

# Neighborhood Council Budget Advocates

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Los Angeles City Hall, DONE Office  
200 N. Spring Street 20<sup>th</sup> Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012  
Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at 7 PM

## Meeting #10 Minutes

Board Members	Roll Call	Region	Board Members	Roll Call	Region
Kevin Davis	Present (7:16)	1	Tony Michaelis	Excused	7
John DiGregorio	Absent	1	Barbara Ringuette	Present	7
Rick Ramirez	Present	1	Connie Acosta	Present	7
Brian Allen	Present	2	Liz Amsden	Present	8
Glenn Bailey	Present	2	Jamie Tijerina	Present (7:13)	8
Diedra Greenaway	Absent	2	Jose Orozco Pelico	Present (7:27)	8
Jeffrey Mausner	Present	3	Chelsea McElwee	Present	9
Carol Newman	Present	3	Evelyn Valdez	Present	9
Joanne Yvanek-Garb	Excused	3	Jose Medina	Absent	9
Jeannette Hopp	Absent	4	Carol Derby-David	Excused	10
Howard Katchen	Present (7:15)	4	Erick Morales	Present	10
Brandon Pender	Present (7:16)	4	KJ Clark	Present	10
Jack Humphreville	Present (7:13)	5	Jay Handal	Present	11
VACANT	VACANT	5	VACANT	VACANT	11
Patrick Seamans	Absent	5	Jon Liberman	Present (7:16)	11
James Hornik	Present	6	Melanie Labrecque	Present	12
Adrienne Nicole Edwards	Absent	6	Danielle Sandoval	Present (7:30)	12
Nina Smith	Present (7:29)	6	Dr. Princess Sykes	Present (7:13)	12

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Co-Chair Liz Amsden.
2. Roll Call: At the beginning of the meeting, a quorum of 17 Budget Advocates were present. 8 more Budget Advocates joined the meeting later, bringing the total to 25. John Darnell from the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment, Ms. Eleanor Smith from Park Mesa Heights NC and Mr. Garry Fordyce from North Hills West NC also joined the meeting.
3. Public Comment: Mr. Darnell informed that candidate filing for the 2019 neighborhood council elections begins in Region 5 on December 16<sup>th</sup>, with other regions following approximately every two weeks after. Mr. Darnell also noted that the organization Dementia Friends is presenting to neighborhood councils throughout the city.
4. Approval of the Minutes from Meeting #9 (November 17<sup>th</sup>):

MOTION: Dr. Sykes moved to approve the minutes. Parliamentarian Newman seconded.

SUPPORT: 15 votes

OPPOSE: 0 votes

ABSTAIN: 7 votes

**MOTION PASSED. MINUTES FOR MEETING #9 APPROVED.**

5. Treasurer's Report:

MOTION: Co-Chair Handal moved to approve the Treasurer’s report for the most current period. Mr. Liberman seconded the motion.

SUPPORT: 19 votes

OPPOSE: 1 votes

ABSTAIN: 2 votes

**MOTION PASSED.**

6. Google Drive: Co-Chair Handal will request that Vice-Chair DiGregorio send out instructions on how to use Google Drive to the Board.
7. NCBA White Paper: The White Paper Committee is working on a first draft and aims to present it at the next Board meeting. Budget Advocates were requested to turnaround revised department reports to Parliamentarian Newman as fast as possible, preferably within 2 to 3 days. Co-Chair Amsden also checked in on missing department reports.
8. Outreach: The NCBA report card has received limited responses. Budget Advocates were urged to outreach to NCs for help in spreading word and distribute the report card. Co-Chair Handal requested that everyone send Vice-Chair DiGregorio contact info for local media to help disseminate the survey.

Co-Chair Handal requested volunteers to contact the different neighborhood council alliances for co-sponsorship of a Budget Advocate town hall. The following members volunteered:

Chelsea: South Los Angeles Alliance

Danielle: Harbor Alliance

Glenn: Valley Alliance, Emergency Preparedness, and Los Angeles Coalition

Jay: Westside Regional

Barbara: Alliance of River Communities and PlanCheck

Liz: Sustainability

These town halls should be scheduled before the end of February.

9. Updates: Co-Chair Amsden announced the new Budget Advocates in Regions 3, 11, and 12. Region 5 still needs a Budget Advocate.

Co-Chair Handal reported that the Mayor’s office would get back to him about a meeting in January and a proposed memorandum of understanding.

10. Adjournment: Co-Chair Handal adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:  
ERICK M. MORALES  
2018 - 2019 NCBA Secretary