

**WEST HOLLYWOOD
DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1999
8300 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD
WEST HOLLYWOOD**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Pavich called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

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

3. **ROLL CALL:**

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

ALSO PRESENT: Liaisons Jacobs and Springer and Deputy Clerk Diaz.

ABSENT: Board Member Weber

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

ACTION: Approve the Minutes of October 13, 1999 as presented.

Motion Board Member Dietrich, seconded by Board Member Margolis and unanimously carried.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Jonathon Rosenberg informed the Board of his new phone number. (323) 851-8202 x108

6. **STAFF COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

Chair Pavich requested that the Board adjourn in memory of Jane Small, wife of Hugh Hallenberg.

Liaison Springer, apologized for the Sunset Millennium Associates for postponing their presentation until January. She informed them that they will consider any input the Board might have.

Liaison Jacobs congratulated the Board on their work on Disabilities Awareness Month. He received many compliments from the community and from within City Hall. Liaison Jacobs asked the

Board to consider adjourning the meeting in memory of Scott Smith, member of Being Alive.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. ANNOUNCEMENTS ON CITY CHANNEL 10:

Helen Goss, Public Information/CATV Manager, provided a brief history of the City Channel and the franchise agreement between the City and the cable company. She discussed the limitations of having verbal and written announcements run simultaneously due to the constant updates and changes of the announcements. Ms. Goss answered various questions regarding the Russian community, interns, and cable issues. She also stated she will have an analysis of verbal announcements for the next meeting.

Board Member Aizenman commented on a resolution proposed to the FPPC that would enforce the verbal announcement of emergency numbers with the visual announcements.

Board Member Dietrich commented on her difficulty of reading the announcements on the cable channel and would like to see them slow down. She also asked what was being done to reach the Russian Community.

Liaison Jacobs thanked Ms. Goss for attending the meeting and answering questions.

B. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Santa Monica Boulevard Sub-committee:

Board Member Margolis gave an update on the vibrating signals and will have a field trip to test the signal.

Liaison Howard encouraged the Legislative Subcommittee to meet and discuss the Work Incentive Act - S331.

C. COMMISSION AND BOARD LIAISONS:

Tabled to December 8, 1999. **Motion Vice Chair Weltman, seconded Board Member Margolis and unanimously carried.**

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A. PUBLIC FACILITIES RESTROOM ACCESS:

Board Member Semonco commented that she cannot close the stall door in the lobby ladies room because the door knob is difficult to pull shut. She reported that there are certain locks which are easy to grasp and close.

ACTION: Recommend to the City Council that staff inventory the locks in the disabled stalls, within City Hall, and replace the small locks with larger locks. **Motion Board Member Margolis, seconded Board Member Dietrich and unanimously carried.**

9. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

10. DISABILITIES ADVISORY MEMBER COMMENTS:

A. SUMMARY OF COMMISSION/ADVISORY BOARD CHAIRS' MEETING. Meeting cancelled this month.

B. GENERAL COMMENTS REGARDING DISABILITY ISSUES:

Board Member Semonco stated that the contact name she gave for the Santa Monica Boulevard Reconstruction Office is no longer there but calls are still being accepted at the office. She also reported her problems regarding boarding the busses because of the reconstruction of the sidewalks.

Liaison Jacobs informed the Board of the updates available through the Santa Monica Boulevard Office via fax. He also recommended that the Santa Monica Boulevard SubCommittee

meet with Jeff Huffer and let him aware of any concerns of situations that have occurred.

Vice Chair Weltman recommended the Board send a sympathy card to Hugh Hallenberg and to the responsible person of Scott Smith.

Member Aizenman thanked Deputy Clerk Diaz for her help at a couple of recent Board meetings with transportation and guidance due to construction hazards in the surrounding area.

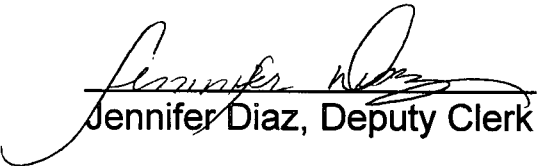
- 11. ADJOURNMENT:** The Disabilities Advisory Board adjourned in memory of Jane Small and Scott Smith to their next regular meeting to be held on **Wednesday, DECEMBER 8, 1999** at 5:30 PM at West Hollywood City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD
THIS 8TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1999.



Chair Pavich

ATTEST:



Jennifer Diaz, Deputy Clerk