

# Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates

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**West Los Angeles Civic Center  
1645 Corinth Ave #201, Los Angeles, CA 90025  
Saturday, November 17, 2018 at 10am**

## Meeting #9 Minutes

Board Members	Roll Call	Region	Board Members	Roll Call	Region
Kevin Davis	Absent	1	Tony Michaelis	By phone	7
John DiGregorio	Present (10:12)	1	Barbara Ringuette	Present	7
Rick Ramirez	By phone (11:44)	1	Connie Acosta	Present (10:24)	7
Brian Allen	Present	2	Liz Amsden	Present (10:08)	8
Glenn Bailey	Present	2	Jamie Tijerina	By phone	8
Diedra Greenaway	By phone	2	Jose Orozco Pelico	Absent	8
VACANT	--	3	Chelsea McElwee	Present (10:39)	9
Carol Newman	Present	3	Evelyn Valdez	Absent	9
Joanne Yvanek-Garb	Present (10:10)	3	Jose Medina	Absent	9
Jeanette Hopp	Absent	4	Carol Derby-David	Present	10
Howard Katchen	Absent	4	Erick Morales	Excused	10
Brandon Pender	By phone	4	KJ Clark	By phone	10
Jack Humphreville	Present	5	Jay Handal	Present	11
VACANT	--	5	VACANT	--	11
Patrick Seamans	Absent	5	Jon Liberman	Absent	11
James Hornik	By phone	6	Melanie Labrecque	Absent	12
Adrienne Nicole Edwards	By phone	6	VACANT	--	12
Faalaniga "Nina" Smith	Absent	6	Dr. Princess Sykes	Present	12

1. The meeting was called to order at 10am by the Jay Handal with a full quorum by 10am.
2. Roll Call: see above; in addition, Eleanor Smith (Park Mesa Heights NC), John Darnell (DONE), Julien Antelin (DONE), and Luis Escobar (Fullerton Poli-Sci student observer) were present.
3. Public Comment: There were no public comments made.
4. Approval of minutes from Meeting #8 (November 8th): MOTION: By Barbara Ringuette, seconded by Dr. Sykes for the approval of minutes as amended from meeting #8 (November 5th). No-one opposed, 2 abstained, motion passes.
5. Treasurer's report: MOTION: By Carol Newman, seconded by John DiGregorio for the approval of the treasurer's report for the current period. One (1) opposed, 1 abstained, motion passes.
6. FUSE Fellow Dawn Comer: Dawn presented on the work she has done as a fellow for the City and her goals on what she would like to accomplish to bridge the gaps between technology and public services.
7. Motion to invite Community Councils: This item was referred to the Bylaws Committee and Budget Advocate's should send comments and/ or concerns to Carol Newman.

8. City' projected 'overexpenditure' as reported in the CAO's quarterly report: Jay Handal suggested adding a section in the White Paper on how the City over spends and over collects.

9. Budget Advocate White Paper: Jaime will work on the drafted White Paper recommendations during the Thanksgiving break and should have it circulated by next week Monday.

There are a few reports that are missing and will be submitted within a few days. Budget Advocates will be receiving feedback on submitted reports and Liz emphasized that Budget Advocates should have a quick turnaround on report edits.

10. Budget Advocate Town Halls: Scheduling and locations for Town Halls will occur in the Spring once the White Paper has been completed. No-one selected a role on the Outreach list that was sent by John DiGregorio which will be circulated again in order to get Budget Advocates to participate in Outreach.

11. Outreach: The survey has been circulated and the goal is to collect around 20, 000 surveys.

Budget Advocate letterhead is being worked on will be circulated once completed.

There are two individuals who are interested in being a Budget Advocate, Benjamin and Jeffery (Region 3). Eleanor wants to return as a Budget Advocate for Region 9.

12. New Business: MOTION: By John DiGregorio, second by Joanne Yvanek-Garb for 1000 printed hard copies of the surveys. No-one opposed or abstained, motion passes unanimously.

13. Jay Handal motioned for adjournment at 12:30pm.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:  
CHELSEA MCELWEE  
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