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**Empowerment Congress Southwest Area Neighborhood
Development Council**

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

**General Board & Community Special Meeting
Agenda**

Mark Ridley-Thomas Constituent Service Center 8475 S.
Vermont Ave. #207 Los Angeles, CA 90044

Monday, February 26, 2024, 6:00pm - 8:00pm



Board Members

Ra'Shon Chavis At-Large

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Area 5 Residential Representative

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1) **CALL TO ORDER AND BOARD ROLL CALL**

2) **GOVERNMENT REPORTS**

- Public Safety
- City Council & County Representative
- Government Departments/Agencies, including Department of Neighborhood Empowerment.
 - I. Department update on the Exhaustive Efforts (EE) Status and Work Plan for the Empowerment Congress Southwest Area Neighborhood Development Council (ECSWANDC).

1) **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. Each speaker will be allowed 2 minutes.

2) **NEW BUSINESS**

- a) Discussion and possible motion to approve the ECSWANDC Online Outreach Proposal submitted by Moore Business Results.
- b) Discussion and possible motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of the January 8, 2024 Special Meeting of the ECSWANDC.
- c) Selection of Officer - Motion to fill ECSWANDC Vice President position in accord with the Empowerment Congress Southwest Area Neighborhood Development Council Bylaws.
- d) Selection of Officer - Motion to fill ECSWANDC Secretary position in accordance with the Empowerment Congress Southwest Area Neighborhood Development Council Bylaws.
- e) Discussion and possible motion to approve an additional amount of \$262.00 for food purchased

for the ECSWANDC Board retreat held on February 3, 2023.

- f) Discussion and possible motion to approve a board member reimbursement for the amount of \$761.33, to BM Tunisia Johnson for the purchase of food for the ECSWANDC Board retreat held on February 3, 2023.
- g) Discussion and possible motion to approve \$1,928.85 for Moore Business Results. Invoices for services rendered since June 2023 – February 2024.
- h) Discussion and possible motion to approve \$312.00 for Constant Contact for the period of July 2023 – 12/2023.
- i) Discussion and possible motion to approve \$1,808.00 for Public Storage for the period of July 2023 – February 2024.
- j) Discussion and possible motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 amended budget. Amended to provide detail expenses in the Office/Operational Expenditure Category.

3) OLD BUSINESS

- a) Discussion on status of board and committee members required training.
- b) Discussion and possible motion to appoint stakeholders to Outreach committee.
- c) Discussion on ECSWANDC Outreach events recap and ideas for remaining FY 2023-2024 and FY 2024-2025.
- d) ~~Motion to reconsider: Discussion and Possible Action to file a board resolution to authorize the use of teleconferencing for the ECSWANDC Board meetings and committee meetings, in accordance with the rules established by Senate Bill 411 and the subsequent motion passed by the City Council on November 1, 2023. The special teleconferencing rules available to the ECSWANDC are necessary to increase public participation and maintain the health and safety of the community and board members.~~
- e) ~~Discussion and possible motion to approve financials: June, July, August, September, October, November, December 2023 and January 2024 Monthly Expenditure Reports (MER).~~
- f) Discussion and update on the ECSWANDC Bylaw Amendment Application dated April 6, 2018, related to establishing the five (5) Residential Area Seats and Internal Boundaries.

4) Board Member Announcements and Future Agenda Items Request.

5) ADJOURNMENT

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