



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #4
TUESDAY, MAY 20 2014, 7:30 P.M.
CITY HALL PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM
2929 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. National Public Works Week – Open House/Tours, May 22, 2014
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: Tuesday, July 15, 2014

/s/
Mark Oyler
Deputy Director/Citizen Services

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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.

Reggiena Abaca	P	Jamuna Ramnath	A
Gloria Bowman	P	Omkar Ranade	P
Rian Driscoll	P	Satish Shah	P
Skip Faria	A	Sean Smollen	P
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

A motion to approve the March 18, 2014 minutes as presented was made by Rian Driscoll and seconded by David Kennedy. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence: None

5. Public Statements/Comments

A resident of Neighborhood Council #4 expressed concern about loud music attributed from Simi Valley High School during the late afternoon and on Saturday mornings. The resident inquired if the Executive Board members were aware of any parameters pertaining to noise levels or timelines to play music. Questions were asked about the source of the noise, and ultimately offered assistance to the resident. Kevin Murphy advised that noise complaints are handled by the Simi Valley Police Department and that although the City of Simi Valley has a very good working relationship with Simi Valley Unified School District, they are a separate entity and the City has little or no authority over the schools. In addition, Mr. Murphy stated that City staff would follow up on the matter with City staff and notify Simi Valley High School.

6. Informational Presentation:

a. Community Emergency Response Training

Theresa Ramirez, Community Services Specialist for the Simi Valley Police Department, provided an overview of Certified Emergency Response Training (CERT) program. She stated that the program classes are three hours long, one night a week, for six-weeks. The program concludes with an all-day training scenario that is held at the Camarillo Airport. CERT is a City sponsored program, training is free for anyone 18 or older and approximately 1,200 Simi Valley residents have completed the program. Each class has capacity of up to 25 students.

The CERT program trains residents for general disaster preparedness. Emergency training covers response to senior care, use of a fire extinguisher and what types of fire extinguishers are used for different fires, disaster medical training (triage), light search and rescue, how to work with others, terrorism awareness, and additional emergency response methods.

7. Continued Business: None

8. New Business: None

9. Executive Board Comments

Gloria Bowman reminded the Executive Board about the upcoming Youth Employment Job and Career Expo scheduled for, Saturday, April 26, 2014. She also advised the Executive Board Members about her experience as a member of the Special Event Support Review Committee. The Committee was directed to provide recommendations to the City Council to distribute \$25,000 dollars to non-profit organizations for special events. Collectively, \$90,000 was requested by all of the non-profit organizations. Ms. Bowman expressed how difficult it was to make a recommendation, as all of the organizations had merit and good value to the City. She asked Mr. Murphy about City Council's actions on the Committee's recommendations. Mr. Murphy stated he would follow up with staff to provide an update.

Omkar Ranade thanked the Simi Valley Police Department for their part in a high speed chase that occurred on April 12, 2014, which concluded in Simi Valley.

Reggiena Abaca stated that she felt the CERT program is a good program and that people who want to be involved in the community should sign up.

Bob Powers expressed concern over the number of telephone calls that he has received from solar companies.

10. Neighborhood Council Coordinator's Report:

Mr. Murphy provided additional clarification after additional questions were about the flyer distribution guidelines. He advised the Executive Board members that they may go door to door to distribute flyers related to Neighborhood Council meetings. However, nobody responds, Executive Board members were requested to not leave a flyer.

He reminded the Executive Board about recruiting friends, neighbors, and other members within the community, and the value of serving as a Neighborhood Council Executive Board member.

He also reminded the Executive Board about the City of Simi Valley's Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on April 22, 2014.

11. Adjournment: Thursday, May, 20, 2014, 7:30 p.m.

By the consensus of the Executive Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.