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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

Board Retreat (Session 1)

Saturday, September 11, 2021

9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84667401760>

or By Telephone

(877) 853-5257 (Toll Free)

Enter Webinar ID **846 6740 1760** and **Press #**

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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**
- II. **Roll Call**
- III. **ECSWANDC Strategic Plan (9:30 AM – 9:55 AM)** Suggestions, discussions, and possible action taken on what should be included in the 2021-2022 ECSWANDC Strategic Plan.
- IV. **Government Representatives (10:00 AM – 11:00 AM)**
 - a. **Council District 8 – Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson**
- V. **Administrative Motion (Discussion and Possible Action) (11:05 – 11:10 AM)**
 - a. Approval of July 2021 Monthly Expenditure Report
- VI. **Choose at date for Session 2 of the ECSWANDC Retreat** - Department of Neighborhood Council led session on how to create a successful Neighborhood Council
- VII. **General Public Comment On Non-Agenda Items (2 min. each, 10 min. total)**
- VIII. **Adjournment**

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