

Greetings, and Happy New Year from Sherman Oaks Neighbourhood Council!

Visit us at www.ShermanOaksNC.org.

We hope that everyone had a pleasant autumn and Holiday Season since we last saw you at the Summer movie series and various Board and Committee meetings!



The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) Board Elections took place in May, with many new faces sworn in, and it has been a busy time for ALL the committees as the Sherman Oaks area faces many changes! Here's what our committees have been up to...

PLUM (Planning and Land Use Management)

PLUM has been kept on their toes with all the new developments and housing bills coming out of Sacramento. Small lot subdivisions and new zoning will bring lots of new development to our area. While PLUM cannot defy any of the state or city ordinances, they consistently go above and beyond to try to steer developers into working with neighbors to meet neighborhood concerns. A great example of this is the Sunkist project that was officially approved by the Los Angeles City Council in October. SONC, along with the Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association (SOHA), and David Ryu's office was able to preserve the historical site while working with IMT developers to address community needs such as green space, parking, and affordable housing. For a full mock-up of the approved development, go to:

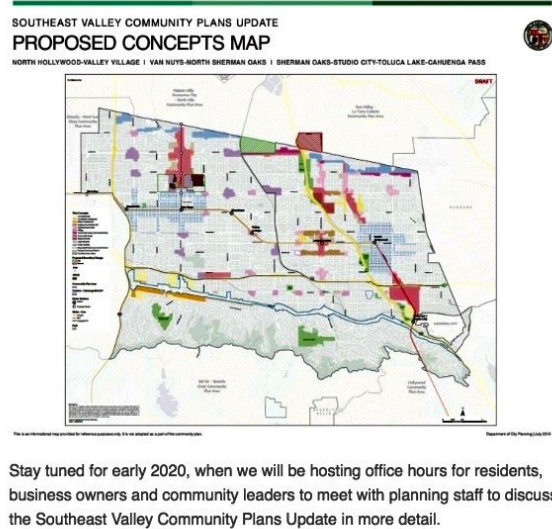
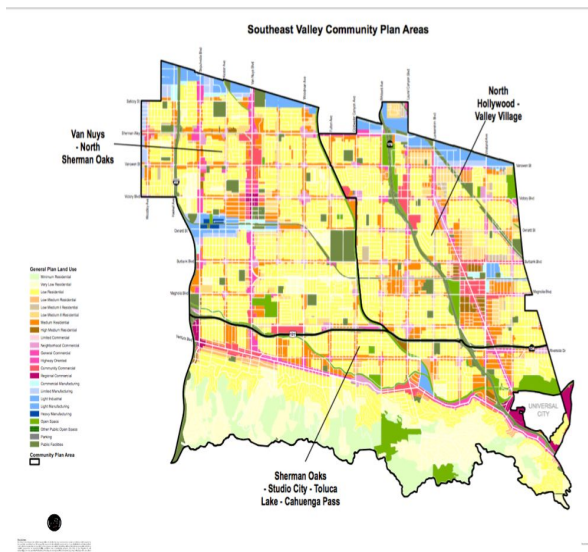
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Vision is a sub-committee of PLUM that looks at how we want to shape the future of Sherman Oaks. This was a particularly exciting year for this as the Los Angeles Planning Department initiated an update for the Southeast Valley Community Plans for the first time in 20 years! Vision members also collaborated with SOHA to meet with LA Metro to oppose any kind of loud above-ground trains, and guide them towards more community & environmentally friendly plans.



Stay tuned for early 2020, when we will be hosting office hours for residents, business owners and community leaders to meet with planning staff to discuss the Southeast Valley Community Plans Update in more detail.

To learn more about LA City Plans Update please visit:

<https://planning.lacity.org/plans-policies/community-plan-update/southeast-valley-community-plan-update>

To read the latest update from Metro:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1MzznJjH-H3nyyTX40cWAEExhCdOliWy0blT-rJ0kxswg/edit>

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T&T committee continues to lead the way in progressive actions. Some examples include looking at ways to mitigate hillside traffic while protecting residents, finding ways to improve the ease of using public parking, and promoting other forms of transportation such as the DASH and LA Metro. T&T also took on two issues at Van Nuys Airport with the help of David Ryu's

office by requesting (and receiving) two seats for our city council district 4 onto the CAC (Citizen's Advisory Board), and secondly, supporting a voluntary nighttime curfew. Airport traffic noise has become a HUGE nuisance for many residents, and SONC is keeping a close eye on the airport noise task force and recent lawsuit launched by city attorney Mike Feuer. Just this week, Councilmember Ryu announced his picks for CAC Board seats, including SONC Boardmember Lisa Petrus!



To learn more about the Van Nuys Airport CAC Board go to <https://www.iflyvny.com/en/community-information/citizens-advisory-council>

To learn more about the San Fernando Valley Airport Noise Task Force go to <http://hollywoodburbankairport.com/noise-environment/noise-task-force/>

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The Green committee spent the second half of the year working on crossover projects like the Metro and VISION, but is excited to revamp for the Spring and several events. In the meantime, Green members celebrate the hiring and funding of newly staffed urban forestry division. The Urban Forestry Division is responsible for trees and plants on parkways and other government land. Their first order of business will be a city wide survey, while their crews continue to do their regular work in order of priority.

Speaking of trees, we have been blessed with a lot of rain in the past few years, and Green committee reminds you to stay on top of keeping greenery trimmed back from roofs, sidewalks, and alleyways as much as possible. Look for announcements in the Spring on how you can get free trees and other plants from the city.

Green committee encourages everyone to think about even the smallest actions you can make to save resources (and money!). Small individual actions add up to big changes overall! Check out LADWP and SoCal Gas for free programs and rebates to make your surroundings more energy efficient. If you have a sustainable yard or garden and would like to share OR if you are using sustainable practices in your home or business and would like to share, please follow and send us your info on our FB page!

https://www.facebook.com/Sherman-Oaks-Green-Sustainable-Living-104899887570389/?modal=admin_todo_tour



Wildlife is another important element in a sustainable ecosystem. LA Animal Services has recently begun a series of wonderful workshop presentations. These workshops are very informative and teach us how to live safely and in harmony with our wild furry (or scaly) friends.



To learn more about LA Animal services and wildlife please go to <https://www.laanimalservices.com/about-animals/wildlife/>

Education

Recently-revived by a new Board member, the Education Committee will look at ways that SONC can assist in all forms of education beginning with the LAUSD schools in our area. If you work or volunteer at a school, this is a great opportunity to form a working liaison relationship with local government. We want to make sure all community members have access to whatever resources they need.



And for all you life-long learners, be sure to check out all the fantastic FREE services the library has in-branch or online. Learn a language, take a course, complete a certificate, view a vast collection of educational materials, and more.

<https://www.lapl.org/collections-resources/online-learning>

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The Homeless Outreach Committee is currently working on a pamphlet of services to hand out to anyone who may want help, and for residents to have as a thorough directory of information. To report a homeless encampment, call or use the 311 or 211 app.

The LAHSA point in time homeless count for Sherman Oaks will take place on Jan 21st. If you would like to volunteer, please sign up at

https://www.theycountwillyou.org/sherman_oaks_count_20200121?



Sign up today for the
2020 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count

[THEYCOUNTWILLYOU.ORG](https://www.theycountwillyou.org)

Public Safety

Our most vigilant committee, Public Safety is always looking at ways to empower our community members and make Sherman Oaks and surrounding areas a safer place to live and work. This committee works with the Red Cross, LAFD, and LAPD through programs like:

Map Your Neighborhood

<https://empowerla.org/map-your-neighborhood-myn/>

LAFD CERT (Community Emergency Response Team)

<https://www.cert-la.com/>



and their next event: NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Save the Date: January 27th 6:30

<https://www.shermanoaksn.org/docs/34483553-6610.pdf>



Public Safety Neighborhood Watch Forum

Monday, January 27, 2020

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Sherman Oaks East Valley Adult Center

5056 Van Nuys Blvd

Sherman Oaks, CA 91403

(parking available in lot or on street)

