

WEST HOLLYWOOD HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION
MINUTES – APRIL 7, 2010
WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY HALL

I. **CALL TO ORDER**

The West Hollywood Human Services Commission was called to order by Vice Chair Hywel Sims at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 7, 2010, in Rooms 5 and 6 of the Plummer Park Community Center, 7377 Santa Monica Blvd.

A. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Henry.

B. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Ruth Cislowski, Charles Henry, Shirley Roberts,
Hywel Sims, Mark Zangrando.

Not Present: Steven L. Davis, Debra Farmer..

A quorum was present at all times. City staff members present included Sam Baxter, Director of Human Services; Daphne Dennis, Social Services Administrator; David Giugni, Leslie Isenberg, and Jeff Book.

C. **POSTING OF AGENDA**

The secretary reported 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 form.

II. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no comments from the public.

III. **PUBLIC HEARING**

Commissioner Sims declared the public hearing on social services priorities open.

The following persons spoke to the Commission: 1. Velinda Mackey, Bet Tzedek; 2. Alla Chasnik, Bet Tzedek; 3. Alan Acosta, L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center; 4. Curt Shepard, Gay & Lesbian Center; 5. Maribel E. Ulloa, Aid for AIDS; 6. John Sheehe, McIntyre House; 7. Daniel May, McIntyre House; 8.

Alexander Lakiy, Russian Community Center; 9. Drian Juarez, Gay & Lesbian Center; 10. Zuleika Ibrasimova, Russian Community Center; 11. Helen Levin, Russian Community Center; 12. Olga Levanova, Russian Community Center; 13. Melissa Tillman, NCJW; 14. Leah Ziskin, NCJW Women Helping Women; 15. Jessica Olifson, NCJW; 16. Margaret Steele, Project Angel Food; 17. Craig Taylor, Being Alive; 18. Kevin Kurth, Being Alive; 19. Ali Whittaker, Connect/ West Hollywood Comprehensive Services Center; 20. Dan Harrold, West Hollywood.

Also, 21. Marina Berkman, JFS/Comprehensive Services Center; 22. Rachel Caraviello, Alternative Living for the Aging; 23. Michael Beckson, Alternative Living for the Aging; 24. Duane Dennis, Pathways; 25. Susan Cohen, Gay & Lesbian Center; 26. Diane Kubrin, Gay & Lesbian Center; 27. Dustin Kerrone, Gay & Lesbian Center; 28. Linda Santiman, Gay & Lesbian Center; 29. Christian Calle, Gay & Lesbian Center; 30. Judy Jenkins, PATH; 31. Luis Fernando Gutierrez, Friends Community Center; 32. Raymond Jimenez, Friends Community Center; 33. Sam Phillips, Friends Community Center; 34. Janelle Wright, Friends Community Center; 35. Madalyn Ambrosini, Friends Community Center; 36. Craig Coogan, St. Thomas the Apostle; 37. Kathryn Turk, Dispute Resolution Services; 38. Denise Goldberg, Dispute Resolution Services; 39. Donzella Lee, Saban Free Clinic; 40. Jason Wise, AIDS Project Los Angeles.

And, 41. Fred Summers, JFS/SOVA Food & Resource Program; 42. Gregory Svet, Russian Community Center; and 43. Steve Wayland, PAWS/LA.

Commissioner Sims then declared the public hearing closed.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Signed: _____

Ruth Cislowski

Attest: _____

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