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**EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS CENTRAL AREA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL**

**August Board Meeting Agenda**

**Monday, August 26, 2024, 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

**Jackie Tatum/Harvard Recreation Center  
1535 W 62nd St, Los Angeles, CA 90047 (Annex at W 61st St and S Halldale Ave)  
Zoom Option: [Join Here](#)  
Meeting ID: 331 268 2647 | Passcode: ajQY5h**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS:** When prompted by the presiding officer, to provide public input at the Neighborhood Council meeting the public will be able 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 responding to or 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, composed of stakeholder volunteers who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities.*

- I. WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER - President Janay Coplon
- II. ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM - Vice President Dante Clark
- III. AGENDA REVIEW & APPROVAL
- IV. MINUTES REVIEW & APPROVAL
- V. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (2 minutes per speaker)
- VI. GOVERNMENT REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS (2 minutes per speaker)
  - A. Senior Lead Officer Gregory Sovick
  - B. LAFD Batallion 13
  - C. City Council District 8 Representative – Gandhi Diaz
  - D. Representative for Office of Mayor Karen Bass - Deion Barrientos
  - E. Empower LA - Alfonso Manzo
- VII. TREASURER'S REPORT
  - A. [Discussion and possible action to approve April, May, June, July, and August MERs/BACs](#)
  - B. [Discussion and possible action to approve rollover funds for FY 2024-2025 Amended Budget](#)
- VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS
  - A. Transportation & Public Works Committee Update - Chair Ingrid Rivera-Guzman
  - B. Homelessness Liaison - Chair Jamaal Gullede
- IX. NPG PRESENTATIONS
  - A. Discussion and possible action to approve NPG request
    1. [Gracie's Giving Hands - Griselda Alvarez](#) - up to \$5,000
    2. [Reina de Cumbia CDMX21 in LA - Carmen Hines](#) - up to \$5,000
    3. [Man Laws - Cedric of Kings Table](#) - up to \$5,000
- X. GRAMERCY BLOCK CLUB
  - A. CIS Updates
- XI. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. Discussion and possible action to approve a letter of support for [SISTAHFRIENDS - Yolanda Whittington, LCSW](#)
  - B. [Discussion and possible action to fill board vacancies \(See Bylaws for Duties & Responsibilities\)](#)
  - C. Discussion and possible action to approve Christmas Event with Jackie Tatum - Gordon Dupree, M.A - Up to \$2500
- XII. XI. ADJOURNMENT

**Next EC Central Regular Meeting –  
Monday 9/23/2024**

**THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT** - As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate based on disability and upon request will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services, and activities. Sign language interpreters assisted listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request at least 3 business days (72 hours) before the meeting by contacting the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment by calling (213) 978-1551 or email: [NCsupport@lacity.org](mailto:NCsupport@lacity.org)

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item on the agenda, please contact Dante Clark, at [danteclark210@gmail.com](mailto:danteclark210@gmail.com).

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**SB 411 Updates:**

*If a Neighborhood Council has a quorum of board members in a physical location, board members who wish to join the meeting via teleconferencing must adhere to AB 2449 rules and regulations. If a Neighborhood Council does not have a quorum of board members in a physical location, they must adhere to SB 411 rules and regulations.*

*In the event of a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting to members of the public using the call-in option or internet-based service option, or in the event of a disruption within the eligible legislative body’s control that prevents members of the public from offering public comments using the call-in option or internet-based service option, the eligible legislative body shall take no further action on items appearing on the meeting agenda until public access to the meeting via the call-in option or internet-based service option is restored. Actions taken on agenda items during a disruption that prevents the eligible legislative body from broadcasting the meeting may be challenged pursuant to Section 54960.1.*

*The eligible legislative body shall not require public comments to be submitted in advance of the meeting and shall provide an opportunity for the public to address the legislative body and offer comments in real time.*

*Notwithstanding Section 54953.3, an individual desiring to provide public comment through the use of an internet website, or other online platform, not under the control of the eligible legislative body, that requires registration to log in to a teleconference may be required to register as required by the third-party internet website or online platform to participate.*

*(i) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed public comment period for each agenda item shall not close the public comment period for the agenda item, or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph, to provide public comment until that timed public comment period has elapsed.*

*(ii) An eligible legislative body that does not provide a timed public comment period, but takes public comment separately on each agenda item, shall allow a reasonable amount of time per agenda item to allow public members the opportunity to provide public comment, including time for members of the public to register pursuant to subparagraph (D), or otherwise be recognized for the purpose of providing public comment.*

*(iii) An eligible legislative body that provides a timed general public comment period that does not correspond to a specific agenda item shall not close the public comment period or the opportunity to register, pursuant to subparagraph (D), until the timed general public comment period has elapsed.*

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