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**EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS
NORTH AREA NEIGHBORHOOD
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**

Celebrating 23 Years



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Area Representatives:

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

Committees:

**Community and Marketing &
Outreach – 3rd Tuesday monthly**

Policy – 2nd Wednesday monthly

At Large Representatives:

Jim Childs
Edwin Ramirez
Vacant

Community Interest Positions:

Dario Gamboa, Business
Vacant, USC

Julianne Burg, President

General Board Meeting

Via Zoom Webinar

Thursday, February 5, 2026 @ 6:30 p.m.

Si require servicios de traduccion, favor de avisar al Concejo Vecinal 3 dias de trabajo (72 horas) antes del evento. Por favor contacte a Secretaria, Samantha Burg, por correo electronico sburg.nandc@gmail.com o secretary@nandc.org para avisar al Consejo Vecinal.

In conforming with the January 1, 2026, enactment of California Senate Bill 707 (Durazo) and LA City Council File 23-1114, the Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council (ECNANDC) meeting will be conducted virtually.

Join Zoom Webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81165300646>

To join via local telephone: Dial, 1 669 900 6833, or 1 253 215 8782 or 877 853 5257 (Toll Free) or 888 475 4499 (Toll Free) or 833 548 0276 (Toll Free) or 833 548 0282 (Toll Free) then enter

Webinar ID: 811 6530 0646 and press # to join

The toll-free numbers provided by Zoom may not be supported for this meeting. We apologize for the inconvenience. When prompted by the presiding officer, to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be requested to dial "9" or use the Raise Hand option, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item.

Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body's control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored.

Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(3).**

The legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(4).**

Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(5),**

A legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to paragraph (5), to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(A),**

A legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to paragraph (5), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment. **California Government Code Section 54953.8(b)(6)(B).**

Notice to Paid Representatives – If you are compensated to monitor, attend, or speak at this meeting, City law may require you to register as a lobbyist and report your activity. See Los Angeles Municipal Code §§ 48.01 et seq. More information is available at ethics.lacity.org/lobbying. For assistance, please contact the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960 or ethics.commission@lacity.org.

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

- a. Call to Order by Presiding Officer
- b. Roll Call of Board Members

II. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

III. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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| a. Office of Mayor Karen Bass Representative | i. The Office of Assemblymember Sade Elhawary's Assembly District 57 – Debra Hochman |
| b. LAFD South Bureau Battalion Representative | j. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) – Erica Gatica (interim) |
| c. LAPD Senior Lead | k. South Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (SLAANC) – Thryeris Mason, SLAANC Delegate |
| d. USC Public Safety Officers | l. USC Community Report – Steve Wesson, Managing Director, Community Partnerships & USC Village Ombudsman |
| e. Council District 1 for Councilmember Eunisses Hernandez | |
| f. Council District 8 for Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson | |
| g. Council District 9 for Councilmember Curren Price | |
| h. The Office of Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell – Daniel Park | |

IV. PRESENTATIONS

- a. Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT)** – Presented by Tam Nguyen, Transportations Planner
- b. Bureau of Street Lighting (BSL)** – Presented by Jessica Oleta, Senior Project Coordinator

V. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

- a. Discussion and Possible Action:** *Board Vacancies, ECNANDC* – 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. USC Community Interest (1 vacancy)
- b. Discussion and Possible Action:** *Lawn to Habitat, Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance:* *Presented by Lisa Hart* – NANDC to support Marketing & Outreach at this year's Lawn to Habitat hosted by the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance held on Saturday, March 7th and Sunday, March 8th with funds not to exceed \$1000.00. Motion/Recommendation: NANDC to support the Marketing & Outreach Committee with funds not to exceed \$1000.00 to table and conduct community outreach during the Lawn to Habitat event.
- c. Discussion and Possible Action:** *South Central Spits Fire: Beauty & Wisdom, Community Coalition:* *Presented by Gustavo Vasquez* – NANDC to support Marketing & Outreach at this year's inaugural celebration of Black History and Women's History Months featuring some of South Central's finest wordsmiths and friends with funds not to exceed \$500.00. This event will be held on Saturday, February 28th from 5 – 6:30 p.m. at South LA Café. Motion/Recommendation: NANDC to support the Marketing & Outreach Committee with funds not to exceed \$500.00 to table and conduct community outreach during the South Central Spits Fire: Beauty and Wisdom event.
- d. Discussion and Possible Action:** Discussion of ECNANDC General Board meetings to continue meeting via Zoom unless otherwise noted, i.e. special in-person events, etc.

VI. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

- a.** Area 1 Report – Anna Joyce
- b.** Area 2 Report – John Noyola and Milton Alvarenga
- c.** Area 3 Report – Jean Frost and Nicolas Creighton
- d.** At Large & Community Interest Reports – Jim Childs and Edwin Ramirez
- e.** Community Committee Update – Julie Burg and Marco Flores
- f.** Marketing & Outreach Committee Update – Samantha Burg and Nicolas Creighton
- g.** Policy Committee Update – Jean Frost

VII. TREASURER'S REPORT

VIII. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

X. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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	USC Forthman House or via Zoom	Third Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Marketing & Outreach Committee	Samantha Burg, Chair Secretary@nandc.org	USC Forthman House or via Zoom	Third Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Policy Committee	Jean Frost, Chair area3a@nandc.org	USC Forthman House or via Zoom	Fourth Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Homelessness Committee	Samantha Burg, Co-Chair Pro Tem Secretary@nandc.org	USC Forthman House or via Zoom	TBA

The Next Regular Meeting of the Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council Governing Board is:
Thursday, March 5, 2026, via Zoom Webinar

*In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting, may be viewed at NANDC.org or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact **Samantha Burg** at secretary@nandc.org.*

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PUBLIC POSTING OF AGENDAS – Neighborhood Council agendas are posted for public review as follows:

- USC Community House, 2707 S. Hoover St., Los Angeles, CA 90007
- USC Village Community Room, 3015 S. Hoover St., Building 1-189, Los Angeles, CA 90007
- Hoover Recreation Center, 1010 W. 25th St., Los Angeles, CA 90007
- 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
- Loren Miller Recreation Center, 2717 S. Halldale Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90018

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RALPH M. BROWN ACT 54954.2. (a) At least 72 hours before a regular meeting, the legislative body of the local agency, or its designee, shall post an agenda containing a brief general description of each item of business to be transacted or discussed at the meeting, including items to be discussed in closed session. A brief general description of an item generally need not exceed 20 words. The agenda shall specify the time and location of the regular meeting and shall be posted in a location that is freely accessible to members of the public. If requested, the agenda shall be made available in appropriate alternative formats to persons with a disability, as required by Section 202 of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Sec. 12132), and the federal rules and regulations adopted in implementation thereof. The agenda shall include information regarding how, to whom, and when a request for disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services may be made by a person with a disability who requires a modification or accommodation in order to participate in the public meeting.

RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS - For information on the NC’s process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the NC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and our website www.nandc.org.

REMOVAL WARNING In the event that any meeting is willfully interrupted by a group or groups of persons so as to render the orderly conduct of such meeting unfeasible and order cannot be restored by the removal of individuals who are willfully interrupting the meeting, the members of the legislative body conducting the meeting may order the meeting room cleared and continue in session. Only matters appearing on the agenda may be considered in such a session. Representatives of the press or other news media, except those participating in the disturbance, shall be allowed to attend any session held pursuant to this section. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the legislative body from establishing a procedure for readmitting an individual or individuals not responsible for willfully disturbing the orderly conduct of the meeting. Government code Section 54957.9

DISRUPTION OF MEETINGS Any person who interferes with the conduct of a Neighborhood Council meeting by willfully interrupting and/or disrupting the meeting is subject to removal. A Peace Officer may be requested to assist with the removal by the Neighborhood Council.

Any person who resists removal by a Peace Officer is subject to arrest and prosecution. Penal Code Section 403, Penal Code Section 602.1(b).