Meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Michael Guynn, Organizational Rep. and PLUM Committee Chair.

Agenda and Discussions: Community Events and lack of Western Corridor Street Sweeping

1. Empowerment Congress 25th Anniversary Summit:

PLUM Committee discussed the workshops that were available to the public at the summit, including the Criminal Justice Reform and Community Engagement Summit and their efforts to improve outcomes for vulnerable and marginalized populations.

2. The South Los Angeles Community Plan

The deadline is approaching for South Los Angeles Stakeholders to comment in regards to the South Los Angeles Community Plan. The deadline is February 01, 2017. The Plan shapes land use policy, which include design standards, regulate permitted land uses, height, bulk, and overall design of buildings. In regards to the South LA plan the PLUM committee discussed the over concentration of Liquor Stores, Motels, Pay Day Loan Locations, Fast Food Restaurants, and the over proliferation of Charter Schools. The Plum committee discussed the lack of Full Service Supermarkets, Pharmacies, Sit Down Restaurants, and Business Improvement Districts.

3. Land Use for Street Vending Districts: Council File 13-1493

The PLUM Committee discussed rather or not South Los Angeles be designated as a Street Vendors District. They raised concerns that there are no provisions for operating, regulating or enforcing land use for street vending in the South Los Angeles Community Plan.

After through discussion of the Pro’s and Con’s of Street Vending Districts the Committee agreed that there were too many variables and loopholes in regards to Public Safety, Efficient Permitting, Regulation, and Effective Enforcement. There has been no community outreach, and engagement in the Eight District. There has not been an opportunity for community and constituent input, for addressing concerns. The Plum Committee position is to “opt out” with a no vote. The PLUM Committee’s Position is a “No Vote” with the following recommendations.

1. There must be a Comprehensive Outreach and Education Campaign in South LA.

2. Community Concerns, and Recommendations, must be recognized, acknowledged, addressed, resolved, and incorporated, into the Vending District Plans.
PLUM Committee Members recommend that the Southwest Neighbor Council approve the recommendations of the PLUM Committee and prepare an Impact Statement with a No Vote.