

**SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD TELECONFERENCE MEETING  
MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2020  
2 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair John Allendorfer at 2 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Boardmember McNeeley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Members present: John Allendorfer, Esther Baum, Pat Dixon, Michael Hollingsworth, William McNeeley, Joy Nuell, Martin Strudler and Lee Walkup

Staff present: Francisco Gomez, Doug Nguyen, and Kim Patterson

4. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Boardmember McNeeley moved to adjourn in memory of Don Norman.

Boardmember Dixon moved to adjourn in memory of Clancey I.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the July 22, 2020 meeting were approved.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Laila Gonzales, a resident, introduced the organization Personal Assistant Services Council (877.565.4477), which helps low-income seniors find caregivers. They provide free training to the public and hold their next webinar on Thursday at 10:30 AM on making the most of the In-Home Support Services experience.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM UPDATE

Doug Nguyen, Transportation Program Administrator, gave an update to the Senior Advisory Board on temporary transit programming introduced in response to COVID-19. Since the City of West Hollywood declared an emergency on March 16, the contracted transit companies have been providing meal and grocery deliveries to seniors and people living with disabilities and fans and water to seniors who don't have air conditioning. Social Services will continue to monitor community needs.

B. ITEMS FROM SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Mandi Carpenter, Director of Arts, Wellness and Engagement (AWE) Programming, and Alex Pagan-Mejia, interim Activities Director, gave an overview of the on-line classes and programs offered by the West Hollywood Comprehensive Services Center. She reported on August programming and highlighted a variety of upcoming September activities.

C. "COVER THAT FACE, MAINTAIN YOUR SPACE" OUTDOOR MEDIA CAMPAIGN PSA CAMPAIGN UPDATE

City staff provided an overview of a new public service announcement campaign from the Communications Division designed to remind community members of the City's requirement to wear a face-covering outdoors and maintain social distancing. There are street banners on light poles and yard signs on median strips to publicize these messages.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

11. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Esther Baum inquired about flu and pneumonia shots. City staff let her know that they are working with Recreation and Cedars Sinai on an outdoor vaccine clinic.

William McNeeley announced that Pavilions is offering free flu shots, and Lee Walkup mentioned that Costco in Burbank is also offering flu shots.

Pat Dixon asked for an update on COVID testing in West Hollywood. Lee Walkup said the nearest site is Santa Monica Community College. Staff reported that Ambiance is providing free transit to the VA for COVID tests, and suggested that people ask their doctor for testing referrals.

Chair Allendorfer asked how many seniors have received rental assistance. The Board requested that staff include an update item on the City's rental assistance programs in future meeting agenda.

12. ITEMS FROM STAFF

City staff had no further announcements.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Senior Advisory Board adjourned in memory of Don Norman and Clancey I. at 3 PM to its next teleconference meeting on Wednesday, September 23, 2020, beginning at 2 PM.

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JOHN ALLENDORFER,  
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



STAFF LIAISON

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