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Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes

February 02, 2026 7:00 pm

On Zoom

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE JANUARY 1, 2026 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 707 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL FILE 23-1114, THE SOUTH ROBERTSON NEIGHBORHOODS COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

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The legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(4).**

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1. **Call to Order 702 pm**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call- Current Committee Members**
 - a. Co-chairs: Terrence Gomes, Baila Romm
 - b. Committee members: Daniel Braum, Sheina Gilbert, Joe Lisuzzo, Michael Lynn, Beth Klein, Laurie Levine, Judit Mauli, Joseph Mollaie, Ryan Spivey, Stuart Weiss, Michelle Bega, David Bruk
Present: Terrence Gomes, Baila Romm, Sheina Gilbert, Beth Klein, Joseph Mollaie, Stuart Weiss, Michelle Bega
4. **General Public Comment: None**
5. **Approval of Outstanding Public Safety Committee Minutes** January 05, 2025
Moved: Baila Romm Second: Sheina Gilbert
No public Comment
Vote: 6-0-1
Yes: Terrence Gomes, Baila Romm, Sheina Gilbert, Beth Klein, Joseph Mollaie, Stuart Weiss, Michelle Bega
Abstains: Beth Klein
6. **Community Reports**
 - a. LAPD (Ojeda, Baker, Cohen) **Baker and Cohen gave reports**
1517 S. Robertson 15 radio calls- 1 business dispute and narcotics 1 overdose death. City Attorney is handling. Speed trailer update: License plate, LAPD insignia, ready to roll it out. Do a presentation the next PS meeting on March 4, 2026 at Pizza Station. Ojeda has been doing: parking enforcement on illegally parked, unregistered, RV's. Venice and Ivey – LAPD working on narcotics – a couple are in custody. Officer Cohen has taken parts of a895. Baker still on the Shelby project.
SLO Gabe Cohen- 12 years on the force- HOPE team for homeless, office of Chief of Police liaison to Jewish Community.
SLO Cohen will be taking over the area from Robertson Blvd. West to Roxbury. Whitworth to the LAPD Pacific Division border
Update on the YULA incident: was a swatting call to YULA simultaneously also to Mt. St Mary's
Email address: 41706@lapd.online Gabriel Cohen
 - b. LAFD none
 - c. Office of CD 5 none
 - d. Office of CD 10 none
7. **Brief Committee Announcements**
 - a. Items for Future Public Safety Committee Agendas - Council File 26-0124, Type-10 (Retail) Cannabis License Application / Letter of Support /

Community Input (Padilla - Hutt)

Introduced January 27, 2026, and referred to the Government Operations Committee. The motion is requesting the City Attorney to draft and present an ordinance that establishes a requirement for type-10 (retail) cannabis license applications to include letters of support from the corresponding neighborhood council, the Council Office where it will reside, LAPD and a community-based organization that serves the community where the cannabis business would operate, before approval to open and operate is granted.

Regarding street vendors: Health code requirements need to be enforced:

- 1: food service establishments are required to have hot “potable water” in order to wash utensils. This water must be approximately 180° for commercial establishments if you are a food service in Los Angeles.
- 2: food services are to provide a windscreen in order to keep flies and insects out of the establishment away from food being served.
- 3: outside vendors do not provide a restroom for their employees, and most importantly in order to wash hands.
- 4: outside vendors are subject to roaming rodents at any moment during their outside operation.
- 5: street vendors cannot be tracked for other foodborne illnesses, such as salmonella, etc, especially if they are roaming vendors. If someone takes ill, they cannot be tracked and stopped from serving income contaminated food that they may be unaware of.

- b. Other Brief Committee Announcements- none

8. Unfinished Business

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding enforcement of street vendors required licensing and enforcement of LAMC 56.12 and 41.18. specifically at La Cienega and 18th SW corner – Taco Restaurant, other street restaurants and “drop off” fruit vendors within SORO NC boundaries. Loss of city revenue due to: Businesses are not paying taxes. There is no BTRC. There are ways to increase revenue: Eliminate illegal vendors that are effecting the losses of tax revenue because of the vendors. Loss of revenue to the brick and mortar therefore less taxes are paid to the city. No Update.
- b. Update on Pico Prepared (formerly known as NTP) Regular bi-monthly radio checks are being conducted. Need to plan training events for the remainder of 2026.
- c. Discussion and possible action to address safety issues in the community from stop signs to crosswalks and any other safety issues. **Proactive policing enforcement requested by CD5 follow up with Ojeda and D’Ante on the stretch of La Cienega from Pickford to Sawyer. Oversized vehicles on Sawyer have moved to 18th. Stakeholders have requested no oversize vehicle signs posted- Update: waiting for signs to be installed.**

- d. Discussion and possible action regarding Beverly Bites - 8600 W. Pico Blvd. Unsafe conditions exist regarding delivery services parking illegally when picking up food for delivery. It's a public safety issue with double-parked cars, causing congested streets and a traffic hazard for both pedestrians and cars at Pico and Holt. **Update: CD 5 is having them investigation for operating 24/7**
- e. Bollards – Fast track permits from BOE. The motion passed City Council. BOE and CLA with the City Attorney are writing the language for fast-track permitting process. **Update. Working on language**
- f. Discussion and possible action regarding Gan-Yaffa Kindergarten 1846 S Robertson Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90035 and all other locations within SORO boundaries where vehicles continually block the driveway of adjacent driveways during drop off and pickup or doing business without regard to blocking the neighboring properties access. LADOT – **Terrence will reach out to DOT and get back to us**
- g. Discussion and possible action regarding complaints from stakeholders regarding nightly street racing on Beverly Drive between Pico Blvd. and Circle Park. Committee recommendations: Proactive enforcement. Put Speed Trailer at that location. Flock cameras in Beverlywood; **ask SLO Baker to speak to Beverlywood Homeowners Assoc. Update from Officer Baker- We will send this location to Officer Baker. Follow up with Officer Cohen. Beverwill between Pico and Sawyer.**
- h. **Speed Trailer Event –will be on March 4, 2026 Pizza Station at the SORO Public Safety Committee Meeting.**
- i. Discussion and possible action regarding street lighting outages and repairs
Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to CD5, CD10 and Bureau of Street Lighting to come up with a solution to get the lights back on as soon as possible to clarify the issues. Is it lack of personal or lack of budget.
Request for Bureau Street lighting to attend a meeting on zoom April 6, 2026 of Public Safety to address the situation and then write the letter with that information.
Need the SR numbers for each area where the street lights are out.
 Ballot measure for Property taxes to pay for street light repairs
 Currently takes 270 days to repair.
Moved: Baila Romm Second: Terrence Gomes
Vote: Joseph, Baila, Terrence. Stuart, Michelle, Beth, Sheina
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Yes: Joseph Mollaie, Baila Romm, Terrence Gomes, Stuart Weiss, Michelle Bega, Beth Klein, Sheina Gilbert
 Find out if those areas have been reported.
Public Comment: Bureau Street Services closed the SR and the repairs were not done. Stakeholder has an email that the lights were fixed and the they are not.
- j. Discussion and possible action to consider new community members that want join the SORO NC Public Safety Committee.
Public Comment: None

9. New Business

- a. Discussion and possible action regarding safety concerns surrounding high density housing development in CD5 and CD10 as a result of Mayor Bass's Executive Order ED1 and SB79 as it relates to public safety. AB 747 (2018) became law in 2018 requiring cities to prepare comprehensive evacuation capacity studies evaluating multiple emergency scenarios. To date, the City of Los Angeles has failed to complete such a citywide capacity study. This omission is both troubling and unacceptable, particularly as new state housing laws further accelerate development pressures. Public safety cannot be treated as an afterthought. Council File 25-0848 approved by the City Council in October 2025 specifically called for an emergency evacuation capacity study in compliance with AB 747.

Motion for the SORO NC to send a letter to CD 5 requesting copies of all the reports that were required in CF 25-0848 within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

Moved: Baila Romm Second: Stuart Weiss

Yes Vote: Terrence Gomes, Beth Klein, Baila Romm, Joseph Mollaie, Michelle Bega, Sheina Gilbert, Stuart Weiss

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10. Adjournment 9:05 pm

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Street Lights out/ and or low LED lights
Crest from Pico to Pickford
Alcott from Crest to Beverly
Cashio from Robertson to Beverly

Durango from Alcott to Airdrome
Pickford Place from La Cienega to Sherbourne (possibly further)
1700 S. Holt
1700 S. Sherbourne
1700 S. Corning
1100 S. Wetherly

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