of energy conservation programs and projects. Support legislation and measures that encourage renewable energy generation, facilitate renewable resource development, and provide incentives for small renewable generation projects. Oppose legislation and measures that make renewable energy generation less cost effective or more difficult to implement. Support legislation or regulations allowing wheeling of power and/or appropriate remuneration for energy provided to the grid by municipalities. Support revenue-neutral carbon fee-and-dividend legislation.

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CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) • <i>Procedures and Notices</i> • <i>Definition of a Project</i> • <i>Significant Environmental Effects</i> • <i>Alternatives</i> • <i>Miscellaneous</i>	PUBLIC WORKS/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION	PROCEDURES AND NOTICES Oppose the elimination of the fair argument test as the threshold for determining whether to prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). Support the development of a funding source for Master EIRs to streamline individual project CEQA review. Support shielding Lead Agencies from responding to comments received more than 30 days after a Notice of Preparation (NOP) or received verbally. Support limiting Lead Agency response to late comments received following issuance of the Final EIR and prior to certification. Support eliminating the mandated timeline for entering into CEQA consultant contracts. Support mediation and arbitration in CEQA disputes but not mandatory arbitration. Support clarifying the threshold for re-circulation of EIRs so that only new "significant unavoidable impacts" would necessitate re-circulation. Support allowing a tiered Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) subsequent to an EIR with significant impacts and overriding considerations when the subsequent project qualifies for an MND. DEFINITION OF A PROJECT Support narrowing the definition of "project" to discourage CEQA lawsuits on non- environmental matters. Support streamlining to establish new exemptions for projects such as road maintenance, bike paths, temporary events, and in-fill projects. Support legislation that would allow local standards of review for certain solar projects. Oppose regulations limiting local authority to issue building permits, or other requirements, based on vehicle miles traveled. SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS Oppose the creation of a new mandate requiring cities to develop boilerplate significance thresholds. Oppose a single statewide set of standards to determine significance at the local level. Support focusing CEQA analysis on physical environmental effects. Oppose amending the definition of "effects" to eliminate the analysis of indirect and cumulative environmental effects. Support amending the guidelines to clarify requirements for analysis of cumulative and indirect environmental effects. Support development of a clear methodology for preparing CEQA analysis of potential impacts from greenhouse gas emissions of proposed projects. Oppose exempting projects that are subject to their own subsequent environmental review from consideration as a reasonably foreseeable future project when analyzing cumulative impacts.

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CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) CONTINUED	PUBLIC WORKS/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION	ALTERNATIVES Support eliminating the alternative site requirement for all private projects. Oppose the elimination of the "no project alternative." MISCELLANEOUS Support the right of cities to serve as Lead Agencies for the purposes of the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act (SMARA). Oppose any federal or state regulation, statute, or constitutional amendment, which would place restrictions on federal, state, and local government actions regulating private property or requiring additional compensation beyond the continually evolving judicial interpretation of the Fifth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. Support the ability of local governments to voluntarily develop and approve species habitat plans for their communities, in conjunction with willing property owners. Support legislation that would consolidate and streamline environmental review studies and processes, and encourage other forms of inter-agency cooperation, for proposed development projects that require permits from multiple jurisdictions (local, state, and federal).
COASTAL ISSUES	PUBLIC WORKS/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/PARKS AND RECREATION/ WATERFRONT	Oppose legislation that would permit the state to impose conditions on Local Coastal Plans developed by cities and counties. Support efforts to curb frivolous appeals of local coastal decisions. Support prohibition of additional oil offshore development based, in part, on concern about the impacts to on-shore support facilities and services by offshore development activities. Oppose legislation that grants authority to the Coastal Commission that is inconsistent, duplicative, and overlapping with the authority of other regulatory agencies, such as regional water quality control boards or other agencies or that grant the Coastal Commission authority outside the coastal zone. Support legislation that reduces Coastal Permitting requirements for solar systems serving existing development. Support additional funding for Coastal Commission efforts to update Local Coastal Programs.

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TOURISM	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/MAYOR AND COUNCIL	Support federal and state efforts to foster tourism policy development and coordination, and raise awareness of the economic impact of travel and tourism.
ARTS, HISTORIC PRESERVATION, CULTURAL RESOURCES	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/MAYOR AND COUNCIL	Support funding for historic preservation, cultural resources, local arts activities, and arts agencies at levels to sustain the nation's cultural infrastructure, including support for the National Endowment for the Arts, National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Office of Museum Services within the Institute of Museum and Library Services. Support funding for Arts in Education in the U.S. Department of Education's Fund for Improvement of Education to encourage high quality arts instruction in schools.
JOB CREATION	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/MAYOR AND COUNCIL	Support legislation that will provide tangible and productive tools and incentives to support job creation and retention.
HOMELESSNESS • <i>Funding</i> • <i>Food Distribution</i> • <i>Alcohol Impact Areas</i>	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ POLICE	Support legislation and state and federal programs that assist in providing funding for homeless services, including homelessness prevention, emergency shelters, transitional housing, reunification, or permanent supportive housing. Support legislation to reinstate the previous definition language for satellite food distribution that exempted non-profit organizations serving prepackaged servings of food from having to meet extensive structural and operational requirements, usually at remote sites, to obtain a permit. Support legislation to allow cities and counties to designate "Alcohol Impacted Areas" and impose strict local review and controls on the issuance of new Alcohol and Beverage Control (ABC) permits within such areas.
PLANNING AND ZONING • <i>General Plans</i> • <i>Water Supply/Land Use</i> • <i>Zoning</i>	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support the use of the general plan as a guide to meeting community planning needs. A city's general plan should not be subject to mandatory review by regional or state agencies. Support protection of local zoning as a primary function of cities and an essential component of home rule. State agency siting of facilities, including campuses and office buildings, should be subject to local notice and hearing requirements, and local land use policy and zoning requirements to meet concerns of the local community. Oppose legislation that would allow local jurisdictions to prohibit large family day care on single family zoned property. Oppose legislation or constitutional amendments that weaken or interfere with the powers of charter cities and support the preservation of local autonomy or home rule authority. Oppose legislation that would preempt local land use and design authority, and restrict the ability to impose development and design regulations/standards over development projects.
DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support voluntary development agreements as one tool for providing flexibility in development approvals.

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DEVELOPMENT FEES • <i>Local Authority</i> • <i>Infrastructure</i> • <i>Mitigation</i> • <i>Condition and Deny Authority</i>	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support providing local discretion in the assessment, collection, and usage of development fees. Support the state provision of infrastructure funding to help local communities meet California's growth demands and to increase housing affordability. Oppose limiting the ability of cities to levy fees to provide for infrastructure or services. Support maintaining the City's ability to condition and deny projects which have been determined to inadequately mitigate impacts to community schools.
STATE SUBVENTIONS FOR AGRICULTURAL LAND CONTRACTS	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support the continuation of State subvention payments to local governments to offset lower property tax rates for agricultural and open space lands in Williamson Act contracts, which provide region-wide protection against conversion of these lands to urban uses and potential associated effects such as loss of prime agricultural soils, loss of agricultural viability, loss of plentiful food supply, loss of habitats, and increased traffic, etc.
ANNEXATION AND INCORPORATION	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support strengthening city control over urban boundaries and modifying Sphere of Influence law to limit urban development in unincorporated areas of a county and to facilitate the annexation of urban areas to cities. Support revising the Revenue and Taxation Code to not allow counties to block annexations in exchange for unreasonable property tax sharing agreements. Support expanded authority for cities over adjacent lands outside their sphere of influence regardless of jurisdictional lines so long as the land is not within another city's sphere. Support allowing more flexibility for cities to provide out of agency services.
SUBDIVISION MAP ACT • <i>Local Control</i> • <i>Antiquated Subdivisions</i>	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support maximizing local control over subdivisions and public improvement financing and maintaining discretion over the conditions and length of subdivision and parcel maps should be retained by cities. Support reversal of legislation recognizing antiquated subdivisions as legal lots.
BUILDING STANDARDS • <i>Health and Safety</i> • <i>Occupancy</i> • <i>Licensing</i>	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support flexibility in the adoption and implementation of health and safety standards contained in the building codes. Support authorizing cities to adopt independent occupancy standards to prevent overcrowding and associated health and safety hazards, including fire-related fatalities. Oppose legislation that would remove licensing requirements for professionals such as architects, landscape architects, contractors, and others related to building and development.
SIGN REGULATION	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support the authority of cities to regulate billboards, mobile signs, and other signage.
REDEVELOPMENT SUCCESSOR AGENCY	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support new legislation to clean up and clarify AB 1X 26 that dissolved redevelopment agencies. Support legislation that enhances or expands community tools to address revitalization and redevelopment needs, including blight, economic development, and affordable housing.

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RENT CONTROL/ MOBILE HOME REGULATION	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support initiatives that maintain cities as the enforcement authority for mobile home park regulation, including rent control. Support the preservation of existing mobile home parks as an important source of affordable housing. Support legislation that would retain the affordability requirement of mobile homes upon annexation. Support legislation that would require local design review for new or redeveloped mobile home parks.
REPURPOSE UNDERUTILIZED STATE AND FEDERAL FACILITIES	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support acquisition of closed and underutilized state and federal facilities for community use to meet local community needs as determined by local governments, including but not limited to the Army Reserve Center and the National Guard Armory for community parks and recreation purposes.
HOUSING • <i>Housing Element</i> • <i>Accountability</i> • <i>Performance Standard</i> • <i>Incentives</i> • <i>Streamlining</i> • <i>Reforms</i> • <i>Growth</i> • <i>RHNA Units</i> • <i>Disputes</i> • <i>Consistency</i>	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support the following housing principles: Local government efforts should be subject to realistic performance standards, not to arbitrary state agency review of the housing element. Local government housing efforts should be rewarded by incentives. These incentives should include streamlining by not being subject to HCD review, priority ranking for discretionary funds, and new discretionary funds available for general fund purposes. Support legislation that implements comprehensive reforms to the housing element process to: • Address conflicts between local growth projections and state regional housing need numbers; • Allow cities to work together to allocate housing units among themselves within a sub-region; • Resolve problems associated with the distribution of RHNA units within a council of governments; • Improve the housing element review process; • Develop a neutral dispute resolution process and fair enforcement alternatives to deal with disputes over questions of compliance; and • Revise the formal appeal process so appeals can be heard by politically accountable officials at the state and regional levels. Support legislation that requires state laws and policies related to housing and land use to be internally consistent. Support legislation that provides incentives for the development of rental housing. Support legislation that expands housing opportunities for disabled individuals. Support the re-establishment of federal tax incentives which encouraged private development and ownership of rental housing. Support legislation that promotes responsible lending practices to encourage private home ownership and minimize the incidence of foreclosures and short sales. Support measures in local land use that are consistent with the doctrine of "home rule" and the local exercise of police powers in planning and zoning processes.

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RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES • <i>Permitting</i> • <i>Licensing</i>	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support permitting cities to exercise review and land use regulation of group home facilities and residential care facilities in residential neighborhoods including the application of zoning, building, and safety standards. State and county licensing agencies should be required to confer with a city's planning agency in determining whether to grant a license to a community care facility.
AFFORDABLE HOUSING • <i>Financing</i> • <i>CDBG/HOME</i> • <i>Federal Funding</i> • <i>Legal Protections</i> • <i>Elderly Housing</i> • <i>Non-Profits</i> • <i>Fair Market Rents</i>	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support state and federal legislation and programs that provide financing for affordable housing, including the development of fiscal tools and incentives to assist local governments in their efforts to encourage housing and finance the infrastructure to support housing, as well as ongoing state commitment to funding affordable housing. Support state and federal legislation and programs that provide funding directly to local municipalities for decision-making at the local level instead of application-based awards. Support legislation that establishes a permanent source of funding for affordable housing. Support legislation that looks at the next generation of community revitalization tools including affordable housing development and preservation in light of the dissolution of redevelopment agencies. Support federal funding for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) for community development, affordable housing, neighborhood improvement, and economic development needs. Support federal funding for the HOME Investment Program that creates and preserves affordable housing for low-income families and individuals. Support the preservation of the HUD Section 8 Program funding. Support at the federal level, the calculation of Section 8 "fair market rents" and "area median income" on a sub-regional basis, rather than on a countywide basis. Support federal funding of: 1) New construction and rental assistance, modernization of units of elderly housing, also known as HUD Section 202; 2) Efforts to preserve elderly housing and permit nonprofit organizations to purchase elderly housing projects with expiring Section 8 contracts; and 3) Housing for persons with disabilities, also known as Section 811; 4) Homeless assistance grants, also known as McKinney-Vento (HEARTH) Act, as amended. Oppose any legislation to reduce financing for the Section 8 Program, including block grants. Support legislation that provides new incremental units of Section 8 voucher assistance nationwide, particularly in higher cost areas, and adequate voucher renewal funding. Support and encourage legislation that establishes additional legal protections to local agencies that approve affordable housing and that establish local pro-active affordable housing policies.

TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS AND COMMUNICATIONS	Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Review state and federal legislation relating to transportation funding, construction, public works, telecommunications, and related areas.
TRANSPORTATION • <i>Funding</i> • <i>Alternative Transportation</i> • <i>Unmet Infrastructure</i> • <i>Gas Tax</i> • <i>Bicycle/Pedestrians</i> • <i>Commuter Rail/On-TRAC</i> • <i>Measure A</i>	PUBLIC WORKS/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support additional funding for local public transportation, other transportation alternatives to single occupancy vehicles, and other critical unmet infrastructure needs. Support the continued adoption and implementation of a regional long-term capital investment plan and budget to upgrade and repair vital infrastructure. Support appropriations of existing and new state and federal funds directly to cities and counties for the preservation, maintenance, rehabilitation, and improvement of the local street and transportation system. Support maximizing investments in infrastructure and reinforce local land use practices to accomplish strategic local growth objectives. Support local transportation decision-making and pursue transportation policy changes that move funding and decision-making to the local level to fund urban infrastructure needs. Support funding opportunities for bicycle and pedestrian projects. Support legislation and policies that promote the goals, objectives, and continuation of Measure A programs. Support legislation and policies that promote the goals and objectives of the On-TRAC commuter rail program. Support federal funding of Highway 101 improvements as a top regional priority, and federal funding for local priority projects and other funding categories. Support legislation that maintains or increases local funding for transportation projects, including State gas tax, Highways Users' Tax (HUTA) Proposition 42 and 1B funds. Support legislation that prevents "borrowing" or taking of local transportation funds by the State of California. Support legislation that promotes funding of alternative fuel parking spaces and allows the city the right to designate alternative fuel parking spaces for new developments.
TELECOMMUNICATIONS • <i>Infrastructure</i> • <i>Right-of-Way</i>	PUBLIC WORKS	Support the authority of cities to zone and plan for the deployment of telecommunications infrastructure. Support the ability of cities to maintain and manage the public right-of-way and receive compensation for its use.

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Staff Liaison Departments		
Scope: Review state and federal legislation relating to transportation funding, construction, public works, telecommunications, and related areas.		
VEHICLES • <i>Road Damage</i> • <i>Local Control</i> • <i>Safety</i>	PUBLIC WORKS/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Oppose increasing or circumventing the weight limits of large vehicles allowed on city streets to prevent street and roadway infrastructure damage and associated street maintenance costs. Support retention of maximum City control of the local street and road system. Support traffic safety enhancements such as motorcycle helmets, child restraints, seatbelt, and speed limit laws. Support local discretion to set lower speed limits. Support legislation that promotes vehicle speed limits that are designated and enforced with consideration of street design, neighborhood characteristics, adjacent land use, and mix of transportation mode usage. Support legislation to facilitate buses in turn-out pockets merging back into traffic and requiring motorists to yield to merging buses.
PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS • <i>Flexibility</i> • <i>Partnerships</i> • <i>Innovations</i> • <i>Lower Mission Creek</i>	PUBLIC WORKS	Support maintaining retention proceeds for any public works contract to assure that the primary contractor completes all required work and permits the City's final acceptance of the project. Support retaining maximum flexibility for timely and cost-effective completion of public works projects. Oppose legislation that would increase the risk of criminal prosecutions against cities related to bidding on public works projects. Support innovative strategies including public-private partnerships at the state and local levels to enhance public works funding. Support the option to use design-build contracting and other innovations designed to enhance efficiency with public contracting. Support continued funding for the Lower Mission Creek project in annual federal appropriations and authorized by the Water Resource Development Act.

AIRPORT	Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues related to federal and state legislation affecting airport operations, funding regulation, and implementation of the airport master plan.
FUNDING • <i>Airport Improvement Program (AIP)</i> • <i>Passenger Facility Charges (PFC)</i> • <i>Security</i> • <i>Bankruptcy</i> • <i>Bonds</i> • <i>Alternative Minimum Tax</i> • <i>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)</i>	AIRPORT	Support legislation reauthorizing the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Airport Improvement Program (AIP), including support of the following provisions: • Increase AIP funding and maintain or reduce the 5% AIP match requirement for small airports; • Strengthen or maintain budget protections for AIP funding; • Eliminate the competition plan requirement for AIP; • Eliminate unnecessary AIP grant assurances; and • Maintain or expand revenue sources that contribute to AIP. Support federal legislative efforts to maintain or increase appropriations to the AIP for infrastructure projects relating to safety, security, aviation operations and capacity, and noise abatement. Support dedicated aviation security operations and infrastructure funding sources separate from the AIP. Support efforts to reimburse airports for operational and infrastructure costs associated with implementation of federal security and other mandates. Support reform legislation that helps protect airports from the impact of airline bankruptcies. Support reclassification of all airport bonds as 'governmental' instead of 'private activity.' Support continuation of the elimination of the Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) penalty on Airport Private Activity Bonds. Support efforts to provide airports with greater flexibility in the use of AIP and Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) funds, including elimination of the mandated loss of entitlement funds from imposing a higher PFC. Support an increase or elimination of the cap on PFC charges. Support efforts to streamline the airport PFC application and reporting process. Support efforts to eliminate and/or restructure the federal Airport Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program. Support funding for modernization of the FAA air traffic control equipment to improve the safety and efficiency of the national air transportation system.
SAFETY AND SECURITY • <i>Streamlining</i> • <i>Cargo Screening</i> • <i>Staffing</i> • <i>Ground Transportation</i>	AIRPORT	Support streamlining the airport security screening process to reduce passenger inconvenience and improve customer service, while maintaining security and safety. Support a threat based (risk-based) system of air cargo inspection and screening. Support local primacy in granting access to airport restricted areas. Support efforts to preserve current adequate staffing levels for Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting crews. Support timely, secure, and cost effective background screening for Airport employees. Support measures to improve Santa Barbara Airport's ability to regulate and enforce rules established for ground transportation providers.

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ENVIRONMENT <i>Airport Noise</i> <i>Greenhouse Gases</i> <i>Environmental Review</i>	AIRPORT/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support measures to alleviate noise impacts on communities surrounding airports that benefit both the community and the airport, such as the implementation of a phased Stage 3 requirement for lighter jet aircraft and the phase-out of noisy Stage 1 and Stage 2 jet aircraft weighing less than 75,000 lbs. Support efforts to reduce pollution, including potential greenhouse gas emissions, resulting from aircraft operations and airport ground service equipment. Oppose efforts to expand state airport noise standard variance requirements. Support additional steps to expedite the airport environmental review and approval process while preserving environmental protections.	
AIR SERVICE	AIRPORT	Support efforts to stimulate the airline industry's ability to provide air service to Santa Barbara. Support legislation that recognizes or encourages aviation's contributions to the economy that result from air travel, tourism, commerce, freight transport, and manufacturing. Support enhancements to the passenger bill of rights that are consistent with airport and passenger needs. Support changes that would enhance Santa Barbara Airport's ability to improve air service options for local travelers.	
TRANSPORTATION/INFRASTRUCTURE	AIRPORT	Support legislation funding connectivity between air and ground transportation through improved infrastructure and enhancement of alternative transportation options.	
PLANNING <i>Land Use</i> <i>Coordination</i>	AIRPORT/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support efforts to ensure that development around airports is consistent with land use planning guidelines and compatible with airport operations. Support coordination between FAA and sponsor airports on National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance issues and preparation of joint NEPA/CEQA documents.	
RENTAL CAR CONCESSIONS	AIRPORT	Support airport interests in proposed legislation that may negatively affect the terms under which rental car concessions operate at the airport.	
EDUCATION	AIRPORT	Support aviation education that informs students about career opportunities in aviation and encourages interest in a math and science curriculum.	

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WATERFRONT		Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues related to federal and state legislation affecting harbor operations, funding, and regulation.
PUBLIC ACCESS		WATERFRONT	Support continued public access to marinas, state tidelands, waterfront facilities, and marine resources.
ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS		WATERFRONT	Support legislation that recognizes economic contributions of ports and harbors to state and federal economies, through maritime trade, maritime industries, ecotourism, cruise ships, and commercial fishing.
FEDERAL REGULATION		WATERFRONT	Support coordination of Executive Agencies to ensure timely permitting of statutorily mandated Civil Works projects and contain regulatory demands that inflate project costs.
LOCAL CONTROL • <i>Revenues</i> • <i>Use</i> • <i>Preservation</i> • <i>Environment</i> • <i>Sanctuaries</i> • <i>Local Control</i> • <i>Cruise Ships</i> • <i>Air Quality</i>		WATERFRONT/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support continuation of the Tidelands Trust Grant and requirements that all revenues generated within the granted lands are used to repair, maintain, and improve facilities and infrastructure within those granted lands. Support legislation allowing ports and harbors to establish or designate local control over special-use areas for vessels or related recreational equipment of a specific type or use. Support the preservation of ocean resources through established marine sanctuaries, while reserving the ability to comment on potential sanctuary expansion that could affect activities including but not limited to dredging, vessel traffic, desalination, wastewater disposal, or general construction, maintenance, and repair of Waterfront facilities. Support local jurisdictional control and environmental/regulatory oversight of cruise ship visits near ports and harbors. Support state and federal efforts to reduce environmental impacts of shipping, including whale strikes, in the Santa Barbara Channel. Support state and federal efforts to reduce environmental impacts of oil seeps in the Santa Barbara Channel.
FISHERIES • <i>Fishing</i> • <i>Ecological Health</i> • <i>Planning</i>		WATERFRONT	Support environmentally compliant commercial and recreational fishing, as essential to the fabric of working ports and harbors. Support legislative efforts to sustain the ecological health of aquatic biological systems, including fish, shellfish, and marine mammals. Support protection of the California Gray Whale and efforts to assess its population, mortality rates, and migration rates. Support establishment of regulated fishermen's markets for direct sales of fish and shellfish to the public.

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WATERFRONT	Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues related to federal and state legislation affecting harbor operations, funding, and regulation.
ENVIRONMENT • <i>Local Authority</i> • <i>Disposition of Crafts</i> • <i>Non-Native Marine Species</i> • <i>Waste</i> • <i>Seabirds</i> • <i>Water Pollution</i> • <i>Fuel Tank</i> • <i>Oil Spills</i> • <i>Recycling</i> • <i>Boat Paint</i>	WATERFRONT	Support enhanced local authority over disposition of wrecked, derelict, abandoned, non-operable, or non-seaworthy craft. Support legislation that encourages and funds eradication or control of non-native marine species in ports and harbors. Support physical alternatives or grant/additional funds for disposal of marina-generated household wastes or treated building materials. Support efforts to ensure seabird protection while allowing ports and harbors to undertake maintenance operations and control or abate nuisance fowl. Support state or federal funding for retrofits or rehabilitation of underground marine-fuel tanks or systems. Support state or federal funding to mitigate or remediate non-point source and point source pollution that affects harbor water quality. Support efforts to fund oil-spill prevention and response in ports and harbors. Support efforts to fund recycling and/or disposal options for waste oil and other byproducts of maritime activities or vessel maintenance. Support efforts to research and test alternatives to copper-based anti-fouling paints for boat bottoms.
DREDGING • <i>Funding</i> • <i>Material</i> • <i>Corps of Engineers</i> • <i>Federal Initiatives</i> • <i>Obligation</i>	WATERFRONT	Support policies and funding for dredging small-craft ports and harbors, including environmentally feasible disposition of dredged materials and/or the use of dredged materials for beach nourishment. Support full execution by the Corps of Engineers of its basic navigation, shore and flood protection mission, as well as environmental restoration and recreation authorized by Congress. Support federal initiatives that benefit marine infrastructure needs including: Maritime Infrastructure Banks, maintenance dredging of Santa Barbara Harbor, expanded ocean dredge disposal sites, and development of new upland dredge disposal and reuse sites. Oppose any action that would prohibit the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers from realizing its obligation to dredge Santa Barbara Harbor.
SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS	WATERFRONT	Support the U.S. Coast Guard's services mission to conduct Homeland Security and search-and-rescue operations, and pollution response as agency priorities.
ENFORCEMENT	WATERFRONT	Support Homeland Security legislation and programs and/or grants that benefit and protect small ports and harbors.

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WATERFRONT	Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues related to federal and state legislation affecting harbor operations, funding, and regulation.
FACILITIES • <i>Funding</i> • <i>Abandoned Watercraft</i> • <i>Utilities</i> • <i>Boat Launching</i> • <i>Repair and Maintain Harbor Facilities</i>	WATERFRONT	Support legislation providing federal or state grant or low-interest loan funds for development of harbor infrastructure facilities. Oppose legislative or administrative efforts to eliminate the State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) and/or reduce or reallocate the DBW's budget. Oppose efforts to redirect funds historically utilized by the Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund, as described in the Harbors and Navigation Code. Oppose legislative or administrative efforts to reallocate or divert funds from the intended purposes of the State Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund, as described in the California Harbors and Navigation Code. Support legislation expanding and/or increasing the budget of the state's Abandoned Watercraft Abatement Fund and Vessel Turn In Program. Support legislation providing harbor managers a financially feasible means of supplying and recovering costs of utilities, such as electricity to berths and marinas. Support legislation that funds construction and/or maintenance of boat-launching facilities. Oppose legislation that seasonally restricts the ability to repair and maintain harbor facilities, while considering impacts to sensitive species.
BOATING SAFETY • <i>Education</i> • <i>Enforcement</i>	WATERFRONT	Support boating safety, including education and enforcement or regulation of boating practices, vessel types, and equipment. Support legislation implementing a boater-safety certification program. Support boating safety and enforcement efforts through funding of equipment, training, and other resources utilized by Harbor Patrol Officers.
EDUCATION	WATERFRONT	Support programs that utilize the California Division of Boating and Waterways as an educational vehicle for boating and harbor management programs.

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COMMUNITY SERVICES		Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues related to childcare, parks and recreation, libraries, cultural arts, community, and human services programs.
PARKS FUNDING • <i>Programs</i> • <i>Community Park Land</i> • <i>Partnerships</i> • <i>Coastal Access</i>	PARKS AND RECREATION	Support full federal funding for the Forest Service's Urban and Community Forestry Program, the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and the Urban Parks and Recreation Recovery Program. Support legislation that promotes the acquisition, development, or redevelopment of parkland to meet community park and recreation needs. Support regional multi-agency open space acquisition initiatives. Support the continuation of funding for Coastal Access Projects. Support legislation that retains or enhances public access to and the affordability of public parks and recreation programs.	
STATE NATURAL AREA AND PARK BOND FUNDS • <i>Eligibility</i> • <i>Distribution</i>	PARKS AND RECREATION	Oppose tying local eligibility for park bond grant funds to non-park related issues, such as rent control or housing element status. Support inclusion of per capita grants to cities and counties as part of all statewide park bond measures. Support efforts to assure bond funds are not held for other state funding needs. Support new state bond funding for the acquisition, development, or redevelopment of park and recreation facilities to meet community needs.	
NATURAL RESOURCE PROTECTION	PARKS AND RECREATION/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	Support legislation that fosters protection and restoration of natural resources, including streams, stream and riparian habitat, wetlands, estuaries, rural and urban open space, etc. Support legislation that provides local agencies with matching grants and/or technical support from the California Natural Resources Agency or other state and federal agencies to revise and implement new resource protection policies, projects, and programs.	
PROPOSITION 50/84/1E	PARKS AND RECREATION	Support legislation that distributes bond funds as competitive monies to a range of State agencies and does not limit funds based on geographic location or scope of need. Support legislation that allows grantees an opportunity to receive grant funds for project design and permitting, in addition to construction, and also provides a mechanism to extend completion schedules.	
PARKS AND RECREATION	PARKS AND RECREATION	Support legislation that establishes new grants or expands the scope of existing grants (currently limited to urbanized areas with populations over 100,000) for which the City would be eligible for park development, park improvement, and youth recreation programs. Support continuance of current California Health and Safety Code, Section 115800, which protects public entities from liability rising from injuries at a public skateboard park.	

COMMUNITY SERVICES		Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues related to childcare, parks and recreation, libraries, cultural arts, community, and human services programs.
CHILDREN/YOUTH • <i>Job Training</i> • <i>Prenatal Care</i> • <i>Youth Programs</i> • <i>Foster Care</i> • <i>Federal Grants</i> • <i>After School Programs</i> • <i>Equal Access</i> • <i>Parks and Recreation Facilities</i> • <i>Educational Programs</i> • <i>Library Funding</i> • <i>Health Care</i>	PARKS AND RECREATION/ POLICE/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/LIBRARY	Support state and federal funding for school-based job training programs to produce more job placement opportunities in collaboration with municipal services. Support the creation of more affordable, innovative, and quality local child care options for parents and concurrently encourage adherence to strict regulations and guidelines. Support increased state and federal funding for prenatal care, early health care, preschool, and childcare programs to ensure healthy children and school readiness. Support increased funding for foster care. Support creation of permanent state or federal funding sources for youth programs. Support federal reauthorization and full funding of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), the Child Care and Development Block Grant, and the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) block grant, including after-school recreation and tutoring programs. Support increased state and federal funding for affordable after-school programs and programs that promote and enhance physical fitness and well-being of children and youth. Support legislation that would provide state and federal funding for increased access for children with disabilities to after-school and other recreation programs, including required staff support related to medications, mobility, and activity integration. Support legislation that would provide state and federal funding for the acquisition, development and/or operation of park and recreation facilities that serve underprivileged children, families, and older adults, and which promote and enhance physical health and well-being of children, youth, adults, and seniors. Support legislation providing state and federal funding for improving pre-school reading readiness, for supporting public library services assisting elementary and secondary school students with information, research, and curriculum materials, for adult literacy and computer literacy instruction, and for acquisition of learning materials. Oppose legislation or administrative efforts to decrease the state's budgets for First 5 and K through 12 programs that support children and families. Support the concept of universal health care for all Californians. Support incentives to improve coordination of public health considerations with community land use planning. Support promotion of programs and access to community programs, which encourage children and adolescents to develop lifelong healthy eating, physical activity, and exercise habits. Support legislation which authorizes appropriately trained employees who supervise children involved in afterschool and recreation programs to administer epinephrine auto-injectors in response to an anaphylactic event.	
SENIORS • <i>Programs</i> • <i>Care Facilities</i> • <i>Wellness</i>	PARKS AND RECREATION	Support efforts to develop and improve intergenerational recreation programs and activities that include seniors. Support legislation that facilitates development of senior residential and day care facilities integrated within the community-at-large. Support funding for wellness, physical activity, recreational programs, and day care for seniors on low or fixed incomes.	

COMMUNITY SERVICES		Staff Liaison Departments	Scope: Issues related to childcare, parks and recreation, libraries, cultural arts, community, and human services programs.
PUBLIC HEALTH		COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/FIRE/PARKS AND RECREATION	Support an increase in the number of hospice beds allowed in the County for persons who are terminally ill or diagnosed with a life-threatening illness. Support legislation authorizing the study of synthetic turf surfaces for potential adverse health impacts.
PUBLIC LIBRARIES • <i>Funding</i> • <i>Computers</i> • <i>State Public</i> • <i>Library Fund</i> • <i>Privacy Rights</i>		LIBRARY	Support full funding of the State Public Library Fund, understanding how libraries play an integral role in building and sustaining our communities. Oppose elimination or further reduction of the State Public Library Fund or other sources of library funding. Support legislation providing federal funding for improving pre-school reading readiness, for supporting public library services assisting elementary and secondary school students with information, research, and curriculum materials, for adult literacy and computer literacy instruction, and for acquisition of learning materials. Support federal funding for telecommunications equipment and services in public libraries to provide equal access to information for all residents Oppose requirements on use of federal funds for Internet access services for adults that mandate installation of filtering software. Oppose elimination of the California Library Literacy and English Acquisition Services Program. Oppose legislation that requires public libraries to install and maintain computer-filtering software for use on computers in the library that, in an attempt to block obscene materials, also prevents access to material protected by the First Amendment. Oppose legislation, regulations, and guidelines that erode privacy, information access, and Constitutional rights, and oppose the use of governmental authority to suppress the free and open exchange of information and ideas.



**2016
LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM**

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CITY OF GOLETA 2016 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM

Introduction. Purpose and Scope

The purpose of the City of Goleta's Legislative Platform is to intentionally promote the adoption of state and federal legislation that will establish sound public policy for responsible governance; protect and enhance public health, safety and welfare; and aid the City's delivery of high quality services to its residents.

The Legislative Platform is intended to articulate the City's positions on issues that are currently, or are anticipated to be, the focus of future legislation by the state or federal governments.

The positions contained in the Platform are intended to supplement the broad range of goals, policies and programs reflected in the Goleta Strategic Plan, the General Plan, the Municipal Code and other adopted documents. Therefore, advocacy efforts may be based on references articulated in these policy documents as they provide current direction for the City organization.

City departments are authorized to review proposed legislation to determine how it relates to the City's Legislative Platform and to recommend that the Mayor take a position on legislation that the department determines to be "high priority" and write letters, contact legislators, and otherwise communicate the position of the City as appropriate. The Mayor, or his/her designee, after conferring with City staff, may make contact with legislators to advocate for or against legislation which is consistent with the legislative platform.

Section 1. Administration

A. Employee and Labor Relations

1. Oppose any measure that imposes upon local government mandated employee benefits that are more properly decided at the local level.

2. Oppose efforts which reduce local control over public employee disputes and impose the regulations of an outside agency.
3. Support measures that increase the transparency of all public employee compensation and benefits.
4. Support reform measures that provide sustainable and secure public pensions and other post-retirement benefits to ensure responsive and affordable public services.
5. Support legislation that streamlines the Workers' Compensation system and makes it easier for employers, employees, and health care providers to navigate.

B. Public Contracts

1. Support measures that preserve the City's right to assure that all public contracts are completed in a timely and professional manner to avoid liens and stop work notices.
2. Support changes in the law that allow cities the option to use design/build contracting and other innovations designed to bring efficiency to the public contracting process.
3. Support measures that preserve a minimum 5 percent retention for construction contracts.

C. Tort Reform

1. Support legislation to limit local government liability for property damage.
2. Support measures to reform California's tort system to curtail unreasonable liability exposure for public agencies and restore the ability of public agencies to obtain affordable insurance.

D. Elections

1. Support legislation to reduce unnecessary and costly procedures for conducting municipal elections.

E. Public Records Act

1. Oppose legislation that would circumvent the Public Records Act, Government Code §6255 and potentially reverse the "balancing test" used by public agencies to disseminate documents.

F. Open Meeting Law (Brown Act)

1. Support legislation that recognizes the need to conduct the public's business in public. To this end, the City supports the regulation of the state and all public agencies to ensure conformance to the principles of the open meetings provision in the *Ralph M. Brown Act*.
2. Support legislation that recognizes the realities under which a local governing body must operate that necessitates judicious use of closed door sessions, including:
 - Privacy rights granted to individuals under the United States and California Constitutions;
 - Protection of taxpayer interests over property and other acquisitions by a public agency; and
 - Proper maintenance of the same attorney-client privilege enjoyed by the private sector.

G. Political Reform Act/Conflict of Interest Laws

1. Support legislation and regulations that establish sound practices and principles related to political campaigns. Regulations that would restrict or preempt local authority are opposed.
2. Support legislation designed to improve and streamline the Political Reform Act and its implementation through regulations.
3. Support measures that increase the transparency of all public official compensation and benefits.

Section 2. Housing, Community, and Economic Development

A. Housing

1. Support legislation that increases financial assistance to local governments, nonprofit housing organizations, and public/private partnerships to provide affordable, transitional, special needs, and emergency housing to seniors, farmworkers and people with special needs, including people who are homeless or are at risk of experiencing homelessness.
2. Support housing measures that increase the City's ability to effectively compete for state and federal funding.

3. Support legislation and grants that promote development and enhancement of safe, affordable, sustainable, and accessible housing within the City.
4. Support measures that maintain local government's legislative authority to implement reasonable, non-discriminatory housing occupancy limitations.
5. Support measures allowing local jurisdictions to pool resources to meet sub-regional affordable housing goals.
6. Support legislation that provides the City with options in meeting its housing needs; or that would simplify the housing element review process while still recognizing the important role that State Housing and Community Development plays; and still ensuring City housing needs are being met.
7. Oppose efforts to cut funding for Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") programs.
8. Oppose legislation and measures that diminish the housing and community development authority of local elected officials.

B. Land Use Planning

1. Support environmentally sustainable land use patterns that maintain safe residential neighborhoods, bolster economic prosperity, preserve open space, and enhance the overall quality of life in Goleta.
2. Support efforts that are consistent with the doctrine of "home rule" and the local exercise of police powers over local land use.
3. Support efforts that would provide priority processing of Coastal Development Permits for critical needs, including affordable housing projects, public and quasi-public medical facilities and public safety facilities.
4. Oppose legislation that diminishes the City's discretionary ability to approve land use patterns and entitlement applications.
5. Oppose project entitlements in areas outside the City limits, but within the City's General Plan proposed sphere of influence that do not conform to current City standards.
6. Support efforts that retain the discretion of cities to prohibit or limit their own use of power of eminent domain to acquire property.

7. Support legislation that streamlines the California Environmental Quality Act, while supporting its goals.
8. Monitor City of Santa Barbara Airport and noncontiguous territory of the City of Santa Barbara situated at the center of Goleta.

C. Regional Governance/Growth Management

1. Support funding for state and local investment in the physical infrastructure of California, including but not limited to, its roadways, bridges, railway systems, levees, dams, parks, libraries, public safety facilities, jails, prisons, and systems for delivering and treating water, wastewater and storm water.
2. Support measures to achieve fair and proportionate representation on statewide and regional boards.
3. Support proposals encouraging regional, sub-regional or countywide cooperation in planning urban development strategies in areas such as: transportation, air quality, affordable housing and conservation; especially those that provide funding for effective implementation of agreed upon goals.
4. Oppose legislation that mandates compliance of the City's local land use authority to regional, sub-regional, or Countywide plans.

D. Local Agency Formation Commissions' ("LAFCO") Policies

1. Support the clarification and redefinition of the sphere of influence concept to provide better planning for growth, development and service delivery while preserving agricultural and open space resources, discouraging urban sprawl, and coordinating local and regional planning.
2. Support the enhancement of LAFCO's ability to mitigate fiscal impacts regarding "change of organization" proposals through tax sharing conditions.
3. Support legislation that provides for tax reform to mitigate negative fiscal impacts to local governments from past and present tax revenue shifts away from said local governments.
4. Support legislation aimed at creating equity in determining annexation matters.

5. Support legislation which amends the Revenue and Taxation Code so that counties are no longer allowed to block annexations in exchange for unreasonable property tax sharing agreements.

E. Economic Development

1. Support efforts that encourage economic development using broader criteria in addition to generally limited census tract-based eligibility.
2. Monitor legislation that would increase the cost of doing business in California.
3. Support legislation that enhances or expands community and economic development tools and funding to address revitalization and redevelopment needs.

F. Building

1. Support continual adoption of enhanced building energy efficiency standards and building safety standards.
2. Oppose measures that diminish the authority of local jurisdictions to enforce building codes, or mandate the manner of enforcement.
3. Support rebate programs, tax credits, and other financial incentives that encourage property owners to invest in energy efficiency and renewable energy systems.
4. Support legislation to ensure that new construction and major renovations include smart meters, pre-wiring of buildings to accommodate future GHG-reducing retrofits such as solar hot water heaters, photovoltaic (PV) panels, or other distributed renewable power sources and metered charging outlets in parking areas for electric vehicles.
5. Support the use of green building rating systems for new construction and existing buildings as one of several model options for achieving verifiable greenhouse gases emissions reductions and improving energy efficiency.

Section 3. Public Works

A. Transportation

1. Support measures to enhance the ability of local agencies to finance local transportation programs and facilities.

2. Support measures that ensure Goleta receives its fair share of transportation revenue.
3. Support legislation that provides increased state and federal funding for preservation and maintenance of local roads and secures the maximum amount of state and federal funding for maintenance and construction of local roads, infrastructure, transportation projects and major corridors.
4. Support the protection of dedicated transportation-related tax revenues and funding.
5. Support legislation that provides funding for development of an integrated, comprehensive, and efficient multi-modal transportation network; this includes inter-county and intra-county highways, pedestrian and bicycle, mass-transit, commuter rail service, facilities and infrastructure within the region.
6. Support initiatives that provide transit operations and maintenance funding to local jurisdictions.
7. Support legislation that accords local agencies greater discretionary authority to expend available transportation funds.
8. Support legislation that will protect and provide funding sources, including privatization and partnership arrangements, to strengthen local transportation programs.
9. Support funding opportunities for transit and para-transit operations, including service for persons with disabilities as well as the senior citizen community.
10. Support legislation that encourages the Federal Highway Administration ("FHWA"), the Federal Transit Administration ("FTA"), and the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") to reform administrative procedures that expedite federal review and reduce delays in payment of local agencies and their contractors for transportation project development, right-of-way and construction activities.
11. Support legislation or the creation of administrative procedures that streamline the process for local agencies to receive funds for road repair from the Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA").
12. Support legislation that increases administrative flexibility and streamlines reform that assists cities with operating and maintaining the existing transportation network; this includes lobbying for consistency between the National Environmental Protection Act ("NEPA") and the California

- Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") to alleviate redundant environmental review of transportation projects which will promote expedited project delivery.
- 13. Support legislation that lowers the voting requirements for passage of local special purpose agency funding propositions.
- 14. Support legislation that increases safety on Highway 154.
- 15. Support legislation that ensures transportation infrastructure funding issues do not jeopardize critical projects with each reauthorization.
- 16. Support legislation that allows for discretion on the part of traffic engineering professionals in setting appropriate speed limits rather than having to rely on prevailing speeds.

B. Water Supply

- 1. Support measures to diversify the City's water supply resources and improve water quality in the region.
- 2. Support measures that would increase funding for infrastructure to distribute reclaimed water city-wide.
- 3. Support legislation that calls for the conservation of water resources.

C. Telecommunications

- 1. Support legislation that preserves state and local authority to manage public rights-of-way, zoning, and protects public safety and welfare.
- 2. Oppose legislation that reduces or eliminates compensation paid to cities for the use of their property and rights-of-way for telecommunications.

D. Utilities

- 1. Support the ability of local governments to provide electricity and ancillary services to residential, commercial and industrial sectors.
- 2. Support cities' authority to zone and plan for the deployment of telecommunications infrastructure.
- 3. Support cities' ability to maintain and manage the public right-of-way and receive compensation for its use.

4. Support legislation to specifically allow municipalities to use public-goods funds for development of renewable energy sources and require public utilities to improve and expand incentive structures for renewable energy generation.
5. Oppose efforts that erode the ability of local governments to maintain existing fees on telecommunications services.
6. Support legislation that would result in lower energy rates for the residents and businesses of Goleta including funding that assists with the conversion of outdated energy systems to new energy efficient options.
7. Support measures and legislation that improve the reliability and consistency of electrical supply and improve transmission of electricity to local governments and their communities.

Section 4. Community Services

A. Parks and Recreation

1. Support legislation and grants that fund parks, recreation and capital improvements, as well as programs that enhance the quality of life for Goleta residents.
2. Support and work with county and state officials in the development of regional and state parks and connecting trail systems.
3. Support legislation that increases funding to repair, maintain and develop state and local park and facility infrastructures.
4. Support efforts to monitor and protect Goleta Beach Park.

B. Facilities

1. Support grants and legislation that provide for construction, rehabilitation and maintenance of public facilities.

C. Libraries

1. Support legislation and grants that provide increased funding for library construction, renovation, and development.
2. Support legislation that restores state funding for public libraries.
3. Support local measure for additional funding for the Goleta Valley Library.

D. Arts, Cultural Resources and Historic Preservation

1. Support continued state and federal funding for local arts activities and historic preservation.
2. Support funding for the National Endowment for the Arts, National Endowment for the Humanities, and the Office of Museum Services within the Institute of Museum and Library.
3. Support funding for Arts in Education in the U.S. Department of Education's Fund for Improvement of Education to encourage high quality arts instruction in schools.

E. Services for Families and Youth

1. Support legislation and grants that provide for reduction of youth obesity and encourage proper nutrition.
2. Support legislation and grants that provide affordable, quality prenatal care and child care services and assistance to low-income families.
3. Support legislation and grants that facilitate the provision of child and youth activities.
4. Support reforms in healthcare policy that address prevention, promote health and wellness, and encourage affordability and cost containment.
5. Support legislation and policies that promote mental health services and make resources available that support and assist families and youth.
6. Support legislation and grant programs that provide funding for youth programs, such as job training programs, after school programs and educational programs.

F. Services for Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities

1. Support legislation and grants that provide services for senior citizens; services will specifically include nutrition, housing, transportation, recreation, and social services.
2. Support legislation and grants that provide services for persons with disabilities; services will specifically include nutrition, housing, transportation, recreation, and social services.

G. Homelessness

1. Support legislation and local, state, and federal programs that employ evidence-based best practice strategies to reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness by: preventing homelessness for those at-risk; providing emergency and transitional housing; expanding affordable permanent housing; and promoting self-empowerment through counseling, job training, and other supportive services.

H. Animal Care

1. Support measures that facilitate responsible pet ownership.
2. Oppose animal services or care measures that impose state-mandated costs when there is no assurance of local reimbursement, alternative benefit, or locally generated revenue.
3. Support legislation that increases the penalties for animal abuse.

Section 5. Environmental Quality

A. Climate Adaptation and Sustainability

1. Oppose any infringement on local home rule authority to plan for and adapt to future climate conditions, including sea level rise, precipitation patterns, temperatures, and air quality attainment strategies.
2. Support legislation, programs, and funding for local governments' implementation of SB 375, AB 32, and sea level rise adaptation.
3. Support measures that provide for continued funding and incentives to cities to work together to improve air quality by reducing emissions and advancing economic development.
4. Support legislation that holds gross polluters (those which exceed current standards) directly accountable for increased emissions.
5. Support efforts that emphasize the use of advanced technologies such as solar power and battery storage, and market incentives as a means to achieve state emission reduction objectives for all sources, in addition to providing incentives and grants for their implementation.
6. Support measures to increase state funding for Urban Forestry programs.

7. Support legislation that provides funding and other incentives for the installation of charging stations for “low” and “zero emission” vehicles.

B. Oil and Gas Cleanup, Restoration, and Oil-Spill Prevention

1. Support legislation that results in the discontinuation of offshore unused or abandoned facilities, and the restoration of areas affected by existing or former oil and gas facilities within the City.
2. Support measures that mandate a percentage of state revenue from onshore and offshore coastal leases be directed to the cleanup and natural restoration of those leaseholds, particularly those leaseholds that lie along Haskell’s Beach, Ellwood Mesa, Sands Beach and Coal Oil Point.
3. Support measures and legislation to fund oil-spill prevention and response.

C. Water Quality, Urban Runoff, and Biology

1. Support policy development, funding, research, and implementation strategies based on scientific data and human/ecological risk assessment for addressing urban water and storm water runoff.
2. Support policy development, “watershed based” solutions, funding and research for addressing urban runoff and beach closures, which identify the sources of bacterial, viral and other contaminants as well as human pathogens.
3. Support legislation that would regionally retain any Regional Board fines that are levied against storm water permit violators within the Region.
4. Oppose actions by Regional Water Quality Control Boards that impose mandates on cities that exceed state or federal regulations and/or are outside their jurisdictional authority to impose or enforce.
5. Support legislation and grants that promote wildlife, habitat protection, and preservation of endangered or threatened species, including care for injured wildlife.

D. Solid Waste

1. Support measures that expand the market for recyclable materials and encourage meeting state and local commercial recycling goals.
2. Support measures that maintain and enhance local authority and flexibility to regulate solid waste and recyclables.

3. Continue to support measures that streamline compliance and implementation of the Integrated Waste Management Act.
4. Oppose any measures that invalidate the Integrated Waste Management Act indemnification and/or prevent cities from negotiating indemnification clauses with waste haulers
5. Support measures that increase local funding to governments and special districts for the collection of household waste.
6. Support efforts to reduce the toxic and non-reusable waste load.
7. Support Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) legislation to encourage manufacturers to design environmentally friendly products by holding producers responsible for the costs of managing their products at end of life.

Section 6. Public Safety

A. Public Safety

1. Support legislation that provides a greater share of asset forfeiture funds for cities and increases latitude for spending local funds.
2. Support legislation and funding to improve local law enforcement, fire suppression and prevention, hazardous materials mitigation, rescue services, emergency medical services, and disaster preparedness initiatives.
3. Support legislation that seeks to reimburse the City for the overtime costs associated with public safety personnel who are required to appear before state or county courts.
4. Support legislative efforts to provide state and federal funding to supplement local law enforcement in order to maintain the safety and security of Goleta residents.
5. Support legislation and grants that provide funding for Public Safety equipment upgrades, training and capital improvements.
6. Support legislation that: A) Promotes comprehensive drug and alcohol education and rehabilitation; B) Discourages drivers from operating motor vehicles while under the influence of drugs or alcohol; and, C) Maintains state funding necessary to post and operate sobriety and driver's license checkpoints.

7. Support legislation that seeks funding to assist local law enforcement with reducing crimes related to illicit drugs, burglary and assault.
8. Support legislation that provides funding at the local level to promote crime prevention, public outreach, and intervention programs.
9. Support flexible block grants to local governments that improve security and public safety at the local level.
10. Support federal funding for first responder training and improved communications systems as part of Homeland Security.
11. Support legislation that mitigates the impacts of transferring state and federal inmates into our community.
12. Oppose attempts to eliminate local control of alcohol beverage establishments and any state or federal interference with local codes or compliance mechanisms.
13. Support legislation that promotes and increases bicycle and pedestrian safety.
14. Support legislation which bans the personal possession and use of assault weapons.
15. Support legislation that strengthens cities' ability to enforce massage therapy regulations.

B. Emergency Preparedness

1. Support legislation, strategies and initiatives that provide increased state and federal funding for emergency preparedness, planning, response and recovery.
2. Support efforts to secure adequate frequencies and communications systems for multi-jurisdictional connectivity for public safety and protect the frequencies from intrusion.
3. Support an increase of Emergency Management Performance Grant funding which retains flexibility of fund usage for emergency preparedness training, disaster events and disaster communication outreach efforts.
4. Support federal, state, and local regulations that provide the highest levels of public health and safety in the transportation of hazardous materials.

C. Crime Victims

1. Support efforts to strengthen and enforce legal protections for all individuals who are victims of crime, especially victims of family violence and sexual assault.
2. Support legislation that provides funding for shelters and victim advocacy, as well as trauma and crisis counseling to assist victims of violent crime.

D. Youth

1. Support legislation that treats and assists with the needs of at-risk juvenile offenders and juveniles that are placed on court-ordered probation.
2. Support legislation that provides funding at the local level to address gang prevention and intervention programs including after school programs for at-risk teens.
3. Support measures that educate and protect children from tobacco, alcohol, and drugs.
4. Support legislation that encourages safe routes to schools and enforcement of school zone speed limits.
5. Support legislation that would expand the limits of school zones to more than the current 500 ft. to allow for reduced speed limits.

Section 7. Revenue and Taxation

A. Local Government Finance

1. Support legislation that provides tax reform to mitigate negative fiscal impacts to local governments from past and present tax revenue shifts away from local governments such as Revenue Neutrality Agreements.
2. Support full cost reimbursement to local agencies by the state and federal government for all mandated programs.
3. Oppose measures that impose state-mandated costs for which there is no guarantee of local reimbursement, or in the alternative, a worthwhile, quantifiable benefit.
4. Support measures to relieve taxpayers of the burden of paying for services that could be charged directly to the service user.

5. Support measures that ensure the retention of existing local revenue sources, including the City's share of property taxes, sales taxes, use tax, transient occupancy taxes, vehicle license fees, etc.
6. Oppose measures, such as "maintenance of effort" requirements, that further limit cities' ability to administer their own revenues.
7. Oppose legislation that shifts tax revenues away from local governments without the adequate provision of a constitutionally guaranteed "backfill" to offset the lost revenues of those local governments.
8. Oppose state or regional legislation or efforts that delay the payment of revenues due the City.
9. Support state and federal legislative action that will enhance revenue for cities.
10. Support measures and legislation that bolster local authority to enforce local ordinances and tools to collect revenue associated with short-term vacation rentals.
11. Oppose legislation that undermines the City's ability to manage financial resources and limits decisions regarding the long-term interests of local residents.
12. Support legislation which streamlines the creation and expands the applicability of Infrastructure Finance Districts as well as Enhanced Infrastructure Finance Districts.

B. Property Tax Appeals Process

1. Support changes to the property tax appeals procedures providing each public agency receiving property tax with the legal standing to appear and be heard at any property tax appeal affecting property tax revenue received by such agency.
2. Support legislation that would require the State Board of Equalization to inform local jurisdictions in a timely manner of Sales Tax disputes prior to the issuance of adjustments to the local jurisdictions Sales Tax payments.



City of Arcata

Legislative Platform and Procedures

Background

To promote a structured and proactive policy to respond to local, state, regional and federal legislative issues and ceremonial requests, the following Legislative Policies and Procedures will be utilized to assist the Mayor and City Council to generate a consistent voice on issues of concern and interest to the City of Arcata.

Policy Defined

The Legislative Policy provides guidance with respect to legislative priorities, and will provide Council and staff clear direction concerning issues the City will monitor during the legislative session. Legislative inquiries and responses will be administered consistently with “one voice” as to the approved guidance set by City Council.

It is recommended that the City Council, on an annual basis, review the Legislative Guidance Policy with consideration for revisions to reflect current concerns and positions the City Council has taken on previous and proposed future legislative issues.

LEGISLATIVE POLICY

FINANCE

A. State and Federal Mandates

1. Support legislation requiring the State and Federal Government to provide full cost reimbursement to cities for all mandated programs and for all programs resulting in revenue losses.
2. Support legislation that further protects local government revenue from being taken, confiscated, diverted or otherwise used to fund state government operations and responsibilities.
3. Support efforts to reduce the fiscal impacts of Proposition 218 and Proposition 26 on cities.
4. Oppose legislation that imposes federal mandated costs for which there is no guarantee of local reimbursement or offsetting benefits.

5. Oppose any measure that mandates procedures that would make local government more dependent on the state for financial stability or reduces local discretion in the use of local government revenues.

B. Long Term Financing of Local Agencies

1. Support legislation that provides for the collection of internet sales tax and divides internet sales tax based on the point of purchase or sale.
2. Support legislation to stabilize local government financing, to increase funding to local agencies and to permit the most cost-efficient management of state-mandated programs.
3. Support legislation which preserve and enhance the City's ability to generate revenues from all types of sales.
4. Support legislation to protect and preserve local control over locally imposed taxes (such as transient occupancy tax and franchise fees).
5. Oppose legislation which shifts revenue from local government to the state for any purpose.

PERSONNEL

A. Labor Relations

1. Oppose legislation that undermines good faith negotiations between employee organizations and local agencies.
2. Oppose any measure that seeks to impose federal or state mandates on the collective bargaining process.
3. Oppose legislation that mandates cities provide specific benefits which can be more properly determined through labor negotiations.
4. Oppose any legislation that would reduce local authority to resolve public employee disputes, and support legislation that would preserve court jurisdiction, and/or impose regulations of an outside agency (such as Public Employment Relations Board).

B. Retirement

1. Support measures that would lessen the impact of CalPERS investment losses on employer rates.
2. Support measures related to pensions and other post-employment benefits (OPEB) that would allow cities to better manage the long-term growth of unfunded pension and OPEB liabilities and reduce the risk of fiscal and service level insolvency by cities.

PUBLIC SAFETY

A. Police

1. Support efforts to increase frontline public safety funding for cities to address increases in crime as a result of Public Safety Realignment and the early release of prisoners.

2. Support legislation to protect the public from the dangerous and improper use of weapons and enact necessary regulations to limit or control their use.
3. Support legislation that would strengthen state graffiti law and provide local government revenue and resources for graffiti abatement.
4. Support legislation that would protect the public from crimes committed by use of the computer, internet or identity theft.
5. Support legislation that would provide funds for local law enforcement technology.
6. Support legislation that would provide funds for additional equipment, services, or personnel (COPS bill).
7. Oppose legislation which would weaken the authority of local law enforcement to control the issuance of concealed weapon permits.
8. Support legislation which would provide a greater share of seized assets to localities.
9. Support legislation that would require transfer of information to local officials regarding threats to local safety as threats occur.
10. Advocate for legislation/funding that would take advantage of current technology to prevent crime (i.e. - the ability to use surveillance cameras and automatic license plate recognition technology).
11. Support legislative "fixes" to AB 109, the 2011 Corrections Realignment, in order to minimize its impacts on public safety.
12. Support legislation that provides local law enforcement agencies authority to recover any costs associated with complying with any federal, state or court-ordered licensing, registration and testing requirements.

B. Emergency Services / Community Technology

1. Support legislation that provides funding to local agencies for training, disaster preparedness, and emergency planning and operations.
2. Support legislation protecting local discretion regarding building and fire code standards.
3. Support measures that create or maintain local governmental authority as it applies to the cable, video and telecommunications industry and franchising processes.
4. Support rural broadband deployment.

TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS

A. Traffic/Roads/Highways

1. Support legislation to repair and maintain critical infrastructure, including roads and bridges, for motorists, cyclists, pedestrians and transit.
2. Support creative financing to make up for losses in gas taxes due to increased use in electric and hybrid vehicles and lower gas prices.
3. Support state-local partnerships to fund regional transportation projects.
4. Support legislation to retain local control over public rights-of-way.

5. Support legislation which provides equitable amounts of state and federal funding for roads and highways, and facilitates timely construction of local transportation projects.

B. Water/Wastewater

1. Support legislation that provides additional flexibility to increase and stabilize the water supply.
2. Support legislation to provide funding for mitigation measures and projects to divert, filter, or treat urban runoff.
3. Oppose legislation that imposes more stringent requirements on wastewater discharge and storm drain runoff without providing funding.
4. Oppose measures that impose unreasonable or unfunded water testing and treatment requirements.
5. Oppose efforts to mandate a state water public benefits charge unless funds remain within the local community.

C. Solid Waste and Recycling

1. Support legislation which provides funding and program support for increased recycling standards.
2. Support legislation encouraging active development of markets for recycled goods.
3. Support incentives for the development of alternatives to recycling and composting, such as conversion technologies which convert post-recycled residual solid waste into renewable energy, biofuels and useful products.
4. Support legislation requiring manufacturers to be responsible for safe disposal or reuse of their products and by-products, particularly for hazardous products such as sharps, unused prescription drugs, and fluorescent light bulbs.
5. Support programs that provide incentives for “green” commercial and residential development.

ENVIRONMENT

1. Support legislation that encourages locally-based models for energy provision and delivery.
2. Support efforts designed to reduce or eliminate the spread of graffiti.
3. Support legislation which allocates state and/or federal funds for the compliance of federal and state environmental standards.
4. Oppose measures that provide only minimal improvements in air and water quality while incurring excessive public and private costs associated with implementation.
5. Oppose legislation that adversely impacts wetlands without an overriding public benefit (e.g., sea level rise protection).
6. Support sustainable communities funding.
7. Support legislation that seeks to protect creeks, rivers, lakes and waterways.

8. Support programs that provide incentives for “green” commercial and residential development. Support legislation that provides incentives to individual homeowners and businesses for the installation of solar panels.
9. Support efforts to rebate individual homeowners and businesses for returning excess power back into the grid as a result of owner-generated energy.
10. Support legislation that provides funding and resources for alternative fuel vehicles for replacement of municipal fleet equipment. Support efforts to provide adequate charging station infrastructure for emerging electric vehicle technology. Support legislation that provides funding and resources for retrofitting municipal buildings to increase energy efficiency.
11. Support legislation that supports conversion of infrastructure towards long-term renewables and away from natural gas dependency.
12. Support legislation that develops incentives and education on trading out and/or upgrading wood heating.

LAND-USE PLANNING AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

1. Encourage federal and state financial support to provide adequate affordable housing for low-income individuals.
2. Oppose legislation that would impose state-mandated development standards or procedures that are contrary to the City of Arcata General Plan or local land-use policy.
3. Support legislation that strengthens the concept of local control/local home rule for local decision making on land use and zoning matters.

COMMUNITY/RECREATIONAL/ SOCIAL ISSUES

1. Support federal and state funding opportunities for cultural arts programs, libraries, parks, recreation and human service, open space, and facility development/renewal.
2. Support measures that promote volunteerism.
3. Support federal and state funding opportunities that promote the ability to provide public access to technology at community facilities.
4. Support legislation that provides funding and resources for local governments to implement Healthy Cities programs and policies aimed at reducing obesity, childhood obesity, high rates of diabetes, heart disease, and other health conditions.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/TOURISM

1. Support legislation that provides for the development of an effective framework for the regulation, taxation and control of Cannabis should recreational use legalize. Support the repeal or modification of the federal prohibition of Marijuana.
2. Oppose legislation and regulatory efforts that would diminish or eliminate the authority of cities to zone and plan for the development of telecommunications infrastructure, including the siting of cellular communications towers or transmission sites.

3. Support legislation that preserves or increases funding for and increases functionality of Housing and Community Development grant programs, including the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership (HOME) programs as provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Support legislation that expands the eligibility and allowable uses of program funds. Oppose legislation that would reduce funds dedicated to the programs.
4. Support legislation that provides tangible and productive tools and incentives to support job creation and retention. Support legislation that enhances the City's ability to promote economic development and job creation.

CEREMONIAL RECOGNITION REQUESTS

1. Certificates of recognition, appreciation and/or achievement that commemorate a person, living or in memory of.

LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURES TRACKING

The City Manager (or designee), will periodically provide updates on important legislative issues and/or those matters that the City has a stated a position on during the Legislative Session.

RESPONSE

When a legislative matter requires action between regular City Council Meetings, the City Manager (through the Mayor) is authorized to take a position on the matter in accordance with the adopted Legislative Policy.

If there are mitigating factors where Council may want to take a position that varies from the approved Policy, or, if it is a matter that is not inherent in the Policy, the measure shall go to the full City Council for direction.

1. The Mayor and City Manager (or designee), shall review all requests for a Mayor's letter on legislative issues to determine if the legislation aligns with the existing and approved position through the City's Legislative Policy.
2. Department Heads shall coordinate the initiation and development of legislative letters with the City Manager (or designee).
3. If the matter aligns with approved Policy, City response shall be supplied in the form of a Mayor's letter to the legislative body reviewing the bill/measure.
4. If possible, the letter shall include examples of how a bill would specifically affect the City of Arcata e.g. "the funding the City will lose due to this measure could pay for x miles of road rehabilitation."
5. When a letter is sent to a state or federal legislative body, state legislators representing the City of Arcata shall be included as a courtesy copy "cc" on the letter. The appropriate contact at the League of California Cities and legislative consultants, if applicable, shall also be included as a cc on legislative letters.

6. All letters that are sent under this policy will be cc'd to each Councilmember and posted on the City's website.

