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SONC Board Meeting Agenda:
Monday, March 10, 2025, 6:30 pm

In-Person Meeting

Sherman Oaks East Valley Adult Center
5056 Van Nuys Blvd

Public Comments: Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered, and prior to voting. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within SONC Jurisdiction period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, issues raised by the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to one minute per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

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. Comments by Council District Office, Public Agencies, Officials, and Staff**
 - a. Public Comment for CD, Public Agencies, etc.
Pursuant to Brown Act, there will be no discussion/back-and-forth.

- 3. Guest Speaker: Peggy Lobnitz**
Presentation: "How to Protect Yourself from Health Effects During Wildfires"

- 4. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within SONC Jurisdiction**

5. President's Report

- SONC's Hello Spring Tree Adoption Event - March 22 @ VNSO Park
- 2025 NC Elections / Ad Hoc Committee (Hartsough)
 - Candidate Filing for SONC is Now Open (Thru March 24).
- Revival of the [Traffic & Transportation](#) and [Green & Sustainability](#) Committees

6. Administrative and Executive Initiated Motions

a. **SONC Board Meeting Minutes, February 2025**

From Floor: [Any Board Member]. Requires a second.

A motion to approve the minutes of February 2025.

7. Motions From the Floor and Associated Committee Reports (If Applicable)

a. Government Affairs - Lindsay Imber, Chair.

Meets on the 4th Tuesday of the Month

[Olympic and Paralympic Planning Approval Regulation Sidestep](#)

From Committee: Government Affairs.

Position: ***AGAINST***

[CF 15-0989-S47](#). 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games / Venues, Facilities, Structures, Sites Exemptions / Planning Approvals / Zoning Reg. / Conditions

Draft Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council strongly opposes Council File 15-0989-S47.

The 2028 Olympics was initially pitched as a “no build” Olympics, meaning it would be facilitated in existing venues.

Considering that Los Angeles was formally awarded the Games by the International Olympic Commission (IOC) on September 13, 2017, The City of Los Angeles has had ample opportunity in recent years to begin construction planning with adequate permitting, zoning, and public input processes in place.

Removing the requirement to follow existing regulatory standards for permitting and environmental safety is likely to result in projects being expedited that are only tangentially related to the games; and puts residents at risk of hazards and disenfranchisement.

We urge the Los Angeles City Council to oppose this item; and require any new building relating to the 2028 Olympics undergo standard permitting and regulatory processes.

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

Request for Council District 4 to Support LAFD CERT Program

From Committee: Public Safety. (not a funding motion)

Draft Motion (in part): The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council recognizes the importance of the LAFD C.E.R.T. program particularly given the recent wildfire disaster and requests Council Member Nithya Raman to provide funding from the AB1290 Fund No. 53P account # 281204 (CD 4 RP SVCS) in the amount of \$50,000. to provide the necessary resources to ensure CD 4 residents have access to the lifesaving LAFD C.E.R.T. course.

[Link to the full motion from the Public Safety Committee.](#)

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

January 2025 Monthly Expenditure Report

From Floor: Treasurer Jeffrey Hartsough. Requires a second. (funding motion)

A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's (SONC) Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the period ending January 31, 2025.

[SONC Monthly Expenditure Report January 2025 Summary](#)

8. Committee Reports with No Motion [2 Minutes for Each Report]

- 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
- b. Outreach Committee - Kylee Peña and David Silverman, Co-Chairs.
Meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the Month
- c. Traffic & Transportation Committee - Stacey Segarra-Bohlinger, Chair.
Meeting Date To Be Determined
- d. Budget Advocates - Howard Katchen, SONC Representative.
- e. Airport Committee - Bob Bramen, Chair. *Update from Tom Materna, Vice Chair.*
Meets as Called by the Chair
- f. Green & Sustainability Committee - Drew Johnstone, Chair.
Meeting Date To Be Determined
- g. Human Services Committee - Pamela Harris and Sarah Adamski, Co-Chairs.
Meets on the 1st Monday of the Month

9. Board Member Announcements

Closing announcements from Board Members.

10. Adjournment

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