### **Committee Members**

Green and Beautification
Avo Babian, Chair
Sidonia Lax
David Levinson
Gregory Wright
Deatra Yatman
Karen Sampson (Alternate)
Jessica McCarthy (Alternate)
Carolyn Casavan (Alternate)

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## Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council Green & Beautification Committee Meeting

June 6th, 2018 6:30 p.m. Sherman Oaks Library 14245 Moorpark St Sherman Oaks, CA 91423

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## **Minutes**

- 1. Meeting Called to Order by Avo Babian, Chair, at 6:40 pm
- 2. Roll Call: Present: Avo Babian, Sidonia Lax, David Levinson, Gregory Wright. Absent: Deatra Yatman
- 3. Reviewed and approved minutes of April meeting, Motion brought by David, Avo 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Passed Unanimously
- 4. Public comment on non-agenda items. Avo mention the Street Fair/Art Walk on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. He mentioned we should work with them next year. Shelly Billik from the Neighborhood Councils Sustainability Alliance (NCSA), asked if we could send a representative. Sidonia mentioned removing a tree near Poquito Mas. Sarina Klemes asked how to plant new trees. Shelly said to check with city plants. David said to call urban forestry for tree pruning but they take forever. David gave an update of the Beautification Summit on May 31<sup>st</sup> in downtown LA.
- 5. Discussion items:
  - a. LA River-DASH Hub at Mall. There is a meeting planned with CD4 reps
  - b. BID creation sub committee update: Asking for new property owners to join.
  - c. Garden Tour in Sherman Oaks: Sarina said she would be interested in helping to plan. The next steps are to find 5 home owners willing to volunteer and show their homes.
  - d. Clean and Beautify 405 Underpass at Sep and Ventura with Encino NC: No Update
- 6. Action Items:

Motion to support the Bucket Brigade Program. Greg brought the question to the floor. David  $2^{nd}$  the motion. **Motion Passed Unanimously.** 4-0-0

#### 7. Updates

- a. Sidewalk Trees issues: Regarding the Latest CFAC meeting-David will attend a meeting tomorrow. The issues include lack of funds and 50% of machinery is non operational. There are private groups that pay for repairs. It all began with a lawsuit, drunk people feel on a sidewalk in Hollywood. Need more Arborist, more machinery. Shelly mentioned that Krekorian is working on an ordinance to help. Gregory mentioned that we should fix sidewalks without cutting trees.
- b. LA River Update: Update with LA River Group meeting. There have been no meetings
- c. Ernie's Walk: No Updates
- 8. New Business No new business
- 9. Announcements: Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council Board Meeting on June 11th.
- 10. Next Meeting BID Sub Committee meeting on July 3rd. Next Green Committee meeting, Sep 5th.
- 11. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm