



**Encino  
Neighborhood Council**  
(A Certified Neighborhood Council)

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**NOTICE AND AGENDA  
ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION  
COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Thursday, January 22, 2026  
4:00 PM, Via Zoom**

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IN CONFORMITY WITH THE OCTOBER 6, 2023 ENACTMENT OF CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 411 (PORTANTINO) AND LA CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL ON NOVEMBER 1, 2023, THE ENCINO NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED VIRTUALLY.

**Traffic & Transportation Committee Members:**

Laure Stevens\* (Co-Chair)

Diane Rosen\*

Roy Nwaiser\*

Rachel Perry\*

**Stakeholders:**

Laurie Kelson (Co-Chair)

Ryan Levey

Amy Kanarek

Lissa Morrow

Chuck Hand

**Alternates:**

Vicki Jarvis

Jess Whitehall

Pilar DeFreest\*

\* Indicates ENC Board Member or Alternate, no more than 5 Encino Neighborhood Council Board-Members or Alternates may be seated at a time to vote during a committee meeting

1. **Call to Order. Start recording. Roll call. Determination of quorum.**
2. **Code of Civility and meeting rules.**
3. **Reports from Public Officials/Departments/Community Agencies.**
4. **New Business – Motion, Discussion and Voting may be taken on all items:**
  - A. **Updates on the Encino Hills Traffic Survey and Cut Through Commuter Traffic Mitigation plan.**  
[Traffic Calming Survey Information Link](#) [Traffic Calming Responses Link](#)
  - B. **Discussion and possible action to support the proposed traffic mitigation plan near Chic-fil-A at White & Ventura Intersection. The drive through at the Chick-fil-A restaurant has been an ongoing problem causing traffic congestion at the intersection of Ventura & White Oak. There are some proposed solutions that have been presented to the DOT.**
    - a. Extend white lane divider line approximately 30 feet to the south to maximize use of two northbound lanes on White Oak south of Ventura Blvd per design plan for Chick-fil-A traffic consultant (Jano)
    - b. Eliminate the pedestrian crosswalk on east side of Ventura/White Oak to mitigate the impacts of right lane traffic backup on northbound White Oak because vehicles cannot turn right because of pedestrians using that crosswalk AND the current situation is extremely unsafe for pedestrians because most vehicles turn right even when pedestrians are still within the crosswalk (LAPD does not have resources to consistently and regularly enforce Vehicle Code violations). This mitigation measure, which will allow all vehicles to either turn right or go straight in the right lane will significantly improve the flow of northbound traffic on White Oak and be SAFER for pedestrians who can still access the south side of Ventura by using the crosswalk on the west side. This was done at Hayvenhurst and Ventura and it works for the benefit of northbound traffic flow, right turns and improved safety for pedestrians. This is supported by the Chick-fil-A traffic consultant.
    - c. Adjust signal timing as appropriate to facilitate northbound traffic on White Oak and alleviate the backup into the residential neighborhood, This is also supported by Chick-fil-A traffic consultant.
  - C. **Discussion: SAFRR State Alliance for Fire Road Regulations & Encino Traffic Evacuation Plan.**
    - a. Discuss the need for a robust evacuation plan for Encino in the event of a large-scale wildfire especially given the severe traffic congestion. Perhaps working with SAFRR.  
<https://www.firesaferoadregs.org/public-safety>. **Speaker Wendy Sue Rosen / SAFRR**  
**And discuss:**  
A City Council motion [25-0848](#) made by Traci Park was approved in October 2025 that asked for a 30 day study on the evacuation capacity of our streets so we would be in compliance with [AB 747](#), a state law that required these studies to be done at least every eight years. The city has never done an AB 747 capacity study and so far we have not seen a report back on the council motion.
      - [AB 747](#) (2019) is a California law requiring cities and counties to update their general plan safety elements to include detailed analyses of evacuation routes for disasters, focusing on their capacity, safety, and viability under various emergency scenarios like wildfires. This mandate pushes local governments to move beyond just listing roads, using data-driven modeling and expert input to ensure realistic, effective evacuation plans for residents, especially in high-risk areas.  
What AB 747 Requires
        - Safety Element Updates: Local general plan safety elements must address evacuation routes for hazards like fires and geologic events.
        - Route Analysis: Jurisdictions must identify, map, and analyze evacuation routes, assessing their:
          - Capacity: How many people they can handle.
          - Safety: Identifying potential bottlenecks or hazards.
          - Viability: How well they work in different emergency situations.
        - Integration: Cities can use existing hazard mitigation plans or emergency plans to fulfill these requirements by summarizing and referencing them.

**6. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items are limited to ONE MINUTE (1) per speaker. Time may be adjusted at the Chair's discretion. Public calling in, please press \*9 on your phone to raise your hand to speak. For those that are using the Zoom Webinar please use the raise your hand feature to speak.

**7. Committee members comment on non-agenda items.**

**8. Adjournment.**

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(E) (i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.

(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.

(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.

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