

City of Los Angeles  
California



**Empowerment Congress Southwest Area  
Neighborhood Development Council**

**Special Meeting**

December 7, 2020

Minutes taken by Dr. Turner Roberts

Approved at General Board meeting held on January 18, 2020

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

The meeting held, via Zoom, was called to order by President Lonella Enix at 6:08PM.

**Roll Call:** Kyle Brown, Lonella Enix, Mike Gynn, Elice Hennessee, Margaret Peters, Turner Roberts, and Daniel Stewart.

**II. Administrative Reports**

**a. Secretary Report**

Michael Gynn brought forth a motion to table discussing the November 2020 General Board Meeting minutes until the December 2020 General Board meeting. Turner Roberts seconded the motion. President Lonella Enix called for a vote.

**In favor:** Brown, Enix, Gunn, Hennessee, Peters, Roberts, Stewart.

**Opposed:** None                      **Abstained:** None

**Motion passed.**

**b. Treasurer Report**

Elice Hennessee brought forth a motion to adopt the November 2020 **Monthly Expenditure Report**. Turner Roberts seconded the motion. President Enix called for a vote.

**In favor:** Brown, Enix, Gunn, Hennessee, Peters, Roberts, Stewart.

**Opposed:** None                      **Abstained:** None

**Motion passed.**

**V. New Business**

a. Margaret Peters brought forth a motion to approve the application submitted by Ra'Shon Chavis to join the ECSWANDC Board as an At-Large Representative. Michael Gynn seconded the motion. President Enix called for a vote.

**In favor:** Brown, Enix, Gunn, Hennessee, Peters, Roberts, Stewart.

**Opposed:** None                      **Abstained:** None

**Motion passed.**

- b. President Enix informed the Board that Ronald Bass was interested in joining the ECSWANDC as a Faith-Based Representative. Mr. Bass shared his interest in joining the ECSWANDC Board. Mr. Bass submitted all necessary documents except for his qualifying document. President Enix informed Mr. Bass that she would re-agendize the discussion regarding adding him to the Board once the qualifying document is submitted to her.

**In favor:** Brown, Enix, Gunn, Hennessee, Peters, Roberts, Stewart.

**Opposed:** None                      **Abstained:** None

**Motion passed.**

- c. Turner Roberts brought forth a motion to create an Election Committee and appointing Kyle Brown the Chair of that Committee. Margaret Peters seconded the motion. President Enix called for a vote.

**In favor:** Brown, Enix, Gunn, Hennessee, Peters, Roberts, Stewart.

**Opposed:** None                      **Abstained:** None

**Motion passed.**

**VI. Committee Updates**

**a. Election**

- i. Michael Guynn brought forth a motion to adopt the Election Worksheet which will include the following information: An 8-hour voting window, 11AM to 7PM; ballot drop-off box will be located at the MRT Constituent Service Center located at 8475 S. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90044; ballots will only be in English and Spanish. Margaret Peters seconded the motion. President Enix called for a vote.

**In favor:** Brown, Enix, Guynn, Hennessee, Peters, Roberts, Stewart.

**Opposed:** None                      **Abstained:** None

**Motion passed.**

- ii. Turner Roberts brought forth a motion to increase funding in the Elections budget by moving \$4,040.00 from the Outreach line item to the Elections line item. Daniel Stewart seconded the motion. President Enix called for a vote.

**In favor:** Brown, Enix, Guynn, Hennessee, Peters, Roberts, Stewart.

**Opposed:** None                      **Abstained:** None

**Motion passed.**

**b. Budget and Finance**

- i. Turner Roberts brought forth a motion to table the discussion about increasing the budget for Moore Business Results until more information can be provided to prove the necessity. Daniel Stewart seconded the motion. President Enix called for a vote.

**In favor:** Brown, Enix, Guynn, Hennessee, Peters, Roberts, Stewart.

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Motion passed.**

**c. Planning & Land Use Management**

- i. Margaret Peters brought forth a motion to provide Innovative Housing Opportunities with a letter of support regarding their 87<sup>th</sup> and Western Ave. mixed-use development. Kyle Brown seconded the motion. President Enix called for a vote.

**In favor:** Brown, Enix, Guynn, Peters, Roberts, Stewart.

**Opposed:** Hennessee

**Abstained:** None

**Motion passed.**

- ii. President Enix shared with the Board that Ralphs Grocery Store Public Relations representative, John Votava, informed her that the former Shell Gas Station, located on the south west corner of Manchester & Western, will be turned into a Ralphs Fuel Station. Mr. Votava also informed President Enix that the landscaping in the Ralphs Grocery Store parking lot, located on the south east corner of Manchester & Western, will be updated post the completion of the new CVS due to be constructed next to Ralphs.

**VII. Adjournment**

Margaret Peters brought forth a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM. Daniel Stewart seconded the motion. President Enix called for a vote.

**In favor:** Brown, Enix, Gunn, Hennessee, Peters, Roberts, Stewart.

**Opposed:** None

**Abstained:** None

**Motion passed.**