

**WEST HOLLYWOOD
DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1999
WEST HOLLYWOOD, CITY HALL**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Pavich called the meeting to order at 5:40 PM.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Board Member Margolis led the Pledge.

3. **ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: Board Members Aizenman, Arrigo, Margolis, Pavich, Semonco, and Weber.

ALSO PRESENT: Liaisons Jacobs and Springer and Deputy Clerk Diaz.

ABSENT: Board Members Dal Porto, Dietrich, and Weltman.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

ACTION: Approve the Minutes of November 10, 1999 as presented.

Motion Board Member Margolis, seconded by Board Member Semonco and carried, noting the abstention of Board Member Weber.

Staff Liaison Jacobs asked that the Board consider adding an Urgency Item to the Agenda as Item 8.D. regarding appointments to the Dial-A-Ride Vehicle Program.

MOTION: Make the finding that the Item came to the attention of the Board after the posting of the Agenda and there is an immediate need to hear the Item, and add Urgency Item, Appointment of Representative to the Dial-A-Ride New Vehicle Program, as 8.D and table Item 8.C to January 12, 2000. **Motion Board Member Weber, seconded by Board Member Margolis, and unanimously carried.**

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

6. **STAFF COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

Staff Liaison Springer invited the Board Members to the Senior Millenium Event concert "The Bells of Notre Dame".

A. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Santa Monica Boulevard: Board Member Margolis informed the Board of an upcoming field trip to Northridge to visit a vibrating signal.

Legislative Subcommittee: Board Member Margolis gave a brief overview on the Work Incentive Improvement Act.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. ANNOUNCEMENTS ON CITY CHANNEL 6:

Helen Goss, Public Information/CATV Manager, reported that the verbal announcements cannot be made at this time due to the lack of resources such as equipment, full time staff, and funding. She informed the board of a current project being engineered, which will be a travelers radio station, and will try to include additional technology regarding verbal announcements in the next agreement with Adelphia Cable Company. Ms. Goss also answered a few questions from Board members.

Board Member Aizenman stated she has heard a public information radio station from Beverly Hills.

Board Member Arrigo suggested that the visual announcements be slowed down and the background be a different color than the words being shown.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A. SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD RECONSTRUCTION:

Jeff Huffer updated the Board on the current construction and reported that there will be no activity from December 23 to January 3, 2000. Construction on the north side will begin and

continue West and will take 3 months to complete. The final phase will be to reconstruct the median. He answered questions from the Board Members regarding the time frame on certain areas along Santa Monica Boulevard, the width of the sidewalks and median, travel lanes, bike lanes, and accessibility issues.

B. WHOLE FOODS MARKET:

Trisha Frey, representative from Whole Foods Market, announced that the store will open on February 2 or later depending upon construction. Whole Foods only sells organic food and food without artificial ingredients. The Market will have an organic bakery, deli, food and salad bar, winery, seafood and a meat and nutrition department and will have specials every two weeks. She also stated the market chain is in the process of doubling stores by 2003. Ms. Frey answered various questions from the Board Members.

C. VOTER REGISTRATION PROJECT:

Tabled to January 12, 2000.

URGENCY ITEM

D. APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO ASSIST DIAL A RIDE VEHICLE SPECIFICATIONS:

Board Members Weltman and Semonco were appointed as representatives from the Disabilities Advisory Board to the Transportation Department.

ACTION: Send representatives to assist the Transportation Department with new specifications for the City Line and Dial-A-Ride vehicles. **Motion Board Member Margolis, seconded by Board Member Weber and unanimously carried.**

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

10. **DISABILITIES ADVISORY MEMBER COMMENTS:**

A. SUMMARY OF COMMISSION/ADVISORY BOARD CHAIRS' MEETING. None.

B. GENERAL COMMENTS REGARDING DISABILITY ISSUES:
Board Member Aizenman, commented on absentee ballot voting. She also stated she attended a meeting regarding transportation speed limits on Olive Street.

Chair Pavich requested the minutes of past Commission and Advisory Board Chairs meetings.

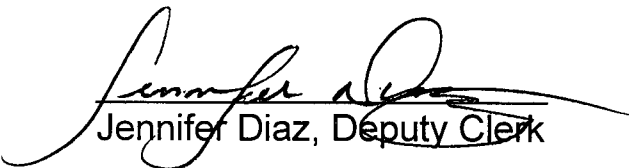
11. ADJOURNMENT: The Disabilities Advisory Board adjourned in memory of Jane Small and Scott Smith to their next regular meeting to be held on **Wednesday, January 12, 2000.**

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD
THIS 12TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2000.



Chair Pavich

ATTEST:


Jennifer Diaz, Deputy Clerk