

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, November 19, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.**

*Location: West Hollywood City Council Chambers
625 N. San Vicente Blvd, West Hollywood, CA 90069*

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:**
Roll Call
2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**
Meeting agenda for November 19, 2019
3. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**
August 22, 2019 and October 24, 2019 Meetings
4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**
The Women's Advisory Board values your comments; however, pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Advisory Board cannot take action on items not listed on the posted agenda. The Public Comment period is three (3) minutes per speaker, to address the Advisory Board on agenda items or items of general interest within the Advisory Board's jurisdiction.
5. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - A. **Suport of the Hollywood Now Production of the Vagina Monologues**
The Board will consider endorsing and participating in a local production of the *Vagina Monologues* presented by the Hollywood Chapter of the National Organization for Women as part of the City's celebration of V-Day, the global campaign to end violence against women.
RECOMMENDATION: Review and Discuss. Designate a liaison/subcommittee.
 - B. **Aging in Place Initiative**
Elizabeth Anderson, Strategic Initiatives Program Administer, City of West Hollywood Strategic Initiatives Division will provide an update regarding the status of the City's Aging in Place Initiative.
RECOMMENDATION: Review and Discuss.
 - C. **Los Angeles County Commission on Women & Girls Initiative Presentation**
Presentation from Imelda Padilla, WGI Community Engagement and Outreach Consultant, Los Angeles County Commission on Women & Girls Initiative. The mission

of the Women and Girls Initiative is to establish Los Angeles County as a leader in creating opportunities and improving outcomes for all women and girls.

RECOMMENDATION: Review and Discuss.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Domestic Violence Awareness and Advocacy – Family Court System

Debriefing regarding the recent Domestic Violence Awareness Month event about domestic violence and victimization within the Family Court System held on Monday, October 28, 2019.

RECOMMENDATION: Review and Discuss.

B. National Women’s History Month Celebration 2020

The Board will discuss ideas for the City’s annual commemoration of National Women’s History Month held during the month of March.

RECOMMENDATION: Review and Discuss. Subcommittee Reports.

C. Centennial Anniversary of the 19th Amendment

The Board will discuss plans and ideas about ways to commemorate the centennial anniversary of the 19th Amendment that granted women the right to vote in the United States.

RECOMMENDATION: Review and Discuss. Subcommittee Report.

D. Creation of a Women’s Safety Subcommittee

The Board will consider a recommendation from members of the Joint Women’s Safety Subcommittee (comprised of representatives from Women’s Advisory Board and the Public Safety Commission), to form a Board subcommittee focused on women’s safety.

RECOMMENDATION: Review and Discuss. Take Appropriate Action.

E. Women’s Advisory Board Work Plan Implementation

Ongoing review and monitoring regarding the implementation of the Board’s current work plan.

RECOMMENDATION: Review and Discuss.

7. LEGISLATION & ADVOCACY:

The Board will review and discuss updates regarding state and federal legislation affecting women. The Board’s priority issues include: Equal Rights, Violence Against Women/Women’s Safety, Sexual Harassment, and Women’s Health.

A. State Legislation & Policy

Overview of state legislative process and timeline.

RECOMMENDATION: Review and Discuss.

B. Federal Legislation & Policy

The Board will discuss federal legislation and receive updates about the status of federal legislation of interest and policy that the Board is tracking.

1. Proposed Title IX Changes regarding sexual assault.
2. Reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act, VAWA
3. The EMPOWER Act, regarding steps to reduce sexual harassment workplaces.
4. The Equality Act prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity in employment, housing, public accommodations, public education, federal funding, credit, and the jury system.

5. The Paycheck Fairness Act would add procedural protections to the Equal Pay Act of 1963 and the Fair Labor Standards Act as part of an effort to address the gender pay gap in the United States.
6. Women's Health Protection Act protects constitutional right to abortion.
7. Title X Regulation – enforcement of regulations that prohibit Title X grant recipients from counseling patients about abortion.
8. Proposed Rule to Amend Section 1557 of the Health Care Rights Law, a part of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) that, as currently written, offers protections to transgender people in healthcare settings. The new interpretation would essentially allow healthcare providers to discriminate based on gender identity.
9. Pregnant Workers Fairness Act (PWFA) is a federal bill that would close loopholes for pregnant workers requesting reasonable accommodations.

RECOMMENDATION: Review and Discuss. Updates from Boardmembers tracking the bills. Consider Making Recommendations as Appropriate.

C. Legislative and Advocacy Updates on WAB Prioritized Issues:

The Board will receive updates about additional legislation and advocacy issues that have been prioritized by the Board and discuss potential actions and recommendations.

1. Ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment –
 - Updates from the Equal Means Equal and #ERAnow Campaigns
2. Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Updates
3. Women's Health –
 - Report from the Women's Health Subcommittee on key issues: Breastfeeding Friendly City, Free Tampon Program and additional topics.
4. Additional Items

RECOMMENDATION: Review and Discuss. Consider Making Recommendations as Appropriate.

8. BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS:

The Board will hear brief reports from board members who serve as liaisons to other city Boards, Commissions, and other recognized bodies. The Board will designate new liaisons as needed.

1. All In: A Convening of the Southern California Regional Women's Commissions on November 15, 2019.
2. LA-County Commission on Women & Girls & Women & Girls Initiative 100 year Anniversary Celebration of 19th Amendment Committee.
3. Association of California Women's Commissions
4. City of West Hollywood Census 2020 Complete Count Committee (CCC) Report

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and File. Designate New Liaisons as Needed.

9. MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL:

The Board will designate a member to report back to the City Council each month.

RECOMMENDATION: Designate a Member to Report Back to the City Council.

10. SUBCOMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

The Board will hear feedback and updates regarding the following Board initiated and or/co-sponsored activities

1. **Women In Film Speaker Series** – a monthly speaker series supporting the advancement of women in film and media, co-sponsored by the Women's Advisory Board, held the 4th Monday of the month.

2. **WAB Club: Women And Books** – a monthly book club sponsored by the Women's Advisory Board and West Hollywood Library held the 1st Tuesday of the month.
3. **Human Trafficking Awareness Community Screening** – updates regarding plans for a City of West Hollywood Human Rights Speaker Series program featuring the film *Nona*.
4. **National Council of Jewish Women Advocacy Training Project (ATP)**, a series of advocacy workshops held September 2019 – April 2020.
5. **Joint Women's Safety Subcommittee**, a joint subcommittee with the Women's Advisory Board and the Public Safety Commission.
6. **City of West Hollywood Annual Commemoration of Roe v Wade w/ the National Council of Jewish Women/Los Angeles**, an annual regional event commemorating the anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion. Event date: January 30, 2020.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and File. Take Action as Needed.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT:

This time has been set aside for members of the public to address the Women's Advisory Board on any item of interest within the subject-matter jurisdiction of the Advisory Board that could not be heard under Item III. at the beginning of the meeting.

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12. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:

The Board will be given an opportunity to deliver brief remarks.

13. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

Staff will be given an opportunity to deliver brief remarks.

14. ADJOURNMENT:

The Women's Advisory Board will adjourn to a special meeting on Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 6:00 pm at the Plummer Park Community Center, Rooms 5&6, located at 7377 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood, CA 90046.

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