

Executive Board

Danielle Strickland (Chair/R5)
Brent Page (Vice-Chair/BR)
Dr. Turner Roberts (Sec./R4)
Jason Franklin (Treasurer/OR)
Arturo Flores (Social Media Coordinator)

**City of Los Angeles
California**



Lonella Enix (At-Large)
Juree Rambo (Residential 1 Rep)
Daniel Stewart (Residential 2 Rep)
Kyle Brown (Residential 3 Rep)
Kawika Smith (Youth Rep)
TyRon Turner (Business Rep)
Michael Guynn (OR Rep)

**Empowerment Congress Southwest Area
Neighborhood Development Council
(ECSWANDC)**

A Certified City of Los Angeles Neighborhood Council

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

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

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**Special Meeting – Board Retreat Agenda
Minutes**

**Saturday August 10,
2019 1:00PM-3:00PM**

**Saint Mark United Methodist Church
8305 So. Gramercy Place
Los Angeles, CA 90047**

I Call to Order, Roll Call, and Opening Comments (3 min.)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Danielle Strickland at 1:15PM. The following answered present to roll call: Turner Roberts, Michael Quynn, Kawika Smith, Juree Rambo, Arturo Flores, Jason Franklin, Kyle Brown, Danielle Strickland and Daniel Stewart.

II Public Comments (5 min.)

Not Applicable.

III New Business (Discuss and Complete) (55 minutes)

a. Complete Administrative Packet.

The following are expense (usually but not in all cases) for the Board; Office, Hours, Election, Constant Contact.

The Board had a Roll Over fund of \$3,799.00.

The Board Annual Allotment of \$42,000.00.

The Board has in Budget a Grand Total of \$45,799.00.

It was motioned that we the Board accept and approve the Administrative Packet as stated. It was motioned by Turner Roberts and seconded by Michael Quynn. All present vote in favor of accepting the total EXCEPT Kawika Smith. The motion passed.

IV. Empower LA (3) Unique Powers of the NC – Adriana Cabrera Neighborhood Council Advocate (25 Minutes)

Committees: Education, Planning & Land-Use, Public Safety

Building Community Power! Receiving Stakeholder input, Neighborhood capacity building.

Neighborhood Council: NC Board Members, Community Impact Statements, City Budget, \$8.2 Billion of which 65% goes to Public Safety. \$42,000.00 is our Annual Budget. Neighborhood Purpose Grants

City Of Los Angeles: City Hall

City Mayor, 15 City Council Members and 44 Departments

V. Icebreaker Roll of the Dice. Members get know each other, 30 minutes.

VI. Board Members Individual Plan for the Community.

Each Board expressed their vision for the Southwest Area.

VII. City Attorney Carman Hawkins

Attorney Hawkins will have her phase one retirement celebration Friday August 23, 2019 in the Council Chambers, City Hall Los Angeles.

Statements from CA Hawkins; by subject matter specific, appoint City Department Liaisons and build relationships and create a good working environment. Establish an emergency preparedness mechanism. Understand best practices and minimize efforts for maximum affect. Legal Matters refer to the Brown Act. Remember Policy Practice Procedures Operations. Be transparent! Brown Act. Board on Neighborhood Commissioners (BONC) Policy. Time stamp is reality, best practice, build your body of proof. In making out your Agenda. Always answer the 5W's. Always explain why we are doing what we are doing. Always have a master copy of what we are doing and everything that will be covered in the meeting. Remember the Public Records Act be Transparent. (DONE) Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, contact DONE whenever a conflict of interest is involved. Procure a (Templet for Magic Words) for Public Purpose (Public Purpose)!

VI. Adjournment

The Chair called the meeting at 4:05PM.

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