

# NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #1 THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2014, 7:30 P.M. CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM 2929 TAPO CANYON ROAD

## **AGENDA**

NC #1 ChairDavid KernNC #1 Vice ChairAnthony HernandezNC #1 SecretaryDon HoytNC CoordinatorJennifer SantosCity Council LiaisonMayor Pro Tem Glen Becerra

- 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. Statements and comments are limited to no more than five (5) minutes per speaker.

- 6. Informational Presentation
  - a. 2014 Update to the Master Plan of Drainage
- 7. Continued Business: None
- 8. New Business
  - a. Discussion of Unmet Transit Needs and Public Transportation in the East County
  - b. Discussion of Neighborhood Council Recruitment
  - c. Selection of a nominee to the Special Event Support Review Committee



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. Neighborhood Council Coordinator's Report
- 11. Adjournment: Thursday, March 6, 2014

<u>/s/</u> Mark Oyler

Deputy Director/Citizen Services

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# DRAFT MINUTES

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

Vice Chair David Kern called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. Andrea Stillmak noted that a quorum was present. David Kern shared with the Executive Board that Chair Mike Antoun recently passed away.

Anthony Hernandez	Р	Vacant	
David Kern	Р	Vacant	
Shelley McGee	Р	Vacant	
Andrea Stillmak	Р	Vacant	
Don Hoyt	Р	Vacant	
Dana Murphy	Р	Vacant	
MaryAnn Wales	Р	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 to approve the November 7, 2013 minutes as presented was made by Mary Ann Wales and seconded by Shelly McGee. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence: None

## 5. Police Liaison Report

Officer Ryan Brennan distributed a Crime Mapping summary of police activity in the Neighborhood Council #1 for the period of December 20, 2013 through January 9, 2014. Officer Brennan also responded to questions from the Executive Board members regarding the "Coffee with a Cop" program and incidences of vandalism at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum.

## 6. Public Statements/Comments

Mayor Huber stated that Mike Antoun will be greatly missed throughout the community. He asked for the Executive Board to join him in a moment of silence in his memory. Mayor Huber also expressed appreciation for the service of the Executive Board and stated that the Neighborhood Councils are important component of the City's structure.

#### 7. Informational Presentation

a. Overview of Southern California Gas Company's Advanced Meter Program

A presentation was given by Michele Pettes and Maria Ventura of the Southern California Gas Company. They provided an overview on the upcoming installation of the Advanced Meters. They explained the benefits to customers and the installation schedule of the six data collection units in Neighborhood Council #1. The entire deployment of the new metering system is expected to be completed by 2015.

b. Development Review and Planning Process Overview Lorri Hammer, Senior Planner with the City of Simi Valley's Environmental Services Department provided an overview of the City's Development Review and Planning Process. Ms. Hammer explained that Planning Division staff processes applications for residential, commercial, and industrial development through a formal review process. She explained the different types of permits, levels of decision-making, process involved to prepare the applications for a decision, and the public hearing process. Applications are reviewed for consistency with the General Plan, compliance with the Municipal Code, and conformance with City design quidelines and policies. The review process also analyzes potential environmental impacts for disclosure to the public. Planning staff provides guidance to development applicants and the public to ensure that all proposed development projects meet community standards and fulfill all legal requirements. Planning staff also performs plan checks and site inspections on approved projects throughout construction to ensure all development conditions have been met. Additionally, Ms. Hammer explained that the role of the Neighborhood Councils in the development process is to bring forward community concerns and highlight impacts of development that may only be noticed by residents.

#### 8. Continued Business: None

#### 9. New Business

a. Election of Executive Board Officers

David Kern was nominated for Chair and he accepted the nomination. Anthony Hernandez was nominated and accepted his nomination for Vice Chair. Don Hoyt was nominated and accepted his nomination for Secretary. By consensus of the Executive Board, the slate of officers was elected as presented.

## b. Discussion of Flyer Distribution

Executive Board members said they have been handing out flyers and are exploring new ways to recruit citizens to fill the vacancies on the board. Ideas to increase awareness of upcoming meetings included using Nextdoor.com and local parent-teacher associations. Additionally, it was suggested that the Neighborhood Council boundaries be reviewed for possible modifications to assist with recruitment issues.

## 10. Executive Board Member Comments

Shelly McGee stated that she will bring a sympathy card for the Executive Board members to sign at the next meeting for Mike Antoun's family.

Mary Ann Wales expressed concerns about Southern California Edison's Smart Meter program and Southern California Gas Company's Advanced Meter program. She was concerned about possible health risks and customers being overcharged. She also announced that the Simi Valley Police Foundation is raising funds to provide a hospitality suite to support the Simi Valley Police Department Baker to Vegas Team.

Several Executive Board members shared their frustration about attempting to recruit new Executive Board members including a question about the Neighborhood Council district boundaries. Robert Martin stated that he would provide some background on this issue at the next meeting.

David Kern stated that he would keep the Executive Board apprised of what is happening with the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Advisory Committee and its funding recommendations as one of the Neighborhood Council representatives on the Committee.

# 11. Neighborhood Council Coordinator's Report

Robert Martin informed the Executive Board that the deadline for comments on the Santa Susana Field Laboratory Environmental Impact Report has been extended to February 10, 2014. He also announced that the Simi Valley Public Library now offers e-notify on upcoming Library events. Residents can sign up today at <a href="www.simivalley.org/enotify">www.simivalley.org/enotify</a>. He also informed the Executive Board that Mayor Huber will be hosting a Town Hall meeting on January 18, 2014 at the Simi Valley Town Center from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

#### 12. Adjournment: Thursday, February 6, 2014

By the consensus of the Executive Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:29 p.m. in memory of Mike Antoun.