

**WEST HOLLYWOOD SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, June 24, 2015

Council Chambers

625 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pat Dixon at 2:00PM.

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

B. ROLL CALL

Members present: Richard Blons, Pat Dixon, Sophia Gelman, Bernice Levin, Joy Nuell, and Lee Walkup

Members absent: Barbara Krupa and Rita Norton

Staff present: Corey Roskin, Leslie Isenberg, and Kim Patterson

C. POSTING OF THE AGENDA

Corey Roskin stated that the agenda was posted at all the usual places.

D. PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Dixon stated the procedure.

E. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

F. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Ron Fudge requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Pat Dixon's brother, Richard M. Dixon, and the nine people who were murdered in the Charleston church.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were unanimously approved.

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Dan Morin, West Hollywood resident, announced that the Ellis Act will be addressed by City Council, and that he didn't see the April and May minutes posted on-line. He also suggested that the meeting time be moved to 6 PM to enable people who work to attend.

Suzanne Dietrich, liaison from the Disabilities Advisory Board requested that if the meeting time were changed to not switch to 4th Wednesdays at 6 PM in order to avoid a conflict with the DAB meetings. She also announced that free cell

phones are distributed to those with Medi-Cal cards from the Greater West Hollywood Food Coalition.

IV. ITEMS FROM SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Nancy Desser announced upcoming programs and classes for the summer.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. STAFFING FOR HUD BUILDINGS AND ASSISTANCE WITH REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION REQUESTS

Marina Berkman, Director of the Comprehensive Service Center, reported on two new City-funded programs that will begin July 1: 1) assistance with requests for Reasonable Accommodations; and 2) a service coordinator who will staff one day/week at each of the three Senior buildings located on West Knoll Drive, Palm Avenue and Kings Road.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. AGING IN PLACE STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS

Leslie Isenberg gave an update on the Aging in Place Strategic Plan, which included detail about the special meeting of the Human Services Commission held on May 9th.

B. SENIOR MONTH DEBRIEF

The SAB conducted a debrief of the successful Senior Month activities in May, including the Senior Health Fair where over 800 screenings were provided. Lee Walkup noted that in the future the Fair should not take place on a street cleaning day because it limits parking. Esther Baum recommended more signage to notify attendees of the activities in the Senior Lounge.

VII. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Lee Walkup spoke about the AIDS Life Cycle, water conservation, Supreme Court rulings, post office, Robert Reich speech on October 21, Gay Men's Chorus holiday event December 19 & 20, and the Cuban Gay Men's Chorus event.

There was discussion about assisted living.

Chair Dixon suggested running a bus line from Plummer Park to the Hollywood Bowl on a regular basis.

VIII. ITEMS FROM CITY STAFF

City Council will discuss the Ellis Act in July. Protocol for responding to Public Comment was reviewed: There is a two minute limit to public comment and the Board needs to be non-responsive, unless there is a proposal to agendaize an item.

IX. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Dan Morin suggested that SAB meetings be held in the evenings during the summer months. He also announced that the Historic Preservation Commission will host an event on July 22 with a Mexican theme.

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 PM to the next meeting on Wednesday, July 22, 2015 at 2:00 pm in the Community Room of the West Hollywood Library.



Chair Pat Dixon

