WEST HOLLYWOOD SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2016
West Hollywood Park Community Room
625 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood, CA 90069

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Lee Walkup at 2:00PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Kim Patterson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

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

Members absent: Barbara Krupa

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

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved with the amendment to postpone Item 7C under New Business regarding Aging in Place/Aging in Community 5-Year Strategic Plan.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the January 27, 2016 SAB meeting were unanimously approved.

6. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Jeanne Dobrin addressed her concerns about the images on City Channel 10 that only reflect a younger demographic and mentioned that she has discussed this with City staff in the Communications Department She also suggested that each of the staff state their name and title.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. ITEMS FROM SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Yana Batrak announced the West Hollywood Comprehensive Services Center (WHCSC) upcoming events, programs and classes.

B. ORIENTATION ON THE PROCESS OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS AND DESIGNATION OF DELEGATE TO PROVIDE INPUT AT HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION MEETING

SAB members gave a number of suggestions in regards to the upcoming Social Services Request for Proposals (RFP) process in which the City invites non-profit agencies to apply to provide Social Services to the West Hollywood Community. Esther Baum and Lee Walkup volunteered to represent the SAB at the upcoming March 9 Human Services Commission meeting where representatives from all Boards and a few Commissions will be present to discuss the RFP process

C. INCLUSIONARY ZONING CODE

Elizabeth Savage, Director of Human Services and Rent Stabilization, spoke about the Inclusionary Zoning Code as it pertains to development in West Hollywood. She also mentioned that the City hosts the "Building Blocks" series throughout the year consisting of various free seminars related to rent stabilization and housing issues, and she passed out a flyer with information about the series.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. <u>SUB-COMMITTEE FORMATION FOR THE JOINT SENIOR ADVISORY</u> BOARD/DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

A subcommittee was formed to plan the Joint SAB/DAB meeting that will discuss issues and concerns regarding pharmaceuticals. The subcommittee will consist of John Allendorfer, Esther Baum, Pat Dixon, and Bernice Levin.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jeanne Dobrin suggested that attention be paid to the promotion of senior participation in the City's activities.

10. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

John Allendorfer reported on the wonderful Senior Valentine Dance and on a story of a young college student who chose to live in a retirement home among seniors with great success.

Sophia Gelman reported on the Russian Retired Doctors meeting in Great Hall and expressed gratitude that Great Hall is still available for meetings.

Chair Walkup encouraged everyone to register to vote and to keep an eye out for articles on pharmaceutical costs. He also reported on the new hotels that are opening in the City of West Hollywood. In addition, he acknowledged the presence of former long-time SAB member Rita Norton at the SAB meeting

11. <u>ITEMS FROM CITY STAFF</u>

Leslie Isenberg distributed the City's Homeless Services cards as a follow up to comments made at the last SAB meeting regarding services for people who are homeless.

12. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 4 PM in honor of Barbara Krupa's brother Stuart Ivers, to a meeting on March 23, 2016 at 2 PM in the Community Meeting Room at the West Hollywood Library, 625 N. San Vicente Blvd. West Hollywood, 90069.

LEE WALKUP, CHAIRPERSON

ATTES/

COREY ROSKIN,

STAFF LIAISON/SECRETARY

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