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**General Board Meeting Agenda  
Wednesday, December 8, 2021  
7:00 PM**

**Motion Attachments**

- a. **MOTION: To approve a Community Impact Statement in support of CF 21-1223 “Speed Limit Reduction / Fatal and Severe Injury Collision Streets / AB 43 (Friedman) / Vulnerable Road Users / Vision Zero Goals”.**

City Council

MOTION In 2015, Mayor Eric Garcetti signed Executive Directive No. 10: Vision Zero, committing the City of Los Angeles to eliminate fatalities and serious injuries from traffic collisions by 2025. Since that time, the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) has taken aggressive action to address the leading causes of collisions on the City’s most dangerous streets by improving pedestrian crossing locations, controlling turning movements, and encouraging slower vehicle speeds through street design. However, State laws have undermined these efforts and limited their effectiveness by forcing the City to raise speed limits on many of these same dangerous streets due to an outdated and unsupported methodology for setting speed limits. Speed limit reform has been a top legislative priority for the City for more than half a decade. Earlier this month, Governor Gavin Newsom signed AB43 (Friedman), a long overdue and commonsense change to the way in which cities are allowed to set speed limits. For the first time, this bill allows cities to consider the safety of vulnerable road users and its Vision Zero goals when setting speed limits on streets with a history of collisions, with special attention to places where people are more likely to walk and bike. It also allows the City to maintain and enforce existing safe speed limits and roll back speed limit increases that happened several years ago when those speed limit increases were not based on any physical changes to the design of the street. In anticipation of this bill taking effect, LADOT should immediately identify street segments that are eligible for speed limit reduction and recommend where reducing speed limits would promote greater public safety, particularly for people walking and biking. I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council direct the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to report with a list of streets recommended for speed limit reduction, with priority given to streets with a history of fatal and severe injury collisions.

**The Sunland -Tujunga Neighborhood Council supports CF 21-1223 and requests that not only does the DOT need to investigate speeds on Foothill Blvd. but there also needs to be more enforcement for traffic violations.**

- b. MOTION: To oppose and submit a Community Impact Statement that STNC opposes the closure of Whiteman Airport [21-0002-S13](#)

## Emergency Preparedness & Response

- Whiteman Airport is part of the airline network that moves goods, people and services especially during disasters.
- The airport directly supports approximately 246 jobs. Accounting for the multiplier effect, the airport creates roughly 412 jobs, with associated labor income of nearly \$19 million annually. Economic Impact
- The airport and the surrounding communities benefit from the estimated \$54.5 million in total airport-related (direct, indirect and induced) spending each year.
- . Emergency Preparedness & Response: Aerial Fire Fighting Support (utilized by L.A. County Fire, U.S. Forest Service, and other support agencies), Law Enforcement/National Security, Disaster Relief Search & Rescue (Civil Air Patrol—U.S. Air Force Auxiliary Squadron 35 is based at the airport)
- Civil Air Patrol does Fire Spotting Missions from Whiteman Airport
- Community Services & Facilities  Aeromedical / Air Ambulance Flights  News, Weather & Traffic Reporting.
- There are many Educational programs at the school for Students Learning to fly, Plane Building and Engineering. In a community that is underserved the loss of these programs will be detrimental.

### Additional Information:

Civil Air Patrol has been very active during the COVID 19 crisis. Members of San Fernando Cadet Squadron 137, San Fernando Senior Squadron 35 and Los Angeles Group 1 have all been assisting in a nationwide mission to assist food banks in getting meals to needy persons stuck inside during the pandemic.

At the request of California Office of Emergency Services (Cal-OES), Cadets and Senior Members have participated in 100 days of activities and distributed over 250,000 meals throughout all of Los Angeles County and the greater metropolitan area.

At the moment, in addition to supporting the food bank initiative, Civil Air Patrol has resumed essential flight training and is engaging in a month- long Emergency Services Training mission.

On Saturday, April 24, 2021, the Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 40 held a “Young Eagles Day to provide young people an opportunity to learn about how aircraft are constructed, develop attention to detail, use their problem -solving skills, explore engineering and physical science fields and ultimately learn what career field they want to pursue.

Located in the heart of the San Fernando Valley with access to the I-5, 210, and 118 Freeways, Whiteman Airport facilitates over 80,000 general aviation takeoffs and landings each year. Originally established in 1946 by Marvin E. Whiteman Sr. as a private general aviation airport, the airport, now owned and operated by the County of Los Angeles, is publicly available to general aviation aircraft 24-hours a day seven days a week and is home to over 600 based aircraft and numerous aviation-related businesses.

Whiteman Airport safely and efficiently accommodates a wide range of fixed-wing and rotary-wing general aviation aircraft ranging from small two-seat, single-engine propeller aircraft up to much

larger and higher capacity turbo-prop or jet aircraft. Among other features, the airport has an Air Traffic Control Tower operating daily, a single 4,120' by 75' runway equipped with runway end identifier lights (REILs), pilot controlled medium-intensity runway lighting (MIRLS) and a precision approach path indicator (PAPIs), full- and self-service fueling services (JetA and 100LL) available around the clock, and advanced weather reporting equipment such as the recently installed state-of-the-art Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS).

Whiteman Airport truly is a great place for pilots to base, operate and/or service their aircraft. Additionally, whether you live in the local area or are visiting the area for business or pleasure and you'd like to learn how to fly, participate in the various events and activities held at the airport throughout the year, or you'd just like to spend some time watching general aviation aircraft in action, you are more than welcome at Whiteman Airport. It's your airport!

Overall, the airport plays a vital role in the nation's integrated system of thousands of general aviation airports and is also a valuable asset to the local community, serving the diverse constituents of the City of Pacoima, the San Fernando Valley and the broader County of Los Angeles.

#### The Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council opposes the closing of Whiteman Airport

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- It will cause an increased burden on Van Nuys Airport and will increase environmental impacts to the Valley
- The Environmental impacts to the North East Valley will also increase. Due to the air space above the existing Whiteman Airport, the larger planes flying in to Burbank and Van Nuys will be able to fly at the lower altitude causing an increase in noise to the entire area as they come through the Newhall Pass..

- c. MOTION: To oppose and submit Community Impact Statement (CIS) to Council File [21-0002-S165](#) regarding Senate Constitutional Amendment 2 (SCA2)(Allen, Wiener)/ Article 34 Repeal/California State Constitution/Public Housing Projects/Homelessness / Affordable Housing /Voter Approval.

#### City Council

RESOLUTION RULES, ELECT@ J INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations, or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state, or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and WHEREAS, the California Constitution requires a voter threshold of two-thirds for passage of financing of public housing or infrastructure; and WHEREAS, Assembly Constitutional Amendment 1 (ACA 1) (Aguiar-Curry, Chiu, Gonzalez, et al.), currently pending in the California State Assembly Committee on Local Government and Committee on Appropriations, proposes amendments to the California Constitution which would reduce that

threshold from two-thirds to 55 percent of the voters of the city, county, or city and county, as applicable, and the proposition includes specified accountability requirements; and WHEREAS, Los Angeles is in a housing crisis, specifically in regards to our housing supply for low-income residents; and WHEREAS, when the market does not provide enough housing for the residents of a locality, it is the responsibility of the governing body of the locality to do its part to ensure that more affordable housing be made available; and WHEREAS, a two-thirds threshold for passage is an unnecessary barrier that prevents urgently needed publicly financed affordable housing from being built; and WHEREAS, this threshold disproportionately affects people of color and low-income people by reducing affordable housing stock and keeping them out of certain neighborhoods; and WHEREAS, reducing this threshold is crucial to approving the financing of public housing projects that will reduce homelessness and ensure that housing is available to people of all income levels; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2021-2022 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for ACA 1, which would lower the threshold for passage of financing of public housing or infrastructure from two-thirds to 55 percent. PAUL IMMKORETZ Councilmember, 5th District.

The Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council Opposes Council File 21-0002-S165 Changes to the California State Constitution should be voted on by the voters. This change is to allow the Government to Build more Government Housing(Projects ) without the consent of the voters. It does not change, or help the ability for Developers to build Low income and very low income housing which is what is needed.

MOTION: To oppose and submit Community Impact Statement (CIS) to Council File [CF21-1283](#) Sworn Personnel Staffing Levels /Los Angeles Fire Department/Noncompliance/Service Disruptions /City Vaccination Requirement/COVID-19 Pandemic

#### City Council

MOTION The COVID-19 pandemic continues to present a major public health threat in the City of Los Angeles, most critically to vulnerable populations. In the past months, the City of Los Angeles has taken decisive action to combat the pandemic including the adoption of ordinances requiring City workers to be fully vaccinated as a condition of employment; and requiring all persons to provide proof of vaccination or a negative COVID-19 test for establishments including restaurants and gyms. City workers have until December 18, 2021 to provide proof of vaccination or face disciplinary action. The Fire Department (LAFD) serves as the primary responder for emergency incidents in the City including response to fires and medical emergencies. As of October 28, 2021, approximately 69 percent of the LAFD's sworn workforce has been fully vaccinated. As the deadline to provide proof of vaccination approaches, the City must ensure that the LAFD can avoid service disruptions in the event of a loss of sworn personnel directly resulting from noncompliance with the City's vaccination requirement. I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council instruct the Fire Department (LAFD), with assistance of the City Administrative Officer and the Personnel Department, to report with a plan to maintain adequate sworn personnel staffing levels in the event of substantial noncompliance with the City's vaccination requirement for City workers. PRESENTED BY: a) GILBERT A. CEDILLO Councilmember, 1st District f

The City of Los Angeles put our first Responders ( Fire and Police)in danger during the Covid Pandemic by putting them face to face with Rioter and Protesters before the Covid vaccine was available

The Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council opposes Council File CF21-1283for the following reasons

- The City of Los Angeles endangered our Police and Firefighters by putting them on the front lines, face to face, with possibly infected people during high rates of Covid 19 and Covid deaths by refusing to stop the rioting and protests threat should have been stopped by Emergency orders. when vaccine was not available the City exposed its employees to the virus when the vaccine was not available. Well over a thousand of the LAPD personnel became infected.
- Our Firefighters were also put on the Covid Frontlines and besides doing their regular duties they were doing Covid Testing. Many Fire personnel also were infected with Covid -19

- Through some of the darkest hours in the City. The City of Los Angeles then proceeds to fire the personnel that heroically did what they could, to continue to provide services at the risk of their own safety and lives. The City is rewarding them by firing them from their jobs
- Now, The City of Los Angeles is putting the live of the people in the City of Los Angeles in danger by letting go first responders for not being vaccinated, and under staffing those departments.
- An additional Economic burden is being placed on the City's Taxpayers, as it costs additional money to hire and process new staff members and potentially many years of learning for these staff members to reach their full potential.
- Having the vaccine is not stopping people from to spreading it.
- The vaccine mandates are unconstitutional .
- The Science is not being followed and the majority of new cases are individuals who have already been vaccinated, such as our Mayor Eric Garcetti.
- The City and County have done nothing to test for herd immunity and many people have beaten the illness and have natural immunity.
- There have been many side effects and death from the vaccines that are not being shared with the Public.
- Having the vaccine is not stopping people from being able to spread it or .coming down with it.
- The City needs to allow testing for Antibodies to see which City Personnel have Natural Immunity before they mandate a vaccine or fire employees.

d. MOTION: To support and submit Community Impact Statement (CIS) to Council File CF [21-0869](#) Neighborhood Watch Program / Community Building / Online Toolkit / LAPD Online.org / Public Safety Neighborhood Smartphone Application.

### City Council

MOTION PUBLIC SAFETY National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live. National Night Out enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. Furthermore, it provides a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. Millions of neighbors take part in National Night Out across thousands of communities from all fifty states, U.S. territories and military bases worldwide on the first Tuesday in August. Neighborhoods host block parties, festivals, parades, cookouts and various other community events with safety demonstrations, seminars, youth events, visits from emergency personnel, exhibits and much, much more. Many technological advances have occurred since National Night Out was founded in 1984, that could help facilitate communication and collaboration between residents and law enforcement throughout the year. The Los Angeles Police Department should be a national leader and at the forefront of using technology to build relationships with community members, yet one of their primary tools for providing information to the public the Department's official website, LAPDOnline.com - is confusing, difficult to navigate and lacks up-to-date, accurate information. I THEREFORE MOVE that the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), with the assistance of the Information Technology Agency (ITA), and City Administrative Officer (CAO) be directed to report with recommendations on creating a community-building campaign and toolkit that will make it easier for residents to form new Neighborhood Watch programs and allow existing Neighborhood Watch associations better access to resources that will allow them to improve community public safety. I FURTHER MOVE that the LAPD, ITA, and CAO report back on making improvements to LAPDOnline.org that would incorporate the following: • User Interface & User Experience optimization • The ability to search by address for LAPD Division, recent crime statistics, reporting district, basic car area, Community Police Advisory Board meetings and Senior Lead Officer • Information and resources about how to start a neighborhood watch program • Information about how to report a crime in progress • Information about how to provide tips on a past crime I FURTHER MOVE that the Los Angeles Police Department, be directed to report with recommendations on ways to enhance communication and collaboration with residents, businesses and other stakeholders through the use of public safety neighborhood smartphone apps, such as Next Door, Citizen and Nixie. PRESENTED BYJ...t\_~~ JOE BUSCAINO ~ Councilmember, 15th District ~ .z ~~

The Sunland -Tujunga Neighborhood Council supports CF 21-0869 which supports building relationships and information sharing between the Community and LAPD. LAPD Foothill Division



Captains, Senior Lead Officers and Detectives have repeatedly told STNC and Neighborhood Watch meetings that our local residents' ongoing stream of tips, information and follow-up help LAPD keep S-T among the least violent and lowest-crime areas under LAPD's watch. This measure strengthens that interaction.

e. Discussion /Action MOTION to approve The Sunland- Tujunga Neighborhood Council holding "Slow Down Events"

Motion for the Sunland -Tujunga Neighborhood Council support holding "Slow Down Signs"

To bring attention to the need to slow down to help prevent the number of vehicular deaths in our community.

f. Discussion/Action MOTION to oppose the continued Vaccine Mandates

- The vaccine mandates are unconstitutional .
- The Science is not being followed and the majority of new cases are individuals who have already been vaccinated, such as our Mayor Eric Garcetti.
- The City and County have done nothing to test for herd immunity and many people have beaten the illness and have natural immunity.
- There have been many side effects and death from the vaccines that are not being shared with the Public.
- Having the vaccine is not stopping people from being able to spread it or .coming down with it.
- Further, the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment is investigating how they can implement this on the Neighborhood Councils. The Neighborhood Council system is not the place to mandate vaccines, The Boardmembers are not paid Employees. The STNC should not be put into a position where it is forced to leave it's community members out of it's meetings.

SB9 21-1414 Item #6 LUC

Recommendation for Motion from the Land Use Committee

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**g. Emergency Covid 19 Motion to support the Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council that as long as the City of Los Angeles is enforcing a Vaccine Mandate on Public Facilities the Sunland Tujunga Neighborhood Council will Continue to hold our meetings through Zoom only! We will not violate the Ralph M. Brown Act by excluding Community Members and Boardmembers who are unvaccinated from attending our meetings. If in fact The Mayor /City Council feel that there is a medical reason to insist that the mandate continues, than clearly it is medically unsafe to hold any meetings in person. While we do not want this to affect the number of meetings that we will be holding. It is our responsibility to include all of our Community in our meetings.**