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**EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS SOUTH WEST AREA
NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**

A Certified City of Los Angeles Neighborhood Council

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

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

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Special Board Meeting Agenda

Monday, May 2, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Mark Ridley-Thomas Constituent Service Center

8475 S. Vermont Ave. Los Angeles CA 90044

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- I. Call to Order & Roll Call - (3 min)
- II. Public Comments/Announcements regarding items on the agenda– (3 min. per speaker/2 speakers total)
- III. Minutes Approval - (5 min)
- IV. Treasurer's Report & Approval - (5 min)
- V. New Business and Possible Action Items
 - a. **Veteran Memorial Day Celebration** – Councilman MH-D's office has asked the ECSWANDC to collaborate in an event to help inform Veterans and their families living in our community regarding benefits they may be entitled to but aren't accessing. They would like the ECSWANDC to provide resources not to exceed \$500.
 - b. **Desktop Computer** – The desktop computer will not boot up. A decision needs to be made whether to repair/replace it or leave the decision up to the next board.
 - c. **Crenshaw Coalition NPG Request** – Discuss whether or not to fund NPG request
- VI. Old Business and Possible Action Items
- VII. Council Files/Community Impact Statements
- VIII. Committee Updates – Discussion and Possible Action
 - a. **Election Committee**
 - i. **Discuss marketing for election along with funding**
 1. Cards sent to each household.
 2. Coffee w/ the Candidates
 3. Meeting at senior citizen buildings
 4. Pie in the Park
 - b. **Outreach Committee**
 - i. **Jazz at St. Andrews Recreation Center Update**
 1. Planning Committee meeting on May 7, 2016 at 11:00 AM at the MRT Constituent Service Center
 - ii. **Beautification Project (\$15,000 grant)**
 1. Discuss possibility of supporting stakeholder's efforts to landscape 76th & Gramercy Pl. Circle. Depending on decision, need to plan a stakeholders meeting for May 14, 2016 at circle.
 2. Discuss possibility purchasing and installing Doggie Waste Stations at St. Andrews Recreation Center. Not to exceed \$2000.
- IX. Public Comments/Announcements for items not on agenda – (3 min. per speaker/4 speakers total)
- X. Adjournment

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The public may comment on a specific item listed on this agenda when the Board considers that item. When the Board considers the agenda item entitled "Public Comments", the public has the right to comment on any matter that is within the Board's jurisdiction. In addition, the members of the public may request and receive copies without undue delay of any documents that are distributed to the Board, unless there is a specific exemption under the Public Records Act that prevents the disclosure of the record. (Govt. Code Section 54957.5)

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