

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
LGBTQ+ COMMISSION
MEETING AGENDA**

Thursday, November 14, 2024 – 7:00 P.M.

**West Hollywood City Hall
1st Floor - Community Meeting Room
8300 Santa Monica Boulevard
West Hollywood, CA 90069**

ACCOMMODATIONS & SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

Special meeting-related accommodations (e.g., transportation) may be provided upon written request to the Office of the City Clerk (323) 848-6800 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. For information on public transportation, call 323-GO-METRO (323-466-3876) or go to www.metro.net.

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RULES OF DECORUM

Members of the audience shall not engage in disorderly or boisterous conduct, including the utterance of loud, threatening or abusive language, whistling, stamping of feet or other acts which disturb, disrupt, impede or otherwise render the orderly conduct of the Commission meeting infeasible. A member of the audience repeatedly or continuously engaging in any such conduct shall, at the discretion of the Presiding Officer or a majority of the Commission, be subject to ejection from that meeting.

Any person wishing to speak in connection with any item of business on the agenda shall first complete a speaker request slip and submit the slip to the Secretary.

No person shall address the Commission without first being recognized by the Presiding Officer.

Each person addressing the Commission shall do so in an orderly manner and shall not make repetitious, slanderous or irrelevant remarks, or engage in any other disorderly conduct which disrupts, disturbs or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of the Commission meetings. Any person who so disrupts the meeting may, at the discretion of the Presiding Officer or a majority of the Commission, be subject to ejection from that meeting.

TO PARTICIPATE BY PROVIDING PUBLIC COMMENT BY TELEPHONE:

(Please note: This option is to provide public comment via phone ONLY.)

1. If you wish to provide public comment via phone, we will be able to accommodate you via Zoom. You are required to register to speak by emailing mmarquez@weho.org no later than 3:00 p.m. on the LGBTQ+ Commission meeting day, to be added to the Zoom Public Speaker List for the meeting. When emailing, please include your name, the phone number from which you will be calling, and which item(s) you would like to speak on.
2. Dial-in 10 minutes prior to the start of the meeting (the meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.).

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MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

“The West Hollywood LGBTQ+ Commission acknowledges that the land on which we gather and that is currently known as the City of West Hollywood is the occupied, unceded, seized territory of the Gabrieleño Tongva and Gabrieleño Kizh peoples.”

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

“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

D. APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 14, 2024 MEETING AGENDA

The Commission is requested to approve the November 14, 2024 Meeting Agenda as posted.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the November 14, 2024 Meeting Agenda as posted.

E. APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 10, 2024 MEETING MINUTES

The Commission is requested to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2024 meeting.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the minutes of the October 10, 2024 meeting.

F. PUBLIC COMMENT

The public is given the opportunity to address the Commission on any item within its responsibility. Speakers are limited to two minutes each.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. RAINBOW KEY AWARDS GUIDELINES

The LGBTQ+ Commission will receive additional minor revisions to the updated Rainbow Key Award Guidelines, incorporating feedback from the City Attorney.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and file the updated Rainbow Key Award Guidelines.

3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. RAINBOW KEY AWARDS – 2024 AWARDS CEREMONY

The LGBTQ+ Commission will receive an update from the Rainbow Key Awards subcommittee and/or staff on the 2024 Rainbow Key Awards Ceremony.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive update and discuss the 2024 Rainbow Key Awards Ceremony.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. PRESERVING LGBTQ+ HISTORY

The LGBTQ+ Commission will receive a presentation from the Lavender Effect on their mission-driven work/programming, including the Young City at War Exhibit.

RECOMMENDATION: Receive and provide comments.

B. RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR RECENT IMMIGRANTS AND ASYLUM SEEKERS

The LGBTQ+ Commission will receive and review information about current resources available for immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers from the countries of the former Soviet Union, including members of the LGBTQI+ community, and be asked to provide input and recommendations on addressing any service gaps that may exist.

RECOMMENDATIONS: Discuss existing resources available for recent immigrants from the countries of the former Soviet Union, including LGBTQI+ immigrants and asylum seekers; identify any gaps in services for immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers; and share recommendations for how the City of West Hollywood can help facilitate filling any gaps that may exist.

C. LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE

The Commission will appoint members to the Legislative Subcommittee to meet with staff as needed.

RECOMMENDATION: Appoint members to a Legislative Subcommittee, of no more than three members, to meet as needed with staff.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

The public is given the opportunity to address the Commission on any item within its responsibility. Speakers are limited to two minutes each.

6. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

This portion of the meeting has been set aside for general comments, announcements, requests, and/or other issues of concern from members of the LGBTQ+ Commission, including time to share information about LGBTQ+ community focused events and activities.

7. ITEMS FROM THE STAFF

This time is set aside for City staff to provide information or feedback to the LGBTQ+ Commission on items of interest to the Commission.

A. LGBTQ+ Commission Workplan

The Commission will receive updates from staff on the 2024-25 Commission Workplan.

B. LGBTQ+ Commission December Meeting

The Commission will discuss rescheduling their next meeting, scheduled for December 12, 2024 to alternatively occur on December 5, 2024.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The LGBTQ+ Commission will adjourn to an Adjourned Regular meeting on Thursday, December 5, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. to be held in the West Hollywood City Hall 1st Floor Community Meeting Room at 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069.

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

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I declare under penalty of perjury that I am employed by the City of West Hollywood in the Office of the City Clerk and that I posted this agenda on:

Date: November 11, 2024

Signature: Melissa Crowder
Office of the City Clerk