



ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES December 17, 2024

Rose Bowl Stadium - 1001 Rose Bowl Dr., Pasadena, CA

1. CALL TO ORDER 7:02pm

1.1 Flag Salute

Altadena Scout Troop 1

1.1.1 Altadena Scout Troop 1 Boys was established in 1914, and Altadena Scout Troop 1 Girls in 2019. The mission of Scouting America, is to “prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetime by instilling in them values of scout oath and scout law.”

1.2 Roll Call

Pat Sutherlen

Present: Victoria Knapp, Connor Cipolla, Kim Yu, Nic Arnzen, Milissa Marona, Dorothy Wong, Chris O’Malley, Jon Carmody, Japhena Hall, Isis Moulden, Pat Sutherlen, ViEyvette Stewart-Gordon, Reginald Wilkins, Doug Colliflower, Sylvia Vega

1.3 Meeting Agenda

Nic Arnzen

Copies of the Agenda and Public Comment cards are available in the back of the room. The agenda was circulated to Councilmembers on December 12. Addition to the circulated agenda – 4.2 under Public Safety Reports – LA County Fire – Assistant Fire Chief Sprengel – Agenda approved.

2. OFFICER REPORTS

2.1 Chair

Victoria Knapp

2.1.1 Special thank you to Dominick Correy of the Rose Bowl Stadium for graciously hosting Altadena – Certificate of Altadena Town Council Recognition presented to Mr. Correy

2.1.2 Reflection on 2024 – gratitude to Altadena Town Council

members, special thanks to Executive Committee, and committee chairs for their leadership, and all those who are committee members and those who have dedicated their time to ATC committees. Special thanks to public safety partners – CHP, LA County Sheriffs, and LA County Fire. Heartfelt thanks to Supervisor Barger and her team and County staff.

2.1.3 We look forward to 2025 – the Council celebrates 50 years.

2.2 Vice Chair

Nic Arnzen

2.2.1 Highlight and thank our community partners: Altadena Library Foundation and Altadena Chamber of Commerce

2.3 Corresponding Secretary

Dorothy Wong

2.3.1 Highlight and thank our community partners (cont.):
Altadena Rotary Club

2.4 Recording Secretary _____ Pat Sutherlen

2.4.1 Minutes for the November 19, 2024, meeting were approved. as presented. Unanimous approval.

2.5 Treasurer

Chris O'Malley

Bank balance is reported as \$1,070.54.

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

3.1 Rose Bowl Legacy Foundation.
Correy

Dominick

3.1.1 Would like to invite Altadena to join him at the Rose Bowl. Host to many events such as the upcoming Olympics, the Weeknd, AC/DC, and Oasis. The most vibrant it has been ever. Most excited about the Lasting Legacy Campaign – a campaign to modernizing the Rose Bowl to help keep it lasting.

3.1.2 Two gifts were presented: Replica stadium – to Supervisor Barger to thank you for her continued support and a pair of tickets to a UCLA game.

4. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

4.1 Altadena Sheriff Station Captain Jabari Williams

4.1.1 No official report this month. Thank you to everyone in the community for a successful food and toy drive.

4.2 LA County Fire Maria Grycan

Asst. Fire Chief Pat Sprengel

4.2.1 Month of November saw total 352 responses: 271 were medical calls-222 patients transported, 5 traffic collisions- one on 11/16/24 on 1100 block vehicle vs bicyclist; 4 fires – trash fire on lake vehicle fire on Woodbury and Spalding pl, boarding care facility on El Molino – battery electrical wheelchair caught on fire and then pole fire – Maria Grycan

4.2.2 Chief Sprengel – Thank you to Maria for all her work. Red Flag warning today extending into Thursday. Be vigilant and Happy Holidays.

4.3 California Highway Patrol Captain Santiago

4.3.1 Great time working with Altadena during Christmas Tree Lane lighting ceremony, gearing up for the Tournament of Roses. Thank you to the community for providing for CHPs for Kids toys.

4.3.2 Officer Bay – Still collecting donations for CHPs for Kids program, follow CHP on social media to stay informed. Thank you, the community of Altadena.

4.3.3 Councilmember O'Malley – expressed that Captain Williams and the sheriffs here are great. They are amazing and part of the community. "I love you."

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 Swear In Newly Elected Council Members

5.1.1 Victoria Knapp - Special thanks to outgoing councilmembers Chris O'Malley and Doug Colliflower – Certificate of ATC Recognition were presented to both.

5.1.2 Declan Floyd, District Director, representing Assemblymember John Harabedian – presented Certificates of Recognition to councilmembers O’Malley and Colliflower for their service.

5.1.3 The new and reelected Council Members were sworn in by Supervisor Katheryn Barger:

Census Tract	Name
4601	Connor Cipolla
4602	Nic Arnzen
4603.01	Milissa Marona
4603.02	Darlene Greene
4610	Isis Moulden
4611	ViEyvette Stewart-Gordon
4612	Adam Vourvoulis
4613	Diane Marcussen

5.2 Nominating Committee

5.2.1 ACTION ITEM – Vote for New Executive Committee members

5.2.1.1 Nominating/Slate Committee Report Doug Colliflower

5.2.2 The Committee, Doug Colliflower, Chris O’Malley, and Sylvia Vega, met and discussed all those willing to serve. The recommended Slate for the 2025 year is:

Chair	Victoria Knapp
Vice Chair	Nic Arnzen
Recording Secretary	Kim Yu
Corresponding Secretary	Connor Cipolla
Treasurer	Millisa Marona

5.2.3 The Slate was accepted by acclamation

6. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

- 6.1 Ashima Gupta – Owner of Code Ninja’s – learning center where children learn critical STEM skills. For ages 5-14. Students can learn coding robotics problem solving through hands on learning. Has three locations – one being in Altadena. Vision is to bring these programs to all kids who can benefit. Seeking collaborations with schools and seeking help and guidance.
- 6.2 Nikki Winslow – First public comment – point out first district election and had two contested seats – one open seat on the Board of Trustees for the Altadena library District – deadline is December 31– interested please reach out at 626-798-0833.
- 6.3 JD Angel – Important to mention the rising violence in LA County – been a victim of some violence more than 3 times and felt important to mention that. Sometimes not being addressed properly and the numbers are high right now – wanted to mention it.
- 6.4 Chris O’Malley - being on the Council is hard work – usually hard unappreciated underpaid work – these residents dedicate their time to assure that we Altadenian’s have some say in how we are governed – they do their work because they believe it’s the right thing to do – take a moment to thank everyone who made serving on the council a

pleasure. Do know that he's learned a lot about his town – can take the Chris out of the Council but can't take the Council out of Chris.

7. **Adjournment** (7:52pm)