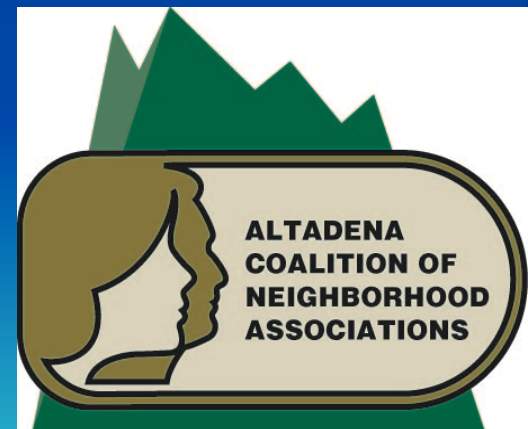


# Altadena Coalition of Neighborhood Associations (ACONA)

Let's keep Altadena  
*"The best neighborhood in LA  
County"!*

January 26, 2016



# Agenda for Tonight's Meeting

## 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

- **7:00 PM – 7:05 PM Quick introductions and welcome**
- **7:05 PM – 7:25 PM Altadena Town Council Update**
  - Diane Marcussen, ATC Chair
- **7:25 PM – 7:45 PM Fire Danger and Preparation**
  - Stephanie English, Community Services Liaison, Los Angeles Fire Department Division III
- **7:45 PM – 8:00 PM Update on Forest and Trees in danger during the drought**
  - Assistant Chief J. Lopez, Forestry Division of the LA County Fire Department's Forestry Division
- **8:00 PM – 8:30 PM Open discussion Q&A**
- **8:30 PM Meeting end**



# Your ACONA Team

- Elliot Gold
- Nina Ehlig
- Melody Comfort-
- Sussy Nemer
- Lt. Robert Lewis Stuckey
- Sgt. Matt Bossier Jr.
- Holly Rundberg
- Carlotta Martin
- Dale Comfort
- Ellen Walton
- Captain Vicki



# Please be sure to Sign in

(if we already have your email  
address, we just need your name)



# Schedule for ACONA Meetings 2016

(MOVED- **Altadena Community  
Center**)

- March 29
- May 24
- Sept 27
- Nov 22



**7:05 PM – 7:25 PM**  
**Altadena Town Council**  
**Update**

Diane Marcussen, ATC Chair



# ATC

- The Purposes of the Altadena Town Council are to: (1) act as an ombudsman for the neighborhoods of Altadena, **conveying the needs and wishes of the residents** to any county state or federal governmental body or agency, and (2) **provide a forum** for a town meeting in which to discuss issues of concern to the Altadena Community.
- The Altadena community consists of approximately 43,000 residents
- Supervisor Antonovich looks to the ATC for communication of residents' concerns
- Meets the **third Tuesday** of every month
- Meetings include:
  - Public Safety Reports
  - Community Reports – usually of events of interest to the community
  - Votes on Land Use Items
  - General Public Comment

# Land Use Committee

- Meets the **first Tuesday** of every month
- Provides a process to gather resident comments on active Conditional Use Permits (CUPs) through door to door canvassing and public comment at committee meetings
- Communicates resident comments to the appropriate planners at Regional Planning
- Votes to recommend action to the ATC
- Is an active “working committee” to review projects and perform due diligence





# Questions

- How do we get items of concern to us on the agenda of the ATC?
- How do you interact with Supervisor Antonovich to get “action”?
- What types of items come before the LUC and who presents?
- What is the CSD Committee?



# Ask your Councilmember!

- Is the drought affecting new building?
- Parking on Fair Oaks?
- Street cleaning and illegal dumping?



# Other Questions from ACONA Members (1 of 3)

**Ellen Walton:**

Request an update on Cambridge Educational Housing at  
20 E Mariposa.



# Other Questions from ACONA Members (2 of 3)

## **Gloriana Casey:**

1) Because of the drought, we had heard earlier that no new structures could be built----unless, they were replacing a current structure, or had already been given an O.K. Have I understood this original news correctly, and if so, is this still the current ruling?

2) Some homeowners seem to feel that the street in front of their house is part of their property and that no one should be allowed to park there, except for the homeowners and their guests. The homeowner has already been told that it is a public street-----but as the world seems to be getting crazier and meaner-----what is the best way to keep the peace?



# Other Questions from ACONA Members (3 of 3)

## **Scott Webster:**

I would like to ask about how we get parking changed over here on Fair Oaks. We're having a tough time with the residents and/or friends of the apartment building(s) across the street from us parking where our customers could/should be parking. We'd love to see diagonal parking on this nice, wide street, and enforced parking limits. At present, there is a 1-hour limit, but no one ever checks.

## **Veronica Jones:**

I have some questions regarding street cleaning and large item pick-up. It seems the streets of Altadena are dirtier and large items are left on curbsides for months. What is being done to keep Altadena a clean town? Are plans in the works to have Athens and other businesses help with keeping the streets clean?



# Altadenatowncouncil.org

- Interactive Census Tract Map
- Council Member Contact Information
- Meeting Information



# Contact Your Council Member

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# **7:25 PM – 7:45 PM Fire Danger and Preparation**

**Stephanie English, Community Services  
Liaison, Los Angeles Fire Department  
Division III**





# Questions from ACONA Members (1 of 2)

Gloriana Casey:

1. What do the different colors on fire hydrants mean? They always used to be all red. I have seen red tops and yellow painted bottoms, and now Blue tops -----so are the hydrants color coded to mean something or was blue paint cheaper or easier to see and find?
2. What can people do with just a simple garden hose? I have read that if the fire is bigger than the size of the top of a dining room table, then it is an out-of-control fire.....should people stop and leave, or continue to stay to try to minimize the fire?



**7:45 PM – 8:00 PM Update on Forest and Trees in  
danger during the drought  
Assistant Chief J. Lopez, Forestry Division of the LA  
County Fire Department's Forestry Division**



# Questions from ACONA members for Forestry Division (1 of 3)

John Pomroy:

Recently, a neighbor removed a beautiful tree that was just a couple feet away from the curb. A private company removed the tree, not Asplundh, the normal contractor for county work.

The removal of the tree takes away from the beauty of the street. Had I and other neighbors known this was going to happen, we would have opposed the work. Some neighbors think the work occurred without permits, but we have no way of knowing.



# Questions from ACONA Members (2 of 3)

**Ellen Walton:**

1. How to get palm fronds cited in a non VHFSZ inspection area?
2. Is there a plan to keep GSOB from spreading from Castaic find? Symptoms?
3. Once a pine dies from bark beetle, about how far has the beetle spread? Symptoms?



# Questions from ACONA members for Forestry Division (3 of 3)

Gloriana Casey:

What is going on with Nestle and their unlimited water take during the drought? It seems insane for any corporation to take unlimited water for \$542 a year and especially during a drought! If corporations are people, how are the citizens of the area supposed to deal with a water bully "person"? It appears that some "people" have different rules and why is this happening as I always thought that the parks and wildlife were considered to belong to ALL the people?

Also, please explain WHY this is taking so long to resolve, as it seems to be that the Forest Service is working for Nestle. If this is an unfair thought, please clarify



Thank you!  
Questions?

**Please be sure you  
Signed in**



# Schedule for ACONA Meetings 2016

(Mark your Calendar now!)

- March 29, 2016
  - Altadena Community Center
    - West of the Sheriff's Station

