



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #4

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2014, 7:30 P.M.

SPECIAL MEETING LOCATION

SIMI VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM
2969 TAPO CANYON ROAD

AGENDA

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. Community Emergency Response Training
7. Continued Business
8. New Business
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, May 20, 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 May called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m. Secretary Bowman confirmed that a quorum was present.

Reggiena Abaca	P	Jamuna Ramnath	A
Gloria Bowman	P	Omkar Ranade	P
Rian Driscoll	P	Satish Shah	P
Skip Faria	P	Sean Smollen	E
David Kennedy	P	Gregory Yacoubian	P
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:

Rian Driscoll made a motion to approve the minutes as written, the motion was seconded by Bob Powers and was passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence:

No correspondence was received.

5. Police Liaison Report:

No Police liaison report was presented.

6. Public Statements/Comments:

No public comments were made.

7. Informational Presentation:

A. Simi Valley Traffic Engineering

Jim Brunner, Principle Engineer/Traffic, provided an overview of the Department's responsibilities to the community. The Traffic Engineering Division is comprised of two sections: Traffic Planning and Traffic Operations. The Traffic Operations Section handles the day-to-day current traffic needs of the City's street system. The presentation covered

resident requests, traffic signals, traffic signs, grant programs and other functions. Typical tasks include: operating, maintaining and upgrading the City's traffic signals; timing and synchronizing traffic signals; developing and reviewing construction (detour) plans; handling citizen requests for traffic controls such as traffic signals, stop signs, speed humps, crosswalks, etc.; coordinating with schools and the Police Department on traffic issues; developing traffic signing, signal, and striping plans for City projects; and designing and constructing bicycle facilities such as bike paths, on-street bike lanes and routes.

The Traffic Engineering Division has also installed countdown pedestrian traffic signals at most signalized intersections throughout the City. Countdown pedestrian traffic signals display a timer when pedestrians are crossing the street. When pedestrians cross the street, a "countdown" will begin in conjunction with the "flashing hand". The countdown will inform the pedestrian how many seconds are left before the signal begins to change. The primary goal is to inform pedestrians and minimize the number of occasions they are in an intersection when the traffic signal begins to change.

8. Continued Business:

- A. Flyer distribution: Kevin Murphy clarified the guidelines for flyer distribution. Executive Board members may go door to door to distribute flyers related to NC Meetings; however, if there is no response, members were requested to not leave a flyer. David Kennedy commented that his condo CC&Rs prohibit distribution of materials in the complex. Reggiena Abaca verified that it was OK for her business center to pass out flyers to clients.

9. New Business:

- A. Discussion of the Benefits of Serving on the Neighborhood Council: The Executive Board briefly discussed what they considered to be the benefits of serving on a Neighborhood Council. A brief discussion ensued and Kevin Murphy had applications available for Executive Board members to pick up and distribute to prospective applicants, not just for NC#4.

10. Executive Board Comments:

- Bob Powers asked the date of the next election. The upcoming primary will be on Tuesday, June 3, 2014; with the general election to be held on November 4, 2014;
- Skip Faria: Expressed his concern regarding comments made at the February Neighborhood Council by Brent Siemer about the pending increase in the cost of flood insurance and the impact that it could have on seniors and

their reverse mortgages. Mr. Faria stated that he felt the City should address this issue, or at least share it with the public. Ideas that were suggested included a rolling message on SVTV and letters to the editor of the Acorn and Star. Mark May stated he would contact Keith Mashburn to see if he would present the issue at a City Council Meeting. It was agreed upon that the Board should first get the information clarified with Brent Siemer, Deputy Director/Development Services. Gloria Bowman provided his telephone number and email address; and,

- Gloria Bowman presented information on the Youth Employment Services (YES) Advisory Board's upcoming Job and Career Expo on Saturday, April 16, 2014. Save-the-Date cards were available for those who wanted them.

11. Neighborhood Council Coordinator's Report:

- A. Kevin Murphy said that Ventura County Housing Authority Section 8 is accepting applications for Senior Housing. Board members could either contact him or Mara Malch for further information.

12. Adjournment:

By the consensus of the Executive Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 p.m.