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**EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS NORTH
AREA NEIGHBORHOOD
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**



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Area Representatives:
Marco Flores, Area 1
Joel Vaca, Area 1
David Greenman, Area 2
Kevin McPherson, Area 2
Jean Frost, Area 3
Nicolas Creighton, Area 3

At Large Representatives:
Jon Tieucl
Nina Womack
Cindy Gaete

Committees:

Community – 2nd Thursday every month – Julianne Burg, Chair;

Julie Burg; Marco Flores; David Greenman (alternate), Thryeris Mason, & Joel Vaca

Marketing & Outreach – 3rd Tuesday every month – Samantha

Burg, Chair; Nicolas Creighton, Co-Chair, Julianne Burg, Julie Burg, & Nina Womack (alternate)

Policy – 4th Tuesday every month – Jean Frost, Chair; Jim Childs, Co-Chair; Robin Evangelista; Leslie Friedman; Cindy Gaete; David Greenman (alternate); Jesus Garcia; Christine Lee; Christopher Perez; Joanne Russell, & Jon Tieucl

Homelessness – Hiatus

Thryeris Mason, President

Community Interest Positions:
Christopher Perez, USC
Jim Childs, Business Rep

General Board Minutes
Thursday, May 6, 2021 6:30 PM
Via Zoom Webinar Teleconferencing

I. CALL TO ORDER - President Thryeris Mason called Meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Members present Thryeris Mason, Julianne Burg, Samantha Burg, Julie Burg, Marco Flores, Joel Vaca (7:00 p.m.), David Greenman, Jean Frost, Nicolas Creighton, Cindy Gaete, Jon Tieucl and Jim Childs. Kevin McPherson Nina Womack, Chris Perez Unexcused. Quorum established, 12 members present.

II. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

- Without objection April's minutes are accepted with the noted corrections.
- Motioned by Jean, second by Thryeris
- (11,0,0) (Joel not present)

III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- None

IV. COMMUNITY/GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Office of Mayor Eric Garcetti – David Price-No Representative Present
- LAPD Senior Lead Officers – Southwest SLO Representative-Officer Moreno reported that crime thread is burglary from motor vehicles. Regarding projects, he has been working on cleanups along the Santa Monica Freeway (10 Freeway) between

- Raymond to Catalina. He has assisted with the removal of graffiti. He is working with housing entities to help with the transitioning to shelter housing (3 RV's) Cleaning encampments along the 10 Freeway (Santa Monica Freeway).
- USC Public Safety Officers -No report from Officer Carreno

- d.* Council District 1 for Councilmember Gil Cedillo – Ghandy Diaz spoke about the Homebound Program happening in Council District 1. At their mobile vaccination sites they have Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson vaccines. Council District 1 is doing community cleanups; they have sent their strike team. They are gathering some of their neighbors and doing community cleanups. Lastly, a community food distribution mobile grocery truck has been circulating thru CD 1.
- e.* Council District 8 – Albizael Del Valle spoke about the first 31 units of housing for individuals who are houseless. It has been an interesting full circle from Karen Bass to Councilmember Harris-Dawson assisting with this project. HOPICS is doing an exceptional job in connecting all the dots. They are working with houseless individuals. Albi also spoke of the Western project causing a lot of traffic, apologized for traffic delays. He also wanted to address a couple of things about homelessness on Adams & Kenwood, crime is a big concern, working with property manager to get more information of what is occurring there. Lastly, there is a schedule for slurry seals, which will be impacting street repairs. Questions asked were from Jean Frost does the council office have a deputy to deal with planning issues? Albi stated that they are currently interviewing. Hoping to have good news next month. Jean think it is relevant to NANDC Taskforce & she emphasized that CD 8 cannot do it alone. Cindy asked about the acknowledgement from Judge Carter? Concerned about where will people be housed within the city and county? Albi stated that this question will be addressed, but we do have a sense of what needs to be done. It will be done with an equitable approach. Please read the injunction, it's a great read. President Mason asked regarding the status of the pilot project of the cleanliness and hygiene of the homeless, and will there be a gathering for Dia de Los Muertos this year? Albi stated that they had to remove large roll-off bin, it was extremely successful. Had to remove some debris due to it being very heavy. CD 8 needs to identify an ALB (smaller container) to assist encampments that need a bin. Albi informed us that they have not thought of Dia de Los Muertos yet. 24th Street Theatre will be taking lead if there is one this year. Are there any other social distancing events coming soon/summer? They have not thought of any yet, Office is not ready. President Mason thanked Albi.
- f.* Council District 9 for Councilmember Curren Price – Nora Gutierrez greeted everyone. Continuing mobile vaccination site this week at South Park and Green Meadows Johnson & Johnson & Pfizer vaccinations being given. CD 9 will be having a virtual ground breaking event of 39 units for homeless individuals taking place live tomorrow. CD 9 will be having a drive thru event for the 4th of July Event this year, even though we are in the yellow tier. The Lucas Museum will be opening in 2023. They are on target with their opening date. Nora thanked LAPD in assisting with the cleanups at 37th and Flower. Safe parking for mobile homes are in place in CD 9, please contact her directly if you have any questions.
- g.* The Office of Assemblymember Reggie Jones-Sawyer, Assembly District 59 -None
- h.* Holly Mitchell Office- Daniel Park thanked President Mason, Area Representative 1 Marco Flores, and Vice-President Burg for assisting the County Supervisor with the Town Hall.
- i.* USC Community Report – Steve Wesson, USC Village Ombudsman gave thanks for the well-organized Town Halls. USC graduation will be live at the Los Angeles Coliseum. Ceremonies will be over a 14 day period.
- j.* Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) – Octaviano Rios spoke about the zoom application, rules of order regarding zoom license, and elections.
- k.* Budget Advocates Update - Not Present
- l.* City Clerk Election Administrator – Lane Basulto- Not Present

V. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

- a.* South Los Angeles Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (SLAANC) – President Mason stated she did not have much to report other than the People's Budget Town Hall where the reimaging funds were discussed. The main focus was the cleaning up of homeless encampments, This month SLAANC will be hosting Controller Ron Guplin, Raquel Beltran, renaming part of Crenshaw Blvd to Malcolm X Blvd and EC West will speak on the Cannabis regarding social equity in our area. President Mason also informed everyone that SLAANC meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month. President asked if there was anyone who wished to receive a copy of the agenda and be part of the distribution list to please email Chair Mason at SLAANC3.0@gmail.com
- b.* Area 1 Report provided by Marco Flores, President of ANNA, gave a report of what ANNA did for the neighborhood this last year. 10,000 mask were given to schools/daycares, 10,000 disposable mask to community members, 8,000 cloth masks to anti-so squad, 700 bottles of sanitizers distributed to the community, 500 lbs. of coffee, facilitated donation of 16 computers, 12 distribution events, sponsored the slow street program, maintained ANNA meetings, reported tons of illegal dumping in the ANNA area. Thanked partners such as SOLA Peace Camps, UMA Food Finders, World Harvest, CD 8, and a special thanks to ALBI. ANNA did miss their cleanups, National night out thanksgiving giveaways, Christmas giveaways but are looking

forward to future events.

Joel informed everyone that the SLO in Area 1 has been very helpful with the homeless encampments. Joel also reported of the fire on an illegal structure on the Budlong and 22nd. He also stated there have been cleanups of encampments but unfortunately they turn around and again encampments pop up.

- c. Area 2 Report provided by David Greenman, Area 2 has had issue with gang tagging. President Mason recommended using the 311 app to report tagging.
- d. Area 3 Report provided by Jean Frost. Jean reported that there has been an incremental increase of fireworks and concerned of disturbance of fireworks. President Mason gave a Big Shout-Out to Nicolas Creighton for his hard work on tree trimming and sidewalk repairs on 22nd Street. Nicolas reported concern of homeless encampments under the Santa Monica Freeway along Hoover, the concerns are mainly of the fires being set by some of the individuals at the encampments. Also, the large amount of debris left from the encampment fires.
- e. At Large & Community Interest Reports - No Reports
- f. Community Committee Report by Julianne Burg, Committee Chair, gave thanks to everyone for their attendance at the NANDC Townhall. Julianne gave a brief recap of invited guest in attendance Mayor Garcetti, County Supervisor Mitchell, and Councilman Harris-Dawson. She also informed that Councilman Cedillo sent a virtual video for all those in attendance. Julianne also spoke about the Senior Appreciation Day, W/Love will be assembling food boxes. Julianne thanked Gandhi, Nora, Albi, ANNA (Marco), and WANA (Tanisha) for all of their help and support with this endeavor, and gave a special thanks to the Community Committee.
- g. Marketing & Outreach Committee Update – Nicolas, Committee Co-Chair, the Marketing & Outreach committee is working with the department of aging to get materials for senior appreciation boxes, reported that the M & O has not heard back from the Department of Transportation regarding the utility boxes. President Mason has an alternate contact to help assist with the utility box project. There was no real update on elections since Octaviano gave a report of the elections.
- h. NANDC Taskforce Update – Thryeris Mason, President, has been spearheading the Taskforce mtg. May 19 @ 6:30 p.m. is the next meeting. There was no meeting in April.

VI. MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

a. Action/Discussion: SOLA Community Peace Center NPG Request \$4,000

Presented by: Dr. Susan Stouffer - The SOLA Community Peace Center would like to request an NPG request for \$4,000. This NPG would be used to support their community-based Peace Camps during May and June 2021. Their theme is “Building Stronger Bridges to a Better World”. This grant will serve to benefit their continuation of helping youth grow their understanding on peace and justice issues that impact their lives. It will also help with the purchasing of PPE supplies/ materials, curriculum, etc. to ensure their peace camp runs smoothly. **Community Recommendation/Motion:** To support the SOLA NPG request of \$4,000 to support their May and June Peace camps along with purchasing PPE supplies, and material/curriculum needed for the camps. (4-0-0)

- Without objection board supports SOLA NPG request of \$4,000 to support their May and June Peace camps along with purchasing PPE supplies, and material/ curriculum needed for the camps.
 - Marco Flores recused himself- He left the zoom call. City Attorney has had a conversation with Marco Flores about any possible conflict of interest and has obtained advise on what he needs to do during this agenda item presentation. Once again Marco Flores was not present during this agenda item.
 - Without objection the board supports support the NPG request of \$4,000 for SOLA Community Peace Center
 - Motioned by Thryeris , second by Jean
 - (11,0,0) Marco Flores not present during this agenda item
 - Marco rejoined meeting at 8:37 p.m. after agenda was discussed and voted on.
- b. **Action/Discussion: Council File 21-0002-S63, AB 832**

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=21-0002-S63> https://clkrep.lacity.org/onlinedocs/2021/21-0002-s63_reso_03-03-2021.pdf

Recommendation/Motion: to oppose City Council’s motion to support AB 832 and oppose AB 832, file a CIS. This bill would remove all land use provisions of redevelopment plan negates all benefits that a redevelopment plan provides including affordable housing incentives. (5-0-0)

- Without objection board supports the opposition of City Council’s motion to support AB 832 and oppose AB 832, file a CIS. This bill would remove all land use provisions of redevelopment plan negates all benefits that a redevelopment plan provides including affordable housing incentives.
- Motioned by Jean, second by David
- All board members in favor (11,0,0)

c. Action/Discussion: Council File 19-1235, LA public bank

<https://cityclerk.lacity.org/lacityclerkconnect/index.cfm?fa=ccfi.viewrecord&cfnumber=19-1235>

Motion/Recommendation: to support creation of municipal public bank for the City of Los Angeles. Creation of a public bank would be an incentive to community investment; file CIS. (5-0-0)

- Without objection board supports the creation of municipal public bank for the City of Los Angeles. Creation of a public bank would be an incentive to community investment; file CIS.
- Motioned by Jean, second by Joel
- 10,1,0 (Samantha not Present)

d. Action/Discussion: DIR-2020-4338-RDP-1A, 806 W. Adams SAPC Appeal Hearing

Recommendation/Motion: that Neighborhood Council and public comment be taken at the next South Area Planning Commission hearing regarding the 806 W. Adams appeal of the projects' conformance to the Redevelopment Plan, DIR-2020-4338-RDP-1A is currently scheduled for June 15. (5-0-0)

- Without objection board supports that Neighborhood Council and public comment be taken at the next South Area Planning Commission hearing regarding the 806 W. Adams appeal of the projects' conformance to the Redevelopment Plan, DIR-2020-4338-RDP-1A is currently scheduled for June 15.
- Motioned by Jean, second by Jon
- All board members in favor (11,0,0) (Samantha not present)

VII. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

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

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS-

- Jon Tieucl announced it was his last term. He will not be seeking a seat for the next term. It's been a great 9 years.
- Joel reminded everyone if you are 16 and up, get your vaccination. Please get your Pfizer vaccination

IX. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- None

X. ADJOURNMENT- Meeting adjourned at 9:13 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 julianne.nandc@gmail.com	Via Zoom	Second Thursday 6:30 p.m.
Marketing & Outreach Committee (Marketing, Events, Outreach, Social Media)	Samantha Burg, Chair sburg.nandc@gmail.com Nicolas Creighton, Co-Chair area3b@nandc.org	Via Zoom	Third Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Policy Committee (Public Safety, Economic Development, Land Use)	Jean Frost, Chair area3a@nandc.org Jim Childs, Co-Chair business@nandc.org	Via Zoom	Fourth Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Homelessness Committee (Inactive)	Nina Womack, Chair atlargerep2@nandc.org	N/A	TBA

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Government code Section 54957.9

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