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**EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS
NORTH AREA
NEIGHBORHOOD
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**



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Jairo Umaña, Area 3

At Large Representatives:

Sharon Stewart
Emmanuel Caudillo
Rachel Capata
Lacey Goode

**Regular Meeting
Thursday, February 2, 2006
6:30 PM to 8:00 PM
Child Guidance Clinic
3767 S. Vermont Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90007
(near the corner of Exposition and Vermont)**

MINUTES

1. Welcome and Call to Order

2. Announcements

- a. City Planning Workshops for LAMC Amendments regarding Automobile Uses
- b. University Gateway Draft EIR available – Public Hearing February 2
- c. Lighting upgrades near 39th and Hobart, DWP and Neighborhood Council Light update
- d. Shane Hapuarachy, Treasurer will be unavailable
- e. Le Porcini Restaurant Grand Opening – 2308 Union
- f. David Roberts, Councilman Parks Office
 - 2 tentative dates for the University Overlay
 - Information Workshop - Saturday, March 11th at EPICC Senior Center from 9AM to 2PM
 - Public Hearing – Tuesday, March 14th at California Science Center 6PM to 8PM
 - After the Public Hearing it will go the Planning and Land Use Committee (PLUM)
 - After PLUM it goes to full City Council

3. Roll Call of Present Board Members

- Board members present: Nancy Aguilar, Yolanda Jones, Elena Farias, Sharon Stewart, Carlos Lopez, Bethany Leal, Michael Urena, Emmanuel Caudillo, Joshua Watson, Jairo Umana, Lacey Goode and Rossana Cabrera.
- Board members not present: Rachel Capata (excused) and Shane Hapuarachy (excused)

4. 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.

5. Community Reports

a. Plains Exploration and Production Company/Dakota Communications

- Edgar Salazar, Presenting
- Oil Company located at 1371 Jefferson Ave. (near Budlong)
- Have applied for permits to drill 3 wells.
- Will provide acoustic walls to minimize noise
- Will only work during daytime hours.

b. USC Neighborhood Participation Project

- Jack Lam, Presenting
- Objectives are to: Study the neighborhood council system as a whole and for neighborhood council to see how other neighborhood councils are doing

c. University Gateway

- Will be invited to Discussion Meeting, so more community questions can be asked

d. Council District 8 Report – Cathy Davis

- Fire Engine No. 8 Community Meeting will be held on February 7th at FAME Renaissance Center (Adams and Western) at 6PM
- Community Input is required

e. Council District 1 Report – Monica Aleman

- Community Job Fair – March 11, 2006 - Dodger Stadium – 10AM to 1PM
- Community Clean-up – March 25, 2006 – Salvin Elementary (Washington and Budlong) – 8AM to 11AM – Buses will be available to transport folks after clean-up to Macarthur Park
- Chevron Station (corner of Normandie and Adams) – Make shift auto sales lot has been ordered to stop. Banners have been removed and trailer will be removed by next week.

f. Public Safety Committee Report – Leslie Evans, Chair

- 29th and Vermont: Tickets were wrongly given and DOT was contacted
- Recycling Center on Adams and La Salle – Jan. 12th ordered closed. City will demolish it.

g. Website Committee Report – Leslie Evans, Chair

- Still awaiting payment

h. Budget and Finance Committee Report – Yolanda Jones, Chair

- Forms that were previously approved for committee/NANDC expenditures need to be used a lot more

i. Seniors and Aging Committee Report – Donna Williams, Chair

- Meeting Location has been found
- Southwest Police Station
- 1st Saturday of each month – 11:30AM to 12:30PM

j. Land Use and Planning Committee Report – Elena Farias, Chair

- Meets after Discussion Meeting 12PM to 1PM

k. Youth Committee Report – Celia Castellanos, Chair

- Currently, analyzing surveys from Winter Bash
- Meeting time/date/location change: 3rd Saturday, after Discussion Meeting

6. Bylaws Update and Changes – Action Item

Motion by Sharon Stewart to change bylaws as written and send to Department of Neighborhood Empowerment. Seconded by Emmanuel Caudillo. Motion passes unanimously.

7. Status on Fire Engine No. 18

- Tuesday, February 7, 2006 Meeting (see above for information)

8. Action Item – Appoint Legal Liaison to City Attorney’s Office

Motion by Michael Urena to select Leslie Evans and Emmanuel Caudillo as City Attorney Liaisons for ECNANDC. Motion seconded by Joshua Watson. Motion passes unanimously.

9. Action Item – Approval of Minutes – December 17, 2005

10. Action Item – Approval of Minutes – January 5, 2006

11. Action Item – Approval of Minutes – January 21, 2006

Motion by Bethany Leal to approve 12/17/05, 1/5/06 and 1/21/06 Minutes. Seconded by Joshua Watson. Motion passes unanimously.

12. Mayor’s Budget Day – Update from Joshua Watson

- Mayor needs to submit his budget by April 2006
- South LA Region has distinctly very different priorities than the rest of the City of Los Angeles

13. Mark Ridley Thomas Budget Day – Update from Bethany Leal

- Governor will put more money into infrastructure
- Cuts for disability and social security

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15. Adjournment.

- By Michael Urena

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The Next Discussion Meeting of the Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council Governing Board is **Saturday, February 18, 2006**. You are encouraged to visit a NANDC posting site 72 hours prior to the Regular and Planning/Discussion 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)

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Everyone in the neighborhood is welcomed to attend!