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EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS
NORTH AREA NEIGHBORHOOD
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



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Committees:

Jill Remelski, Budget & Finance
Rachel Capata, Planning & Land Use
Leslie Evans, Public Safety
Shawn Simons/Idolina Delgado,
Outreach
Christine Lee, Seniors & Aging
Economic Development, Shawn Simons

Area Representatives:

Leslie Evans, Area 1
VACANT, Area 1
Ana Carrion, Area 2
VACANT, Area 2
Al Foster, Area 3
Ashley Ramos, Area 3

At Large Representatives:

Yelba Castellon
Gabriela Garcia
Christine Lee
Moises Matamoros
Hector Ramos

Community Interest Positions:

Andrea Canty, Education Rep
Eddie North-Hager, USC-Staff Rep
Sabrina Brown, Public Safety Rep

Regular Meeting
Thursday August 5, 2010
6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
MLK Park
(39th Street and Western Ave)

Meeting MINUTES

1. **Welcome and Call to Order & Translation Services (5 minute)**
2. **Announcements (20 min)**
 - a. CD 1 Report – Richard Reyes – In response to question about cell phone towers – they are not allowed in residential and commercial zones. Announced new ordinance to bring fresh produce markets to CD1 area.
 - b. CD 8 report – Cathy Davis - ABSENT
 - c. LAPD report – Senior Lead Officer – Gardner and Hautner – There has been an increase in Grand theft auto and cars been broken into. Approximately 20-30 per month. There is a pending meeting with Cathy Davis to do an alley clean-up and do a light repair. On Vice – there have been more arrests on prostitution problem on Western Ave between Jefferson and Adams. Many of the prostitutes have stay away orders and police are also working undercover. Police will have a Graffiti car dedicated to arresting responsible taggers.
 - d. Assemblymen Davis report – Raul Claros - ABSENT
 - e. Senator Price report – James Westbrooks - ABSENT
3. **Public Comment** - Comments from the public are limited to 3 minutes per speaker unless the presiding officer of the board determines a different limit for a particular item.
 - a. Community is invited is to participate in Summer Night Lights at MLK Park, from 7pm to midnight by Rec & Parks
 - b. New NANDC website is online – www.nandc.org
4. **Roll Call of Present Board Members: Shawn Simons, Rohan Gupta, Jill Remelski, Idolina Delgado, Leslie Evans, Eddie North-Hager, Gabriela Garcia, Sabrina Brown, Hector Ramos, Christine Lee and Al Foster (11).**
 - a. Action - Approval of Minutes – NONE available.

5. **Discussion/Action: Orientation and Strategic Planning - Shawn & Idolina (60 min)**
 - a. **Committee Sign Ups**
 - i. Outreach Committee – New Chair will be Eddie North-Hager with members Jill/Shawn. General duties include maintaining mailing lists, creating newsletters, populating facebook and other online social networks, creating outreach material
 - ii. Youth/Senior Committee – New Chair will be Al Foster. General duties include identifying youth and senior needs in the community, engaging them and bringing programming and partners to better serve this community
 - iii. Public Safety Committee – Leslie Evans will continue to Chair, new members will include Sabrina Brown. General duties include blight control and problem properties. Although all members are encouraged to contribute any problem properties they know of.
 - iv. Block Club and Beautification Committee – New Chair will be Gabriela Garcia. General duties include mapping and being a liaison to current block clubs. Creating new block clubs and reviving old block clubs.
 - v. Land Use Committee – New Chair will be Rohan. General duties include tracking early notifications, monitoring relevant hearings, meeting with potential planners and making recommendations to the board.
 - vi. Economic Development Committee - Shawn will continue to Chair. General duties include getting community input into the USC Specific plan, business enhancements and community entitlements.
 - vii. Budget and Finance Committee – Jill will continue to Chair. General duties include funding protocols oversight.
 - b. Strategic goals and calendar – Each Committee should have goals they want to accomplish during their tenure and a general calendar with activities planned for the rest of the year should be available to the community.
 - c. Outreach Strategy and board commitment – It is the responsibility of all board members to work on outreach for their own committee. The Outreach committee will facilitate when possible and appropriate. Each board member must participate in one committee during their tenure.
 - d. Community Involvement Program (CIP) – In order to fulfill our bylaws, CIP meetings will be part of our Quarterly Town Hall meetings held on a Saturday. Each CIP is themed and the board must chose one for the next CIP meeting.
6. **Update: FRIENDS and NEIGHBORS DAY - Ashley Ramos (15 min)**
 - a. The event is Saturday August, 21st from 8am to 1pm. There will be approximately 30 students. 10 per each NANDC Area to complete a community clean up/beautification
7. **Discussion/Action: PARKING DAY - (15 min)**
 - a. September 17th on 29th Street, near Vermont. Near StuHo and Manas. There will be a mobile skate park and other park mobile park equipment to raise awareness for the need of urban greenspace in our area.
 - b. A motion was set for funding to cover costs of Park[ing] Day LA in the amount of \$1500 by Roha/2nd Christine – All voted YES.
8. **Committee Reports: (20 min)**
 - a. Treasurer Report - Action Budget & Finance: Jill Remelski
 - i. Motion to approve Fiscal Year Budget for 2010-2011 – Roha/2nd Ashley – All voted YES. This budget details itemized spending for the different categories in the NANDC Budget totaling \$57,267. Budget will be made available online.
 - b. Planning & Land Use: Update

c. Public Safety: Leslie Evans

i. Motion to approve Public Safety Committee Report Rohan/2nd Ashley – report will be available online.

9. Project Updates

- a. BJC fair
- b. Website – It’s online now.
- c. business cards – board members need only turn in their information to Secretary
- d. DONE training
- e. National Night Out – was successful.

10. Agenda Setting for August Meeting (5 min)

- a. Daniel Barnett petition to be on Agenda in September. He is running for CD8 Councilman.

11. Adjournment

Official public notice for all committees:

Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Council Committees				
COMMITTEE	CHAIR(S)	CONTACT INFORMATION	MEETING LOCATION	MEETING DATE/TIME
Public Safety	Leslie Evans	lbevans@earthlink.net	Bethune library at 39th Street and Western Avenue	3 rd Thursday of every month. 5:00 PM
Budget & Finance	Jill Remelski	nandc.treasurer@gmail.com	NANDC Office Ahmanson Senior Center, 3990 S. Menlo	3 rd Tuesday of every month (6 PM-7 PM)
Land Use & Planning	Rachel Capata	ecnandc.capata@gmail.com	NANDC Office Ahmanson Senior Center, 3990 S. Menlo	3 rd Thursday of every month, 6:00
Outreach	Idolina Delgado Shawn Simons	ld.nandc@gmail.com Shawn.simons@yahoo.com	NANDC Office Ahmanson Senior Center, 3990 S. Menlo	First Monday of the month 6:30
Seniors and Aging	Christine Lee	genesis.korea@yahoo.com	Ahmanson Senior Citizen Center 3990 S. Menlo Ave.	last Tuesday of every month (12 noon)
Economic Development	Shawn Simons	Shawn.simons@yahoo.com	Community Computing Center	July 29 th 7:00 pm

The Next Regular Meeting of the Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council Governing Board is: **THURSDAY September 2nd**

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)

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