

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD  
RUSSIAN-SPEAKING ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2025**

**WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY HALL COMMUNITY CONFERENCE ROOM (EOC)  
AT 8300 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Aguf called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.
2. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** – Chair Aguf read the Land Acknowledgement
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Chair Aguf led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Diana Volman, Raisa Aguf, Lyubov Levitan, Myroslava Rytko, Oleg Volovik, Eugene Maysky.

**ABSENT:** Sasha Razor

**ALSO, PRESENT:** Staff liaison Tatyana Rodzinek

5. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**  
**SUBJECT:** *The Russian-speaking Advisory Board was requested to approve the agenda of Tuesday, October 21, 2025, regular Russian-speaking Advisory Board meeting.*  
**ACTION:** Motion by member Rytko to approve the minutes, seconded by member Volman, motion passed by a roll call vote.
6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**  
**SUBJECT:** *The Russian-speaking Advisory Board was requested to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2025, Russian-speaking Advisory Board meeting.*  
**ACTION:** Motion by member Levitan to approve the minutes, seconded by Member Rytko, motion passed by a roll call vote.
7. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**  
**Elena Murcury** introduced her theater project "Lubimovka" and spoke about the upcoming performance.
8. **RUSSIAN-SPEAKING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS**
9. **NEW BUSINESS**  
**9.A. UPDATES ON THE PLUMMER PARK COMPREHENSIVE IMPROVEMENT PLAN**  
**Subject:** Russian-speaking Advisory Board received update on the Plummer Park Comprehensive Improvement plan from Ric Abramson, Urban Design and

Architecture Studio Manager: The City Council approved the construction of a new 99-seat theater next to the Basics restaurant.

The AIDS monument in West Hollywood Park will have its grand opening on November 16.

The Plummer Park comprehensive improvement plan is underway, with community input sessions scheduled for November 18 and 19.

Diana Volman inquired about the construction of the new Playhouse and its design features.

The community is encouraged to participate in the Plummer Park improvement plan, with specific meetings for feedback.

Eugene Maysky suggested using social media to promote the Plummer Park workshops and gather community input.

Raisa Aguf emphasized the need for a careful approach to the Plummer Park improvement plan to preserve its unique charm

Suggestions include adding warm benches, a small stage for performances, and a kitchen for community events.

The board members emphasized the community's interest in regular events like dance sessions and the possibility of live music performances.

**Action:** No action taken. The board asked questions and provided recommendations:

- Explore ways to incorporate more dance and music programming into Plummer Park, potentially with a dedicated performance space.
- Reorient the informational kiosks in Plummer Park so that the "public posting" side is visible and accessible
- Provide more information about the Plummer Park improvement process and opportunities for feedback through the "Engage" website
- Post information about the Plummer Park community input meetings on the Russian-speaking community's social media channels

## **9.B. 2026 SACRAMENTO LEGISLATIVE ACTION DAY FOR APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

**Subject:** Russian-speaking Advisory Board appointed one delegate and one alternate to represent the Russian-speaking Advisory Board during the Legislative Action Day in Sacramento to take place on February 5, 2026 (Year 2 of the 2025-2026 Legislative Session).

**Action:** Lubov Levitan volunteered to be a delegate, Eugene Maysky agreed to be an alternative candidate. Myroslava Rytko agreed to be a candidate in reserve, in case none of the selected candidates would be able to go.

#### **9.C. YOM HASHOAH EVENT 2026**

**Subject:** Russian-speaking Advisory Board started discussion on the event.

**Action: No action taken.** Staff informed the board that they were communicating with various schools.

#### **9.D. DISCUSSION OF THE RUSSIAN-SPEAKING ADVISORY BOARD MEETINGS SCHEDULE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026**

**Subject:** The Russian-speaking Advisory Board considered approving the Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2026 including cancelling or rescheduling a few meetings throughout the year that conflict with holidays.

**Action:** The board members discussed the proposal and recommended cancelling only the meeting in June and December but no more than two per calendar year. No action taken.

### **10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **10.A. INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY EVENT 2026**

**Subject:** Russian-speaking Advisory Board continued discussion on the event.

**Action:** No action taken. The board expressed interest in consulting with the event producers recommended by staff.

#### **10.B. RUSSIAN-SPEAKING ADVISORY BOARD'S INITIATIVES**

**SUBJECT:** The Board reviewed the previously discussed initiatives. No new initiatives were proposed

**ACTION:** No action taken.

#### **10.C. UPDATE FROM LIAISONS TO OTHER BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**SUBJECT:** Board members were to receive updates from the liaisons to other boards and commissions.

**ACTION:** There were no updates.

#### **10.D. COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026**

**Subject:** Russian-speaking Advisory Board received information about upcoming events.

**ACTION:** No action taken.

### **11. ITEMS FROM STAFF**

There were no items from staff.

### **12. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments

**13. RUSSIAN SPEAKING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

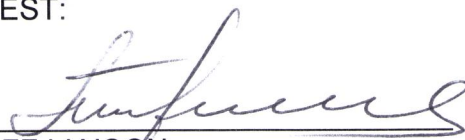
There were no comments

- 14. ADJOURNMENT:** The Russian Advisory Board adjourned at 9:12 PM to a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, **November 18, 2025**, beginning at 7 PM at West Hollywood City Hall in Community Conference Room, 1<sup>st</sup> floor at 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE RUSSIAN-SPEAKING ADVISORY BOARD ON THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2025.

  
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CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

  
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STAFF LIAISON