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Empowerment Congress Southwest Area Neighborhood Development Council

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

General Board Meeting Monday, May 17, 2021 at 6:00PM

Zoom Link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84119139806>

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In conformity with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20 (MARCH 17, 2020) and due to concerns over COVID-19, the Empowerment Congress Southwest Area Neighborhood Development Council meeting will be conducted entirely telephonically for the foreseeable future through .

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The public is requested to dial *9, when prompted by the presiding officer, to address the Board on any agenda item before the Board takes an action on an item. Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board.

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

Agenda

- I. **Call to Order and Roll Call** Comments (2 min.)
 - a. Call to Order by President Lonella Enix
 - b. Roll call
- II. **Administrative Motions** – (Discussion & Possible Action) (8 min.)
 - a. **Secretary Report** (Dr. Turner Roberts, Secretary) - Review of Monthly Minutes for

March 2021.

- b. **Treasurer Report** (Margaret Peters, Treasurer) - Review of the February, March, and April 2021 **Monthly Expenditure Reports**.

May 20, 2021 – Final date to submit an event request for approval using the current Fiscal year funds.

June 1, 2021 - Final date to submit a check payment request through the NC Funding system portal (including Neighborhood Purpose Grants)

June 20, 2021 – Final date to make purchases with the NC bank card.

- III. **Public Safety Update** – (20 min.) LAPD Senior Lead Officer Janette Rowan (37546@lapd.online) and/or Senior Lead Officer Cardenas
- IV. **Government Representative Update** – (20 min.)
 - a. Council District 8 Field Deputy Isaias Benavides (isaias.benavides@lacity.org)
- V. **Old Business** (Discussion & Possible Action)
 - a. In 2020, the ECSWANDC board approved and encumbered \$6,000 from the 2019-2020 budget year to contract with the Coalition for Responsible Community Development (CRCD) to clean areas within ECSWANDC boundaries over a six-month period. Due to the Los Angeles City Clerk's inability to provide the contract before the end of the 2020-2021 budget year the ECSWANDC must re-visit hiring CRCD. Discuss and vote on hiring CRCD to clean specified areas along the business corridors and/or alleys, chosen by the ECSWANDC board, in an amount not to exceed \$5000 during the months of May and June 2021.
- VI. **New Business** (Discussion & Possible Action)
 - a. Completion of the City of Los Angeles Office of the City Clerk Neighborhood Council Funding Program Site Information Check List for NC Facility Agreements. Vote on recommendation to lease/use office #207 in the Mark Ridley-Thomas Constituent Service Center, as well as use of the first floor large meeting space, 2nd floor conference space, restrooms, and the kitchenette area.
 - b. Hiring Scientists for Social Progress to create capacity maps for the Southwest economic development plan. The geographical maps would provide information on existing businesses, areas within the community with funding opportunities from governmental entities, organizations, and more. An amount not to exceed \$2500.
 - c. Requesting Moore Business Results to build a page on the southwestnc.org website specifically for the Southwest Village Plan (SVP). An amount not to exceed \$500.
 - d. Funding the purchase and cost of installation of an Outdoor Message Board that would provide a specified space to post ECSWANDC agendas (as mandated by the Brown Act) and any other information deemed important. Purchase and installation not to exceed \$4000.
 - e. Requesting Councilmember Harris-Dawson to put before the Los Angeles City Council rolling over the unused/uncommitted funds from the 2020-2021 fiscal year funds, in

danger of being swept, to help fund the costs for the 2022 Jazz at St. Andrews Festival and/or any costs associated with outreach for the ECSWANDC Southwest Village Plan. An amount not to exceed \$32,000.

VII. **Committee/Liaison Updates** (Discussion & Possible Action)

- a. Elections & Outreach
- b. Homeless
- c. Planning & Land Use Management
 - i. Approving a letter in support of the Manchester Commons project.
 - ii. Update on the progress with the contract with consultant Oh Gee Apogee, LLC.
 - iii. Providing the PLUM Committee Chair the approval to create and design an internship program for students to assist with the Southwest Economic Development (SVP) and outreach plan.

VIII. **Public Comments/Announcements/Future Agenda Requests** – Items *not* on the current agenda

*(Dial *9 to comment)*

IX. **Adjournment**

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