#### Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council

#### Officers

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

#### **Board Members**

Levon Baronian, 1-B Christy Adair, 1-CI Thelma Mericle, 1-R Carter Ranshaw, 3-CI David Silverman 4-CI Ryan Ahari, 4-B 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 Debela, Y-alternate

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**Board Meeting:** 

Sherman Oaks/East Valley Adult Center 5056 Van Nuys Blvd. Sherman Oaks, CA 91423

# **Minutes**

Monday, December 9, 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 6:39pm

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

i.Present: Baronian, Adair, Ranshaw, Peña, Zadeh, Ahari, Materna, Kalban, Collins, Shea,

Debela, Katchen, Imber, Segarra-Bohlinger, Mericle [tardy] (15)

ii. Absent: Silverman, Roden, Hartsough (3)

## 2. Comments by Public Agencies, Officials, and Staff

## **Taleen Keuroghlian, Field Deputy, Council District 4 (Raman)**

Safety - burglaries, arson
LAFD / LAPD mediation ongoing
"I'm here as a resource at CD4"
invitation to meet

mention of Neighborhood Watch questions regarding CISs and Legislative proposals

## Robert Barna, #10 Battalion Chief, LAFD

Recent Arson Cases

working with LAPD and CERT (where applicable)

no suspect

Trayvon Johson, Arson specialist

Bureau Commander Jamie Moore

Sepulveda Basin fires

near loss last year, recovery ongoing

clearing invasive species

unhoused resident population correlated with frequency of fires

**CERT** 

helpful to respond to emergencies

LAFD experience staff/resource shortages

\$23million cut in recent budget

Safety Message

Christmas Trees are a fire hazard

continue to water tree

update lights

do not light candles on tree

take it outside when holiday is over, do not leave it inside

## Lorezno Briceno, Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE)

New Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate (NEA)

20 years working for the city of L.A.

serving 9 NCs including SONC

25th Anniversary Event, 9/13/24 6pm-9pm

NC 2025 Election Day: Tuesday, June 10th

Office: 213-978-1151 Cell: 213-978-1153 lorenzo.briceno@lacity.org

## Mirna Ezquival, Field Deputy, L.A. County Supervisors, 3rd District (Horvath)

Pathway Home Initiative

encampment sweeping

"mental health and substance use" beds

app launched recently

short-term rental regulations / policy

"supporting responsible housing"

no ADUs, stay caps, other provisions amendments to address business licenses office closed 12/18/24 - 1/6/25

contact number: 213-618-2267

## 3. Presentation: LA Sanitation - Sewer Repair Project

North Outfall Sewer (NOS) Unit 33:

The project will take place on Magnolia between Hazeltine and Woodman, and on Woodman between Magnolia and Valleyheart late spring/early summer 2025 through winter 2027 approx. \$25 million budget

#### 4. General Public Comment

brief discussion followed

## 5. President's Report

Formation of the Ad Hoc Elections Committee
reach out if you want to seek a 2nd VP appointment and/or chair committee
Revival of the Traffic & Transportation and Green & Sustainability Committees
previous chair has not responded to inquiries regarding committee status
new chairs / members to be discussed

#### 6. Administrative motions

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

MOVED: Ahari SECOND: Katchen

YES: Baronian, Adair, Ranshaw, Peña, Zadeh, Ahari, Materna, Kalban, Collins, Shea, Katchen,

Imber, Segarra-Bohlinger (13) / NO: (0) / ABSTAIN: Debela [alternate] (1) INELIGIBLE: (0) ABSENT: Mericle, Silverman, Roden, Hartsough (4)

item 6a carries unanimously 13-0-1-0-4

## 7. Committee Reports

a. 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

Community Plan, Next Steps at Vision meeting 1/9/25 community plan update,
goal is to report back to Planning in Feb/March

City Council hearing CHIP at City Hall tomorrow (12/10/24)

#### PLUM meets 1/16/25

## b. Public Safety Committee- Susan Collins, Chair.

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month (unless otherwise posted) meeting on ZOOM

**CERT** presentation

CERT report (Adair)- general information and registration: <a href="www.cert-la.com">www.cert-la.com</a>
2 classes available, classes begin at 6:30pm and end at approx. 8:30pm
Thursday Nights at the Sherman Oaks Galleria, beginning January 9th classes lead by firefighters, search LAFD CERT in Event Brite (stands for COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM)
shortage of response providers, vehicles

lack of city resources for emergency response

## c. Airport Committee- Bob Bramen, Chair. Update from Tom Materna, Vice Chair.

Meets as Called by the Chair

formation of community group seeking to advise LAWA / gov't officials lack of public transparency in meetings / projects misleading remarks regarding Children's Hospital during hearings vote regarding lease was close mention of lead in fuel, lack of advocacy from local representatives

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

Meets on the 1st Monday of the Month Holiday Drive 12/28 1/6/25 next meeting looking for collaborators / committee members

## e. Outreach Committee- Kylee Peña, Chair.

Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the Month returns 1/21/25, 6:30PM, Library spring movie night mention of election ad-hoc committee spring tree giveaway, either 3/22/25 or 3/29/25

## f. Government Affairs Committee-Lindsay Imber, Chair.

Meets on the 4th Tuesday of the Month vacancy on the committee no meeting in December

## g. Finance Committee - Jeffrey Hartsough, Chair.

Meets on the 4th Wednesday of the Month.

no December meeting, MERs approved last month

**h. Budget Advocates- Howard Katchen, SONC Representative -** budgetadvocates.org meets on the 1st Monday (evening 7pm), 3rd Saturday (morning, 9:30am) on ZOOM Sat. 12/14/24 meeting at 2pm

Congrats to Jeffrey Hartsough re: birth of granddaughter engaging with multiple city departments, next FY budgets city budget in "dire straits"

"keeping an eye on it" meeting with Mayor Bass TBD goal to complete "white paper" by early Jan. 2025

## 8. Board Member Announcements

Segarra-Bohlinger: remarks regarding Crossing Guard program,

public remarks at City Hall

Materna: Metro project ongoing / incoming, SONC advocacy needed

## 9. Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn approved without objection at 7:55pm

Respectfully submitted

Stacey