

**Julianne Burg, Vice President**  
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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**  
**Vacant, Area 2**  
**Jean Frost, Area 3**  
**Nicolas Creighton, Area 3**

**Committees:**

**Celebrating 20 Years**

***Community – 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday***  
***every month***

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

**Community Interest Positions:**  
**Vincent Cisneros, USC**  
**Vacant, Business Rep**

***Policy – 4<sup>th</sup> 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**  
**Thursday, February 2, 2023, 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, Joel Vaca, Jean Frost, Nicolas Creighton, Jim Childs and Vincent Cisneros. 10 members present, quorum established.
- II. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES**
  - Board motions to approve the minutes
  - Motioned by Jean, second by Joel
  - 10, 0, 0
- III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**
  - None
- IV. TREASURER REPORT**
  - Board motions to approve the October MER Report
  - Motioned by Vincent, second by Julianne
  - 9, 0, 0 (Joel Vaca Ineligible)

## V. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a.* Office of Mayor Karen Bass - No Representative
- b.* LAFD South Bureau Battalion Representative - No Representative
- c.* LAPD Senior Lead Officers – Southwest SLO Representative - No Representative
- d.* USC Public Safety Officers - No Representative
- e.* Council District 1 for Councilmember Eunisses Hernandez - Louie Leiva introduced himself. He announced that Councilmember Hernandez is in her 1st days of service. She is working with Street Services to make sure those service requests are being completed. President Mason thanked him for being present. Jean also welcomed him as a stakeholder and constituent and is delighted to have someone to speak to from Council District 1. Jim also stated he is a CD 1 resident and thanked CD 1 for sending a representative to Council District 1. Jim asked if he would oversee the HPOZ board? Jim would like to get in contact with Louie, Louie will defer to the correct person, and he will make the connection.
- f.* Council District 8 for Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson – Gandhy Diaz re-introduced herself and stated she is now assigned to the Constituent and City Services but will soon transition to a Field Deputy position. She is delighted to be in her new role. Jean re-welcomed her and thanked her for all her previous work. Isaias gave a report on the homeless count. Moving unhoused/encampment (87th and Western) into motels. They will be transitioning people from hotels into 368 permanent units, which will be available. Human Trafficking uptake on Western Avenue, check with LAPD, meeting with City Attorney office to see how they can enforce sex trafficking on Western (Between the 10 freeway to Florence). Park updates - Denker Park has ball field improvements such as a new dugout, fencing, and scoreboard. Martin Luther King Jr. Park has a new playground and cameras. Richardson Park is finalizing plans for pathways, murals and salvaging artwork they have on display. All these beatification projects will be completed by the end of these year. Nuisance motels on Western - such as Pine Tree are being used for unhoused individuals. 12 trees scheduled to be trimmed along 22nd between Ellendale and Vermont. President Mason has paid close attention to the trafficking increase. Regarding the Chesterfield - how can NANDC support. Hygiene packages - Isaias will ask for a list of items needed and will send it over to President Mason..
- 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 Assemblymember Reggie Jones-Sawyer, Assembly District 59 - Not Present
- j.* Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) – Octaviano Rios- All meetings to be held in person per the Brown Act until there is any change by legislative. If there are concerns, please provide them to Ocataviano. Policy Committee would like to meet in person at USC Forthman House. Julianne stated that Samantha and her have been in contact with Henry Lo and Steve Wesson regarding the USC Village Community Room and the USC Forthman House.

## VI. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

- a. USC Community Report – Steve Wesson, Managing Director, Community Partnerships & USC Village Ombudsman - Not Present
- b. EVG-h Workshop - Josh Nadel or EVG-h Workgroup Representative, EVG-h Presentation - Josh introduced himself. He is from Palms NC. He informed us that he had some good and bad news. Committee meetings will not meet in-person until June. Hybrid set-up - People can be virtual up to 3 times a year. Security paid for the next 6-12 months. Budget includes for a vendor to put equipment together - screen, 360 camera, so everyone who is on-line can see. Check for vaccine status just like at City Hall. Jim thanked Josh for showing up. Jim asked "why a committee member can not meet until a later time? There are brand new sets of responsibilities to do in 30 days. We are all volunteers, we can not stop in order to proceed". Jim is outraged. Josh thanked Jim for his comment but stated it's all these changes are due to AB 2449 - new changes in the Brown Act. Secretary Burg stated "We do not have armed LAPD officers to enforce the vaccination enforcement. And will not subject any of the board members to due this". She asked Octaviano for DONE to address this. Octaviano said they are working with Commissioners, DONE, and so forth. CF 22-1070 - There is a budget priced at \$42,00.00 for 3 months (\$3000 per council). He also asked to look at CF 23-0002-s 16 and 17.
- c. The Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy (LAANE) - Andrea O'loughlin, LAANE Community Organizer, Fair Work and Krogers/Albertsons Merger Presentation - Andrea, community organizer, introduced herself. She reminded us that in 2019 there was a NC CF - motioned passed in November 2020. It will be implemented on April 1, 2023. Andrea thanked NANDC for their support. She stated how NANDC made an impact on supporting their cause. A CF was created and will impact 9,000 employees. such as schedule there has to be a 10-hour gap of rest. shifts that u are called you have right to decline or Employees will be able to take time off without retaliation. essentially have the right to their lives, with the stability of their workspace. Holly Mitchell introduced the motion last December 2021. She once again stated that they couldn't have done this without NANDC's support. President Mason thanked the sweet behind the bitter, thank her for acknowledging NANDC and knowing that we have helped 70,000 workers in the city. Jim was glad to hear that they not only thanked us, but to know that 70,000 workers will benefit from decisions that are made at NANDC. Glad to be of service to your organization. Jean echoed what Jim stated. Jean deeply moved and glad to know that NANDC's work matters.
- d. Lead Hazard Remediation Program, Hybrid High School Representative(s), Lead Hazard Remediation Program Community Fair Presentation, they will be having a community fair on Wednesday, March 22nd at 3:30 p.m.
- e. South Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (SLAANC) – Thryeris Mason - SLAANC meet with Brenda Thompson regarding homeless concerns such as encampments, she took copious notes, they spoke of intervention on homeless trauma. Their needs to be care for and have some counseling components, need a peace of calmness, someone to talk to. Brenda Thompson.
- f. Executive Board Meeting Summary - Thryeris Mason - Transitioning back to in person, introduced the EVG Hybrid process but not knowing committee meetings will not be meeting in person. Housekeeping - Storage.
- g. Area 1 Report provided by Marco Flores had no report & Joel Vaca spoke about the Budlong tunnel - on Wednesday, February 1, met with representative about the accessibility of Budlong, concerned about the health & safety of them. Issues with public usage on light post on sidewalks and on top too
- h. Area 2 Report - David Greenman was not present.
- i. Area 3 Report provided by Jean Frost & Nicolas Creighton thanked Isaias for informing him about the tree trimming.
- j. At Large & Community Interest Reports - Jim announced that this year 2023, it's the sentinel year of AAA. Vincent announced the Celebration of Black History month - USC students will visit 6 restaurants in community. They will go in buses. The idea is in February - Feb 24th Asian - In March with the Latino community. Full credit goes out to the chair (Monica). Murals - please email Vincent at

Vincent.nandc@gmail.com if you have any questions.

- k.* Community Committee Update – Julianne Burg, Committee Chair, working on standing items. She welcome everyone to attend next Thursday, February 10, 2023
- l.* Marketing & Outreach Committee Update – Samantha Burg, Committee Chair, working on Utility Boxes and Elections with the Community Committee.
- m.* Policy Committee Update – Jean Frost, Committee Chair - The Paul Revere Williams house has been purchased by architect Jon Arnold. The home will be preserved by someone very knowledgeable. Korean Cultural Center - government of South Korea has purchased it and will be restoring to show the history of Koreans in America. This shows how the survey is very important.
- n.* NANDC Taskforce Update – Thryeris Mason, President, changes in south Los Angeles community plan originally lead by Steve Pepdjonovic, homes 60 years or older, city agreed to adopt a survey, but did not adopt. Taskforce will move on with the survey and will pressure city later on to adopt the 2 pending issues.
- o.* Fraternity/Sorority Row AdHoc Committee Update - Jean Frost, Policy Committee Chair, for the moment positive things are happening.
- p.* Current Board Vacancies – Thryeris Mason, President, announced that there are 2 board vacancies, Area 2 Representative and Business Interest board vacancy positions. Please visit [www.nandc.org/apply-board.php](http://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. Area 2 Representative
  - 2. Business Interest
    - No application received.
- b.* **Action/Discussion:** MOTION to approve our neighborhood council's, Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council, selection in the EVG-h Pilot Program
  - Motion to approve ECNANDC to approve our neighborhood council's selection in the EVG-h Pilot Program.
  - Motioned by Thryeris, second by Jean
  - 9, 0, 1
- c.* **Action/Discussion:** MOTION to approve a CIS on **CF 22-1070** with the following statement, subject to amendment and conditions from this body
  - (<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1NvZBhMBhmz0Z2IUgKkanHNNDTCtsfUTD9u5UcdGZMAE/edit?usp=sharing>)
    - Motion to approve a CIS on **CF 22-1070** with ECNANDC recommendations, such as NC increase funding or have the City of Los Angeles pay for Hybrid meetings.
    - Motioned by Thryeris, second by Jean
    - 10, 0, 0

- d. Action/Discussion: Smart and Final, ZA-2021-9311-CUB, 3607 S. Vermont, Jeffrey Kim, Art Rodriguez & Assoc.** <https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/search/encoded/MjUyMzg20>  
**Recommendation:** NANDC to support the conditional use for sale of liquor at the Smart and Final store at 3607 S. Vermont and ask that the security guard hours and additional staffing be assessed by management. (5-0-0)
- Motion to support the conditional use for sale of liquor at the Smart and Final store at 3607 S. Vermont and ask that the security guard hours and additional staffing be assessed by management.
  - Motioned by Jean, second by Thryeris
  - 10, 0, 0
- e. Action/Discussion: ZA-2022-7151-CUB, 3009 S. Figueroa, Northern Cafe Hot Pot, now called Figs Corner restaurant Liliger Damas** <https://planning.lacity.org/pdiscaseinfo/search/encoded/MjYxNDE00> **Recommendation:** NANDC to support conditional use for beer and wine in conjunction with the restaurant food service. (6-0-0)
- Motion to support conditional use for beer and wine in conjunction with the restaurant food service.
  - Motioned by Jean, second by Marco
  - 10, 0, 0
- f. Action/Discussion, CF 23-0026, motion pursuant to Section 245 of the Los Angeles City Charter, the City Council assert jurisdiction over the December 6, 2022 (Letter of Determination date: December 21, 2022), 3685 S. Vermont**  
<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=23-0026>
- Recommendation:** that PLUM and City Council support the earlier decision of the Zoning Administrator and the South Area Planning Commission denying the hotel use at the site; ask that a new RFP be issued with housing options. (6-0-0).
- No action taken - Item will go to City Council on Friday, February 3, 2023
- Recommendation:** NANDC to write a letter expressing our concerns at the Councilmember's support and awarding of a hotel project at this site. (6-0-0)
- No action taken - Item will go to City Council on Friday, February 3, 2023
- g. Action/Discussion/Recommendation:** when NANDC Joint Board Policy Committee meetings resume in person the committee will meet at the Forthman/USC Community House, 2801 S. Hoover , the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month (6-0-0)
- Motioned to support NANDC Joint Board Policy Committee meetings resume in person the committee will meet at the Forthman/USC Community House, 2801 S. Hoover , the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month
  - Motioned by Jean, second by Thryeris
  - 10, 0, 0

**VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Thryeris - Mayor Karen Bass is putting a few items a month for African American month. Please visit website for continue information.
- Marco shared information on agencies who can assist with paying Gas Bills
- Jean spoke of the availability of the program of program Adams Normandie HPOZ - pilot program.

**IX. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS-None**

- X. ADJOURNMENT** - President Mason thanked everyone for their energy and not holding back. Adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

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**Official public notice for all committees:**

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

The Next Regular Meeting of the Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council Governing Board is: **Thursday, March 2, 2023, location pending the status of Safer at Home order.**

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- USC Village Community Room, 3015 S. Hoover St., Building 1-189, Los Angeles, CA 90007
- Hoover Recreation Center, 1010 W. 25<sup>th</sup> 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. 35<sup>th</sup> 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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Penal Code Section 403, Penal Code Section 602.1(b)

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