

# CITY of CARPINTERIA, CALIFORNIA



**THE CITY OF CARPINTERIA HAS DETERMINED THAT ALL ESSENTIAL PUBLIC MEETINGS WILL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS N-29-20 AND N-33-20 AND SANTA BARBARA COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER'S ORDER**

In response to the spread of the COVID-19 virus, Governor Newsom has temporarily suspended the requirement for local agencies to provide a physical location from which members of the public can observe and offer public comment and has ordered all Californian's to stay home except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of certain federal critical infrastructure.

**To minimize the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus, the City of Carpinteria has decided to close physical access for members of the public to the City Council Chambers for any City Council and Planning Commission meeting.** Instead, you are strongly encouraged to view all Streamed City meetings live on the City of Carpinteria's website at [www.carpinteria.ca.us](http://www.carpinteria.ca.us) or on Government Access Television Channel 21 and provide the City Council with public comment in one of the following ways:

- 1) If you wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item, please submit your comment via email to the City Clerk at [PublicComment@ci.carpinteria.ca.us](mailto:PublicComment@ci.carpinteria.ca.us) by **4:00 P.M. the date of the meeting**. Please limit your comments to 250 words. Every effort will be made to read your comment into the record, but some comments may not be read due to time limitations.
- 2) If you wish to make either a general public comment or to comment on a specific agenda item as it is being heard please send an email to the City Clerk at [PublicComment@ci.carpinteria.ca.us](mailto:PublicComment@ci.carpinteria.ca.us) by **4:00 P.M. on the date of the meeting** and include the following information in your email: (a) meeting date, (b) agenda item number, (c) subject or title of the item, (d) your full name, (e) your call back number and area code. During public comment on the agenda item specified in your email, City staff will make every effort to contact you via your provided telephone number so that you can provide public comment to the City Council electronically. Please note the Mayor has the discretion to limit the speaker's time for any meeting or agenda matter. Typically, the practice has been 3 minutes per speaker on each item.

Since this is an evolving COVID-19 situation, the City will provide updates to any changes to this policy as soon as possible. The public is referred to the City's web at [www.carpinteria.ca.us](http://www.carpinteria.ca.us) for the latest COVID-19 policies and information. The City of Carpinteria thanks you in advance for taking all precautions to prevent spreading the COVID-19 virus.