

MINUTES  
Inter-Neighborhood Council Organization (INCO) General Membership  
Wednesday, February 4, 2026

A. ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

At 6:04 p.m., Chair Diana Velzy called the meeting to order.

Present were: Christopher Bissonnette, Blackstock South; Jon Huycke, Bryce Canyon North; Juan Carrillo, Cabrillo; Vilma Contreras, Carriage Square; Jack Villa, Hobson Park East; Daniel Alvarez, La Colonia; Larry Stein, Lemonwood; Diana Velzy, Orchard Park; Lissa Hewitt, Oxnard Dunes; Walt Hagedohm, Oxnard Shores; Rosanna Biggerstaff, Pleasant Valley Estates; Sandy Diaz, Rio Lindo; Alfonso Arroyo, Rose Park; Isaac Khalaf, Sea View Estates; Doug Tauber, Via Marina; Michael Gleason, West Village; Kathleen Behrens, Wilson.

A quorum of members was present.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. SUBJECT: Minutes of the meeting of January 7, 2026  
RECOMMENDATION: Approve.  
ACTION: Motion by Christopher Bissonnette, second by Larry Stein. All in favor. The minutes were approved as written.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Larry Stein - recommends the INCO bring together neighborhood chairs to understand budget issues of concern to their neighborhoods and make recommendations prior to budget meetings.  
Angela Whitecomb - discussed extending Measure O with funding to be solely at the discretion of parks and recreation.

D. BUSINESS

1. SUBJECT: Upcoming 2026 Elections & City Participation Opportunities  
RECOMMENDATION: That the INCO General Membership receive a verbal update from City Clerk Luly Lopez on the upcoming 2026 elections and opportunities to participate with the City, followed by Q&A.

City Clerk Luly Lopez provided a verbal presentation discussing the June and November 2026 elections, positions up for election, voting deadlines, and her role as the elections officer. She also shared information about the City Council and Committee meeting schedules, how to sign up for meeting agendas, ways for the public to get involved in City government, and information about the City's Citizen Advisory Groups (CAGs). Additionally, she mentioned the Clerk's role as the official city record keeper and her efforts to work with IT to make records available online, as well as their office's role as the agent for claims, subpoenas and summons.

Questions included: drop box and polling place locations, candidate statement costs, voter ID requirements, poll worker opportunities, and high school visits discussing voting. Additional questions regarding when the committee structure was consolidated from 5 to 3 committees, public record requests regarding Carnegie Museum title, and the Public Records Requests.

E. NEIGHBORHOOD CHAIR REPORTS

Sandy Diaz, Rio Lindo - Meeting held on 1/22 mainly focused on Bahia Street discussion and traffic. Next meeting on 3/19 with City Manager and elections. St. Mary's speed humps have been installed.

Kathleen Behrens, Wilson - new chair for Wilson neighborhood. Held a great meeting on 1/26 with Environmental Resources presentation and discussion on the Christmas Tree Lane. Working on recommendations to address street vendor challenges.

Juan Carillo, Cabrillo - invited everyone to Cabrillo meeting on 2/11 at 6:30 pm. Ventura County Animal Shelter representative will be present and a moment of silence for Commander Aaron.

Isaac Khalaf, Sea View Estates - meeting scheduled for 2/19 at 6:30 pm with Environmental Resources presentation and City Manager presentation.

Doug Tauber, Via Marina - meeting scheduled for 2/12 with elections and agenda items concerning park improvements.

Lissa Hewitt, Oxnard Dunes - contacting developer in the area often regarding concerns about development; Fifth Street will eventually be closed down and medians will be installed in the middle of Fifth and Harbor when project is finished.

Daniel Alvarez, La Colonia - just held third meeting in January, every meeting their attendance has been growing. Promoting meeting across neighborhood. Advocating for residents to learn to use 311 app. Next meeting is 2/21 at Las Cortes community room.

Diana Velzy, Orchard Park - January meeting was postponed because playground equipment bid has not returned. Anticipating updates before the end of February.

F. REPORT OF THE COMMISSION SECRETARY

None.

G. EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

2nd Vice Chair Khalaf - attended a few other NC meetings over the past month; encouraged chairs to attend other neighborhood meetings to see how others hold meetings and to get ideas that might benefit their own neighborhood.

4th Vice Chair Tauber - working to get neighborhood representation with airport authority; Doug appointed to Airport Commission that serves the County to have a voice at the table with issues involving the airports.

Chair Velzy - will be a busy year for INCO with candidate forums in both June and November; asking everybody to contribute ideas to support these efforts. In March, Ronald Arruejo will be making a presentation on this topic with a presentation to be sent out prior to the meeting. Encouraged neighborhood chairs to share the forum information with neighbors and to attend these events. Discussed upcoming updates to the Neighborhood Council handbook as part of the INCO goals; Jon Huycke will be leading this effort.

H. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

1. Recommend a discussion regarding neighborhood interests with future of Measure O
2. Recommend INCO be involved in the budget process before it's presented to the public

I. ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Chair Velzy adjourned the meeting at 7:08 PM

*Samantha Shapiro*

Samantha Shapiro, Secretary



Diana Velzy, Chair