

NEWBERRY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL BE HELD AT THE
NEWBERRY COMMUNITY CENTER 30884 NEWBERRY ROAD, NEWBERRY
SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA ON

April 22, 2026 at 6:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

6:00 P.M. PUBLIC SESSION

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956, this Special Meeting of the Board of Directors has been called to consider the items listed on this agenda. No other business shall be considered.

1. CALL TO ORDER - Pledge of Allegiance

- **Roll Call** : Director Paula Deel, Director Mike Matson, Director Robert Springer, Director Margie Roberts, Director Jack Unger, Fire Chief Lanier, Engineer Rylan Lanier, GM Vanek, Sonia Hall, Paul Deel from NSEDA, and Representatives Mojave Trails Outreach

2. Approval of Agenda

3. Approval of the Minutes

A. Special Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2026

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

Anyone wishing to address any matter pertaining to District business listed on the agenda or not, may do so at this time. However, the Board of Directors may not take action on items that are not on the agenda. The public comment

period may be limited to three (3) minutes per person. Any member may speak on any agenda item at the time the agenda item is discussed by the Board of Directors. (Comments will be included in the Supporting Documents if written Reports are submitted to the GM or Secretary by meeting time).

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING #1 – NORTH PARK PROJECT (SPP GRANT) (Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program)

Recommendation:

Receive presentation and conduct Community Engagement Meeting #1 to initiate park planning process.

Presentation Topics:

- Overview of SPP Grant Program
- Project goals and eligibility (park-deficient community)
- Community engagement requirements (5 meetings)
- Introduction to North Park site

Community Engagement Activities:

- Needs Assessment Survey (paper + QR)
- Small Group Discussions:
 - Park access and barriers
 - Safety, lighting, and accessibility
 - Heat and shade concerns
- Interactive Mapping Exercise:
 - Identify gaps, hazards, and desired features

Board Action:

- Receive input and provide direction

5.2 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING #1 – COOLING CENTER PROJECT (EHCRP GRANT) (Extreme Heat and Community Resilience Program)

Recommendation:

Receive presentation and conduct Community Engagement Meeting #1 focused on extreme heat and cooling needs.

Presentation Topics:

- Overview of EHCRP Program
- Extreme heat conditions in Newberry (up to 120°F)
- Public health risks and need for cooling infrastructure
- Introduction to Cooling Center / Climate Resilience Hub concept

Community Engagement Activities:

- Heat Vulnerability Survey:
 - Access to air conditioning
 - Utility cost challenges
 - Health impacts during heat events
- Facilitated Discussion:
 - “Where do you go during extreme heat?”
 - “What happens during power outages?”
- Mapping Exercise:
 - Identify high-risk populations and areas lacking cooling access

Board Action:

- Receive input and provide direction

5.3 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING #1 – COMMUNITY RESILIENCE CENTER (CRC GRANT)

(California Strategic Growth Council Program)

Recommendation:

Receive presentation and conduct Community Engagement Meeting #1 focused on emergency preparedness and resilience.

Presentation Topics:

- Overview of CRC Program
- Concept: Community Resilience Center with Emergency Operations + Fire Department
- Role of facility in disasters and emergencies
- Importance of partnerships and community input

Community Engagement Activities:

- Emergency Needs Assessment:
 - Response times and service gaps
 - Evacuation challenges
 - Communication during emergencies
- Scenario Discussion:

- Heat emergency + power outage
- Fire or disaster response
- Mapping Exercise:
 - Identify high-risk areas and emergency gaps

Board Action:

- Receive input and provide direction

5.4 INTEGRATED PROJECT DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION

Recommendation:

Discuss integration of park, cooling center, and resilience center projects and provide direction to staff.

Discussion Topics:

- Coordination between:
 - Park development (SPP)
 - Cooling center (EHCRP)
 - Resilience center/EOC (CRC)
- Potential co-location opportunities
- Alignment of community priorities across projects

Board Action:

Provide direction to staff.

6. Adjournment

I, Kayleen Vanek

Print name


Signature

declare under penalty of perjury that I am a Board member or designated Staff member of the Newberry Community Services District and that this agenda was posted at least 72 hours prior to the meeting on a District office Display Board and on the District's Website at www.NewberryCSD.net.