

**WEST HOLLYWOOD  
DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES  
JUNE 10, 1998**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 5:35 P.M.
  
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Advisory Member Cislowski led the Pledge.
  
3. **OATH OF OFFICE:** Co-liaison Dusterberg administered the Oath of Office to Ann Semonco.
  
4. **ROLL CALL:**  
  
PRESENT: Advisory Members Aizenman, Cislowski, Jacobs, Pavich, Semonco, Weltman and Vice-chair Von Douris.  
  
ALSO PRESENT: Co-liaisons Dusterberg, Reynolds & Springer and Deputy Clerk Lucero.  
  
ABSENT: Advisory Member Stredicke and Chair Hallenberg.
  
5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.
  
6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**  
RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Minutes of Wednesday, May 13, 1998. Motion Advisory Member Cislowski, seconded by Advisory Member Jacobs.
  
7. **STAFF COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**  
Co-liaison Springer introduced new Disabilities Specialist, Lauren Begalovsky.

Ms. Begalovsky provided an overview of various services provided to the disabled community and announced that she can be reached at (323) 851-8202.

**REPORT ON CITY COUNCIL ACTION OF JUNE 1, 1998  
REGARDING OPPOSITION TO THE FAIR HOUSING  
AMENDMENTS ACT:**

Co-liaison Dusterberg announced that the DAB recommendations were unanimously approved by the City Council at their June 1st meeting. The Council action was as follows:

1) Adopt Resolution No. 98-1914, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD OPPOSING HR 3206, THE FAIR HOUSING AMENDMENTS ACT OF 1998"; and, 2) Direct staff to notify Congressional Representatives Harman, Bilbray and Waxman of the City's opposition to HR 3206.

Co-liaison Dusterberg suggested sending a letter of congratulations from the Disabilities Advisory Board to Casey Martin, the disabled golfer who recently won a lawsuit against the PGA giving him the right to ride a golf cart in competition.

Motion Advisory Member Weltman to send the letter, with minor editorial revisions, seconded Advisory Member Jacobs and unanimously carried.

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**A. ACCESSIBILITY TO THE WEST HOLLYWOOD POOL:**

Christopher Worland, Recreation Supervisor, provided an outline of rehabilitation of the pool facility at West Hollywood Park including a new filtration system and a refurbished locker room.

Mr. Worland also provided an outline of various classes available to the disabled with regard to the pool.

Advisory Member Jacobs stated that the pool does not meet ADA requirements and the disabled community does not feel comfortable using the pool. He requested that a special time be set aside to reserve the pool for the use of the disabled community.

Advisory Member Cislowski was concerned as to how certain hours for the disabled can be set aside.

Advisory Member Semonco stated that there is Red Cross personnel that specifically works with the disabled. She also asked when the rehabilitation of the pool will be complete.

Mr. Worland responded that the project will be completed in phases.

Advisory Member Pavich asked if the design has been approved.

Mr. Worland stated that the architect is in the preliminary planning stages.

Advisory Member Pavich feels that the DAB should be included in the planning process.

Co-liaison Springer requested information on the pool schedule and suggested that recreation staff report back to the DAB on whether an hour or two can be reserved for the disabled community.

Advisory Member Weltman requested that staff research the availability of Red Cross personnel.

Advisory Member Semonco commented that we cannot possibly address every single sensitivity.

**9. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. CHRISTOPHER STREET WEST (CSW) PARADE - DAB DELEGATION:**

Co-liaison Springer announced that the event coordinator has a limousine available for the DAB.

Advisory Member Weltman suggested that a convertible would be more appropriate for maximum DAB visibility.

Co-liaison Springer stated that she will request an alternate vehicle. The delegation will be comprised of: Advisory Members Jacobs, Pavich, Weltman and Vice-chair Von Douris.

**B. APPOINTMENT TO THE KINGS ROAD PARK HOUSE USE & DESIGN OVERSIGHT SUB-COMMITTEE:**

By consensus, Advisory Member Semonco was appointed to the Kings Road Park House Use & Design Oversight Sub-committee of the Public Facilities Commission.

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**11. DISABILITIES ADVISORY MEMBER COMMENTS:**

Advisory Member Weltman apologized for having been absent from the last two DAB meetings.

Vice-chair Von Douris reported on issues discussed at the last commission/advisory board Chairs' Meeting.

Advisory Member Cislowski requested that the report of the Employment Subcommittee be placed on the next agenda.

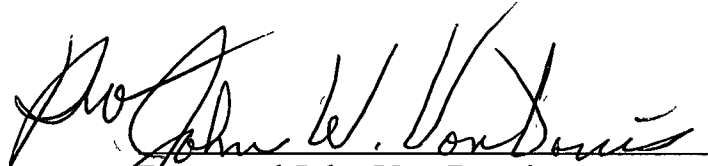

Advisory Member Jacobs requested that DAB members attend the meeting of the Santa Monica Boulevard Steering Committee on June 23rd.

Advisory Member Pavich requested that the Community Needs Assessment be discussed at the next meeting.

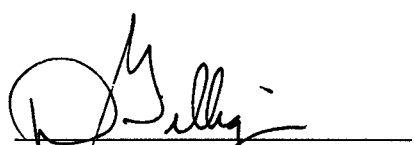
Co-liaison Dusterberg announced that he will not be attending the next two DAB meetings.

**12. ADJOURNMENT:** The Disabilities Advisory Board adjourned at 6:36 P.M. to their next regular meeting to be held on **Wednesday, July 8, 1998.**

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD  
THIS 8<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 1998.

  
Reverend John Von Douris  
Chair/VICE 

ATTEST:

  
David K. Gillig  
Deputy Clerk