



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #4
TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2014, 7:30 P.M.
CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM
2929 TAPO CANYON ROAD

AGENDA

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| NC #4 Chair | Mark May |
| NC #4 Vice Chair | Omkar Ranade |
| NC #4 Secretary | Gloria Bowman |
| NC Coordinator | Jennifer Santos |
| City Council Liaison | Council Member Keith Mashburn |

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. Simi Valley Traffic Engineering
7. Continued Business
8. New Business
 - a. Discussion of the Benefits of Serving on the Neighborhood Council
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: Tuesday, April 15, 2014

/s/
Mark Oyler
Deputy Director/Citizen Services

If any interested individual has a disability that may require accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the Neighborhood Council Coordinator at (805) 583-6756. Upon advance notification, reasonable arrangements will be made to provide accessibility to the meeting.

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Chair Mark May called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. Secretary Gloria Bowman confirmed that a quorum was present.

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| Reggiena Abaca | A | Jamuna Ramnath | A |
| Gloria Bowman | P | Omkar Ranade | P |
| Rian Driscoll | P | Satish Shah | P |
| Skip Faria | P | Sean Smollen | P |
| David Kennedy | P | Gregory Yacoubian | E |
| Mark May | P | VACANT | |
| Bob Powers | P | P=Present; E=Excused; A=Absent; L=Leave | |

2. Agenda Review

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

3. Approval of Minutes

Skip Faria and Sean Smollen both stated that the minutes from the January Meeting listed them as absent, when they should have been excused. A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Omkar Ranade and seconded by Bob Powers. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence: None

5. Public Statements/Comments: None

6. Informational Presentation

A. 2014 Update to the Master Plan of Drainage

Brent Siemer, Deputy Director/Development Services, provided an overview of the National Flood Insurance Program and the City's efforts to further lower insurance rates for Simi Valley residents through public education. His presentation showed the Flood Insurance Rate Maps that indicated the different areas within Simi Valley that may be impacted if flooding were to occur. He explained the possible dangers with even a small amount of moving water. There are preventive measures to assist with flood prevention, such as clearing debris in private yards, maintaining proper irrigation and onsite drainage, educating and preparing family members about flood dangers, having an evacuation plan, and knowledge of escape routes and road closures. He explained that upgrades to public drainage facilities continue to improve flood control and revisions to the

flood maps continue to occur. The Public Works Department can simulate major storm events in order to prepare for an emergency response and to better educate the public. A Capital Improvement Plan to decrease flood risk for areas that continue to need improvement is also being considered.

7. Continued Business

A. Discussion of Flyer Distribution

The Executive Board discussed possibly utilizing social media to notify residents of a planned development in their area. The idea was determined to not be feasible; however, it was suggested that Executive Board members distribute information through their homeowners.

8. New Business

A. Discussion of Neighborhood Council Recruitment

The Executive Board brainstormed on additional ways to spread the word about the Neighborhood Councils and encourage community members to get involved. Staff requested that the Executive Board promote the benefits of serving as an Executive Board member to their neighbors and friends.

B. Selection of a nominee to the Special Event Support Review Committee

David Kennedy and Gloria Bowman were nominated for the position. David Kennedy declined his nomination to allow Gloria Bowman to serve on the Committee.

9. Executive Board Comments:

Bob Powers commented on a recent article in the *Simi Valley Acorn*, regarding the recent leave of absence of the City's Deputy Director of Transit.

Mark May stated that he had recently attended the Task Force on Homelessness meeting, and that David Kennedy would continue to represent Neighborhood Council #4 at the future meetings.

Skip Faria offered his expertise to the other Executive Board members on issues like groundwater.

Mark May stated that he thought it would be a good idea to have someone from Golden State Water Company present to the Neighborhood Councils on the topic of ground water in Simi Valley. Mr. Faria stated he would check and see if it could be arranged.

10. Neighborhood Council Coordinator's Report: None.
11. Adjournment

By the consensus of the Executive Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:34 p.m.