

**WEST HOLLYWOOD SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, March 22, 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

John Allendorfer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

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

Members absent: Barbara Krupa

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

4. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

John Allendorfer moved that the meeting be adjourned in memory of the victims of today's London attack. Pat Dixon moved that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Richard Blons.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the February 22, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Barbara Meltzer, Chair of the Human Services Commission, spoke about Silver Alert, a public notification system about missing persons --especially seniors with Alzheimer's disease, dementia or other mental health disabilities. This item will be placed on the April meeting agenda.

Adrial Rodriguez spoke about WeHo Project that is interviewing residents about the impact of substance abuse.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. WEHO PEDALS BIKE SHARE PROGRAM

The Senior Advisory Board received a multimedia presentation on the WeHo Pedals Bike Share program from Tiffany Robinson, Senior Planner. This adds to the transit portfolio and encourages healthy aging. Ms. Robinson

introduced the program to the Board and described low-income (\$7/month) and senior discounts (\$79/year for those who have a senior or disabled bus pass).

B. SENIOR MONTH UPDATE

Leslie Isenberg and Corey Roskin gave an update for Senior Month activities which include:

May 17 - Senior Health Fair

May 23 – Connections & Community: A Gathering for Seniors

May 24 – Televised Senior Advisory Board meeting including Senior Month Award presentation

May 26 – It's Never Too Late To Try Something New: Late Life Reinventions, Reflections and (No) Regrets! – An event featuring authors Anabelle Gurwitch, Meredith Maran, and Lisa Napoli

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. WEST HOLLYWOOD PEDESTRIAN-BICYCLE MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The Board received an update from Bob Cheung, Senior Transportation Planner, on the Pedestrian and Bicycle Mobility Plan. Rated in 2011 as the most walkable City in California, additional improvements are proposed, including infrastructure changes, crosswalk improvements, etc., for a pedestrian- and bicycle-friendly West Hollywood.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no further public comment.

11. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Esther Baum is interested in getting the paperwork on a mail survey to seniors that was conducted several years ago.

Pat Dixon raised concerns about proposed federal cutbacks for social services, and suggested that ways be found to help each other, i.e., volunteering with Meals on Wheels. She also spoke about the program in California that offers telephones that offer special capabilities, including lights and translation.

Sophia Gelman suggested that programs be held in the empty buildings in Plummer Park.

John Allendorfer attended the Ellis Act Forum last week and announced that the upcoming Aging in Place meeting will address wellness, including classes on memory and balance.

Vice-Chair Levin announced that at City View Apartments there is a great memory unit for people with dementia.

Chair Walkup encouraged people to call their representatives in regard to the proposed federal budget. He also announced several events including the Gay Men's Chorus on April 1 & 2 in Glendale and on July 8 at Disney Hall.

12. ITEMS FROM CITY STAFF

Leslie Isenberg announced an event called Self-Care for Caregivers on April 23 at 10 AM at Plummer Park, 7377 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood.

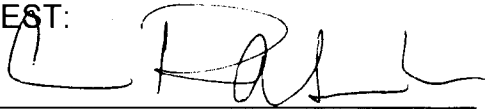
13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned to the next meeting on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at 2 PM at the Community Conference Room, 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069.



LEE WALKUP,
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



COREY ROSKIN,
STAFF LIAISON/SECRETARY

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