

**Sherman Oaks
Neighborhood Council**

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Lindsay Imber, President 6-R
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Brett Collier, 2nd VP 2-R
Jeffrey Hartsough, Treasurer, 2-CI
Stacey Segarra-Bohlinger, Secretary 5-R

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Levon Baronian, 1-B
Christy Adair, 1-CI
Arezu Diarian, 4-B
Norayr Tertsaguian, 5-B
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

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Regular Board Meeting:

Minutes

Monday, November 13, 5:30pm

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 **6:31pm**

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

i. Present: Baronian, Diarian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Fenig, Imber, Katchen, Hartsough, Segarra-Bohlinger (**14**)

ii. Absent: Collier, Tertsaguian (**2**)

2. Comments by Public Agencies, Officials, and Staff

Diane Rana, field deputy 44th State Assembly District (Laura Friendman)

Walker, Filed deputy Council District 4 (Nithya Raman)

new bus lanes in the valley, LADOT/METRO partnership

“Circle” teams, unarmed crisis dispatch

Veteran’s day event recap, over 200 senior participants

Meredith McGowan, Senior Librarian, Sherman Oaks Public Library

sound bath on Nov 28th

painting tomorrow 4pm

book sale this Saturday

sunset of “tech2go” program Dec. 31st

“hidden Los Angeles” Chinese American online program

compost bins available at the library

Joel Gonzalez, Neighborhood Empowerment Advocate, Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment
updated/relaunched Robert's Rules online training
empower LA youth conference
Community Impact Statement dashboard updates
cybersecurity, spam and phishing awareness

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

speakers:

Harold Shapiro

not goat puppet

Nancy Martsch

Debrah Cabrera

Lionel Mares

caller ending in 4610

4. President's Report

Board Member training: DONE has suspended several Board Members

Reinstatement Procedure (first, complete the required training...).

Policy on committee membership and event attendance for Board Members

Movie Night recap

5. Administrative / Executive motions:

a. *A motion to approve the SONC Board Meeting Minutes, October, 2023*

Moved: Roden **Seconded:** Katchen

yes: Baronian, Diarian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Fenig, Imber, Katchen, Hartsough, Segarra-Bohlinger **(14)** / **no: (0)**

absent: Collier, Tertsaguian **(2)** / **abstain: (0)**

minutes approved unanimously by voice vote

b. virtual meetings / teleconference

MOTION:

Whereas, this resolution is the official statement adopted by this Neighborhood Council, The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council satisfies the 2/3 board requirement of SB411 and approves meeting virtually for board and/or committee meetings, subject to President and Chair discretion, to facilitate accessibility and access for constituents and board/committee members who may be unable to attend certain in-person meetings.

moved: Imber **seconded:** Materna

yes: Baronian, Diarian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Fenig, Imber, Katchen, Hartsough, Segarra-Bohlinger (14) / **no:** (0)
absent: Collier, Tertsaguian (2) / **abstain:** (0)
item 5b carries unanimously

6. Committee Reports

a. Gov't Affairs Cmte.

Meets 4th Tuesday of the month

next meeting Tues 11-28-23

i. CF23-1097 / Office of Compliance

Position: For if Amended. CF23-1097.

Whereas a series of criminal charges have been filed against multiple Los Angeles City Councilmembers over the past decade, including charges of embezzlement, perjury, conflict of interest, racketeering, and other corruption-related violations;

And Whereas the reputation of City Council greatly depends on the City's ability to combat corruption and enforce conflict of interest rules, laws, and other ethics policies while effectively addressing criminal activity by public officials;

Therefore, the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council(SONC) supports CF23-1097 to establish a dedicated Office of Compliance or other like body whose function shall include the moderation and identification of conflict-of-interest questions relative to Council Files and other city business.

However, SONC's position For if Amended seeks to further empower this Office of Compliance or related entity to actively refer to the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office or other relevant agency potential violations of law, corruption, or other nefarious conduct by violative City Councilmembers, and for the City to establish, maintain, and enforce an adequate review system, in conjunction with its Ethics Commission, that empowers the City to investigate and penalize Councilmembers for violations that may not arise to the level of criminality, but are nonetheless violative of policy. Investigative reports and recommendations should be publicized and even agendized at City Hall by this Office of Compliance to ensure transparency and to affirm to the public this City's desire to combat the scourge of corruption that has at times befallen City Council.

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

moved: gov't affairs cmte. **seconde:** n/a

yes: Baronian, Diarian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Kalban, Collins, Imber, Katchen, Segarra-Bohlinger (11) / **no:** Roden, Hartsough (2)

absent: Collier, Tertsaguian (2) / **abstain:** Fenig (1)

item 6a carries 11-2-2-1

b. Finance Committee, Jeffrey Hartsough, Chair

i. Monthly Expenditure Report period ending Sept. 30th 2023

Moved: Hartsough **Seconded:** Katchen

Baronian, Diarian, Adair, Peña, Zadeh, Materna, Roden, Kalban, Collins, Imber, Katchen, Hartsough, Segarra-Bohlinger **(13)** / **no: (0)**

absent: Collier, Tertsaguian **(2)** / **abstain: (0)** / **ineligible: Fenig (1)**

item 5b.i carries unanimously

c. Outreach Cmte. Kylee Pena, co-chair

next meeting Nov. 30th

movie night recap

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

PLUM Meets on the 3rd Thursday of the Month Vision Meets on the 1st Thursday of the Month

Next Meeting, PLUM, Nov. 16th, Vision, December 7th

zoning overlay updates

letter to mayor Bass received response, office receiving overwhelming feedback

upcoming meeting, "Ethel project" lawyer to attend

liquor licenses up for consideration in January

concerns regarding new housing developments, parking requirements

e. Public Safety Cmte. Susan Collins, Chair

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month

next meeting Nov. 14th

Ryan Ahari from CD4, LAPD Captain Vargas to attend next meeting

CERT class beginning Jan. 11th, 6-week course, Sherman Oaks Gallaria, 6:30

"stop the bleed", hands only CPR

f. Airport Committee, Tom Materna, Vice-Chair

Bob Bramen re-appointed as chair

LAWA sought private meeting, SONC requested public presentationa

g. Human Services Cmte. Pamela Harris, Co-Chair

Meets on the 1st Monday of the Month

next meeting Dec. 4th

power outage at library caused last meeting to end abruptly, special meeting to be called

Dec. 16th Holiday clothing drive

Dec. 17th, Holiday Caroling event

Kester Elementary letters to Santa Program

Circle program running in Sherman Oaks

877-ASK-LAPD, request circle

h. Budget Advocates, Howard Katchen

meets on the 1st Monday, 3rd Saturday of the Month

committee assignment requirement reminder

teams established to arrange appointments

budget starts “balanced” every year

direct deficits, structural deficits create discrepancies

“public safety” largest portion of budget, pensions significant portion of safety budget

budgetadvocates.com

7. Board Member Announcements

Pena: Ziff flyer and social media items

Hartsough: Happy Thanksgiving

Roden: Thanks to volunteers at Veteran’s day event

Imber: requests assistance taking down meeting equipment

attendance, committee and event requirements

12. Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn approved without objection at 7:55pm

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".