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Green and Beautification

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Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council Green & Beautification Committee Meeting

June 24, 2015

6:30 p.m.

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Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order by Carolyn Casavan, Chair at 6:40 pm.
2. Minutes of last meeting – Moved for approval by Avo Babian, second by Sidonia Lax. Passed 3-0-0.
3. Public comment on non-agenda items
 - a. Three members of Boy Scout Troop 139 attended the meeting and participated in the discussion. They also volunteered to do a survey of the percentage of lawn conversions in Sherman Oaks. Carolyn Casavan to follow up with them.
4. Discussion Items:
 - a. LA River Tour – The date for the tour was tentatively set for Saturday, August 2. Avo Babian will check with Bureau of Engineering and LA River Revitalization Corporation for their availability to attend.
 - b. Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance – Water conservation campaign.
Recommendations from committee:
 - i) Streamline turf replacement application process
 - ii) Simplify parkway conversions
 - iii) Consider a demonstration project where different types of drought tolerant landscaping are planted along the parkway. Possibly partner with The River Project to apply for a grant.
 - iv) Partner with businesses, ask businesses to water the trees in front of their stores.
 - v) Pick actions for committee to take at next meeting.
 - vi) Review IOBY website for ideas.
5. Updates
 - a. The Gardens at the Senior Center – David Levinson. Steve Cline of Los Angeles Recreation and Parks has been contacted to request a meeting. David will follow up with him.
 - b. LADOT DASH – Gregory Wright, no update.
 - c. Pop-Up Art – Karen Sampson, no update.
6. New Business – Committee members and members of the public may bring up new business that they would like the committee to consider.
 - a. Discussion item – Proposed median/greenway for Fulton Avenue, between Magnolia and Chandler.
7. Announcements
 - a. Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance Water Committee Meeting, Saturday, June 27, at 3930 Laurel Canyon Road, Studio City.
8. Next Meeting - Wednesday, July 8 2015.
9. Meeting adjourned at 8:00.