

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD  
WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD**

**AGENDA**

**THURSDAY, July 28, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.**

*Location:* West Hollywood City Hall  
8300 Santa Monica Blvd  
West Hollywood, CA 90069

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- I. CALL TO ORDER:**
  - A. Roll Call
  
- II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**
  - Meeting of June 23, 2011
  
- III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:**
  - Member of the public are invited to address the Board on any subject for 2 minutes.
  
- IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
  - None.
  
- V. NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. NCJW/LA Family Court Advocacy Project COURTWATCH (20 min)**

Abha Verma, MSW, National Council of Jewish Women/Los Angeles, will give a presentation about the COURTWATCH which is part of a collaborative to identify and respond to gaps in local services for victims of domestic violence and their children who are navigating the family court system.  
**Recommendation:** Review and Discuss
  
  - B. Co-sponsorship of NCJW/LA Event on Homeless Women (5 min)**

Presentation by NCJW/LA Advocacy Director Ruth Williams on their upcoming programming. The Board will consider co-sponsoring an educational event with the National Council of Jewish Women/LA about women who are homeless.  
**Recommendation:** Review and Discuss

- C. Presentation from Military Women In Need ( 5 -10 min)**  
 Special presentation from Military Women In Need, a non-profit organization that provides support female veterans and widows of veterans.  
**Recommendation:** Review and Discuss
- D. Upcoming Changes to City Advisory Boards ( 5- 10 min)**  
 Staff will report on recent actions by the City Council changing the size of and make-up of advisory boards.  
**Recommendation:** Review and Discuss
- E. Domestic Violence Prevention Month ( 5 min)**  
 The Board will discuss initiating or participating in an activity to raise awareness about domestic violence prevention during the month of October  
**Recommendation:** Review and Discuss. Designate Subcommittee.
- F. Board Policies and Procedures (10 – 15 min)**  
 Brief review of Board policies and procedures for meeting productivity, team efficiency and positive outcomes.  
**Recommendation:** Review and Discuss

**VI. LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT**

Subcommittee: Betsy Johnson (Chair), Kelly Alexander and Mara Brown

**Recommendation:** Receive and file.

**VII. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

**(10 – 15 min)**

**A. Women's Equality Day**

The Subcommittee will report on ways to commemorate the 91<sup>st</sup> anniversary of women's right to vote on in the United States.

Subcommittee: Carla Browning, Arlene Krantz, MaryAnn Szyskowski (Chair) and Kris Slawosky.

**Recommendation:** Receive and file. Take action as needed.

**B. WAB Book Club: Women And Books**

Report on upcoming book club activities.

Subcommittee: Kelly Alexander, Carla Browning (Chair), Sofya Davidovich, Kristin Slawosky, Arlene Krantz

**Recommendation:** Receive and file. Take action as needed.

**C. Board Participation in the West Hollywood Book Fair**

The Subcommittee will give and update on plans for the Boards participation in the 10<sup>th</sup> annual West Hollywood Book Fair on Sunday, October 2nd at West Hollywood Park.

Carla Browning, Arlene Krantz, Kristin Slawosky (Co-Chair), and Amy Walia-Fazio (Co-Chair).

**Recommendation:** Receive and file. Take action as needed.

**D. Care Package Project**

The Subcommittee will report on plans to make and send care packages to female soldiers.

Subcommittee: Wendy Goldman (Chair), Arlene Krantz, and Kristin Slawosky.

**Recommendation:** Receive and file. Take action as needed.

**E. WAB Survey of Women**

The subcommittee will report on survey ideas.

Subcommittee: Amy Walia-Fazio and Carla Browning

**Recommendation:** Receive and file. Take action as needed.

**VIII. BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS (5 min)**

Brief reports from board members who serve as liaisons to other city Boards and Commissions.

**Recommendation:** Receive and file.

**IX. MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL (2 min)**

The Board will designate members to report back to the City Council each month.

**X. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD: (10 min)**

Brief remarks from Advisory Board members

**XI. ITEMS FROM THE STAFF: (2 min)**

Staff will update the Women's Advisory Board on issues within the Board's purview.

- Board Election of Officers

**XII ADJOURNMENT:**


The Women's Advisory Board will adjourn to their next regularly scheduled meeting at 8pm on **August 25, 2011** in the Community Conference Room at City Hall, West Hollywood, CA 90069.

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