

**SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA  
WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD  
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD**

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2026  
7:00 PM**

**West Hollywood City Hall  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Community Meeting Room  
8300 Santa Monica Boulevard  
West Hollywood, California 90069**

**ACCOMMODATIONS & SPECIAL ASSISTANCE:**

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**STATEMENT OF SHARED RESPONSIBILITY FOR RESPECT:**

During public meetings, community gatherings, interactions with the public, and with one another, the City endeavors for all participants and attendees to conduct City business and treat others with respect, a core value of the City. This includes being polite, professional, and thoughtful when interacting with others. Our collective commitment to West Hollywood requires intention, cooperation, courtesy, consideration, tolerance, forgiveness, acceptance, inclusiveness, kindness, compassion, and patience. Our respect is expressed not only in the words we choose, but also in our tone, our demeanor, and our actions toward one another.

**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 Advisory Board 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 Advisory Board, 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 Advisory Board without first being recognized by the Presiding Officer.

Each person addressing the Advisory Board 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 Advisory Board meetings. Any person who so disrupts the meeting may, at the discretion of the Presiding Officer or a majority of the Advisory Board, be subject to ejection from that meeting.

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**TO PARTICIPATE BY PROVIDING PUBLIC COMMENT BY TELEPHONE:**

(Please note: This option is to provide public comment via phone ONLY.) 1. You are required to register to speak via Zoom by emailing [WABPublicComment@weho.org](mailto:WABPublicComment@weho.org) no later than 12:00 p.m. on Women’s Advisory Board meeting day, to be added to the Zoom Public Speaker List for the meeting. 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.).

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

**2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

**The West Hollywood Women’s Advisory Board 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.**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**4. ROLL CALL:**

**5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

Meeting agenda for January 29, 2026

**6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

Meeting Minutes for December 9, 2025

**7. 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.

**8. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. JUNE MAZER ARCHIVES POETRY EVENT (5-10 min)**  
The Women's Advisory Board will receive a presentation from Kymn Goldstein, Executive Director, Mazer Lesbian Archives about their current activities and upcoming programming, including a special event featuring noted poets reading poetry from the archives, to be held on March 29, 2026, during National Women's History Month in West Hollywood.  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Review and Discuss. Consider endorsing the event as part of the City's celebration of National Women's History Month.

- B. V-DAY AND ONE BILLION RISING GLOBAL ANTI-VIOLENCE MOVEMENT (5 min)**  
Brief updates regarding V-Day and One Billion Rising global campaigns to end violence against women.  
**RECOMENDATION:** Review and Discuss.

- C. CITIES FOR CEDAW (CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN) UPDATES ( 5 min)**  
Brief updates regarding the Cities for CEDAW, a campaign to protect the rights of women and girls by passing ordinances establishing the principles of CEDAW in cities and towns across the United States, and the status of the City's participation.  
**RECOMENDATION:** Review and Discuss. Take action as appropriate.

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- A. WAB RETREAT RECAP & FOLLOW-UP (10-15 min)**  
Board will review and discuss retreat meeting notes and actions, 2026 workplan, status updates and the "look ahead" schedule of upcoming agenda items.  
**RECOMENDATION:** Review and Discuss. Take action as appropriate.

- B. NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH (20-30 min)**  
The Board will continue the planning process for the City's annual celebration of National Women's History Month held during the month of March.  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Review and Discuss. Take action as appropriate

- C. MENOPAUSE AWARENESS AND EDUCATION (5-10 min)**  
The Board will continue discussion about ways to increase menopause/perimenopause awareness, education and the availability of resources in the community and review a list of recommendations.  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Review and Discuss. Take action as appropriate

- 10. SUBCOMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:**  
Brief reports from subcommittees and various liaisons.  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive and file.

**11. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

This time is set aside for the public to address the Women’s Advisory Board on any item of interest within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board that could not be heard under Item 7 at the beginning of the meeting. The Public Comment period is three (3) minutes per speaker.

**12. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD: (5–10 min)**

**13. ITEMS FROM STAFF: (2 min)**

**14. ADJOURNMENT:**

The Women’s Advisory Board will adjourn to its next regular meeting which will be on Thursday, February 26, 2026, at 7:00 pm at West Hollywood City Hall, Community Meeting Room located at 8300 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood, CA, 90069.

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Women's Advisory Board Meeting was called to order by Chair Torok at 6:44 PM.
2. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT:** Read by Chair Torok.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Chair Torok.
4. **ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: Chair Torok, Boardmember Paige, Boardmember Thomas,  
Boardmember Lane, Boardmember Wilbourne, Vice Chair de Silva

ABSENT: Boardmember Sebastian

PRESENT: Staff Liaison: Larissa Fooks  
Recording Secretary: Tatyana Rodzinek

5. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**  
Approval of the Special meeting agenda for January 29, 2026. Vice Chair de Silva, seconded by Boardmember Thomas, and approved by a roll call vote.
6. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**  
Approval of the minutes from Special Meeting on December 9, 2025. Motion by Vice Chair de Silva, seconded by Boardmember Torok and approved by a roll call vote.
7. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** There were no public comments
8. **NEW BUSINESS**

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**ACTION:** The Board gave feedback and direction regarding the Women's Health Symposium and Women in Leadership Awards.

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**ACTION:** Tabled by consensus.

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**ACTION:** Chair Torok made a motion to move the next meeting from January 22nd to January 29th, 2026, to accommodate scheduling conflicts. The

motion was seconded by Boardmember Thomas. Motion passed by a roll call vote.

- 10. SUBCOMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:** There were no reports. Vice Chair de Silva volunteered to be the Board's liaison to the Public Safety Commission.

**11. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no public comments

**12. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:**

There were no items from the Board.

- 13. ITEMS FROM STAFF:** There were no items from staff.

**14. ADJOURNMENT:**

The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 9:17p.m., to their next special Meeting, which will be held on Thursday, February 26, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at West Hollywood City Hall, 1st Floor Community Conference Room at 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069.