



Karen Sanchez tosses an assist to help close a 10-point gap between Carpinteria and Malibu High School last Thursday.



Malibu High School junior Karen Sanchez dribbles downcourt during the game.

Shooting and scoring



Emily Goodman / TMT



The Malibu High School Varsity girls basketball team played against Carpinteria High School last Thurs., Jan. 23 at home. The team was trailing behind in a league game by 10 points. MHS was able to come back and close the gap to five points, but Carpinteria won the game 29-19. Nina Hungerland was the leading scorer with seven points. Kendall Jordan led with nine rebounds and two blocked shots.

Above: The Malibu High School Varsity girls basketball team huddles during a timeout. Left: Sophomore Kendall Jordan fights off a pair of Carpinteria players in the lane during last week's home game.

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CUP compliance

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according to city staff. Still, applying for the permit would not guarantee its approval, especially if long-established restaurants and businesses are considered under-parked or out of fire safety compliance with city code.

A project to notify each owner of their noncompliance was put on hold several months ago as a result of a staffing shortage, City of Malibu Planning Director Joyce Parker-Bozylinski said, even though the operators were legally required to obtain CUPs from the planning department as of March 2013.

But city staff has yet to send out notices of the permit discrepancy to the affected establishments, and due to the unprecedented project, city officials still aren't quite sure how to go about it.

"Before it was put on hold, we were working with the city attorney to figure out the nuts and bolts of how to go about notifying," Parker-Bozylinski said. "We were asking, should we send [notices] all out at once? Because then we're gonna

inundated with responses. Or could we send [notices] out in phases?"

City Attorney Christi Hogin said Monday the city bears no legal liabilities for those 50 businesses being out of compliance, but that the city's bylaws need to be addressed and possibly updated.

"It's just a matter of policy," Hogin said. "...One option is [for the City Council] to make legal nonconforming businesses allowed to operate in the city."

The City Council could also choose to extend the 20-year period set out in the original MMC, or repeal the requirement altogether through a council action, Hogin said.

The only presentation made to the City Council on the issue came during an October 2013 meeting when the council received and filed a report from Project Planner Lisa Toledo. The report informed the council of "staff's intention to implement" the CUP requirement but did not require any vote

or direction from the city's ruling body—a "receive and file" report.

On Tuesday, Mayor Joan House said the planning department might have to return to the City Council for further direction on the project.

"I think the council has to have an array of options of how to handle it...we need a full staff report," House said.

House remains unsure as to whether she wants the City Council to place higher priority on the CUP project, or continue having staff focus on other planning projects currently in the pipeline, including a plan to create a Specific Plan for the Civic Center.

"What happens with a small staff, if you focus on one thing and all of a sudden you throw something else into the mix, [another priority] is gonna fall off that plate," she said Tuesday.

For now, the project remains on hold and Parker-Bozylinski estimated it would be at least one month before staff picks it up again.

List of Nonconforming Users

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| Sycamore Farms - equestrian riding and training facility | Mr. Chow - restaurant | Calvary Chapel Malibu - church/temple/worship |
| Malibu Riding Club - equestrian riding and training facility | Coogies - restaurant | Church of Scientology Mission - church/temple/worship |
| Country Liquor Markets - convenience store/liquor store | Country Kitchen - restaurant | Malibu Seventh Day Adventist - church/temple/worship |
| Colony House Liquors - convenience store/liquor store | Giovanni's - restaurant | First Church of Christ Scientist - church/temple/worship |
| Malibu Seafood and Fresh Fish - convenience store | Fish Grill - restaurant | Malibu Congregation of Jehovah - church/temple/worship |
| Ralphs - food market | Malibu Seafood Patio - restaurant | GAN Malibu Preschool - day care/nursery school |
| Pavillions - food market | Geoffrey's - restaurant | LA County - gov facility |
| Moonshadows - bar/restaurant | Coral Beach Cantina/Zooma Sushi - restaurant | Malibu Library, County of LA - library |
| Sunset Restaurant - bar/restaurant/live entertainment | Zuma ARCO/USA Gasoline - service station | LA County Public Works - maintenance yards |
| McDonalds - restaurant | Unocal 76 - service station | SoCal Edison - public utility |
| KFC - restaurant | Chevron - service station | GTE/Edison - public utility |
| Jack in the Box - restaurant | Malibu Beach Inn - hotel | Malibu Sky Self Storage - self storage |
| Subway - restaurant | Malibu Riviera Motel - motel/B&B | |
| Marmalade - restaurant | The Malibu Hotel - motel/B&B | |
| Howdy's - restaurant | Malibu Country Inn - motel/B&B | |
| Thai Dishes and Sushi - restaurant | Malibu Racquet Club - sports courts | |
| John's Garden - restaurant | Malibu United Methodist - church/temple/worship | |
| Taverna Tony - restaurant | Malibu United Methodist Nursery School - day care/nursery school | |
| | Our Lady of Malibu Catholic Church - church/temple/worship | |