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EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS  
NORTH AREA NEIGHBORHOOD  
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



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Celia Castellanos, Area 2  
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Joshua Watson, Area 3  
Max Slavkin, Area 3

**Committees:**

Yolanda Jones, Budget & Finance  
Rachel Capata, Planning & Land Use  
Leslie Evans, Public Safety & Website  
Jill Remelski/Shawn Simons/Max Slavkin, Outreach  
Celia Castellanos/Josh Watson, Youth  
Richard Enriquez, Seniors & Aging

**At Large Representatives:**

Christine Lee  
Gabriela Garcia  
Sharon Stewart  
VACANT  
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**Special Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 8, 2009**  
**6:0 PM to 8:00 PM**  
**Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Regional Branch Library**  
**3900 S. Western Ave**  
**Los Angeles, 90062**  
**(near MLK in Exposition Park)**

**Minutes**

- 1. Welcome and Call to Order 6:11 pm**
- 2. Announcements**

- Next mid-month meeting to be held at Loren Miller Park Rec Center 2717 Halldale (at 27<sup>th</sup> Street)**
- DWP-SOLAR PLAN, 1/10/09, DWP CAFE, 9:30 AM  
DWP will present the Comprehensive Solar Program on Saturday. Measure B is also included.
- The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) is in the process of installing Park & Pay Stations near USC. The pay stations will be activated as follows:
  - Tuesday, January 20, 2009  
Jefferson BI between Vermont Ave and McClintock Ave (13 pay stations)
  - Thursday, January 22, 2009  
Jefferson BI between McClintock Ave and Figueroa St (9 pay stations)  
west side of Figueroa St south of Jefferson BI (3 pay stations)

**3. Public Comment**

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Low says Community Coalition wants to work with our NC in this area. Y. Jones says for them to contact secy re:getting on Townhall agenda.

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#### 4. Roll Call of Present Board Members

#### 5. Committee Reports

a. Council District 8 Report – Field Deputy - ABSENT

b. Council District 1 Report – Field Deputy – There is going to be a district wide community clean-up event Saturday 2/21/09, including painting of mural in Budlong tunnel & do pressure washing, clean lights, etc. Free shuttle service.

c. DONE Report – Deanna Stevenson – A new coordinator has been permanently assigned to us, who will probably attend next regular meeting.

d. Public Safety Committee Report – Leslie Evans

##### i. Vote to approve “List of Problem Properties”

Oliver Garcia says he & about 6 people can help, he will do it. Capata proposes addition of action item to purchase lunch/refreshments for participants. Regarding library at Vermont, need letter to City Services from NANDC requesting demolition by CRA ASAP, not wait for sale of property.

Cela 1<sup>st</sup>/Gabriela 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve report.

e. Website Committee Report – Leslie Evans/Max Slavkin – add Discussion item to Townhall meeting to unveil new website info.

f. Budget and Finance Committee Report – Yolanda Jones – meeting of B&F next Tues at NANDC office 6-7pm.

g. Treasurer’s Report – Guillermo Farias (absent, excused)

h. Youth Committee Report – Celia Castellanos – nothing to report

i. EXPO Update/Report - Celia Castellanos – report pending at Townhall

j. Outreach Committee Report - Max Slavkin/Jill Remelski – want to do Board retreat re: conflict resolution, team building etc. Max to bring proposal to BFC mtg. Idea of Outreach event Re:safety – idea of discussion meetings /topics considered e.g. safety, health.

k. Planning/Land Use Committee Report – Rachel Capata – suggestion of event at Galen Center to discussion SLA Plan, learn more about organizing block clubs to address community plan (what there is, what there could be & how to get it), discussion of also adding other emergency preparedness topics. USC providing funding for local community event at Galen Center. Rachel to work with Sharon on possible dates with USC.

**6. Action Item: Finding a Permanent Board President** - Set a deadline for applications, suggestion of deadline of February 28<sup>th</sup>. Board members can also apply to be appointed to Presidency. Watson 1<sup>st</sup>/Celia 2<sup>nd</sup> motion passes to set app deadline of 2/28/09.

**7. Action Item: Estrella Park Community Club Funding Proposal** - Retroactive request for funding of the park's anniversary celebration held on November 8, 2008. Requested amount \$994.74. Actually spent \$812.98, Stewart 1<sup>st</sup>, Capata 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve retro payment for event.

**8. Action Item: Foshay Robotics Club Funding Proposal** - Foshay's Robotics Club is requesting funding for developing an engineering academy and participating in a local/national robotics competition. Originally requested amount is \$13,682. Revised amount and proposal is to be presented at the meeting. Capata 1<sup>st</sup>/Stewart 2<sup>nd</sup> \$4000 towards budget (entry fees & materials), excluding Transportation & lodging expenses.

**9. Discussion Item: DeDe Dance Studio - Princess Club & Ladies 1st Annual**

**Debutante Ball Funding Proposal** – Funding request for Debutante Ball of \$17,995.67.

Revised request for \$12,295.67 for May 2, 2009 debut. Discussion of prestige of Town & Gown as a ideal for girls to aspire to. 20 girls with escorts, 80 relatives, 70 board members & guests. VOTE AT NEXT MEETING.

**10. Discussion Item: Planting of 30 street trees along Adams Blvd.** – Funding proposal from Van Buren Place Community Restoration Association, a block club that represents residents on the south side of Adams Blvd. between Normandie and Vermont, that has been working with KYCC to survey Adams Blvd to plant 30 street trees. Funding request of \$2,700 for watering & maintenance. Trees & planting are free through Million Trees LA, KYCC will handle watering & upkeep. Jennifer met with LANI & KYCC to discuss future LANI development, it would be at least 11 months before they started. Could be replicated elsewhere in NANDC, but look into it soon before funding dries up. VOTE AT NEXT MEETING.

**11. Discussion Item: NANDC Office Policies** – Y Jones will supply board member list to new director of senior center, determine status of current keys (can we duplicate, if so how many), what time to do people need to be out, get key back from Richard, formalize process for returning equipment to space.

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Oliver Garcia – wants to organize neighbors, get gray water for tree plantings, notify neighbors about 311 program.

**13. Adjournment 7:22 p.m.**

**Official public notice for all committees:**

<b>Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Council Committees</b>				
<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b>CHAIR(S)</b>	<b>CONTACT INFORMATION</b>	<b>MEETING LOCATION</b>	<b>MEETING DATE/TIME</b>
Public Safety	Leslie Evans	<a href="mailto:lbevans@earthlink.net">lbevans@earthlink.net</a>	Bethune Library Study Room 3900 Western Avenue	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month. 5 PM
Budget & Finance	Yolanda Jones	<a href="mailto:nandc.vp@gmail.com">nandc.vp@gmail.com</a>	NANDC office 3990 S. Menlo Ave.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month (6 PM-7 PM)
Land Use & Planning	Rachel Capata	<a href="mailto:ecnandc.capata@gmail.com">ecnandc.capata@gmail.com</a>	Town Hall Meeting location	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month, concurrent with Town Hall Mtg
Outreach	Jill Remelski	<a href="mailto:jremelski@sfcla.org">jremelski@sfcla.org</a>	NANDC office 3990 S. Menlo Ave.	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month (7 PM)
Youth Committee	Celia Castellanos/ Josh Watson		Town Hall Meeting location	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month, following Town Hall Meeting
Seniors and Aging	Richard Enriquez	<a href="mailto:Richard.Enriquez@lacity.org">Richard.Enriquez@lacity.org</a>	The Ahmanson Senior Citizen Center 3990 S. Menlo Ave.	last Tuesday of every month (12 noon)
Ad-Hoc Economic Development	Shawn Simons		USC campus	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month (7 PM)

The Next Town Hall Meeting of the Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council Governing Board is:

**Saturday, January 17th – 10AM to 12:00PM**  
**Loren Miller Park Rec Center**  
**2717 Halldale (at 27<sup>th</sup> Street)**

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)

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- Smith's Quick Cleaners, 1901 Rodeo Road (near Rodeo & Arlington)

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