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Sarah Manuel, 5-R  
Avo Babian, 5-B  
Harold Shapiro, 6-CI  
Christine Kim, 6-B  
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Hayden Ranshaw, Youth  
Marcus Zimmerman, Youth



**Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council**

**SONC Board**

**Regular Meeting**

**Monday, November 18, 2019**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Millikan Middle School**

**5041 Sunnyslope Ave, Sherman Oaks**

**Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC)**

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## Minutes

**President** Jeffrey Harsough being in the chair and **Secretary** Gil Imber present.

1. **Call to Order:** Jeffrey Hartsough, President, called the meeting to order at **6:40 pm**.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance.**
3. **Roll Call:** Gil Imber, Secretary.
  - a. **Present:** Kristin Sales, Candy Williams, Levon Baronian, Jeffrey Hartsough, Howard Katchen, Fran Kerzner, Lisa Cappelletti, Lisa Petrus, Joe Cappelletti, Christy Adair, Sarah Manuel, Harold Shapiro, Gil Imber, Christine Kim, Jeff Kalban, Michael Binkow, Neal Roden, Hayden Ranshaw, Marcus Zimmerman.
  - b. **Absent:** Lisa Gilford, Avo Babian.
4. **Approval** of Minutes of October 14, 2019 SONC Board Meeting.

The Minutes of October 14, 2019 are approved by general consent.
5. **Comments by LAPD SLOs and Public Officials**
  - a. Council District 4: Milene Minassians.
  - b. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: Betty Wong Oyama.
6. **President's Report**
7. **Guest Speakers**
  - a. Topic: Ventura-Cahuenga Boulevard Corridor Specific Plan
    - i. Amendment Process and Informational Update
      1. Christine Saponara, Senior City Planner, DCP
      2. Delia Arriaga, Planning Assistant, DCP
  - b. Topic: Volunteerism and Community Collaborations
    - i. Opportunities in Sherman Oaks
      1. Nahtahna Cabanes, VP Strategic Partnerships, LA Works
8. **Consent Calendar**
  - a. A motion to approve the Monthly Expense Report (MER) for the period ending September 30, 2019

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- b. A motion to approve the Monthly Expense Report (MER) for the period ending October 31, 2019

**Motion:** That the Board approve the Consent Calendar, including MERs for the period ending September 30, 2019 and October 31, 2019. **Motion carries (roll call vote): 15 Yea, 0 Nea, 0 Abstain.**

Moved by Committee, Discussion followed.

**Yes:** Williams, Hartsough, Katchen, Kerzner, J Cappelletti, Petrus, L Cappelletti, Adair, Manuel, Shapiro, Imber, Kim, Kalban, Binkow, Roden.

**No:** -

**Abstain and Late/Absent:** Sales (not present), Baronian (not present), Gilford (not present), Babian (not present).

**Ineligible:** Ranshaw, Zimmerman.

**9. Treasurer's Report - Candy Williams, Treasurer**

> Current Position

**a. Board Member Reimbursement**

**Motion:** That the Board approve a board member reimbursement totaling \$320.00 to Jeffrey Kalban (Kalban Architects) for color printing of an approximately 5-foot by 8-foot color map of Sherman Oaks for use by the SONC Vision Committee in discussions of the Community Plan Update.

Moved by Committee, Discussion followed.

**Motion carries (roll call vote): 12 Yea, 2 Nea, 1 Abstain.**

**Yes:** Williams, Hartsough, Kerzner, J Cappelletti, Petrus, L Cappelletti, Adair, Manuel, Imber, Kim, Kalban, Binkow, Roden.

**No:** Katchen, Shapiro.

**Abstain and Late/Absent:** Sales (not present), Baronian (not present), Gilford (not present), Babian (not present), Kim (abstain).

**Ineligible:** Ranshaw, Zimmerman

**Committee Reports**

10. Southern San Fernando Valley Airport Noise Task Force (SSFVANTF) Committee - Christine Kim, Chair

a. Status Report

Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

11. Planning & Land Use Committee - Jeff Kalban, Chair

a. Updates

Public Comment followed.

12. Green & Beautification Committee - Avo Babian, Chair

a. Updates

Gil Imber spoke for Babian, who was absent.

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13. Education Committee - Joe Cappelletti, Chair

- a. Updates

14. Outreach Committee - Jeffrey Harsough, Chair

- a. Website and Newsletter update efforts continue
- b. Next Meeting: November 19, 2019, 7:00pm, CD4 Office

15. Public Safety Committee - Kristen Sales & Melissa Menard, Co-Chairs

a. **Neighborhood Purposes Grant - Crosstown LA**

**Motion:** To approve a Neighborhood Purposes Grant to Crosstown LA for \$1,000.00 to initiate a pilot program of 12 monthly reports that will provide SONC with timely, relevant data focusing on public safety in the Sherman Oaks area. Crosstown LA will work with the Public Safety Committee to modify reports as appropriate over the course of this pilot to improve their usefulness.

Moved by Committee. Public comment followed. Discussion followed.

**Motion carries (roll call vote): 13 Yea, 1 Nea, 1 Abstain.**

**Yes:** Sales, Williams, Hartsough, Katchen, Kerzner, Petrus, L Cappelletti, Adair, Shapiro, Imber, Kim, Kalban, Roden.

**No:** Binkow.

**Abstain and Late/Absent:** Baronian (not present), J Cappelletti (not present), Gilford (not present), Babian (not present), Manuel (abstain).

**Ineligible:** Ranshaw, Zimmerman.

16. Traffic and Transportation Committee - Avo Babian & Bob Reith, Co-Chairs

a. **Extend DASH Route to Universal Red Line Station**

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) recommends and supports the extension of the Van Nuys-Studio City DASH route to include the Universal Red Line station and authorizes issuing letters supporting this position to LADOT, CD4, CD3, and to other elected officials and agencies as appropriate.

Moved by Committee. Public comment followed. Discussion followed.

**Motion carries (roll call vote): 16 Yea, 0 Nea, 0 Abstain.**

**Yes:** Sales, Williams, Hartsough, Katchen, Kerzner, Petrus, L Cappelletti, Adair, Manuel, Shapiro, Imber, Kim, Kalban, Binkow, Ranshaw, Roden.

**No:** -.

**Abstain and Late/Absent:** Baronian (not present), J Cappelletti (not present), Gilford (not present), Babian (not present), Zimmerman (not present).

**Ineligible:** -.

b. **Traffic Mitigation at Valley Vista Boulevard and Beverly Glen Boulevard**

Presentation of the "one-way loop solution" to alleviate traffic congestion at the intersection of Valley Vista Boulevard and Beverly Glen Boulevard.

Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

**17. Budget Advocates** - Howard Katchen, SONC Representative and Budget Advocate

**a. Early Release of LA City Proposed Budget**

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports the Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates' recommendation that the Mayor present his Proposed Budget on February 1st, 80 days earlier than the charter mandated date of April 20th thus allowing ample time to review, analyze, and comment upon the budget and authorizes issuing letters supporting this position to elected officials and agencies as appropriate (Reference Council File 19-0600).

Moved by Katchen, Seconded by Imber.

**Motion carries (voice vote) [Unanimous Yea (11 Yes)]**

**18. Public Comment:** Comments by public on non-agenda items within SONC's jurisdiction.

Public Comment: N/A.

**19. General Announcements**

Happy Thanksgiving

**December 8, 2019** - 21st Annual Toy Drive sponsored by SOHA. Bring an unwrapped toy, 11:00 am to 2:00pm, to the parking lot of Gelson's Market, 4520 Van Nuys Boulevard. Gelson's will be providing snacks and desserts.

**December 9, 2019** - Next SONC Board meeting, 6:30pm, Millikan Middle School.

**20. Adjourn:** President Jeffrey Hartsough adjourned the meeting by general consent at 9:27pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Gil Imber