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EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS  
NORTH AREA  
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DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



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**Area Representatives:**  
Elena Farias, Area 1  
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Jairo Umaña, Area 3

**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,  
Land Use and Planning

**At Large Representatives:**

Christine Lee  
Sharon Stewart  
Rachel Capata  
Lacey Goode  
Maggi Fajnor

**Town Hall Meeting**  
**Saturday, March 17, 2007**  
**11:00AM to 12:30PM**

**\*\*\*New Time\*\*\***

**MACK Elementary School**  
**3020 S. Catalina Ave.**  
**Los Angeles, CA 90007**  
**(near Jefferson and Vermont)**

**MINUTES**

**1. Welcome and Call to Order**

- Board members present: Michael Ureña, Nancy Aguilar, Guillermo Farias, Carlos Lopez, Celia Castellanos, Rossana Cabrera, Joshua Watson, Sharon Stewart (came in at Item #3e), Rachel Capata, Lacey Goode and Maggi Fajnor.
- Board members not present: Yolanda Jones (excused), Christine Lee (not excused) and Jairo Umaña (not excused).

**2. Announcements**

- a. SAJE, Planning Sessions – Information on Planning in the City - March 17, March 31, & April 14 – all Saturdays, from 9am to 12noon, at SAJE (152 W 32<sup>nd</sup> St, between Hill & Broadway).
- b. The Citywide Alliance of Neighborhood Councils will be holding the next Neighborhood Council Forum in the Faculty & Staff Center at Los Angeles City College (on Vermont Ave., 1 Block north of Melrose in East Hollywood) on Saturday, March 31st from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm.

**3. Town Hall Forum**

- a. Discussion Item – Richardson Family Park
  - Committee to discuss the mural and programs
  - Land Trust will assist in project
  - Expenditures need to be approved by NANDC at next meeting
  - Agendize Item for next meeting
- b. Discussion Item - LA Stars Legacy Program

- Not-for-profit organization started by Magic Johnson that assists children in South LA
  - Charity benefit on 8/2, 8/3, and 8/4
  - Theme: Childhood Obesity
  - Need ideas for them to fund (i.e. Skateboard park in Hoover Rec Center)
  - Agendize item for next meeting
- c. Discussion Item - NANDC Temporary Worker (Scribe) Tasks
- NANDC can only hire worker through Apple One agency (City contracted agency)
  - Specific information will be obtained from Apple One by NANDC
  - Tasks and/or role needs to be clarified
  - Agendize item for next meeting
- d. Discussion Item - Review Tasks and Responsibilities of Board Members
- Secretary will compile a chart of Board member roles and responsibilities
  - Agendize item for next meeting
- e. Discussion Item – Fire Engine No. 18
- Request for Proposals (RFP) has been issued by the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)
  - City Services Committee to be the lead on writing letter to CRA
  - Agendize for next meeting (approval of letter written by City Services Committee)
- f. Action Item - Bethune Library Project – Letter to Council Office
- Letter sent already
  - Vote of Confidence in support of the letter: All present board members agreed and support the letter
- g. Action Item: Approve NANDC Liaison to Planning Committee Pilot Program Oversight Committee (PPOSC)
- All present board members are in favor of Maggi Fajnor as NANDC Liaison in the Memorandum of Understanding/Planning Department Pilot Program
- h. Action Item: Approve Richard Enriquez proposal for Seniors and Aging Conference in Chicago
- Proposal rejected because the Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment will not agree to pay for the trip

**Motion by Sharon Stewart to extend Town Hall Meeting 30 minutes. Motion seconded by Celia Castellanos. Unanimous approval. Note: Guillermo Farias not present at time of voting.**

- i. Action Item: Approve Election Procedures

**Motion by Celia Castellanos to approve Election Procedures with narrow definition of stakeholder. Motion seconded by Maggi Fajnor. Unanimous approval. Note: Rachel Capata & Guillermo Farias not present at time of voting.**

- j. Action item: Approved Amended Bylaws Application

**Motion by Maggi Fajnor to approve NANDC Amended Bylaws Application. Motion seconded by Rachel Capata. Motion amended by Rachel Capata, to approve Amended Bylaws, but the Definition of Stakeholder be amended to narrow definition (stakeholders are defined as: who live, work, attend school/religious organization or own a business/property within the Neighborhood Council's boundaries). Amended motion seconded by Maggi Fajnor. Amended motion agreed by: Nancy Aguilar, Lacey Goode, Michael Urena, Rossana Cabrera, Maggi Fajnor, Joshua Watson, Celia Castellanos and Rachel Capata. Carlos Lopez abstained from voting. Sharon Stewart against amendment. Motion passes. Note: Guillermo Farias not present at time of voting.**

- k. Action item: Approve Letter Of Support for Land trust and Bethune Mixed-Use Community Center Project
  - See Agenda Item No. 3f
- l. Action item: Approve Proclamation Regarding Zoning Variance for Transitional Housing ZA-2006-7212(ZV)
  - Both parties present during discussion of issue, as well as Council member Parks' Office staff

**Motion by Maggi Fajnor to approve NANDC Proclamation as written. Motion seconded by Rachel Capata. Motion amended by Celia Castellanos to emphasize the over-concentration of transitional housing in the proclamation. Amendment seconded by Lacey Goode. Motion unanimously passes.**

- m. Action Item: Approval of Minutes – February 1, 2007
  - Item tabled for next meeting
- n. Action Item: Approval of Minutes – February 17, 2007
  - Item tabled for next meeting

#### **4. ECNANDC Committee Discussions**

- a. Yolanda Jones – Budget and Finance Committee
- b. Leslie Evans – Website & Public Safety Committee
- c. Celia Castellanos & Jairo Umana – Youth Committee
- d. Lizette Hernandez & Elena Farias – Land Use and Planning Committee
- e. Rachel Capata – City Services Committee
- f. Eryn Young – Outreach Committee
- g. Richard Enriquez – Seniors and Aging Committee

#### **5. Public Comment**

- a. Comments from the public are limited to items included and not 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.

- Tom Doyle – Would like NANDC to discuss Public Safety Committee Report for various reasons.

#### **6. Adjournment**

- By Michael Ureña

Note: Item #3j was discussed, reviewed and voted on before Item #3i.  
Minutes 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](mailto:lizettecorazon@yahoo.com) – **Immediately after**

#### **Town Hall Meeting**

**CITY SERVICES COMMITTEE** – Rachel Capata – [ecnandc.capata@gmail.com](mailto:ecnandc.capata@gmail.com) – Immediately after Town Hall Meeting

**RULES & PROCEDURES COMMITTEE** – Immediately after Town Hall Meeting

**YOUTH COMMITTEE** – Jairo Umaña & Celia Castellanos – [castellc@gmail.com](mailto:castellc@gmail.com) – Immediately after Town Hall Meeting

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE** – Leslie Evans – [lbevans@earthlink.net](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:lbevans@earthlink.net) – Meets as needed

The Next Town Hall Meeting of the Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council Governing Board is **Thursday, April 5, 2007 -6:30PM to 8:30PM at EPICC Community Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 3980 S. Menlo Ave, 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](http://www.nandc.org), contact committee chairs or the NANDC secretary by email at [ecnandc@gmail.com](mailto:ecnandc@gmail.com).

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**Everyone in the neighborhood is welcomed to attend!**