

Board Members
(Executive Committee)

Lonella Enix
Board President
Residential Rep. (Area 4)
Bylaws Committee
Jazz at St. Andrews
Committee

RaShon Chavis
Board Vice-President
At-Large Rep.
Homeless Committee
Neighborhood Committee

ShaRon Davis
Board Secretary
Faith Based Rep.

Timothy Henry
Board Treasurer
Residential Rep.
(Area 2)

City of Los Angeles
State of California



Empowerment Congress Southwest Area
Neighborhood Development Council

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

General Board and Community Meeting
Minutes
Monday October 17, 2022
6:00 pm

Approved: November 21, 2022

Board Members (cont.)

Vanessa Bailey
Business Rep.

Jeryl Bryant
At-Large Representative

Élice Hennessee
Residential Rep. (Area 5)
PLUMB Committee

Jacob Henry
Youth Rep.

Marcela Jaquez
Social Media Rep.

Nia Mayers Franklin
At-Large Rep.
Education Committee

Marcello Robinson
Organization Rep.

Roderick Sowell, Jr.
Residential Rep. (Area 1)

Cordie Williams-Moss
Residential Rep. (Area 3)

- I. Call To Order
Meeting called to order at 6:06 p.m. by President Lonella Enix
- II. Roll Call
Lonella Enix, Élice Hennessee, Jeryl Bryant, Marcello Robinson, Vanessa Bailey, Nia Mayers, Sharon Davis, Timothy Henry
- III. Administrative Motions (Discussion & Possible Action) (Min)
 - a. Sharon Davis motioned that the August 22 General Board and Community minutes be approved as presented. Marcello Robinson seconded. No unreadiness. President Lonella Enix called for a vote. Motion passed.
 - b. Sharon Davis motioned that the September 2022 General Board and Community minutes be approved as presented. Marcello Robinson second. No unreadiness. President Lonella Enix called for a vote. Motion passed.
 - c. Sharon Davis motioned that the August 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report from August 2022 be approved as presented. Marcello Robinson seconded. No unreadiness. President Lonella Enix called for a vote. Motion passed.
 - d. Sharon Davis motioned that the September 2022 Monthly Expenditure Report be tabled until the next meeting. Marcello Robinson seconded. No unreadiness. President Lonella Enix called for a vote. Motion passed.
- IV. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda

Correct Church title to New Life Transformation Christian Center 8126 So Western Avenue Los Angeles, CA. Secretary noted correction.

82nd Western car thief

Car accidents at the corner of 82nd and Western

Parking issues. People are leaving their cars parked on street sweeping day.

Request made for DOT representative.

Nelson Williams, chairperson Christ Unity Center 3498 South Western. Food Drive. Food provided every Thursday. Request presentation on Agenda.

V. Presentations – Government Representatives/Organizations

- e. Akinyele (AK) Turner and Margaret Peters. Individuals are asked to submit individual applications to AK for speed humps. 25 speed humps provided. Insufficient. Maintenance on bollards. Resources requested to address the traffic safety issues on 82nd and Western. Fall carnivals at parks/recreative. October 29 Festival at Harvard Park. Day of the Dead November 2. Vacant Building Abatement will take steps to get the property on 83rd and Western brought up to compliance. The owner may be waiting for insurance claim to be approved.
- f. Is the cannabis dispensary on 83rd and Normandie legal? A council motion would need to be made for the community to be a part of the approval process. Officer Roman LAPD Officer Roman believes that the Marijuana dispensary on 83rd and Normandie is illegal. Email her the address and a search warrant will be approved to determine legality. Theft is increasing. Be very aware of your surroundings. Coffee with Cops at the Starbucks 1850 West Slauson 10.18.2022 8:30 – 10:30 a.m.

VI. Committee Updates (Discussion and Possible Action)

a. Budget and Finance

- i. Provide an update on the Budget including the rollover
No update.
- ii. 4th Annual Greater Los Angeles Safety and Preparedness Fair (Cindy Kane) – requesting an amount up to \$4000. Further discussion and possible vote on whether or not to fund and, if so, how much. Marcello Robinson motioned that the board approve \$1000 to go to the Annual Greater Los Angeles Safety and Preparedness Fair. No unreadiness. Motion passed 7 voted and 1 opposed.

b. Elections and Outreach

- i. Veteran's Day Event – Partner with CD8 to co-host a Veterans Day Event on Veterans Day, November 11, 2022. Outreach

opportunity, in general, and for the election. Discuss and possibly take action on the Event Approval Form including the catering invoice from Dulan's Catering in the amount of \$2500 (for 100 people) and a decorating Marketing budget in an amount not to exceed \$500 in total. Sharon Davis motioned to partner with CD8 to cohost a Veteran's Day Event on Veterans Day not to exceed \$3,000. Marcello Robinson seconded. No unreadiness. President Enix called for a vote. Motion passed.

- ii. Thanksgiving Turkey Event – Discuss and possibly take action on a turkey giveaway event (outreach opportunity). Approve the Event Approval Form and budget in an amount not to exceed \$3500. Marcello Robinson motioned that the board approved the Thanksgiving Turkey Event not to exceed \$3500. Seconded by Timothy Henry. No unreadiness. President Enix called for a vote.
- iii. Approve the design of and invoice for the board polos in an amount not to exceed \$500. Marcello Robinson motioned to table the board discussion of Polos until our next meeting. Sharon Davis seconded. No unreadiness. President Enix called for a vote. Motion passed.
- iv. Discuss the options for swag. Approve the design of and the invoice for pens and/or masks in an amount not to exceed \$3000. Marcello Robinson motioned to table the board discussion of swag until our next meeting. Sharon Davis seconded. No unreadiness. President Enix called for a vote. Motion passed.

c. Planning and Land Use Management

- i. Discuss and possibly take action on the blighted vacant property located on the northeast corner of 83rd and Western. Discussed earlier. No further questions or comments.

VII. New Business

- a. Motion to demand the resignations, censure, and removal from all City Council Committees of Councilmembers Gil Cedillo and Kevin de Leon in Response to their actions during a meeting with former Councilmember Nury Martinez and the former Los Angeles Federation of Labor President. There needs to be an investigation. Elice Hennessee motioned to send a letter demanding the resignation, censor, and removal of current city council members Gil Cedillo, and Kevin de Leon and their removal from any city council committees and requesting an investigation into the potential improprieties of anyone who colluded in the city redistricting maps that left

CD8 without any assets. Timothy Henry seconded. No unreadiness. President Enix called for a vote. Motion passed.

VIII. Community Impact Statements (Discussion & Possible Action)

- a. Council File 22 -1189 Elected Officials/Offensive Misconduct/Immediate Resignation. Marcello Robinson motioned to write a Community Impact Statement requesting that Gil Cedillo and Kevin de Leon resign from the council based on their conduct and statements ... Elice Hennessee seconded. No unreadiness. President Enix called for a vote. Motion passed.
- b. Council File 22 -1201 Removal of Councilmember Gil Cedillo/Chair/Housing Committee. Elice Hennessee motioned to write a Community Impact Statement remove Gil Cedillo from the housing committee based on his conduct and statements during. . . Marcello Robinson seconded. No unreadiness. Motion passed.
- c. Council File 22- 1199 Removal of Councilmember Kevin de Leon/Homeless & Poverty Committee. Marcello Robinson motioned to submit a Community Impact Statement to remove Kevin de Leon from the Homeless & Poverty Committee based on his conduct and statements during.... No unreadiness. President Enix called for a vote. Motion passed.
- d. Council File 21 – 1472 City Charter Amendment/Independent Redistricting Commission. Elice Hennessee motioned to write a Community Impact Statement requesting that an independent redistricting committee be formed. Seconded by Marcello Robinson. No unreadiness. President Enix called for a vote. Motion passed.
- e. Council File 22 – 0987 Temporary Appointment/Eligibility Requirements/ Will be addressed at the next General Board and Community meeting. Lack of Quorum.
- f. Council File 19 – 1470 Office of Racial Equity/Establish/City Policy/Programs Will be addressed at the next General Board and Community meeting. Lack of Quorum.

IX. Announcements/Future Agenda Items (Discussion and Possible Action) (5 min)
No discussion

X. Adjournment
Quorum lost. Sharon Davis motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

