



**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS**

**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #3**  
THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2026, 7:00 P.M.  
CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM  
2929 TAPO CANYON ROAD

AGENDA

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NC #3 Chair	Robert Martins
NC #3 Vice Chair	Serena Kahm
NC #3 Secretary	David Kritzer
City Council Liaison	Council Member Joseph Ayala

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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: Thursday, April 16, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

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Cynthia McCullough  
Deputy Environmental Services Director

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DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Chair Robert Martins called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum was present. Council Member Ayala was in attendance.

Robert Martins	P	Ellen Bebo	E
Serena Kahm	E	Richard Bebo	P
David Kritzer	P	Ashley Callinan	A
Steve Busco	P	Cheryl Deitrick	E
Andy Goitia	E	Melissa Hill	P
Nick Palky	P	Guy Nohrenberg	P
Donald Wismar	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 Nick Palky and seconded by Richard Bebo to approve the January 15, 2026, minutes. The motion carried.

4. Correspondence

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 provided an update on the City Council’s discussion regarding short-term rentals and summarized the recommendations made by each Neighborhood Council. The resident further encouraged community members to submit their input to the Planning Commission.

Council Member Ayala introduced himself as the Liaison for Neighborhood Council #3 and shared that the City’s 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration will be a two-day event. He also shared that Simi Valley City Council is accepting nominations for the 2026 Community Volunteer of the Year Award, which recognizes extraordinary service to the community. Nominations must be submitted by March 1, 2026.

A resident noted that the next steps in the short-term rentals review process will be considered by the Planning Commission and recommended that community members submit their perspectives to the Planning Commission.

6. Informational Presentation(s)

a. Simi Valley 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 Sunday, 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

Melissa Hill praised the tour of the Senior Center and shared that she looks forward to turning fifty.

David Kritzer also expressed his enjoyment of the Senior Center tour and thanked the public for providing an update on short-term rentals.

Nick Palky expressed his appreciation for the Senior Center tour and thanked Council Member Ayala for attending the Neighborhood Council meeting. He also thanked the public for sharing information regarding short-term rentals and the Planning Commission process.

Guy Nohrenberg thanked the Senior Center staff for the tour and noted he learns something at every meeting.

Richard Bebo remarked that he enjoyed learning about Bingo at the Senior Center. Staff announced that tickets for the BINGO Bonanza, scheduled for March 28, 2026, are now on sale for \$40, which includes lunch. Staff also shared that Friday afternoon Bingo winners receive donated baked goods. Council Member Ayala added that his mother and sister enjoy and often win at Friday Bingo.

Donald Wismar praised the City for its graffiti cleanup efforts. He recommended that Public Works coordinate with other agencies when scheduling street improvements, noting that shortly after Yosemite Avenue was repaved, Fiber-City excavated the newly paved street to install fiber.

10. Adjournment: Thursday, March 12, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

By consensus of the Executive Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.