

CHATSWORTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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APPROVED

December 2025 Board Meeting Minutes for the Chatsworth Neighborhood Council

Wednesday, 12/3/25 at 6:30pm, Lawrence Middle School, Library, 10100 Variel Avenue, Chatsworth, CA 91311

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AGENDA

1. Welcome: 6:35pm call to order, Pledge of Allegiance, and roll call of the Board.

NAME		Present	Absent
Kamesh	Aysola	x	
Rose	Atarodi	x	
Roxane	Bocskay	x	
Fred	Cantarine	x	
Manohar	Chawla		x- ex
Shekhar	Chikalikar	x	
Jett	Dunlap	x	
Ricardo	Gracia	x	
Tracey	Jennings	x	
John	Joseph		x - ex
Paul	LaBella		x

NAME		Present	Absent
Tim	Mahoney	x	
Danny	Mansour	x	
Richard	Medrano	x	
Valerie	Richards-Feuer	x	
Shawn	Sangeladji	x	
Ramiel	Shamwell		x - ex
Kristen	Shubert	x	
Amanda	Warren	x	
Bree	Worden	x - LE	
Totals		16	4

2. Government Reports:

LAFD – Batt. Chief Tim Lambert covered safety around XMAS trees and heaters

LAPD – Officer Yu not able to attend. Mikki provided comments...Thanks for attending potluck for basic cars in Devonshire. Provided recap of 2025 major events and crime update YTD, with overall crime rate down, especially property crime. Homeless issues continue to be a challenge. Pack a Police Car Toy Drive was successful with CNC council members donating toys at the 12/3 meeting.

Daniell Vicente – Representing LA County Supervisor Lindsey Horvath’s Office, new Board Chair Linda Solis. Board is supporting lawsuit regarding CAIR payments. Horvath office provided 2500 sponsorship to the WV B&G club. SCE is undergrounding electrical lines around the Lake Manor area. Working to get telecommunications companies to follow suit. New supervisor office is now located in Calabasas. 27001 Agoura Rd. Ste 260. Grant application process for the county opens 1/1/26 for the month only.

Matt Smith – Representing LA City Councilmember John Lee’s Office, provided information on the Job Fair at Expo Center on 12/6. Recs. and Park dept. still getting applications for DOTH. Councilmember is open to supporting events with items for the community.

Jenna Sickenius – Representing Assemblymember, Pilar Schiavo, no comments noted.

Hillary St. George, Chatsworth head librarian, hstgeorge@lapl.org. Provided update on the security in the library.

Sherman Gardin, Lawrence MS principal. Excited for the future, high expectations for the school. Community engagement. Please contact him directly with any concerns about students and opportunities to connect.
Sdg9452@lausd.com

Julia Rondan, WV B&G Club West Valley (BGCWV), Provided update on activities, including a scheduled trip to Barnes and Nobles for the kids to purchase books with donated funds. Talent Show is coming up in December.

Jose Galdamez, NEP, SB 707 received guidance from the city in regard to NC. Zoom Roundtables for community improvement projects scheduled for 12/4 and 12/18, please contact lacity.gov website.

Scott Munson, "DWP, Huge power rate increases have begun without public hearings or outreach, How and why?"
Scott not present and will be rescheduled.

4. President’s Report:

a. Discussion and possible motion to re-key the main doors at the CNC offices at the Train Station for up to \$250.00 as a safety precaution for those who use the building. Amended to up to \$150 with Chatsworth Chamber providing 50% of the cost. **Motion by Kristen S. Second by Valerie R. Motion passed.**

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Totals		14	1	1	4

b. Reminder that the Board and committees will not meet unless scheduled in January. Chairpersons will need to issue an agenda that will inform the public and post it accordingly, even if meeting is cancelled. All committees meet as regularly scheduled in December.

c. Toys for the LAPD, to be collected for Devonshire Division's Pack-A-Police-Car Toy Drive, members brought unwrapped toys to the Board meeting.

d. Explanation of Censure as put forth in the CNC Bylaws and BONC. Shawn S. motioned to read the censure documents out loud, Shekhar C. seconded. Motion failed with 12 no votes.

5. Vice President’s Report:

Newsletter articles are due by the 20th of the month! A Reminder to the committee chairs and committee secretaries to get submissions in and let the community know what the CNC is doing for the community.

6. Secretary’s Report:

Discussion and motion to approve Chatsworth Neighborhood Council Regular Board n Meeting Minutes for November 2025. Shawn S. made a comment regarding accuracy of reporting. **Action: Tim M. motioned to approve. Tracey J. seconded. Hand vote approved** with Shawn S. voting no, stating that the BAC for the \$268 reimbursement had no supporting BAC (this is not accurate).

On advice from City attorney, CNC tabled motion to censure Shawn Sangeladji for alleged behavior that violates the state Brown Act, CNC bylaws, the Codes of conduct of the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners and CNC related to bullying and harassment, and posting of agenda, CNC Code of Civility, and CNC Board Rules related to properly reporting committee votes and committee agenda items, and showing respect to all CNC Board members and committees. See full Censure. Censure writers: Tim Mahoney, Secretary; Roxane Bocskay, Chairperson of Land Use & Equestrian Committee, and Kristen Shubert, President and Chairperson of the Outreach Committee.

Tim M spoke about the importance of respectful and professional decorum during council and committee meetings. Each board member has read and signed the “Code of Conduct” document. Each member is responsible for their own conduct, and each member is responsible for holding other members accountable for their conduct.

Additional record of CNC meeting minutes: Shawn S. gave out an alternative agenda packet to all attendees, excluding the president prior to the start of the meeting.

Shawn S. also accused the president and treasurer of fraud as it pertained to the payment for the CNC PO Box and claimed that there is no BAC and that the president filed for the payment with no receipt or BAC when discussing the MERS. Even when the treasurer confirmed there was a MERS and the president confirmed that she received the check from the City Clerk, he continued to claim fraud.

Shawn S. also claimed fraud in the amount of the \$186.00 Rocktober insurance payment, which he claimed, “the President took the overage and purchased lesser coverage.” This is not accurate and the documentation for insurance is on file.

7. Treasurer’s Report:

a. Discussion and motion to approve the September 2025 Monthly Expenditure Report (MER). **Action: Tracey J. motioned to approve Kamesh A. seconded. Motion passed.**

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Kamesh	Aysola	x			
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b. Discussion and motion to approve October 2025 MERS. **Action: Tracey J. motion. Valerie R. seconded. Motion passed.**

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(To view the MER online visit <https://cityclerk.lacity.org/NCFundPortal/Dashboard.html> and select Chatsworth Neighborhood Council for the dropdown menu and then click MER)

8. New Business: No comments noted.

9. Standing Committees:

Land Use and Equestrian Committee: Issues arising from new home construction on Andora Street. Discussion regarding letter CNC plans to send to councilmember Lee, included fixing some typos and points to ensure equine access at the properties. Letter should also cc named city officials with various agencies. **Action: Roxanne B. motioned to approve with discussed changes. Jett D. seconded. Motion passed by hand vote.**

Outreach Committee: The Chatsworth Holiday Parade begins at 1:00pm on December 14th, along Devonshire. We are meeting at 11:30am at Los Toros for those riding in the parade. Ricardo Gracia and Paul LaBella are contacts. Booth manned by Jett and Kamesh from 11am-2pm (set up), Amanda and Valerie from 2pm-4pm (break down). Whoever is riding must meet at the start area at 11am. Outreach Committee will meet on January 12th, at 6:30pm at the Train Station. Stoney Point touch up on 12/6 at 9am, meet at gate area with Jett & Fred. CNC has supplies that you will need.

Public Safety and Transportation Committee: Late night car racing continues to be an issue at Chatsworth HS – Lurline and Vintage, and Mason Park.

Homelessness Awareness Committee: Paul L. unanimously elected as Chairman of the newly formed committee. Fred C. is the secretary. Recap of LAHSA's visit to committee: CNC will be the Deployment Site Coordinator for the 2026 Homeless Count in coordination with John Lee's office. The Count is scheduled for 1/20/26, at 8pm. We will need volunteers. Please "Save the Date". CIS for council file #25-0521, reducing temporary homeless PAID stays from three days to two PAID days, supporting John Lee, to reduce costs. Committee voted unanimously to support 4-0.

Beautification and Enhancement Committee: Update on the November 9th clean up and beautification for the Canoga/Devonshire planters, with a follow up on planting native seeds. The LADOT has been contacted for the use of the watering system because it is on a bike path. This was a NO-COST project, as the council used free mulch from the Sylmar Waste facility. Will need additional mulch to complete the project. Researching the clean-up of the Historic Olive Tree Grove on Lassen, partnering with John Lee's office. Meeting to be held in January 2026, with Forest Service and Councilman's office regarding a vendor contract to actively maintain the trees.

Selection Committee: One Board seat open through 2027 remaining. Board Member Motion: Discussion and motion to update the current Selection banners at a cost of up to \$150.00 to be visible during the December Holiday Parade.

Action: Kamesh A motioned to approve. No second needed. Motion passed. Board Member Motion: Discussion and motion to pay for printing of a Selection flyer in the amount of up to \$450.00 to be distributed during the Holiday Parade and to local businesses for March Selection. (We are dark in January). Amended to up to \$300. **Action: Kamesh A motioned. No second needed. Motion passed.**

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Budget Advocate Report: Glenn B. not present and no comments offered.

Public Comment: Mikkie L. shared that LAPD CERT will start on 3/2/26 and go on for seven consecutive weeks.

10. Motion to Adjourn at 8:55pm by Valerie R. Shekhar C. seconded. Motion approved.

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