

**Officers:**

Jeffrey Hartsough, President 2-CI  
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Candy Williams, Treasurer 1-R  
Gil Imber, Secretary 6-R

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



**Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council**

**Board Meeting**

Regular Meeting

**Monday, March 9, 2020**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Millikan Middle School**

**Burrill Hall - Performance Auditorium**

**5041 Sunnyslope Ave, Sherman Oaks**

**Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC)**

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## Minutes

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

1. **Call to Order:** Jeffrey Hartsough, President, called the meeting to order at **6:41 pm**.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance.**
3. **Roll Call:** Gil Imber, Secretary.
  - a. **Present:** Kristen Sales, Levon Baronian, Candy Williams, Jeffrey Hartsough, Howard Katchen, Fran Kerzner, Lisa Cappelletti, Lisa Petrus, Joe Cappelletti, Christy Adair, Sarah Manuel, Harold Shapiro, Christine Kim, Gil Imber, Jeff Kalban, Michael Binkow, Neal Roden, Marcus Zimmerman (18).
  - b. **Absent:** Lisa Gifford, Avo Babian, Hayden Ranshaw (3).
4. **Approval** of the Minutes of the February 9, 2020 SONC Board Meeting.

**The Minutes of February 9, 2020 are approved by unanimous consent.**
5. **Comments by LAPD SLOs and Public Officials**
  - a. LAPD SLO: Officers Barry & Saldana.
  - b. LAPL/Sherman Oaks Senior Librarian: Karen Smith-Chen.
  - c. CA Senate 18: Hannah Kelley.
7. **Guest Speaker** - Chaplain Martin Furtak, LAPD Topanga Division  
Volunteer opportunities: [justserve.org](http://justserve.org)
13. Green & Sustainability Committee - Avo Babian, Chair
  - a. **Motion in Support of CF 18-1190\***

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports City Council File 18-1190 toward the eventual adoption of an ordinance that would ban single use plastics and revise the blue bin rules so that plastics that cannot be recycled in the City of LA are removed from the recycling stream. Issue a Community Impact Statement (CIS) communicating SONC's position.

Public Comment.

**Moved by the Green & Sustainability Committee.**

Discussion followed.

**Motion to Amend by Imber. Seconded by Lisa Petrus.**

“The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports City Council File 18-1190 directing the Bureau of Sanitation report to the Council as to the feasibility of pursuing alternative approaches for dealing with challenges posed by recycling complications in the City of Los Angeles, such as a potential future ban on single-use plastics and/or revision of blue bin rules to remove plastics that cannot be recycled locally or regionally from the recycling stream. Issue a Community Impact Statement (CIS) communicating SONC’s position.”

Discussion followed.

**Tabled by Hartsough, unanimous consent.**

**5. Comments by LAPD SLOs and Public Officials**

- d. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: Betty Wong Oyama.
- e. Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Council: Tom Materna.
- f. LA County Elections: Ron Ziff

**6. President’s Report - Moved to Page 5.**

**8. Treasurer’s Report - Candy Williams, Treasurer**

Current Position

**Monthly Expenditure Reports (MERs)**

**a. MER Ending November 30, 2019\***

A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council’s (SONC) Monthly Expense Report (MER) for the period ending November 30, 2019.

**b. MER Ending December 31, 2019\***

**c. MER Ending January 31, 2020\***

A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council’s (SONC) Monthly Expense Report (MER) for the period ending January 31, 2020.

**Moved by the Finance Committee.**

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

**No:** -.

**Recused:** -.

**Ineligible:** Zimmerman.

**Absent:** Babian, Gilford, Ranshaw.

**Motion to Pass 8a/8b/8c carries (roll call vote): 17-0-0.**

**d. Reallocation of 2019-20 Budget Funds\***

A motion to approve the revision of the approved July 2019 Administrative budget of the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council based on anticipated expenditures for the 2019-2020 fiscal year as follows:

Office & Administration	\$27,900	\$18,000	-\$9,900
Outreach	10,100	20,000	+9,900
Community Involvement	0	4,000	+4,000
Neighborhood Purposes Grants	4,000	7,520	+7,520

**Moved by the Finance Committee.**

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

**No:** -.

**Recused:** -.

**Ineligible:** Zimmerman.

**Absent:** Babian, Gilford, Ranshaw.

**Motion to Pass 8d carries (roll call vote):** 17-0-0.

**e. Neighborhood Purposes Grant - Sherman Oaks Chamber Foundation\***

A motion to approve a Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) to the Sherman Oaks Chamber Foundations of \$2,675.00 in support of graffiti proofing the Sherman Oaks branded painted utility boxes in Sherman Oaks.

Speaker: Mr. Sandy Rosenholz, Sherman Oaks Chamber Foundation

**Moved by the Finance Committee.**

Discussion followed.

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

**No:** -.

**Abstain:** Baronian.

**Recused:** Kerzner.

**Ineligible:** Zimmerman.

**Absent:** Babian, Binkow, Gilford, Ranshaw.

**Motion to Pass 8d carries (roll call vote):** 14-0-2.

**9. Consent Calendar\***

**a. Outreach Committee - SONC Branding Materials**

A motion to approve up to \$3,000.00 for SONC branding materials and SWAG items in support of SONC outreach to the community.

**~~b. Neighborhood Purposes Grant - Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Foundation~~**

~~A motion to approve a Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) to the Sherman~~

~~Oaks Chamber Foundations of \$2,675.00 in support of graffiti proofing the Sherman Oaks branded painted utility boxes in Sherman Oaks.~~

**c. Board Member Reimbursement - Jeffrey Hartsough**

A motion to approve a board member reimbursement totaling \$29.94 to Jeffrey Hartsough for bottle water (Costco \$29.94) in support of SONC board meetings.

**d. Board Member Reimbursement - Jeffrey Hartsough (prev appr, 9/9/19)**

A motion to approve a board member reimbursement totaling \$44.96 to Jeffrey Hartsough for: a) SONC Board Meeting June 10, 2019: water (\$17.22 Smart&Final) and refreshments (\$18.99 Costco); and b) SONC Summer Series: Zip Ties (\$8.75 ACE Hardware).

**e. Board Member Reimbursement - Candy Williams (prev appr, 9/9/19)**

A motion to approve a board member reimbursement totaling \$88.76 to Candy Williams for: a) SONC Board Meeting July 8, 2019: refreshments and water (\$30.63 Ralphs) and b) Finance Committee administrative printing expenses: toner ink (\$58.13 Target).

**Moved by the Finance Committee.**

Item 9b was removed from the motion as it is a duplicate of item 8e, already considered.

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

**No:** -.

**Recused:** -.

**Ineligible:** Zimmerman.

**Absent:** Babian, Gilford, Kerzner, Ranshaw.

**Motion to Pass carries (roll call vote):** 16-0-0.

## Committee Reports

10. Southern San Fernando Valley Airport Noise Task Force (SSFVANTF) Committee -

Christine Kim, Chair

Status Report.

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

Updates.

12. Homeless Outreach Committee - Michael Binkow, Chair

Updates.

13. Green & Sustainability Committee - Avo Babian, Chair

a. *[Previously considered]*

**b. Motion in Support of AB-1788\***

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports California Assembly bill AB-1788, Pesticides: Use of Anticoagulants, a ban on the use of specific pesticides containing anticoagulants in the entire state (with certain exceptions).

Public Comment.

**Moved by Green & Sustainability Committee.**

Discussion followed.

**Motion to Pass carries (voice vote): 15-0-1.**

c. **Motion in Support of CF 19-0002-45S\***

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports LA City Council File CF 19-0002-S45, supporting AB-1788 (Bloom) which would expand the prohibition of pesticide that contains one or more of specified anticoagulants in wildlife areas, as defined; and related actions. Issue a Community Impact Statement (CIS) communicating SONC's position.

Public Comment: Requesting member of public refused to speak.

**Moved by Green & Sustainability Committee.**

Discussion followed.

**Motion to Pass carries (voice vote): 16-0-0.**

12. Homeless Outreach Committee - Michael Binkow, Chair  
Public Comment.

14. Education Committee - Joe Cappelletti, Chair  
Updates.

15. Outreach Committee - Sarah Manuel, Chair  
Updates. Hello Spring – FREE Tree Giveaway, March 21, 2020, 10:00am, Van Nuys Sherman Oaks Park. FREE fruit or shade trees to LA City residents.

16. Public Safety Committee - Kristen Sales, Chair  
Updates.  
Recap of Neighborhood Watch Forum - Monday, January 27, 2020, at the Sherman Oaks East Valley Adult Center (SOEVAC).

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

18. Animal Welfare Committee - Valarie Ianniello, Chair  
Updates: Initial/Formation Meeting – March 30, 2020, 6:30pm, CD4 Field Office.

19. Budget Advocates - Howard Katchen, SONC Representative and Budget Advocate.  
Updates. White Paper released February 15, 2020; A copy of White Paper was presented to the SONC President.

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

## 6. **President's Report**

## 21. **General Announcements**

March 21, 2020 (Saturday) - SONC Annual Tree Giveaway

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April 1, 2020 - 2020 Census, Mailers go out March 12

**22. Adjourn:** President Hartsough adjourned the meeting by unanimous consent at **9:04pm**.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Gil Imber

\* Asterisk indicates Action Item - Vote Required. Financial motions require roll call votes. Consent Calendar items are considered routine and may be enacted by one (roll call) vote unless a member of the Board requests that specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar.