

The following information provides the primary elements for this Neighborhood Council (NC) selection. This worksheet supplements the policies and procedures in the Neighborhood Council 2016 Election Manual. **Please complete and take Board action to approve the information in this worksheet. This worksheet supersedes any conflicting bylaws language, and we will update the bylaws according.** Please return via email to Elections@EmpowerLA.org to indicate that you will not be participating in the 2017/2018 Citywide Election cycle. Final Selection details must be submitted at least 90 days prior to the selection date for approval.

**CHATSWORTH  
 NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

**Selection Date:** Month: March Day: 18 2017

**Selection Time:** Start Time: 11:00 AM PM Estimated End Time: 5:00 AM PM

**Selection Location** - must be within the NC's boundaries, comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and have adequate parking. **The NC must confirm the location availability.**

**Location Name:** Chatsworth Train Depot

10038 Old Depot Plaza Road

Street Address

Chatsworth 91311 818-464-3511

City

Zip

Phone

Andre van der Valk

Location Contact Person

president@chatsworthcouncil.org 818-464-3511

Location Contact Person's Email

Phone

In order to have an open, transparent, and fair selection process, the NC will appoint a neutral third party (NTP), who is not a member of the Board or its committees and who shall not participate in the vote, to conduct or oversee the selection process.

**NTP Name:** Glenn Bailey

GlennBaileyNCs@gmail.com 818-514-5355

Location Contact Person's Email

Phone

**NC Selection/Outreach Contact Information (if applicable)**

**Selection Chair:** Paul Jackson itsdawhiz@aol.com 818-377-4492  
 Name Email Phone

**Outreach Chair:** Jim Van Gundy jvangund@aol.com 818-464-3511  
 Name Email Phone

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The NC boundaries, map, open Board seats and qualifications for candidates and voters for this selection will be taken from the NC's approved bylaws.

**Candidate Verification:**     SELF-AFFIRMATION     DOCUMENTATION

**Candidate Presence Required at Town Hall:**     YES     NO

**Stakeholder Verification:**     SELF-AFFIRMATION     DOCUMENTATION

**Minimum Stakeholder Voting Age:** 18 years old at the time of the selection

**Vote Count Method:**     SHOW OF HANDS (may not be possible for complex Board structures in which case a signed ballot shall be used instead)

SIGNED BALLOT (must have a signature line and an area for voters to print their name or some other method to match up the vote and the voter)

**Outreach Plan:** Please complete and return the attached Outreach Plan with this worksheet.

**Current Board Roster:** Please include a current Board roster using the information in the attached template. Please note that the personal contact information will be kept private and should not be the Neighborhood Council's mailing address and contact number.

**Selection Process:** The Standard Selection Process used by the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (Department) shall be used for the NC selection unless the NC checks the box and provides an alternate process.

In lieu of the Standard Selection Process, the NC is submitting the attached selection process, which addresses all subheadings below and which is to be approved by the Department before it takes effect.

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**Standard Selection Process**

The NC shall use a town hall style selection process for their permanent Governing Board. At the town hall, each qualified candidate shall have two (2) minutes to make a statement and two (2) minutes to answer any questions. The candidates shall speak in alphabetical order of their last names. The NTP shall ensure an equal amount of time is allocated for each candidate. After all the candidates have made their statements and answered any questions, the NTP shall take the vote for each candidate. Each stakeholder (including the candidates) present may vote for the seats they are eligible to vote for based on the bylaws. Votes shall be counted openly by the NTP and shall note the number of votes on a tally sheet of all the candidates' names. The candidates with the most votes for each seat shall be selected for that seat and may immediately be seated. The NTP has the discretion to enact any procedures necessary to conduct the selection process so long as the procedures do not conflict with the bylaws.

**Tie Breakers** - If two (2) candidates receive the same number of votes, a coin toss by the NTP shall determine the winner. If three (3) or more candidates receive the same number of votes, the tie will be resolved by placing ten (10) white marbles and one (1) black marble into a bag. The tied candidates will be asked to pull marbles out of the bag. Candidates will be asked to pull marbles according to the alphabetical order of their last name. The candidate who pulls the black marble from the bag will be named the winner. Tie breakers will take place at the town hall by the NTP following the vote.

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Candidate Application - Candidates may apply on an application developed by the Board, which, at a minimum, will require the applicant's name, address, age verification, contact information, how they qualify for the Board and a candidate statement. The application should note that the information on the application is public information. The Board shall designate a person(s) who will receive the application and who shall send a written acknowledgement via email to the candidates within one (1) day after receiving the application. This acknowledgment shall include the date of the town hall, the selection process, general candidate outreach information and any other procedures necessary for the town hall. The Board shall provide the same information and shall provide the same filing period to all candidates.

Within two (2) days of the candidate application deadline, all candidate applications shall be given to the NTP. The NTP shall have ten (10) days after the candidate application deadline to determine which candidates are qualified for the Board.

Board Affirmation – If the NTP determines that all the Board seats are uncontested, i.e. have only one or no candidates, after the candidate verification period, the NTP will hold a Board Affirmation town hall instead of a selection for the NC at its next regularly scheduled meeting unless the NTP determines that a special meeting must be called before the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Outreach for Candidates – The NC shall conduct outreach for candidates as described in its Outreach Plan for a period of no less than thirty (30) days.

Town Hall Outreach – Within twenty (20) days of the town hall, information about the town hall selection process and the candidates shall be on the NC posting locations. The Board and candidates will conduct outreach throughout the NC boundaries about the town hall to encourage stakeholders to participate in the Board selection.

Vacancies – In the case of Board seats remaining unfilled at the end of the selection process, the selected Board members shall fill the vacancies pursuant to the vacancy clause. If the selected Board comprise of less than a quorum of the Board, then the Board shall follow the Loss of Quorum policy enacted by the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners.

**DECLARATION**

We, the persons authorized by the above-named Neighborhood Council to execute this Selection Stipulation Worksheet, under penalty of perjury, declare that a Brown Act noticed Neighborhood Council public meeting was held with a quorum of the Board present, and the information in this document and attachment(s) was approved as an official action of the Board per the Neighborhood Council's bylaws. If requested, we will provide the Neighborhood Council agenda and minutes or resolution supporting the approval of this document.

Date of Board Action: Feb 1 / 2017

Board Vote: 16 yes 0 no 0 abstentions

President/Chair Signature: 

2nd Signatory Signature: 

Print Name: Andre van der Valk

Print Name: Dorothy Allison

Email: JALISAT@AOL.COM

Email: mallison@tnc.com

Phone: (818) 882-3661

Phone: 818-727-0956

Please contact the Elections team with any questions or if you require electronic support in submitting this document: (818) 293-VOTE(8683) or Elections@EmpowerLA.org.

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**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
 SELECTION OUTREACH PLAN**

**PLEASE PROVIDE INFORMATION** below on how your Neighborhood Council will conduct Stakeholder Outreach for the 2017 Selection. The Department recommends incorporating Selection Outreach into your existing outreach methods and planned events as well as working with other Neighborhood Councils in your region to maximize outreach funds.

1). What is your Neighborhood Council's **Selection Outreach BUDGET**: \$ 2,500

2). **Selection GOALS**: # of Candidates: 18+ # of Voters in the Selection: 500+

3). **Selection PUBLICITY**: How will your Neighborhood Council recruit candidates and publicize the selection?  
 (please check all boxes that apply)

• Digital/Online Campaign  Website  E-mail Database  E-Newsletter  Twitter  YouTube  Facebook  
 Other: as needed

• Print Campaign  Newsletters  Flyers  Direct Mail  Street Banners  Postings  A-Frames  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

• Media Campaign  Cable Channel 35  Radio Spots  Public Service Announcements  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

• Canvassing Campaign  Council Meeting Announcements  Neighborhood Walks  Telephone Chain  
 Other: Candidate face-to-face campaigning, Candidate Forum

• Regional Campaign  No  Yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

4). **Which of these organizations will your Neighborhood Council enlist to help publicize the selection?**  
 (please check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> CPAB                                                                                                                                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Services/Food Banks         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Homeowners/Residential Associations |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chamber of Commerce                                                                                                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Institutions             | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Parent-Teacher Associations              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Library                                                                                                                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Historical Associations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community Based Organizations       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Organizations (Please describe): <u>Neighborhood Watch, Chatsworth Community Coordinating Council, Kiwanis, SSMPA, Corral 54</u> |                                                             |                                                                         |

5). **How will your Neighborhood Council incorporate Selection Outreach into your existing outreach events?**  
 All outreach efforts will include Selection information.

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6). **Other information:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please attach any pertinent outreach materials. Thank you!**

# You Can Be a Candidate



## VOTE 2017

Saturday, March 18 at  
the Chatsworth Train Depot  
10038 Old Depot Plaza Rd.

Local Stakeholders can file through February 16 to run for a seat on the Chatsworth Neighborhood Council. Voting will be Saturday, March 18 to fill 10 of 21 Board seats. Here's what you need to know...

### **STAKEHOLDERS:**

You are qualified as a Stakeholder in the Chatsworth Neighborhood Council if you live, work, own property, board a horse or have a substantial and ongoing participation in the City of Los Angeles within the CNC boundaries.

### **CANDIDATES:**

If you wish to join the Council in shaping the future of our community, submit an in-person or online Candidate Filing Form by 5 p.m. Thursday, February 16.

### **VOTERS:**

Stakeholders may vote from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 18, at the Chatsworth Train Depot.

### **REMINDER FOR 2017:**

Beginning last year, there is a new protocol to register Stakeholders requiring specific types of documentation at the polling place. Stakeholders will need an official photo ID and may also need additional documentation to qualify in just **one** of the categories listed on the reverse side of this flyer.

For more information see:

**ChatsworthCouncil.org**  
[vote@ChatsworthCouncil.org](mailto:vote@ChatsworthCouncil.org)

**All documentation must show a Chatsworth street address in the City of Los Angeles within the boundaries of the Chatsworth Neighborhood Council. No P.O. Boxes are acceptable. No store receipts are acceptable.**

**In addition to a photo ID, acceptable forms of documentation for Chatsworth Neighborhood Council candidates and voters include, *but are not limited to*:**

**STAKEHOLDER, all require an address in Chatsworth**

- Current CA Driver's License/Identification Card with Chatsworth street address (No P.O. Box)

**RESIDENT**

- Mail with name and Chatsworth address
- Current utility bill (gas, water, cable, etc)
- L.A. County property tax bill
- Home mortgage statement
- Rental/lease agreement
- Homeowners association (HOA) bill/agreement
- Homeowner or rental insurance

**EQUESTRIAN**

- City of Los Angeles license showing ownership of an equine in Chatsworth
- Copy of a rental agreement for a stable in Chatsworth
- Letter/receipt for horse boarding with an address in Chatsworth
- Receipt from a veterinarian showing the equine owner's address in Chatsworth
- ETI Corral 54 membership

**BUSINESS/COMMERCIAL, all require a street address in Chatsworth**

- Badge/identification card from employment in Chatsworth
- Letter from employer verifying employment in Chatsworth

- Personal business card
- Current business utility bill
- Mail showing Chatsworth business name and address
- Commercial mortgage statement or receipt
- Commercial lease agreement or receipt
- City of Los Angeles business license
- L.A. County property tax bill
- Member of Chatsworth/Porter Ranch Chamber of Commerce
- Member of Chatsworth Business Improvement District

**NON-PROFIT AND CHATSWORTH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS**

- PTSA membership for a school in Chatsworth
- 18-year-old student with ID from a Chatsworth school
- Letter from a Chatsworth school showing volunteer participation
- Parent showing report card or school ID of child attending a school in Chatsworth
- Member of a Chatsworth religious organization with proof of membership (letter, ID badge/card, membership roll/list, program with your name, etc.)
- Membership or ongoing participation in Chatsworth community organizations (*for example*, Kiwanis, Lions, Rotary, Chatsworth Community Coordinating Council, FISH, Women's Club, Friends of the Library, SSMPA, Neighborhood Watch, Historical Society, Genealogical Society)