



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #1

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2020, 7:00 p.m.
CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM
2929 TAPO CANYON ROAD

AGENDA

NC #1 Chair	Brent Rollins
NC #1 Vice Chair	Jamie Extract
NC #1 Secretary	Patrick Bolger
CS Coordinator	Emily Habib
City Council Liaison	Council Member Ruth Luevanos

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 not on the agenda. Statements and comments are limited to no more than three (3) minutes per speaker.

6. Informational Presentations

a. The State of the Region Report

b. The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and the Program for Public Information (PPI) Committee

7. New Business: None

8. Community Services Coordinator's Report



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. Adjournment: Thursday, March 5, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

/s/
Yvette Moore
Administrative Officer

If any interested individual has a disability that may require accommodation to participate in this meeting, please contact the Community Services 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 Brent Rollins called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Secretary Patrick Bolger confirmed that a quorum was present.

Sofya Bagdasaryan	P	Brent Rollins	P
Shari Bowles Gibbons	P	Ron Rudman	P
Joseph A. Goeken	P	Diana Cockerill	P
Gary King	P	Jamie Extract	P
Patrick Bolger	P	Vacant	
CC Bowman	E	Vacant	
Howard Glober	P	P=Present; E=Excused; A=Absent	

2. Agenda Review

No changes were made to the agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Gary King and seconded by Jamie Extract to approve the December 5, 2019 minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Correspondence: None

5. Public Statements/Comments: None

6. Informational Presentation

a. The US Census Bureau presents an overview of the 2020 Census

Justine Fisher, Partnership Specialist, made the presentation. She informed the Executive Board that the first Census took place in 1790 and every 10 years since. One of the more important uses of the collected data is for the fair distribution of billions of dollars in federal funds to local communities according to their populations. It helps these communities determine where to build everything from schools to supermarkets, and from homes to hospitals. It is also used to draw the lines of legislative districts and reapportion the seats each state holds in Congress.

The 2010 census failed to count as many as one million people, with over half being small children and a smaller percentage being homeless. The 2020 census will attempt to correct this flaw in the system. For the first time, people can respond via the internet or can call in their responses, though paper surveys will still be available.

7. New Business

a. Discussion/Input on proposed increases in water service rates

The presentation was made by Jay Lukiewski, Senior Engineer. He discussed the need for a rate increase, which is to be spread out over five years, from 2021 to 2025. The rate increase will vary according to type of housing, but Simi Valley's rates will still be the third lowest in the region. Expenses are divided into three categories: Water Supply Import, Operations and Maintenance, and Capital Projects. The Operations and Maintenance expenses are expected to increase 3.5 percent per year over the five-year period. Increases in water supply rates do not include pass through costs from the supplier, Calleguas Municipal Water District.

Most of the proposed increase is necessary to cover over \$5.2 million per year in large capital improvements, which have been put off for many years. If the increase is not approved, the City's cash reserves will have a negative balance of \$15.8 million by 2025.

Questions/comments from the Executive Board and responses from staff:

If there are a couple of more winters with above average rainfall, will the cost of water decrease?

Possibly, but only if the supplier decreases their cost and that decrease is passed on to the City, which is very unlikely.

8. Community Services Coordinator's Report

Emily Habib informed the Executive Board that on February 24, 2020, the City Council will discuss the option of changing the Neighborhood Council boundaries, possibly to match the new City Council districts.

9. Executive Board Comments: None

10. Adjournment: Thursday, February 6, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

By consensus of the Executive Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.