



**Sherman Oaks  
Neighborhood Council**

**Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council ([shermanoaksnc.org](http://shermanoaksnc.org))**

September 10, 2024

Los Angeles City Council and its Committees  
Board of Neighborhood Commissioners

**Against — [CF 24-0867](#). **Neighborhood Council Bylaws / Youth Participation / Diversity Increase / Leadership Growth.****

To City Council and Board of Neighborhood Commissioners,

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) in a 14-0 vote at its September 9, 2024 meeting adopted a position to oppose CF 24-0867 pertaining to proposed city-wide neighborhood council system bylaw amendments.

The motion is as follows:

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) opposes Council File 24-0867 which requests two separate actions from the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners: 1) bylaw amendment guaranteeing a youth seat on each NC, and 2) bylaw amendment instituting term limits for all NCs.

While SONC supports the goals of request #1 pertaining to youth membership, we oppose this motion due to #2's desire to institute term limits for a vulnerable NC system which already has difficulty achieving membership goals and often relies on seasoned council members for expertise and institutional knowledge.

Thank you for your attention. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

With Pride and Determination—

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