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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

Celebrating 20 Years

Committees:
Community – 2nd Thursday every month

Marketing & Outreach – 3rd Tuesday every month

Policy – 4th Tuesday every month

Homelessness – TBA



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At Large Representatives:
Jon Tieucl
Jim Childs
Cindy Gaete

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

Thryeris Mason, President

General Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 2, 2022, 6:30 PM
Via Zoom Webinar Teleconferencing

I. CALL TO ORDER Thryeris Mason, President, called Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Members present Thryeris Mason, Julie Burg, Marco Flores, Joel Vaca, David Greenman, Mehul Patel, Jean Frost, Jim Childs, and Cindy Gaete. Samantha Burg, Julianne Burg, Nicolas Creighton and Jon Tieucl are excused. Joe Ward-Wallace unexcused. Quorum established, 9 members present.

II. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

- Without objection minutes are approved as corrected
- Motioned by Thryeris, second by Jean
- 9,0,0

III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- No General Public Comment(s)

IV. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti - No representative
- b. LAPD Senior Lead Officers – Southwest SLO Officer Garner stated that auto related crimes was the previously high crime in the area. Now it seems there has been various

crimes in the area between Hoover to Flower and Adams to Jefferson is where there has been more crimes in her area. She is working with USC DPS. She is working with USC for the ret June 14th there will be Coffee with Officer at Starbucks (Figueroa

and 28th). She invited everyone to stop by between 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Officer Garner met with the property owner of 2323 Scarff to clean the debris which Jean addressed in her email. She is also addressing the homeless issue at that same site; she inform Jean and everyone that she has reached out to the special unhoused outreach unit but they can not enforce on 29th and Western it was observed that an unlicensed vehicle dropped off 2 young ladies who possibly are working the streets. Jim also reiterated Jean's concerned regarding the unhoused issues in the community, as to who to reach out to address the issue to help the unhoused. Thryeris will reach out to see who provides the wrap around services for the unhoused in Council District 1. Officer Calderon stated that he is working with the unhoused and offered any assistance that he can provide. Marco recommended to reach out to the office of Councilmember Gil Cedillo.

- c. USC Public Safety Officer - Officer Carreno touched on contacting the field deputy for CD 1 regarding the unhoused issues, fires caused by the unhoused, etc. Officer Calderon stated that they are giving presentation on how to be safe. They are working with LAPD on making certain arrest. He also reiterated that the CD 1 field deputy has been unresponsive to their emails/phone calls.
- d. Council District 1 for Councilmember Gil Cedillo – Gandhi Diaz not present
- e. Council District 8 – Isaias Benavides stated that they are gearing up for the summer. They will be having Summer Nights program at the recreation parks in CD8 starting July 7th to the end of the summer from 3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. June 11th there

will be a kick-off to there summer events at Van Ness Park. Coffee with the Councilman June 12th at 9:00 a.m. at SouthLA Cafe. Lastly, the CD 8 has a big push for the housing campaign. There will be new units available at the end of the summer.

- f. Council District 9 for Councilmember Curren Price – Nora Gutierrez
- g. The Office of Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell – Daniel Park stated there are many who are still getting sick. Please mask up. Mobile booster vaccine clinics are available. Monkey pox has been detected in LA County.
- h. The Office of Senator Kamlager - Josef Siroky had no major updates. There is a state ADU for a grant up to \$40,000, please contact him at josef.siroky@sen.ca.gov. He will also be doing a event during July and will reach out to us regarding his event. The event is called Bark in the Park, free on site resources. Marco asked regarding the construction on the Santa Monica Freeway, as to what the project is and how long is construction? Josef will forward the information to Marco which he has from Cal Trans. Thryeris asked as to what wrap around services are offered to the unhoused on the state property (on the freeways, etc.)? He stated that they do reach out to Hopics who reach out to the unhoused.
- i. The Office of Assemblymember Reggie Jones-Sawyer, Assembly District 59, not present.
- j. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) – Octaviano Rios said the department has sent out a detailed email. He spoke about the upcoming funding deadlines. He also informed everyone of the upcoming 2023 elections.

V. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

- a. Office of LA County Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell, Armine Sargsyan, spoke about low cost insurance. She spoke about the California Department of Insurance where you can purchase low cost insurance. Their department regulates issuance. They regulate insurance companies, agents and brokers. If you have an any issue regarding issuance issues you can call their hotline at (800) 927-4357 or via their website at www.insurance.ca.gov. Armine then explained the criteria to apply for low cost insurance and documents

required. You can visit their website at www.mylowcostuto.com or call (866) 602-08861

- b.* USC Community Report – Steve Wesson, Managing Director, Community Partnerships & USC Village Ombudsman - No Report
- c.* Housing at Home Community Council Report - Thryeris Mason hopped on a tour bus and tour the 200 plus new units. One which is located at 48th and Normandie which are all studios for seniors. President Mason shared some concerns she had regarding the developments and lack of green space. They also visited 2 other locations at Hyde Park, which was very desirable (beautiful) housing, and the other site was containers at Imperial and Broadway, which will be dedicated to Veterans. They will all have wrap around services. She asked that we support all the housing projects
- d.* South Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (SLAANC) – Thryeris Mason said that Armine , Budget Advocate CF, and letter of support of DONE's Budget.
- e.* Area 1 Report provided by Marco Flores cleanup at the Paseo with 18 volunteers. He is also concerned about the Budlong unhoused problem, which is right next to Salvin School. LAUSD Superintendent is very concerned about these encampments near the schools. Marco also spoke about the Senior Food distribution, which went very well. The seniors were very happy with the food boxes. The senior were very surprised and happy. It was a very good event. Joel Vaca also spoke about the unhoused issues/concerns.
- f.* Area 2 Report provided by David Greenman shared the King Estate signs being put up on Western. He will also be attending Coffee with the Councilman. Mehul Patel had no report.
- g.* Area 3 Report - Jean Frost did not have a report
- h.* At Large & Community Interest did not have any reports
- i.* Community Committee Update – Julianne Burg, Committee Chair - No Report
- j.* Marketing & Outreach Committee Update – Samantha Burg, Committee Chair - No Report
- k.* Policy Committee Update – Jean Frost, Committee Chair
- l.* NANDC Taskforce Update – Jean Frost, Policy Committee Chair, spoke about the maps they reviewed during their meeting. Their report will be under item VII. b.
- m.* Current Board Vacancies – Thryeris Mason, President: USC Community Representative announced the board vacancy position. Please visit www.nandc.org/apply-board.php for additional information and instructions on how to apply.

VI. 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) - There were no applicants
- b.* **Action/Discussion: NANDC Task Force, map for CPIO areas. Recommendation:** NANDC to support the task force recommendations for changing multi-family to character residential
 - Without objection the board motions to support the task force recommendations for changing multi-family to character residential
 - Motioned by Jean, second by Jim
 - 9, 0, 0
- c.* **Action/Discussion: Legacy Business Program, CF 19-0781.** Request for NANDC support, CF 19-0781, and support for Los Angeles Conservancy suggestions by letter, Rosalind Sagara, Los Angeles Conservancy **Recommendation:** NANDC to support a Legacy Business Program and endorse the LA Conservancy letter (8-0-0).
 - Without objection the board supports a Legacy Business Program and endorses the LA Conservancy letter (CIF 19-0781
 - Motioned by Jean, second by Thryeris
 - 9, 0, 0

- d. Action/Discussion:** Proposed support for the nomination of the Grant D. Venerable Family Home, 2921 S. Budlong Ave., as a Historic Cultural Monument. Grant D. Venerable was Caltech's first African American graduate; he broke barriers for African Americans in academia, and the sciences and engineering fields. The nomination is pending at the Office of Historic Resources. **Recommendation:** NANDC support the HCM nomination (8-0-0).
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yX94_I7a61F1JtZX2M9BOW-LgCe_8G6u/view?usp=sharing
- Without objection the board motions to support the Historic Cultural nominations of the Grant D. Venerable Family Home.
 - Motioned by Jean, second by Jim
 - 9, 0, 0
- e. Action/Discussion:** **ADM-2021-10799-CU-DB-SIP-PHP-HCA, 647 W 28TH St**, Application Type: Conditional Use, Density Bonus, Streamlined Infill Project Issuance with no public notice nor hearing for a six story project in the Hoover Expo Park Redevelopment Plan area and in Fraternity Sorority Row CRA surveyed historic district. **Recommendation:** NANDC to object the streamlined process (8-0-0)
- Without objection the board motions to object the streamlined process
 - Motioned by Jean, second by Thryeris
 - 9, 0, 0
- f. Action/Discussion:** **668 W. 28 Street, ADU in front yard.** **Recommendation:** NANDC to question the approval of the ADU and ask for removal (8-0-0).
- Without objection the board motions to question the approval of the ADU at 668 West 28th Street and ask for the removal of the ADU
 - Motioned by Jean, second by Thryeris
 - 9, 0, 0
- g. Action/Discussion:** **705 & 707 W. 30th Street**, demolition. **Recommendation:** NANDC to oppose issuance of a demolition permit as the building in the CRA historic survey and the changes are reversible (8-0-0).
- Without objection the board motions to oppose the issuance of a demolition permit as 705 & 707 West 30th Street is in the CRA historic survey and the changes are reversible
 - Motioned by Jean, second David
 - 9, 0, 0
- h. Action/Discussion:** **1177 37 Place**, DIR-2021-9895-TOC-VHCA, Demolition of a triplex and construction of a new 5 story multi-family building consisting of 7 dwelling units and one ADU. Daniel Ahadian, Nur Development. <https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/search/encoded/MjUyOTgy0>
Recommendation: NANDC to object due to developer representative failure of meeting with NANDC Policy Committee as agreed. Failure to honor his commitment. NANDC to write a letter to object to the developer representative having agreed to meet and then delay May meeting until the project was approved (8,0,0).
- Without objection the board motions to object DIR - 2021 - 9895 - TOC - VHCA due to developer representative failure of meeting with NANDC Policy Committee as agreed. Failure to honor his commitment. NANDC to write a letter to object.
 - Motioned by Jean, second Thryeris
 - 9, 0, 0
- i. Action/Discussion:** Community Impact Statement - CF 11-1020-S3, Neighborhood Council Funding Program / Budget Advocates / Term Substitution / Budget Advocacy / Los Angeles Administrative Code / Amendment

- Without objection the board motions to support CIF 11-1020-S3, Neighborhood Council Funding Program/Budget Advocates/Term Substitution/Budget Advocacy / Los Angeles Administrative Code / Amendment
- Motioned by Julie, second Marco
- 9, 0, 0
- j.* Action Discussion: Community Impact Statement - CF 22-0600, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget Request
 - Without objection the board motions to support CF 22-0600, Department of Neighborhood Empowerment Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget Request
 - Motioned by Thryeris, second by Jean
- k.* Action/Discussion: Board approval of \$200.00 expenditure to purchase our Zoom license.
 - Motion to support the expenditure of \$200.00 for the purchase of our Zoom license.
 - Motioned by Thryeris, second by Jean
 - 5, 3, 0 (Mehul not present)

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Joel reminder everyone if you are ages 5-11 can get your covid booster
- LAUSD is giving students laptops and Wi-Fi boxes. Tap cards are also available contact your school.
- Jim wanted to inform everyone that mortality rate is at all time high for elderly people. Please do not forget about the elderly.
- Jean announced vacancies in the South Area Planning Commission, Adams Normandie, North University Specific Plan, and University Park HPOZ,

VIII. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - None

IX. ADJOURNMENT - Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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

The Next Regular Meeting of the Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council Governing Board is: **Thursday, July 7, 2022, location pending the status of Safer at Home order.**

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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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