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Lonella Enix, Chair Mike Guynn, Co-Chair DeWanna Sharp, Secretary Margaret Peters, Treasurer Ashley Allen



# EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS SOUTHWEST AREA NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

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Serving the Communities of: Manchester Square, Morningside Circle, Vermont Knolls and West Park Terrace

Purpose: To promote more citizen participation in local government and make government more responsive to local needs

# Regular Meeting Minutes Monday, June 17, 2015 6:00PM – 9:00PM

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

6:16 PM by Lonella Enix

#### **ROLL CALL**

Allen, Enix, Guynn, Lawrence, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith and Wallace

## **COUNCIL DISTRICT 8 UPDATE**

Council Member Parks' Field Representative, Chanira Goodridge provided information on Councilman Parks' sidewalk repair program and informed the board that there would be an additional twenty-five trash bins assigned to the community.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Lonella Enix presented the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held on may 18, 2015. Dave Wallace made a motion to approve the minutes. Ed Smith seconded the motion. Lonella Enis called for a vote

Yes: 9 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Lawrence, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith and Wallace)

**No:** 0

**Abstentions:** 0 **Motion Passed** 

**No**: 0

Abstentions: 0
Motion Passed

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer, Margaret Peters, presented the Monthly Expenditure Report from January, 2015. Brent Page made a motion to approve the January Report. Dave Wallace seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 9 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Lawrence, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith and Wallace)

**No**: 0

**Abstentions:** 0 **Motion Passed** 

Treasurer, Margaret Peters, presented the Monthly Expenditure Report from February, 2015. DeWanna Sharp made a motion to approve the January Report. Ashley Allen seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 9 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Lawrence, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith and Wallace)

**No:** 0

**Abstentions:** 0 **Motion Passed** 

Treasurer, Margaret Peters, presented the Monthly Expenditure Report from March, 2015. Brent Page made a motion to approve the January Report. DeWanna Sharp seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 9 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Lawrence, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith and Wallace)

**No:** 0

Abstentions: 0
Motion Passed

Treasurer, Margaret Peters, presented the Monthly Expenditure Report from April, 2015. Brent Page made a motion to approve the January Report. Margaret Peters seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 9 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Lawrence, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith and Wallace)

**No:** 0

**Abstentions:** 0 **Motion Passed** 

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE**

Representatives from LAPD did not attend the meeting.

Board member, Thomasina Lawrence, arrive late.

**CURRENT BUSINESS – ACTION ITEMS** 

Lonella Enix presented letters of appreciation from the Washington High School Student Body Leadership showing appreciation for helping to fund their Peace Walk.

DeWanna Sharp made a motion to send the Brotherhood Crusade Fiscal Agent to the D.O.N.E. and City Attorney with recommended modifications: i.e. A payment of 10% with no advertisement for the Brotherhood Crusade. Brent Page seconded the Motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 9 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith P. Smith and Wallace)

No: 1 (Lawrence)
Abstentions: 0

Motion Passed (Send Brotherhood Crusade Fiscal Agent Contract to Jeff Brill at the D.O.N.E. and to the City Attorney requesting modification.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mike Guynn made a motion to create a Planning & Land Use Committee. Dave Wallace seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 9 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith P. Smith and Wallace)

No: 1 (Lawrence)
Abstentions: 0

**Motion Passed (PLUM Committee created)** 

Chair, Lonella Enix, appointed Mike Guynn to chair the Planning & Land Use Management Committee. DeWanna Sharp made a motion to ratify the appointment. Brent Page seconded the motion.

Yes: 10 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Lawrence, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith P. Smith and Wallace)

**No:** 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion Passed (Mike Guynn ratified as PLUM Chair)

Chair, Lonella Enix, appointed Brent Page for two positions: By-Laws & Procedures (Parliamentarian) and Election Committee Chair. Mike Guynn made a motion to ratify Brent page for both positions. Dave Wallace seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 9 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith P. Smith and Wallace)

No: 1 (Lawrence)
Abstentions: 0

Motion Passed (Brent Page ratified as Parliamentarian and Chair of Election Committee)

Dave Wallace made a motion to appoint Margaret Peters as the Chair of the Budget and Finance Committee. Brent Page seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 10 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Lawrence, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith P. Smith and Wallace)

**No**: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion Passed (Margaret Peters made Chair of Budget and Finance Committee)

Lonella Enix submitted a **Community Impact Statement** regarding Council File# 15-0389 (Neighborhood Council Representatives/Addressing City Council, Commissions or Boards/ Sufficient Presenting Time). Ed Smith made a motion to approve the CIS. Brent Page seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 10 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Lawrence, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith P. Smith and Wallace)

**No:** 0

**Abstentions:** 0 **Motion Passed** 

Lonella Enix submitted a **Community Impact Statement** regarding Council File# 15-0524 (Plan for a Citywide System of Neighborhood Councils). Priscilla Smith made a motion to approve the CIS. Brent Page seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 10 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Lawrence, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith P. Smith and Wallace)

**No:** 0

Abstentions: 0
Motion Passed

Lonella Enix submitted a **Community Impact Statement** regarding Council File# 14-0366-S2 (Business Tax Registration Certificates). DeWanna Sharp made a motion to approve the CIS. Margaret Peters seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 9 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith P. Smith and Wallace)

No: 1 (Lawrence)
Abstentions: 0
Motion Passed

Lonella Enix submitted a **Community Impact Statement** regarding Council File# 14-1101 (Homelessness coordinator/Manage Homelessness Initiative Across the City of Los Angeles). DeWanna Sharp made a motion to approve the CIS with the amendment: "Housing Coordinator to be accountable to Neighborhood Councils to ensure equitability. Mike Guynn seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

**Yes:** 7 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith and Wallace)

**No:** 2 (Lawrence and P. Smith)

Abstentions: 0
Motion Passed

Lonella Enix submitted a **Community Impact Statement** regarding Council File# 14-1499 (Clean Streets L.A./Keep It Clean/SANSTAT). Priscilla Smith made a motion to approve the CIS with an amendment: "In addition to normal pick-up truck for clean streets. Ashely Allen seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 10 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Lawrence, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith P. Smith and Wallace)

**No:** 0

Abstentions: 0
Motion Passed

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Beautification Committee - Action Items**

The Committee proposed partnering with the Department of Water and Power to renovate the stretch of land owned by them on 98<sup>th</sup> between Western Ave. and Halldale by landscaping with drought tolerant plants. The DWP has depleted its budget for the 2014 – 2015 Fiscal Year. The proposed project budget would be from \$7,000.00 - \$11,000.00. The committee will forward an official estimate and invoice to the ECSWANDC Treasurer, Margaret Peters.

The Committee proposed a Western Ave. Clean-Up to be planned on August 29, 2015.

Margaret Peters made a motion to approve a budget not to exceed \$5000.00 for the Western Ave. Community Clean-Up. Priscilla Smith seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 9 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith P. Smith and Wallace)

No: 1 (Lawrence)
Abstentions: 0

Motion Passed (Western Ave. Community Clean-Up budget NTE \$5000.00)

Lonella Enix called for the Beautification Committee to become a duty of the Planning and Land Use Management Committee.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

David Wallace made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 PM. Priscilla Smith seconded the motion. Lonella Enix called for a vote.

Yes: 10 (Allen, Enix, Guynn, Lawrence, Page, Peters, Sharp, E. Smith P. Smith and Wallace)

**No**: 0

Abstentions: 0
Motion Passed