Sherman Oaks **Neighborhood Council**

Human Services Committee

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Neighborhood Council

Human Services Committee Meeting:

Minutes - DRAFT

October 7, 2024 6:30pm Zoom

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. Call to Order

a. Sarah Adamski, co-chair, called the meeting to order at 6:37pm.

2. Roll Call

a. Kylee called the roll.

i. Present: Pamela Harris, Sarah Adamski, Alexia Guevera, Kylee Peña (4)

ii. Absent: Mercedes Bankston (1)

3. Minutes

Kylee moved to approve August meeting minutes as presented. Alexia seconded. Approved unanimously.

4. Co-Chair's Report:

- Laura Friedman's office did a senior scammer event that was successful.
- DONE Homeless Liaison meeting (virtual) with a presentation from "Care". Not a great experience, just one SONC representative.

5. Comments by public officials, agencies, and staff:

No public officials present.

6. General Public Comment, speakers:

Lionel Mares

7. Service Provider Discussion: N/A

None scheduled.

8. Holiday Drive Motion

A motion to approve the 5th Annual Holiday Drive to be held on Saturday, December 14th, or 21st, in partnership with Council District 4 (CD4), a non-profit organization (TBD), and at a location (TBD). The event will collect essential items such as clothing, hygiene products, and food to support our underserved community members during the holiday season. Approval of this motion will allow us to finalize partnerships, secure a venue, and begin outreach efforts to ensure the drive's success in uplifting those in need.

Motion made by Sarah Seconded by Kylee Approved unanimously.

9. Discussion of Human Services Outreach Calendar and Funding Requests

- Sherman Oaks Street Fair: October 20
- Seniors in Need December 14/21
- Holiday Drive combined with Seniors in Need
- Secret Santa Letters TBD
- Meet Your Neighbor unknown
- Homeless Count: January 22nd-31st
- Tree Adoption: Spring 2025
- Movie Nights with Human Services dedicated table
- August Movie Night: Backpack Drive

10. New Business

- USPS Letter to Santa Adoption
- Proactive campaign to recruit members
- Elections
- Word of mouth by volunteering
 - Interfaith Food Pantry
 - o Create a shared calendar when we're busy

Next Meetings:

- September virtual
- October 7 virtual

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- November 4 virtual
- December 2 in person

11. Announcements

- Free Mammogram Event at Westfield: October 20 (free for low income)
- Positive new federal housing guidance for housing veterans is on the way to get signed.
- New LAPD chief meet and greet on 10/9

Next Human Services Committee Meetings:

- Virtual Meetings: November 4, 2024
- In Person Meetings: December 2, 2024 bring your favorite cookies or a snack

12. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted:

Kylee Peña