

**Government Affairs
Committee**

Gil Imber, Chair
Howard Katchen
Pamela Harris
Tom Materna



Sherman Oaks
Neighborhood Council
P.O. Box 5721
Sherman Oaks, CA 91413

Website:
www.ShermanOaksNC.org

**Sherman Oaks
Neighborhood Council**

Government Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 23, 2021

7:00 pm

Zoom Meeting Online or By Telephone

1. **Call to Order** - Meeting called to order at **7:08pm** by Chair Imber.
2. **Roll Call** - Present: Gil Imber, Howard Katchen, Tom Materna, Pamela Harris
- Absent: -
3. **Administrative Motions**
 - a. Approval of the minutes of the January 26, 2021 meeting.
Moved by: Tom Materna. **Seconded by:** Howard Katchen.
Yes: Imber, Katchen, Materna
No: - / **Abstain/NV:** Harris / **Absent:** -
The minutes are approved (3-0).
4. **Comments by Public Officials**
Alexandria Naseef, LA City Council 4th District
5. **Chair's Report**
Metro Meeting on 2/25 at 10:00 AM. Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project #41.
6. **Action Items Which May Be Voted Upon**
 - a. [CF 20-0990](#). Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Training / Anti-Bias Training / Los Angeles Neighborhood Council Members.
[CF 21-0051](#). Investigation / City Employee Involvement / January 6, 2021 Insurrection / United States Capitol / Hate Speech Guidelines / First Amendment Rights.
Possible motion and vote.
Discussion followed.

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports City Council File 20-0990 and the City's effort to provide diversity, equity, inclusion, and anti-bias training to Neighborhood Council members.

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports City Council File 21-0051 calling for an investigation into city employee involvement in the January 6, 2021 insurrection at the United States Capitol, potential disciplinary action, and the drafting of guidelines surrounding hate speech.

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

Discussion followed.

Yes: Imber, Harris, Katchen, Materna

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

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

- b. [FAA Neighborhood Environmental Survey](#). Time-sensitive request to LAWA, City Attorney, and/or City Council Members. [CF 21-0002-S8](#). Department of Transportation (LADOT) / Fiscal Year 2021-22 Legislative Proposals
Possible motion and vote.
Discussion followed.

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) adopts the position elucidated in the attached document relative to the FAA Neighborhood Environmental Survey.

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports City Council File 21-0002-S8 regarding LADOT proposals for fiscal year 2021-22, including the setting and enforcement of speed limits; parking management and enforcement; and emerging mobility options.

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

Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) adopts the position elucidated in the attached document relative to the FAA Neighborhood Environmental Survey. SONC also requests that CD4 work with LAWA to appoint a community representative to the Van Nuys Airport IFP Gateway Request working group before the group's first meeting on May 1, 2021.

The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports City Council File 21-0002-S8 regarding LADOT proposals for fiscal year 2021-22, including the setting and enforcement of speed limits; parking management and enforcement; and emerging mobility options.

Motion to Amend

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

Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.

Yes: Imber, Harris, Katchen, Materna

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

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

Discussion followed.

Yes: Imber, Harris, Katchen, Materna

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

The motion to approve 6.b as amended is adopted (4-0).

- c. [CF 21-0031](#). CARE+ Cleanups / COVID-19 Crisis / Homeless Encampments / Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Guidelines.
Possible motion and vote.
Discussion followed.

Motion to Postpone Indefinitely

Moved by: Gil Imber. **Seconded by:** Howard Katchen.

Discussion followed.

Yes: Imber, Harris, Katchen, Materna

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

The motion to postpone 6.c 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.
Public Comment followed. Discussion followed.
- 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 21-0039](#). Capital Improvement Expenditure Plan / Infrastructure Conditions / Equity / Low-Income Communities of Color.
Possible procedural motion to either table or agendaize as an action item at a future meeting (without regard to its content).

Motion to Table

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

Yes: Imber, Harris, Katchen, Materna

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

The motion to table 7.b is adopted (4-0).

- c. Possible agenda items for next meeting.

- 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 8:18 pm.**

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

THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)

As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and upon request will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters, assisted listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting by contacting the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment by calling (213) 978-1551 or email: NCsupport@lacity.org

PUBLIC ACCESS OF RECORDS

In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting may be viewed at our website: www.ShermanOaksNC.org or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please email: gil.imber.sonc@gmail.com.

PUBLIC AGENDA POSTING – Neighborhood Council agendas are posted for public review as follows:

- Sherman Oaks Public Library, 14245 Moorpark St, Sherman Oaks, CA 91423.
- www.ShermanOaksNC.org
- Via e-mail subscription with L.A. City's Early Notification System at <https://www.lacity.org/subscriptions>

RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS -- For information on the NC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the NC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and our website www.ShermanOaksNC.org.