

Committee Members

Green and Sustainability
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Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council Green & Sustainability Committee

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6:30 pm

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Minutes

1. Called to
 - a. Order by Avo, Chair, at 6:35 pm
 - b. Roll Call: **Present:** Avo Babian, David Levinson, Levon Baronian,
2. Reviewed and approved the minutes of the March Green meeting: Levon brought the motion to the floor. David 2nd the motion. **Passed Unanimously.**
3. Comment by Public Official: N/A
4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:
 - a. N/A
5. Chairs report: As the chair, Avo said the goal is to have a motion to pass at every meeting. If there are no motions, then he will have meetings every other month.
6. Presentation: N/A
7. Motions:
 - a. To Support Program EIR for Comprehensive Plastic Reduction Program. Levon brought the motion to the floor. Avo 2nd the motion **Passed Unanimously:** Committee discussed the motion with pros and cons.
8. Green Committee Business
 - a. Welcome to Sherman Oaks sign: Avo said he brought the idea of the Freeway offramp signs with the plan to keep it clean of trash and plant more green plants, to the CD4 office. They said they have funds set aside for such projects. They will get back to us soon.
 - b. Ernie's Walk: Update. Avo said the County has agreed to water the plants that we plan to add to the area. Next we have to work with CD4 for funds, and plans for the type of plant
 - c. Sidewalk Trees: Avo promoted the idea of a list of empty Tree wells in Sherman Oaks, and to work to put plants or trees in them. David said he did a survey of the sidewalk by Magnolia and Van Nuys. He saw sidewalk damage and told people about the sidewalk program to fix it. But the owners said it was too expensive. It used to be \$10k but now it's down to \$5k from the city. He recommended we keep an eye out for programs for Trees. Avo said we should look for free trees from Tree People. David said people leave Tree stumps after cutting trees. Avo said we should research if there are programs to fix the issues and if not, push CD 4 to create issues.
 - d. List of Green Business: Green Ambassador Program. Avo had a meeting with CD4 and they went out to give awards to the Green Businesses in CD4. Avo said we should make a list of Green Businesses in Sherman Oaks and have them help to teach other Businesses how to go Green. Levon also said we should reach out to all the businesses as a part of outreach
9. Next Meeting: The Next Green meeting will be July 5th
10. Meeting Adjourned at 6:55 pm