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EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS  
NORTH AREA NEIGHBORHOOD  
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



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**Area Representatives:**  
Jill Remelski, Area 1 (P)  
Shawn Simons, Area 1 (P)  
Celia Castellanos, Area 2 (P)  
Idolina Delgado, Area 2 (P)  
Joshua Watson, Area 3 (P)  
Max Slavkin, Area 3 (P)

**Committees:**

(P) Leslie Evans, Public Safety &  
Website  
(P) Yolanda Jones, Budget & Finance  
(P) Celia Castellanos, Youth  
(A) Richard Enriquez, Seniors & Aging

**At Large Representatives:**

Christine Lee(A)  
Gabriela Garcia (P)  
Sharon Stewart (P)  
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**Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, August 7, 2008**  
**6:30 PM to 8:30 PM**  
**EXPO CENTER**  
**Community Room - 2nd Floor**  
**3980 S. Menlo Ave. LA, CA 90007**  
**(near Menlo & MLK in Exposition Park)**

**MINUTES**

**1. Welcome and Call to Order 6:35 p.m.**

**2. Announcements**

- a. Resignation of Michael J. Ureña
- b. BJC Community Resource Fair Saturday September 6<sup>th</sup>, New Skateboard Park!  
1:00-5:00 p.m. (22<sup>nd</sup> Street between Vermont & Budlong)
- c. Loren Miller Child Care Center open!
- d. Summer Rhythms in the Park August 31<sup>st</sup> & September 28<sup>th</sup> 1:00-3:00 p.m.  
345 E. 51<sup>st</sup> Street South Park Rec Center
- e. Neighborhood Council election feedback surveys available
- f. IT Summit to be held in LA on 11/12
- g. City Watch article re: diminishing NC power in making decisions/having input  
released (Copies available)
- h. Expo Line issues re: environmental racism and the pending hearings downtown  
re: Expo Line

**3. Public Comment**

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. *There were no public comments at this time.*

**4. Roll Call of Present Board Members – Quorum** present: Jones, Capata, Farias, Castellanos, Delgado, Farias, Garcia, Remelski, Simons, Slavkin, Stewart, Watson. Absent: Lee

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## 5. Committee Reports

- a. Council District 8 Report – Field Deputy (Absent)
- b. Council District 1 Report – Field Deputy (Absent)
- c. DONE Report – Deanna Stevenson (Late, arrived at 6:49 after agenda item was skipped, announced Monday 8/11 meeting re: Congress of NCs planning)
- d. Public Safety Committee Report – Leslie Evans – see attached
  - \*Recycling center – need to go to Zoning administration to request conditions to be imposed (approach Community Coalition to assist)
  - \*Evans to draft letter regarding paving alley behind Century Liquor for signature by Jones (to be sent to Bernard Parks)
    - i. **Vote to approve “List of Problem Properties (Simons 1<sup>st</sup>/Slavkin 2<sup>nd</sup> unanimous approval)**
- e. Website Committee Report – Leslie Evans/Max Slavkin – nothing new to report, student worker to begin soon
- f. Budget and Finance Committee Report – Yolanda Jones – next mtg at USC August 19<sup>th</sup>, probably at NANDC office at Senior Center
  - i. **Discussion/Action Item:** Review and discussion of proposed NANDC FY 2008-2009 budget (Guillermo Farias) (\*3 spreadsheets distributed) **Motion to approve page (2) with amendments (\$11,855.17 total for various community improvement projects)1<sup>st</sup> Stewart/2<sup>nd</sup> Capata (unanimous approval)**
  - ii. **Discussion/Action Item:** St. Agnes Robotics Team Funding Proposal (Yolanda Jones) Presented by St. Agnes teacher, St. Agnes is co-sponsoring. **Motion to approve requested amount pending receipt of items requested by BFC Slavkin 1<sup>st</sup>/Stewart 2<sup>nd</sup>) (unanimous approval)**
  - iii. **Discussion/Action Item:** Budlong/Juliet/Catalina Block Club Funding proposal – presented by Rafael Nadal, co-sponsored by CD1, has BTRC for restaurant, NANDC booth opportunity offered (for outreach) **Motion to approve \$2548, contingent upon no entry fee or re-sale of items we are sponsoring and subject to receipt of BTRCs for all vendors Slavkin 1<sup>st</sup>/ Stewart 2<sup>nd</sup>, (unanimous approval)**
  - iv. **Discussion/Action Item:** MLK Little League baseball funding proposal – presented by Raul C. – Park Advisory Board formed, has been getting BTRC, Raul Claros (MLK Little League) must take possession of the items from Big 5 et al once they are paid for. **Motion for approval of proposal for supplies from Big 5 and t-shirts not exceed \$6000 Castellanos 1<sup>st</sup>/ Watson 2<sup>nd</sup> (unanimous approval)**
- g. Treasurer’s Report – Guillermo Farias – pending payments to vendors discussed
- h. Youth Committee Report – Celia Castellanos
- i. EXPO Update/Report on last public forum – Celia Castellanos/Shawn Simons
- j. Outreach Committee – Jill Remelski - committee to meet 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 7pm at NANDC office. They need volunteers to stuff envelopes/conduct survey. Tailgate Fair has been tabled until EXPO Center has been paid.
- l. Ad-Hoc Economic Development to meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at 7pm on the USC campus

6. Discussion Item: Entitlement Applications Received by Department of City Planning, upcoming CRA meetings, other pending Land Use items of interest (Rachel Capata) Information pertaining to expansion of carwash at Western/Jefferson to be presented to block club in that area by Castellanos. Discussion of pending beer/wine license application for Manas Indian restaurant. Capata to draft letter from NANDC to CRA re: new cell phone towers at Normandie/Adams.
7. **Discussion/Action Item:** Ratification of Executive Board Structure Plan of Action Y Jones to continue to act as President through 12/31/08, with future action plan from Executive Committee to be addressed at subsequent meetings)
8. **Discussion Item:** Potential change of meeting venue (Rachel Capata) Possible locations include Loren Miller Park, Denker Rec Center. Suggestions of MLK Park and new library.

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\*\*\*Request to add discussion of office space to mid-month agenda\*

\*\*\*Add Senior Committee to next agenda\*

\* Leslie Evans –request on behalf of Community Police Advisory Board to have NANDC pay EXPO to use rooms to do block club captain training October 18<sup>th</sup> – (9-1pm) NANDC reps invited

\*Community Coalition BBQ announcement/invitation

**10. Adjournment 8:35**

**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>	St. Marks Lutheran Church – 3651 S Vermont Ave	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>	Bridge Hall 306 on the USC campus	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month (6pm-7pm)
Website	Leslie Evans	<a href="mailto:lbevans@earthlink.net">lbevans@earthlink.net</a>	Immediately following Town Hall @ MACK ELEMENTARY – Meets as needed	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month

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

**Saturday, August 16, 2008 – 10AM to 12:30PM**

**John Mack Elementary School**

**3020 S Catalina Ave 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 encouraged to visit our website at [www.nandc.org](http://www.nandc.org), contact committee chairs or the NANDC secretary by email at [ecnandc.capata@gmail.com](mailto:ecnandc.capata@gmail.com).

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or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) prior to the meeting by contacting the Dept. of Neighborhood Empowerment at 3-1-1.