

**Sherman Oaks
Neighborhood Council**

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Lindsay Imber, President 6-R
Howard Katchen, 1st VP 3-R
Jeffrey Hartsough, Treasurer, 2-CI
Stacey Segarra-Bohlinger, Secretary 5-R

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Levon Baronian, 1-B
Christy Adair, 1-CI
Thelma Mericle, 1-R
David Silverman 4-CI
Kylee Peña, 5-R
Tom Materna, 6-B
Row Zadeh, 6-CI
Neal Roden, 7-B
Jeffrey Kalban, 7-CI
Susan Collins, 7-R
Dylan Shea, Y
El-Bethel, Y

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Regular Board Meeting:

Minutes

Monday, August 12, 2024 - 6:30pm

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.

1. Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call

a. Call to Order: Lindsay Imber, President, called the meeting to order at **6:37pm**

b. Roll Call: Stacey Segarra-Bohlinger, Secretary, called the roll

i. Present: Adair, Mericle, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Katchen, El-Bethel, Hartsough, Imber, Segarra-Bohlinger (**13**)

ii. Absent: Baronian, Silverman, Shea (**3**)

2. Comments by Public Agencies, Officials, and Staff

Ben Culp, Los Angeles Fire Dept. Chief, Battalion 14

Earthquakes

1. secure space – furniture, heavy objects, items above bed, etc.
2. create emergency escape plan
3. build emergency kits
fire extinguisher, 72 hours of food, clothing, medication, etc
4. retrofit
5. during earthquake, duck & cover head, don't go outside or stand in doorway
6. check for damage, injuries

7. follow emergency plan

Drownings

keep gate or fence closed
supervise children at all times

Extreme Heat

ensure care for elderly/vulnerable
heat cramps - muscle pains / spasms in arms and legs
heat exhaustion - headaches, cramps, nausea, vomiting
heat stroke - high body temperature, dry, red skin, no sweat
care - hydrate with electrolytes
get out of the sun
remove excess clothing
get cool by whatever means available

Fire Hazards

brush fire season, be prepared to evacuate with pre-set bag

Sean Regan, Field Deputy, Congressional District 32 (Sherman)

submitted funding requests for FY2025
Lake Balboa Sports Center
“Jewish Community Safety Plan”
Fire Station updates
Telephone Town Hall, 9/4/24 aprox. 7pm

Emma Taylor, Field Deputy, Council District 4 (Raman)

Introducing Taleen Keuroghlian, new field deputy
Van Nuys Sherman Oaks (VNSO) Park Activities poll closes Sunday, 8/18/24
pickleball, baseball field, other improvements proposed
brush clearance, reporting overgrown brush, checking in with LAFD
Power outages during extreme heat, update CD4 to contact LADWP
will be attending August Movie in the Park
flagging and removing abandoned RVs
uptick in residential burglaries
lease extension regarding Encino Chamber of Commerce

Diane Rana, Field Deputy, 44th state Assembly District (Friedman)

Happy 1st day of School
State Program - Earthquake Brace and Bolt, grants for retrofits
Aug 5th legislature reconvened, 12 bills in senate appropriations
AB1889 - “room to roam” to protect wildlife
AB2297 - Hospital “fair pricing” act, bans putting a lien on homes for debt collection
Assemblymember in final term

Sept 14th car seat installation event with CHP, Glendale
scam-stopper event Sept 26th at East Valley Adult Center
online Town Halls TBD
help with state agencies available
818-558-3043

3. General Public Comment

brief discussion followed

4. Presentation: Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance

[expedited in between speakers in item 2 at 7pm]
brief presentation regarding "sustainability"
DWP grant for converting from gas to electricity within CD4
presentation with Q&A followed
switchison.org

5. President's Report

Second Vice President, Brett Collier, has submitted resignation
President Imber reads letter on behalf of Collier
August Movie in the Park update
no license available for advertised film, new film to be selected

6. Administrative motions

a. *A motion to approve the minutes of July 2024 SONC board meeting*

MOVED: Kalban **SECOND:** Roden

yes: Adair, Peña, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Katchen, Hartsough, Collier, Imber, Segarra-Bohlinger
(10) / no: (0)

absent: Baronian, Mericle, Silverman, Zadeh, Materna **(5) / abstain: (0)**

item 7a carries unanimously 15-0-2-0

7. Committee Reports

a. **Outreach Committee- Kylee Peña, Chair. Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month**

Previously scheduled Movie for Movie in the Park has revoked licensing privileges

Replacement for Movie in the Park options:

Minions Rise of Gru or Kung Fu Panda 4

Minions Rise of Gru selected by informal audience participation show-of-hands
reminder to board members to volunteer for movies, street fair (Oct. 20th)

b. **Finance Committee- Jeffrey Hartsough, Chair. Meets on the 4th Wednesday of the Month**

ii. Consent Calendar-

> *A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the period ending June 30, 2024.*

> *Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission Expenditure Cancellation. A motion to approve the cancellation of the payment of \$1,500 to Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission, approved by a SONC Board motion on November 8, 2021. This motion further instructs the City Clerk to void the check issued in October 2023 and return the \$1,500 to SONC's FY25 available funds.*

[Background: In FY21-22 SONC approved an expenditure of \$1,500 to Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission to support a Holiday Clothing Drive. A check was issued on April 22, 2022, in the amount of \$1,500.00. That check was not negotiated. The City Clerk contacted Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission and issued a replacement check on October 5, 2023. That check has not been negotiated]

NOTE: this motion is presented by committee and does not require a second

MOVED: Finance cmte. **SECOND:** n/a

YES: Adair, Mericle, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Katchen, Hartsough, Imber, Segarra-Bohlinger (12) / **NO:** (0)

ABSENT: Baronian, Silverman, Shea (3) / **INELIGIBLE:** El-Bethel (1)

c. Budget Advocates- Howard Katchen, SONC Representative.

no update, meeting on Saturday via ZOOM, 9:30am

d. Government Affairs Committee- Lindsay Imber, Chair. Meets on the 4th Tuesday of the Month

August meeting on ZOOM, no motions from recent meeting

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

Sept. 5th, Community Plan Review

beginning to form response to Planning Department

Green Queen Cannabis to attend PLUM Sept. 19th

f. Public Safety Committee- Susan Collins, Chair. Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month

Next public safety event to be discussed

CERT report: class syllabi in back of room

“OK” / “NEED HELP” door hangers / flyers

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

Meets on the 1st Monday of the Month

Sept, 26th 12:30, "Senior Scammer" event
upcoming DONE "homeless" liaison meeting
Peter Siggins attended CD4 "homeless" deputy, gave update
Friday Sept. 6th next virtual meeting (1st monday is Labor day)
December / holiday events [TBD]
 clothing drive
 caroling
 letters to santa

**h. Airport Committee- Bob Bramen, Chair. Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the Month
(Alternates with Traffic)**

[Materna gave update]

hasn't met recently

Airport decisions made expeditiously without opportunity for public input

8. Board Member Announcements

Farewell Letter from Brett Collier

Congress of Neighborhoods

Thanks to Howard for snacks

 please recycle bottles

information regarding ballot measure for \$9billion bond for LAUSD

9. Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn approved without objection at 8:03pm

Respectfully submitted

