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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 Meeting

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

Monday
May 18, 2026
6:00pm - 7:00pm



Nechele Hammock
Organization Representative

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Representative

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Area 2 Residential
Representative

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Area 3 Residential
Representative

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Youth Representative

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. BOARD ROLL CALL

III. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

IV. ELECTED OFFICES/GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Public Safety
- b. City Council Representative

V. SPECIAL ORDERS

- a. Discussion and possible motion to identify a Board Member to support with Secretarial duties.
- b. Discussion and possible motion to appoint up to five (5) board members as Community Impact Statement Filers.
- c. Discussion and possible motion to approve a Community Impact Statement in support of LA City Council File #20-0875.
- d. Discussion and possible motion to approve an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for presenter [invoice](#) and an amount not to exceed \$800 for refreshments related to the retreat for Empowerment Congress West Area Neighborhood Development Council.
- e. Discussion and possible motion to approve proposed dates, times, location, and topics of discussion at the retreat.
- f. Discussion and possible motion to approve an amount not to exceed \$5,000 from the FY 2025–2026 budget for the 2026 Congress of Neighborhoods event. Possible presentation from Daniel Perez, Empowerment Congress of Neighborhoods Committee Chair.
- g. Discussion and possible motion to cancel or reduce the size of the storage unit.
- h. Discussion and possible motion to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant not to exceed \$2,000 to My Sanctuary for the Self Care Summit event on September 18, 2026.
- i. Discussion and possible motion to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant not to exceed \$2,000 to Opportunity Exposed for the Back to School Drive on August 8, 2026.
- j. Discussion and possible motion to approve a Neighborhood Purpose Grant not to exceed \$2,000 to LA Rise Los Angeles Back to school event.
- k. Discussion and possible motion to approve [Empowerment Congress West Area Neighborhood Development Council's sponsorship contribution](#) in the amount of \$5,000 for the CD8 – World Cup 2026 Watch Parties.
- l. Discussion and possible motion to approve moving \$10,000 operational fund to the beautification fund for Western Our Way Project.
- m. Discussion and possible motion to approve an amount not to exceed \$4,000 for

the purchase of Empowerment Congress West Area Neighborhood Development Council branded promotional and operational materials, including one pop-up tent, one step and repeat, six tablecloths, two 6-foot tables, four personalized chairs, thirteen button-down shirts, polo shirts, and jackets.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

Every item on the Consent Calendar will be considered bundled and will be voted on as a single item. If a Board Member or Stakeholder has an objection to an item being on the Consent Calendar, they need to raise that objection to an item and ask to have that item or items considered separately. There will be no discussion or comment on the substance of any item unless it is removed from the Consent Calendar. Removed items will be moved to the end of the agenda for consideration, or earlier within the discretion of the Chair. The Consent Calendar includes:

- a. Discussion and possible motion to approve [April 20, 2026, Regular ECSWANDC Board Meeting Minutes](#).

ADMINISTRATIVE MOTIONS

- b. Discussion and possible action to approve the [March 2026](#) and [April 2026](#) Monthly Expenditure Reports.
- c. Discussion and possible motion to approve the following committees chairs:
 1. Budget & Finance
 2. Planning and Land Use
 3. Outreach & Communications
 4. Bylaws & Procedures
 5. Neighborhood

VII. BOARD REPORTS

- a. President
- b. Vice President
- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Executive
- b. Budget & Finance
- c. Planning and Land Use
- d. Outreach & Communications
- e. Bylaws & Procedures
- f. Neighborhood

X. NEW BUSINESS

XI. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

XII. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

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