



NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #4
TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2026, 7:00 P.M.
CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM
2929 TAPO CANYON ROAD

AGENDA

NC #4 Chair	Bobby Calderon
NC #4 Vice Chair	Heidi Best
NC #4 Secretary	Amy Brown
City Council Liaison	Mayor Pro Tem Elaine Lister

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 21, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

/s/

Cynthia McCullough
Deputy Environmental Services Director

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DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Welcome

Chair Bobby Calderon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum was present. Mayor Pro Tem Litster was in attendance.

Bobby Calderon	P	Leroy Leyba	P
Heidi Best	P	Marta Maitles	P
Miranda Myers	P	Amy Brown	P
Alessandro Neri	A	Don Diamond	P
Stephanie Bunker	P	Natalia Santisteban	P
Art Simeri	P	vacant	
Deanna Block	E	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 Don Diamond and seconded by Marta Maitles to approve the January 20, 2026, minutes as presented. 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 noted that all Neighborhood Councils voted against regulating short-term rentals in Simi Valley. She emphasized that the next steps will be going before the Planning Commission and recommended that residents email the Planning Commission to share their views.

A resident reviewed the Neighborhood Councils' vote for short-term rentals and expressed concern for LLCs owning single-family homes. He encouraged residents to email the Planning Commission to share their opinions on the short-term rental matter.

Mayor Pro Tem Litster introduced herself as the liaison and encouraged residents to reach out if they need assistance.

6. Informational Presentation(s)

a. Senior Center Tour

Candace Gray, City of Simi Valley Staff 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

a. Election of Secretary

Upon conclusion of the discussion, the following motion was made by Amy Brown and seconded by Miranda Myers:

MOTION: Recommend to nominate Amy Brown as Secretary

Executive Board vote: 10 Ayes; 0 Noes; 0 Abstention

The motion passed unanimously.

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 1st. 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.

9. Executive Comments

Natalia Santisteban reported attending the Ventura County Behavioral Health Community Planning Meeting, which reviewed the final year of the Mental Health Services Act Three-Year Plan and discussed the upcoming Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) Integrated Plan. The County is seeking community input to help shape priorities.

Don Diamond expressed frustration over frequent traffic light outages in Simi Valley, noting the potential danger. Staff advised residents to contact the Public Works Department for assistance, and staff will follow up with Public Works for further explanation.

Art Simeri asked whether the City Council acts on recommendations provided by the Neighborhood Councils. Staff clarified that while the City Council does review these recommendations, final decisions incorporate a wide range of considerations. Staff emphasized the importance of residents continuing to share their individual concerns directly at City Council meetings.

Chair Bobby Calderon reiterated that Neighborhood Council recommendations are heard. However, he emphasized that the community wants to ensure recommendations are not only acknowledged but truly valued by the City Council and meaningfully reflected in their actions. He encouraged individuals to participate in City Council meetings to ensure their voices are considered.

10. Adjournment: Tuesday, March 17, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

By consensus of the Executive Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.