

**MINUTES
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
PUBLIC FACILITIES, RECREATION, AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION**

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2026
6:30 P.M.**

**CITY HALL COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM, 1ST FLOOR
8300 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD
WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069**

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Public Facilities, Recreation, and Infrastructure 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. (pronounced “Keech”)

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chair Payton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

A. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT – Read by Chair Payton.

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioner Cottrell (he/him);
Commissioner Karliss (he/him);
Commissioner Krishna (she/her);
Commissioner Ragno (he/him);
Commissioner Rogers (she/her); and
Chair Payton (she/her).

ABSENT: Vice Chair Jackson.

ALSO PRESENT: Helen Collins, Director of Public Works (she/her);
Phillip Ticun, Facilities & Field Services Manager
(he/him); Stephanie Martinez, Recreation
Services Manager (she/her); Erin Hamant, Sr.
Administrative Analyst (she/her); Kevin Trudeau,
Facilities & Landscape Maintenance
Superintendent; Ric Abramson Urban Design &
Architecture Studio Manager (he/him), and
Debbie Gonzalez, Secretary (she/her).

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Commissioner Cottrell.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

ACTION: Approved the agenda for February 11, 2026. **Motion by Commissioner Krishna, seconded by Commissioner Karliss, and approved unanimously.**

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Cottrell – Y

Commissioner Karliss – Y

Commissioner Krishna – Y
Commissioner Rogers – Y
Commissioner Ragno – Y
Chair Payton – Y

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

ACTION: Approved the minutes of the prior Public Facilities, Recreation, and Infrastructure Commission meeting dated December 10, 2025. **Motion by Commissioner Cottrell, seconded by Commissioner Rogers, and approved unanimously.**

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Cottrell – Y
Commissioner Karliss – Y
Commissioner Krishna – Y
Commissioner Rogers – Y
Commissioner Ragno – Y
Chair Payton – Y

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kevin Burton, WEST HOLLYWOOD, stated that the Crescent Room at the Aquatic and Recreation Center (ARC) appears to be underutilized and urged staff to make it available for the public to reserve.

Stephanie Harker, WEST HOLLYWOOD, supports making the Crescent Room available to reserve for meetings. Spoke in support of the Community Garden and proposed planting pollinator flowers and requested consideration of repainting the black fence around the community garden.

Jody Litvak, WEST HOLLYWOOD, member of the Transportation & Mobility Commission, introduced herself to the Commission as their assigned liaison.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR – None.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. EXTERIOR PAINTING & ROOFING AT PLUMMER PARK HISTORIC BUILDINGS

SUBJECT: The Commission will be informed about upcoming work to exterior painting and roofing at Plummer Park historic buildings (Fiesta Hall, Great Hall, and Long Hall), in compliance with The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.

Staff explained the scope of work for the exterior painting and roofing at Plummer Park which will include exterior painting of Long Hall, Great Hall, Fiesta Hall, and

the design phase of the roof replacement.

Stephanie Harker, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the item and asked about the awning restoration and shutter paint colors.

Commissioner Karliss spoke in support of the project and echoed the question about the awning and the paint colors. The awning is not being addressed in the current project and samples were shown of the paint colors that will be used on the facility including the shutters. Karliss asked if there is discussion regarding improvements to the interior of the building. Interiors will receive maintenance only at this time and defer major improvements pending the Plummer Park visioning project.

Chair Payton asked about the longevity of the paint.

ACTION: Receive and file.

B. NEW PROJECT AT THE CITY'S MATTHEW SHEPARD HUMAN RIGHTS TRIANGLE AND CRESCENT HEIGHTS TRIANGLE

SUBJECT: The Commission will receive an update about a City Council directive – a new project at the City's Matthew Shepard Human Rights Triangle and Crescent Heights Triangle (at the intersection with Santa Monica Blvd).

Staff provided an overview of the council directed item and next steps for the project, which include conducting community outreach and developing design recommendations.

Commissioner Karliss inquired about the community outreach and how it would fit in with the proposed timeline. The community outreach will likely occur in conjunction with the architect and include Commission involvement in the process.

ACTION: Receive and provide feedback.

C. NEW SMART PUBLIC RESTROOMS PILOT PROGRAM

SUBJECT: The Commission will receive an update about a City Council directive – a new smart public restrooms pilot program in the mid-City area of West Hollywood.

Staff presented the council directive to explore a smart restroom pilot program and went over the possible locations, and different smart restroom options.

Commissioners asked a few clarifying questions.

Commissioner Rogers asked if multiple permanent units will be considered if the pilot program is a success and what metrics are being used to determine their success. City Council will consider additional units, if the pilot program is

a success. Metrics for success are being developed.

Commissioner Karliss spoke in support of the item and expressed interest in restroom distribution citywide, particularly on the east side.

Commissioner Cottrell commented on the high cost of the restrooms and expressed concern with access, specifically the QR-code-only access, making it inaccessible to those who may not have a device to be able to scan it.

Commissioner Krishna asked if signage is included in the budget. Staff will incorporate signage costs.

Chair Payton asked clarifying questions about the time limits and asked if the pilot program timeline will interfere with the construction of the City Playhouse. Staff confirmed it will not.

ACTION: Receive and provide feedback.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. FY26-28 BIENNIAL CAPITAL BUDGET – BUDGET RECOMMENDATION LETTER

SUBJECT: The Commission will receive the proposed capital work plan budget amounts and consider approving the draft budget recommendation letter, to be presented to the City Council Finance & Budget Subcommittee for the FY26-28 biennial budget.

Staff provided updated budget figures to be included in the budget recommendation letter for the following projects, West Hollywood Light Pole Replacement, Kings Road Park Playground, and Plummer Park Community Center Improvements.

Commissioner Karliss asked how many light poles are being replaced. Staff confirmed 41 lights are being replaced. He asked how the Plummer Park Community Center improvements align with the Comprehensive Visioning Plan, particularly if a future rebuild is considered. The Plummer Park Community Center improvements will focus on interim safety and operational upgrades, while the Comprehensive Visioning Plan will focus on long-term improvements.

ACTION: Approve the Commission’s budget recommendation letter, to be presented to the City Council Finance & Budget Subcommittee. **Motion by Commissioner Krishna, Seconded by Commissioner Cottrell, and approved unanimously.**

Roll Call Vote:
Commissioner Cottrell – Y

Commissioner Karliss – Y
Commissioner Krishna – Y
Commissioner Rogers – Y
Commissioner Ragno – Y
Chair Payton – Y

10. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR – None.

11. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Staff provided a Capital Improvement Projects update. Staff invited everyone to the rally supporting the Metro K Line extension the following morning at West Hollywood Park. Update provided on the Bike Lane Improvements noting positive feedback from the community and additional scope added to the project. Update provided on the decorative streetlight replacement along La Brea.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

13. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS & SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS
LOOK AHEAD CALENDAR FOR AGENDA PREP & COMMISSION ITEMS
TRACKER – No changes.

Commissioner Ragno asked for an update on the light out at Plummer Park court #6.

Commissioner Rogers asked for an update on a broken paper towel dispenser at West Hollywood Park.

Commissioner Karliss raised concerns with dogs being off leash at West Hollywood Park and asked about the pool maintenance schedule.

Commissioner Krishna asked for status on the community garden complaints.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The Public Facilities, Recreation, and Infrastructure Commission meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m. to its next regular meeting on Wednesday, March 11, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Community Meeting Room, 1st Floor, 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069.

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