



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #2
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2026, 7:00 P.M.
SIMI VALLEY LIBRARY COMMUNITY ROOM
2969 TAPO CANYON ROAD
****SPECIAL MEETING LOCATION****

AGENDA

NC #2 Chair	Al Brown
NC #2 Vice Chair	George Bowman
NC #2 Secretary	Karl Birch
City Council Liaison	Council Member Mike Judge

1. Call to Order/Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance
2. Agenda Review
This is the time to reorder and/or remove items from the agenda by consensus of the Executive Board. Any individual member who will be abstaining from a discussion item should announce their intentions at this time.
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 Presentation(s)
 - a. National Flood Insurance Program: Committee for Community Rating System (CRS) and Program for Public Information (PPI)
No Action: Receive Information



7. New Business
 - a. Nomination of a Representative to the Community Projects Grant (CPG) Review Committee
Action: Nominate and Vote to Recommend Representative
8. City Staff Comments
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 give an Ad Hoc Committee Report, or to make any announcements related to community events and other items of interest.
10. Adjournment: Tuesday, April 14, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

/s/
Cynthia McCullough
Deputy Environmental Services Director

If any interested individual has a disability that may require accommodation to participate in this meeting, please call the Neighborhood Council Program 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 Al Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

Al Brown	P	Gayle Sutton	P
George Bowman	P	Kenyon Harman	P
Karl Birch	P	Hillary Herrera	P
Gloria Bowman	P	Rick Herrera	P
Robert Guenther	P	Kátia Moore	P
Lillian Jacobs	P	Jerry Placeres	P
Michael Shaw	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 Gloria Bowman and seconded by Michael Shaw to approve the January 13, 2026, minutes. The motion carried.

4. Correspondence

Community update from the Department of Toxic Substances Control approved the NASA Phase 1 cleanup plan for contaminated groundwater and bedrock at the Santa Susana Field Laboratory on January 16, 2026. The informational flyer was provided to Executive Board members and community members present.

5. Public Statements/Comments

A resident inquired about a development in District #2. Staff advised the resident to visit the City’s website and search for [current developments](#), which link to the quarterly Planning Development Summaries. These summaries provide a list of residential, commercial, industrial, wireless telecommunications facility, mixed-use, and Citywide projects that are under review, recently approved, or under construction during the specified reporting period.

A resident noted the next steps for sharing opinions on short-term rentals in Simi Valley include the issue going before the Planning Commission. The resident recommended that the Executive Board email the Planning Commission.

6. Informational Presentation(s)

a. Senior Center

Raquel Wirth, Assistant Community Services Manager for Senior Services, provided community members with a tour of the Senior Center, highlighting the wide variety of programs and services available for adults aged 50 and older. Located at 3900 Avenida Simi, the Senior Center offers activities that promote socialization, lifelong learning, fitness, and wellness. It is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with additional evening and Saturday morning programs. There is no membership fee, and residents are encouraged to participate. The tour showcased the Center's diverse offerings, including arts and crafts, music and dance classes, games and clubs, fitness programs, educational presentations, and social events. Health and wellness resources, transportation support, and volunteer opportunities are also available. Special events such as monthly dances, themed gatherings, and annual celebrations are held throughout the year. The Senior Center also partners with Rancho Simi Recreation and Park District to provide additional fee-based programs for adults 50 and older, including classes, trips, and community games. The Senior Center provides three meal programs to support older adults. The Meals on Wheels program delivers nutritious weekday lunches to homebound seniors. Rendezvous Café offers hot meals on weekdays for a suggested donation of \$4 for seniors 60 and older and \$9 for others, often accompanied by entertainment. The Senior Share Program provides weekly grocery bags to eligible seniors. For more information or to join programs, call (805) 583-6363 or visit the Senior Center.

7. New Business: None

8. City Staff Comments

Kelly Duffy, Community Services Coordinator, announced that in March, the board will nominate one representative for the Community Projects Grant Review Committee. The nominee must be available for two meetings, tentatively scheduled for April 15 and April 22 at 5:30 p.m. Interested individuals should complete the questionnaire emailed to the Executive Board and return it as soon as possible. The City is now accepting nominations for the 2026 Community Volunteer of the Year Award. The application link can be found in *City Focus* under "Nominate an Extraordinary Person for the Volunteer of the Year Award." The nomination deadline is March 1, 2026. Neighborhood Council Executive Board Recruitment will begin on March 3, 2026, for a two-year term running from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2028. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and residents of the City of Simi Valley. City Offices, including the Simi Valley Public Library, will be closed on February 16, 2026, in observance of Presidents' Day.

9. Executive Board Comments

George Bowman reported back to the Executive Board regarding the Special Events Review Committee, where he served as the Neighborhood Council #2 representative in December. For the 2026 calendar year, the City has budgeted \$25,000 from the General Fund to support nonprofits with their upcoming special events. The Special Events Support Review Committee made funding recommendations, and staff brought the report to the City Council on January 12, 2026, for review. Fourteen organizations received funding.

Gloria Bowman encouraged the Executive Board to sign up for the Santa Susana Field Laboratory community updates and praised the Groundwater U workshop. Michael Shaw also encouraged board members to sign up.

Gloria Bowman further reported attending a community informational meeting on February 4, 2026, regarding updates to campsites and the welcome center at the American Jewish University.

Karl Birch noted several complaints from neighbors about frequently blinking streetlights on Alamo Street, Madera Road, and Royal Avenue, calling the situation intolerable. He requested more information from the City. Staff will contact Justin Link, the Principal Engineer for Traffic, for details.

Al Brown reported on Assembly Bill 142, which proposes a study to examine long-term solutions for funding California's roads as gas tax revenue declines. He encouraged board members to review the bill and contact their State Representatives.

Kátia Moore advised avoiding the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) summaries when searching by typing "-AI summary" in queries.

10. Adjournment: Tuesday, March 10, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

By consensus of the Executive Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.