

Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (<u>shermanoaksnc.org</u>)

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Los Angeles Metro Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project Project Manager Peter Carter

Sherman Oaks NC Supports STC Alternative 6; Vehemently Opposes Alternative 4

To Metro,

Thank you for your Fall 2023 Presentation of the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project, including travel times and other projections for the six project alternatives.

This letter serves to reiterate the Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC)'s support for Alternative 6, first adopted by SONC via unanimous vote during our meeting in December 2021. SONC is gravely concerned about Alternative 4's proposed displacement and destruction of multiple apartment buildings, single-family homes, and businesses along the proposed elevated portion of the rail line. Alternative 4 would destroy our community and eliminate scores of sorely needed residential units during a declared housing crisis in a way none of the other five alternatives will.

We support Alternative 6 because of its equity with the project's underground plan south of Mulholland, similarity to and compatibility with other existing heavy rail lines in Los Angeles, its heavy rail-serviced stop at UCLA, and its route along Van Nuys Blvd, congruent with the south end of the East San Fernando Valley Light Rail Transit Line.

Put simply, Alternative 6 fits best for both our community's needs and those of communities to our north and south.

Our adopted motion is as follows:

"The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) prefers Alternative 6 or a similar fully-underground heavy rail concept in the San Fernando Valley. SONC strongly opposes Alternative 4 and opposes any proposal that would require the displacement of Sherman Oaks residents and businesses."

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

With Pride and Determination—

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