

Committee Members

Traffic and Transportation

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Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council Traffic & Transportation Committee Meeting

Dec 6th, 2017

6:30 p.m.

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Minutes

1. Meeting called to order by Avo Babian, Chair, at 6:32 pm.
2. Roll Call: Present: Avo Babian, Lisa Petrus, Matthew Robertson.
Absent: Leslie Lyndon, Melissa Menard.
3. Minutes reviewed and approved for Nov meeting: Lisa brought the motion to approve the minutes. Matthew seconded the motion. Passed Unanimously.
4. Public comment on non-agenda items: Bob Reith asked is SONC doing anything to work and coordinate with Elon Musk and his Boring Company with a Terminus in Sherman Oaks. Avo said SONC has reached out to his Boring Company. Avo mentioned LA's "28 by '28" Metro Plan which will accelerate 28 Metro projects to be finished by the 2028 Olympics.
5. Presentation by:
 - a. Matthew Robertson: Presented a book tackling Traffic Issues, called "Streetfighting." There were 5 issues. 1) Density is Destiny: The future is like NYC. 2) Data is King. 3) Too much reliability on Engineers. 4) Start with small projects that lead to big projects. 5) Increase Bike Lanes. Discussion: Lisa feels that developers want high density but don't offer a solution to the Traffic. Matt said that we need to build more, to bring prices down. Today's luxury buildings will be tomorrow's average and lower cost buildings. Bob Reith asked how accurate are traffic studies.
6. Discussion Items:
 - a. DASH Promotion: There will be a vote in LA city council on Dec 13th about changing the route of the Van Nuys Studio City DASH.
 - b. EV presentation update: EV Charging Location ideas. The data from the last meeting was gathered and will be presented to the LADWP reps for EV charging locations.
 - c. Bike lane ideas and Bike Sharing locations: Matthew mentions that bike sharing bikes are safer. They are clunkier and not good for speeding or stealing. Griffith park has a bike share system. Bob Reith mentioned that sidewalk ramps need to be widened to allow bikers to take advantage of them. Avo said he will check with LA DOT.
 - d. Solutions to car Traffic in Sherman Oaks
 - i) Update on Results of Feb 13th vote on Hillside Traffic: There was a meeting at Buckley on Oct 16th. Then there was a public comment period till the end of Nov. After that, Council Member Ryu's office will put forward their results.
7. Possible Action Items:
 - a. Motion for SONC to take a position on LA River Bike Path. Tabled until after the Vision committee does its presentation.
8. New Business: Gregory Wright had 3 recommendations for State Laws to improve our lifestyle. 1) More green pathways. 2) Pay as you drive insurance. You pay according to how good your driving

record is. 3) Signage to stop idling and turn off headlights. 4) To outlaw aftermarket devices that add noise to cars, called resonators.

Bob Reith announced that Cyclovia will be on Sunday Dec 10th on the Wilshire Corridor

9. Announcements: Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council Board Meeting on Dec 11th, 2017.

10. Next Meeting – Next Traffic committee meeting Jan 3rd, 2018.

11. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.