<u>WEST HOLLYWOOD HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION</u> <u>MINUTES – APRIL 23, 2002</u> COMMUNITY CONFERENCE ROOM, CITY HALL

I. CALL TO ORDER

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The West Hollywood Human Services Commission was called to order by Chair Peter Mackler at 6:05 p.m., Tuesday, April 23, 2002, in the Community Conference Room at 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood.

B. ROLL CALL

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Gratton.

Present:

John D'Amico, Steven Davis, Ponsella Gratton, Dr. Bill Griffin,

Peter Mackler

Excused:

Ruth Cislowski, Teresa DeCrescenzo

Absent:

none

A quorum was present at all times. Staff present included Lloyd R. Long, Director of Human Services; Daphne Dennis, Social Services Administrator; Tom West, David Giugni, 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. MINUTES

Minutes were carried over to the next regular meeting.

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no items from the public.

IV. SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAM PRIORITIES

Daphne Dennis reviewed topics for the upcoming study session with the City Council, and said Council will want to get to know the commissioners, especially the newer ones. Recent issues of concern to Council have been the frail elderly, education, loss of seniors due to high rents, the transgender task force, HIV/STD prevention, and related public health issues.

The Commission discussed priorities for social services programs, and identified the following priority areas for 2002-2004:

Programming for frail seniors

- -- Case management
- -- In-home services
- -- Nutrition programs
- -- Counseling
- -- Check-in assurance

HIV and AIDS prevention and STD services

Children and youth programming

Employment programs

- -- Job placement and development
- -- Retraining and emphases on part-time work

Services for people with disabilities

The Commission also identified the importance of increasing affordable housing and transportation programs.

V. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no further items from the public.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7 p.m.

There will be a joint study session with the City Council at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, May 13, in the West Hollywood Park Auditorium. The next regular meeting is at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 14, in the Community Conference Room at City Hall.

Signed: ______Steven L. Davis

Attest:

Mook