

**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA**

December 6, 2011

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, California, was held on the above date at the stated hour of **4:32 p.m.** Mayor McCloud called the meeting to order.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Council Members Burnett, Hazdovac, Sharp,
Talmage and Mayor McCloud

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Jason Stilwell, City Administrator
Heidi Burch, Asst. City Administrator/City Clerk
Mike Calhoun, Interim Police Chief
Sean Conroy, Planning Services Manager

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members of the audience joined the Mayor and Council Members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS

None.

**V. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CLOSED SESSION, FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS
AND THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

A. Announcements from Closed Session.

Mayor McCloud noted that there were no announcements from closed session.

B. Announcements from City Council members.

Mayor McCloud recognized the 2011 Carmel High School Padre football team and coaches and presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the players, who were undefeated in the regular season and played for the Central Coast Section Division IV championship.

Mayor McCloud introduced Bill Leahy, Executive Director of the Big Sur Land Trust, who provided a brief update on current and future Land Trust projects.

Council Member Burnett noted that TAMC has placed high priority to the Highway 156 project and is exploring various funding options, including that of a toll road. He also reported about an upcoming reception/meeting with the Coastal Commission to preview the Highway 156 Project and address any concerns the Commission might have.

Council Member Sharp noted the Regional Taxi Authority's one-year anniversary and its Peninsula-wide efforts over the year.

Assistant City Administrator Burch noted an e-waste recycling event on January 28th at Vista Lobos.

Mayor McCloud noted an upcoming Animal Planet show that will feature Carmel, thanked staff for the success of the holiday tree lighting event, and discussed the ongoing water issue.

C. Announcements from the City Administrator.

City Administrator Stilwell reported that the Del Mar area neighbors received notices informing them that the storage tank project will commence shortly, and gave a reminder that the City has posted a gift list online should people wish to donate money or items before the end of this year for tax purposes.

1. Receive City's FY 2011-12 First Quarter financial report.

City Administrator Stilwell presented the report.

VI. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Mayor McCloud opened the meeting to public comment at **5:08 p.m.**

Monta Potter, CEO of the Chamber of Commerce, introduced Doug Lumsden, the new Chair of the Chamber's Board of Directors. He noted the Chamber's Awards of Excellence Gala will take place on December 14 at Carmel Valley Ranch.

Carl Iverson, Carmel Heritage Society, thanked Council and staff for the replacement of the roof at the Murphy House, and noted the Society's holiday Open House on December 8 from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Carrie Anne announced that she had secured a piece of the Twin Towers for a City 9/11 memorial.

Meredith Crowell, owner of Linens and Such, addressed Post Office closures and urged better promotion of local business through advertising and more available parking especially on the slower, mid-week days.

Merv Sutton, of Carmel Celebrates Community, presented the City with a check for \$2,000 for the holiday median lighting on Ocean Avenue.

Norm Mowry, pastor of the Church of the Wayfarer, noted Moments for Meditations at 12:15 p.m. on Tuesdays at the church during the holiday season.

Abidin Soydan, an employee of the La Playa Hotel, addressed Council regarding rehiring workers once remodeling efforts are completed.

Chris Fitz, of UNITE HERE Local 483, addressed Council regarding changes to the hotel incentive program.

Tom Glidden, former General Manager of the La Playa Hotel, addressed Council regarding the closure of the hotel and arrangements that have been made for laid off employees.

Jim Griffith spoke in support of a 9/11 memorial in Carmel-by-the-Sea.

Alex Stefan addressed Council regarding the hotel incentive program.

Ken Hutchinson, Vice President of the Carmel Professional Firefighters, spoke in support of a 9/11 memorial.

Mayor McCloud closed the meeting to public comment at **5:30 p.m.**

VII. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Ratify the minutes for the regular meeting of November 1, 2011.
- B. Ratify the bills paid for the month of November 2011.
- C. Consideration of a Resolution approving the Regular Meeting Schedule of the City Council for 2012.
- D. Consideration of a Resolution authorizing the City Administrator to execute a contract with WWD Corporation to prepare concept plans and construction documents for a pedestrian walkway on San Antonio Avenue from Fourth Avenue to Ocean Avenue and a small boardwalk and viewing platform west of the Del Mar Parking area in an amount not to exceed \$43,000.
- E. Consideration of a Resolution accepting a donation of \$2,000 from Carmel Celebrates Community for the Ocean Avenue holiday median lights.

City Administrator Stilwell answered Council questions regarding Item D.

Mayor McCloud opened and closed the meeting to public comment at **5:32 p.m.**

Council Member BURNETT moved **to approve Consent Agenda Items A-E**, seconded by Council Member TALMAGE and carried unanimously.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. None.

IX. ORDINANCES

- A. Consideration of an Ordinance amending Section 17.14.030 (Schedule II- B) of the Carmel Zoning Ordinance/Local Coastal Implementation Plan to allow Transitional Housing Facilities as a permitted use in the Residential and Limited Commercial (RC) District. (First Reading)

Planning Services Manager Sean Conroy presented the staff report.

Mayor McCloud opened and closed the meeting to public comment at **5:39 p.m.**

Council Member BURNETT moved **to adopt, upon first reading, an Ordinance amending Section 17.14.030 (Schedule II- B) of the Carmel Zoning Ordinance/Local Coastal Implementation Plan to allow Transitional Housing Facilities as a permitted use in the Residential and Limited Commercial (RC) District.** seconded by Council Member HAZDOVAC, and passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	BURNETT; HAZDOVAC; SHARP; TALMAGE & McCLOUD
NOES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	NONE
ABSENT:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	NONE

X. RESOLUTIONS

- A. None.

XI. ORDERS OF COUNCIL

- A. Receive report and provide direction on alternatives for maintaining or modifying trolley and/or bus service within the City.

Mayor McCloud introduced Hunter Harvath, Assistant General Manager of Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST), who gave the presentation.

Mayor McCloud opened the meeting to public comment at **5:52 p.m.**

Barbara Livingston; Monta Potter, CEO of the Carmel Chamber of Commerce; and Carrie Theis, President of the Carmel Innkeepers Association addressed Council.

Mayor McCloud closed the meeting to public comment at **6:00 p.m.**

Council Member BURNETT moved **to express support for a modified Line 24 and to direct staff to work with MST staff on developing cost modifications on Line 4**, seconded by Council Member TALMAGE, and passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: BURNETT; HAZDOVAC; SHARP;
TALMAGE & McCLOUD

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

- B. Consideration of a request from Pacific Repertory Theatre (PacRep) for a waiver of building permit fees for the Golden Bough Playhouse remodel project.

City Administrator Stilwell presented the staff report.

Stephen Moorer, executive director of PacRep Theatre, addressed Council.

Mayor McCloud opened the meeting to public comment at **6:21 p.m.**

Bob Wolford, Barbara Livingston and Carl Iverson addressed Council.

Mayor McCloud closed the meeting to public comment at **6:25 p.m.**

Council Member TALMAGE moved **to grant the waiver of the net building permit fees for the Pacific Repertory Theatre's Golden Bough Playhouse remodel project and requested that staff return with proposed criteria for fee waivers at a future meeting**, seconded by Mayor McCLOUD, and passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: BURNETT; HAZDOVAC; SHARP;
TALMAGE & McCLOUD

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS: NONE

- C. Receive report and provide policy direction on a proposal to make Scenic Road one way from Santa Lucia Avenue to Carmel River State Beach.

Planning Services Manager Sean Conroy presented the staff report.

Carl Holm, Interim Deputy Director of the Monterey County Resource Agency, elaborated on the County's proposed project.

Mayor McCloud opened the meeting to public comment at **6:48 p.m.**

Lorin Letendre, chair of County Services Area (CSA) One, Barbara Livingston of the Carmel Residents Association, Kathleen Sonntag, and Joyce Stevens of the Carmel Woods Association, addressed Council.

Mayor McCloud closed the meeting to public comment at **6:52 p.m.**

Council Member HAZDOVAC moved **to support making Scenic Road one way from Santa Lucia Avenue to the Carmel River State Beach and to co-sponsor the County workshop,** seconded by Council Member BURNETT, and passed by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	BURNETT; HAZDOVAC; SHARP; TALMAGE & McCLOUD
NOES:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	NONE
ABSENT:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	COUNCIL MEMBERS:	NONE

D. Scheduling Future City Council meetings – Please Bring Your Calendar.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor McCloud declared the meeting adjourned at **7:01 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

ATTEST:

Heidi Burch, City Clerk

MAYOR SUE McCLOUD