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Emily Reyes, At-Large Representative (2029)
Ernesto Ramirez, Homeowner Representative (2029)
Connie Thomas, Community Interest Representative (2029)
Jhoiey Ramirez, At-Large Representative (2029)

**West Adams Neighborhood Council
Board regular meeting minutes
July 27, 2026
Baldwin Hills Library**

Draft minutes — not yet approved

[6:37 pm] Meeting called to order. Quintus Jett presiding.

[6:37 pm] The roll was called.

Present (11): Lola Barraza, Jace Dawson, Quintus Jett, Blake Lynch, Ernesto Ramirez , Jhoiey Ramirez , Emily Reyes , Connie Thomas, Julio Valdez, Jill Vidal, and Richard Williams

Absent (3): Angela Gilbert, Xochitl Morales, and Alexandria Sulaimankhil

[6:39 pm] QJ gives an update on what an NC is and our boundaries and gave background on who can participate "Stakeholder"

[6:40 pm] 2. General Public Comment: Public comments on non-agenda items (2 min max per person, with no discussion – clarification questions only)

- West Adams Block Party here and we will talk about it during public comment - Delicious Pizza here to represent
- A couple of new residents are here

[6:43 pm] 3. Reports from Government Officials & Representatives. (4 min max per representative, followed by accelerated Q&A for follow up with that representative).

State Senate - Ethan field rep for the office of Issiac Bryan . Recess this month, coming back in August starting on the 1st. Last time to let them know your stance
AB1883 2025-2026 - Prohibit surveillance in the workplace , no AI cameras
AB 946 - Environment and more green spaces to balance out CO2 emissions - 30% rule applied to cities so that green spaces can be funded in cities. "30 by 30"
Email for Ethan on the website . Disaster prep plan w/ Baldwin Hills and did a FIFA event, Back To School event at the Crenshaw YMCA coming up. State departments (anything w/ .ca let Ethan know) Graffiti on buildings or state property or government buildings to move that through.

Q - Questions on EDD contact Ethan. The letter is being sent today in the mail.

Clarification on AB 946 asked

[6:49 pm] [6:43 pm] 3. Reports from Government Officials & Representatives. (4 min max per representative, followed by accelerated Q&A for follow up with that representative).

Jonathan Mitchell - Dep for CD10 - will connect on w/ Ethan working together to clear the Caltrans area at Geneese and Adams. Working with LAPD to clear the tunnel on Sycamore - connects a couple NCs to working on that with both NCs. Reports of lights that are out on Jefferson and Side Streets - also working on lights on Wellington and Virginia Road. Will work to push these. Vegetation is getting cut in the area, weed abatement on Adams and Geneese and other areas - Rampaw and Vineyard on Jefferson. Please let Jonathan know if something needs to get taken care of. Does a grid drive every day - office 5213 W Pic Blvd, cell 213 - 509 - 9778, jonathan.mitchell@lacity.org - idea and suggestions welcome. Office Alexander will talk to the air commander about noise .

Sidewalk broken for 15 years - Julio sent SR to Jonathan to look at a request from March - this is dependent on lawsuits and ADA compliance

Connie - Fireworks keep going off what can we do? Call the non emergency line for this. Police commission meetings - Jonathan will re send this to us.

Residents - Some areas have glass on the sidewalks - what is the process for getting this cleaned up - 6 weeks and farmhouse has garbage cans - if just general sidewalk send Jonathan a picture and he can have some come out - for sale then let Jonathan know. Vegetation - in front of the church - and they trim them every 7 years and this one was over trimmed and it does take away the shade but this is expected.

QJ - clarification set up a drive so that we can collect everything
Ernesto - Emailed about progress on LADWP for the beautification of the parking lot at Adams and Fairfax - Tree Planting Day for this location - Jonathan will let us know when we can do a walk around for this area.

Coach - Certificates made for people who have been on the board for over 10 years

[7:00 pm] Angela Gilbert arrived at the meeting

[7:00 pm] Jhoiey Ramirez arrived at the meeting

[7:07 pm] 6. Old business

b. Approval of FY2026-2027 WANC Administrative Packet, to enable spending of funds for this fiscal year

QJ goes over the reason for the packet - \$25k approved, and will learn about rollover later. To get started we let people who the financial officers are what they do. Starting budget is as follows ->

1. General Operating - \$21,800 - \$14.2k for office/ops storage , \$6.6k for outreach, \$1k for elections

2. NPG's - 3,200

Details were reviewed on each line item and given by QJ

[7:12 pm] On agenda item 6b, Quintus Jett made a motion to "Approval as presented of FY2026-2027 WANC Administrative Packet, to enable spending of funds for this fiscal year"

[7:14 pm] Make sure we add Zoom and Canva per Angela
Agenda for Finance Committee to go over everything to approve it. West Adams Block Party - next meeting on August 17th scheduled for September 6th.

Delicious Pizza owners have done block parties and running another 2017 - 2019, 2023 - each even brings out 5k-7.5k residents in a free atmosphere - on labor day. Many non profits and great publicity and great for west adams spotlight - Keith from Alta and Mizlala to help bring everyone together for food and music festival - Closing from Dunsmir to Hauser

[7:22 pm] The assembly voted on a motion to: "Approval as presented of FY2026-2027 WANC Administrative Packet, to enable spending of funds for this fiscal year"

Ayes (10): Lola Barraza, Angela Gilbert, Quintus Jett, Blake Lynch, Ernesto Ramirez , Jhoiey Ramirez , Emily Reyes , Connye Thomas, Julio Valdez, and Jill Vidal

Noes (0): none

Ineligible (1): Richard Williams

The motion passed.

[7:26 pm] - August 22nd

- The West Adams Block Party

- Block Club

Pass something for 17th and pass something for the Block party - Can we pass something for now?

End of the first week of August - Put in for a meeting, Virtual Meeting to Discuss and approve an NPG up to 3200 and outreach budget. Call a meeting to discuss NPG and summer expenses for next Monday, where we have a proposal and discuss a specifics. Art world, signs murals, airbrushing, kids putting hands on.

[7:40 pm] Connye Thomas made a motion to "Motion to schedule a Zoom meeting for 30 minutes on August 3rd at 6:30 w/ specifics f"

[7:42 pm] The assembly voted on a motion to: "Motion to schedule a Zoom meeting for 30 minutes on August 3rd at 6:30 w/ specifics of the spend for events"

Ayes (11): Lola Barraza, Angela Gilbert, Quintus Jett, Blake Lynch, Ernesto Ramirez , Jhoiey Ramirez , Emily Reyes , Connye Thomas, Julio Valdez, Jill Vidal, and Richard Williams

Noes (0): none

The motion passed.

[7:44 pm] On agenda item 7c, Quintus Jett made a motion to "Approval to fund \$800 a WANC Board & Stakeholders retreat in August to discuss goals and planning for FY2026-

2027 fiscal year"

[7:45 pm] The assembly voted on a motion to: "Approval to fund \$800 for a WANC Board & Stakeholders retreat in August to discuss goals and planning for FY2026-2027 fiscal year"

Ayes (10): Lola Barraza, Angela Gilbert, Quintus Jett, Blake Lynch, Ernesto Ramirez , Jhoiey Ramirez , Emily Reyes , Connye Thomas, Julio Valdez, and Jill Vidal

Noes (0): none

Ineligible (1): Richard Williams

The motion passed.

[7:47 pm] Meeting adjourned.

The neighborhood council counts abstentions as yes votes.