

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD  
WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**THURSDAY**, October 27, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Community Conference Room, West Hollywood City Hall  
8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069

**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair Torres called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

Roll Call:

Present: Debra D'Amico, Karen Eyres, Amanda Smash Hyde, Tina Moore, Nadia Sutton and Silvia Salguero, and Noemi Torres.

Absent: Kelly Alexander and Anne Toole

Staff: Larissa Fooks, Staff Liaison and John Erickson, Recording Secretary

**II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

Vice Chair Eyres made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of September 22, 2016 and Boardmember Salguero seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously with Boardmember D'Amico abstaining.

**III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Sarah Blanch spoke about the Safe WeHo Leadership Council's upcoming projects and invited the Board to their next meeting on November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

**IV. WEST HOLLYWOOD REPORT ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN**

Staff gave a brief presentation regarding priorities of the California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls such as the Pay Equity Task Force and the data resources of the U.S. Department of Labor Women's Bureau.

**V. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Presentation from International Women's Peace Group (IWPG)**

Shane Scott and Miranda Leung, representatives from the International Women's Peace Group (IWPG), presented information to the Board about their organizations mission, youth project and discussed possibilities of working together for the work of peace and women's empowerment.

**B. Co-sponsorship of NCJW/LA's Annual Roe v Wade Event**

Vice Chair Eyres reported on preliminary event planning.

Boardmember Salguero made a motion to co-sponsor the NCJW/LA Roe v. Wade event on Thursday, January 19, 2017 and Boardmember Moore seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

**VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**A. National Women's History Month 2017**

Staff gave a presentation about planning options for the City's annual celebration of National Women's History Month held during the month of March. Chair Torres and Boardmember Salguero were designated to serve on the Women in Leadership Awards Selection Committee.

**B. Sexual Assault Awareness Campaign- Only "Yes Means Yes"**

Staff gave brief updates regarding the City's on-going sexual assault awareness campaign "Only Yes Means Yes" and how the Board can be continued to be involved in promoting the campaign in the future.

**C. Board Annual Televised Meeting – Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>**

The Board reviewed and discussed the draft agenda for their upcoming televised meeting. The Board discussed including a segment about the City's sexual assault awareness campaign "Only "Yes Means Yes" and showing the video content about domestic and sexual violence.

**VII. BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS:**

Vice-Chair Eyres reported that the Association of California Commissions for Women voted to change their name to the Association of California Commissions for Women and Girls.

**VIII. LEGISLATION & ADVOCACY DISCUSSION:**

None.

**IX. MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL:**

Boardmember Hyde volunteered to report for the month of October.

**X. SUBCOMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:**

**1. Young Women Subcommittee**

The subcommittee will schedule a time to meet.

**2. Women In Film Speaker Series**

No report.

**3. Elimination of the Statute of limitations on Rape**

Vice-Chair Eyres reported that SB 813 was signed by the Governor; the ERSoL campaign will next be going national and working with other states and organizations on assisting them in overturning the statute of limitations on rape.

**4. Economic Equality Subcommittee**

No report.

**5. Report from the Women's Safety Joint Subcommittee**

Chair Torres reported that a meeting will be scheduled before the end of the year for the subcommittee to meet.

**6. Live Love Thrive Women's Empowerment Conference**

Chair Torres reported that she has a meeting with Catherine Gray to go over volunteering at the event.

**7. WAB Club: Women And Books**

No report.

**8. Black History Month Literary Event: WE RISE! WE WRITE! WE ARRIVE!**

Vice Chair Eyres reported on updates about the event and provided information about the panelists and their books that are available to read prior to the event.

**XI. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

None.

**XII. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:**

Boardmember Salguero wished everyone a Happy Halloween.

Boardmember D'Amico stated that she attended the Disabilities Advisory Board's annual awards ceremony and encouraged everyone to attend next year.

Boardmember Sutton thanked the Board for its support of her involvement at the 2016 AIDS Walk.

Vice Chair Eyres stated that she attended a living room session about the City's strategic initiative The Plan, the City's survey regarding the future of WeHo Arts in West Hollywood, and encouraged everyone to go online and take the survey as well as encouraged the Board to attend upcoming sessions to make sure their voices were heard. Vice-Chair Eyres also reported that she recently became a CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) and that CASA is still looking for more volunteers and spaces to host informational meetings in the future and spoke about the possibility about hosting one in West Hollywood.

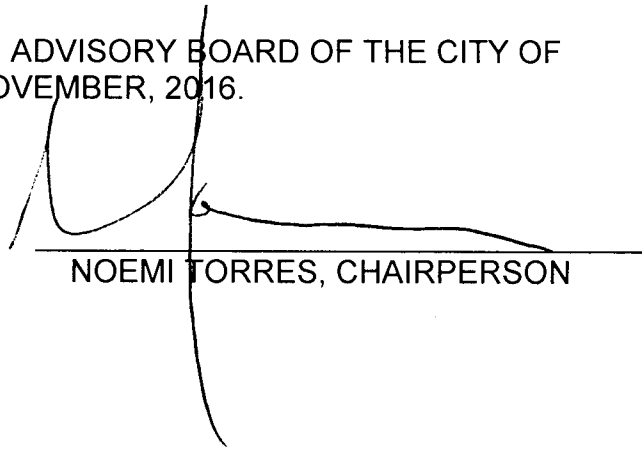
**XIII. ITEMS FROM STAFF:**

Staff Liaison Fooks reminded the Board about the upcoming Annual Congress of Commissions and Boards and the required Ethics Training.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT:**

The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 8:30 pm until their next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at the West Hollywood City Council Chambers/Public Meeting Room, located at 625 N. San Vicente Blvd, West Hollywood, CA 90069.


APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ON THIS 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2016.



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NOEMI TORRES, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



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JOHN M. ERICKSON, RECORDING SECRETARY