

**Sherman Oaks
Neighborhood Council
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Jeffrey Hartsough, Pres 2-CI
Howard Katchen, 1st VP 3-R
Lisa Petrus, 2nd VP 4-R
Candy Williams, Tres 1-R
Gil Imber Secretary 6-R

Board Members:

Vacant, 1-CI
Levon Baronian, 1-B
Sarah Manuel, 2-R
Vacant, 2-B
Vacant, 3-CI
Fran Kerzner, 3-B
Lisa Cappelletti, 4-CI
Joe Cappelletti, 4-B
Christy Adair, 5-CI
*Alexandria Naseef, 5-R**
Avo Babian, 5-B
Harold Shapiro, 6-CI
Vacant, 6-B
Jeffrey Kalban, 7-CI
Michael Binkow, 7-R
Neal Roden, 7-B
Hayden Ranshaw, Youth
Marcus Zimmerman, Youth

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Regular Board Meeting (Virtual):

Minutes

Monday, February 8, 2021, 6:30 pm

1. Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call

- a. Jeffrey Hartsough, President, called the meeting to order at **6:36 pm**.
- b. Gil Imber, Secretary, called the roll.

1) Present: Christy Adair, Avo Babian, Levon Baronian, Michael Binkow, Joe Cappelletti, Lisa Cappelletti, Fran Kerzner, Jeffrey Hartsough, Gil Imber, Jeff Kalban, Howard Katchen, Sarah Manuel, Lisa Petrus, Hayden Ranshaw, Neal Roden, Harold Shapiro, Candy Williams (17).

2) Absent: Marcus Zimmerman (1).

**Alexandria Naseef resigned the office of Residential-5. Board membership is now 18. Quorum remains 11 pursuant to Bylaw V.2.*

2. Administrative and Board Initiated Motions

a. SONC Board Meeting Minutes, January 11, 2021

Approval of the Minutes of the January 11, 2021, Board Meeting.

Moved by: Gil Imber. **Seconded by:** Neal Roden.

Discussion followed.

Yes: Adair, Babian, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Kerzner, Manuel, Petrus, Ranshaw, Roden, Shapiro, Williams

No: -

Abstain: -

Ineligible: -

Absent: Zimmerman

Motion to Adopt 2.a carries (roll call vote): 17-0-0.

3. Comments by LAPD SLO's, Public Officials, and Staff

Jose Saldana, LAPD Senior Lead Officer
Ryan Ahari, California State Assembly District 46.
Alexandria Naseef, LA City Council District 4.
Hannah Kelley, California State Senate District 18.

4. President's Report

- a. SONC 2021 Elections
 - Lanee Basulto, LA City Clerk
- b. Committee Changes (Animal, Green, Human Services)
- c. Next SONC Board Meeting - March 8, 2021

5. Guest Speaker - Raquel Beltran, General Manager, DONE

- > [CF 20-0990](#). Anti-Bias Training/NCs - Jan 2021 update re: gender identity and expression.
- > Social Media Policy.
- > Community Impact Statement (CIS) Portal and DONE website update.

Discussion followed. Public Comment followed.

6. Committee Reports

- a. Education Committee - Joe Cappelletti, Chair
 - Recap of Speaker Series and preview of upcoming speaker series event.
- b. Government Affairs - Gil Imber, Chair

1) **[CF 21-0002-S3 - Domestic Terrorism / USA Patriot Act Expansion / Federal Crimes Identification](#)**

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports [City Council File 21-0002-S3](#) and any legislation that defines “domestic terrorism” as a federal crime, accompanied by appropriate penalties and sentences.

Letters: CIS in support of Council File 21-0002-S3, Letter to CD4/Nithya Raman

Moved by: Government Affairs Committee

Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

Yes: Adair, Babian, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Manuel, Petrus, Ranshaw, Roden, Shapiro, Williams

No: -

Abstain: Baronian, Binkow

Ineligible: -

Absent: Kerzner, Zimmerman

Motion to Adopt 6.b.1 carries (roll call vote): 14-0-2.

2) **CF 21-0002-S18 – SB9 (Atkins) Housing Development Ministerial Approval / Duplex and Parcel Map Division / Environmental Review Exemption**
CF 21-0002-S21 – SB 10 (Weiner) / Midrise (sic), Medium-Density Housing / Public Transportation / Jobs-Rich Neighborhoods

Given the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC)'s prior Community Impact Statements in City Council Files [20-0002-S101](#) and [CF 20-0002-S107](#), submitted on August 12, 2020, SONC hereby supports similar council files [CF 21-0002-S18](#) and [CF 21-0002-S21](#), in opposition to [SB 9 \(Atkins\)](#) and [SB 10 \(Weiner\)](#), for reasons including but not limited to the elimination of community review or public hearing, overriding of local land use control regulations and protocols, and changes to housing procedures without any provisions for affordable housing also known as affordability requirements.

Letters: CIS in support of Council File 21-0002-S18 & -S21, Letter to CD4/Nithya Raman

Moved by: Government Affairs Committee
Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

Yes: Adair, Babian, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Manuel, Petrus, Ranshaw, Roden, Shapiro, Williams

No: -

Abstain: -

Ineligible: -

Absent: Kerzner, Zimmerman

Motion to Adopt 6.b.2 carries (roll call vote): 16-0-0.

c. Green & Sustainability Committee - Avo Babian, Chair

1) **Enforcement of Internal Combustion Leaf Blower Ban**

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) requests that Councilmember Nithya Rahman make a Motion to amend and clarify the Los Angeles Gas Powered Leaf Blower Ordinance (LAMC) Section 112.04 (c) to read, "No internal combustion blower shall be used within 500 feet of a residence at any time", ending loopholes in the ordinance so (LAMC) Section 112.04 (c) can be enforced.

Letter: CIS in support of Council File 21-0002-S3, Letter to CD4/Nithya Raman.

Moved by: Green & Sustainability Committee.
Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

Yes: Adair, Babian, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Manuel, Petrus, Roden, Shapiro, Williams

No: -

Abstain: Ranshaw

Ineligible: -

Absent: Kerzner, Zimmerman

Motion to Adopt 6.c.1 carries (roll call vote): 15-0-1.

2) **CF 20-0492 – City Insurance Policies / Investments and Underwriting / Fossil Fuel Operations Companies / Coal Mining and Tar Sand Drilling / Climate Change / Environment**

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports [CF 20-0492](#) to address climate change trends.

Letters: CIS in support of Council File 20-0492, Letter to CD4/Nithya Raman.

Suggested CIS wording: Whereas the residents of Sherman Oaks are concerned with the damage to health and effect on climate change caused by burning fossil fuels, and whereas the common practice of investing in fossil fuels contributes greatly to the marketplace dominance of fossil fuels, the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council supports Council File 20-0492 and notes the City should not be supporting investments in fossil fuel companies, and residents shouldn't have to worry about the City's insurance vendors failing due to investments in a declining industry. Therefore, be it resolved that the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council SUPPORTS the Blumenfeld motion in Council File 20-0492, to create a rating system for insurance providers identifying their risk due to fossil fuel investments.

Moved by: Green & Sustainability Committee.

Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

Yes: Adair, Babian, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Manuel, Petrus, Ranshaw, Roden, Shapiro, Williams

No: -

Abstain: -

Ineligible: -

Absent: Kerzner, Zimmerman

Motion to Adopt 6.c.2 carries (roll call vote): 16-0-0.

- d. Outreach Committee - Sarah Manuel, Chair
- e. Planning & Land Use Committee - Jeff Kalban, Chair
- f. Public Safety Committee - Christy Adair & Jenna Lewis, Co-Chairs
- g. Traffic & Transportation Committee - Avo Babian, Chair

h. Budget Advocates - Howard Katchen, SONC Rep & Budget Advocate

7. **Treasurer's Report** - Candy Williams, Treasurer

a. Treasurer's Report

b. **Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) - December 31, 2020**

A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's (SONC) Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the period ending December 31, 2020.

Moved by: Finance Committee

Public Comment followed.

Yes: Adair, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Manuel, Petrus, Roden, Shapiro, Williams

No: -

Abstain: -

Ineligible: Ranshaw

Absent: Baronian, Kerzner, Zimmerman

Motion to Adopt 7.b carries (roll call vote): 14-0-0.

8. **Public Comment**

Public Comment followed.

9. **Announcements by SONC Board members**

10. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent, **9:42 pm**.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gil Imber