



CHATSWORTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
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Board Meeting Notice and Agenda for the Chatsworth Neighborhood Council,

Wednesday April 3rd, 2024, at 6:30 P.M.

To be held at Lawrence Middle School Library,
10100 Variel Avenue, Chatsworth, Calif. 91311

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AGENDA

- 1. Welcome, call to order, pledge of allegiance, and roll call.**
- 2. Presidents report - Discussion of upcoming events.**
- 3. NEW BUSINESS:** All listed motions include discussion, possible action and or vote, Community Impact Statements and NPGs.
- 4. Treasurers Report:**
 - A. Motion:** To approve the February 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER).
(To view the MER online, visit <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/NCFundPortal/Dashboard.html> and select Chatsworth Neighborhood Council from the drop-down menu, and then click on MER.)
- 5. Representatives of elected officials, or elected officials, and LAPD SLO for our area.**
- 6. Standing Committees:**
 - A. Land Use & Equestrian Committee** – No meeting, committee update.
 - B. Public Safety and Transportation Committee** – Committee update.
 - C. Outreach Committee** – Committee update for outreach events, Day of the Horse Sunday April 7th, 2024, and volunteers for Chatsworth Preserve Earth Day Saturday April 27th, 2024.
 - D. Beautification & Enrichment Committee** – Committee update.
 - 1 - Motion:** The Canoga Park Senior Citizens Club, 7326 Jordan Av, Canoga Park, CA 91303, is requesting \$350 for a Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) to fund the ‘Salute to Recreation Dance’ on 3rd May 2024 at the Northridge Recreation Center. The grant will support the Dance Festivities in funding food and refreshments. The event is open to all seniors in the community. Participation in this event offers the Neighborhood Councils an opportunity to showcase their organization and its commitment to outreach to seniors throughout the surrounding area. The organization is reaching out to eight other area NC’s for funding.

- 2 - **Motion:** To approve a request for \$1000 for a Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) to the Foundation for the Preservation of the Santa Susana Mountains P.O. Box 4831, Chatsworth, CA 91311 to defray expenses of staging a LAUSD-approved Interpretive Hike in the Santa Susana Pass State Historic Park for 3rd grade Students at Chatsworth Elementary School during the 2023-2024 school year. As part of the LAUSD curriculum, 3rd graders study California History and Native American culture. These hikes have interpretive stops along the hike route where the students learn about the life of a Chumash child from a storyteller from the local Indian tribe.
- 3 - **Motion:** To approve a request from Germain Academy, 20730 Germain St, Chatsworth, CA 91311 for \$1,000 for a Neighborhood Purpose Grant (NPG) to remodel the school's staff break room which has not undergone any significant updates over half a century ago, since the school was first constructed, back in 1963. The current condition of the break room has deteriorated, posing challenges to the well-being and morale of the hardworking staff (see photos). The funds will be utilized to make the breakroom more functional leading to increased job satisfaction and productivity.
- 4 - **Motion:** To approve a request from Granada Hills Rotary Foundation for an NPG \$1,000. The Granada Hills Rotary Foundation is the only Rotary Foundation in the northern SFV, and it includes Chatsworth, Northridge, Porter Ranch, Granada Hills. The purpose of this grant is to assist the Foundation with providing our scholarship awards luncheon to support college bound High School Senior students.

E. Homeless Awareness Committee – No meeting.

F. Selection Committee: Committee update.

1. The regular 2024 Selection resulted in two (2) vacancies for terms expiring in 2026. In addition, there have been three (3) additional vacancies for terms expiring in 2025 due to resignations. An effort to fill these vacancies will be made pursuant to the "Vacancies and Special Selections" provisions of the Chatsworth NC 2024 Selection Manual. In order to achieve the required "extensive outreach," it is recommended that the Special Selection be held during the Wednesday, June 5, 2024 CNC Board regular meeting and that the candidate filing deadline be established ten (10) days prior (Sunday, May 26, 2024 at 11:59 p.m.). Additional information, including the Candidate Filing Form, will be posted on the CNC website: ChatsworthCouncil.org
2. The Seating of the Newly Selected Board Members:
 - Mark Lauterman
 - Paul LaBella
 - James MacDonald
 - Kamesh Ayasola
 - Douglas Nolan
 - Kristen Shubert
 - Shawn Shawmlou
 - Ricardo Garcia
3. New Board Roll Call to establish a Quorum
4. Election of Officers. President, V.P., Treasurer, and Secretary.
5. Committee assignments. Committee chairperson and secretary selected at first committee meeting.
 - A. Land Use and Equestrian Committee
 - B. Public Safety and Transportation Committee
 - C. Outreach Committee
 - D. Beautification & Enhancement Committee
 - E. Selection Committee:
 - F. Homeless Awareness Committee

7. **DONE** - Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate (NEA) Jose Galdamez report and comment.

8. Board Member Comments and Discussion topics.

9. Public Comment - GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Public Comment for **non-agendized** topics will be limited to one minute each per individual due to time concerns. Public comments will be limited to 10 comments.

10. Adjournment.

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