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SONC Board Regular Meeting Agenda:

Monday, September 9, 2024, 6:30 pm

Virtual Meeting

Due to the Excessive Heat Warning, this meeting will be held virtually and not in-person

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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.
 - c. **^Approval of President's Appointment to Fill Vacancy 4-B**
From Floor: President Lindsay Imber. Requires a second.
A motion to approve the President's appointment of Ryan Ahari to SONC to fill the vacancy for Area 4 Business.
2. **Comments by Council District Office, Public Agencies, Officials, and Staff**
3. **General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within SONC Jurisdiction**
4. **Guest Speaker: LAPD Captain Christopher Zine (Approximately 7pm)**
5. **President's Report**
6. **Administrative and Executive Initiated Motions**
 - a. **SONC Board Meeting Minutes, August 2024**
From Floor: [Any Board Member]. Requires a second.
A motion to approve the minutes of August 2024.
7. **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. **Commission on Lived Experience with Homelessness.**
From Committee: Government Affairs.
CF 19-1020. Commission on Lived Experience w Homelessness. **Pos: FOR.**
Draft Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports Council File 19-1020 which seeks to establish a Commission on Lived Experience with Homelessness, composed entirely of people who are currently, or have been in the recent past, homeless in Los Angeles.

Considering the recent passage and multiple extensions of an Emergency Ordinance regarding the unhoused resident population, and the quickly approaching Council File deadline, this matter should be considered extremely urgent. We request that the Housing and Homelessness committee Chair, Councilmember Raman of District 4 bring the item to City Council forthwith; and report back to SONC within 30 days.

ii. **Neighborhood Council Youth Representatives and Term Limits.**

From Committee: Government Affairs.

[CF 24-0867](#). Neighborhood Council Bylaws / Youth Participation / Diversity Increase / Leadership Growth.

Position: AGAINST.

Draft Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) opposes Council File 24-0867 which requests two separate actions from the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners: 1) bylaw amendment guaranteeing a youth seat on each NC, and 2) bylaw amendment instituting term limits for all NCs.

While SONC supports the goals of request #1 pertaining to youth membership, we oppose this motion due to #2's desire to institute term limits for a vulnerable NC system which already has difficulty achieving membership goals and often relies on seasoned council members for expertise and institutional knowledge.

b. Finance Committee - Jeffrey Hartsough, Chair.

Meets on the 4th Wednesday of the Month

i. **July 2024 Monthly Expenditure Report.**

From Committee: Finance.

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

ii. **Reimbursement of a SONC Board Member.**

From Floor: Treasurer Jeffrey Hartsough. Requires a second.

A motion to approve the reimbursement of \$26.30 to Kylee Peña, SONC Board member and Chair of the Outreach Committee, for materials purchased at The Home Depot on July 20, 2024, to stabilize and support the Photo-Op Barbie Box used at the SONC Movie in the Park on August 17, 2024.

c. Budget Advocates - Howard Katchen, SONC Representative.

d. Outreach Committee - Kylee Peña, Chair.

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month

e. 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

f. Public Safety Committee - Susan Collins, Chair.

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month

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

Meets on the 1st Monday of the Month

h. Airport Committee - Bob Bramen, Chair. *Update from Tom Materna, Vice Chair.*

Meets as Called by the Chair

8. Board Member Announcements

Closing announcements from Board Members.

9. 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.

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(D) Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

(E) (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.



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