

WEST HOLLYWOOD SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, October 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 John Allendorfer at 2 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Kim Dower led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

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

Members absent: Barbara Krupa and Joy Nuell

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

4. 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.

Chair Allendorfer moved to adjourn in memory of the U.S. soldiers who were killed in Niger.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the September 27, 2017 meeting were unanimously approved.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Laurie Scher, resident, recommended the programs at the Comprehensive Service Center and the poetry events with the City's Poet Laureate Kim Dower.

Mike Che, Arts Coordinator of the City of West Hollywood's Economic Development Department, announced the launch party of WeHoArts: The Plan on November 4 from 12-2 PM throughout Plummer Park.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD WORKPLAN

The Board discussed the workplan for the third and final review, and added a discussion in April about Senior Month activities, including the Senior Health Fair.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. SENIOR MONTH UPDATE AND OVERVIEW

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

B. WEST HOLLYWOOD POET LAUREATE

The Senior Advisory Board received a presentation from Kim Dower, the City's Poet Laureate about upcoming literary events at West Hollywood Library. The Board participated in a poetry exercise that will be part of a new Citywide poem that Kim Dower will create for National Poetry Month in April.

C. WEST HOLLYWOOD LIBRARY PROGRAMS

Matthew Gill, Library Manager of West Hollywood Library, gave a presentation about the vast array of books, DVDs, audio recordings, downloads and daily programming offered to the public. Also, as part of serving as a community center, free flu shots be provided at the West Hollywood Library all day on Saturday, November 4.

D. NOVEMBER MEETING DATE

The Board unanimously agreed to move their meeting date from November 22 to the 29, due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

E. AGING IN PLACE / AGING IN COMMUNITY UPDATE

The Board received the Aging in Place, Aging in Community Year One Evaluation Report from Elizabeth Savage, Director of Human Services & Rent Stabilization and Housing. She thanked the Board for providing impetus for this endeavor, and asked for volunteers to conduct outreach through surveys in May. She also suggested that the Board place on a future agenda a presentation on the sidewalk plan.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

11. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Esther Baum suggested that Dial-a-Ride service be expanded to weekends and later in the evenings.

Lee Walkup announced the following:

- November 19 – CityX1's Thanksgiving dinner at 5214 Sunset Blvd. from 6-9 PM. Volunteers are needed.
- Tonight –annual televised Disabilities Advisory Board meeting at Council Chambers.
- October 30 – Annual Congress of Boards and Commission from 6-9 PM at Council Chambers

- December 16 & 17 – Gay Men’s Chorus/LA holidays concerts at the Alex Theater.
- Rent Stabilization is working to move out new tenants from his building who are creating disturbances.

Chair Allendorfer announced the following:

- Upcoming Ad Hoc Sub-Committee meeting (date TBA) for Seniors In Action to develop a six-month plan.
- November 8, Matters of the Mind forum on Alzheimers, 9 AM – 12 Noon at Council Chambers
- November 17, Gratitude seminar for beWell WeHo, 3-4:30 PM at Plummer Park, and 7-8:30 PM at West Hollywood Park.

The Board thanked Elizabeth Savage for her years of service to the City’s seniors.

13. ITEMS FROM CITY STAFF

There were none.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned to the next meeting on Wednesday, November 29, 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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