

**WEST HOLLYWOOD
DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 1999
WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY HALL
COMMUNITY CONFERENCE ROOM
8300 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD
WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** City Clerk Thompson called the meeting to order at 5:35 P.M.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Pro-Tem Prang led the Pledge.

3. **ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: Advisory Members Aizenman, Arrigo, Dietrich, Pavich, Semonco, and Weltman.

ALSO PRESENT: Co-liaison Reynolds, City Clerk Thompson, Deputy Clerk Diaz and Intern Daniel McQueen.

ABSENT: Board Members Dal Porto and Weber.

4. **Administer Oath of Office to new Board Members:** Mayor Pro-Tem Prang administered Oath of Office to Michael Arrigo, Suzanne Dietrich, and Daniel Margolis. He also provided a brief statement of the duties expected of the Board in the up coming year that will improve the lives of persons living with disabilities and the effects of decisions of the Board on citizens of West Hollywood.

5. **APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIR AND REPORT OF ANNUAL ELECTIONS:** City Clerk Thompson provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated June 9, 1999. Board Member Pavich was nominated to act as temporary Chair. No other nominations being heard, by consensus, the Board closed nominations.

ACTION: Elect Board Member Pavich as temporary Chair of the Disabilities Advisory Board through the July 14, 1999 meeting.

Motion by Board Member Weltman, seconded by Board Member Aizenman and carried unanimously.

6. **Remembrance of Disabilities Advisory Board Member Rev. John Von Douris:** The Board held a moment of silence.

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

ACTION: Approve the Minutes of May 12, 1999 as presented.
Motion by Chair Pavich, seconded by Board Member Aizenman and unanimously carried.

8. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

ROGER DAVIS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, Co-Chair of Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board, requested that the Disabilities Advisory Board present the City Council with a proposed resolution to form a committee regarding housing for lesbian/gay seniors in West Hollywood.

9. **STAFF COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

City Council Intern Daniel McQueen did not have any new news regarding the issue that is before the Supreme Court. He also, on behalf of Liaison Jacobs, Deputy to Mayor Pro Tem Prang, invited the Board to participate in the Pride Parade.

Liaison Reynolds, advised the Board members that the two Council members would not be able to attend to comment on the concerns of certain intersections along Santa Monica Boulevard that are scheduled for reconstruction.

10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

A. **SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD RECONSTRUCTION**

PROJECT: Representative Ken Roukavina, Project and Construction Manager from Wildan, the City's construction consultant, answered the written questions of the Disabilities Advisory Board Sub-committee. He informed the Board that the plans were compiled by policies of the City's Department of Transportation. He also answered additional questions the Board had regarding the center median, curve ramps, texture of crosswalks to accommodate persons with sight disabilities, the

timing of the crosswalk from corner to corner and the pedestrian button to cross at intersections.

ACTION: The Sub-committee is to compile a draft resolution of specific issues on particular intersections in question.

B. PLUMMER PARK SENIOR/TEEN/COMMUNITY CENTER:

Sam Baxter, Landscape and Buildings Manager, informed the Board Members of the Plummer Park Senior/Teen/Community Center renovations that have been approved by the City Council. Construction is scheduled to begin in September and is anticipated to take 12-14 months to complete. He gave specific plans that have been implemented which will accommodate persons with disabilities. Mr. Baxter answered questions from the Board members regarding specifications of the plans.

C. PROPOSED SWIMMING FACILITIES AT PLUMMER PARK:

Sam Baxter, Landscape and Buildings Manager, provided an update on the swimming facilities. Mr. Baxter stated that the pool should be considered as a part of the recreational needs assessment.

Alan Weber, Senior Advisory Board, informed the Disabilities Advisory Board on the revised Resolution regarding the proposed Olympic size heated pool for Plummer Park. He reiterated the significant health advantages of the pool.

11. NEW BUSINESS: None.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

13. DISABILITIES ADVISORY MEMBER COMMENTS:

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

Member Aizenman reported on Milenium project discussed at the Commission/Advisory Board Chair's Meeting held on May 25, 1999.

B. GENERAL COMMENTS REGARDING DISABILITY ISSUES:

Board Member Weltman welcomed new members.

Board Member Margolis informed the Board that the City of Los Angeles Commission on Disabilities will be holding a public hearing on Monday June 28, 1999 regarding persons with disabilities.

- 14. ADJOURNMENT:** The Disabilities Advisory Board adjourned at 7:20 P.M. to their next regular meeting to be held on **Wednesday, July 14, 1999.**

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD
THIS 14TH DAY OF JULY, 1999.



Chair

ATTEST:

Jennifer Diaz
Deputy Clerk