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EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS NORTH
AREA NEIGHBORHOOD
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Area Representatives:
Marco Flores, Area 1
Joel Vaca, Area 1
David Greenman, Area 2
Mehul Patel, Area 2
Jean Frost, Area 3
Nicolas Creighton, Area 3

Committees:

Celebrating 20 Years

Community – 2nd Thursday
every month

Julianne Burg (Chair), Joel Vaca (Co-Chair), Thryeris Mason, Marco Flores, and Julie Burg



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At Large Representatives:
Jon Tieucl
Jim Childs
Cindy Gaete

Marketing & Outreach - 3rd Tuesday
every month

Samantha Burg (Chair), Mehul Patel (Co-Chair), Nicolas Creighton (Co-Chair), and Julie Burg

Community Interest Positions:
Vacant, USC
Joe Ward-Wallace,
Business Rep

Policy – 4th Tuesday every month

Jean Frost (Chair), David Greenman (Co-Chair), Jon Tieucl, Jim Childs, Cindy Gaete, Joanne Russell, Christine Lee, Jesus Garcia, and Leslie Friedman

Thryeris Mason, President

Homelessness – TBA

Cindy Gaete (Chair), Samantha Burg (Co-Chair)

General Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 11, 2022, 6:30 PM
Via Zoom Webinar Teleconferencing

I. CALL TO ORDER- President Mason called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Members present Thryeris Mason, Julianne Burg, Samantha Burg, Julie Burg, Marco Flores, Jean Frost, Nicolas Creighton, Jon Tieucl, and Jim Childs. Joel Vaca, David Greenman and Joe Ward-Wallace excused; Cindy Gaete & Mehul Patel unexcused. 9 members present, quorum established.

II. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

- Board approves September 2022 minutes as corrected
- Motioned by Jon, second by Jean
- 9, 0, 0

III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- Moises Rosales - encourage the NANDC board to attend the policy committee. He wishes for the board members to hear the comments/remarks made by the policy committee.

IV. TREASURER REPORT

- Motion to approve the MER report
- Motioned by Jim, second by Samantha
- 9, 0, 0

V. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a.* Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti not present
- b.* LAFD South Bureau Battalion Chief - Martin Mullan not present
- c.* LAPD Senior Lead Officers – Southwest SLO Representative- Officer Garner stated that thefts are due to unattended property such as package thefts, etc. Please try to get your packages delivered to Amazon, 7-Eleven lockers, or UPS. There were encampment/unhoused cleanups done on Fig and 23rd Street, Washington and Toberman, and Flower and 39th Street. Officer Garner also announced "Coffee with a Cop" from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the USC Village on October 18, 2022. President Mason wanted to see if Officer Garner knew anything about an altercation between 2 unhoused individuals, which resulted in a homicide. Officer Garner stated that a suspect was arrested. Any other information is unknown at this time.
- d.* USC Public Safety Officers not present
- e.* Council District 1 for Councilmember Gil Cedillo not present
- f.* Council District 8 for Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson – Isaias Benavides not present
- g.* Council District 9 for Councilmember Curren Price – Nora Gutierrez not present
- h.* The Office of Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell – Daniel Park not present
- i.* The Office of Senator Kamlager - Josef Siroky not present
- j.* The Office of Assemblymember Reggie Jones-Sawyer, Assembly District 59 - not present
- k.* Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) – Octaviano Rios not present

VI. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

- a.* USC Community Report – Steve Wesson, Managing Director, Community Partnerships & USC Village Ombudsman not present
- b.* South Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (SLAANC) – President Mason had no report from last month. She informed everyone that tomorrow a finalized statement on 3 elected officials will be announced which will be asking for their resignation. Entire 15 councils will receive a copy of the statement. Next month housing, Raquel Beltran and unnamed cannabis committee report will be present at SLAANC.
- c.* Area 1 Report -Marco informed everyone that after 6 weeks of lights being out and 56 311 reports made, lights have been fixed. After 16 months, safe streets permanent structures were put in place such as signs, plastic street dividers to slow down traffic. everything done in one day.
- d.* Area 2 Report -David Greenman & Mehul Patel - No Report
- e.* Area 3 Report - Jean Frost & Nicolas Creighton- No Report
- f.* At Large & Community Interest Reports - Thryeris, Samantha, Nicolas and Jean/Jim were invited to review the building with plans at the HUB. Councilmember thanked NANDC on how they handled and worked with the developer. Jim stated that "It was a rare moment in my career to embrace such a moment". Jim asked Thryeris to make a comment as well. Thryeris stated that the "Work force and low income families will have million dollar views (unobstructed) , outdoor lounge, indoor lounge, conference room and individual study rooms".
- g.* Community and Marketing & Outreach Committee Update – Samantha Burg, Committee Chair at ECNANDC, working on the upcoming Trunk O' Treat/Dia de los Muertos event.

- h.* Policy Committee Update – Jean Frost, Committee Chair informed everyone that at the PLUM Planning and Land Use meeting WANA and USC spoke at the appeal of 1840 West Adams (96 bedrooms). The appeal has been approved. NANDC has opposed said project.
- i.* NANDC Taskforce Update – Jean Frost, Policy Committee Chair, did not meet last month. CPIO process has been a 2 1/2 year process, which was just recently heard (42 comments).
- j.* Fraternity/Sorority Row AdHoc Committee Update - Jean Frost, Policy Committee Chair - No update
- k.* Current Board Vacancies – Thryeris Mason, President informed everyone of the USC Community Representative board vacancy position. Please visit www.nandc.org/apply-board.php for additional information and instructions on how to apply.

VII. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

- a.* **Discussion and possible action to appoint qualified stakeholders to currently vacant seats on the Governing Board.** Each candidate will have 2 minutes to speak. Governing Board vacant seats include:
 - 1. USC Community Interest (1 vacancy)
 - No applications received
- b.* **ACTION/DISCUSSION:** SOLA Community Peace Center NPG Request \$4,950. Presented by Dr. Susan Stouffer - The SOLA Community Peace Center would like to request for \$4,950. This NPG would be used to provide free peace education to children and families. This upcoming fall they will be focusing on justice educational programming for young people ages 5-18 years of age.
 - Marco recused himself at 7:20 p.m.
 - Board motions to support SOLA Community Peace Center NPG request in the amount of \$4,950.00
 - Motioned by Samantha, second by Jean
 - 7, 0, 0 (Marco recused himself, ineligible Thryeris)
- c.* **ACTION/DISCUSSION:** NANDC Task Force request of \$10,000.00. Presented by the NANDC Task Force - The NANDC Task Force would like to request \$10,000.00 for the area survey.
 - Board motions to support the request of \$10,000 for the NANDC Task Force area survey.
 - Motioned by Jean, second by Jon
 - 8, 0, 0 (ineligible Thryeris)
- d.* **ACTION/DISCUSSION: 1317 W Jefferson, CPC-2022-4989-DB-HCA**, 18-unit apartment building, 5 Level residential over 1 level on grade parking, SB 1818 State Density Bonus with off-menu incentives and 3 waivers of development standards, 2 side yards and 1 rear yard
<https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/search/encoded/MjU5MTcx0>
<https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/document/MzcyNTc0/532fbe86-06a9-44b1-8001-06cd07316c90/esubmit> Henry Fan, 1317 Jefferson LA, LLC **Recommendation/Motion:** That NANDC oppose the project and its waivers due to issues of design, height, absence of a commercial component, lack of open space, at grade parking, and appropriateness of location. (4-1-1)
 - Voting on 2nd motion - Board members support the project at 1317 West Jefferson Blvd.
 - Moises Rosales was at policy committee meeting, expressed support for this project.
 - Claudia Loya at policy meeting in full support of the project.
 - Randy Ray at policy meeting in full support; supports project on Jefferson.
 - Board motion to support the project at 1317 West Jefferson Blvd.
 - Motioned by Jean, Jon
 - 4, 2, 2

e. **ACTION/DISCUSSION: 1436 W Jefferson, CPC-2021-7188-DB-HCA**, 60-unit, 6-Story Apartment Building, 6 levels over 1 level subterranean parking, SB1818 off-menu density bonus requesting FAR increase, FAR increase, 2.83:1 and height increase, 69 feet 9 inches
<https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/search/encoded/MjUwMjc20>
<https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/document/MTg2Njc0/532fbe86-06a9-44b1-800106cd07316c90/esubmit> Henry Fan, 1436 Jefferson LA, LLC. **Recommendation/Motion:** That NANDC support the project provided that the project adds four additional affordable units for a total of 10 affordable units. (6-0-2)

- Community members Moises Rosales, Carlos Beltran, Claudia Loya and Levid Camacho spoke in favor of the project at 1436 West Jefferson
- Board motion to support the project at 1436 West Jefferson provided that the project add four additional affordable units for a total of 10 affordable units
- Motioned by Jean, second by Marco
- 6,1,1

f. **ACTION/DISCUSSION:** Metro Board Hearing, Bus Rapid Transit placement along the Vermont Corridor 2022-0676; Review motion by Directors Dupont-Walker, Najarian, Mitchell, Solis, and Butts that the Board direct the CEO to advance the Vermont Transit Corridor with a three-pronged strategy. a.) Short-term: quick-build improvements, including new bus shelters, more bus service, and bus only Lanes; b.) Medium-term: a full BRT corridor project; c.) Long-term: a rail project to be delivered as funding becomes available. **Recommendation/Motion:** That NANDC comment to the Metro Board with its support of an underground transit solution, that Bus Rapid Transit lanes constrict vehicle transportation on Vermont (particularly as Figueroa now has fewer lanes for vehicles,) that businesses on Vermont face loss of parking, there is the potential loss of existing businesses, lack of ancillary parking for commuters, and loss of green space and medians south of Gage. (8-0-0)

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- Motioned by Jean, second by Marco
- 8, 0, 0

g. **ACTION/DISCUSSION:** Sidewalk and Transit Amenities Program (STAP) (CF-20-1536), STAP proposes over 6,000 new advertising signs with digital screens on major streets and sidewalks.

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=20-1536> .

Draft letter attached.

- Board motions to accept the draft STAP Letter for CF-20-1536
- Motioned by Jon, second by Jim
- 8, 0, 0

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS -

- Taste of Soul - Please sign-up if available
- Trunk O' Treat/Dia de los Muertos - Sunday, October 30, 2022 - Please join/sign-up if available.

IX. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - Please email any future agenda items to president@nandc.org

X. ADJOURNMENT - Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Draft

Official public notice for all committees:

Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Council Committees			
COMMITTEE	CONTACT INFORMATION	MEETING LOCATION	MEETING DATE/TIME
Community Committee (Outreach, Youth and Senior, Block Club/Neighborhood Associations, Beautification, Budget and Finance)	Julianne Burg, Chair vp@nandc.org	Via Zoom	Second Thursday 6:30 p.m.
Marketing & Outreach Committee (Marketing, Events, Outreach, Social Media)	Samantha Burg, Chair Secretary@nandc.org	Via Zoom	Third Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Policy Committee (Public Safety, Economic Development, Land Use)	Jean Frost, Chair area3a@nandc.org	Via Zoom	Fourth Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Homelessness Committee	Cindy Gaete, Chair atlarge3@nandc.org	Via Zoom	TBA

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- South LA Café, 1700 Browning Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90062
- MLK Recreational Center, 3916 S. Western Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90018
- Denker Park, 1550 W. 35th Pl., Los Angeles, CA 90018
- Food 4 Less, 1748 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90018
- FAME Renaissance Center, 1968 W. Adams Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90018
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Government code Section 54957.9

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