

**WEST HOLLYWOOD HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 24, 2002**  
**COMMUNITY CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL**

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. CALL TO ORDER

The West Hollywood Human Services Commission was called to order by Chair Peter Mackler at 6:08 p.m., Tuesday, September 24, 2002, in West Hollywood Park Auditorium, 647 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood.

B. ROLL CALL

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Davis.

Present: Ruth Cislowski, John D’Amico, Steven Davis,  
Teresa DeCrescenzo, Dr. Bill Griffin, Peter Mackler.  
Excused: Ponsella Gratton.

A quorum was present at all times. Commissioner DeCrescenzo joined the meeting in progress. Staff present included Lloyd R. Long, Director of Human Services; Daphne Dennis, Social Services Administrator; Tom West, Diane Kahn- Epstein, David Giugni, Elizabeth Savage, 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.

Commissioner Mackler noted that he is going to be away on October 8.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. SOCIAL SERVICES FUNDING

Staff members of agencies requesting city social services funding were present to respond to questions from commissioners. Questions concerned implementation of proposed services.

Agencies responding to the commission were:

1. Aviva
2. Aid for AIDS (Terry Goddard)
3. AIDS Healthcare Foundation (Karen Moll)
4. AIDS Project Los Angeles
5. Alternative Living for the Aging (Janet Witkin)
6. Being Alive
7. Bet Tzedek (David Lash)
8. CBD College (Casey McFall)
9. GLC Health
10. GLC Legal (Roger Coggan)
11. GLC Mental Health
12. GLC WeHo Cares / WeHo Life
13. GLC Youth (Dylan Gailey)
14. GLC The Spot
15. JFS Comprehensive Services (Susan Alexman)
16. JFS Nutrition (Rachel Bercovic)
17. JFS Partners
18. JFS Sova Food Pantry

There was a five-minute break. After the break, agencies responding to the commission included:

19. CFS West Hollywood PreSchool
20. WHEST (Anne Factor)
21. LA Free Clinic
22. Maple Counseling Center (Ann Kellogg)
23. NCJW Women Helping Children
24. NCJW Women Helping Women (Lori Karny)
25. PATH / Foundation House (Joel Roberts)
26. Psychological Trauma Center

At this point in the meeting Commissioner DeCrescenzo left due to another commitment. Agencies responding to the commission continued with:

27. PAWS
28. Project Angel Food (John Gile)
29. Dispute Resolution Services (David Helie)
30. Russian Community Center
31. Rainbow Bridge
32. Shanti
33. Shanti / Wendy's Hope
34. Shanti / City Project
35. Van Ness Residential (Kathy Watt)
36. Van Ness / Substance Abuse Outpatient

37. Van Ness / Education & Outreach

There was a five-minute break.

III. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioners D'Amico reported on the committee meeting to discuss the process for social services funding recommendations. Members of the committee were Commissioners Cislowski, D'Amico, and Mackler.

The committee recommended that at the October 1 meeting the Commission consider funding in terms of 9 or 10 broad categories of services, and make recommendations about total funding for each of these categories. On October 8, staff would make its recommendations on agency funding, and a public hearing will be held. On October 10, the Commission would finalize its recommendations to the City Council. This process was accepted by the Commission, which requested calculators and an overhead projector for the October 1 meeting.

IV. ITEMS FROM STAFF

There were no additional items from staff.

V. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no additional items from the public.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m. in memory of victims of recent hate crime activity in the city.

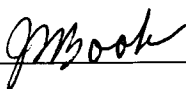
Schedule: There will be a special meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 1, in Fiesta Hall; a regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8, in West Hollywood Park Auditorium; and a special meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 10, in Plummer Park Community Center Rooms 5 and 6.

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Steven L. Davis 

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