

**OCITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2023 – 6:00 PM**

**COMMUNITY CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL
8300 Santa Monica Boulevard
West Hollywood, California 90069**

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1. CALL TO ORDER – Chair Samala called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

A. Land Acknowledgment –Chair Samala

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B. Pledge of Allegiance –Member Nash

“I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

C. Roll Call

Present: Chair Samala, Boardmember Singleton, Boardmember Baum, Boardmember Dae, Boardmember Nash, Boardmember Padilla Boardmember Robinson.

Absent: Board member Alexander, Vice-Chair Brown.

Also present: Moya Marquez, Community Programs Coordinator and TAB Liaison, Jennifer Del Toro, Community and Legislative Affairs Supervisor and Tatyana Rodzinek, Recording Secretary.

D. Approval of the November 1, 2023 Meeting Agenda

The Board was requested to approve the November 1, 2023 Meeting Agenda as posted

ACTION: Motion to approve agenda by **Board Member Robinson** and seconded by **Board member Nash**. Motion passed.

E. Approval of the October 4, 2023 Meeting Minutes

The Board was requested to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2023 meeting

ACTION: Motion to approve by **Board member Nash** and seconded by **Board member Baum**. Motion passed

F. Public Comment

The public is given the opportunity to address the Board on any item within its responsibility. Speakers are limited to two minutes each. If you would like to present a public comment at the meeting, please see the section titled "TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PUBLIC MEETING" on the first page of this Meeting Agenda.

Lindsey Deaton, shared information regarding the WeHo Arts event featuring the Church of Trans Love at the respite deck of the Arc on Friday, Nov 17. She also shared information about the Trans Diaries, which have been Co-Sponsored by the City Council and will take place on Nov 11 and 12 in the Council Chambers.

Karen Eyres, spoke as the liaison for the Human Services Commission to share that the HSC is giving public comment at City Council meetings this month to raise awareness about social services available to WeHo Residents. She also spoke on behalf of Hollywood NOW to promote the Trans Diaries.

2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Legislative Affairs Presentation

The Board received a presentation from Hernan Molina, Governmental Affairs Liaison, on the City's Legislative Priorities.

ACTION: Boardmembers shared that they found the priorities to be intersectional, and inclusive. Boardmember Baum shared that, when possible, the City should consider legislative priorities that specifically mention transgender people as some of the marginalized communities that the City seeks to advocate for.

B. TDOR Updates

The Board received updates on the Transgender Day of Remembrance Event scheduled for Nov 19, 2023 from staff.

ACTION: Staff shared general updates for TDOR, including the performer list including Teyana, and hosts Jazzmun Crayton and Rev Valerie Spencer. Board members Brown and Dae will help with general introductions, and Board member Robinson will give a brief presentation on the history of TDOR.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Trans Job Fair

The Board shared general top-level ideas about hosting a Trans Job Fair in Spring 2024, including hosting workshops, inviting external orgs to help out, and including help for trans artists too.

Board Member Padilla joined the meeting at 6:51

ACTION: Board members Robinson, Padilla, and Singelton were selected to serve on an ad-hoc Subcommittee, set to meet after TDOR is completed.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

5. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Board member Dae shared that his annual TDOR art exhibit will be hosted at DTLA Proud on November 17th.

Board member Robinson asked staff to inquire internally about TAB having a retreat to allow for members to get to know each other better.

Board member Baum asked the Board to consider and honor all the LGBTQ+ lives lost on all sides during the current conflict in Israel and Palestine.

6. ITEMS FROM STAFF

There were no items from staff.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Transgender Advisory Board adjourned at 7:04 p.m. to its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 6:00p.m. to be held in- person at West Hollywood City Hall 1st floor Community Meeting Room at 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069


Karina Samala, Chair

Attest:



Tatyana Rodzinek, Recording Secretary