

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 22, 2016**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Rorie called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M.

A. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Chair Rorie, Vice Chair Rodriguez, Commissioner Saur, Commissioner Omelczenko, and Commissioner Buckles.

ABSENT: Commissioner Bass and Commissioner Dolan

ALSO PRESENT: Steve Campbell, Facilities and Field Services Manager and Helen Collins, Facilities and Field Services, Senior Administrative Analyst

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Rorie

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

ACTION: Move items 8-12 after item 7b and then approve the October 22, 2016 Special Meeting agenda. **Motion by Chair Rorie, seconded by Commissioner Saur and unanimously approved.**

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

ACTION: Approved the minutes dated September 14, 2016 **Motion by Commissioner Omelczenko, seconded by Vice Chair Rodriguez and unanimously approved.**

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD: spoke in opposition of public art in Plummer Park. He spoke regarding the cost of the Art and about the avocado tree at Plummer Park.

CATHY BLAIVAS, WEST HOLLYWOOD: She invited the Commission to the upcoming Historic Preservation Commission Annual Event at the Schindler House. She went on to speak about her concerns with the art work on the Fuller side of Plummer Park and the wording of the Plummer Park project description and commented that the way outreach was done for West Hollywood Park Phase

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR - NONE.**

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE.**

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Micro-Parklet Competition Selection Committee

SUBJECT: The Public Facilities Commission considered selecting a member to serve on the Micro-Park Design Ad-hoc Committee to explore creative utilization of public spaces.

Staff and Commission Omelczenko provided background on the item and the Chair inquired if any of the Commissioners were interested in participating. Commissioner Omelczenko and Commissioner Buckles expressed interest.

ACTION: Commissioner Omelczenko was appointed as the Commission's representative. **Motion by Chair Rorie, seconded by Vice Chair Rodriguez and unanimously approved.**

B. Pride Ad Hoc Committee Report

SUBJECT: The Public Facilities Commission considered a recommendation by its Ad Hoc committee on Pride and other major festivals/events, to request direction from the City Council to study and report back on the impact major festivals have on the City's public facilities and any potential need for policies related to those findings.

Vice Chair Rodriguez provided background to the Commission on the Ad Hoc's recommendations.

ACTION: The Commission moved to accept the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee 1) Find that the annual Christopher Street West Pride Festival has a measurable impact on the City's public facilities, and particularly in 2016 there was noticeable community concerns about the appropriateness of the park being decommissioned for public use for a significant period of time for this use. 2) Find that the Public Facilities Commission believes that there should be a public dialogue specifically focused on the impact of major festivals/events on the City's public facilities. 3) Request that the City Council direct the Public Facilities Commission to consider the issues of any major festival or event shutting down public facilities from public use, as well as the impact on the facility from this type of use; hear public comment on these topics; and use the information gathered to make recommendations to the City Council on any potential policy considerations. 4) Direct the Chair of the Commission, in conjunction with City staff, to relay this request with all haste to the Mayor and City Council, to precede or coincide with any reports they may receive on the results and recommendations of the July 20 and August 17, 2016 public forums held on the topic of LA Pride. **Motion by Chair Rorie, seconded by Vice Chair Rodriguez and unanimously approved.**

Items 7C. Through 7G where moved after item 12.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None.**

9. **EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR-NONE.**

10. **PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.**

11. **ITEMS FROM STAFF: - None.**

Staff advised the Commission that they are in the process of preparing for the upcoming Halloween Event.

12. **COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Commissioner Omelczenko suggested that perhaps the Commission should revisit the issue of having liaisons to the other Boards and Commissions, since the other Boards and Commission do. Commissioner Omelczenko thanked Cathy Blaivas for bringing a rendering of the park and commented that the Plummer Park Project needs to have a public input process.

Commissioner Buckles: No Comments.

Chair Rorie: Mentioned that he is looking forward to the tour. He also spoke about a project at the Gateway and commented that it looks good.

Vice Chair Rodriguez stated that he agrees with Commissioner Omelczenko about have liaisons to the other Commissions and Boards.

ADJOURNMENT:

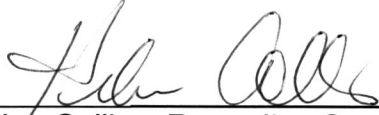
The Commission adjourned to the Tour, at 10:05 a.m. and to its next meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, November 9, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Room at City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA. 90046.

Items 7C through 7G - Tour Agenda

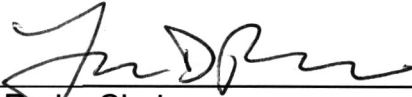
- C. 7377 Santa Monica Blvd. - Plummer Park
- D. City Maintenance Operations Center - 7317 Romaine Street
 - 1. Facility Tour
- E. Rosewood Circle – Intersection of Rosewood Ave and Westmount Dr.
 - 1. Plant Material Changes
- F. Design District Streetscape Master Plan
 - This commercial district includes the West Hollywood segments of Beverly Boulevard, Robertson Boulevard, Melrose Avenue, and segments of Almont and La Peer Drives.

- G. 7377 Santa Monica Blvd. – Plummer Park
 - 1. Conclusion of the Tour

No actions were taken as part of the tour and three members of the public accompanied the Commission and staff on the tour.



Helen Collins, Recording Secretary



Frank Rorje, Chair

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