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**Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council
Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 29, 2025, 6:30 PM
In-Person Meeting
Sherman Oaks Public Library – Community Room**

Minutes of the Finance Committee

I. Meeting was called to order by Jeffrey Hartsough at 6:30 PM

SONC Committee Members Present – Jeffrey Hartsough, Howard Katchen, Lisa Petrus, Cheryl Shapiro 4 present. Quorum achieved.

II. ADMINISTRATIVE MOTIONS:

Item II. a., the draft meeting minutes from prior meetings were unavailable. They will be presented for review at the February 26, 2025 meeting.

III. COMMENTS BY PUBLIC OFFICIALS:

There were no public officials in attendance.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT (non-agenda items)

Harold Shapiro offered to donate plants for the tree give away. He would need supplies to complete this project.

V. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Item V.a., We are still looking for community members to join the Finance Committee. Individuals interested in becoming a member of the SONC Finance Committee should contact the Chairperson, Jeffrey Hartsough, email: jeffrey.hartsough.sonc@gmail.com.

Item V.b., The next SONC Finance Committee scheduled meeting will be on Wednesday, February 26, 2025.

**VI. FUNDING MOTIONS:
ACTED UPON:**

There was a discussion of agenda item VI. a., the monthly expense report (MER) for the period ending December 31, 2024. A motion to approve as submitted was brought by Howard

Katchen and seconded by Lisa Petrus. Motion was unanimously approved with 4 yes, 0 no votes, (Jeffrey Hartsough, Howard Katchen, Lisa Petrus, Cheryl Shapiro). There were no public comments.

VII. FINANCE COMMITTEE BUSINESS:

There was a discussion regarding Item VII. a., a Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) application was submitted by Beautify LA, Mark Ragan, Founder. This item was tabled for February. The presenter was not available and the NPG had deficiencies.

Item II. b., There was a discussion regarding a Neighborhood Purpose Grant for the Los Angeles Responsible Pit Bull Owners. A Motion to approve NPG application in the amount of \$3,800 for Los Angeles Responsible Pit Bull Owners (LARPO), was submitted and presented by Christopher Helminiak. The request for funds is for scholarships and training to support animal shelter programs for animal fosterers and adopters. Motion to approve was brought by Lisa Petrus and seconded by Howard Katchen with minor edits. Vote was unanimous 4 yes – 0 no votes (Jeffrey Hartsough, Lisa Petrus, Howard Katchen, Cheryl Shapiro). There were no public comments.

Item II. c., The Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) application that was submitted by Chandler Elementary School, by Matthew Skoll, Principal, has been withdrawn per email received from Matthew Skoll on December 2, 2024.

VIII. FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There were no new committee member announcements.

IX. Meeting was adjourned at 7:36 P.M.