

**Sherman Oaks  
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**Officers**

Lindsay Imber, President 6-R  
Howard Katchen, 1st VP 3-R  
Brett Collier, 2nd VP 2-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  
Arutyun Kapukchyan, 3-B  
Arezu Diarian, 4-B  
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  
Elias Fenig, Y

**Regular Board Meeting:**

**Minutes**

Monday, April 15, 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 **6:40pm**

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

**i. Present:** Adair, Mericle, Kapukchyan, Diarian, Silverman, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Fenig, Katchen, Hartsough, Imber, Segarra-Bohlinger, **(14)**

**ii. Absent:** Baronian, Peña, Zadeh, Collier **(4)**

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

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

policy cmt

until may 17 to pass bills

AB2553

clarifies when local jurisdictions must impose lower jurisdiction fees

relative to location to transit, definition of “major” transit stop

legislation feedback, call office or comment via website

CALTrans, in communication since last June re: S-bound 101 on-ramp, Van-Nuys

Laurel Canyon N-bound 101 on-ramp recently repaired

drainage issues  
SONC partnership “Spring Shower”  
boxes for distribution  
tactile toys, parent manuals, child tooth-brush, other resources  
CHP car seat installation, expiration, inspection, by appointment  
call for assistance with state agencies  
818-558-3043

### 3. General Public Comment on Non Agenda Items

*brief discussion followed*

*Speakers:*

*Brandon*

*LA Valley Gun Club*

*“not Goat Puppet’s son, but, his bastard”*

### 4. President’s Report

All mandatory trainings are available via Cornerstone. Due date: June 3, 2024

“glitch” in part of training, close and open four times might be temporary fix  
potential training for cmte members

June’s meeting will feature CD4 CM Raman. There will be a procedure for questions  
meeting confirmed with Ryan Ahari who is no longer field deputy for CD4

Concert in the Park canceled/postponed  
scheduled 4/14/24, canceled due to rain

### 5. Administrative / Executive motions:

- a. *A motion to approve the SONC Board Meeting Minutes for March, 2024*

**Moved:** Roden      **Seconded:** Katchen

**yes:** Adair, Miracle, Kapukchyan, Diarian, Silverman, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Fenig,  
Katchen, Hartsough, Collier, Imber, Segarra-Bohlinger **(15)** / **no:** **(0)**

**absent:** Baronian, Peña, Zadeh **(3)** / **abstain:** **(0)**

**item 5a carries unanimously 15-0-3-0**

**minutes approved unanimously by voice vote**

### 6. Motions from Floor

- a. **Monthly Expenditure Report (MER)**

*A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council’s (SONC) Monthly Expenditure  
Report (MER) for the period ending Feb 29, 2024.*

**Moved:** Hartsough    **Seconded:** Katchen  
**yes:** Adair, Miracle, Kapukchyan, Diarian, Silverman, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Katchen, Hartsough, Collier, Imber, Segarra-Bohlinger (-) / **no:** (-)  
**absent:** Baronian, Peña, Zadeh (3) / **abstain:** (0) / **ineligible:** Fenig (1)  
**item 6a carries unanimously 14-0-3-0-1**

**b. Spring Shower April 25, 2024 Event**

*A motion to approve the expenditure of up to \$300 to support SONC’s tabling and participation at the April 25, 2024, Spring Shower children’s safety event sponsored by California Assembly District 44, LA City Council District 4, and the California Highway Patrol. Funds to be used for outreach materials, decorations, and snacks for volunteers.*

**Moved:** Hartsough    **Seconded:** Segarra-Bohlinger  
**yes:** Adair, Miracle, Kapukchyan, Diarian, Silverman, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Katchen, Hartsough, Collier, Imber, Segarra-Bohlinger (-) / **no:** (-)  
**absent:** Baronian, Peña, Zadeh (3) / **abstain:** (0) / **ineligible:** Fenig (1)  
**item 6b carries unanimously 14-0-3-0-1**

**c. VNY Specific Plan Citizens Advisory**

*On February 20, 2024, the City Council adopted a motion (Council File No. 23-1339) that mandates the development of a new Van Nuys Airport (VNY) Specific Plan. The motion also mandates the formation of the VNY Specific Plan Citizens Advisory Committee which will include at least one representative from CD 2, CD 3, CD 4, CD 5, CD 6 and CD 12.*

*nominees discussed:*  
*“Goat Puppet”*  
*Bob Bramen*  
*Tom Materna*  
*unidentified self-nominee*  
*Harold Shapiro*  
*Christine Kim*

*Motion to appoint Bob Bramen and Tom Materna to VNY Specific Plan Citizens Advisory Committee*

**i. Motion to amend, add Lisa Petrus**

**Moved:** Hartsough    **Seconded:** Roden  
**yes:** Adair, Mericle, Kapukchyan, Diarian, Silverman, Materna, Collins, Fenig, Collier, Imber, Segarra-Bohliner (11) / **no:** Roden, Katchen, Hartsough (3)  
**absent:** Baronian, Peña, Zadeh (3) / **abstain:** Kalban (1)

**item 6c.i carries 11-3-3-1**

*ii. Motion to amend, add Harold Shapiro*

**Moved:** Adair           **Seconded:** Segarra-Bohlinger

**yes:** Adair, Mericle, Kapukchyan, Diarian Silverman, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Fenig, Katchen, Hartsough, Collier, Imber, Segarra-Bohinger **(14)** / **no:** **(0)**

**absent:** Baronian, Peña, Zadeh **(3)** / **abstain:** Materna **(1)**

**item 6c.ii carries 14-0-3-1**

*Motion as Amended:*

**Moved:** Imber           **Seconded:** Materna

**yes:** Adair, Mericle, Diarian, Silverman, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Fenig, Katchen, Hartsough, Collier, Imber, Segarra-Bohinger **(13)** / **no:** **(0)**

**absent:**Baronian, Peña, Zadeh **(3)** / **abstain:** Kapukchyan, Materna **(2)**

**item 6c carries 13-0-3-2**

**7. Committee Reports**

**a. Government Affairs Committee-** Lindsay Imber, Chair.

*Meets on the 4th Tuesday of the Month*

**i. Request for CD4 Councilmember Raman to Attend Upcoming Meeting.**

*The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) Requests the attendance of Los Angeles City Councilmember Nithya Raman of CD4 at an upcoming Board meeting to be scheduled at their earliest convenience; for the purpose of providing relevant updates and an opportunity for board members and stakeholders to present questions. We also ask that the councilmember take into consideration the following topics when preparing remarks:*

*Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) / Van Nuys Airport  
Ongoing Rule 7 violation (general public comment period)  
Quorum during public comment  
Indictments / Ethics violations within the Council body  
City Budget Deficit  
City Staff Deficit  
LAMC 41.18 Report  
Audit of "Inside Safe" program*

*SONC respectfully requests that the office of CD4 make good-faith efforts to schedule the councilmember's attendance at an upcoming meeting as soon as possible, preferably in the month of May (5/13/24) or June (6/10/24).*

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

**Moved:** Govt' Affairs      **Seconded:** N/A

**yes:** Adair, Mericle, Kapukchyan, Diarian, Silverman, Materna, Rodden, Kalban, Collins, Fenig, Katchen, Hartsough, Collier, Imber, Segarra-Bohlinger **(15)** / **no:** **(0)**

**absent:** Baronian, Peña, Zadeh **(3)** / **abstain:** **(0)**

**item 7a.i carries unanimously 15-0-3-0**

**b. Finance Committee-** Jeffrey Hartsough, Chair.

*Meets on the 4th Wednesday of the Month*

busy agenda for upcoming meeting

**c. Outreach Committee-** Brett Collier and Kylee Peña, Co-Chairs.

*Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month*

concert in the park canceled due t rain, in talks for rescheduling

Tree adoption continued despite rain

Summer movie series updates

“meet your neighbor” even with Human Services Cmte.

encourage attendance at movie nights / events

**d. Planning & Land Use (PLUM) & Vision Committees-** Jeff Kalban, Chair.

*PLUM Meets on the 3rd Thursday of the Month*

building remodel 14444 Ventura

Trader Joes, relocating to “Sunkist” Building

Green Queen, LGBTQ / Cannabis

*Vision Meets on the 1st Thursday of the Month*

Planning dept SE Valley Community Plan Update delayed following

Orange Line Community Plan suggestions / updates

**e. HumanServices Committee-** Pamela Harris and Sarah Adamski, Co-Chairs.

*Meets on the 1st Monday of the Month*

virtual meetings, in-person once per quarter

Rep from “Justice for Renters” act

“senior scammer” awareness event w/ state assembly (Friendman)

seeking more committee members

**f. Public Safety Committee-** Susan Collins, Chair.

*Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month*

“hybrid” meetings, in-person at library  
June and September events TBD  
May 5th 1-3 at East Valley Adult Center  
radio “treasure hunt” CERT meeting  
reps from Midland to monitor radio exercise  
radio give-away  
Meteorologist to speak about radios

**g. Budget Advocates-** Howard Katchen, SONC Rep & Budget Advocate.  
Mayor Bass delivered “State of the City” before / during meeting  
structural budget deficit  
request for audit of all “homelessness” services  
budget due from Mayor’s office by April 20th

**h. Airport Committee-** Bob Bramen, Chair.  
*Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the Month (Alternates with Traffic)*  
no recent meetings / no update

**i. Green & Sustainability, Traffic & Transportation Committees-** Avo Babian, Chair.  
*Green Meets on the 1st Wednesday of the Month*  
*Traffic Meets on the 3rd Wed of the Month (Alternates with Airport)*  
no update

**7. Board Member Announcements**

Thanks to Howard for providing food and refreshments i.e. chilidogs and corndogs  
thanks to Jeff and Maria Kalban for leadership through PLUM  
practice kindness pray for peace  
recycle bottles and cans please

**8.. Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn approved without objection at 8:58pm**

Respectfully submitted

