



**Sherman Oaks Neighborhood  
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**Green & Sustainability Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, April 8, 2026

6:30 P.M.

Zoom Meeting

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE JANUARY 1, 2025 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 707 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL FILE 23-1114, THESHERMAN OAKS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL GREEN & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

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Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or

internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(3).**

The legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(4).**

Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(5),**

A legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to paragraph (5), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

**California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(A),**

A legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to paragraph (5), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

**California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(B).**

**I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

- a. a. Call to Order by Chair 6:36
- b. b. Roll Call and the Establishment of Quorum.
  - i. Present
    - 1. Elizabeth Meshes
    - 2. Amanda Martin
    - 3. Miran Kalaydjian
    - 4. Martin Stahl
    - 5. Harold Shapiro
    - 6. Barbara
  - ii. Running late
    - 1. Hana
  - iii. Quorum established

**II. ADMINISTRATIVE MOTIONS**

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 11, 2026.
  - i. <https://www.shermanoaksnsc.org/assets/documents/7/meeting69cd58b98cdd5.pdf>
  - ii. Harold Motioned, Miran Seconded
  - iii. Unanimous approval

**III. CHAIR'S REPORT**

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**IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

**V. FUNDING MOTIONS**

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. LADWP- Solar and ev chargers on hoa and multi family properties - differ to next meeting
- b. Beautification proposal by Barbara
  - i. Motion: Discussion & Possible action to co sponsor an event for beautification & green energy with the Office of Beautification in the City of Los Angeles.
    - 1. Martin Seconded
    - 2. Need a budget, date, and location - Miran or Barbara to bring to next meeting for us to vote on

3. Unanimous approval
  - ii. Motion: Discussion & Possible action to co sponsor with the TreePeople's West Valley Greening Project in Sherman Oaks.
    1. Martin seconded
    2. Canvas the area for appropriate areas
    3. Miran to meet with Forest Advisory for further discussion and the reach out to Tree People
      - Unanimous approval
  - iii. Motion: Planting flowers - withdrawn
  - iv. Motion: Long term maintenance
    1. My311- report graffiti to have it removed
    2. Reach out to commissioner of Public Works, Steve Kang
    3. Barbara motioned to discussion invite Steve Kang to speak at our committee (<https://dpw.lacity.gov/commissioners-boardroom>)
      - Miran motioned
      - Barbara seconded
      - Noes have it
    - Shine LA (<https://mayor.lacity.gov/ShineLA>)
      - v. Encourage community involvement - LAUSD & college volunteer hours
        1. School Green Day - required credit for students to graduate, Miran will follow up
        2. CSUN would like a joint project with us - withdrawn
      - vi. Colorful banners along Ventura Blvd - withdrawn
      - vii. Contact the City Council's Office for additional resources
  - V. Barbara requests a motion for a Beautification Subcommittee
    1. Miran seconded
    2. Barbara to have a conversation with Vice-Chair about creating a committee
      - a. Miran - No
      - b. Amanda - No
      - c. Elizabeth - No
      - d. Harold - Abstain
      - e. Barbara - Abstain
      - f. Martin - No
- c. Neighborhood tree planting
- i. <https://lacountycfmp.org/>
  - ii. Coldwater & Magnolia
- d. Community Member Request:
- i. Community Members email bounced back and was unable to invite them to the meeting
  - ii. Message
    1. Encourage stronger plant-based food policies at the municipal level.
      - Increasing plant-based options in city-run programs and facilities
      - Reviewing procurement policies to prioritize sustainable food choices
    2. Exploring endorsement of the Plant Based Treaty as a framework for municipal climate action
      - If you would be open to adding your name in support, you can do so here: <https://plantbasedtreaty.org/individual-endorse/>
      - If you would like further information or wish to discuss this in more detail, the Plant Based Treaty team would be pleased to arrange a presentation. You can contact them at [hello@plantbasedtreaty.org](mailto:hello@plantbasedtreaty.org)
  - ii. Elizabeth requested a motion for having a discussion about the plant based treaty

- presenting to us
- Amanda motioned
  - Miran seconded
  - Vote: Yes's have it
- e. Discussion on priorities - tabled for next meeting
- i. Suggestions: organizing a clothing or book swap, getting recycling bins on the corners that have trash bins, partnering with other orgs about tree planting, etc.
- f. Motion to appoint ELizabeth Meshes as the representative on the SONC on the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance NCSA organization
- i. Lisa Hart is the contact
- g. Motion to end the meeting - 7:43
- i. Hana seconded
- h. Next meeting will occur at the same Zoom link of May 13, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT** (End time is approximately 7:45 p.m. or shortly thereafter)

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