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**EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS NORTH
AREA NEIGHBORHOOD
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**



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Thryeris Mason, President

Area Representatives:
Marco Flores, Area 1
Joel Vaca, Area 1
Steve Pepdjonovic, Area 2
Vacant, Area 2
Jean Frost, Area 3
Rogelio Zambrano, Area 3

At Large Representatives:
Jon Tieucl
Nina Womack
Cindy Gaete

Community Interest Positions:
Amy Carnes, USC
Jim Childs, Business Rep

Committees:

Community – 2nd Thursday every month – Julianne Burg, Chair, Julie Burg, Marco Flores, Thryeris Mason & Joel Vaca
Marketing & Outreach – 3rd Tuesday every month – Steve Pepdjonovic, Chair, Julianne Burg, Julie Burg, Samantha Burg, Leigha Sayles, & Nina Womack
Policy – 4th Tuesday every month – Jean Frost, Chair, Amy Carnes, Jim Childs, Robin Evangelista, Cindy Gaete, Christine Lee, & Jon Tieucl
Homelessness – Hiatus

General Board Minutes

**Thursday, July 2, 2020, 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Via Zoom Webinar Teleconferencing**

In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (March 17, 2020), and due to public health concerns and directives issued by the Mayor of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County Public Health Department regarding reducing the spread of COVID-19, meetings of the ECNANDC will be conducted entirely by video conference or telephonically. This will be effective starting May 1, 2020 and will continue during the period in which state or local public health officials have imposed or recommended social distancing measures.

Join Zoom Webinar:

Webinar ID: 918 7343 6260

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I. CALL TO ORDER - Meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Thryeris Mason, President. Members present Thryeris Mason, Julianne Burg, Samantha Burg, Julie Burg, Marco Flores, Joel Vaca, Steve Pepdjonovic, Jean Frost, Rogelio Zambrano, Jon Tieucl, Cindy Gaete, Amy Carnes, and Jim Childs. Nina Womack absent. Quorum established 13 members present.

II. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

- Motion of approve June's minutes
- Motioned by Steve, second by Jon
- 13,0,0

III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- None

IV. TREASURER REPORT

- Motion to approve June's MER Report
- Motioned by Jean, second by Jon
- 13,0,0
- Neighborhood Councils have received \$32,000 for 2020-2021 fiscal year
- NANDC has encumbered \$10,975 (\$9,975 August Food Distribution/Vendor-South LA Cafe, \$1000 NPG USC Young Scientist)
- NANDC has rolled over \$10,000 from 2019-2020 fiscal year to 2020-2021 fiscal year

V. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti – David Price - Not Present
- LAPD Senior Lead Officers – Southwest SLO Representative, Officer Miller, introduced himself. Officer Miller reported that within the 3A19 NANDC area there have been 51 part 1 crimes w/in past 4 weeks which include Assault w/Deadly Weapon, Burglaries from Motor Vehicles, Burglaries, Grand Theft Auto, and Robberies. 3A57 area has had 49 Part 1 crimes. Grand Theft Auto crimes have been mostly on 23rd street between Figueroa & Hoover. There has been one Officer Involve Shooting at 22nd and Vermont involving 3 suspects, which were taken into custody without incident. He spoke about the community relations building through the Community Relations Office who have been reaching out to the community. They have been passing out about 2500 flyers informing community members about fireworks, resources, food distributions/giveaways, etc. He spoke about 311 & 911 services, and also about Crime Stoppers to report crimes anonymously. Crime Stoppers has a link @ Crime Stoppers. Limited police reports can now be filed on line at LAPD online.
- USC Public Safety Officers - Not Present
- Council District 1 for Councilmember Gil Cedillo – Ricardo Flores - Not Present
- Council District 8 for Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson – Albizael Del Valle introduced himself to everyone. He spoke about the expansion of outside sit-down for restaurant owners. Within the NANDC area South LA Cafe, Caveman Kitchen, Mariscos Maria have permits which will be valid until September. CD 8 is planning another anti-body testing soon, CD 8 welcomes everyone. The anti-body test will be free. Albi spoke about the Planning Meeting with Building and Safety.
- Council District 9 for Councilmember Curren Price – Nora Gutierrez - LADOT still working with community members, will not ticket vehicles in community areas until mid August 2020. CD 9 has been doing food distributions; Nora will send information on upcoming food distributions. CD 9 has introduced City Council File Motions. Nora reminded everyone to try to get tested for COVID-19.
- The Office of Assemblymember Reggie Jones-Sawyer, Assembly District 59-Not Present
- The Office of Senator Holly Mitchell has partnered with St. Johns & LAUSD. They are doing testing every Friday at 118th Elementary School. You can make an appointment at (213) 400-0552. EDD issues were addressed especially with unemployment. If anyone needs assistance with unemployment please call the office number (213) 745-6656 (Senator Mitchell's Office is working from home). They will assist with EDD unemployment benefits.
- USC Community Report – Steve Wesson, USC Village Ombudsman, thanked everyone for their leadership. Thanked NANDC for their sponsorship with USC Blood Drive scheduled on July 22nd (Galen Center) and July 23rd (University Village). Flyer will be forwarded to NANDC. Their goal is 350 units of blood over the 2 day period. Regional Food Bank, St. Agnes and USC they have been able to put on 200 thousand pounds of food surrounding USC area and St. Agnes area. Vegetables/fresh produce, cheese/dairy, and grains/rice. Seeking additional volunteers to assist for future food distribution. Would like to thank the Burg/Creighton family for always answering the call when needed
- Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) – Karen Hernandez shared that NANDC's By-Laws were approved. She spoke about funding training expiration extensions for another 60 days. If anyone needs assistance with Cornerstone Log-in information please reach out to her or Rosters@lacity.org.

VI. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

- Crosstown LA** – Gabriel Kahn, Crosstown LA Editor, gave area crime report within the NANDC area. He concurred with Officer Miller's data. He also stated that vehicle thefts have been on a rise. Gabriel also gave a COVID-19 statistics report, where unfortunately EXPO area has one of the highest numbers in cases. All this information can be seen on NANDC's website and Crosstown LA website. Crosstown LA is also working on air quality data.

- b. South Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils** – Thryeris Mason, SLAANC Chair, gave a recap of SLAANC's June Conversations. One of the conversation was with Capri Maddox who is heading the department of human civil rights. She will be investigating housing, employment, and education issues. SLAANC also had a conversation with Deputy Chief Regina Scott & Captain Billy Brockway. They both spoke about things LAPD has adopted, if anyone would like full detail please email President Mason @ president@nandc.org. Deputy Regina Scott is in agreement of defunding the police too.
- c. NANDC Food Giveaway Update** – Julianne Burg, Vice President & Marco Flores, Area 1 Representative gave an update on NANDC's Food Giveaway scheduled for August 15, 2020 at St. Marks Church (Vermont & 36th Street). NANDC will purchase 285 food boxes from South LA Cafe.
- d. NANDC PSA & NANDC Nods Update** -- Steve Pepjdonovic, Marketing & Outreach Chair, gave an update on the PSA & NANDC Nods update. NANDC is looking for a PSA within the medical field to speak on the COVID-19 pandemic. Soliciting NANDC Nods to recognize essential workers in our community, anyone putting their selves at risk (Mailman/Mailwomen, grocery workers, store workers, etc.)
- e. NANDC Policy Committee Update** – Jean Frost, Policy Committee Chair, informed everyone that they met on June 23rd. The biggest topic was regarding the AAA development. Jean invited everyone to attend July's policy committee meeting to continue the dialogue about the AAA development.
- f. Area 2 Vacancy** – Thryeris Mason, President announced one (1) seat for Area 2 which is now open for stakeholder applications and consideration at our August General Board Meeting. Per Article (V)(1)(b), B. Appointed Positions: A Candidate's application for appointment seat on the Governing Board shall include: (i) Letter from the applicant describing the value they would add to the community as a member of the governing board, indicating a willingness to serve their designated term, and accepting responsibilities of the office. (ii) Petition signed by a minimum of fifteen (15) stakeholders in support of the application. Signatures shall include name, address, and, where possible, e-mail address for each stakeholder. Both documents fulfill the application requirement and are to be submitted to board@nandc.org.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

- a. Action/Discussion:** LGBTQ+ Alliance of Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils, Danny Deza, Communications Co-Chair (invited) – The selection of primary and alternate delegates to this newly formed alliance which will serve as a bridge between LGBTQ+ stakeholders, the Los Angeles Neighborhood Council system, and the City of Los Angeles.
 - Motion to appoint Steve Pepjdonovic as Primary Delegate, and Samantha Burg as Alternate Delegate for the LGBTQ + Alliance of Los Angeles Neighborhood Councils
 - Motioned by Thryeris, second by Jean
 - 13,0,0
- b. Action/Discussion:** NANDC 2020-2021 Virtual Retreat – Proposing either Thursday, July 23rd from 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., or Saturday, July 18th or July 25th from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Each committee Chair assigned and prepare a proposed budget to be submitted and finalized at the retreat.
 - Motion to hold Virtual Retreat on Saturday, July 18th @ 2:00 p.m.
 - Motioned by Thryeris, second by Jon
 - 13,0,0
- c. Action/Discussion:** Board certification of Treasurer
 - Motion to certify Julie Burg as Treasurer
 - Motioned by Thryeris, second by Jon
 - 13,0,0
- d. Action//Discussion:** Board certification of Secondary Signer (Thryeris Mason)
 - Motion to certify Thryeris Mason as Secondary Signer
 - Motioned by Thryeris, second by Jon
 - 13,0,0
- e. Action/Discussion:** Board certification of Alternate Signer (Jon Tieucl)
 - Motion to certify Jon Tieucl as Alternate Signer
 - Motioned by Thryeris, second by Julie
 - 13,0,0
- f. Action Discussion:** Board certification of 1st bankcard holder (Treasurer)
 - Motion to certify Julie Burg as 1st bankcard holder
 - Motioned by Thryeris, second by Jon
 - 13,0,0
- g. Action Discussion:** Board certification of 2nd bankcard holder (Thryeris Mason)
 - Motion to certify Thryeris Mason as 2nd bankcard holder
 - Motioned by Jon, second by Thryeris

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- h. **Action/Discussion:** Review and Approval of NANDC Inventory
- Motion to approve NANDC's 2020-2021 Inventory List
 - Motioned by Thryeris, second by Jon
 - 13,0,0

VII. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

- a. Confirmation of community/stakeholder members of standing committees -None

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS -

- Amy Carnes announced she will be resigning from the NANDC USC Interest position this month.
- Marco announced that Ward AME Church did their last food distribution today due to lack of volunteers.
- NANDC Executive Board will be meeting Tuesday, July 7, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.

IX. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - None

X. ADJOURNMENT-Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 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 (Outreach, Youth and Senior, Block Club/Neighborhood Associations, Beautification, Budget and Finance)	Julianne Burg, Chair vp@nandc.org	USC Community House 2801 S. Hoover St. 90089	Second Thursday 6:30 p.m.
Marketing & Outreach Committee (Marketing, Events, Outreach, Social Media)	Steve Pepdjonovic, Chair area2a@nandc.org Samantha Burg, Co-Chair secretary@nandc.org	USC Community House 2801 S. Hoover St. 90089	Third Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Policy Committee (Public Safety, Economic Development, Land Use)	Jean Frost, Chair area3a@nandc.org	USC Community House 2801 S. Hoover St. 90089	Fourth Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Homelessness Committee (Inactive)	Nina Womack, Chair atlargerep2@nandc.org	USC Village Community Room	TBA

The Next Regular Meeting of the Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council Governing Board is: **Thursday, August 6, 2020, location pending the status of Safer at Home order.**

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*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.*

PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS –

The public is requested to fill out a “Speaker Card” 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 per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

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.

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)