

**WEST HOLLYWOOD SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, March 26, 2014

West Hollywood Library-Community Meeting Room
625 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m. by SAB member Lee Walkup acting as Chair since Chairperson Esther Baum was slightly delayed and Vice-Chair Barbara Krupa was not able to attend the meeting. Chairperson Baum arrived shortly thereafter and took over chairing the meeting.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Marcy Norton recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. ROLL CALL

Members present: Esther Baum, Pat Dixon, Sophia Gelman, Bernice Levin, Rita Norton, Lee Walkup

Members absent: Muriel Schoichet, Ric Rickles, Barbara Krupa

Staff present: Corey Roskin, Francisco Gomez

C. POSTING OF THE AGENDA

Corey Roskin stated that the agenda was posted at all the usual places.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were unanimously approved.

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Marcy Norton, West Hollywood, updated the Senior Advisory Board on the health status of Senior Advisory Board member Ric Rickles, and informed the Board on how to contact him.

IV. ITEMS FROM SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Corey Roskin provided the Board with a brief description of various upcoming trips that are being sponsored by the West Hollywood Comprehensive Services Center.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Hernan Molina, a Senior Management Analyst in the City's Legal Services Division, explained the work that his Division does to monitor legislative activities at the State and Federal levels of government, and also discussed how City staff lobbies in support of legislation that advances the City's mission and policy priorities.
- B. Danny Pepper, Director of Resident Services at the West Hollywood Community Housing Corporation (WHCHC), spoke about some of the programs, services and projects of the WHCHC. He also answered questions from the Board about issues related to affordable housing and about senior services available at WHCHC's buildings.
- C. Cristina Garcia from the Center for Healthcare Rights spoke about upcoming changes in health care coverage for seniors in California that have coverage through both Medical and Medicare, provided the Board with a detailed description of the Cal MediConnect program, and also answered questions from Board members related to the changes.

VII. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Lee Walkup discussed the City's budget survey that is available on the City's website and gave a description of the events that will take place at the City's Budget Fair.

Pat Dixon mentioned that John D'Amico will be installed as Mayor on April 24.

Lee Walkup, Pat Dixon and Esther Baum commented on the upcoming City Council item on April 7 regarding possible alternative options for the Book Fair this year.

VIII. ITEMS FROM CITY STAFF

Corey Roskin talked about the upcoming Disability Advisory Board meeting, which is scheduled to take place at the same day and time as the next Senior Advisory Board meeting. He explained that the April Disability Advisory Board meeting will be televised and focused on housing issues. Corey also asked the Board to consider alternative meeting arrangements if the majority of Board members wish to attend the Disabilities Advisory Board. In addition, Corey also presented new fliers for the TLC program, information on the Senior Moments publication, and updated the Board on Patricia Vonheitman's situation regarding apartment inspections.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned to the next meeting whose meeting time was to be determined. Subsequent to the meeting, it was determined that the SAB will meet at their regular date/time in April (April 23 from 2-4pm), but as a joint meeting with the Disability Advisory Board in the West Hollywood Library/Council Chambers.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Esther Baum", written over a horizontal line.

Chairperson – Esther Baum