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BOARD OF NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2014 – 1:00 P.M.

**CITY HALL, 10TH FLOOR CONFERENCE CENTER
ROOM 1050, 200 NORTH SPRING STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Leonard Shaffer, Vice President
Joy Atkinson
Lydia Grant
Eli Lipmen
Victor Medina
Olivia Rubio

ABSENT

Karen Mack

DEPARTMENT STAFF PRESENT

Grayce Liu, General Manager
Janet Lindo, Executive Administrative Assistant

CITY ATTORNEY REPRESENTATIVE

Alois Phillips, Deputy City Attorney

1. Introduction (5 minutes)

ACTION: Vice President Shaffer gave the introduction.

2. Call to Order and Commission roll call. (1 minute)

ACTION: Vice President Shaffer called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m. Commission roll was called by Janet Lindo. Commissioner Grant arrived at 1:21 pm.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 7, 2014. (Click on the link to view a copy of the document.) (3 minutes)

http://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/10-07-14_draft_COMMISSION-MINUTES.pdf

ACTION: Commissioner Atkinson moved approval of the Minutes of the Regular meeting of October 7, 2014, as written. Commissioner Medina seconded the motion.

VOTE:

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| Ayes | <u>5</u> (Atkinson, Lipmen, Medina, Rubio, and Shaffer) |
| Nays | <u>0</u> |
| Abstention | <u>0</u> |
| Absent | <u>2</u> (Grant, Mack) |
| TOTAL | <u>7</u> |

Motion Carries X
Fails _____

4. Verbal update from Commissioner Boris Gorbis, Los Angeles City Taxicab Commission, regarding collaboration with Neighborhood Councils in emergency preparedness planning. (10 minutes)

<http://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Proposal-for-LA-Neighborhood-Emergency-Preparedness-Plan-Area-by-Area-Program.pdf>

ACTION: None.

5. General Public Comments - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. This agenda item will last a total of 15 minutes and no individual speaker will be allowed more than three minutes. (15 minutes)

Public comment received from:

Scott Johnson - (see attachment, agenda item no. 5.)

Hugo Pacheco - LA-32 stakeholder - the Department wants us to reduce our representation from 21 to 15 and until that's done they're not gonna get us off of exhaustive measures.

Rick Young - requesting that a public decertification hearing be convene in regards to the Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council's failure to comply with a lease agreement.

6. General Manager's Report. (10 minutes)
 1. Briefing on Departmental activities.
 2. Staffing, budget and other operational matters.

ACTION: Grayce Liu, gave her General Manager's Report. (see attached

- **Funding – completing our funding training and town halls that have gone around the city these last few weeks. We have one more funding training and town hall down in South LA this week.**

- I've provided you the list of Neighborhood Councils who haven't turned in their Monthly Expenditures Report (attached).
- You also received a list of Neighborhood Councils who haven't submitted or are missing parts of their budget packages (attached).
- This past week we simplified some parts of our website for funding so that folks could find the forms that are up to date immediately. There is actually a forms page now.
- Field – Neighborhood Empowerment Analysts are still working with Neighborhood Councils who still want to do board retreats.
- We're also starting the process of going through and doing all the bylaws in regards to updating them about the posting policy and the code of conduct.
- The Field team has also been uploading the agendas and you did receive the list. We were able to get from ITA the full list of how many folks, subscribers we have for each of the Neighborhood Councils (attached).
- Administration – in regards to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners Code of Conduct Policy, we will be sending out, I'm hoping in the next couple of weeks, the invite for all Neighborhood Council board members to sign that Code of Conduct. Some very on top of it Neighborhood Councils are already starting to send in the physical document and we are trying to do this through e-signature just so that we don't have to keep track of over 1,700 little pieces of paper.
- Personnel – Joe Hari, left us and we have not yet been able to fill that position. We also have six other vacant positions that we are working to fill, but because of the process of trying to get the approval to fill those positions has been rather difficult it's been a little bit challenging. We're also down Stephen Box who is on paternity leave.
- We are finishing the RFQ for websites and the online voting RFP will also be closing in November so we will hopefully have our online voting company identified for the 2016 elections.
- Translation – when you request translation from the Department it does cost money. We use the same translation companies that the Neighborhood Councils use and there are minimums for that, for instance you can't get a translator for an hour or half an hour, they usually work in 3-4 hours minimum blocks and you have to pay for that whole block even if you end up using them for partial or not at all.

Public comment received from:

Scott Johnson - one common denominator I'm hearing is that staff is underpowered, they're understaffed and the fact is that you have a solution out there which is volunteers, Councils for Councils and other people with background that can help with alleviating these different items.

7. Commission Committee Reports. (45 minutes)
 1. Ad Hoc Committee re Outreach (Members: Atkinson-Chair, Mack, and Rubio)
 2. Ad Hoc Committee re ability of the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners to implement citywide policies (Members: Shaffer-Chair, Grant, and Medina)

3. Ad Hoc Committee re Leadership Development for Neighborhood Councils (Members: Rubio-Chair, Medina, and Shaffer)
4. Ad Hoc Committee re Website development (Members: Grant and Lipmen)

ACTION: None.

Public comment received from:

Scott Johnson - Commissioner Shaffer you brought up a very good point about exhaustive efforts and as Hugo and I being on a board that have gone through it, bluntly, it is a suggestive form of punitive punishment.

8. Discussion and possible action relation to the distribution of October Commission Newsletter. (15 minutes)

<http://empowerla.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/OctoberNewsletterDraft.pdf>

ACTION: Commissioner Lipmen moved to accept the form of the newsletter as is noted in the attachment to our agenda item no. 8. Commissioner Grant seconded the motion.

VOTE:

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| Ayes | <u>6</u> (Atkinson, Grant, Lipmen, Medina, Rubio, and Shaffer) |
| Nays | <u>0</u> |
| Abstention | <u>0</u> |
| Absent | <u>1</u> (Mack) |
| TOTAL | <u>7</u> |

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| Motion Carries | <u>X</u> |
| Fails | <u> </u> |

Public comment received from:

Scott Johnson - comment about the parking situation, practical solution may be that the Department during meetings here at City Hall were to see how much space they could set aside at City Hall East and first come first serve in terms of calling to the Department and reserving a parking space. People have a buy-in in these types of meetings, Commission meetings, Neighborhood Council meetings, City Council meetings, become more of an interactive entity. Craft some sort of meeting environment where if you wanted to induce a greater turnout then have some sort of session where the audience is actually engaging in some sort of breakout session during the meetings. Reinvent the whole meeting process.

Hugo Pacheco - it is hard to get here. I had to leave my business. I'm an independent person, I am a real estate broker so I got to leave everything behind to come here, but I think it's so important really, really, that we be heard, that the community be heard. We look at you as a bureaucracy. If somehow something could be shown that coming to here to talk to you produces something good for us, I think a lot of people would come.

9. Commission Business - Comment from Commissioners on subject matters within the Board's jurisdiction. (15 minutes)
 1. Comment on Commissioners' own activities/brief announcements.

2. Brief response to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their general public comment rights/ask staff questions for clarification.
3. Introduce new issues for consideration by the Commission at its next meeting and direct staff to place on the agenda.
4. Ask staff to research issues and report back to the Commission at a future time.

ACTION: None.

10. General Public Comments - Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. This agenda item will last a total of 15 minutes and no individual speaker will be allowed more than three minutes. (15 minutes)

This agenda item was taken out of order to precede agenda item no. 7. Public comment received from:

Kevin James - Board of Public Works President, I really wanted to come in for three purposes, one, I wanted to thank all of you for and on behalf of, I know you represent all of the Neighborhood Councils, the volunteer work that was done, as well as through the Department, around the Congress this year. It was really excellent. Also, I wanted to thank your Commission and the Department, as well as the Neighborhood Councils for helping us with our sidewalk questionnaire, and finally, just really an announcement, copying what you all do, we quarterly take our Board of Public Works meeting out to the field, out to the community and coming up on October 27th we will be in Council District 11 and we're going to be doing our meeting in the evening at 7:00 pm at the Mar Vista Recreation Center and we're doing that in conjunction with our co-host, Councilman Mike Bonin.

11. Adjourn

ACTION: Commissioner Medina moved that the meeting be adjourned at 3:21 p.m. Commissioner Atkinson seconded the motion.

VOTE:

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|------------|----------|---|
| Ayes | <u>6</u> | (Atkinson, Grant, Lipmen, Medina, Rubio, and Shaffer) |
| Nays | <u>0</u> | |
| Abstention | <u>0</u> | |
| Absent | <u>1</u> | (Mack) |
| TOTAL | <u>7</u> | |

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|----------------|---------------|
| Motion Carries | <u>X</u> |
| Fails | <u> </u> |

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Agenda Item No. 6

**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL BUDGET PACKAGES
NOT SUBMITTED OR INCOMPLETE AS OF OCTOBER 20, 2014**

There are a total of ten (10) Neighborhood Councils without any documents for the Budget Package, and a total of 17 Neighborhood Councils with missing documents to complete the Budget Package.

Below is the breakdown of Neighborhood Councils with no budget packages submitted:

Empowerment Congress North
Glassell Park
Hollywood United
MacArthur Park
Pico Union
South Central
Sunland - Tujunga
Voices of 90037
Watts
Westlake South

Below is the breakdown of Neighborhood Councils with missing documents to complete the Budget Package:

Arroyo Seco
Central San Pedro
Chatsworth
Eagle Rock
East Hollywood
Encino
Foothill Trails District
Harbor Gateway South
Historic Cultural
Lake Balboa
Lincoln Heights
Mid-town North Hollywood
Mission Hills
Olympic Park
Sun Valley Area
Westlake North
Wilshire Center-Koreatown

EMPOWERLA EARLY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (ENS) SUBSCRIPTIONS AS OF 10/20/14

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-----|
| Arleta | 154 |
| Arroyo Seco | 162 |
| Atwater Village | 189 |
| Bel Air-Beverly Crest | 175 |
| Boyle Heights | 249 |
| CANNDU | 130 |
| Canoga Park | 170 |
| Central Alameda | 102 |
| Central Hollywood | 144 |
| Central San Pedro | 140 |
| Chatsworth | 199 |
| Coastal San Pedro | 117 |
| Del Rey | 103 |
| Downtown LA | 280 |
| Eagle Rock | 206 |
| East Hollywood | 97 |
| Elysian Valley Riverside | 134 |
| Empowerment Congress Central | 112 |
| Empowerment Congress North | 144 |
| Empowerment Congress Southeast | 107 |
| Empowerment Congress Southwest | 134 |
| Empowerment Congress West | 138 |
| Encino | 157 |
| Foothill Trails District | 135 |
| Glassell Park | 173 |
| Granada Hills North | 199 |
| Granada Hills South | 135 |
| Greater Cypress Park | 142 |
| Greater Echo Park Elysian | 206 |
| Greater Toluca Lake | 149 |
| Greater Valley Glen | 141 |
| Greater Wilshire | 159 |
| Harbor City | 120 |
| Harbor Gateway North | 103 |
| Harbor Gateway South | 123 |
| Historic Cultural | 146 |
| Historic Highland Park | 193 |
| Hollywood Hills West | 160 |
| Hollywood Studio District | 89 |
| Hollywood United | 147 |
| LA 32 | 146 |
| Lake Balboa | 133 |
| Lincoln Heights | 187 |
| Los Feliz | 209 |
| MacArthur Park | 125 |
| Mar Vista | 145 |

Agenda Item No. 6

EMPOWERLA EARLY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (ENS) SUBSCRIPTIONS AS OF 10/20/14

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Mid City | 143 |
| Mid City West | 200 |
| Mid-Town NoHo | 148 |
| Mission Hills | 128 |
| North Hills East | 45 |
| North Hills West | 184 |
| North Hollywood North East | 145 |
| North Hollywood West | 78 |
| Northridge East | 165 |
| Northridge South | 117 |
| Northridge West | 182 |
| Northwest San Pedro | 119 |
| Olympic Park | 106 |
| Pacoima | 204 |
| Palms | 103 |
| Panorama City | 97 |
| Park Mesa Heights | 103 |
| PICO | 136 |
| Pico Union | 128 |
| Porter Ranch | 137 |
| Rampart Village | 58 |
| Reseda | 161 |
| Sherman Oaks | 227 |
| Silver Lake #1 | |
| Silver Lake #2 | 304 |
| South Central | 2 |
| South Robertson | 99 |
| Studio City | 227 |
| Sun Valley Area | 140 |
| Sunland-Tujunga | 183 |
| Sylmar | 157 |
| Tarzana | 153 |
| United Neighborhoods | 163 |
| Valley Village | 148 |
| Van Nuys | 217 |
| Venice | 67 |
| Voices of 90037 | 59 |
| Watts | 114 |
| West Adams | 168 |
| West Hills | 162 |
| West Los Angeles | 202 |
| Westchester-Playa | 131 |
| Westlake North | 53 |
| Westlake South | 54 |
| Westside | 152 |
| Westwood | 75 |
| Wilmington | 132 |

EMPOWERLA EARLY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (ENS) SUBSCRIPTIONS AS OF 10/20/14

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Wilshire Center-Koreatown | 85 |
| Winnetka | 156 |
| Woodland Hills-Warner Center | 162 |
| United for Victory | 2 |
| Zapata King | 2 |
| | |
| total | 13687 |
| average | 144 |

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT UPDATE

Agenda Item No. 6

| Neighborhood Council | Month | Received |
|--------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Arleta | August | 9/17/2014 |
| Atwater Village | September | 10/16/2014 |
| Eagle Rock | August | 9/16/2014 |
| EC Central | August | 9/10/2014 |
| EC Southeast | August | 9/16/2014 |
| Granada Hills North | August | 9/10/2014 |
| Granada Hills North | August | 9/10/2014 |
| Granada Hills South | August | 9/10/2014 |
| Harbor Gateway North | August | 9/19/2014 |
| Historic Highland Park | August | 9/19/2014 |
| LA-32 | August | 9/5/2014 |
| Lake Balboa | August | 9/29/2014 |
| lake Balboa | September | 10/15/2014 |
| Arleta | August | 0/0/0 |
| Arroyo Seco | August | 9/24/2014 |
| Atwater Village | August | 0/0/0 |
| Bel-Air Beverly Crest | August | 10/9/2014 |
| Boyle Heights | August | 0/0/0 |
| CANNDU | August | 0/0/0 |
| Canoga Park | August | 0/0/0 |
| Central Alameda | August | 0/0/0 |
| Central Hollywood | August | 0/0/0 |
| Central San Pedro | August | 0/0/0 |
| Chatsworth | August | 9/7/2014 |
| Coastal San Pedro | August | 0/0/0 |
| Del Rey | August | 0/0/0 |
| Downtown Los Angeles | August | 9/25/2014 |
| Eagle Rock | August | 0/0/0 |
| East Hollywood | August | 0/0/0 |
| Elysian Valley Riverside | August | 0/0/0 |
| EC Central | August | 0/0/0 |
| EC North | August | 0/0/0 |
| EC Southeast | August | 0/0/0 |
| EC Southwest | August | 0/0/0 |
| EC West | August | 0/0/0 |
| Encino | August | 0/0/0 |
| Foothill Trails | August | 0/0/0 |
| Glassell Park | August | 0/0/0 |
| Granada Hills North | August | 0/0/0 |
| Granada Hills South | August | 0/0/0 |

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT UPDATE

| Neighborhood Council | Month | Received |
|----------------------------------|--------|------------|
| Greater Cypress Park | August | 0/0/0 |
| Greater Echo Park Elysian | August | 0/0/0 |
| Greater Toluca Lake | August | 10/9/2014 |
| Greater Valley Glen | August | 10/7/2014 |
| Greater Wilshire | August | 0/0/0 |
| Harbor City | August | 0/0/0 |
| Harbor Gateway North | August | 0/0/0 |
| Harbor Gateway South | August | 10/3/2014 |
| Historic Cultural | August | 0/0/0 |
| Historic Highland Park | August | 0/0/0 |
| Hollywood Hills West | August | 10/9/2014 |
| Hollywood Studio District | August | 0/0/0 |
| Hollywood United | August | 0/0/0 |
| LA-32 | August | 0/0/0 |
| Lake Balboa | August | 0/0/0 |
| Lincoln Heights | August | 0/0/0 |
| Los Feliz | August | 9/24/2014 |
| MacArthur Park | August | 0/0/0 |
| Mar Vista | August | 9/17/2014 |
| Mid-City | August | 9/10/2014 |
| Mid City West | August | 9/15/2014 |
| Mid-Town North Hollywood | August | 0/0/0 |
| Mission Hills | August | 0/0/0 |
| North Hills East | August | 9/30/2014 |
| North Hills West | August | 9/17/2014 |
| North Hollywood Northeast | August | 9/26/2014 |
| North Hollywood West | August | 10/15/2014 |
| Northridge East | August | 0/0/0 |
| Northridge South | August | 9/24/2014 |
| Northridge West | August | 10/2/2014 |
| Northwest San Pedro | August | 9/18/2014 |
| Olympic Park | August | 0/0/0 |
| P.I.C.O. | August | 0/0/0 |
| Pacoima | August | 0/0/0 |
| Palms | August | 0/0/0 |
| Panorama City | August | 0/0/0 |
| Park Mesa Heights | August | 0/0/0 |
| Pico Union | August | 9/19/2014 |
| Porter Ranch | August | 9/4/2014 |
| Rampart Village | August | 9/19/2014 |

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT UPDATE

| Neighborhood Council | Month | Received |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Reseda | August | 9/12/2014 |
| Sherman Oaks | August | 9/15/2014 |
| Silver Lake | August | 9/12/2014 |
| South Robertson | August | 10/14/2014 |
| South-East-Central | August | 0/0/0 |
| Studio City | August | 9/26/2014 |
| Sun Valley | August | 0/0/0 |
| Sunland-Tujunga | August | 0/0/0 |
| Sylmar | August | 0/0/0 |
| Tarzana | August | 9/30/2014 |
| United Neighborhoods | August | 9/30/2014 |
| Valley Village | August | 0/0/0 |
| Van Nuys | August | 9/30/2014 |
| Venice | August | 9/30/2014 |
| Voices of 90037 | August | 0/0/0 |
| Watts | August | 0/0/0 |
| West Adams | August | 10/14/2014 |
| West Hills | August | 0/0/0 |
| West Los Angeles | August | 0/0/0 |
| Westchester/Playa | August | 0/0/0 |
| Westlake North | August | 0/0/0 |
| Westlake South | August | 0/0/0 |
| Westside | August | 0/0/0 |
| Westwood | August | 0/0/0 |
| Wilmington | August | 0/0/0 |
| Wilshire Center/Koreatown | August | 0/0/0 |
| Winnetka | August | 0/0/0 |
| Woodland Hills- Warner Center | August | 10/2/2014 |
| Arleta | July | 9/8/2014 |
| Arroyo Seco | July | 9/4/2014 |
| Atwater Village | July | 0/0/0 |
| Bel-Air Beverly Crest | July | 10/9/2014 |
| Boyle Heights | July | 9/15/2014 |
| CANNDU | July | 0/0/0 |
| Canoga Park | July | 0/0/0 |
| Central Alameda | July | 0/0/0 |
| Central Hollywood | July | 8/8/2014 |
| Central San Pedro | July | 0/0/0 |

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT UPDATE

| Neighborhood Council | Month | Received |
|---------------------------------|-------|-----------|
| Chatsworth | July | 9/16/2014 |
| Coastal San Pedro | July | 0/0/0 |
| Del Rey | July | 0/0/0 |
| Downtown Los Angeles | July | 8/22/2014 |
| Eagle Rock | July | 0/0/0 |
| East Hollywood | July | 0/0/0 |
| Elysian Valley Riverside | July | 9/17/2014 |
| EC Central | July | 9/10/2014 |
| EC North | July | 0/0/0 |
| EC Southeast | July | 9/12/2014 |
| EC Southwest | July | 9/10/2014 |
| EC West | July | 0/0/0 |
| Encino | July | 0/0/0 |
| Foothill Trails | July | 9/2/2014 |
| Glassell Park | July | 0/0/0 |
| Granada Hills North | July | 8/22/2014 |
| Granada Hills South | July | 8/19/2014 |
| Greater Cypress Park | July | 0/0/0 |
| Greater Echo Park Elysian | July | 0/0/0 |
| Greater Toluca Lake | July | 10/9/2014 |
| Greater Valley Glen | July | 8/27/2014 |
| Greater Wilshire | July | 7/14/2014 |
| Harbor City | July | 0/0/0 |
| Harbor Gateway North | July | 8/19/2014 |
| Harbor Gateway South | July | 0/0/0 |
| Historic Cultural | July | 0/0/0 |
| Historic Highland Park | July | 8/29/2014 |
| Hollywood Hills West | July | 9/10/2014 |
| Hollywood Studio District | July | 0/0/0 |
| Hollywood United | July | 0/0/0 |
| LA-32 | July | 8/25/2014 |
| Lake Balboa | July | 8/26/2014 |
| Lincoln Heights | July | 0/0/0 |
| Los Feliz | July | 8/26/2014 |
| MacArthur Park | July | 0/0/0 |
| Mar Vista | July | 9/16/2014 |
| Mid-City | July | 9/22/2014 |
| Mid City West | July | 9/15/2014 |
| Mid-Town North Hollywood | July | 9/5/2014 |
| Mission Hills | July | 0/0/0 |

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT UPDATE

| Neighborhood Council | Month | Received |
|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| North Hills East | July | 9/30/2014 |
| North Hills West | July | 9/5/2014 |
| North Hollywood Northeast | July | 8/26/2014 |
| North Hollywood West | July | 10/15/2014 |
| Northridge East | July | 9/17/2014 |
| Northridge South | July | 9/25/2014 |
| Northridge West | July | 8/27/2014 |
| Northwest San Pedro | July | 8/21/2014 |
| Olympic Park | July | 8/7/2014 |
| P.I.C.O. | July | 8/25/2014 |
| Pacoima | July | 0/0/0 |
| Palms | July | 9/3/2014 |
| Panorama City | July | 9/4/2014 |
| Park Mesa Heights | July | 0/0/0 |
| Pico Union | July | 8/11/2014 |
| Porter Ranch | July | 9/4/2014 |
| Rampart Village | July | 9/19/2014 |
| Reseda | July | 8/25/2014 |
| Sherman Oaks | July | 9/15/2014 |
| Silver Lake | July | 8/15/2014 |
| South Robertson | July | 9/9/2014 |
| South East Central | July | 0/0/0 |
| Studio City | July | 8/27/2014 |
| Sun Valley | July | 9/10/2014 |
| Sunland-Tujunga | July | 9/12/2014 |
| Sylmar | July | 8/8/2014 |
| Tarzana | July | 9/2/2014 |
| United Neighborhoods | July | 9/30/2014 |
| Valley Village | July | 8/8/2014 |
| Van Nuys | July | 9/9/2014 |
| Venice | July | 9/2/2014 |
| Voices of 90037 | July | 0/0/0 |
| Watts | July | 9/2/2014 |
| West Adams | July | 10/14/2014 |
| West Hills | July | 9/5/2014 |
| West Los Angeles | July | 7/24/2014 |
| Westchester/Playa | July | 9/10/2014 |
| Westlake North | July | 0/0/0 |
| Westlake South | July | 0/0/0 |
| Westside | July | 9/10/2014 |
| Westwood | July | 0/0/0 |
| Wilmington | July | 0/0/0 |

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL MONTHLY EXPENDITURE REPORT UPDATE

| Neighborhood Council | Month | Received |
|-------------------------------|-------|----------|
| Wilshire Center/Koreatown | July | 0/0/0 |
| Winnetka | July | 0/0/0 |
| Woodland Hills- Warner Center | July | 9/8/2014 |

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| July Submitted | 62 |
| July not submitted | 33 |
| August Submitted | 45 |
| August not submitted | 50 |

Dear Neighbors,

Thank you for the great response to the last Commission newsletter. We received some great feedback from NC leaders as well as recognition in a [Daily News article](#)! In addition, we recognized neighborhood councils with EmpowerLA Awards from all seven regions for their outstanding work at the excellent NC Congress. Check out the winners and their great projects here [insert link to presentation].

The Commission has been working hard to improve the system--we recently passed a new [Code of Conduct policy](#) for all neighborhood council leaders; please read it and wait for instructions from the Department on signing it. We are also tracking implementation of our [posting policy](#)--if you do not know what is required for your board or committee(s), please contact your NEA immediately to walk you through the simple steps of posting your agendas.

Finally, we invite you to our upcoming meetings--we continue to get more and more neighborhood council leaders to attend, along with key City officials. At our Commission meeting in South L.A., L.A. City Council President Herb J. Wesson Jr (!) spoke about the keys to leadership and encouraged stakeholders to participate in an effort to improve voter turnout through election reform. You can voice your opinion on this important issue by tweeting ideas to #turnoutLA or contacting [Erika Pulst](#) at 213-978-1075.

The point is, you just never know who will show up, but the most important person is you, because we want to hear from you! Our upcoming meetings include:

- Special Meeting on Thursday, November 6, 2014, at 6:00 pm in the Hollywood Studio District Neighborhood Council area.
- Regular Meeting on Monday, November 17, 2014, at 1:00 p.m., at City Hall, 10th Floor Conference Center, Room 1050, 200 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012.
- Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 2, 2014, at 6:00 p.m., at Peck Park Community Center, 560 North Western Avenue, San Pedro, CA 90732.

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Yours,

Karen Mack
President

Board of Neighborhood Commissioners

P.S. Are you interested in helping us go "digital"? The Commission wants to make our meetings available to stream over the internet; if you have experience in this area, please contact commissionerlipmen@gmail.com.

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| DATE: <u>10/20/14</u> |
| ITEM # <u>5</u> |
| SUBMITTED BY: <u>Scott Johnson</u> |

Good afternoon DONE/ Empower LA General Manager Grayce Liu,

Under the rights accorded me via the California Public Records Act, I am requesting the following;

All emails, notes, phone records and supporting documentation pertaining to the actions/ sanctions/ conditions, imposed on Scott Johnson (email: msjohnsonla32@ahoo.com), as noted via this email message by Deputy City Attorney Darren Martinez.


Please note that in addition to DONE staff, this CPRA includes emails, notes, phone records and background documentation from other non-DONE staff/

Dear Mr. Johnson,

Due to the graphic materials included in your email. Our Office will no longer read or review your correspondence. You may present any concerns in writing via US Mail to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at 200 N. Spring Street, Suite 2005, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

**Darren R. Martinez
Managing Deputy City Attorney -
Neighborhood Council Advice Division,
General Counsel Division
Office of the City Attorney
(213) 978-8132**

With respects,


Scott Johnson