

## Committee Members

*Traffic and Transportation*  
Avo Babian, chair  
Melissa Menard  
Ron Ziff  
Leslie Lyndon

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## **Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council Traffic & Transportation Committee Meeting**

**Feb 28th, 2017**

**6:30 p.m.**

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## Minutes

1. Meeting called to order by Avo Babian, Chair, at 6:30pm
2. Quorum achieved with: Avo Babian, Melissa Menard, Leslie Lyndon
3. Reviewed and approved minutes of January meeting.
4. Public comment on non-agenda items
  - a) Update on voting for/against no turn signs for West Sherman Oaks Hills
  - b) Stop lights planned for Leona, Columbus and Calhoun at Ventura: Still "in cue" with Planning Review.Board.
  - c) Ventura at Woodman to be widened to allow for right hand turn lane headed north.
  - d) Finance Committee has 25K in surplus, may apply for funds.
  - e) Whole Foods project: Could funds be provided to measure "walk-ability" of area pre/post construction? Request should be put in front of land use committee.
5. Announcements:
  - a) Update: DASH can accommodate strollers if can be folded/not obstructing the aisles; wheelchairs (equipped with lifts); bikes (have racks on the front).
  - b) DASH Weekend evening: requires full cost of reimbursement by SONC or another group. Past example by the Studio City BID last year along Ventura resulted in low ridership.
  - c) DASH Sunday service: Proposal has been made. If approved by City Council could start as early as this Spring. Suggestion made that parking lot be dedicated for corresponding park and ride.
  - d) Results of voting on traffic mitigation for west Sherman Oaks Hills: LADOT will have a "Hearing Officer's Report" by March 31st; says it could take 2-3 months for votes to be counted/comments to be reviewed.
  - e) New committee members - Lisa Petrus and Matthew Robertson
6. Discussion items:
  - a) DASH:
    - i. Request for \$500 for promotion must be resubmitted with specifics as to how money would be spent
    - ii. Further discussion of ideas for way to promote DASH -- Matthew Robertson to work with Avo Babian on project.
    - iii. Suggestion made that Chamber of Commerce be approached for assistance in

promoting.

- iv. Pub crawl/brunch crawl on hold until new DASH route is underway
- v. Fashion Square DASH stop - working with mall to provide parking for this stop
- vi. DASH frequency: Proposal to increase frequency to every 15 minutes; others feel route should be lengthened.

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b) New Bike Lane ideas

- i. Connecting LA River Bikeway to Sunkist Project, Fashion Square Mall
- ii. Bike Coalition invited to present at March Traffic and Transportation Committee Meeting.

Meeting.

c) Solutions to car Traffic in Sherman Oaks

- i. Discussion: whether to create focus groups for specific streets/problems or to wait until we have results of proposal currently in front of City/LADOT.
- ii. Comment: Comprehensive plan for entire area
- iii. Comment: Could local college be approached that has ability to run mitigation ideas through algorithms so city would know how proposed changes would impact other areas.

7. New Business:

- i. Public Comment - Issues with speeding on LaMaida, which despite complaints is not being addressed by city. How to proceed?

8. Announcements:

- a) Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council Board Meeting March 13, 2017

9. Next Traffic and Transportation Committee Meeting - Thursday March 23, 2017

8. Adjourned approximately 7:35pm