



# SANTA MONICA PULSE

## SURVEY RESPONSES FOR JANUARY 2023

Text message poll sent to ~1,000 Santa Monicans between Jan. 23 - 31, with a response rate of 15 percent.

### QUESTION 1:

Santa Monica recently added new security guards armed with cameras and tracking devices to patrol the city’s 10 public parking structures in the Downtown area nightly. Do you think these new guards will increase safety in the area?

	Total Pct
1. I think the guards will greatly increase safety	17.33%
2. I think the guards will somewhat increase safety	45.33%
3. I do not think the guards will have an impact on safety	28.00%
4. I am not sure	9.33%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### QUESTION 2:

Next month, residents can weigh in on what should be done with two historic murals in the City Hall lobby. Some argue these murals are “vestiges of white supremacy” and there has been much debate about the fate of these murals. If you had to choose today, how would you instruct the city to handle the murals?

	Total Pct
1. Keep the murals where they are	56.00%
2. Move the murals to a museum and replace them with new artwork	19.33%
3. Take down the murals and replace them with new artwork	8.00%
4. Something else	16.67%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

### QUESTION 3:

Earlier this month, the City Council voted to ban any person who has been paid to lobby the City from being appointed to a board or commission. The new rule also bars any member of an appointed body from “simultaneously acting as a lobbyist/legislative advocate.” The law passed by a 5-2 vote, with the two newest Councilmembers Jesse Zwick and Caroline Torosis voting against it. Do you support or oppose this new policy?

	Total Pct
1. I support this lobbying ban	74.00%
2. I don’t support this lobbying ban	10.00%
3. I am not sure	16.00%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00%</b>