

**WEST HOLLYWOOD SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, August 26, 2015

West Hollywood Library – Community Room
625 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pat Dixon at 2:00PM.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

B. ROLL CALL

Members present: Richard Blons, Pat Dixon, Sophia Gelman, Bernice Levin, Rita Norton, Joy Nuell, and Lee Walkup

Members absent: Barbara Krupa

Staff present: Corey Roskin, Leslie Isenberg, and Kim Patterson

C. POSTING OF THE AGENDA

Corey Roskin stated that the agenda was posted at all the usual places.

D. PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Dixon stated the procedure.

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

F. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Lee Walkup requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of the news correspondents who were killed in Virginia.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were unanimously approved.

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Dan Morin, West Hollywood resident, expressed appreciation that the SAB agenda included a discussion of Rosenberg's Rules of Order from Melissa Crowder, Assistant City Clerk, and a discussion of a possible time change of the SAB meetings. He also mentioned that he spoke with Council about full minutes not being included in their agenda packets.

IV. ITEMS FROM SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Nancy Desser introduced Yana Batrak, the new Activities Assistant at the West Hollywood Comprehensive Services Center. Nancy reported that some Senior Center events are sold out and announced upcoming programs and classes. Joy Nuell requested a classic stretch class be added to the schedule of classes offered by City's Recreation Services Division.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AND ROSENBERG'S RULES OF ORDER

Melissa Crowder, Assistant City Clerk, reviewed aspects of the Brown Act and SAB By-laws regarding Public Comment, as well as Rosenberg's Rules of Order and the Code of Conduct.

B. 838 WEST KNOLL HUD BUILDING UPDATE

David Giugni, Social Services Manager, gave an update on the services provided to the senior residents of the HUD building at 838 West Knoll Drive after a recent flood resulted in displacement of the building's tenants. Most residents found alternate housing on their own, but the City, working with the County, arranged housing, transportation, meals, and social services for 55 residents. Relocation of the tenants back to their units will take place within the next two weeks.

C. SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MEETING TIME

The SAB decided to keep their monthly meetings at same time.

D. MINIMUM WAGE

After discussion, the Board voted to recommend to the City Council that the City match or exceed other surrounding jurisdiction's Minimum Wage rates.

E. ANNUAL SAB ELECTIONS FOR CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

The SAB voted to delay the elections of the Chair and Vice-Chair until October.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business.

VII. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Lee Walkup made the following comments:

The Special Olympics excursion was excellent.

There is a Women's Equality event tonight in the Council Chambers.

There will be no Sober Halloween event this year.

The Council can appoint a teen observer/attendee to the SAB.

The Gay Men's Chorus will present "It Gets Better" on Oct. 10 at the Wallis Theater.

Uber and Lyft can now pick up passengers at LAX.

There are 345 million guns in the U.S., more than the number of people in the country.

Pat Dixon announced that the next Classic Movie Screening will be next Thursday at 2 PM in the Community Room of the West Hollywood Library. The film will be "Singing in the Rain".

Sofia Gelman shared a petition related to preventing a dog park in Plummer Park in the grassy area adjacent to the apartments on Fuller Ave.

VIII. ITEMS FROM CITY STAFF

Staff proposed that the next SAB meeting be moved from September 23 to September 30 due to scheduling conflicts of some SAB members with the Yom Kippur holiday. The SAB unanimously agreed to the change of date.

IX. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Jerome Boyce, West Hollywood resident, suggested that the issues of seniors, disabled, and HIV+ people be linked through joint efforts.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4 PM to the next meeting on Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at 2:00 pm in the Community Room of the West Hollywood Library.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD ON THIS 26th DAY OF AUGUST, 2015.



CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


STAFF LIAISON/SECRETARY

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