

**WEST HOLLYWOOD SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2017  
West Hollywood City Hall, Community Conference Room  
8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Lee Walkup at 2 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. ROLL CALL

Members present: John Allendorfer, Esther Baum, Pat Dixon, Sophia Gelman, Barbara Krupa, Bernice Levin, Joy Nuell and Lee Walkup

Members absent: Richard Blons

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

4. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

The meeting will be adjourned in memory of Werner Haas, Mary Tyler Moore, and the people in Georgia who lost their lives and homes in the storm.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the December 28, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. ITEMS FROM SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Nancy Desser, Activities Coordinator at the West Hollywood Comprehensive Services Center, announced upcoming activities.

B. WEST HOLLYWOOD AQUATICS CENTER

The Senior Advisory Board received a presentation from Cortez Jordan, Aquatic Supervisor at the West Hollywood Aquatics Center. The Center is

open year-round, seven days a week, with free lap swim for seniors including a water-walking lane and water fitness classes on weekdays. He announced that there will be two new pools upon completion of the next stage of development of West Hollywood Park.

C. AGING IN PLACE, AGING IN COMMUNITY UPDATE

The Senior Advisory Board received an update on the implementation and evaluation of the Aging in Place, Aging in Community Strategic Plan from Elizabeth Savage, Director of Human Services & Rent Stabilization. The City is a member of the AARP Network of Age Friendly Communities and of the World Health Organization's program which has a span of 37 countries and over 134 million people.

The City is leading a collaborative program for Wellness at Any Age that is comprised of Jewish Family Service, Partners in Care Foundation, Social Services and Recreation Services, along with a working group that is being formed. She announced that the City recently received a \$50,000 grant from Cedars-Sinai's Community Benefit Giving Office to launch the program. This will be presented at the Human Services Commission on Tuesday, February 14, 2017 and includes an update from the Aging in Place/Aging in Community evaluation team from Health Management Associates. Ms. Savage invited the Board to serve as ambassadors of this project.

D. WEST HOLLYWOOD HOMELESS INITIATIVE

The Senior Advisory Board received a presentation from Corri Planck, Project Manager, West Hollywood Homeless Initiative, about the City's Homeless Initiative. She discussed the work of the City Council subcommittee which is comprised of Mayor Lauren Meister and Mayor Pro Tempore John Heilman, as well as the work of the Homeless Collaborative which is comprised of City staff, homeless services providers and Sheriffs personnel. On-site homeless services at the West Hollywood Library provided by various Homeless Outreach Teams was discussed. Other services include a shelter for youth provided by the LA LGBT Center, residential substance abuse treatment centers for adults, Cold Weather Shelters in various locations in LA County through March 1, 2017 and distribution of supplies including waterproof sleeping bags and hygiene kits.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

11. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

John Allendorfer looks forward to continuing to work with youth from the Teen Center to interview Board members about their life stories.

Pat Dixon suggested that the City use the West Hollywood Auditorium to temporarily house the homeless during rain storms. She reported that the Women's March was great.

Sofia Gelman announced that she has a presentation on the history of Plummer Park that she would like to share.

Esther Baum offered to volunteer with the Wellness at Any Age program.

Joy Nuell asked for assistance using Uber and Lyft.

Bernice Levin announced that she has moved to City View in Los Angeles, but still loves West Hollywood.

Barbara Krupa said that though the WeHo Bistro had wonderful food for the last Board meeting, it was difficult to hear the Board members.

12. ITEMS FROM CITY STAFF

The staff confirmed that the Senior Month Activities subcommittee will include John Allendorfer, Barbara Krupa, Bernice Levin, and Joy Nuell.

Leslie Isenberg announced that the topic of loneliness and isolation will be discussed by the SAB Sub-Committee and brought back to the larger Board at a later date. She also said that the Disabilities Advisory Board has taken the lead on the Drug Pricing Town Hall and that joint meetings between Boards and Commissions need to be directed by the City Council.


Corey Roskin announced that Joy Nuell brought Senior Scam materials for the Board's perusal.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned in memory of Werner Haas, Mary Tyler Moore, and the people in Georgia who lost their lives and homes in the storm to a meeting on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at 2 PM at the Community Conference Room, 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069.

  
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LEE WALKUP,  
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

  
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COREY ROSKIN,  
STAFF LIAISON/SECRETARY

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