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Regular Board Meeting (Virtual) Agenda

Monday, December 13, 2021
6:30 pm

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1. Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call

- a. Welcome and Call to Order by Presiding Officer
- b. Roll Call

2. Administrative Motions – Action Items

a. SONC Board Meeting Minutes, October 11, 2021

A motion to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2021, SONC Board Meeting.

[SONC Board Meeting Minutes November 8, 2021](#)

b. Appointment of Interim Treasurer and Alternate Signer

A motion to approve the appointment of Jeffrey Hartsough as Treasurer and Howard Katchen as Alternate Signer.

[Financial Officer Letter of Acknowledgement](#)

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

4. President's Report

- a. Annual Homeless Count
General Information: [2020 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count](#)
Dec 15, 2021 - [Homeless Count Educational Session](#)
- b. Metro – Sepulveda Corridor Transit Project Scoping Period
November 30, 2021 – February 11, 2022
Overview – [SCTP](#)
[SCTP Six Alternations](#)
SONC Preferred – Not Alternative 1, 2, 3, or 4
- c. Redistricting Commissions Affecting Sherman Oaks
LA City Council – [NEW CD4](#)
- d. Request for Engagement and Active Participation
Metro, SB9, Community Plan,

5. Committee Reports [2-minute summary, except with motions, 10 minutes or less per motion]

- a. Education Committee - Joe Cappelletti, Chair
Next Meeting: December 20, 6:30pm
- b. Government Affairs – Lindsay Imber, Chair
Next Meeting: December 28, 7:00pm

1. [CF 21-1283](#). **Sworn Personnel Staffing Levels / Los Angeles Fire Department / Noncompliance / Service Disruptions / City Vaccination Requirement / COVID-19 Pandemic.**
[CF 21-0921](#). **COVID-19 Vaccination / City Employees / Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) / Ordinance.**

Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) urges the City to preserve and maintain its established December 18 deadline for certain city employees, including sworn personnel, to achieve COVID-19 vaccination, with the exception for staff with permissible exemptions to receiving vaccines. Given SONC's prior support for [CF 21-0878](#), SONC hereby supports a requirement that city employees encountering vulnerable members of the public particularly susceptible to complications from COVID-19, such as LAFD personnel rendering medical aid, be vaccinated, when appropriate and unless exempted. Insofar as public health is concerned, public safety personnel should put the safety and wellbeing of the community first by getting vaccinated, where practicable.

Community Impact Statements (CIS) to be filed and Letters to CD4 and others, as appropriate.

- c. Green and Sustainability Committee – Avo Babian, Chair
Next Meeting: January 5, 8:00pm

1. [CF 21-1208](#) -- **CalRecycle / SB 1383 / Organic Waste Disposal Reduction / 75 Percent by 2025**
[CF 21-1208 ECCEJR Committee Report](#)

Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports CF 21-1208 which seeks to identify the steps necessary to comply with the CalRecycle regulations to reduce organic waste disposal by 75% by 2025, and to determine the potential impact of the CalRecycle regulations on the ratepayers.

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2. **Mulholland Scenic Parkway Plan Specific Plan**
Reference: [CF 21-1286 Mulholland Scenic Parkway](#)

Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) requests that the Mulholland Scenic Parkway Specific Plan Implementation Guidance Memorandum issued by Vincent Bertoni, dated March 20, 2021, be rescinded or amended.

The memorandum, issued unilaterally by Director Bertoni with no prior notice or opportunity for public comment, purports to limit the oversight of the Specific Plan's Design Review Board (DRB) by declaring that projects that are not visible from the Mulholland Drive right of way are exempt from review by the DRB. The Director's action is in direct conflict with the express language of the Specific Plan, exceeds his authority under the City Charter, and usurps the legislative function of the City Council which signed the Specific Plan into law in 1992. The Director's decision removes the code-mandated expert and professional advice of the Mulholland DRB from decision-making for most of the Specific Plan area. This decision also reduces public oversight of many projects with potentially significant adverse environmental impacts to parkland, scenic overlooks, scenic corridors, wildlife corridors, riparian areas, and the urban forest, dramatically altering a legislative action of the City Council.

Community Impact Statements (CIS) to be filed and Letters to CD4 and others, as appropriate.

- d. Outreach Committee - Sarah Manuel, Chair
Next Meeting: Dark in December; Next meeting January 18, 7:00pm

Holiday Clothing Drive, December 18

- e. Planning & Land Use Committee - Jeff Kalban, Chair
Next Meeting: Vision – January 6, 6:30pm
PLUM – January 20, 6:30pm

1. [CF 21-1414](#) –SB9 / Local Ministerial Approval / Housing Development / Statutory Requirements / Memorandum [CF 21-1414 Motion](#)

In October this Board passed a motion encouraging the City of Los Angeles to codify allowable limitations to help lessen the negative impact Senate Bill 9 would have on our community. Our requested action along with other ideas have now been put forward as a motion proposed by Councilmembers Koretz and Blumenfield, seconded by Councilmember Raman. The guidelines for implementation include: maintaining our objective zoning (Mansionization Ordinances), limiting development to 4 units in total, setbacks, parking, residency concerns and exemptions to SB 9 in our hillsides areas with substandard streets, historic districts, wildlife corridors, etc. This is very time sensitive and has to be approved by City Council before January 1, 2022.

Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) is in full support of Councilmembers Koretz/Blumenfields’s Motion CF 21-1414 that allows the City to put in place by December 31, 2021, objective guidelines for processing SB9 filings. SONC supports all efforts to protect our neighborhoods from land speculation while supporting well planned growth in our city. SONC urges the City Council to support CF 21-1414 and pass it by December 31, 2021.

Community Impact Statements (CIS) to be filed and Letters to CD4 and others, as appropriate.

- f. Public Safety Committee – Christy Adair, Chair
Next Meeting: December 14, 6:30pm

- g. Traffic and Transportation Committee - Avo Babian, Chair
Next Meeting: January 12, 8:00pm

1. **[CF 21-1132](#)** – Zero Emissions Transportation Infrastructure Working Group / EV Task Force / Zero-Emissions Vehicle Charging Infrastructure / Decarbonizing Public Fleets / Carbon-Free electricity Grid
[CF 21-1132 Motion](#)

Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports CF 21-1132 relative to instructing the City Administrative Office with the City's EV Task Force, to convene a Zero Emissions Transportation Infrastructure working group made up of representatives from Various City Departments with the participation of representatives from County, LA Metro, and Metro link, to meet the stated objectives and related matters of this motion.

2. **LA Metro – Sepulveda Corridor Transit Project (SCTP)**
[Metro SCTP Scoping Period Meeting Information](#)

Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports Alternative 6 – Heavy rail that would be entirely underground including along Van Nuys Blvd in the San Fernando Valley and with a southern terminus station on Bundy Drive next to the E Line on the Westside.

Community Impact Statements (CIS) to be filed and Letters to CD4 and others, as appropriate.

- h. Budget Advocates - Howard Katchen, SONC Representative and Budget Advocate.

[Budget Advocate Report #3 December 2021](#)

7. Treasurer's Report – Candy Williams, Treasurer

Next Meeting: January 26, 6:30pm

- a. Treasurer's Report
- b. **Motion:** A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's (SONC) Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the period ending October 31, 2021.
[SONC Monthly Expenditure Report \(MER\) – October 31, 2021](#)

8. Public Comment

Comments by the public on non-agenda items within SONC's jurisdiction.

9. Announcements by SONC Board members

10. Adjournment

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