

**Sherman Oaks  
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**SONC Board Regular Meeting Agenda:**  
Monday, November 13, 2023, 6:30 pm

**In-Person Meeting**

Sherman Oaks East Valley Adult Center  
at Van Nuys Sherman Oaks Park  
5056 Van Nuys Blvd

**Virtual Meeting - For Public Participation Only**

If you are unable to join us in-person, follow along on Zoom!\*

Access Information, via Zoom Webinar ID: **851 4054 3942**.

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*The Neighborhood Council system enables meaningful civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of stakeholder volunteers who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities.*

**Agenda Note:** All items containing motions, at the time of agenda posting, are listed in **blue, bold text**.

- 1. Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call**
  - a. Welcome and Call to Order.
  - b. Roll Call and the Establishment of Quorum.
  
- 2. Comments by Council District Office, Public Agencies, Officials, and Staff**

Public officials and their representatives who wish to provide general updates.

**3. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within SONC Jurisdiction**

**4. President's Report**

- ^ Board Member training: DONE has suspended several Board Members
  - Reinstatement procedure (first, complete the required training...).
- Policy on committee membership and event attendance for Board Members
- Movie Night recap

**5. Administrative and Executive Initiated Motions**

a. **SONC Board Meeting Minutes, October 2023.**

**From Floor:** [Any Board Member]. Requires a second.

A motion to approve the minutes of October 2023.

b. **Neighborhood Council Teleconferencing and Remote Meetings (SB 411).**

**From Floor:** President Lindsay Imber. Requires a second. *Position: **For-Update.***

[CF 23-1114](#). Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils / SB 411 / Teleconferencing / Remote Meetings / Brown Act Modification / California Government Code / COVID-19 Pandemic.

Whereas, this resolution is the official statement adopted by this Neighborhood Council, The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council satisfies the  $\frac{2}{3}$  board requirement of SB 411 and approves meeting virtually for board and/or committee meetings, subject to President and Chair discretion, to facilitate accessibility and access for constituents and board/committee members who may be unable to attend certain in-person meetings.

**6. Committee Reports [2 Minutes for Each Report, Unless a Motion is Presented]**

a. Government Affairs Committee - Lindsay Imber, Chair.

**Meets on the 4th Tuesday of the Month**

i. **Office of Compliance at City Hall: Conflicts of Interest**

**From Committee:** Government Affairs. *Position: **For if Amended.***

[CF 23-1097](#). Office of Compliance / Conflict of Interests / Ethics Laws / City Councilmembers.

*See appendix at the bottom of this agenda for the full text of this motion.*

b. Finance Committee - Jeffrey Hartsough, Chair.

**Meets on the 4th Wednesday of the Month (5th Wed for November)**

i. **SONC Monthly Expenditure Report (MER), September 2023**

**From Floor:** Treasurer Jeffrey Hartsough.

A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's (SONC) [Monthly Expenditure Report \(MER\) for the period ending Sept 30, 2023.](#)

c. Outreach Committee - Brett Collier and Kylee Peña, Co-Chairs.

**Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month**

- d. Planning & Land Use (PLUM) & Vision Committees - Jeff Kalban, Chair.  
**PLUM Meets on the 3rd Thursday of the Month**  
**Vision Meets on the 1st Thursday of the Month**
- e. Public Safety Committee - Susan Collins, Chair.  
**Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month**
- f. Airport Committee - Bob Bramen, Chair.  
**Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the Month (Alternates with Traffic)**
- g. Green&Sustainability, Traffic&Transportation Committees - Avo Babian, Chair.  
**Green Meets on the 1st Wednesday of the Month**  
**Traffic Meets on the 3rd Wed of the Month (Alternates with Airport)**
- h. Human Services Committee - Pamela Harris and Sarah Manuel, Co-Chairs.  
**Meets on the 1st Monday of the Month**
- i. Budget Advocates - Howard Katchen, SONC Rep & Budget Advocate.

**7. Board Member Announcements**

*Closing announcements from Board Members.*

**8. Adjournment**

Motions are introduced either by the Committee from which they were adopted, in which case the motion requires no second (denoted by “**from committee**”); or by an individual board member (“**from floor**”), in which case the motion requires a second. Items initiated via **Consent Calendar** are considered and voted on as one motion; members may request to take an item out of Calendar to consider said item individually.

*Appendix: Item 6.a.i: **Office of Compliance at City Hall: Conflicts of Interest**  
[CF 23-1097](#). **From:** Government Affairs. *Position:* **For if Amended.***

Whereas a series of criminal charges have been filed against multiple Los Angeles City Councilmembers over the past decade, including charges of embezzlement, perjury, conflict of interest, racketeering, and other corruption-related violations;

And Whereas the reputation of City Council greatly depends on the City’s ability to combat corruption and enforce conflict of interest rules, laws, and other ethics policies while effectively addressing criminal activity by public officials;

Therefore, the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports CF 23-1097 to establish a dedicated Office of Compliance or other like body whose function shall include the moderation and identification of conflict-of-interest questions relative to Council Files and other city business.

However, SONC’s position *For if Amended* seeks to further empower this Office of Compliance or related entity to actively refer to the Los Angeles City Attorney’s Office or other relevant agency potential violations of law, corruption, or other nefarious conduct by

violative City Councilmembers, and for the City to establish, maintain, and enforce an adequate review system, in conjunction with its Ethics Commission, that empowers the City to investigate and penalize Councilmembers for violations that may not arise to the level of criminality, but are nonetheless violative of policy. Investigative reports and recommendations should be publicized and even agendized at City Hall by this Office of Compliance to ensure transparency and to affirm to the public this City's desire to combat the scourge of corruption that has at times befallen City Council.

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