

**Our Neighborhood Council  
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**EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS WEST  
AREA NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**



*A Certified City of Los Angeles Neighborhood Council*

Serving the communities of: Arlington Park, Baldwin Hills,  
Baldwin Village, Baldwin Vista, Cameo Woods,  
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All Meetings are Open to the Public

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**Stakeholders Town Hall Meetings**

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month  
Crenshaw United Methodist  
3740 Don Felipe Drive  
9:30 – 11:30 am

**Board Meetings**

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month  
DWP Crenshaw Community Room  
4030 Crenshaw Blvd  
6:30 – 8:30 pm

**BOARD MEETING AGENDA  
Monday, September 15, 2014 – 6:30 – 8:30pm  
DWP Community Room 4030 Crenshaw Blvd LA, CA 90008**

- 1. Welcome, Call to Order & Roll Call (6:30pm/5 minutes)**
- 2. LAPD Senior Lead Officers Report: (6:35pm/10 minutes)**
  - a. Officer Sasajima and officer Saldana
- 3. Elected Official & Public Agency Announcements: (6:45pm/10 minutes)**
  - a. Patrice Jefferson, CD8; Kimani Black, CD10
- 4. Public Comment & Concerns: (6:55pm/10 minutes)**
  - a. For items not on the agenda
- 5. Review/Approval: Meeting minutes - (7:05pm/10 minutes)**

Diane Robertson, Erma Mickens and Yvonne Ellett: Going forward Please send email regarding all absence and Tardiness updates to Diane Robertson– Rec. Secretary and CC Danielle Lafayette – Chair.  
Meeting minutes to be approved - May 19, June 7, June 16, June 23, July 12, July 21, and August 2, August 18, 2014 and September 6, 2014
- 6. Review/Approval: Treasurer Report: Approve expenditures (7:15pm/05 minutes)**

Edmond Warren - Discussion on Check Card, online account, payments, monthly report, automatic payments
- 7. Review/Approval: Branding and Logo Redesign (7:20pm/10 minutes)**

Danielle Lafayette and Nick Hill- Danielle will present on Branding and naming as it is very important to the success and future of our Neighborhood Council. The goal is to focus on one name accompanied with a Logo that represents us. We as a NC will review and vote to represent ourselves as Empowerment Congress West (ECWest). Nick has developed a logo that will be presented
- 8. Review/Approval: Outreach Materials (7:30pm/10 minutes)**

Pricing for outreach materials, approve an outreach budget. Motion for amount not to exceed.
- 9. Review/Approval: The Black Family Conference: Funding and Partnership (7:40/10 minutes)**

Layla Sewell – Awaken the Greatness Foundation – Finance committee's recommendation to fund \$2,000 for the purchase of food and/or promotional items. Motion: Approve the finance committee's recommendation in the amount requested of \$2,000 dollars to the Awaken the Greatness Foundation for the Black Family Conference on November 22, 2014 Empowerment Congress West Strategic Plan Goal: Partner/Promote workshops on business retention, development and youth entrepreneurial development. Increase youth involvement through collaborations with youth centered organizations
- 10. Discussion and possible action: Kaiser/6 foot fence (7:50/15 minutes)**

Kaiser would like to put a six foot high fence surrounding the property in Marlton Square. Case No. APCS -2013-4102-SPE-DRB-SPP-SPR. possibly revise our comment letter
- 11. Discussion and Action: Appointment of new outreach chair. (8:05/10 minutes)**
- 12. Discussion and Action: Holiday Decorations (8:15/15 minutes)**

Carl Morgan – PLUB committee's recommendations for Decorations for our Neighborhood Council public right of way areas. Decide on locations for plantings, select drought tolerant sustainable plants and ground covers, select reusable holiday decorations
- 13. Adjournment – Next meeting scheduled Saturday, September 6, 2014 9:30pm**

**Official Public Notice for ECWANDC Standing Committees:**

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Meeting Date &amp; Location</b>	<b>Chair</b>
Planning, Land Use & Beautification	Last Monday of the Month at 6:30 pm CHC 3731 Stocker St Ste #201	Carl Morgan ecwandcplanning@gmail.com
Finance	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month at 5:30 – 6:30 pm AS NEEDED DWP Crenshaw Community Room: 4030 Crenshaw Blvd	Mary Jones-Darks bvcia@yahoo.ie
Outreach	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the Month at 7:00 pm Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza: Community Room	Diane Robertson diane@ecwandc.org
Safety	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month at 12:00 pm AS NEEDED	Johnnie Raines III utjr3@aol.com
Education and Youth Development	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month at 1:00 AS NEEDED	Wilson Washensky Thegeneral323@aol.com
Ad-Hoc	South LA Alliance of Neighborhood Councils (SLAANC) / Los Angeles Budget Committee	Lark Galloway-Gilliam / Danielle Lafayette

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