

**WEST HOLLYWOOD
DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 08, 1999
WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY HALL
COMMUNITY CONFERENCE ROOM**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Pavich called the meeting to order at 5:40 PM.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Board Member Margolis led the Pledge.

3. **ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: Board Members Aizenman, Dal Porto, Dietrich, Margolis, Pavich, Semonco, and Weltman.

ALSO PRESENT: Liaison Jacobs and Deputy Clerk Diaz.

ABSENT: Board Members Arrigo and Weber.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

ACTION: Approve the Minutes of August 11, 1999 as presented. Motion Vice Chair Weltman, seconded by Board Member Margolis and unanimously carried noting the abstention of Board Member Dal Porto.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

6. **STAFF COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

Liaison Jacobs spoke on Disabilities Awareness Month and the Disabilities Service Awards to be presented to West Hollywood businesses.

7. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

A. **SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT:** The Subcommittee presented a Staff Report to the Board Members as a recommendation to the Transportation Commission and the City Council to Improve accessibility for

people living with disabilities by enhancing the Santa Monica Boulevard Redevelopment Plan.

ACTION: Accept the Staff Report as written and present it to the Transportation Commission for action. **Motion Vice Chair Weltman, seconded Member Dal Porto and unanimously carried.**

B. DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD SUBCOMMITTEES:

Legislative Subcommittee: Reported that they will research and update the Advisory Board at the next regular meeting on S331 "Work incentive Act" and the Supreme Courts decision on Americans with Disabilities Act.

Outreach Subcommittee: Briefed the Board Members of their discussion about going to other commissions and boards to introduce themselves and request some involvement on certain issues on their agendas.

C. DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH:

Chair Pavich spoke to the Board Members about the next meeting, which will be held at West Hollywood Park Auditorium, and televised on the cable channel to promote Disabilities Awareness Month. A reception will follow the meeting.

The Board Members discussed various recommended changes within the attached staff report regarding the Disability Service Awards.

ACTION: 1): Forward to the City Council a recommendation that permits annual Disabilities Service Awards to an individual, a non profit organization, a small business with less than 50 employees and a large business with more than 50 employees who improve the quality of life for the disabled residents living in

West Hollywood. **Motion Board Member Margolis, seconded Board Member Aizenman and unanimously carried.**

2): Appoint Chair Pavich to be a member of the Selection Committee. **Motion Board Member Margolis, seconded Vice-chair Weltman and unanimously carried.**

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A. TRANSPORTATION MANAGER TERRY SLIMMER:

Transportation Manager, Terry Slimmer, introduced herself to the Advisory Board and gave a brief summary of her professional history. She answered questions from the Board Members and invited them to meet with herself and Toya Brown to discuss problems regarding any transportation issues.

B. LIAISON FROM THE ADVISORY BOARD TO OTHER COMMISSIONS AND BOARDS: The Advisory Board discussed appointing a liaison to other boards and commissions whose agendas might have some significant or similar items to that of the Disabilities Advisory Board.

ACTION: To appoint a liaison to the Human Services Commission, Public Facilities Commission, Planning Commission, Project Area Committee, Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board, and the Senior Advisory Board. **Motion Board Member Margolis, seconded Board Member Dietrich, and unanimously carried.**

C. CONDOM DISTRIBUTION: Liaison Jacobs briefed the Board Members of an ordinance being drafted by the City which would require liquor licensed businesses within West Hollywood to have condoms in an accessible place for their customers.

ACTION: Endorse the Implementing Aspects of the HIV Prevention Education and Social Services Act. **Motion Board Member Margolis, seconded Board Member Dietrich, Motion passes with one opposition by Board Member Semonco.**

9. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

10. DISABILITIES ADVISORY MEMBER COMMENTS:

Board Member Dietrich commented that she has been trying to inform the Russian community about the Disabilities Advisory Board.

Board Member Margolis thanked Liaison Jacobs for helping on the Santa Monica Boulevard AdHoc Committee. He also suggested that a recommendation be made to the Fine Arts Commission to have something reflect persons with disabilities in the Veterans Memorial Project.

A. SUMMARY OF COMMISSION/ADVISORY BOARD CHAIRS' MEETING. Chair Pavich informed the Board members of several items discussed at the meeting.

B. GENERAL COMMENTS REGARDING DISABILITY ISSUES:
None.

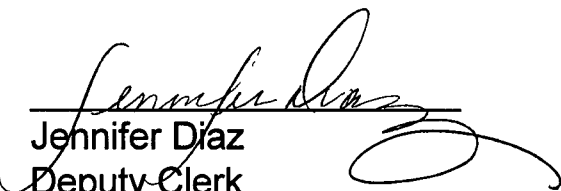
11. ADJOURNMENT: The Disabilities Advisory Board adjourned at 7:20 P.M. to their next regular meeting to be held on **Wednesday, October 13, 1999.**

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD
THIS 13TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1999.



Chair Pavich

ATTEST:



Jennifer Diaz
Deputy Clerk