

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

SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

THURSDAY, January 15, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

*Location: Rooms 5 & 6, Comprehensive Services Center
Plummer Park
7377 Santa Monica Blvd
West Hollywood, CA 90046*

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I. CALL TO ORDER:

A. Roll Call

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Members of the public are invited to address the Board on any subject for 2 minutes.

IV. BOARD RETREAT:

(75-90 min)

The Board will segue into a staff facilitated retreat format focused their work plan and calendar of activities for 2015.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. WEST HOLLYWOOD REPORT ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (30 - 45 min)

Board review and discussion regarding the West Hollywood Report on the Status of Women per City Council directive. Presentation regarding West Hollywood's services for seniors. Review of a preliminary report of recommendations from the Board to the City Council.

Recommendation: Review and Discuss.

B. NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH 2015 (10 – 15 min)

Updates regarding program development for the City's annual National Women's History Month celebration during the month of March 2015.

Recommendation: Review and Discuss.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

A. CO-SPONSORSHIP OF “CONVERSATION ‘BOUT THE GIRLS” (5 -10 min)

The Board will consider co-sponsorship of a new play about women’s relationship with their bodies as part of Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October 2015.

Recommendation: Review and Discuss.

B. SUPPORT FOR THE US NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR UN WOMEN CAMPAIGNS (5 - 10 min)

Discussion of support for UN Women campaigns: Safe Cities LA Campaign and HeForShe Campaign. UN Women is the United Nations entity responsible for promoting women’s empowerment and gender equality-- the social, political, and economic equality for women and girls around the world.

Recommendation: Review and Discuss.

C. CO-SPONSORSHIP OF “BEYOND CHOICE. REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS. A HUMAN ISSUE” (5 – 10 min)

The Board will consider co-sponsoring an upcoming City program in partnership with the LGBT Center’s Leadership Lab and Planned Parenthood LA about a new an effective advocacy strategies to advance reproductive rights protections.

Recommendation: Review and Discuss.

VII. LEGISLATION & ADVOCACY DISCUSSION: (5 min)

Board discussion of Legislative and policy issues affecting women.

A. CITIES FOR CEDAW AND THE LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN (CEDAW)

Update regarding the Board’s recommendation in support of the Cities for CEDAW Campaign. Discussion of the Cities for CEDAW National Conference on January 20, 2015.

Recommendation: Review and Discuss.

B. WOMEN VETERANS/WOMEN IN THE MILITARY (5 min)

Brief update regarding ways and opportunities to support women veterans and those currently serving in the military.

Recommendation: Receive and file.

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

Brief reports from board members who serve as liaisons to other city Boards and Commissions and other recognized bodies. Designation of new liaisons as needed.

Recommendation: Receive and file.

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

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

X. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS: (5 – 10 min)

A. Feedback and updates regarding the following co-sponsored activities:

1. Co-sponsorship of NCJW/LA's Roe v Wade Event- January 22, 2015
2. One Billion Rising Revolution, February 13-14, 2015

Recommendation: Receive and File. Take action as needed.

XI. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

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XII. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD: (5 min)

Brief remarks from Advisory Board members.

XIII. ITEMS FROM STAFF: (2 min)

Brief remarks from Staff

XIV. ADJOURNMENT:

The Women's Advisory Board will adjourn to their next regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, February 25, 2015 at the Community Meeting Room, West Hollywood Park Library, all located at 625 N. Vicente Blvd, West Hollywood, CA 90069.