

Marco Flores, Vice President
Julie Burg Treasurer
Samantha Burg, Secretary
Jean Frost, Parliamentarian

**EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS NORTH
AREA NEIGHBORHOOD
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**

Celebrating 20 Years



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Area Representatives:
Vacant, Area 1
Anna Joyce, Area 1
John Noyola, Area 2
Milton Alvarenga, Area 2
Jean Frost, Area 3
Nicolas Creighton, Area 3

At Large Representatives:
Jim Childs
Vacant
Edwin Ramirez

Community Interest Positions:
Vacant, USC
Dario Gamboa, Business

Committees:

*Community and Marketing &
Outreach - 3rd Tuesday every month*

*Policy – 2nd Wednesday every
month*

Julianne Burg, President

**General Board Meeting Minutes
Via Zoom Webinar
Thursday, October 2, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m.**

I. CALL TO ORDER – President Burg called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. Members present Julianne, Marco, Samantha, Julie Anna, John, Jean, Nicolas, Dario, and Jim. 10 members present, quorum established.

II. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- Angelic Perez, KYCC, informed everyone that they are working with USC with the planting of 250 trees. She will contact the board with her information if anyone is interested in a tree.

III. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a.** Office of Mayor Karen Bass Representative
- b.** LAFD South Bureau Battalion Representative – Matt Woodstrud – spoke of most of the calls received in the University Park area to be medical calls.
- c.** LAPD Senior Lead – Officer Gatus informed everyone that crime is low but unfortunately auto crimes are high. Please lock and hide your items in your vehicles including phone chargers. Officer Hernandez introduced himself. Jean thanked him for being so active in the community.
- d.** USC Public Safety Officers – No Representative
- e.** Council District 1 for Councilmember Eunisses Hernandez – No Representative
- f.** Council District 8 for Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson – Acting Field Deputy Flores introduced himself and announced that he would be filling in for Gandhi until her return. He also informed us that the city attorney is aware of his dual role. You can email him at Marco.x.Flores@lacity.org if you have any questions or concerns. Yohanna Gaines, legislative deputy for CD 8, introduced herself. She spoke of the resources the city has for all those affected by the immigration situation. She also spoke of City-wide layoffs. They were stated to layoff 600

individuals, but they have reduced the number to about 60 individuals. She also spoke of DOT Crossing Guard program where they are trying to insure more equitable school safety. Marco – October 25th Loren Miller Park, Denker Park MLK Park will be having their annual Halloween events. 24th Street Theater will be having their annual Dia de los Muertos on November 2nd. There were altars set up in the Hoover Triangle where one can honor their loved ones who have passed away. Richardson Park is almost finished. They are going to have a grand opening where Van Buren and NANDC will participate. If you are interested in purchasing Olympic tickets, NANDC residents will be able to purchase tickets 1st, please visit LA28.org to sign-up for more information.

- g.** Council District 9 for Councilmember Curren Price – No Representative
- h.** Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE)
- i.** South Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (SLAANC) – Thryeris Mason, SLAANC Delegate, sent her report and was shared.
- j.** USC Community Report – Steve Wesson, Managing Director, Community Partnerships & USC Village Ombudsman not present.
- k.** Assemblymember Issac – Ethan informed everyone of the Assembly Bills that are sitting on the Governor’s desk waiting for his signature. Please reach out to him or “Leg info” for more information.

IV. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

- a. Discussion and Possible Action: 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. Area 1 Representative (1 Vacancy)
 - 2. At-Large Position (1 Vacancy)
 - 3. Interest Position – USC
 - No applications received.
- b. Discussion and Possible Action:** SB79, Discussion of impacts, follow up on NANDC previous action, support City Council and City Attorney and other neighborhood councils’ opposition. Motion/Recommendation: NANDC take every available step to support the mayor and city council in opposition of SB 79.
 - Motion for NANDC to take every available step to support the mayor and city council in opposition of SB 79.
 - Motioned by Jean, second by Jim
 - 10, 0, 0
- c. Discussion and Possible Action:** Code Enforcement by LAHD and LADBS. An inspector advised that ADBS is not enforcing level 4 complaints (trash, fences, graffiti, vegetation) unless they can bundle this with other complaints such as unpermitted construction. Also, that they would not act on complaints in an HPOZ unless the assigned planner made a complaint, their government relations department has stated “we are just inspectors and cannot speak on such matters.” Motion/Recommendation: NANDC to set up an informational meeting inviting LADBS and LAHD to discuss code enforcement.
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 - Motioned by Jean, second by Anna
 - 10, 0, 0
- d. Discussion and Possible Action:** 2318 Scarff Street, demolition of historic Palm tree, which is a character defining feature of the historic zone. Motion/Recommendation: NANDC to supports the restoration of the historic palm which should be replaced in kind in this National Register District and HPOZ.
 - Motion for NANDC to support the restoration of the historic palm which should be replaced in kind in this National Register District and HPOZ.
 - Motioned by Jean, second by Jim
 - 10, 0, 0

- e. Discussion and Possible Discussion:** AB130 and AB131, impacts on application of CEQA by stakeholders. Motion/Recommendation: NANDC requests information and discussion on the impacts of AB130 and AB131 from planning and the City Attorney; NANDC asks for a meeting.
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 - Motioned by Jean, second by Jim
 - 10, 0, 0
- f. Discussion and Possible Action:** 2921 S. Budlong, Grant D. Venerable Family Residence., HCM nomination, On June 2, 2022, NANDC voted in support of this HCM nomination and submitted a letter of support to Councilmember President Harris-Dawson and the members of the Cultural Heritage Commission. Grant D. Venerable was Caltech's first African American graduate. He broke barriers for African Americans in academia, and the sciences and engineering fields. Motion/Recommendation: NANDC asks that this nomination be heard and approved and that Councilmember President Harris-Dawson assist in expediting this nomination.
- Motion for NANDC to ask that the HCM nomination be heard and approved and that Councilmember President Harris-Dawson assist in expediting this nomination.
 - Motioned by Jean, second by Jim
 - 10, 0, 0
- g. Discussion and Possible Action:** NANDC's Marketing & Outreach at USC's Village Annual Boo Bash event has been cancelled. Community Committee and Marketing & Outreach will be doing outreach at the USC Community House instead, therefore seeks \$1500.00 to support this endeavor. **Recommendation:** NANDC to do outreach at USC Community House Boo Bash. NANDC to support this endeavor with \$1500.00
- Motion for NANDC to do outreach at USC Community House Boo Bash. NANDC to support this endeavor with \$1500.00
 - Motioned by Jean, second by Jim
 - 9, 0, 0 (1 ineligible member)
- h. Discussion and Possible Action:** NANDC to do Marketing & Outreach at Richardson Family Park during their grand re-opening during December 2025. Marketing & Outreach and Community Committee seeks \$1000.00 to support this endeavor. Recommendation: NANDC to do outreach at the grand re-opening of the Richardson's Family Park. NANDC to support this endeavor with \$1000.00.
- Motion for NANDC to do outreach at the grand re-opening of the Richardson's Family Park. NANDC to support this endeavor with \$1000.00
 - Motioned by Secretary Burg, second by Jean
 - 9, 0, 0 (1 ineligible member)
- i. Discussion and Possible Action:** Shriners NPG request in the amount of \$1600.00. NPG will be used to support the Families in the NANDC community so they can have a Turkey meal during the upcoming holidays. **Recommendation:** NANDC to approve the Shriners NPG request in the amount of \$1600.00
- Dario Gambio left/he recused himself at 7:30 p.m.
 - Motion for NANDC to approve the Shriners NPG request in the amount of \$1600.00
 - Motioned by Secretary Burg, second by Jean
 - 9, 0, 0 (Dario Gamboa not present recused during discussion and vote) - Dario returned at 7:33 p.m.
- j. Discussion and Possible Action:** SOLA NPG request in the amount of \$1600. NPG will be used to support their "Peace Plentiful" Program, which provides families in the NANDC Community produce/food bags. **Recommendation:** NANDC to approve SOLA's NPG request in the amount of \$1600
- Marco Flores left/He recused himself at 7:33 p.m.
 - Motion for NANDC to approve SOLA's NPG request in the amount of \$1600
 - Motioned Secretary Burg, second by Jean
 - 8, 0, 0 (Marco Flores not present recused during discussion and vote) (1 ineligible member) -Marco returned at 7:37 p.

V. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

- a.* Area 1 Report – Anna Joyce informed everyone that on November 1st, Dia de los Muertos Event will be on 25th and Normandie, from 4:00 – 8:00 p.,m.
- b.* Area 2 Report - John Noyola informed everyone that the Exposition Park will be closed from Mid-November to January 2026 due to budget cuts; the city hopes to save some funds. Normandie & Expo apartment project is no longer a go, and they will be building a charging station. Milton Alvarenga had no report.
- c.* Area 3 Report - Jean Frost & Nicolas Creighton still a lot of complaints about the lighting and internet/wi-fi unavailability.
- d.* At Large & Community Interest Reports - Jim Childs, Edwin Ramirez and Dario Gamboa had no reports.
- e.* Community Committee Update – Marco Flores & Julie Burg informed everyone that they are working with Marketing & Outreach Committee.
- f.* Marketing & Outreach Committee Update – Samantha Burg & Nicolas Creighton informed everyone of 24th Street upcoming Dia de Los Muertos event. NANDC will be having an altar for pets if anyone would like to send her a picture of their pet for the altar, please email her at sburg.nandc@gmail.com
- g.* Policy Committee Update – Jean Frost spoke about the Policy Committee and invited everyone to the next policy committee meeting.

VI. TREASURER'S REPORT

- Motion to approve the treasurer's report
- Motioned by Jean, second by Jim
- 10, 0, 0

VII. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

- Motion to approve September's minutes
- Motioned by Samantha, second by Jean
- 10, 0, 0

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

IX. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - None

X. ADJOURNMENT at 8:33 p.m.

Official public notice for all committees:

Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Council Committees			
COMMITTEE	CONTACT INFORMATION	MEETING LOCATION	MEETING DATE/TIME
Community Committee	Julie Burg, Chair treasurer@nandc.org	Zoom	Third Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Marketing & Outreach Committee	Samantha Burg, Chair Secretary@nandc.org	Zoom	Third Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Policy Committee	Jean Frost, Chair area3a@nandc.org	Zoom	Second Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
Homelessness Committee	Samantha Burg, Co-Chair Pro Tem Secretary.nandc@gmail.com	Zoom	TBA

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Thursday, November 6, 2025, via Zoom Webinar

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- Hoover Recreation Center, 1010 W. 25th St., Los Angeles, CA 90007 ^[1]_[SEP]
- South LA Café, 1700 Browning Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90062 ^[1]_[SEP]
- MLK Recreational Center, 3916 S. Western Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90018 ^[1]_[SEP]
- Denker Park, 1550 W. 35th Pl., Los Angeles, CA 90018 ^[1]_[SEP]
- Food 4 Less, 1748 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90018 ^[1]_[SEP]
- FAME Renaissance Center, 1968 W. Adams Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90018 ^[1]_[SEP]
- Loren Miller Recreation Center, 2717 S. Halldale Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90018 ^[1]_[SEP]

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