

WEST HOLLYWOOD HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION
MINUTES – MARCH 28, 2006
COMMUNITY CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL

I. CALL TO ORDER

The West Hollywood Human Services Commission was called to order by Chair Steven L. Davis at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 28, 2006, in Rooms 5 and 6 of Plummer Park Community Center, at 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Augeri.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: Gary Augeri, Ruth Cislowski, Steven L. Davis,
Charles Henry, Peter Mackler, Shirley Roberts.

Not Present: Deb Farmer.

A quorum was present at all times. Staff present included Lloyd R. Long, Director of Human Services; Daphne Dennis, Social Services Administrator; David Giugni, Leslie Isenberg, and Jeff Book.

C. POSTING OF AGENDA

The Secretary reported that notices for the meeting had been posted as required.

D. PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Persons desiring to address the meeting were asked to complete a request form.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

The Commission accepted public comment on social services priorities for 2006-2008 from: (1) Suzanne Dietrich, Disability Advisory Board; (2) Robert Peters, Being Alive; (3) Mitch Kamin, Bet Tzedek; (4) Alla Chasnik, Bet Tzedek; (5) Alina Maldonado, JFS Senior Nutrition; (6) Bob Green, JFS Nutrition; (7) Claudia Finkel, WHEST; (8) Heather Schmitt, WHEST; (9) Rad Quesada, WHEST; and (10) Wendy Tucker, JVS.

Then from (11) Nicole Russo-Okamoto, LA Free Clinic; (12) Paul Gore, LA Free Clinic; (13) Wendy Ziegler Marsh, LA Free Clinic; (14) Barbara Hamaker, LA Free Clinic; (15) Roger Coggan, Gay & Lesbian Center; (16) Viviana Hernandez, Gay & Lesbian Center; (17) Carmine Messina, Gay & Lesbian Center legal services; (18) Fire Riegel, Being Alive; (19) Ted Liso, Being Alive; and (20) Tom Demille.

Also from (21) Abraham Jenyige, SOVA; (22) Ken Washington, SOVA; (23) Delores, a volunteer at SOVA; (24) Lynn Kessler, SOVA Metro; (25) David Nash, Palm View Apartments; (26) Leslie deBeauvais, Light Up a Library and Women Helping Women; (27) Cipra Nemeth, Women Helping Children; (28) Ian Stulberg, Gay & Lesbian Center; (29) Helen Levin, Russian Community Center; (30) Irinas Hertz Zaltsman, Russian Community Center; (31) Shirley Baker, Comprehensive Services Center; and (32) Marina Berkman, Comprehensive Services Center.

There was a 10-minute break.

The Commission then accepted public comment from (33) Steve Wayland; (34) Daniel Ervin, AIDS Healthcare Foundation; (35) Simon Costello, Gay & Lesbian Center; (36) Vicky Ortega, Transgender Task Force; (37) Michelle Dennis, Transgender Task Force; (38) Fr. Ian Davies, St. Thomas the Apostle Church; (39) Harrison Kline-Aguado; and (40) Tripp Mills, WeHo Life.

Also from (41) Roxanne McBryde, NCJW Women Helping Women; (42) Joel Polacheck, Alternative Living for the Aging; (43) Christine Brent, Alternative Living for the Aging; (44) Janet Witkin, Alternative Living for the Aging; (45) Phil Curtis, AIDS Project Los Angeles; (46) Rachel Bauer, Partners ADHC; (47) Idalia Rivera, West Hollywood Pre-School; (48) Natalya Belkevich, West Hollywood Pre-School; (49) Aaron Kristo, West Hollywood Pre-School; and (50) Kathryn Turk, Dispute Resolution Services.

And then from (51) Sharon Gerber, AVIVA Family & Children Services; (52) Terry Whiteside, AVIVA; (53) Jeff Bailey, APLA; (54) Tara Brown, PATH; (55) Daniel Gould, FTM Alliance; (56) Susan Alexman, Jewish Family Services; (57) Joel Mark, LA Free Clinic; (58) Alton Carswell, WeHo Life; and (59) Kathy Watt, Van Ness Recovery House.

III. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 11, 2006, in the Community Conference Room at City Hall, 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood.

Signed: _____


Steven L. Davis

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