

**Government Affairs
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Government Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 27, 2021

7:00 pm

Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone

1. **Call to Order** - Meeting called to order at **7:04pm** by Chair Imber.
2. **Roll Call** - Present: Gil Imber, Pamela Harris, Howard Katchen, Tom Materna
- Absent: -
3. **Administrative Motions**
 - a. Approval of the minutes of the March 23, 2021 meeting.
Moved by: Pamela Harris. **Seconded by:** Howard Katchen.
Yes: Harris, Imber, Katchen
No: - / **Abstain/NV:** Tom Materna / **Absent:** -
The minutes are approved (3-0).
4. **Comments by Public Officials**

Alexandria Naseef, LA City Council 4th District
> Upcoming monthly coffee with your field manager: 5/20.
5. **Chair's Report**

> Alleged party house in Sherman Oaks (viol of COVID order).
6. **Action Items Which May Be Voted Upon**
 - a. [CF 21-0031](#). CARE+ Cleanups / COVID-19 Crisis / Homeless Encampments / Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Guidelines.
Possible answers from CD4, motion, and vote.
Public comment followed. Discussion followed.

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) urges LA City Council, in conjunction with the Department of Sanitation, Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, and other service providers, including potential private-public partnerships, to establish a regular cleanup schedule of encampment sites and to supply trash receptacles such as but not limited to automated litter bins (ALBs) to encampment and other unhoued areas with regular collection in order to gauge the effectiveness

of simply providing unhoused persons with the ability to properly dispose of waste.

Moved by: Gil Imber. **Seconded by:** Tom Materna.

Public comment followed. Discussion followed.

Yes: Imber, Harris, Katchen, Materna

No: - / **Abstain/NV:** - / **Absent:** -

The motion 6.a is adopted (4-0).

- b. [CIS CF 19-1493](#) & Letter to LAWA. Requesting LAWA to bring in expert help to succeed in advocating for the community's request regarding task force's PPRRY waypoint recommendation at its working group with FAA.

Possible motion, and vote.

Public comment followed. Discussion followed.

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) asks Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) to request, the Van Nuys Airport Citizens Advisory Council (VNY CAC) to support, the Board of Airport Commissioners (BOAC) to fund, perhaps in the vein of CF 19-1493 relative to funding sources for FAA-related outside counsel expenses, and LA City Council to ensure the hiring of a consultant with experience and a track record of success with the FAA in moving and dispersing NextGen flight paths to assist LAWA staff in achieving the stated action from LAWA in IFP gateway request from the fall of 2020 relative to the PPRRY waypoint.

Moved by: Tom Materna. **Seconded by:** Gil Imber.

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Motion to Amend by: Gil Imber. **Seconded by:** Tom Materna.

Public comment followed. Discussion followed.

Yes: Imber, Harris, Katchen, Materna

No: - / **Abstain/NV:** - / **Absent:** -

The motion to amend 6.b is adopted (4-0).

Yes: Imber, Harris, Katchen, Materna

No: - / **Abstain/NV:** - / **Absent:** -

The motion to adopt 6.b as amended is approved (4-0).

- c. [CF 21-0002-S22](#). Los Angeles District Attorney / Sentencing Enhancements / Hate Crimes.

i. Possible motion and vote.

Public comment followed. Discussion followed.

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports CF 21-0002-S22 in opposing the District Attorney's administrative action to cease seeking sentencing enhancements in criminal cases unless amendment to exempt sentencing enhancements for hate crimes from this policy.

Moved by: Tom Materna. **Seconded by:** Pamela Harris.

Public comment followed. Discussion followed.

Yes: Imber, Harris, Katchen, Materna

No: - / **Abstain/NV:** - / **Absent:** -

The motion 6.c is adopted (4-0).

- d. [CF 21-0002-S106](#). AB 1401 (Friedman) / Minimum Parking Requirements Prohibition / Major Transit Stops / High-Quality Transit Corridor

Possible motion and vote.

Public comment followed. Discussion followed.

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports CF 21-0002-S106 in opposing AB 1401 (Friedman), which would prohibit a city or county from imposing minimum parking requirements on all developments located within one-half mile walking distance of a major transit stop or a high-quality transit corridor.

Moved by: Tom Materna. **Seconded by:** Pamela Harris.

Public comment followed. Discussion followed.

Yes: Imber, Harris, Katchen, Materna

No: - / **Abstain/NV:** - / **Absent:** -

The motion 6.d is adopted (4-0).

7. Additional Items for Discussion

- a. [CF 20-0668](#). Redistricting Process / 2020 Decennial US Census Data.
[CF 20-0668-S1](#). 2020 Redistricting Commission / Appointments.
- Ongoing discussion on the 2021 redistricting process.
 - See: [History of Los Angeles City Council Districts](#).

- [Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association 2021 Redistricting Recommendations for Sherman Oaks and the San Fernando Valley](#).
Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.
 - b. [CF 21-0407](#). Neighborhood Council / Standardize Election Rules / Stakeholder Participation.
 - i. Discussion of SONC Bylaws (voting/elections).
 - ii. Discussion of non-electioneering signage prohibition in BID.
Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.
- 8. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items Within the Committee’s Jurisdiction**
Public Comment followed.
- 9. Closing Remarks by Committee Members**
Discussion followed.
- 10. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned via general consent at 9:45 pm.**

*All Council File (CF) items contain a hyperlink to the applicable source legislation.

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