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**NEIGHBORHOOD  
COUNCIL**

**\*SPECIAL\* Board Meeting Agenda (Virtual)  
Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 6:30pm**

**Zoom Webinar ID: 85302495289**

**Online: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85302495289>**

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OCTOBER 6, 2023 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 411 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL ON NOVEMBER 1, 2023, THE SHERMAN OAKS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

Every person wishing to address the Board must **dial (669) 900-6833 and enter 85302495289 and then press #** to join the meeting. When prompted by the presiding officer, to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to **dial \*9 or use the Raise Hand option, to address the Board** on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered.

Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to    minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

**SB 411 Updates:**

In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1.

(C) The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time.

(D) Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.

(E) (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

**1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

- a. Call to Order by Presiding Officer
- b. Roll Call

**2. Introductions & City Updates – Committee, City Officials and Staff**

**3. Sherman Oaks Crime Data Update – Susan Collins**

**4. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

Comments by the public on non-agenda items within the Public Safety Committee’s jurisdiction.

**5. Committee Response to Public Comment –**

**6. Personal Safety / Awareness – Success Stories:**

**7. Review and Discuss:** Possible submission of letter on behalf of SONC regarding funding for legal fees in relation to Judge Carter’s ruling. (See letter in supporting documents). If approved by this committee the letter must be submitted to the SONC Board for approval

**8. C.E.R.T. REPORT - Upcoming Classes & Events:** Christy Adair  
(see supporting documents for flyer and additional information)

**9. Final Committee Business and Announcements -** Emergency or timely items since the posting of the agenda.

**10. ADJOURNMENT** (End time is approximately 9:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter)

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