



CITY/SCHOOLS COMMITTEE

# Agenda

Sept. 16, 2024, 12:30 p.m.

Council Chamber  
1200 Carlsbad Village Drive  
Carlsbad, CA 92008

## Welcome to the City/Schools Committee Meeting

We welcome your interest and involvement in the City/Schools Committee. This agenda includes information about topics coming before the City/Schools Committee and the action recommended by city staff.

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#### In Person



City/Schools Committee Meetings take place at City Hall, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive

#### Online



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### How to participate

If you would like to provide comments to the City/Schools Committee, please:

- Fill out a speaker request form, located in the foyer.
- Submit the form to the City Clerk before the item begins.
- When it's your turn, the City Clerk will call your name and invite you to the podium.
- For non-agenda public comment, speakers must confine their remarks to matters within the Commission's subject matter jurisdiction.
- For public comment on agenda items, speakers must confine their remarks to the question or matter under consideration.
- Speakers have three minutes, unless the presiding officer changes that time.
- You may not give your time to another person, but can create a group. A group must select a single speaker as long as three other members of your group are present. All forms must be submitted to the City Clerk before the item begins and will only be accepted for items listed on the agenda. Group representatives have 10 minutes unless that time is changed by the presiding officer or the Committee.
- **In writing:** Email comments to [clerk@carlsbadca.gov](mailto:clerk@carlsbadca.gov) Comments received by 5 p.m. the day prior to the meeting will be shared with the Committee prior to the meeting. When e-mailing comments, please identify in the subject line the agenda item to which your comments relate. All comments received will be included as part of the official record. **Written comments will not be read out loud.**

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

**ROLL CALL:**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes of the Special Meeting held Sept. 19, 2023

Minutes of the Special Meeting held May 7, 2024

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. SUPERINTENDENT AND CITY MANAGER UPDATES – Receive and discuss reports on the city’s and school districts’ current priority projects and programs.

**Recommendation:** Receive the updates and provide feedback.

2. CRITICAL INCIDENT COMMUNICATIONS – Receive and discuss information regarding communications between schools and City of Carlsbad public safety agencies during critical incidents.

**Recommendation:** Receive the updates and provide feedback.

3. ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAMS UPDATE – Receive and discuss an update regarding City of Carlsbad Environmental Sustainability Programs.

**Recommendation:** Receive the updates and provide feedback.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**



## CITY/SCHOOLS COMMITTEE

# Minutes

Sept. 19, 2023, 2 p.m.

Special Meeting

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**CALL TO ORDER:** 2 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Pro Tem Priya Bhat-Patel Council Member Teresa Acosta, Carlsbad Unified School District (CUSD) Trustee Ray Pearson, CUSD Trustee Kathy Rallings, CUSD Superintendent Ben Churchill, Encinitas Union School District (EUSD) Board Member Thomas Morton, San Diego Union High School District (SDUHSD) Board Member Jane Lea Smith.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes of the Special Meeting held June 23, 2023  
Minutes were accepted and filed.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **SUPERINTENDENT AND CITY MANAGER UPDATES** – Receive and discuss reports on the city's and school districts' current priority projects and programs.

**Recommendation:** Receive the updates and provide feedback.

City Manager Chadwick provided an update on the city's current priorities. CUSD Superintendent Churchill, EUSD Superintendent Grey, SDUHSD Superintendent Staffieri and SMUSD Superintendent Johnson provided updates on their district's current priorities and programs.

*Kelly LeBerthon expressed her concerns with gender identity legislation.*

The committee received the updates.

2. **E-BIKE AND BICYCLE SAFETY UPDATE** – Receive and discuss an update regarding city and school district initiatives promoting e-bike and bicycle safety in Carlsbad.

**Recommendation:** Receive the updates and provide feedback.

Assistant City Manager Geoff Patnoe, Police Lieutenant Alonso DeVelasco and Director of Transportation Tom Frank presented the report and reviewed a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the Office of the City Clerk).

The committee received the updates.

3. FENTANYL CRISIS – Receive and discuss information regarding the city’s efforts to address the Fentanyl crisis in Carlsbad.

**Recommendation:** Receive the updates and provide feedback.

Community Health Nurse Christina Gilmore and Police Lieutenant Shaun Lawton presented the report and reviewed a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the Office of the City Clerk).

The committee received the updates.

4. STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTS – Receive and discuss information regarding student mental health supports being offered in Carlsbad schools.

**Recommendation:** Receive the updates and provide feedback.

CUSD Superintendent Churchill, EUSD Superintendent Grey, SDUHSD Superintendent Staffieri and SMUSD Superintendent Johnson provided information regarding student mental health supports being offered at Carlsbad schools.

The committee received the updates.

5. COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND GRANT PROGRAMS – Receive and discuss information regarding the city’s Carlsbad Student Leader Academy, City Stuff, and Community Grants programs.

**Recommendation:** Receive the updates and provide feedback.

This item was continued to the next City/Schools Committee meeting at a date uncertain.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Trustee Rallings requested to identify opportunities for the City Schools Committee to collaborate with the Carlsbad City Council Legislative Subcommittee on advocacy efforts.

Trustee Rallings requested that consensus-based scheduling be established for the City/Schools Committee Meetings to allow members to consider more scheduling options.

Council Member Bhat-Patel requested that a member from County Public Health join the City/Schools meetings and requested that SMUSD Superintendent Johnson share information about the student mental health support funding SMUSD received from the State of California.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Council Member Acosta adjourned the duly noticed meeting at 4:06 p.m.

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Ana Marie Alarcon, CMC  
Deputy City Clerk



## CITY/SCHOOLS COMMITTEE

# Minutes

May 7, 2024, 9:30 a.m.  
Special Meeting

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**CALL TO ORDER:** 9:30 a.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Pro Tem Priya Bhat-Patel, Council Member Teresa Acosta, San Dieguito Unified High School District (SDUHSD) Trustee Katrina Young, Encinitas Union School District (EUSD) Board Member Thomas Morton, Carlsbad Unified School District (CUSD) Trustee Kathy Rallings, Trustee Gretchen Vurbeff.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Kevin Sullivan spoke regarding interdistrict transfers for his children.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

CUSD Trustee Rallings requested to begin creating minutes for the City Schools meetings and draft minutes from the September 2023 meeting. Motion by Trustee Rallings, seconded by Trustee Young. Motion carried unanimously, 6/0.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **SUPERINTENDENT AND CITY MANAGER UPDATES** – Receive and discuss reports on the city's and school districts' current priority projects and programs.

**Recommendation:** Receive the updates and provide feedback.

City Manager Chadwick provided an update on the city's current priorities. CUSD Superintendent Churchill, SDUHSD Superintendent Staffieri, EUSD Superintendent Grey, and SMUSD Superintendent Johnson provided updates on their district's current priorities and programs.

The committee received the updates and provided feedback.

2. **COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND GRANT PROGRAMS** – Receive and discuss information regarding the city's Carlsbad Student Leader Academy, City Stuff, and Community Grants programs.

**Recommendation:** Receive the updates and provide feedback.

Senior Program Manager Nicole Piano-Jones and Program Manager Erin Peak presented the report and reviewed a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the Office of the City Clerk).

The committee received the updates and provided feedback.

3. SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM UPDATE – Receive and discuss an update regarding the city’s Safe Routes to School Program.

**Recommendation:** Receive the updates and provide feedback.

Transportation Director Tom Frank presented the report and reviewed a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the Office of the City Clerk).

The committee received the updates and provided feedback.

4. CITY-SPONSORED STATE LEGISLATION (2024) – Receive and discuss an update regarding two city-sponsored bills – AB 2234 (Boerner), which would authorize cities to prohibit people under 12 years of age from operating an electric bicycle, and AB 2715 (Boerner), which would authorize a legislative body to hold a closed session on matters related to cybersecurity.

**Recommendation:** Receive the updates and provide feedback.

Intergovernmental Affairs Director Jason Haber presented the report and reviewed a PowerPoint presentation (on file in the Office of the City Clerk).

The committee received the updates and provided feedback.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

CUSD Trustee Vurbeff requested to discuss procedures and communications between CUSD and Carlsbad Fire and Police Departments during school lockdowns.

CUST Trustee Rallings requested an agenda item to address sustainability issues beyond recycling like single use plastic bans, energy use, avoiding waste and more collaboration between the city and the school district on those issues.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Council Member Acosta adjourned the duly noticed meeting at 11:32 a.m.

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