

CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD

Minutes of the Disabilities Advisory Board November 30, 2011

Community Conference Room, West Hollywood City Hall

1. CALL TO ORDER

Rick Watts, Chair of the Disabilities Advisory Board, called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Suzanne Dietrich led the pledge of allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Lisa Andreson, Michael Arrigo, Tim Carlson, James Chud, Thomas De Lorenzo, Suzanne Dietrich and Rick Watts

ABSENT: Larry Block and Debra Chodash,

STAFF PRESENT: Craig Rhea and Kim Patterson

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda for November 30, 2011 was approved.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 26, 2011 meeting were approved with the correction that breast cancer is the second leading cause of death among women.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Carlos Sosa, the Executive Director of CityX1, spoke about this all-volunteer program which serves LBGT youth, including those living with disabilities. He invited people to their annual holiday "Tamale Jam" on Sunday, December 18th from 6-9 PM at Plummer Park. Because suicide rates among gay youth and seniors rise during the holidays, this party is an important way for these youth to build community.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. THE BROWN ACT AND ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER

Corey Schaffer, City Clerk, explained the Brown Act and Robert's Rules of Order, and fielded questions from the Board.

B. CITYLINE: PROSPECTIVE ROUTE CHANGES

Perri Sloane Goodman, the City's Transportation Program Administrator, discussed the \$2 million City-subsidized transit programs and introduced two proposed route changes for the CityLine shuttle service.

C. RENT STABILIZATION ANNUAL REPORT (2010)

Elizabeth Savage, Manager of the City's Rent Stabilization Division, and Yellena Orloff, Rent Stabilization Information Coordinator, distributed the 2010 Rent Stabilization Annual Report, discussed key points and answered questions from the Board.

D. EVALUATION OF THE OCTOBER TELEVISED MEETING

This item was tabled until the next meeting due to lack of time.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

9. ITEMS FROM STAFF

A. Future DAB Meetings (2012 Meeting Schedule distributed):

- No meeting in December
- Next meeting will be January 25, 2012
- At the January meeting, the Board can discuss scheduling months when members could attend another City board or commission meeting and report back to the Board the following month.

B. DAB Liaisons to Boards & Commissions

- Distributed list of current interests and encouraged Boardmembers to attend those meetings they're interested in during December & January.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

11. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS/LIAISON UPDATES

Tim Carlson reported that on December 1, 2011 recommendations will be released from the Bicycle Task Force.

Suzanne Dietrich said that members can send comments to the Board Chair to read at meetings if the member cannot be present.

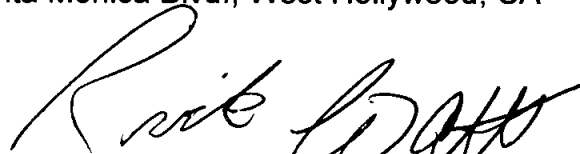
Michael Arrigo raised a possible future agenda item: more accessible traffic signals, with raised arrows for the blind and audible signals at all signalized corners, as well as yellow flasher lights. He announced the Easter Seals project action. Lastly he announced the World AIDS Day breakfast on December 1st and the ONE Archives evening event at which Jim Chud will speak briefly as a 30-plus-year survivor.

12. BOARD REPRESENTATIVE TO REPORT TO COUNCIL

Tim Carlson will report to Council offices about the DAB's November 30th meeting.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm in memory of all those living with and those who have died of AIDS, in honor of World AIDS Day on December 1st, to its next meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., in the Community Conference Room, City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069.



DAB Chair – Rick Watts