



**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #4**  
TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2017, 7:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM  
2929 TAPO CANYON ROAD

AGENDA

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NC #4 Chair	Pete Stong
NC #4 Vice Chair	Ron Knepper
NC #4 Secretary	Gina Simonelli
NC Coordinator	Emily Habib
City Council Liaison	Council Member Glen Becerra

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1. Call to Order/Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance/Introductions

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 Presentation

a. Coastal Cleanup Day 2017

7. New Business: None

8. Neighborhood Council Coordinator's Report

9. 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.



10. Adjournment: \*SPECIAL MEETING DATE- *Wednesday, August 16, 2017, 7:30 p.m.*

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Anna M. Medina  
Deputy Community Services Director

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DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance/Introductions

Interim Chair Pete Stong called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. Interim Secretary Gina Simonelli confirmed that a quorum was present.

John Casselberry Jr.	P	Ron Knepper	P
Steve Mace	P	Sharon McCann	P
Diane Martinez-Adams	P	Patti Ringo	P
Monica Hopper	E	Gina Simonelli	P
Chuck Kiel	P	Pete Stong	P
Ron Hypes	E	Vacant	
Teri Hypes	E	P=Present; E=Excused; A=Absent	

2. Agenda Review

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

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Gina Simonelli and seconded by John Casselberry Jr. to approve the March 21, 2017 minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence: None

5. Public Statements/Comments

Jennifer Mellon, Deputy Community Services Director, informed the Executive Board about Simi Valley Transit's upcoming Short Range Transit Plan Open Houses on Tuesday, May 23. The purpose of the event is to get community feedback on the Transit schedules and services. She encouraged Executive Board members to attend and to spread the word to the community.

6. Informational Presentations

a. Introduction to the Simi Valley Library and its Services

Kelly Behle, Director of the Simi Valley Library, gave a presentation. She discussed the many programs available to all members of the community from children to teens to adults. She also discussed the Library's Strategic Planning process and the service priorities that derived from it: making access to services easier; telling the Library's story; empowering customer service; cultivating community creativity and supporting educational pursuits. One such opportunity is the NASA Library Initiative for Teachers and Students (LIFTS), which provides patrons of all ages with unique science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) literacy resources.

7. New Business

a. Election of Officers

By consensus of the Executive Board, Pete Stong was elected Chair, Ron Knepper was elected Vice Chair, and Gina Simonelli was elected Secretary.

b. Discussion of the Neighborhood Council's participation in the Simi Valley Days Parade

The Executive Board chose to participate in the 2017 Simi Valley Days Parade. They agreed with Neighborhood Councils #1, 2, and 3 in that they wanted to work with the other Executive Boards on a single entry as opposed to competing against the other Executive Boards. They felt working together better symbolized the emphasis of the Neighborhood Councils on cooperation.

8. Neighborhood Council Coordinator's Report

Emily Habib informed the Executive Board that recruitment for the next term, which begins November 1, will commence in July. She handed out meeting cards that they could use to invite people they know to apply for the Executive Board.

9. Executive Board Comments

Monica Hopper inquired about what the police response has been to recent instances of tagging in the Texas Tract. She also reported a car theft at Los Angeles and Kuehner Drive that day. Emily Habib will request information from the Police Department and will report back.

Sharon McCann brought up the special lunch to celebrate Older Americans Month that was coming up the next day at the Simi Valley Senior Center.

Steve Mace and other Executive Board members shared thoughts on how to disseminate Neighborhood Council information out to the public. Increased use of social media was the primary area of discussion.

Pete Stong reported on the March 2016 Taskforce on Homelessness meeting. He informed the Executive Board about a pilot program that was discussed called Real Change Movement. It involves installing parking meters near locations where panhandlers normally congregate to encourage people to add their spare change there instead of giving it directly to the panhandlers. Until more information can be obtained from other jurisdictions showing that the program can pay for itself over time, the City will not be pursuing the program.

10. Adjournment: Tuesday June 20, 2017, 7:30 p.m.

By the consensus of the Executive Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:44 p.m.