

**Sherman Oaks  
Neighborhood Council**

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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  
Avo Babian, 3-CI  
Arezu Diarian, 4-B  
Brian Patton, 4-CI  
Norayr Tertsaguian, 5-B  
Kylee Pena, 5-R  
Tom Materna, 6-B  
Row Zadeh, 6-CI  
Neal Roden, 7-B  
Jeffrey Kalban, 7-CI  
Susan Collins, 7-R  
Elias Fennig, Y

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**Regular Board Meeting:**

**Minutes**

Monday, August 14, 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 **6:33pm**

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

**i. Present:** Mericle, Babian, Diarian, Tertsaguian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Fennig, Imber, Hartsough, Katchen, Segarra-Bohlinger **(16)**

**ii. Absent:** Baronian, Kapukchyan, Collier, Patton **(4)**

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

**Diane Rana, Field Deputy** - office of State Assembly District 44 (Laura Friedman)

recess for past month, session resumed today (8/14)

sept.15 concludes current legislative cycle

assistance with unemployment insurance, disability benefit claims

pamphlets available in english and spanish

office number: 818-558-3043

**Meredith McGowan, Senior Librarian** - Los Angeles Public Library, Sherman Oaks

tech-2-go program “sunsetting”, 12/20/2023 all items due/end of program  
successful summer reading program

**Ryan Ahari, Field Deputy** - office of City Council District 4 (Nithya Raman)

August 1st deadline for past-due rent payment

Mayor and CD4 recommends, “do not self-evict”

if you receive a notice, file a response in 5-business days

No spanish-translation during committee meetings

Recognition of Human Services Committee Back-2-School Drive

1-year anniversary

upcoming Movie in the Park, Super Mario Bros. 8/26

**Mirna Ezquivel, Field Deputy** - Board of Supervisors, 3rd District (Lindsey Horvath)

introducing herself to the board

email: mirna.ezquivel.bos@lacounty.gov

**3. Bureau of Engineering - Sepulveda Basin Plan - presentation**

**4. City of LA Housing Element, Vision Committee - presentation by Jeff Kalban**

**5. General Public Comment on Non Agenda Items - brief discussion followed**

“David Heiman”, American Political Items Collectors (API)

“Gregory Wright”

“Ethan Weaver”

“caller ending in 4610”

“not goat puppet’s son”

“Lionel Mares”

**6. President’s Report**

Board Member Training Reminder.

Movies in the Park Series: Super Mario Bros, Aug26, at VNSO Park.

In-Person Meetings Update: Board meeting locations for rest of 2023.

New Outreach Committee Members (meeting on Thursday, August 17):

Kylee Peña, Chair

Brian Patton, Vice Chair

Brett Collier (committee member and we will consider a potential Chair or Vice Chair appointment when Brett gets back in town)

Kylee will work with Lindsay on the SONC Newsletter.

**7. Administrative / Executive motions:**

a. *A motion to approve the SONC Board Meeting Minutes*

**Moved:**Materna      **Seconded:** Katchen

**yes:** Mericle, Babian, Diarian, Tertsaguian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Fennig, Imber, Hartsough, Katchen, Segarra-Bohlinger **(16)**

**no: (0) / absent:** Baronian, Kapukchyan, Collier, Patton **(4) / abstain: (0)**

**item 7a carries unanimously by voice vote**

b. *A motion to approve the Rules Committee's proposed amendments to the SONC Bylaws document. This is one of two required Board Meetings during which amendments to the bylaws must be heard prior to final approval.*

**amendment:** *motion to reinstate the language that was previously used regarding Community Interest Seats*

**Moved:** Collins      **Seconded:** Roden

**yes:** Babian, Diarian, Tertsaguian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Fennig, Imber, Katchen, Segarra-Bohlinger **(14)**

**no: (0) / absent:** Baronian, Kapukchyan, Collier, Patton **(4) / abstain: Mericle, Hartsough (2)**

**motion to amend carries 14-0-4-2**

**amendment:** *change "shall..." to "may include representatives..."*

**Moved:** Mericle      **Seconded:** Hartsough

**yes:** Mericle, Babian, Diarian, Tertsaguian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Fennig, Imber, Hartsough, Katchen, Segarra-Bohlinger **(16)**

**no: (0) / absent:** Baronian, Kapukchyan, Collier, Patton **(4) / abstain: (0)**

**motion to amend carries 16-0-4-0**

*Motion as Amended*

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

**Moved:** Rules Cmte.      **Seconded:** N/A

**yes:** Mericle, Babian, Diarian, Tertsaguian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Roden, Collins, Fennig, Imber, Katchen, Segarra-Bohlinger **(14)**

**no: (0) / absent: (4) / abstain: Kalban, Hartsough (2)**

**item 7b carries unanimously 14-0-4-2**

## 8. Committee Reports

a. **Airport Cmte. Bob Bramen, Chair, Tom Materna Provides Update**

Meets 3rd Wednesday of The Month alternating with Traffic & Transportation update on drones below helicopters

b. **Gov't Affairs Cmte. Lindsay Imber, Chair**

Meets the 4th Tuesday of the Month (dark in august)

**i. CF 23-0623 / pending motions**

*MOTION: Whereas effective Neighborhood Council operations require 60 to 90 days to consider potential motions and council files;*

*And whereas CF23-0623 was acted on by Los Angeles City Council in a period of fourteen days which is not sufficient for neighborhood councils to fully consider the item;*

*And whereas a Community Impact Statement is required to make use of Neighborhood Councils' maximum speaking period allocated during committee and general meetings; Therefore, The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) requests that the Los Angeles City Council refrain from voting on pending motions and/or council files until Neighborhood Councils have been granted at least 60 but up to 90 days to bring items for consideration to committee/board meetings,hear public remarks, and potentially file a Community Impact Statement.*

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

**Moved:** Gov't Affairs Cmte. **Seconded:** N/A

**yes:** Mericle, Babian, Diarian, Tertsaguian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Fennig, Imber, Hartsough, Katchen, Segarra-Bohlinger **(16)** / **no: (0)**

**absent:**Baronian, Kapukchyan, Collier, Patton **(4)** / **abstain: (0)**

**item 8b carries 16-0-4-0**

**c. Green & Sustainability Cmte. Avo Babian, Chair**

Meets on the 1st Wednesday of the Month

**d. Human Services Cmte. Pamela Harris & Sarah Manuel, Co-Chairs**

Meets on the 1st Monday of the Month

upcoming meeting 9/18 (first Monday falls on Labor Day)

recap on committee anniversary and recognition from CD4 office

*MOTION: Where as the City Of Los Angeles is currently under an emergency order regarding the population of unhoused residents and;*

*Whereas rent-debt accumulated during the COVID-19 pandemic is highly likely to be cited in upcoming eviction proceedings;*

*and Whereas eviction is highly likely to lead to homelessness;*

*and Whereas the current emergency order does not include an eviction moratorium;*

*Therefore we ask Councilmember Nithya Raman of Council District 4 to move to instate an eviction moratorium in the City of Los Angeles to take effect immediately and continue until the emergency order regarding the unhoused resident population has ended.*

*We urge city council to reconsider expenditure allocations with regard to Measure ULA recently discussed in Housing and Homeless Committee, consider more allocation toward rental assistance and debt relief. We also ask that in the event of a new emergency order declaration regarding the unhoused resident population following the sunset of the current emergency order, the Councilmember move to include an eviction moratorium in the language of the emergency order.*

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

**Moved:** Human Services Cmte. **Seconded:** N/A

**yes:** Peña, Segarra-Bohlinger (2)

**no:** Mericle, Diarian, Adair, Zadeh, Materna, Rodden, Kaban, Collins, Fennig, Imber, Katchen, Hartsough (12)

**absent:** Baronian, Kapukchyan, Tergsaguian, Collier, Patton (5)

**abstain:** Babian (1)

**e. Outreach Cmte- Kylee Pena, Chair**

Meeting schedule TBD, next meeting Thursday, August 17

**f. Planning & Land Use Management (PLUM) & Vision Cmte.(s) Jeff Kalban, Chair**

PLUM Meets on the 3rd Thursday of the Month (Dark in August)

Vision Meets on the 1st Thursday of the Month (Dark in August)

**g. Public Safety Cmte. Susan Collins, Chair**

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month

tiktok trends

recent apprehension of murder suspect

don't leave items visible in your car to reduce risk of break-in

extensive 911 hold times, low number of dispatchers

low number of LAPD recruits

CERT recap/update

**h. Traffic & Transportation Cmte. Avo Babian, Chair**

Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month (alternating with Airport)

light-pole EV charger event Wednesday 8/16 6:30

**i. Budget Advocates, Howard Katchen**

“the chickens are coming home to roost”  
LAPPL earned increase in funding  
75 between to 100 million dollar shortfall  
1st Monday 7pm  
3rd Saturday 9:30

**9. Finance Committee**

**a. President's Report:**

updates on consent calendar items

**b. Consent Calendar - Finance**

*i. Motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's (SONC) Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the period ending June, 2023*

*ii. A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's (SONC) participation in the Sherman Oaks Chamber of Commerce 2023 Street Fair and the expenditure of up to \$2000.00 for booth fees and SONC outreach materials.*

NOTE: this consent calendar motion is presented by committee and does not require a second

**Moved:** Finance Committee **Seconded:** n/a

**yes:** Mericle, Babian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Kalban, Collins, Imber, Hartsough, Katchen, Segarra-Bohlinger **(12)** / **no:** **(0)**

**absent:** Baronian, Kapukchyan, Diarian, Tergsaguian, Collier, Patton, Roden **(7)**

**abstain:** **(0)** / **Ineligible:** Fennig **(1)**

**item 9b carries 12-0-7-0-1**

*c. MOTION: It is hereby moved to approve the payment of \$690 to Gold Metropolitan Media for handling relocation of SONC's 30 Light Pole Banners in October 2023. The banners will remain in place at the new locations through October 2024.*

NOTE: this consent calendar motion is presented by committee and does not require a second

**Moved:** Finance Committee **Seconded:** n/a

**yes:** Mericle, Babian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Kalban, Collins, Imber, Hartsough, Katchen, Segarra-Bohlinger **(12)** / **no:** **(0)**

**absent:** Baronian, Kapukchyan, Diarian, Tergsaguian, Collier, Patton, Roden **(7)**

**abstain:** **(0)** / **Ineligible:** Fennig **(1)**

**item 9b carries 12-0-7-0-1**

**10. Board Member & Cmte. Chair Announcements**

Jeffrey Hartsough will be absent at next month's meeting

**12. Adjournment:** Motion to Adjourn approved by unanimous consent at **9:37pm**

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stacy". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the text "Respectfully submitted".