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West Adams Neighborhood Council  
Meets Every Third Monday of the Month @  
Vineyard Recreation Center, 2942 Vineyard Ave,  
Los Angeles, CA, 90016

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**West Adams Neighborhood  
Council**

**Draft Regular Board Meeting Minutes**  
Virtual Meeting  
Monday, September 21, 2020 at 6:30 PM

**1. Welcome and Call to Order**

Steven Meeks	Present	Connie Thomas	Absent
		Sean Curley	Present
Richard Williams	Absent	Jace Dawson	Present
Leon Burdeos	Absent	Kristyn Yancy	Present
Eva Aubry	Absent	Clint Simmons	Present
Yolanda Davis-Overstreet	Present		

**1. Welcome, Call to Order and Roll Call**

President Meeks attempted to call the meeting to order at 6:33 PM: Quorum not met.

**2. Government Representatives**

David Price, Mayor's Office, South Representative: He discussed Exec Order 29 which makes critical City services available online and discussed the importance of the Census, including with regard to COVID-19. He also discussed the Mayor's Youth Council.

**3. General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: two minutes per person (until 7 PM)**

Torrence Brandon: He stated that he had been in the area for 30 years and stated his support for co-naming Crenshaw Blvd with the name Malcolm X.

Andre Parvenu: He stated that he had been in the area for many years and spoke about his concerns about losing Congressional districts and funding due to low Census response rates. He gave his number as 844-330-2020.

Brian Piatek: He asked what happens to the Board if it misses another meeting due to lack of quorum.

Margaret Taylor: She stated that she was present in order to give a presentation on item 10A.

Aura Vasquez: She stated that she had been a supporter of the NC and in support of expanding bicycle lanes and open space.

Grace Yu: She stated her support for expanded WiFi service, encouraging people to take the Census, and provided a link for her City Council debate.

Tracy Weisert: She stated her support for co-naming Crenshaw Blvd with the name Malcolm X and thanked everyone on the Board for their service.

#### **4. Administrative Items:**

#### **5. Secretary's Report: Discussion and possible action for May, June, July minutes**

#### **6. Monthly Expenditure Reports: Discussion and possible action for May, June, July, August**

#### **7. Presentations: CERT Representative Lise Ha**

She discussed the CERT Neighborhood Team Program (NTP) with a slideshow, including what the meetings entail.

#### **8. Department of Neighborhood Empowerment: Karen Hernandez**

She stated that the general public comments were not supposed to be on agenda items and that outreach was being performed in order to recruit Board members. She also reminded Board members of workshops taking place on EmpowerLA.org and thanked the Board for its community engagement. Thomas Soong stated that there were vacancies on the Board and described the BONC Loss of Quorum policy. President Meeks stated that he has been made aware of four people who were interested in serving on the Board.

Clint Simmons asked what constituted a quorum, if missing a meeting without a quorum constitutes an absence, and if special meetings counted on members' attendance records. Ms. Hernandez stated the bylaws are being reviewed and that the current quorum is eight. Mr. Soong with DONE also stated that the bylaws are being reviewed and that he would check whether missing a meeting without a quorum constitutes an absence and whether special meetings counted on members' attendance records.

Yolanda Davis-Overstreet stated her concerns with Board members not attending meetings and stated that she knew of someone who had interest in serving on the Board.

#### **9. Old and new Business**

#### **10. Old and New Business**

**A.** Discussion and possible action on Case Number: ZA-2020-1708-CUB request (Delicious Pizza) on site sales of full line of alcoholic beverages and restaurant Expansion

**B.** Discussion and possible action on Transportation & Community Mobility Safety Webinars for expenses such as PR and professional fees not to exceed \$500

C. Discussion and possible action on Microsoft 365 yearly license not to exceed \$150

D. Discussion and possible action on purchase of exterior bulletin board for Vineyard

Rec Center not to exceed \$500

E. Discussion and possible action on implementing the mobility plan on Adams Blvd. which would result in road configuration (LADOT ADAPT Program) DRAFT MOTION LINK

F. Discussion and possible action on implementing Slow Streets in WANC -the authorization of a member of the Board to apply for LADOT's "slow streets" program within the boundaries of the WANC

G. Discussion and possible action on La Cienega/Obama Target request to sell full line of alcoholic beverages

H. Discussion and possible action on purchase of an additional Zoom license not to exceed \$250

I. Discussion and possible action on support of co-naming Crenshaw Blvd Malcolm X

#### **11. Standing Committee and City Liaison Reports Announcements**

**12. Discussion on the selection of Community Interest, Home Owner, Youth, Business and At Large Representative vacancies**

**13. Discussion on agenda setting September and future Monthly and Special Meeting(s)**

14. Adjourned - 7:34 PM

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