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SONC Board Meeting Agenda:
Monday, April 14, 2025, 6:30 pm

In-Person Meeting

Sherman Oaks East Valley Adult Center
5056 Van Nuys Blvd

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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.

- 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 during the meeting.

3. **General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items within SONC Jurisdiction**
4. **Scheduled 10 Minute Recess** - The Council will stand in Recess for 10 minutes.
5. **President's Report**
 - 2025 NC Elections, Youth Selection
6. **Youth Members' Special Project Update**

A presentation from the youth members on their SONC experience.
7. **Administrative and Executive Initiated Motions**
 - a. **SONC Board Meeting Minutes, March 2025**

From Floor: [Any Board Member]. Requires a second.
A motion to approve the minutes of March 2025.
8. **Motions From the Floor and Associated Committee Reports (If Applicable)**
 - a. Finance Committee - Jeffrey Hartsough, Chair.

Meets on the 4th Wednesday of the Month

 - i. **February 2025 Monthly Expenditure Report**

From Committee: Finance.
A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's (SONC) Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the period ending February 28, 2025.
[SONC Monthly Expenditure Report February 2025 Summary](#)
 - ii. **Consent Calendar: Various SONC Expenditures**

From Floor: Treasurer Jeffrey Hartsough.

 - i. Up to \$4,900 for SONC Movies in the Park Series on June 28, 2025.
 - ii. Up to \$4,900 for SONC Movies in the Park Series on July 26, 2025.

Items i-ii.: Funds for film rental/licensing fees, projection services, and family friendly activities. Also for branded promotional materials, SONC printed materials, and event logistical support.

 - iii. \$130 to renew Canva Pro license for FY 2025-6 (under EmpowerLA).
 - iv. \$500 to renew Zoom license (under EmpowerLA).
 - v. \$1,000 for permits for use of Sherman Oaks East Valley Adult Center for SONC Board meetings, July through December 2025.
 - vi. \$1,000 from FY25 for contribution to Neighborhood Council Budget Day.
 - vii. \$1,000 from FY25 for contribution LA City Congress of Neighborhoods.
[Supporting Document with more detailed information \(see Items 2-8\).](#)
 - b. Traffic & Transportation Committee - Stacey Segarra-Bohlinger, Chair.

Meets as Called by the Chair

Hazardous Intersection: All-Way Stop Sign Request

From Committee: Traffic & Transportation.

Draft Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) Requests the office of CD4 (Raman) and other relevant agencies to install stop signs where there are currently none on Clark Street to create 4-way intersections between Kester and Willis where traffic currently moves unimpeded east and westbound. We also ask action be taken to prevent city and public works vehicles from blocking drivers' views of existing stop signs, and alleyway access for residents.

c. 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

Planning and Zoning: Housing Development: Transit-Oriented Dev

From Committee: Planning & Land Use (PLUM).

Position: For

[CF 25-0002-S19](#). SB 79 (Winer) (sic) / State Zoning Standards / Train Stations / Major Bus Stops / 7-Story Multifamily Housing / Municipality Exemption / Housing Element.

Draft Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council supports CF 25-0002-S19, thus opposing SB 79, unless amended to exclude single-family, light industrial, and historic districts.

This bill allows 65-foot-high apartment buildings within a half mile of rail stops or bus stops with 15-minute headways—without affordability requirements—threatening single-family neighborhoods, historic districts, and light-industrial zones while lacking critical environmental safeguards.

Los Angeles's Housing Element already meets the State's housing mandates through responsible urban planning. SB 79 undermines this by:

- Allowing unchecked development that strains infrastructure and budgets.
- Requiring no affordable housing while enabling market-rate construction anywhere within the half mile radius of transit stops as defined above.
- Disrupting cities' efforts to meet affordability goals and serve transit-dependent residents.
- Reducing homeownership opportunities for working- and middle-class families.
- Encouraging gentrification by disregarding Historic District protections.
- Eliminating light-industrial zones vital for future jobs and work-life balance.

Los Angeles must balance housing growth with community stability. We urge you to oppose SB 79 unless amended to exempt single-family, historic, and light-industrial zones.

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

i. **Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) Funding**

From Committee: Government Affairs.

Position: ***FOR***

[CF 24-1480](#). City of Los Angeles / Direct Contract / Homeless Service Providers / Bypass / Los Angeles Homeless Service Authority / LAHSA.

Draft Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council supports Council File 24-1480. We also request that City Council take immediate action to investigate funding allocated to, and spent by Los Angeles Homeless Service Authority (LAHSA), which is presently unaccounted for; and seek to impose criminal liability on agents of LAHSA deemed responsible if findings conclude that misconduct and/or likely embezzlement occurred.

ii. **Request for CD4 CM Attendance at SONC Board Meeting**

From Committee: Government Affairs.

Draft Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) respectfully requests the attendance of Councilmember Nithya Raman of District 4 at an upcoming SONC board meeting for the purpose of providing relevant updates, preferably in June or July of 2025, and follow up on recently developing issues. SONC intends to provide the Councilmember with questions and concerns on which we seek to gain understanding and/or have questions regarding; and ask that the Councilmember consider these items solely when preparing remarks.

- e. **City Council Rules - Proposed Rule Changes to Rule 7, Rule 63.**

From Floor: Secretary Stacey Segarra-Bohlinger. Requires a second.

[CF 16-1104-S3](#). City Council Rules / Council Rule 7 / Council Rule 63 / N-Word and C-Word Epithets / Amendments.

Discussion and possible motion on City Council's proposed change to Rule 7.

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

- a. Human Services Committee - Pamela Harris and Sarah Adamski, Co-Chairs.
Meets on the 1st Monday 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.
Meets as Called by the Chair
- d. Public Safety Committee - Susan Collins, Chair.
Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month
- e. Budget Advocates - Howard Katchen, SONC Representative.

f. Airport Committee - Bob Bramen, Chair. *Update from Tom Materna, Vice Chair.*
Meets as Called by the Chair

g. Green & Sustainability Committee - Drew Johnstone, Chair.
Meets as Called by the Chair

10. Board Member Announcements

Closing announcements from Board Members.

11. Adjournment

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