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**SONC Board Regular Meeting Agenda:  
Monday, July 8, 2024, 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**

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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. ^Appointment of a Youth Representative Board Member & Alternate From Committee:** Executive.  
Motion to approve appointments of Dylan Shea as Youth Representative Board Member and El-Bethel Debela as Youth Representative Alternate.

3. **Comments by Council District Office, Public Agencies, Officials, and Staff**  
Public officials and their representatives who wish to provide general updates.
4. **General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within SONC Jurisdiction**  
*[Previous items will suspend at 7pm and Item 5 will begin at this time.  
Unfinished business on earlier items will resume after the conclusion of Item 6]*
5. **Presentation by American Foundation for Suicide Prevention**
6. **President's Report**  
Movie in the Park - *Barbie*, July 20th at VNSO Park, Hazeltine Fields
7. **Administrative and Executive Initiated Motions**
  - a. **SONC Board Meeting Minutes, June 2024**  
**From Floor:** [Any Board Member]. Requires a second.  
A motion to approve the minutes of June 2024.
8. **Additional Motions from the Floor**
  - a. **Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project - Elimination of Alt 4 Campaign**  
**From Floor:** Lindsay Imber. Requires a second.  
*Draft Motion:* Whereas the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) has previously taken a position opposing Sepulveda Transit Corridor Alternative 4 (above ground trains on Sepulveda Blvd.) [[17-0 vote, November 2022](#)], and whereas SONC has previously voted to support Alternative 6 or a similar fully-underground heavy rail (subway) concept in the San Fernando Valley [[17-0 vote, December 2021](#)], *SONC hereby issues its support to the campaign to eliminate above-ground Alternative 4 from the STC project.*
  - b. **Sherman Oaks/Encino Chamber of Commerce Office Lease Extension**  
**From Floor:** Lindsay Imber. Requires a second.  
*Motion:* The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports the Sherman Oaks/Encino Chamber of Commerce's effort to extend an office lease for the Chamber presently managed by the Recreation & Parks Department .
9. **Committee Reports [2 Minutes for Each Report, Unless a Motion is Presented]**
  - a. Budget Advocates - Howard Katchen, SONC Representative.
  - b. Outreach Committee - Kylee Peña, Chair.  
**Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month**
  - c. Airport Committee - Bob Bramen, Chair.  
**Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the Month (Alternates with Traffic)**

d. Finance Committee - Jeffrey Hartsough, Chair.

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

ii. **Consent Calendar - MER, Shirts, Movies, Items, Election, Fair, Zoom**  
**From Committee:** Finance

*This consent calendar includes the following items. See footer at the conclusion of agenda business for more information about Consent Calendar.*

> A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's [Monthly Expenditure Report \(MER\) for the period ending May 31, 2024.](#)

> Purchase SONC T-Shirts.

A motion to approve the expenditure of up to \$1000.00 for the purchase of T-shirts for board and committee members. The t-shirts will be worn by board and committee members at SONC outreach and other events.

> Movies in the Park - July.

A motion to approve the expenditure of up to \$4,900 for SONC's Summer Series Movies in the Park screening of Barbie at the Van Nuys Sherman Oaks War Memorial Park on Saturday, July 20, 2024. Funds will go towards film rental/licensing fees, projection services, children's activities, such as bubble blowing services and other family friendly activities. Funding will also be used to acquire SONC branded promotional materials, SONC printed materials, and event logistical support.

> Movies in the Park - August

A motion to approve the expenditure of up to \$4,900 for SONC's Summer Series Movies in the Park screening of Spider-Man: Across the Spiderverse at the Van Nuys Sherman Oaks War Memorial Park on Saturday, August 17, 2024. Funds will go towards film rental/licensing fees, projection services, children's activities, such as bubble blowing services and other family friendly activities. Funding will also be used to acquire SONC branded promotional materials, SONC printed materials, and event logistical support.

> SONC Branded Items for Community Outreach

A motion to approve the expenditure of up to \$3,000 to purchase Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) branded items for use as part of SONC's outreach efforts. SONC branded items include, for example, pens, post-it notes, glow sticks, beachballs, safety lights, and printed materials.

> SONC Election Expenses (2025 NC Elections)

A motion to approve the expenditure of up to \$8,000 in support of the promotion and execution of the SONC 2025 Elections. Funds will be used for items such as printing, signage, flyers, yard signs, flyer distribution, social media, and SONC branded materials. It is proposed that SONC distribute election information (10,000 flyers) to stakeholders' homes twice in support of the election effort. Each distribution is estimated to cost \$2,500.00

> 2024 Sherman Oaks Street Fair - October

Motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's (SONC) participation in the Sherman Oaks Chamber of Commerce 2024 Street Fair on October 20, 2024, and the expenditure of up to \$2,000 for booth fees and SONC outreach materials.

> SONC “Get out the vote” placards

A motion to approve the expenditure of up to \$2000 to purchase “Get Out the Vote” placards to support SONC’s efforts to engage the Sherman Oaks community and increase voter awareness and participation in both the November 2024 General Election and the Spring 2025 SONC election

> SONC Zoom License

A motion to approve the expenditure of up to \$400.00 for the payment of Zoom license fees to support SONC ongoing public meetings.

- e. Government Affairs Committee - Lindsay Imber, Chair.

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

- f. 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**

- g. Human Services Committee - Pamela Harris and Sarah Adamski, Co-Chairs.

**Meets on the 1st Monday of the Month**

- h. Public Safety Committee - Susan Collins, Chair.

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

- i. 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)**

**10. Board Member Announcements**

*Closing announcements from Board Members.*

**11. Adjournment**

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