

**Sherman Oaks
Neighborhood Council**

Officers

Jeffrey Hartsough, Pres 2-CI
Howard Katchen, 1st VP 3-R
Lisa Petrus, 2nd VP 4-R
Candy Williams, Tres 1-R
Gil Imber Secretary 6-R

Board Members:

Vacant, 1-CI
Levon Baronian, 1-B
Sarah Manuel, 2-R
Vacant, 2-B
Vacant, 3-CI
Vacant, 3-B
Lisa Cappelletti, 4-CI
Joe Cappelletti, 4-B
Christy Adair, 5-CI
Vacant, 5-R
Avo Babian, 5-B
Harold Shapiro, 6-CI
Vacant, 6-B
Jeffrey Kalban, 7-CI
Michael Binkow, 7-R
Neal Roden, 7-B
Hayden Ranshaw, Youth
Marcus Zimmerman, Youth

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Regular Board Meeting (Virtual):

Minutes

Monday, April 12, 2021, 6:30 pm

1. **Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call**
 - a. Jeffrey Hartsough, President, called the meeting to order at **6:32 pm**.
 - b. Gil Imber, Secretary, called the roll.
 - 1) **Present:** Christy Adair, Levon Baronian, Michael Binkow, Joe Cappelletti, Lisa Cappelletti, Jeffrey Hartsough, Gil Imber, Jeff Kalban, Howard Katchen, Sarah Manuel, Lisa Petrus, Neal Roden, Harold Shapiro, Candy Williams, Marcus Zimmerman (15).
 - 2) **Absent:** Avo Babian, Hayden Ranshaw (2).

2. **Administrative and Board Initiated Motions**
 - a. **SONC Board Meeting Minutes, March 8, 2021**

Approval of the Minutes of the March 8, 2021, Board Meeting.

Moved by: Lisa Petrus. **Seconded by:** Howard Katchen.
Discussion followed.

Yes: Adair, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Manuel, Petrus, Roden, Shapiro, Williams
No: -
Abstain: -
Ineligible: -
Absent: Babian, Ranshaw, Zimmerman
Motion to Adopt 2.a carries (roll call vote): 14-0-0.

 - b. **SONC Board Seating Policy - May 11, 2021 Elections**

A motion to confirm the SONC Board's preference to use the Neighborhood Council Board Seating Policy (rev. 4/19/2019, 4/1/21) for seating board members elected May 11, 2021.

Moved by: Howard Katchen. **Seconded by:** Lisa Petrus.

Yes: Adair, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Manuel, Petrus, Roden, Shapiro, Williams

No: -

Abstain: -

Ineligible: -

Absent: Babian, Ranshaw, Zimmerman

Motion to Adopt 2.b carries (roll call vote): 14-0-0.

3. Comments by LAPD SLO's, Public Officials, and Staff

Jose Saldana, LAPD Senior Lead Officer.

Scott Schmerelson, Los Angeles Unified School Board District 3.

Brenda Yanez, Los Angeles County Supervisor District 3.

Ryan Ahari, California State Assembly District 46.

Alexandria Naseef, LA City Council District 4.

4. President's Report

a. SONC 2021 Elections

- Ballot applications - March 12, 2021
- Vote-By-Mail Challenges
- Candidate Forums
 - April 16: Area 2 Business; Area 5 Residential
 - April 23: Area 1 Residential
 - April 30: Area 7 Business; Area 7 Residential
 - May 7: Open to All Candidates

b. SONC Youth Seat Appointment for FY 2022

c. Next SONC Board Meeting - May 10, 2021

5. SONC Board Candidate Introductions

> Candidates will introduce themselves and speak to their interests in becoming board members. Three minutes per candidate (candidates that were present at the meeting and presented an introduction are listed below):

Area 1 Residential: Jacqueline Khachatarian.

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Area 2 Business: Jeffrey Rector.

Area 2 Business: Uday Shakour.

Area 5 Residential: Stacey Segarra-Bohlinger.

Area 7 Business: Neal Roden.

Area 7 Business: Hillary Pickles.

SONC Board Candidate Introductions (continued)

Area 7 Residential: Michael Binkow.

Area 7 Residential: Susan Collins.

Area 7 Residential: Adam Drucker.
Area 7 Residential: Michael Fishman.

Unopposed Races

Area 7 Community Interest: Jeff Kalban.
Area 6 Business: Tom Materna.
Area 5 Community Interest: Christy Adair.
Area 3 Residential: Howard Katchen.
Area 1 Community Interest: Candy Williams.
Area 1 Business: Levon Baronian.

6. Committee Reports

a. Education Committee - Joe Cappelletti, Chair
Discussion followed.

b. Government Affairs - Gil Imber, Chair
Continue with our discussion on making voting easier.

- 1) [**CF 21-0002-S61. Asian Americans / Pacific Islanders / Hate Crimes / Discrimination / Harassment / Violence / COVID-19 Pandemic.**](#)
[**CF 21-0264. Hate Crimes / Asian American Community / Cultural Sites / Coronavirus Pandemic.**](#)

Given the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC)'s prior support for and Community Impact Statement (CIS) submitted to [CF 20-0002-S81](#), Asian and Pacific Islander, Jewish, Immigrant and Other Communities / COVID-19 Pandemic / Denounce Anti-Asian Bigotry, Anti-Semitism, Hateful Speech, Violent Action, introduced by Councilmember David Ryu and seconded by Councilmember Bob Blumenfield in May 2020, SONC reaffirms its support for [CF 21-0002-S61](#) and [CF 21-0264](#) regarding the condemnation of discrimination, harassment, and hate crimes, and urges LA City Council not to allow CF 21-0002-S61 and CF 21-0264 to sit idle in Committee without a vote for months on end, as it has done with CF 20-0002-S81.

Community Impact Statements (CIS) to be filed and letters to CD 4 and others, as appropriate.

Moved by: Government Affairs Committee

Discussion followed.

Yes: Adair, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Manuel, Petrus, Roden, Shapiro, Williams

No: -

Abstain: -

Ineligible: -

Absent: Babian, Ranshaw, Zimmerman

Motion to Adopt 6.b carries (roll call vote): 14-0-0.

- c. Green & Sustainability Committee - Avo Babian, Chair
 - d. Outreach Committee - Sarah Manuel, Chair
 - e. Planning & Land Use Committee - Jeff Kalban, Chair
 - f. Public Safety Committee - Christy Adair & Jenna Lewis, Co-Chairs
 - g. Traffic & Transportation Committee - Avo Babian, Chair
Imber spoke on Babian's behalf.
 - h. Budget Advocates - Howard Katchen, SONC Rep & Budget Advocate
7. **Treasurer's Report** - Candy Williams, Treasurer
- a. Treasurer's Report
 - b. **Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) - February 2021**
A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's (SONC) Monthly Expenditure Report for period ending Feb 28, 2021.
- Moved by:** Finance Committee
- Yes:** Adair, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Manuel, Petrus, Roden, Shapiro, Williams
No: -
Abstain: -
Ineligible: -
Absent: Babian, Ranshaw, Zimmerman
- Motion to Adopt 7.b carries (roll call vote):** 14-0-0.
8. **Public Comment**
9. **Announcements by SONC Board members**
Discussion followed.
10. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent, **8:50 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Gil Imber