



MINUTES
Inter-Neighborhood Council Organization (INCO)
General Membership Meeting
Wednesday, July 9, 2025

A. ROLL CALL

At 6:00 p.m., Chair Diana Velzy called the meeting to order.

Present were: Christopher Bissonnette, Blackstock South; Jon Huycke, Bryce Canyon North; Raini Steffen, Cabrillo; Vilma Contreras, Carriage Square; Noemi Corpuz, Cypress (virtual); Ronald Arruejo, East Village; Kim Winch, Fremont South; Roger Poirier, Hobson Park East (virtual); Robert Lucio, Kamala; Larry Stein, Lemonwood/Eastmont; Diana Velzy, Orchard Park; Lissa Hewitt, Oxnard Dunes; Walt Hagedohm, Oxnard Shores; Rosanna Biggerstaff, Pleasant Valley Estates; Sandy Diaz, Rio Lindo; Paul Schnebelen, Riverpark; Alfonso Arroyo, Rose Park; Isaac Khalaf, Sea View Estates; Deb Arevalo, Southbank; Doug Tauber, Via Marina; Michael Gleason, West Village; Angela Whitecomb, Wilson; Brian Landers, Windsor North.

A quorum of members was present.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES May 7, 2025 & June 11, 2025

Motion by Bissonnette, second by Tauber. The minutes of the May 7, 2025 meeting were approved.

Motion by Scheneblen, second by Khalaf. The minutes of the June 11, 2025 meeting were approved.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Larry Stein: Requests that INCO communicate with City Manager and City Council that CIP projects (College Park, Sports Park, Campus Park) all get completed.

Ronald Arruejo: Shared that Measure O Committee has a number of vacancies, including one for a neighborhood council chair.

Angela Whitecomb: Shared that the Parks, Recreation & Community Services Commission has 2 vacancies and requested applicants. On Saturday 7/12, Councilmember Rodriguez is organizing a community meeting at Durley Park to discuss future plans.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. SUBJECT: National Night Out

RECOMMENDATION: That the INCO General Membership receive a verbal presentation from Paul Carganilla, Community Affairs Manager with Oxnard Police Department, on National Night Out scheduled for August 5, 2025, followed by Q&A

Paul Carganilla provided a brief presentation on the history of National Night Out and invited neighborhood councils to host an event in their neighborhood. A question and answer session followed.

2. SUBJECT: Speed Hump Program
RECOMMENDATION: That the INCO General Membership receive a verbal presentation from Traffic Engineering staff on the City's speed hump program and process, followed by Q&A

Jose Rivera and Miguel Guillen from the City's Traffic Engineering Division provided a brief overview of the City's speed hump program, which was adopted in October 2023 in response to resident concerns about speeding in residential streets, including program criteria and some program challenges. There have been 5 installations so far through the program. A question and answer session followed.

3. SUBJECT: INCO Participation in 2025 Downtown Christmas Parade
RECOMMENDATION: That the INCO General Membership discuss and vote on INCO participation in the 2025 Christmas Parade, and discuss next steps.

Chair Velzy discussed the INCO participation in the 2025 Downtown Christmas Parade to assist with activations and engagement and asked for feedback from the membership. A discussion among the membership ensued, including how they would use the event to communicate with the public, a suggestion to make sure their participation stood out to the public, and a recommendation to also participate in the Tamale Festival after.

Angela Whitecomb made a motion for the INCO to participate in the annual holiday parade and tamale festival if a minimum of fifteen (15) neighborhoods agree to participate. The motion was seconded by Raini Steffen. Chair Velzy called a vote. A majority were in favor with member Vilma Contreras voting against. The motion carries.

The group decided to create a subcommittee to further develop the ideas and engage with individual neighborhood councils. The subcommittee focused on this will include Raini Steffen, Larry Stein, Diana Velzy, Sandy Diaz, and Lissa Hewitt. The group can recruit additional members if desired.

4. SUBJECT: Neighborhood Bulky Item Drop-Off Days
RECOMMENDATION: That the INCO General Membership discuss and provide feedback regarding the Neighborhood Bulky Item Drop-Off Days, and discuss any recommendations.

Chair Velzy introduced this item and shared that neighborhood cleanups are considered "business" of the neighborhood councils per the bylaws. She opened the floor to discussion and feedback about the events.

Community members and neighborhood council chairs shared their feedback about the events. There was a variety of feedback shared, including support and appreciation for the events, concerns regarding the recent event in the Southbank Neighborhood and interactions with staff, confusion about the role of volunteers and neighborhood councils, and recent changes to the program rules.

Chair Velzy shared a history of the event, its current post-COVID structure established in 2022, and concerns she received from the community, including that U-Haul trucks were no longer permitted, uncertainty of the volunteer role at the event, and rules regarding volunteer time slots. She expressed concern that there were changes made to the rules and

procedures without Environmental Resources staff getting input from INCO.

A number of chairs suggested inviting Environmental Resources staff to the next meeting to discuss the program, their procedures and changes, and to have an open conversation with the INCO membership. Chair Velzy stated that they would be invited to the August meeting.

F. NEIGHBORHOOD CHAIR REPORTS

Sandy Diaz, Rio Lindo: At the recent election meeting, she was re-elected chair. She thanked Traffic Engineering staff for their recent speed hump approval.

Paul Schnebelen, Riverpark: Their election meeting was held in June. They will be having their August meeting at Crescent Park.

G. EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

None.

H. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Doug Tauber, Via Marina: Requested an update from parks regarding improvement projects, Quimby funds, and timelines.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Chair Velzy adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.