

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, October 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers (Public Meeting Room, West Hollywood Library)
625 N. San Vicente Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Salguero called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

A. Roll Call

Present: Kelly Alexander, Molly Casey, Debra D'Amico, Karen Eyres, Tina Moore, Silvia Salguero, Nadia Sutton, Noemi Torres.

Absent: Anne Toole

Staff: Larissa Fooks, Staff Liaison and John Erickson, Recording Secretary

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Boardmember Eyres made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of September 24, 2015 and Boardmember Torres seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None

IV. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

A. Conversations 'Bout the Girls

Sonia Jackson, creator of *Conversations 'Bout the Girls*, gave a brief preview to the Board of the play and shared the upcoming performance date on October 23-25, 2015 at the Macha Theatre.

B. Planned Parenthood Briefing

Dinah Stephens, Director of Public Affairs, Planned Parenthood Los Angeles, gave a presentation to the Board about the current status of Planned Parenthood nationally and statewide as well as provided information regarding the new center that is open in West Hollywood.

V. WEST HOLLYWOOD REPORT ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN:

Boardmember Moore made a motion to create a subcommittee focused on women's economic needs and pay equity in the City of West Hollywood and Boardmember Alexander seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously Boardmembers Alexander and Moore agreed to serve on the subcommittee.

VI. LEGISLATION & ADVOCACY DISCUSSION:

A. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES:

Staff gave a brief update report regarding the status of statewide and federal bills that the Board had taken action on.

B. LEGISLATION REVIEW:

Boardmember Eyres made a motion to recommend that the City Council support the Equal Access to Abortion Coverage in Health Insurance (EACH Woman) Act of 2015 (H.R. 2972) and Boardmember D'Amico seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. National Women's History Month 2016

The Board reviewed and discussed ideas and the tentative schedule for the annual celebration of National Women's History Month during the month of March 2016. Boardmembers also signed up for various subcommittees.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Report from the Women's Safety Joint Subcommittee Meeting

Boardmember Sutton reported to the Board about the Women's Safety Joint Subcommittee meeting.

IX. BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS:

None.

X. MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL:

Boardmember D'Amico volunteered to report for the month of October.

XI. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Young Women Subcommittee

Boardmember D'Amico reported that she had reached out to the City's Park and Recreation Department to better understand and create more programs geared towards young women that are currently offered.

2. Advocacy Training Project Workshops

None.

3. 10th Anniversary of Conversations 'Bout the Girls'

Chair Salguero, Vice-Chair Torres and Boardmembers Casey and Moore states they would be in attendance this weekend at the event.

4. Women In Film Speaker Series

None.

5. Co-sponsorship of Project Angel Food's Thanksgiving Fundraiser

None.

6. Ending the Statute of Limitations on Rape Community Meeting

None.

XII. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Councilmember John Heilman thanked the board for the work they do on behalf of women in not only West Hollywood but also all over.

XIII. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:

None.

XIV. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

Staff reported to the Board that staff responsible for the City's Aging in Place strategic plan will be coming to the November meeting with an update report. Staff shared copies of a summary report about the City of LA's Status of Women Report and implementation of CEDAW.

XV. ADJOURNMENT:

The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 8:20 pm to their next regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, November 19, 2015 at the West Hollywood City Hall 1st Floor Community Conference Room located at 8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ON THIS 19th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015.



SILVIA SALGUERO, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



JOHN ERICKSON, RECORDING SECRETARY