



Public Safety Committee Special Meeting Draft Minutes

March 4, 2024, 7:00pm

Meetings end at 9:00pm unless the Board votes to end earlier or extend the time.

Location: Kosher Pizza Station 8965 W. Pico Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90035

1. Call to Order 7:00

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call- Current Committee Members: Terrence Gomes, Baila Romm, Stuart Weiss, Laurie Levine, Joseph Mollaie

a. Co-chairs: Terrence Gomes, Baila Romm

b. Committee members: ~~Michael Lynn, Ken Blaker~~, Jon Liberman, Laurie Levine, Joseph Mollaie, ~~Sheina Gilbert, Daniel Braum~~, Stuart Weiss

4. General Public Comment: None

5. Approval of Outstanding Public Safety Committee Minutes
No minutes. Last month PS meeting was cancelled

6. Community Reports

- a. LAPD (Ojeda, Baker) Gang graffiti increased
- b. LAFD Not present
- c. Office of CD 5 not present
- d. Office of CD 10 – Terrence Gomes gave report
- e. Office of City Attorney – not present

Jon Liberman entered the meeting at 7:09 pm

7. Brief Committee Announcements

- a. Items for Future Public Safety Committee Agendas: Possible action to install safety signs at intersections.
- b. Other Brief Committee Announcements: None

8. Unfinished Business

- a. Discussion and possible action to help fast track the engineering process for bollards. Update. None
- b. Discussion and possible action for the speed trailer presentation to LAPD. Approved.
- c. Discussion and possible action for the dedication of the traffic light on Pico Blvd at Crest. No response from CD5.

d. Discuss and possible action to review the schedule for FRAD and to create a budget for the event to submit to the SORO NC Board. **Need Volunteers. Laurie Levine volunteer. Subject to Cancellation**

e. Discussion and possible action on addressing antisemitism in Pico Robertson especially as it relates to Sabbath Observant Jews being targeted on the Sabbath when they do not carry phones.

f. Discussion and possible action to send a letter to CD 5 and CD 10 to request that the cross walk light on Robertson Blvd at Sawyer Street be changed from a flashing yellow light to a solid red Light for pedestrian safety.

Jon Moves Laurie second

Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to CD 5 and CD 10 to request that the cross walk light on Robertson Blvd at Sawyer Street be changed from a flashing yellow light to a solid red Light for pedestrian safety.

Public Comment: None

Motion approved

6 yes 0 no 0

Yes: Terrence Gomes, Baila Romm, Stuart Weiss, Laurie Levine, Joseph Mollaie

Terrence will write

g. Discussion and possible action to send a letter to CD 5 requesting a traffic study be performed on La Cienega at Airdrome for a possible no right turn on red from Airdrome going east at La Cienega to making a right turn (Southbound) onto La Cienega.

Moved: Baila Romm Second: Jon Liberman

Public Comment: None

Motion passes

6 yes 0 no 0 abstain

Yes: Terrence Gomes, Baila Romm, Stuart Weiss, Laurie Levine, Joseph Mollaie Baila writes letter

9. New Business

a. Discussion and possible action to send a letter to CD 5 and CD10 (and maybe all CD's and the Mayor) to open a council file to explore drone-as-a-first-responder programs that allow LAPD to utilize drones to combat crime. In addition, request that the CD's supply the LAPD with financial assistance to install and utilize ALPRs and CCTV cameras similar to the system used in the city of Beverly Hills. Drones and use of ALPR and CCTV cameras would boost the LAPD's ability to do their job and increase public safety. Background: Since 2019 the LAPD has lost thousands of officers. Recruitment is down. We currently have 8800 sworn LAPD officers, far below Mayor Karen Bass' goal of 9,500 and about 300 below what the current budget allows, roughly 9,300 officers. In 2019, the LAPD had 10,008 sworn officers. Drones and use of ALPR and CCTV cameras would boost the LAPD's ability to do their job and increase public safety.

Motion for the SORO NC to write a letter to all of the Councilmembers, (cc Mayor Bass and the Police Commission) to open a council file to explore drone-as-a-first-responder programs that allow LAPD to utilize drones to combat crime. In addition, request that the CD's supply the LAPD

with financial assistance to install and utilize ALPRs and CCTV cameras similar to the system used in the city of Beverly Hills. Drones and use of ALPR and CCTV cameras would boost the LAPD's ability to do their job and increase public safety.

Moved: Baila Romm Second: Jon Liberman

Public Comment: None

Vote: 5 yes 0 no 0 abstain

Yes: Terrence Gomes, Baila Romm, Stuart Weiss, Laurie Levine, Joseph Mollaie

Motion passes

Baila Romm will write the letter.

- b. Discussion and possible action to send a letter to CD 10 requesting No Parking at Any Time signs be installed in the Garth Underpass under the 10 Freeway on both sides of the street from Corning to Beverlywood.

Moved: Jon Liberman Second: Joseph Mollaie

Public Comment: None

Vote: 6 yes 0 no 0 abstain

Yes: Terrence Gomes, Baila Romm, Stuart Weiss, Laurie Levine, Joseph Mollaie

Motion passes

Stuart will write the letter.

- c. Discussion and possible action to create a special account for brighter street lights in the SORO area. Each location is \$1000 per light and the SORO NC Public Safety Committee would focus on 10 locations for \$10,000.00. SORO NS PS committee to work with LAPD to determine the location to decrease crime.

Moved: Stuart Weiss Second: Jon Liberman

Vote: 6 yes 0 no 0 abstain

Yes: Terrence Gomes, Baila Romm, Stuart Weiss, Laurie Levine, Joseph Mollaie

Motion passes

Stuart Weiss is writing letter

- d. Discussion and possible action to address safety issues in the community from stop signs to crosswalks and any other safety issues.

- 1. 2512 S. Robertson is a nuisance property. The SORO NC is requesting for the property owner to take action to stop the nuisance. Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to the property owner of 2512 S. Robertson to whatever actions necessary to abate the nuisance.**

Moved: Laurie Levine

Second: Jon Liberman

Public Comment: None

6 yes 0 no 0 abstain

Motion passes

Stuart Weiss is writing the letter.

10. Adjournment: 8:19 pm