

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMISSION
MINUTES
November 12, 2014**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Bass called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Commissioner Goldenberg, Commissioner Ettman,
Vice Chair Saur and Chair Bass.

ABSENT: Commissioner Anthony, Commissioner Rorie,
Commissioner Woodell

ALSO PRESENT: Department of Public Works, Steve Campbell,
Manager of Facilities and Field Services, Helen Collins,
Sr. Administrative Analyst, Facilities and Field Services
Division and Sr. Administrative Specialist, Michelle Bell.

- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Lauren Meister led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

ACTION: Approve the November 12, 2014 agenda.

Chair Bass requested that Item 8B. be moved to item 8A and Table Item 7A.

**Motion by Chair Bass, seconded by Commissioner Goldenberg and
unanimously approved.**

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

ACTION: Approve the minutes dated September 10, 2014 and October 1, 2014.

**Motion by Chair Bass, seconded by Commissioner Goldenberg and
unanimously approved.**

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

MIKEL GERLE, WEST HOLLYWOOD-spoke regarding running for City Council.

LAUREN MEISTER, WEST HOLLYWOOD - spoke regarding more outreach
on items on the agenda and requested that item 8A be heard at another time so
that members of the Eastside Working Group can attend.

CATHY BLAIVIS, WEST HOLLYWOOD- spoke in support of the comment made
by Ms. Meister.

STEPHANIE HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD - spoke in support of the comment
made by Ms. Meister.

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWIKZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD - spoke in support for more off leash dog parks on the eastside as well as in West Hollywood Park Phase II.

Commissioner Ettman made a motion to table Item 8A. to next meeting. Motion fails due to lack of second. Noting that the agenda has been approved.

Vice Chair Saur commented that the item is going to City Council on December 1st.

Francisco Contreras, Innovation and Strategic Initiatives Manager, stated that the Public Facilities Commission would be able to include their comments in the request to the City Council to hear the item at a later time.

Chair Bass stated that he would move forward with the presentation of 8A.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR - NONE.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Detroit Community Garden
Tabled to next meeting.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Plummer Park Phase I Implementation Project

1. Next Steps

Francisco Contreras, Innovation and Strategic Manager provided an update on the current status of the project and the recommendations from the Plummer Park Council Subcommittee that would be going to the City Council on December 1, 2014.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

STEPHANIE HARKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD- commented that there is no longer a Phase I plan for Plummer Park due to all the changes and the designation of Fiesta Hall is in process.

CATHY BLAIVIS, WEST HOLLYWOOD - commented that the plan is 20 years old and she expressed the need for community involvement and a new plan.

LAUREN MEISTER, WEST HOLLYWOOD - commented that the only item to be presented to the City Council is the study of Long Hall/Great Hall adaptive use since it is the only piece with community involvement.

MICHAEL WOJTKIELEWICZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD - spoke in support of community involvement for Plummer Park.

A discussion ensued.

The consensus of the Commission to support the report and wished that there was support from the Eastside Working Group as well.

ACTION: Motion by Commissioner Ettman recommending that three Public Facilities Commissioners be appointed to a steering committee regarding Plummer Park, seconded by Commissioner Goldenberg and carried noting the NO vote of Chair Bass.

ACTION: Motion by Vice Chair Saur to approve the report as presented, noting the public comment and that there was not sufficient time for the community to read and review the information, seconded by Commissioner Goldenberg.

Commissioner Ettman did not support the motion and stated that the report needed more time and greater input. He further stated that he only supports adaptive reuse in place. Motion carried, noting the NO vote by Commissioner Ettman.

B. West Hollywood Design District Streetscape Master Plan

1. Public Gathering Places:

Steve Campbell, Manager of Facilities and Field Services introduced Georgia Sheridan, Assistant Planner. She provided an update on the West Hollywood Design District Streetscape Master Plan. She specifically focused her presentation on the areas of Melrose/Norwich and Beverly/Robertson. Ms. Sheridan provided information gathered from the community on their desires.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

LOUIS MARQUEZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD - spoke in opposition of sidewalk dining and in support of a park; he also spoke in support of recycling enhancements.

LAUREN MEISTER, WEST HOLLYWOOD - spoke in support of keeping the parking on Beverly and Bonner; no outdoor dining; support of a park as a public benefit.

UNKNOWN, WEST HOLLYWOOD - Norwich resident, spoke in support of looking at all development and how parking is impacted; she also spoke of her concerns about solar energy sources, crosswalks and 4-way traffic lights.

Ms. Sheridan provided information to clarify that the tables and chairs in the drawings were not for outdoor dining but they are placed in the gathering spaces.

Vice Chair expressed that she likes water features and paseos.

Chair Bass he would like to see the paseo extend farther east and he is opposed to the water feature.

ACTION: Motion by Vice Chair Saur to approve the staff's recommendations and including comments from the Commission, seconded by Commissioner Ettman and unanimously approved.

C. 1343 Laurel Avenue vision Concepts Committee

1. Recommendations to City Council

Lisa Belsanti, Public Information Manager, provided the Commission with an update on the recommendations going to the City Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT

MANNY RODRIGUES, WEST HOLLYWOOD - spoke in support of senior housing in the back of the house, underground parking and restoring the house.

Commissioner Goldenberg spoke in support of Mr. Rodriguez's comments.

Commissioner Ettman commented on focusing on the preservation of the house and the use of the park; he spoke in support of not making it a dog park.

Ms. Belsanti stated that the vision is still conceptual and further analysis is needed from other commissions and the City Council.

Vice Chair requested that the buildings be seismic retrofitted.

ACTION: Motion Chair Bass to approve the report to the City Council including the comments from the Commissioners, seconded by Commissioner Ettman and unanimously carried.

D. West Hollywood Park Phase II - Dog Park

1. Brief Update

Chair Bass stated that this does not need to be a standing item on the agenda since it can be discussed during Items from Commissioners/Subcommittee Reports.

Tabled.

9. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR: NONE.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE.

11. ITEMS FROM STAFF: NONE.

12. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS/SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Commissioner Ettman asked if there is a study on the Halloween impact and he asked if it was within the purview of the Public Facilities Commission.

Commissioner Goldenberg commented on the West Hollywood Pool umbrellas and showers.

Chair Bass stated that he would like to receive a policy for people who use the park for personal gain.

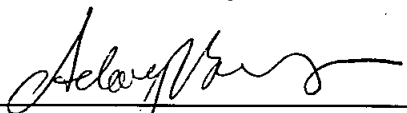
Mr. Campbell responded that the Recreation Division has hired a consultant to develop such a policy.

He also disclosed that he has submitted comments to the Eastside Working Group to move the day and time of their meeting.

Chair Bass also stated that the new type of light should be installed for the American Flag at the Crescent Heights Triangle on the west side.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Commissioner Ettman to adjourn in memory of the nation's veterans, seconded by Commissioner Goldenberg to adjourn the Public Facilities Commission at 8:46pm to their regularly scheduled meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, December 10, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the West Hollywood Community Room at, West Hollywood Park, located at 625 N. San Vicente Boulevard.



Chair, Adam Bass



Michelle Bell, Recording Secretary