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7:00 pm

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 (MARCH 17, 2020)
AND DUE TO CONCERNS OVER COVID-19, THIS SHERMAN OAKS NEIGHBORHOOD
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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Comments by Public Officials**
4. **Chair's Report**
5. **Action Item That May Be Voted Upon for Transmission to the Board**
 - a. [CF 20-1506-S1](#). Didi Hirsch Psychiatric Service (dba Didi Hirsch Mental Health Services) / Call Direction to Ensure Suicide Safety (CRESS) Pilot Program / Contract Amendment.
Draft Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) supports the City of Los Angeles' proposed amendment to increase expenditures toward the existing Call Direction to Ensure Suicide Safety Pilot Program (CRESS Pilot Program) and 8-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week service operated by Didi Hirsch Mental Health Services in order to expand this offering to a 24-hours-a-day, 7-days-a-week operation, in order to continue allowing Didi Hirsch Mental Health Services to handle identified mental health calls to ensure that individuals in severe emotional distress or suicidal crisis receive the appropriate support in a timely manner and to reduce the need for the Los Angeles Police Department to respond to these types of calls. By expanding hours of operation from 8/7 to 24/7, this will enable this group to provide service at all hours of the day and night. This motion for a CIS in support of [CF 20-1506-S1](#) is in accordance with SONC's previous stance in [Council File 20-0769-S1](#), adopted by SONC at its meeting on November 8, 2020, in which SONC voted to support the Fire Department (LAFD)'s expansion of the Advance Provider Response Units (APRU) program to respond to non-violent non-criminal calls that would previously be responded to by the police department (LAPD).
6. **Discussion Items Subject to Subsidiary Motions, But Not Final Disposition**
 - a. [LA City Redistricting Process](#) CF 20-0668.
 - b. [Van Nuys Airport Master Plan](#). Discussion limited to procedural matters.
 - c. Committee membership.
7. **Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items Within Committee Jurisdiction**
8. **Closing Remarks by Committee Members**
9. **Adjournment**

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

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