

**WEST HOLLYWOOD  
DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES  
APRIL 14, 1999**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Hallenberg called the meeting to order at 5:40 P.M.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Vice Chair Von Douris led the Pledge.
3. **ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** Advisory Members Aizenman, Cislowski, D'Amico, Pavich, Semonco\*, Vice Chair Von Douris and Chair Hallenberg.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Co-liaison Jacobs, Deputy Clerk Gillig and Deputy Clerk Diaz.

**ABSENT:** Members Stredicke, Weltman.

\*Member Semonco arrived at 5:56 P.M.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**  
**ACTIONS:** Approve the Minutes of March 10, 1999 as presented.  
**Motion by Member Pavich, seconded by Member Cislowski and unanimously carried.**

City Clerk Thompson introduced Deputy Clerk Jennifer Diaz as the permanent replacement of Deputy Clerk John Lucero as Recording Secretary to the Disabilities Advisory Board. She can be reached at his old number (323) 848-6332.

Mayor Pro Tempore Jeffrey Prang requested the Disabilities Advisory Board add an Urgency Item to it's Agenda titled "THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD SAFER SEX ACT OF 1999." He provided background information.

City Clerk Thompson advised the Disabilities Advisory Board Members that this Urgency Item was brought to their attention after the posting of the regular Disabilities Advisory Board Agenda and needs to be formally added to the agenda at this time.

**ACTION:** Add the Urgency Item as presented to the Disabilities Advisory Board Agenda.

**Motion Member D'Amico, seconded by Member Pavich and unanimously carried.**

**URGENCY ITEM: PROPOSED RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE SAFER SEX AND PARKING INITIATIVES SPONSORED BY THE AIDS HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION.**

Mayor Pro Tempore Prang and Staff Liaison Jacobs provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 14, 1999.

DR. CLIFF CHENG, LOS ANGELES, questioned the condom distribution and would like the First Amendment Rights addressed.

**ACTION:** Adopt Resolution No. DAB 99-003 "A RESOLUTION OF THE DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD OPPOSING THE SAFER SEX AND PARKING INITIATIVES SPONSORED BY THE AID HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION."

**Motion by Member D'Amico, seconded by Member Pavich and unanimously carried.**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

ALAN WEBER, WEST HOLLYWOOD urged the Disabilities Advisory Board to adopt a Resolution regarding the Plummer Park renovation to include a Olympic size heated lap pool which has been shown to be very beneficial to senior citizens.

**6. STAFF COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

Staff Liaison Jacobs commended the Disabilities Advisory Board for taking a stand on the Safer Sex and Parking Initiative. On April 18, 1999 a Holocaust Remembrance event will be taking place at Plummer Park which will include two (2) movies beginning at 6:00 P.M.

At the regular City of West Hollywood City Council Meeting to be held on May 3, 1999, a Certificate of Merit from the National Council on Disabilities will be presented to the Disabilities Advisory Board for activities presented during the Disabilities Awareness Month of October, 1998. Staff Liaison Jacobs encouraged everyone to attend this presentation.

Staff Liaison Jacobs reminded everyone that the Disabilities Advisory Board members' terms will be expiring on May 31, 1999 and encouraged those members seeking re-appointment to let Mayor Pro-Tempore Prang's office know of their interest as well the other City Council offices.

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**A. PUBLIC FORUM.**

This item was tabled to the Disabilities Advisory Board meeting of May 12, 1999.

**8. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. PRESENTATION FROM THE BRAILLE INSTITUTE.**

The Disabilities Advisory Board Members heard from Leslie Burkhardt, Program Coordinator of the Braille Institute, regarding the history and services this non-profit agency offers the different communities.

**B. SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD CONSTRUCTION UPDATE.**

The Disabilities Advisory Board heard from Peter Wolff, Associate Transportation Engineer for the Department of Transportation and Public Works, regarding the most recent developments regarding the upcoming reconstruction of Santa Monica Boulevard.

Mr. Wolff took various questions from the Disabilities Advisory Board members at this time and responded accordingly.

Due to time restraints and the amount of questions and issues that needed to be addressed, it was decided to bring this item back at the May 12<sup>th</sup> 1999 Disabilities Advisory Board meeting.

**9. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

TONY TURAMO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, commented that the Santa Monica Boulevard Rehabilitation report does not address many of the needs of the disabled/handicapped community. He also gave his support for the Braille Institute.

**10. DISABILITIES ADVISORY MEMBER COMMENTS:**

**A. SUMMARY OF COMMISSION/ADVISORY BOARD CHAIRS' MEETING.**

There were no reportable actions of the Commission/Advisory Board Chair's Meeting held on March 23, 1999.

**B. GENERAL COMMENTS REGARDING DISABILITY ISSUES.**

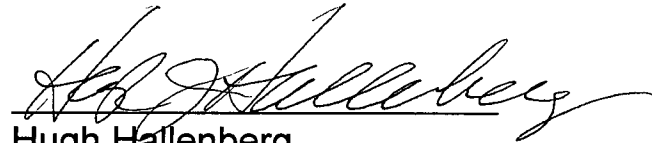
Member Cislowski motioned to bring the item regarding the swimming pool at the Plummer Park Comprehensive Community Services Center before the next Disabilities Advisory Board meeting. Seconded by Vice Chair Von Douris and unanimously carried.

Von Douris commented on the 24 Hour Health and Fitness facility in regards to disabled access.

Staff Liaison Jacobs informed the Disabilities Advisory Board that the West Hollywood City Line connects directly to Ralph's at Fountain and La Brea.

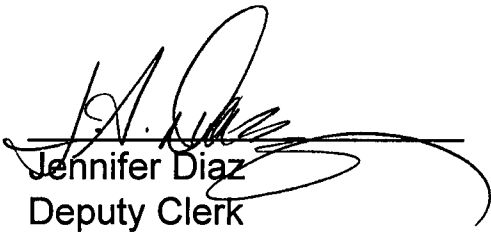
**11. ADJOURNMENT:** The Disabilities Advisory Board was adjourned by Member Pavich, seconded by Member Cislowski at 7:13 P.M. to their next regular meeting to be held on **Wednesday, May 12, 1999.**

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD  
THIS 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, 1999.



Hugh Hallenberg  
Chair

ATTEST:



Jennifer Diaz  
Deputy Clerk