

**EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS SOUTHEAST AREA
NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
(ECSEANDC)**



GENERAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA

**July 25th, 2023
6:30PM – 8:30PM
MRT Constituent Service Center
8475 Vermont Ave.
Los Angeles, CA. 90044**

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Moises Rosales
President

Elida Mendez
Vice-president

Vacant
Board Secretary

Estrella de la Rosa
Treasurer

Vacant
Parliamentarian

BOARD MEMBERS

Jazmine Anderson
Nik DeFrance
Jesse Munoz
Twyla K-Peters
Trina Young-W.

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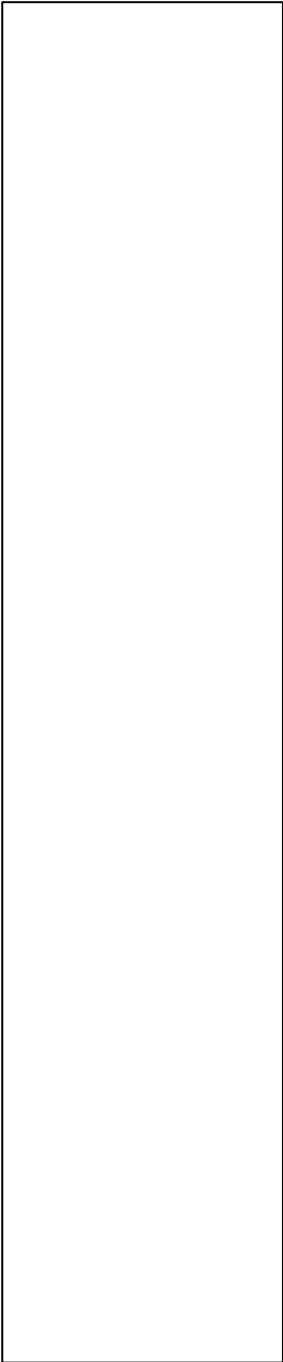
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The Neighborhood Council system enables meaningful civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs.

We are advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of stakeholder volunteers who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities.



MEETING AGENDA

1. Call to order

M. Rosales, President

CALL TO ORDER:

Moises- start meeting 6:35 (not call to order)

Call to order - 6:50

2. Welcome

M. Rosales, President

3. Roll Call

J. Munoz

ROLL CALL

Called by me. Quorum: all members present

4. Elected Officials and City Department Reports (4min Each)

a. Senior Lead Officers

Laura: speaking in English and Spanish.

intro, boundaries explanation, 311 explanation,

upcoming events: enhance park events: 88th & hoover park - creative arts, gardening, yoga (10 dollars/week). 8A-3P

Enhance summer night lights: Friday (all 7 parks) Movie Night. Aug 11 - for backpack giveaway @ 6PM. Free food and meal.

National night out - next Tuesday @ southeast police station 110th&Main from 2-5.

Activities and resources to connect with LAPD.

Last month, office introduces motion to address timelines for streetlights outage:

as of now, officially: 45 days for inspection on specific street light. Council is in recess.

Urban peace institute - 1000 surveys by residents in area about current state of area.

Specifically in and around the park.

Question: Jazmin - question on how to contact survey company

Comment: Moises - "BS for street light timeline"

b. Council Districts

c. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment

Octaviano report: talks about engagement during pandemic, lists resources for board
September 23 - congress of neighborhoods (open to public)

highly recommend all board members to attend. lists subject matter for workshop
(most depts of city hall present)

New directors: Mari Lu - election awareness and engagement.

Promote neighborhood councils in general

Regard to new board members: tentative aug 31st 6-8 meet and greet. Tom Bradley room
at city hall.

Board members and dept staff. City clerk and city attorney.

canva account: had to cancel some accounts. Not sure about SEA account

Last: bylaw ammendment application open aug 1 - April tentative

Q: dates for amendment application
Octaviano: answered.

Q: what's the email for neighborhood congress
Octaviano: neighborhood congress.la

d. Other City Departments (2 total)

e. Neighborhood block clubs/Associations (2 total 2MIN each.)

Secretary VP southeast neighborhood association: public comment;
health is the new wealth. Partnering with YMCA to give 3 families a 6 month membership.
Pushing 311.

Given emails:

Sara : 1954133@yahoo.com

Claudine: claudia1947@sbcglobal.net 323-702-6169

Wants to have a 311 training for elders.

Amos Williams - YMCA wellness and aquatics membership. Requesting funds for free memberships. 2 adults and 5 children.

Moises: have you submitted MPG?

Amos: Yes, he will send it to share it for the board

Nik: What is the cost for memberships? Child v Adult.

Amos: intro Angie

Angie: 69 dollars. 2 adults 5 kids, 40 young adults 45 adults older than young adults

Trina: How much are you asking for

Amos: 1042 dollars for three families.

f. non-agenda items public comment. (1 MIN. each)

Public comment:

Q: what are they inspecting?

Laura: Copper wire theft or lightbulb outage. ONLY if it's reported to be out

Q: question about avalon- if it is included (103 and avalon)

Laura: yes

Q: timeline on if not copper wire theft

Laura: a week or so after

Q: another question about how to administer surveys

Laura: send Laura an email. 10 dollars per survey.

Q: teaching at the park

Laura: this year, classes are done

Q: lights on Vermont (between Manchester and Florence), 2A, 3A, traffic signals stay on too long. How can we address?

Laura: bring up to LADOT engineers. Pawned it off on them. (Send an email to Laura)

Moises: admonish board for general questions in vein of time.
Explains to public about 311 packet and resources in packet. Thanks Laura.

5. New Business

- a. Welcome to returning and newly elected board members. (M. Rosales)

Welcomes and cautions new members: (M Rosales)

Nik de France motions, second by Twyla Peters for reaffirmation and new board members oath.

- b. Neighborhood Council Board Member Oath of Office conducted by Octaviano Rios from the office of Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.
Reaffirmation
-Elida Mendez
New Board Member
-Jazmine Anderson
-Trina Young-Washington

Octaviano: reads pledge for all members, at request of board chair.

- c. Discussion and Board action to approve participation in the National Night out at the Southeast Police Station. 2pm – 5pm with a budget not to exceed \$400 for snacks and drinks. (E. Mendez)

motion to hear item B, and amend to include national night out wed-sat, specifically, on Friday July 28, green meadows park 7-8PM:

Motion to hear item B by Nik de France, Jesse Munoz seconds

Elida Mendez: discusses amendment - Night light out - bring lots of resources to community
Chair Rosales opens up for questions, confirms we've done this event before covid.

Q: Estrella De la rosa: confirms wed-fri

A: Elida Mendez confirms that our participation is only for Friday

Twyla: also has some confusion about the dates

Everyone is confused:

For July 28th, Jazmin Anderson and Jesse Munoz volunteer to help.

Q: public comment- time and location

A: National night out, aug 2 - police station. Summer night lights, this friday 7-10PM - green meadows park

Moises: admonish Octavio for non-members voting.

Moises calls into question item C

Motion: passes 6-2-0 (Anderson, Young Washington ineligible for all votes)

- d. Discussion and possible board action regarding Little Green Acres Park Garden is in rundown condition and need to be activated to beautify the community. Managing personnel need to be held accountable. (M. Rosales)

Board action to update Little Green Acres Park in SEPT

Nik de France motions, seconded by Twyla Peters

Moises: calls to hear item from ms Mendez, second ms Anderson
Moises can confirm item validity.

Linda Kelly (President) - mothers and fathers who care: intros garden.

Explains issues with garden. Explains who the volunteers are.

Explains why the garden is "weedy" - plants need to regerminate.

Events every 3rd Saturday. Open every Tuesday.

Dwayne Jackson Gardener: explains further the purpose of the garden and composting system.

Explains break ins to the garden and vandalism (about once a week). Wants funding.

Linda: "second time that board has called us up. Board hasn't given the courtesy to call and say something."

[Has responsibility of garden and does homeless services. Isn't happy. Feels disrespected.]

Moises: responds- explains why the garden is called to the board. Explains that garden has only been here twice over 5 years. "If a board member has a concern, it goes on the agenda"

[Moises feels disrespected for Linda's disrespect. Doesn't feel welcome. Admonishes Linda for her aggressive attitude.]

Mr Dwayne: reads an email from an anthropologist at southwest college- wanted to take students to garden bc she liked it. College Students loved the garden.

explains the weeds again and says that Moises misjudged weeds while driving by. Says Moises was rude on a phone call.

Moises: explains phone call; why garden was called onto agenda item.

Linda: explains their garden again. Public Cannot buy a plot. Is there for the entire community.

Moises: the people who reported the garden the first time aren't the same people who reported this time.

David (gardener): explains further a community garden vs private garden.

Moises opens up to public comment:

Q: are you able to donate seeds

Dwayne: Yes

Moises: What are the days of operation?

Dwayne: Tuesdays 9-1

Linda: and the third Saturday of every month. 10AM (no close time. Maybe 3-4P)

Nik: most people don't know gardening. If people see weeds, they think it's a problem. Can you do community outreach to teach community.

Linda: agrees. Says there are not enough volunteers

Twyla: affirms Nik's comment, asks how garden is promoting open times?

Linda: posted on socials, and lists the shelters that know.

Trina: affirms Nik's comment. Opens a line of communication to Linda.

Linda: 10975 s Vermont - headquaRTERS, (closed for fire). now at 11502 suite d Vermont.
Garden is at 10420 Vermont

Jazmin: how to volunteer

Linda: call office. (Twyla asks for number) 323-247-7667

Elida: shows closed sign and suggests to post open dates and asks for volunteers

Linda: kids destroy the banners

Trina: how are you gonna manage the homeless lady outside?

Linda: says they can't do anything right now even though she's violent.

Moises: for time, suggests garden to work with parks & rec.

Linda: agrees

Moises: amend motion item to revisit in a couple months to discuss.

Dwayne: interrupts to inform that they also run the showers there too.

Nik: do they take clothes donation?

Linda: yes.

- e. Board action to appoint Jesse Munoz to Board Secretary from Member at-Large representative #2

MOTION: Estrella de la Rosa seconded by Nik de France 6-2-0

- f. Board action to approve funding Items
 - e1. Website maintenance, June and July (The Web Corner) \$300
 - e2. Internet for office, June and July (Verizon) \$331.62

AMMEND TO F, F1, F2.

MOTION BY Jesse Munoz, seconded by Nik de France 6-2-0

DE LA ROSA: MONTHLY APPROVAL UNTIL YEARLY BUDGET APPROVAL

END OF ACTION ITEMS

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| a. | <u>Budget Committee Chair</u> | - E. dela Rosa |
| b. | <u>Outreach Committee Chair</u> | - M. Rosales |
| c. | Quality of Life Committee Chair | - Vacant |
| d. | Beautification Committee Chair | - Elida Mendez |
| e. | <u>Public Safety Committee Chair.</u> | - Elida Mendez |
| f. | <u>Youth/ Young Adults Comm. Chair</u> | - Vacant |
| g. | <u>Land Use Committee Chair</u> | - Nik DeFrance |
| h. | <u>Hospitality Committee Chair</u> | - Vacant |
| i. | Budget Representative | -Vacant |
| j. | <u>SLAANC Representative</u> | - Vacant |

Committee Reports and possible board action (4 min. per committee)

MOISES ROSALES: ANY COMMITTEE HAVE ANY REPORTS?

ESTRELLA DELA ROSA: HANDS OUT EXPENDITURE REPORT FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

MOISES ROSALES: EXPLAINS EXPENDITURE TO NEW MEMBERS

MOISES ROSALES: ASKS ABOUT OUTREACH COMMITTEE -

TWYLA PETERS: WANTS SLANK REP

JAZMIN ANDERSON: ASKS ABOUT YOUTH COMMITTEE

TRINA WASHINGTON: ASKS FOR QUALITY OF LIFE

JAZMIN ANDERSON: ASKS ABOUT QOL.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT IS DISCUSSED BY BOARD: 15K AVAILABLE FOR: BEAUTIFICATION

VOTE TO APPOINT CHAIRS:

ESTRELLA DE LA ROSA: MOTION TO APPOINT CHAIRS SECOND ELIDA MENDEZ

6-2-0

MOISES ACKNOWLEDGES MRS MENDEZ COMMITMENT FOR BOARDMEMBERS

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Q: ASKS TO DONATE 15K TO GARDEN

A: MOISES ROSALES: ISNT FOR NEIGHBORHOOD PURPOSE GRANT

Q: COMPLETE 360 IS HAVING AN ANNUAL BLOCK PARTY IN SEPTEMBER. ASKING FOR MONEY - REQUEST FOR FUNDING FORM - EVENT ON 2ND SEPT. FOR CPR INFO. PROVIDE FREE CPR TRAINING. WANTS FUNDING AND A SPEAKER. 93RD AND AVALON.

A: MOISES ROSALES: RECOMMENDS TO FILL OUT NPG

MOISES ROSALES: CALLS POINT OF ORDER
BOARD ACTION: MOVE TO ADD MR DE FRANCE TO REP 2A FROM MEMBER AT
LARGE

MOTION FROM JESSE MUNOZ, SECONDED BY ESTRELLA DE LA ROSA

6-2-0

BOARD DISCUSSES MARCIA ROBINSON FOR MEMBER AT LARGE #1
ESTRELLA DELA ROSA: PLEASE COMMIT
ROBINSON: YES
WASHINGTON: WILLING TO WORK WITH DIFFERENT PERSONALITIES?
ROBINSON: *CONSIDERS*
DE FRANCE: SAYS WOULD ABSTAIN, WANTS USER TO BE MORE ACTIVE
ROSALES: WOULD YOU LIKE TO WAIT?
ROBINSON: WILL WAIT

MOISES DISCUSSES NC BOUNDARIES WITH PUBLIC

06. **Board Vacancy:** Discussion and Possible Board Action (5 min.)
Below are the ECSEANDC vacant board seats. Please See Bylaws for
Duties & Responsibilities also Article 6 section 2E page 9.

VACANCY –

- A) Parliamentarian**
- B) Neighborhood Rep.
2A**
- C) Neighborhood Rep.
3A**
- D) Neighborhood Rep.
3B**
- E) Member At-Large
Rep #2**
- F) Member At-Large
Rep #3**
- G) Member At-Large
Rep #4**

07. Board member Comments (2 min.)

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

DELA ROSA: THANKS THE BOARD TO USE ALL FUNDS
WASHINGTON: ASKS FOR PARTNER NEIGHBORHOOD REP
PETERS: THANKS PUBLIC AND BOARD
MENDEZ: APOLOGIES FOR LACK OF TRANSLATION FOR SPANISH.
ROSALES: CLARIFIES IT NEEDS TO BE 72 HOURS AHEAD OF TIME
OCTAVIANO: TALKS ABOUT FUNDS FOR BOARD
MENDEZ: WILL START BEAUTIFICATION MEETINGS NEXT SATURDAY.
DE FRANCE: THANKS PUBLIC. EXTENDS BOARDS RESOURCES
ANDERSON: THANKS THE PUBLIC AND BOARD
MUNOZ: THANKS BOARD AND PUBLIC
ROSALES: THANKS BOARD AND PUBLIC

08. President Closing Comments (5 min.)

09. Adjournment

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NEXT Southeast Council MEETING
August 22nd
6:30PM – 8:30PM
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Los Angeles, CA. 90044

Neighboring Neighborhood Council Meetings:

- WATTS
 - Board Meeting: 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm, meeting location: watts senior citizen center; 1657 E. Century Blvd., Los Angeles, Ca 90002-2987, office location and phone number:10221 Compton Ave. #203, Los Angeles, CA 90002 (323) 564-0260
- HARBOR GATEWAY NORTH
 - Board Meeting: 4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:00 PM, Meeting Location: 135th Street Elementary School - 801 W. 135TH Street, Gardena, Ca 90247-2154, Office Location And Phone Number: PO Box 3723, Gardena, CA 90247, (310) 768-3853, harbortownnorth.org
- COMMUNITY & NEIGHBORS FOR 9TH DISTRICT UNITY
 - Board Meeting: 4th Friday Of The Month At 4:30 Pm, Meeting Location; Estelle Van Meter Center Sr. Center - 606 E. 76th Street, Los Angeles, 90001-2802, office location and phone number; 7600 S. Avalon Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90001, (323) 750-0496
- EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS SOUTHWEST AREA NDC
 - Board Meeting: 3rd Monday of the month at 6:30 pm, Mark Ridley-Thomas Constituent Service Center - 8475 S. Vermont Ave, Los Angeles 90044-3448, office location and phone number; 8475 S. Vermont Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90044 – 3448, (323) 789-1434.
- VOICES OF 90037
 - Board Meeting: 4th Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm, meeting location: Normandie Avenue Elementary School, 4505 S Raymond Ave, Los Angeles CA 90037-2817, council contact information: (323) 299-0809
- EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS CENTRAL AREA NDC
 - Board Meeting: 4th Monday of the month at 6:30 pm, meeting location; Amistad Plaza Apartment - community room - 6050 S. Western Avenue, Los Angeles, Ca 90047-1464, office location and phone number, 8475 S. Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90044-3448, (323) 789-1449.
- EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS NORTH AREA NDC
 - Board Meeting: 1ST Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm, meeting location, Expo Center Community Room. 2nd floor, 3980 So. Menlo Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90007.

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- SoutheastNC.org
- DONE – Website Posting - Email: ncsupport@lacity.org

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LOCATION(S)**

- **Algin Sutton Recreation Center** – 8800 S. Hoover Street, LA, CA 90044,
Ph: (323) 753-5808 –Deanna Tunstalle, Senior Recreation Director II **Email:**
Deanna.Tunstalle@LACITY.ORG Sheka Stocker, Recreational Coordinator **Email:**
Sheka.Stocker@LACITY.ORG
- **Green Meadows Recreation Center** – 431 E 89th Street, LA, CA 90003,
Ph: (323) 565-4242 – Director **Alea Douglas Email: Alea.Douglas@lacity.org**
- **Mark Twain Library** - 9621 S. Figueroa St., LA, CA 90003
Ph: (323) 755-4088 – Ms. Senele Rios – **Email: Sgrios@lapl.org and William Bermeo, email: wbermeo@lapl.org**
- **Southeast Police Station** – 145 W. 108th Street, LA, CA 90061, Ph: (213) 972-7828
- **Weingart YMCA** – 9900 S. Vermont Ave., LA., CA 90044, Ph: (323) 754-3191
Scottie Biggers, Executive Director **Email: ScottieBiggers@ymcala.org**

Amos Williams, Healthy Lifestyle Director Email: AmosWilliams@ymcala.org

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