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EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS
NORTH AREA
NEIGHBORHOOD
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



Committees:

Leslie Evans, Public Safety & Website
Eryn Young, Outreach
Yolanda Jones, Budget & Finance
Rachel Capata, City Services
Jairo Umaña & Celia Castellanos,
Youth
Richard Enriquez, Seniors & Aging
Elena Farias & Lizette Hernández,
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Area Representatives:

Elena Farias, Area 1
Carlos López, Area 1
Celia Castellanos, Area 2
Rossana Cabrera, Area 2
Joshua Watson, Area 3
Jairo Umaña, Area 3

At Large Representatives:

Christine Lee
Sharon Stewart
Rachel Capata
Lacey Goode
Maggi Fajnor

Regular Meeting
Thursday, March 1, 2007
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM
EPICC Community Room - 2nd Floor
3980 S. Menlo Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90007
(near Menlo & MLK in Exposition Park)

MINUTES

1. Welcome and Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 6:49PM

2. Announcements

- USC/NC Survey. Call for projects
- Richardson Family Park meeting will be held on March 13th. Organizing possible Park Day for April 28, 2007

3. Public Comment

- a. Comments from the public are limited to items included on the agenda and are limited to 3 minutes per speaker unless the presiding officer of the board determines a different limit for a particular item. Please complete the public speaker card and submit it prior to the Call to Order if you would like an opportunity to speak about a current agenda item.

4. Roll Call of Present Board Members

- Board members present: Michael Ureña, Guillermo Farias, Rachel Capata, Jairo Umaña, Elena Farias, Celia Castellanos, Joshua Watson, Christine Lee, Sharon Stewart, Lacey Goode and Maggi Fajnor.
- Board members not present: Nancy Aguilar (unexcused), Yolanda Jones (excused), Carlos Lopez (excused) and Rosanna Cabrera (unexcused).

5. Community Reports

- a. Council District 8 Report – Cathy Davis, Field Deputy
- Not present
- b. Council District 1 Report – Suzanne Jimenez, Council Aide

- Not present
- c. Report from Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) – Deanna Stevenson
- Will meet with Michael Ureña in regards to the NANDC Bylaw Changes that DONE recommended
- d. Public Safety Committee Report – Leslie Evans
 - ii. Vote to approve “List of Problem Properties”
 - 4 locations cleared and working on 20 locations

Motion by Rachel Capata to approve “List of Problem Properties” report. Motion seconded by Sharon Stewart. Unanimous approval.

- a. Website Committee Report – Leslie Evans
 - Nothing to report
- b. Budget and Finance Committee Report – Yolanda Jones
 - Absent/report not given
- c. Treasurer’s Report – Guillermo Farias
 - Discussion on Richard Enriquez’ Seniors and Aging Proposal
 - Proposal needs to be re-written because DONE will not approve proposal as written
- d. Land Use and Planning Committee Report – Maggi Fajnor/Elena Farias
 - i. Presentation/Report by Maggi Fajnor
 - Pablo’s Restaurant - There will not be a bar, only beer and wine and Conditional Use Permit will have to be obtained for more parking
 - Smart and Final: We have won this case.
 - Land Use Report will be listed as an item that must be approved every month by the NANDC board
 - Re: Discussion about the Variance for the transitional housing. There will be a 30-day continuance beginning 2/8/07. Applicants will be called by Dave Roberts (Councilmember Parks’ Office) and Michael Ureña (NANDC President)
- e. Youth Committee Report – Celia Castellanos/Jairo Umaña
 - Not accounted for in minutes and/or nothing to report

6. Action Item: Norwood St. Elementary School Mural Project

Motion by Celia Castellanos to approve the Norwood School Mural Project. Motion seconded by Rachel Capata. Unanimous approval.

7. Action item: Election Procedures Approval

- Luis Ortiz added to the Election Committee

Motion to approve Election Procedures by Sharon Stewart. Motion seconded by Elena Farias. Unanimous approval.

8. Action Item: Approval of Minutes - February 17, 2007 Town Hall

- Tabled. Minutes not posted

9. Discussion Item - Bylaws Adjustment Update

- Tabled. Vote at next meeting

10. Discussion Item: Hiring Neighborhood Council Temp Worker

- Need more volunteers for mailings

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12. Adjournment

- At 8:18PM

Minutes at meeting taken by Rachel Capata

Minutes compiled by Nancy Aguilar

Official Public Notice for all Standing Committees.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE – Eryn Young – Time and Location TBD

LAND USE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE – Elena Farias & Lizette Hernandez – lizettecorazon@yahoo.com – Immediately after Town Hall Meeting

CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE – Rachel Capata – ecnandc.capata@gmail.com – Immediately after Town Hall Meeting

RULES & PROCEDURES COMMITTEE – Immediately after Town Hall Meeting

YOUTH COMMITTEE – Jairo Umaña & Celia Castellans – castellc@gmail.com – Immediately after Town Hall Meeting

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE – Leslie Evans – lbevans@earthlink.net - Third Thursday of every month -4:30 pm at the St.Marks Lutheran Church, 3651 S Vermont Ave

BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE – Yolanda Jones – nandc.vp@gmail.com - Third Tuesday of the Month - 6:00 - 7:00 PM - On USC campus

Bridge Hall 300

SENIORS AND AGING COMMITTEE – Richard Enriquez – Time and Location TBD

WEBSITE COMMITTEE – Leslie Evans - lbevans@earthlink.net Only meets when necessary

The Next Town Hall Meeting of the Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council Governing Board is **Saturday, March 17, 2007 - 10AM to 12NOON at MACK Elementary School, 3020 S. Catalina Street, Los Angeles, CA 90007 (near Jefferson and Vermont)**. You are encouraged to visit a NANDC posting site 72 hours prior to the Regular and Town Hall Meeting at the following locations:

- Los Angeles Child Guidance Clinic, 3787 South Vermont Avenue (near Vermont & Exposition)
- Martin Luther King Recreation Center, 3916 South Western Avenue (near King & Western)
- Supermercado Latino, 1049 West Martin Luther King Boulevard (near Vermont & King)
- Food 4 Less, 1748 West Jefferson Boulevard (corner of Western & Jefferson)
- Smith's Quick Cleaners, 1901 Rodeo Road (near Rodeo & Arlington)

For further information on what this Neighborhood Council is doing, you are encourage to visit our website at www.nandc.org, contact committee chairs or the NANDC secretary by email at ecnandc@gmail.com.

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Everyone in the neighborhood is welcomed to attend!