

Board Members:

Elected Board Members:

Gina Fields, Chairperson
Denise Stansell, Co-Chair
Miracle McKinney, Area 1 Rep
Alexander Bazley, Area 1 Rep
Jackie Ryan, Area 2 Rep
Lucas Doub, Area 2 Rep
Gwendolyn Jones, Area 3 Rep
Keana McGee, Area 3 Rep

Appointed Board Members:

K. Eric Nelson, Treasurer
Kathy Guyton, Secretary
Jennifer McMillan, Media Coordinator
Carmen Hill, At-Large Rep
Kimberlie Oatts, At-Large Rep
Johnnie Raines, III, At-Large Rep
Misty Wilks, At-Large Rep

**EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS WEST AREA
NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**



*A Certified City of Los Angeles Neighborhood Council
Since March 23, 2002*

Serving the communities of Arlington Park, Baldwin Hills, Baldwin Village, Baldwin Vista, Cameo Plaza, Crenshaw Manor, Leimert Park, and Village Green

All meetings are open to the public

**SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2025, 10 AM
FIRE STATION 94 COMMUNITY ROOM
4470 COLISEUM ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90016**

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General Meetings

1st Saturday of the Month
10 am – 12 pm

Board Meetings

3rd Monday of the Month
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

AGENDA

1. **WELCOME**
2. **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**
3. **REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**
 - a. Los Angeles City Representatives
 - b. Other City Departments/Agencies (see [city directory](#))
 - c. Community Organizations
4. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS** - *Comments from the public on items not on the agenda, limited to two minutes per speaker*
5. **BRIEF BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS** – *General announcements from the ECWA board*
6. **PRESENTATION: BLACK ASSOCIATION OF DOCUMENTARY FILMMAKERS WEST (BADWEST)** - *The Black Association of Documentary Filmmakers West (BADWest) was formed in July of 2003 by iconic filmmaker St. Clair Bourne as a collective of documentary filmmakers of African descendant working and residing on the West Coast. Since its inception we have continually held monthly general meeting providing industry speakers, information on resources for production, funding sources, festivals and distribution; as well as screening works-in-progress and completed docs for feedback and discussion. (<https://www.badwest.org/>)*
7. **DOCUMENTARY: CONCERTO IS A CONVERSATION** - *A virtuoso jazz pianist and film composer tracks his family's lineage through his 91-year-old grandfather from Jim Crow Florida to the Walt Disney Concert Hall.*
8. **DISCUSSION OF DOCUMENTARY AND BLACK HISTORY**
9. **ADJOURNMENT**

ECWANDC MEETING DATES & LOCATIONS

Bylaws-Rules: Recommends changes to the Neighborhood Council bylaws and policies. **Meetings – TBD, outreach@ecwandc.org**

Cannabis Regulation: Provides a voice and platform for stakeholders to participate in the selection of cannabis businesses in the community. The committee will review proposed applications, consider and/or propose community benefits or other resources, make suggestions in furtherance of the neighborhood council's mission, and make recommendations to the ECWA Board, Cannabis Commission or other government entities.

Meetings – 3rd Thursday of the month @ 6:30 pm, cannabis@ecwandc.org

Executive: Carries out the day-to-day activities of the Council. **Meetings – 4th Wednesday of the month @ 6:30 pm, outreach@ecwandc.org**

Economic Empowerment: Entrepreneurship, leadership, technology, and job readiness skills to foster generational wealth creation and community economic development. **Meetings – 1st Tuesday of the month @ 6:30 pm, outreach@ecwandc.org**

Education and Youth Development: Addresses issues concerning youth development and access to education through advocacy, research, and program development. **Meetings – 2nd Tuesday of the month @ 6:30pm, outreach@ecwandc.org**

Finance: Develops an annual budget for approval by the board. Monitors the board's financial status and expenditures. Screens and reviews all funding request for eligibility, appropriateness, and compliance with NC funding guidelines and all city, state, and federal financial reporting requirements. **Meetings – 2nd Thursday of the month @ 6:30pm, finance@ecwandc.org**

HOAs/Block Club: Provides a voice and platform for HOAs and Block clubs to discuss issues within their area/community. **Meetings – 4th Tuesday of the month @ 6:30 pm, outreach@ecwandc.org**

Government/Legislative: Keeps track of all legislation pertinent to Neighborhood council community/area. **Meetings – TBD, outreach@ecwandc.org**

Outreach: Develops an annual outreach plan and budget for the participation and engagement of stakeholders in the neighborhood council. Coordinates participation and NC promotion in community events and activities. Develops and distributes outreach materials. **Meetings – 3rd Wednesday of the month @ 6:30pm, outreach@ecwandc.org**

Parking: Addresses parking issues arising from new development. **Meetings – TBD, @ 6:30pm outreach@ecwandc.org**

Planning, Land Use and Beautification (PLUB): Monitors all land use proposals and policy changes within the NC boundaries; communicates and coordinates with appropriate city agencies and stakeholders responsible for or engaged in land use, economic and community development, community beautification and nuisance abatement. **Meetings – 2nd Wednesday of month @ 6:30 pm, planning@ecwandc.org**

Safety: Monitors, promotes, and advocates for the safe and quiet enjoyment of all stakeholders; liaison to local law enforcement, schools, parks and recreation and local businesses on matters of public safety. **Meetings – 3rd Tuesday of the month @ 6:30 pm, safety@ecwandc.org**

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL LIAISONS

Animal Services – Vacant Data – Kathy Guyton Film – Vacant Homelessness – Vacant Public Works – Vacant
Grievance Panel – Johnnie Raines, III Purposeful Aging – Carlene Davis Resilience – Vacant DWP Representative – Charles McAfee

PUBLIC INPUT AT NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MEETINGS – 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 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 meeting. Public comment is limited to 2 minutes per speaker, unless adjusted by the chair. Contact office@ecwandc.org to request being added to the agenda as a presenter.

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PUBLIC ACCESS OF RECORDS - In compliance with Government Code section 54957.5, non-exempt writings that are distributed to a majority or all of the board in advance of a meeting, may be viewed at our website: <http://www.ecwandc.org> or at the scheduled meeting. In addition, if you would like a copy of any record related to an item on the agenda, please contact ECWANDC at office@ecwandc.org

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- www.ecwandc.org
- You can also receive our agendas via email by subscribing to L.A. City's [Early Notification System \(ENS\)](#)

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RECONSIDERATION AND GRIEVANCE PROCESS - For information on the NC's process for board action reconsideration, stakeholder grievance policy, or any other procedural matters related to this Council, please consult the NC Bylaws. The Bylaws are available at our Board meetings and our website: www.ecwandc.org

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