



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #4
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2024, 7:00 P.M.
SIMI VALLEY LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM
2969 TAPO CANYON ROAD
SPECIAL MEETING LOCATION

AGENDA

NC #4 Chair	Don Diamond
NC #4 Vice Chair	Tracy Bodis
NC #4 Secretary	Holly Harpham
City Council Liaison	Council Member Dee Dee Cavanaugh

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 three (3) minutes per speaker.

6. Informational Presentation(s)

a. Assuring the Safety and Quality of Building Construction

No Action: Receive Information

7. New Business: None

8. City Staff Comments



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 give an Ad Hoc Committee Report, or to make any announcements related to community events and other items of interest.

10. Adjournment: Tuesday, January 21, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

/s/

Mara Malch
Deputy Environmental Services Director

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DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Chair Don Diamond called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

Don Diamond	P	Art Simeri	P
Tracy Bodis	P	Alessandro Neri	E
Holly Harpham	P	Karen Diem	P
Amber Powell	A	Stephanie Bunker	P
Susan Derksen	P	Vacant	
Steven Koep	P	Vacant	
David Hechter	P	P=Present; E=Excused; A=Absent	

2. Agenda Review

No changes were made to the agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Tracy Bodis and seconded by Steve Koep to approve the September 17, 2024 minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence:

Dale Cutler resigned from Neighborhood Council Executive Board #4.

5. Public Statements/Comments: None

6. Informational Presentation(s)

a. The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and the Program for Public Information (PPI) Committee

Brent Siemer, Deputy Public Works Director of Development Services, gave a presentation on the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) highlighting the importance of flood insurance and emergency preparedness. He stressed the need to protect people, insure property and build responsibly using safety codes. The NFIP provides federally backed flood insurance for homeowners, renters, and businesses, especially in Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA) identified by Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), as regular homeowners insurance does not cover flood damage. As a Class Six community in FEMA’s Community Rating System, Simi Valley residents receive a 20% discount on NFIP flood insurance premiums. Flood insurance and hazard preparedness are key to recovering quickly from flood events, with investment in mitigation saving significant future costs. Mitigation efforts such as detention and debris basins help manage

stormwater and reduce flood risks. To remove properties from floodplains, a Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) or Revision (LOMR) is required. Simi Valley is updating its flood maps with City Council support and funds. The Program for Public Information (PPI) Committee, which includes Neighborhood Council Executive Board representatives, reviews flood management plans and updates them regularly.

7. New Business

- a. Nomination of a representative to the Special Events Support Review Committee

By consensus, Stephanie Bunker was nominated as the representative to the Special Events Support Review Committee.

8. City Staff Comments

Kelly Duffy, Community Services Coordinator, announced the City is currently accepting applications for Neighborhood Council Executive Board members. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older and a resident of the City of Simi Valley. Successful candidates will be appointed by the City Council to serve in an advisory capacity for two-year terms from March 1, 2025 to February 28, 2027. Current Executive Board members are encouraged to tell their neighbors about recruitment. The Neighborhood Councils will have a booth at the Simi Valley Street Fair on October 26, 2024. Executive Board members are invited to volunteer and engage with the community. Visit the Simi Valley Senior Center Arts & Crafts Fair on October 18, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on October 19, 2024, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. On October 19, 2024 energize yourself for a morning of shopping by stopping by the "All You Can Eat" Pancake Breakfast prepared by members of the Rotary Club of Simi Valley Noontimers. Breakfast will be served from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Tickets for the breakfast are \$8.00 and can be purchased at the door on the day of the event. Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District is offering excursions leaving from the Simi Valley Senior Center. On October 26, 2024 hockey fans can join a Los Angeles Kings game excursion. Tickets are \$76 with the bus leaving at 10:30 a.m. from the north parking lot of the Simi Valley Senior Center. Also offered is the Descanso Gardens Enchanted Light Show excursion on December 3, 2024. Tickets are \$49 and the bus will depart from the North parking lot at the Simi Valley Senior Center. Register at rsrpd.org or call (805) 583-6059.

9. Executive Board Comments

Steve Koep announced Royal High School's Air Force Junior ROTC invited all active military personnel and local veterans to the annual Military Appreciation Night on October 10, 2024. Also, Forever Found celebrated the 14th Annual Freedom Gala at the Four Seasons Westlake Village.

10. Adjournment: Tuesday, November 19, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

By consensus of the Executive Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.