

MOTION

PUBLIC WORKS

The Experience Christian Ministries (ECM) is recognized for its outstanding commitment to faith, service, community empowerment, and neighborhood transformation throughout South Los Angeles. Under the leadership of Senior Pastor Anthony "Shep" Crawford and Co-Pastor Dr. Shalonda "Sunshine" Crawford, ECM has served thousands of residents through community outreach, food and resource distributions, youth mentorship, family support, violence prevention initiatives, and educational programs.

ECM is the founder of Church at the Park, the Apology Tour, and the Performance Arts Conservatory (PAC), while also helping train faith leaders in Community Violence Intervention practices. Through its partnership with United We Stand Up, ECM has promoted peace-building, reconciliation, and community engagement across Los Angeles.

The church has further distinguished itself by opening its doors to families in times of grief, providing funeral and memorial support to countless community members. ECM's impact can be seen not only in lives changed, but in relationships restored, leaders developed, and neighborhoods strengthened.

Senior Pastor Shep Crawford is a 5-time Grammy Award winning producer and writer, that God has been called specifically to build a bridge from the church to the world and from the world back to the church. Pastor Shep is very creative in his approach and way of presenting the gospel in an urban and everyday practical way.


Along with his wife and Co-Pastor, Dr. Shalonda Crawford, he has started a ministry specifically for people who are either tired of church or have never been an active member of a church. He uses a uniquely captivating, entertaining, and thought-provoking method of preaching and teaching that leaves the congregation wanting to know about God on a more personal and intimate level. Pastor Shep is like a comedian, lawyer, dancer, singer, musician and story-teller all in one.

Dr. Shalonda K. Crawford is the Co-Pastor of The Experience Christian Ministries, led by her husband and Sr. Pastor, Shep Crawford. She is widely known throughout the city of Los Angeles and has been affectionately dubbed, "Dr. Sunshine" as she passionately pursues everyone around her to see the brighter side of life and tremulous situations.

Dr. Crawford is high-spirited as well as highly educated having earned a total of 6 degrees including a Doctoral degree in Applied Clinical Psychology at The Chicago School of Professional Psychology. She is also a highly sought after speaker and author of her award winning book, "Employ Your Pain". All the while, Dr. Crawford has stayed busy in the church and throughout the community.

I THEREFORE MOVE that ceremonial sign(s) should be erected at the intersection of 47th Place and San Pedro Street to include the following language "Experience Christian Ministries, Senior Pastor Shep Crawford and Dr. Shalonda Crawford, Square, est. 2010" for their dedication to the City of Los Angeles.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of Transportation be directed to fabricate and install permanent ceremonial sign(s) to this effect at or suitably near this location.

PRESENTED BY: 
CURREN D. PRICE, JR.
Councilmember, Ninth District

SECONDED BY: 


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