



**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS**

**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #3**  
THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2015, 7:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM  
2929 TAPO CANYON ROAD

**AGENDA**

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| NC #3 Chair          | Avery West                    |
| NC #3 Vice Chair     | Gary King                     |
| NC #3 Secretary      | Andrew Gorden                 |
| NC Coordinator       | Emily Habib                   |
| City Council Liaison | Council Member Keith Mashburn |

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1. Call to Order/Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance
2. Agenda Review
3. Approval of Minutes
4. Correspondence
5. Public Statements/Comments  
This is the time allotted for public statements or comments on matters within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Executive Board not on the agenda. Statements and comments are limited to no more than five (5) minutes per speaker.
6. Informational Presentations
  - a. The Simi Valley Police Department's Crime Analysis Unit
  - b. Coastal Cleanup Day
  - c. The City's Home Rehabilitation Program
7. Continued Business: None
8. New Business: None
9. Neighborhood Council Coordinator's Report



10. Executive Board Comments

This is the time allotted for Executive Board member statements or comments on matters within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Neighborhood Councils, to request a future agenda item, or to give an Ad Hoc Committee Report. This is also the time to make any announcements related to community events and other items of interest.

11. Adjournment: Thursday, August 13, 2015

/s/  
Mark Oyler  
Deputy Director/Citizen Services

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DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Gary King called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. He also confirmed that a quorum was present.

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| Pamela Dean     | P | Gary King                      | P |
| Shannon Johnson | P | Linda Mann                     | E |
| Lois Ann Lengel | E | Josh Lorencz                   | E |
| Elaine Litster  | P | Al Orozco                      | P |
| Patti Ringo     | E | Avery West                     | P |
| Kelly Tinker    | P | Vacant                         |   |
| Andrew Gorden   | E | P=Present; E=Excused; A=Absent |   |

Also present: Deputy Director/Citizen Services Mark Oyler

2. Agenda Review

By consensus of the Executive Board, the agenda was approved as presented.

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Kelly Tinker and seconded by Elaine Litster to approve the minutes of April 16, 2105, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence: None

5. Public Statements/Comments: None

6. Informational Presentations

a. The Simi Valley Police Department's Detective Unit

The presentation was postponed to a later date to be determined. Officer Ryan Brennan informed the Executive Board that the major crime trend in Neighborhood Council #3 is still property theft from unlocked vehicles. He also noted that his team of officers are preparing for the potential increase in crime during the summer when the youth are out of school.

b. National Public Works Week

Kay Allen, Environmental Compliance Program Coordinator, discussed the Public Works Open House, which will take place on Thursday, May 21, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Simi Valley Public Services Center. The event this year will be free to the public. There will be educational tours of the facilities, and opportunities to learn about the various functions of the Public Works Department.

7. Continued Business: None

8. New Business

a. Review of Proposed Revisions to the City's Sign Ordinance

Peter Lyons, Director of Environmental Services, provided an overview of the City's current temporary sign ordinance and what is proposed once the ordinance sunsets later this year. He noted that the City Council had requested input from the Neighborhood Councils on the proposed revisions. Of particular interest was whether they felt it was appropriate to discontinue the use of feather signs and to increase the size and amount of monument signs.

**Questions and comments from the audience/responses from the applicant regarding feather signs:**

None

**Questions and comments from the Executive Board/responses from the applicant regarding feather signs:**

**Have owners/managers of shopping centers expressed opinions on the proposed regulations?**

Not specifically but some have asked for copies of the proposed revisions.

**Can any business currently use feather signs?**

Yes they can.

**Upon conclusion of the discussion, the following motion was made by Al Orozco and seconded by Kelly Tinker:**

**MOTION: Recommend that the Planning Commission deny the proposed revisions to the City's Sign Ordinance and allow the use of feather signs to continue.**

**Executive Board vote: 4 Ayes; 3 Noes; 0 Abstentions**

**Audience vote: None**

**Unincorporated Area vote: None**

**The motion carried.**

**Questions and comments from the audience/responses from the applicant regarding monument signs:**

None

**Questions and comments from the Executive Board/responses from the applicant regarding monument signs:**

One person was in favor of more monument signs but not the increase in height.

**Upon conclusion of the discussion, the following motion was made by Al Orozco and seconded by Kelly Tinker:**

**MOTION: Recommend that the Planning Commission approve the proposed revisions to the City's Sign Ordinance with a modification to not increase in height of the monument signs.**

**Executive Board vote:**           **6 Ayes;    1 No;    0 Abstentions**  
**Audience vote:**               **None**  
**Unincorporated Area vote:**   **None**

**The motion carried.**

9.     Executive Board Member Comments

Avery West reported on the most recent Taskforce on Homelessness meeting. He stated that Simi Valley has the third highest number of homeless in Ventura County. Mark Oyler added that approximately 95% of these people have ties to Simi Valley as opposed to people moving into Simi Valley for reasons such as the services offered in the City. He also noted that approximately 70% of these people are employed but cannot afford permanent housing.

Mr. West also noted that there will be a rally at the corner of Tapo Canyon Road and Alamo Street on May 16 to show support for the Simi Valley Police Department.

10.    Neighborhood Council Coordinator's Report

Emily Habib discussed the next recruitment, which will open at the beginning of June for the terms beginning on November 1, 2015, and concluding on October 31, 2017. She stated that NC #3 is expected to have five openings.

11.    Adjournment: Thursday, July 16, 2015, 7:30 p.m.

By the consensus of the Executive Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.