

**WEST HOLLYWOOD SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, September 27, 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 John Allendorfer at 2 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Joy Nuell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

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

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

5. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

William McNeeley moved to adjourn in memory of the people of the U.S. Virgin
Islands who have been affected by the hurricanes.

Lee Walkup moved to adjourn in memory of the people in St. Thomas and St.
Croix.

Bernice Levin moved to adjourn in memory of those killed and injured in the
earthquakes in Mexico.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the August 23, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Derek Murray, staff liaison to the Disabilities Advisory Board (DAB), announced
that the DAB will combine their Pharmaceutical Town Hall with their October 25
televised meeting, and broaden the topic to include health care. The keynote
speaker will be Hillary Selvin, Executive Director of the National Council of
Jewish Women.

Michael Wojtkielewicz, resident, spoke about affordable housing for seniors and the disabled.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. SENIOR/YOUTH INTERVIEW PROJECT

Cathy Berger Kaye gave an interactive presentation about the Senior/Youth Interview Project, a collaboration between the Board and the Teen Center, which will begin in January with five trainings with the youth and culminate in a video that will be presented during Senior Month in May.

B. SENIORS IN ACTION

The Board selected the Ad Hoc Seniors in Action Subcommittee, comprised of Chair Allendorfer, Esther Baum, Pat Dixon, and Joy Nuell, with William McNeeley as the alternate. Monica Dunahee, a consultant with beWell WeHo, may also participate.

C. SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD WORKPLAN

The Board discussed the workplan and added the following two items: 1) a project encouraging seniors to vote and; 2) an update from the Rent Stabilization and Housing Division twice a year, instead of once a year.

Michael Wojtkielewicz spoke under Public Comment and asked why the Disabilities Advisory Board needs an outside consultant to help create their workplan.

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. SENIOR MONTH UPDATE AND OVERVIEW

Nancy Desser, the Activities Coordinator at the West Hollywood Comprehensive Services Center, announced October activities and distributed the new quarterly calendar.

B. LOS ANGELES COUNTY OPERATIONAL AREA SPECIFIC NEEDS AWARENESS PLANNING

The Senior Advisory Board received a presentation from Sinan Khan, Access and Functional Needs Coordinator from the County of Los Angeles Office of Emergency Management. He encouraged seniors to register for the emergency alert systems, either on-line at alert.lacounty.gov or by calling 211.

Michael Wojtkielewicz spoke under Public Comment about the high death toll in Mexico and false alarms to the Fire Department.

C. ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS PROGRAM UPDATE

Andrew Campbell, Arts Manager, and Mike Che, Arts Coordinator, of the City of West Hollywood's Economic Development Department, gave an update on the variety of current and upcoming Arts and Cultural Affairs programs, which are a component of Aging in Place activities.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

12. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Barbara Krupa asked if special complimentary tickets could be extended to some of the more expensive events because they are unaffordable for fixed-income constituents.

Lee Walkup announced that the federal health care issues are not yet resolved.

13. ITEMS FROM CITY STAFF

Staff reminded the Board about the Annual Congress on Monday, October 30 from 6-9 PM in the Council Chambers.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned to the next meeting on Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at 2 PM at the Community Conference Room, 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069.



JOHN ALLENDORFER,
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



STAFF LIAISON

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