

WEST HOLLYWOOD DISABILITIES ADVISORY COUNCIL

MINUTES DECEMBER 11, 1996 6:00 P.M. CITY HALL

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The pledge was led by Chairman Gradinger.
3. **ROLL CALL:**
 - PRESENT: Advisory Councilmembers Aizeman, Enokian, Harrison, Komac, Von Douris and Chair Gradinger.
 - ALSO PRESENT: Co-Liason Kathryn Reynolds and Deputy Clerk Gillig.
 - ABSENT: Vice Chair Hamlett and Advisory Councilmember Siegel.
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the minutes of Wednesday, November 13, 1996. Motion by Gradinger, seconded by Von Douris.
5. **CITIZENS COMMENTS:** None
6. **STAFF COMMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**
 - A. **REQUEST THAT AN OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE BE APPOINTED TO ASSIST THE DISABILITIES SERVICES PROGRAM**

Tamar Springer gave a brief overview of the Disabilities Services Program. She stated that due to the lack of turnout for the Disabilities Awareness Month, she would like to form an Outreach Subcommittee. This subcommittee would create a stronger link and presence between the Disability Advisory Council and the community as a whole.

Springer noted that the subcommittee would meet on as as needed basis and she would like to have at least three (3) members and asked for volunteers from the DAC.

Members Kelley, Komac and Von Douris volunteered for the Outreach Subcommittee.

Springer will contact the volunteers when Disabilities Awareness Month approaches for input and help.

B. REQUIREMENTS FOR HOLDING A PUBLIC HEARING

City Clerk Love outlined the differences between a public hearing and a public forum. She explained that generally a public hearing is to receive public testimony, debate the issue and take some type of formal action. A public forum is when you are soliciting input from the community. She also noted several different ways for them to publicize this type of meeting.

Love advised the Disabilities Advisory Council to develop their Work Program, adding that this will help to focus the body on specific issues. She also suggested they add an annual public forum to their work program.

C. PRESENTATION ON SERVICE PRIORITIES SURVEY

Interim City Manger Makinney was absent and Co-Liason Reynolds indicated that she was not prepared to report on this Agenda item.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

8. NEW BUSINESS:

B. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nominations were opened by City Clerk Love and Members Enokian, Von Douris and Komac were nominated.

Motion to close nominations by Member Irving, seconded by Member Kelley and unanimously carried.

The vote was taken and Member Enokian is Chair with Member Komac as Vice-Chair effective January 8, 1997.

Both Member Enokian and Member Komac will serve the remaining term until July, 1997. Elections will be held again in July pursuant to the Bylaws of the Disabilities Advisory Council.

9. DISABILITIES ADVISORY COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Member Von Douris commented once again that he would like to bring forth the issues regarding Section 8 Housing and Rent Stabilization issues.

Chair Gradinger requested a one (1) page memo from Member Von Douris outlining the Section 8 Housing and Rent Stabilization housing issues and how they affect people with disabilities.

DAC continued to discuss this issue and City Clerk Love reminded Member Von Douris that this item is not on the agenda therefore not an item for discussion and further discussion is a potential Brown Act violation. City Clerk Love stated that members may ask that an item be placed on the next Agenda and indicate specifically the subject matter to discuss regarding this item.

In response to Member Von Douris's comments City Clerk Love explained to the Disabilities Advisory Council that they do not have the authority to draft an Ordinance. The DAC can adopt a resolution requesting that the City Council look at a particular issue. The DAC is an advisory body only which was created to "advise" and/or "recommend" to the City Council on items which affect the Disabled Community.

City Clerk Love re-stated the direction regarding the discussion of this ongoing issue. Member Von Douris will compile a one (1) page memo which specifically outlines the issue and its affect on the Disabled Community. It will be submitted to the remainder of the members and direction will be given under Councilmembers Comments when it will be decided if it will be placed on the next Agenda.

Member Komac would like to see the Cable Television issue brought up.

Chair Gradinger directed her to write a memo to be brought to the next meeting and brought up under 'Disabilities Advisory Councilmember Comments' to be possibly placed on the next Agenda.

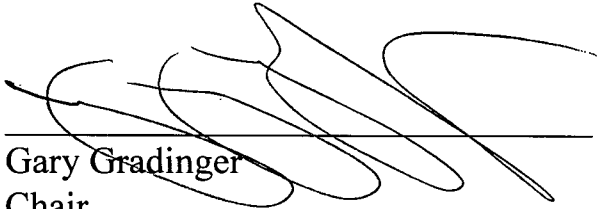
City Clerk Love stated that in January the City Council will be having a Special Study Session on the Cable TV issue, because the City of West Hollywood is at the beginning of a three (3) year re-franchising process.

10. DEVELOPMENT OF NEXT AGENDA:

Transportation Issues:

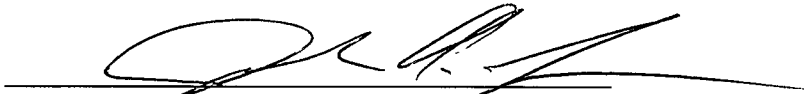
- ◆ Audible Pedestrian Signals
- ◆ Handicapped Parking Violations
- ◆ Curb Cut-Outs
- ◆ Pedestrian Right of Way / Violations

11. ADJOURNMENT: The Disabilities Advisory Council will adjourn to their next regular meeting to be held on **Wednesday, January 8, 1997** at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Conference Room at 8300 Santa Monica Blvd.



Gary Gradinger
Chair

ATTEST:



John Lucero
Recording Secretary