

**WEST HOLLYWOOD HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES – NOVEMBER 10, 1998**  
**COMMUNITY CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

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The West Hollywood Human Services Commission was called to order by Chairperson Steven Davis at 6:10 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 10, 1998, in the Community Conference Room at City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood.

B. ROLL CALL

Present: Steven Davis, Teresa DeCrescenzo, Bob Graney, Shirley Roberts, Renée Rosenfeld  
Excused: Pamela Komac, John Nieto  
Absent: none

A quorum was present at all times. Staff present included Lloyd R. Long, Director of Human Services; Daphne Dennis, Social Services Administrator; Tamar Springer, and Jeff Book.

C. POSTING OF AGENDA

The Secretary reported that notices for the meeting had been posted as required.

D. PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Persons desiring to address the meeting were asked to complete a request form.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 13 meeting of the Commission were approved on a motion by Commissioner Graney, seconded by Commissioner Roberts.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. PARTNERS ADULT DAY HEALTHCARE: "A PLACE FOR ME"

Devorah Small, director of Partners Adult Day Healthcare, presented a video on the agency's program, and asked for recommendations on places the video could be shown, to spread awareness of Partners and its program. Among the ideas were making sure the video has been shown on the City's cable channel, speaking

to Helen Levin for advice on television contact with the Russian community, and speaking with Bill Rosendahl for a possible showing on Century Cable.

#### IV. NEW BUSINESS

##### A. PROBABLE SCHEDULE FOR SOCIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Daphne Dennis presented a draft timeline for Social Services activities and Commission review in the period December 1998 – December 1999. The timeline provides an overview of opportunities for agency presentations and site visits, and the process for reviewing contract performance and savings as the current contracts proceed.

The timeline will be augmented with the schedule of special months (Seniors Month, etc.) and distributed to the Commission.

Commissioner Graney suggested focusing on newly-funded agencies for presentations, since their programs may be relatively less familiar to commissioners.

#### V. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

*Social Services Subcommittee:* The subcommittee did not meet this month.

*Chairs Meeting:* Commissioner Davis said the recent meeting of the chairs of the boards and commissions focused largely on east side redevelopment and what the Project Area Committee (PAC) is doing in that regard, as well as traffic and bus issues. He said the 40 cities which contract with the Sheriff for local law enforcement are having to create a fund to deal with liability issues.

*California Alliance for Pride & Equity:* Commissioner Graney reported that he is one of 10 interim directors for this organization, and that an interim executive director has been hired. CAPE will be visible at the NGLTF's upcoming Creating Change conference, and will hold a state conference in Sacramento on Saturday, Dec. 5. Commissioner Graney will contact Council about the City's pledge of \$5,000 in start-up funding.

*Disabilities Advisory Board:* No additional report.

*Lesbian & Gay Advisory Board:* No additional report.

*Senior Advisory Board:* No additional report.

Commissioner Rosenfeld asked whether the Gay & Lesbian Center had been paid for the Russian outreach efforts that had been contracted for but not performed, and Daphne Dennis reported that they had not, and that these funds would be part of the savings that would be available for reprogramming.

VI. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Lloyd Long reported that the Sheriff's Department estimated more than 300,000 people in attendance at the Halloween *Carnaval* on October 31 – a new record, as anticipated – and once again it was a very safe crowd, with only 11 arrests, including one drunk driver who hit a deputy. The city sponsored five costume contests this year, culminating in the finals on Halloween night; there was entertainment on three stages, rearranged from last year for better access by the crowd; and the City reaped extensive publicity. A marketing survey was conducted among the festivalgoers, and results will help guide future events.

With regard to the West Hollywood Lounge, Lloyd Long reported that they have received a 90-day extension to come into compliance with city codes, and that the City is not paying their social services contract in the meantime.

On Wednesday, Dec. 9, there will be a reception at the Formosa Café, 7156 Santa Monica Boulevard, to recognize members of boards and commissions for their work. The City is alternating dinners and receptions to honor boards and commissions, and this is the year for a reception. Further information and invitations will be forthcoming.

VII. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no additional comments. Dan Levy, liaison with the Lesbian & Gay Advisory Board, was present.

VIII. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

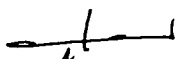
On a motion by Commissioner Graney, seconded by Commissioner DeCrescenzo, the Commission rescheduled the election of officers to the January 1999 meeting, and placed on the agenda for the December 1998 meeting a discussion of revising the by-laws. To accommodate Commissioners' activities, the January 12, 1999, meeting was rescheduled for Tuesday, January 5.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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MINUTES APPROVED DECEMBER 8, 1998

  
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Steven L. Davis, Chair

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Jeff Book, Recording Secretary

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Date