



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #3
THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2014, 7:30 P.M.
CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM
2929 TAPO CANYON ROAD

AGENDA

NC #3 Chair	Leroy Leyba
NC #3 Vice Chair	Charles Navarro
NC #3 Secretary	Mary Jane Nash
NC Coordinator	Jennifer Santos
City Council Liaison	Council Member Steve Sojka

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. Community Emergency Response Training
7. Continued Business: None
8. New Business: None
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, May 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/Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Leroy Leyba called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Charles Navarro confirmed that a quorum was present.

Devin Brady	P	Mary Jane Nash	E
Bryan Doss	P	Charles Navarro	P
Anil Garg	P	Al Orozco	P
Tracy Guillette	P	Erin Pierik	P
Leroy Leyba	P	Joseph Proja	A
Josh Lorencz	P	Avery West	E
Timothy Munz	P	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 January 16, 2014 minutes as presented was made by Brian Doss and seconded by Tracy Guillette. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence: None

5. Public Statements/Comments: None

6. Informational Presentations

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

A presentation was given by Maria Ventura and Guillermo Perez 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 data collection units in Neighborhood Council #3. The entire deployment of the new metering system is expected to be completed by 2015.

b. 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: None

8. New Business

a. Discussion of Neighborhood Council Recruitment

The Executive Board discussed ideas to enhance recruitment efforts including networking within the other community organizations, having an increased presence at special events, utilizing a City Facebook page. The Executive Board requested a future discussion on Neighborhood Council marketing materials and efforts.

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

Brian Doss moved to nominate Josh Lorencz to the Special Event Support Review Committee. Tracy Guillette seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

9. Executive Board Member Comments

Leroy Leyba discussed the Task Force on Homelessness and asked for a volunteer to represent Neighborhood Council #3. Devin Brady volunteered to attend future meetings.

Timothy Munz discussed the Youth Employment Service Job and Career Expo. He asked that anyone with suggestions of businesses that would like to participate to forward those to Kristin Tignac at 583-6766.

Leroy Leyba requested a future presentation on the Youth Employment Service program.

Al Orozco announced the annual Kiwanis Roundup event on April 12, 2014, and a breakfast fundraiser March 1, 2014 from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Both events will be held at Hummingbird Ranch. He also stated that volunteers are needed for both events.

10. Neighborhood Council Coordinator's Report

Sandra Hernandez announced that Mayor Huber would be hosting an opportunity for the public to meet directly with him at the Simi Valley Town Center Community Room from 10:00 a.m. until noon on February 22, 2014. She shared that the City of Simi Valley in partnership with Waste Management and Anderson Rubbish is now offering three locations, for residents to recycle household batteries. She also announced that the City of Simi Valley is still accepting applications for the public at-large positions on Simi Valley's Tree Advisory Board. The application deadline is February 18, 2014.

11. Adjournment: Thursday March 13, 2014, 7:30 p.m.

By the consensus of the Executive Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Welcome

Vice Chair Charles Navarro confirmed that a quorum was not present.

Devin Brady	E	Mary Jane Nash	P
Bryan Doss	A	Charles Navarro	P
Anil Garg	A	Al Orozco	P
Tracy Guillette	P	Erin Pierik	E
Leroy Leyba	A	Joseph Proja	P
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2. Agenda Review

Due to a lack of a quorum, all items presented were for information only. The Executive Board did not take any formal action.

3. Approval of Minutes

The February 13, 2014 minutes will be presented for approval at the next regularly scheduled meeting on April 10, 2014.

4. Correspondence: None

5. Public Statements/Comments: None

6. Informational Presentation

a. Overview of Simi Valley Traffic Engineering

Jim Brunner, Principal Engineer with the City of Simi Valley's Public Works Department, provided an overview of the Traffic Engineering Division. The Division is comprised of two sections, Traffic Planning and Traffic Operations. Traffic Planning staff is responsible for reviewing development proposals from a traffic engineering perspective and for maintaining the traffic model, which predicts future traffic volumes and needs within the City. The Traffic Operations staff handles the day-to-day current traffic needs of the City's street system, including: operating, maintaining and upgrading the City's traffic signals; timing and synchronizing traffic signals; developing and reviewing construction and detour plans, and conducting inspections. Traffic Engineering staff also responds to citizen requests for traffic controls such as traffic signals, stop

signs, school signs, and crosswalks. Staff coordinates with schools and the Police Department on traffic issues and to develop traffic signage, signal, and striping plans for City projects. Additionally, Traffic Engineering staff designs and constructs bicycle facilities such as bike paths, on-street bike lanes and routes and maintaining the City's Bicycle Master Plan, which is available on the City's website, www.simivalley.org. Residents with questions regarding traffic engineering should call (805) 583-6786.

7. Continued Business: None

8. New Business

a. Discussion the Benefits of Serving on the Neighborhood Council

The Executive Board members shared the benefits they get from serving on the Neighborhood Council including learning about the City's laws, meeting new people through their flyer distribution and recruitment efforts, the opportunity for people new in town to familiarize themselves with the City and the people, learning about the different volunteer opportunities and events within the City, and especially gaining a greater understanding of how the City works and seeing the responsiveness of the elected officials and staff compared to larger cities like Los Angeles.

9. Executive Board Member Comments

Charles Navarro stated it would be beneficial for Executive Board members to attend the other Neighborhood Councils' meetings. He also suggested having the Planning Division provide regular presentations to update the Neighborhood Councils on the status of development throughout the community.

Tracy Guillette announced the opportunity to attend the Mental Health First Aide program 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on April 8 and 9, 2014. Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District main offices located at 1692 Sycamore Drive. She also shared the benefits gaining knowledge in this area.

10. Neighborhood Council Coordinator's Report

Sandra Hernandez shared the response to the Neighborhood Councils questions to Maria Ventura of Southern California Gas Company regarding the advanced meter upgrades. The response was that the Advanced Meter communication upgrade is a five-year project. Beginning in 2012 through 2017, customers are billed roughly two dollars per month to support the upgrade. She also announced that Mayor Huber would be hosting an opportunity for the public to meet directly with him at the Simi Valley Town Center Community Room from 10:00 a.m. until noon on March 22, 2014. She also announced that the Youth Employment Service was inviting Employers to participate in the 28th Annual Job

& Career Expo on Saturday, April 26 2014, from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., at the Boys and Girls Club of Simi Valley. She shared that the Simi Valley Senior Center is hosting a free educational seminar on Veteran's Administration compensation for service connected disabilities, aid and more, by Ventura County Veteran Services Officer Mike McManus on Tuesday, March 18, 2014, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. She also announced that the Simi Valley Tree Advisory Board's celebration of Arbor Day would be at 10:00 a.m. on March 15, 2014, at the Veterans Plaza area in Rancho Tapo Community Park. Also, the deadline for Tree Advisory Board applications has been extended to 5:30 p.m. March 21, 2014.

11. Adjournment: Thursday April 10, 2014, 7:30 p.m.