

**Sherman Oaks  
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Christy Adair, 5-CI  
Sarah Manuel, 5-R  
Avo Babian, 5-B  
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Vacant, 6-B  
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**Regular Board Meeting (Virtual):**

**Minutes**

Monday, July 13, 2020  
6:30 pm

**I. Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call**

- a. Jeffrey Hartsough, President, called the meeting to order at **6:42 pm**.
- b. Gil Imber, Secretary, called the roll.
  - i. **Present:** Christy Adair, Avo Babian, Levon Baronian, Michael Binkow, Joe Cappelletti, Lisa Cappelletti, Jeffrey Hartsough, Gil Imber, Jeff Kalban, Howard Katchen, Fran Kerzner, Sarah Manuel, Lisa Petrus, Hayden Ranshaw, Neal Roden, Harold Shapiro, Candy Williams, Marcus Zimmerman (18).
  - ii. **Absent:** - (0).

**II. ADMINISTRATIVE MOTIONS**

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Monday, June 15, 2020, Board Meeting.  
**Moved by:** Jeffrey Hartsough. Seconded by Joe Cappelletti.  
Discussion followed.  
**Yes:** Adair, Babian, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Kerzner, Manuel, Petrus, Ranshaw, Roden, Shapiro, Williams, Zimmerman  
**No:** -  
**Abstain:** -  
**Ineligible:** -  
**Absent:** -  
**Motion to Adopt II.a carries (roll call vote):** 18-0-0.
- b. Approval of the Minutes of the Monday, June 29, 2020, Board Meeting.  
**Moved by:** Jeffrey Hartsough. Seconded by Christy Adair.

Discussion followed.

**Yes:** Adair, Babian, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Kerzner, Manuel, Petrus, Ranshaw, Roden, Shapiro, Williams

**No:** -

**Abstain:** Katchen, Zimmeran

**Ineligible:** -

**Absent:** -

**Motion to Adopt II.a carries (roll call vote): 16-0-2.**

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

Emma Taylor, California State Assembly District 46.  
Brad Fingard, Los Angeles City Council District 4.  
Tanaz Golshan, Office of the Mayor of Los Angeles.  
Tara Vahdani, Los Angeles Unified School District 3.  
Betty Wong-Oyama, Neighborhood Empowerment.

**IV. President's Report**

- COVID-19 pandemic is worsening. Continue to be responsible.
  - City's response to and impact from pandemic.
- Preparing for November: 2020 Census & General Election.
  - Register to vote; California will be using Mail-In Ballots.
- Public civility.

**V. Committee Reports**

- a. Animal Welfare Committee - Valarie Ianniello, Chair  
*Valerie was absent and Howard Katchen spoke regarding the Committee.*
- b. Education Committee - Joe Cappelletti, Chair
- c. Government Affairs - Gil Imber, Chair
  - 1) [Council File 20-0429](#). COVID-19 Quarantine Emergency Situation / Masks Required / Ordinance.

In light of continued increases in the spread of coronavirus and a disproportionately vocal minority of objections to the Mayor's order concerning mandatory face coverings and/or masks, the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council, out of an abundance of caution and consideration for public health and safety during the COVID-19 state of emergency, strongly requests the Los Angeles City Council adopt an ordinance that would require, legislatively, the wearing of face coverings and/or masks in specified public situations subject to limited exemption, and specify the method and manner of enforcement of such an ordinance, such as but not

limited to fines or citations, sunseting after the emergency concludes.

*Letters: CIS to City Council File 20-0429; Letter to David Ryu (CD4).*

**Moved by:** Government Affairs Committee

Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

**Yes:** Adair, Babian, Baronian, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Kerzner, Manuel, Petrus, Ranshaw, Roden, Shapiro, Williams, Zimmerman

**No:** Binkow

**Abstain:** -

**Ineligible:** -

**Absent:** -

**Motion to Adopt V.c.1 carries (roll call vote):** 17-1-0.

- 2) [Council File 20-0078](#). Elmoo Nine Departure / RNAV Procedure / Orosz Three / Slapp Two / Bob Hope Airport / San Fernando Valley / Arroyo-Verdugo Area / Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) / Environmental Assessment.

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports City Council File CF 20-0078 requesting FAA to add an RNAV departure procedure for eastbound departures from Burbank Airport, with the aim of alleviating noise in the Southern San Fernando Valley west of Burbank Airport, and dispersing flight paths, and SONC shall in turn issue a CIS in support of CF 20-0078, with letters addressed to Council District Two, Council District Four, Council District Five, and the Van Nuys Citizen's Advisory Council (VNY CAC), indicating SONC's position, with carbon copy to interested parties Burbank Airport (BUR) and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

*Letters: CIS to City Council File 20-0429; Letters to Paul Krekorian (CD2), David Ryu (CD4), Paul Koretz (CD5), Jason Price (Chair, VNY CAC [VNYCAC@lawa.org]); CC to Frank Miller (Executive Director, Burbank Airport [FMiller@bur.org]), Raquel Girvin (Western-Pacific Regional Administrator, FAA [Raquel.Girvin@faa.gov]) & general line 9-AWP-noise@faa.gov.*

**Moved by:** Government Affairs Committee

Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

**Motion to Amend by:** Howard Katchen to remove “with carbon copy to interested parties Burbank Airport (BUR) and Federal Aviation

Administration (FAA)”. No second. *Motion to Amend fails.*

**Meeting was Recessed (rules check) for 2 minutes by unanimous consent.**

*On the Item:*

**Yes:** Adair, Babian, Baronian, L Cappelletti, Imber, Kalban, Shapiro, Zimerman

**No:** Binkow, J Cappelletti, Hartsough, Katchen, Petrus, Ranshaw

**Abstain:** Kerzner, Manuel, Roden, Williams

**Ineligible:** -

**Absent:** -

**Motion to Adopt V.c.2 carries (roll call vote): 8-6-4.**

3) **\*WITHDRAWN\***

[Council File 20-0609](#). *Planning Commissions Actions Overwrite Removal.*

*The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council supports City Council file CF 20-0609 and City Council's effort to place a ballot measure on the November 2020 election ballot to remove Subsection (e) of Section 245 of the City Charter to eliminate the ability of the City Council to overwrite the actions of planning commissions and to explore additional changes to code sections to limit opportunities for corruption and to reduce discretionary land use powers exercised by City Council for individual site-specific development projects.*

*Letters: CIS to City Council File 20-0609; Letter to David Ryu (CD4).*

**Moved by:** Government Affairs Committee

*Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.*

4) [Council File 20-0608](#). Office of Anticorruption and Transparency / Independent Auditors and Investigators / Land Use / Quid Pro Quo Activity.

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council supports the development, implementation, and operation of an independent auditor/investor's office (Office of Anti-Corruption and Transparency) to provide focused, independent and comprehensive oversight and monitoring of land use, development, and construction processes and approvals in the City of Los Angeles, and applicable amendment of Codes and/or City Charter to accomplish this initiative.

*Letters: CIS to City Council File 20-0608; Letter to David Ryu (CD4)*

**Moved by:** Government Affairs Committee

*Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.*

**Yes:** Adair, Babian, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Kerzner, Manuel, Petrus, Ranshaw, Roden, Shapiro, Williams, Zimmerman

**No:** -

**Abstain:** -

**Ineligible:** -

**Absent:** -

**Motion to Adopt V.c.4 carries (roll call vote): 18-0-0.**

- d. Green & Sustainability Committee - Avo Babian, Chair  
Discussion followed.
- e. Homeless Outreach Committee - Michael Binkow, Co-Chair  
Public Comment followed.
- f. Outreach Committee - Sarah Manuel, Chair  
Public Comment followed.
- g. Planning & Land Use Committee - Jeff Kalban, Chair
- h. Public Safety Committee - Christy Adair & Jenna Lewis, Co-Chairs  
Discussion followed.
- i. Traffic & Transportation Committee - Avo Babian & Bob Reith, Co-Chairs

- 1) [Council File 20-0838](#). Motion to Support Permanent Slow Streets.

Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council supports Councilman Ryu's motion (CF 20-0838) the "Permanent Slow Streets Program" be adopted by the City Council. We authorize a CIS to be written, and to send it to Councilman Ryu's office.

**Moved by:** Traffic & Transportation Committee

Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

**Yes:** Adair, Babian, Baronian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Kerzner, Manuel, Petrus, Ranshaw, Roden, Shapiro, Williams, Zimmerman

**No:** -

**Abstain:** -

**Ineligible:** -

**Absent:** -

**Motion to Adopt V.i.1 carries (roll call vote): 18-0-0.**

- 2) Motion to Sponsor and Support a Slow Streets application in Area 6 – Valley Vista to Mulholland Scenic Hike.

Whereas the selected roads in this Slow Street network are substandard local roads, and whereas none of the selected segments have sidewalks on both sides of the road (some have zero sidewalks), and whereas due to speeding non-local vehicles and narrow/tight clearances, it is dangerous for pedestrians to actively recreate in accordance with social distancing guidelines, be it

resolved the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council hereby sponsors and requests the creation and implementation of this Slow Streets route between Valley Vista Blvd and Mulholland Dr, east of the I-405 Freeway and west of Stone Canyon, in order to promote active recreation for local residents and neighbors pursuant to the Mayor's Safer at Home order. Maps showing both the preferred and alternate Slow Streets Areas are attached.

**Moved by:** Traffic & Transportation Committee  
Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

**Call the Question:** Harold Shapiro. Seconded by Gil Imber.

**Yes:** Adair, Shapiro

**No:** Babian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Kerzner, Petrus, Ranshaw, Roden

**Abstain:** Manuel, Williams, Zimmerman

**Ineligible:** -

**Absent:** Baronian

**Motion to Call the Question of V.i.2 fails (roll call vote):** 2-12-3.

*On the Item:*

**Yes:** Adair, Babian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Katchen, Shapiro, Zimmerman

**No:** Kalban, Kerzner, Petrus, Ranshaw

**Abstain:** Manuel, Roden, Williams

**Ineligible:** -

**Absent:** Baronian

**Motion to Adopt V.i.2 carries (roll call vote):** 10-4-3.

- 3) Motion to Sponsor and Support a Slow Streets application in Area 2 – In the Neighborhood South of the Van Nuys Sherman Oaks Park.

Whereas the roads in this Slow Street network are heavily trafficked to the point of creating a dangerous situation for pedestrians to actively recreate in accordance with social distancing guidelines, through similar speeding traffic seeking to bypass the intended arterial road of Riverside Dr, be it resolved that the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council hereby sponsors and requests the creation and implementation of this Slow Streets route between Van Nuys and Hazeltine, north of Riverside and south of the VNSO Park, in order to promote active recreation for local residents and neighbors pursuant to the Mayor's Safer at Home order. A map showing the preferred Slow Streets Area is attached.

**Moved by:** Traffic & Transportation Committee

Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

**Yes:** Adair, Babian, Binkow, J Cappelletti, L Cappelletti, Hartsough, Imber, Kalban, Katchen, Kerzner, Manuel, Ranshaw, Roden, Shapiro, Williams, Zimmerman

**No:** Petrus

**Abstain:** -

**Ineligible:** -

**Absent:** Baronian

**Motion to Adopt V.i.3 carries (roll call vote): 16-1-0.**

- j. Budget Advocates - Howard Katchen, SONC Rep & Budget Advocate  
Public Comment followed.

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

a. Treasurer's Report

b. Monthly Expenditure Report (MER), May 2020.

A motion to approve the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council's (SONC) Monthly Expenditure Report (MER) for the period ending May 31, 2020. The MER for May 2020, is posted as a supporting document for this meeting on the SONC website.

**Moved by:** Finance Committee

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

**No:** -

**Abstain:** -

**Ineligible:** Ranshaw, Zimmerman

**Absent:** Baronian

**Motion to Adopt VI.b carries (roll call vote): 15-0-0.**

**VII. Public Comment**

Public Comment followed.

**VIII. Announcements on Items within SONC's Jurisdiction**

- a. LA City Early Notification System (ENS) to receive agendas.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent, **10:01 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

*Gil Imber*