

**WEST HOLLYWOOD SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 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

Nancy Desser led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

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

Members absent: Richard Blons

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

4. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

The meeting will be adjourned in memory Prince and in memory of Larry Gust, Pat Dixon's friend.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved with an amendment to reverse the order of the first three items under New Business.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 23, 2016 SAB meeting were unanimously approved.

7. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were none.

8. NEW BUSINESS

C. CONNECT PROGRAM

The Board heard a presentation from Terry Shajirat, coordinator of Jewish Family Service's CONNECT Program, and volunteer Allison Scott. The program matches seniors and adults with disabilities with volunteers who assist with transportation and other needs, while creating meaningful relationships that reduce social isolation.

B. ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS PROGRAMS

The Board received a report and materials from Michael Che, Economic Development and Cultural Affairs Coordinator for the City of West Hollywood, on a variety of upcoming Arts and Cultural Affairs programs, including the "Summer Sounds" free outdoor concert series. He announced that they are accepting applications for a new City poet laureate.

A. ITEMS FROM SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

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

D. MAY TELEVISED MEETING AGENDA

The Board discussed various ideas for the agenda for the May televised meeting. In addition to honoring two outstanding members of the Senior community, Marcy Norton and Victor Omelczenko, several contributors to "Senior Stories WeHo" will read their short stories and poems at the meeting. The meeting will be followed by a reception.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

Barbara Meltzer, Human Services Commissioner, spoke about communications and publicity.

11. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

John Allendorfer suggested that more senior activities be held on the City's westside, and offered to co-host a cable TV show.

Barbara Krupa indicated that Board/Commission members are appointed by City Councilmembers and it is at the Councilmember's discretion to decide if they no longer want their appointee on a Board or Commission.

Pat Dixon recommended that the City host events similar to ones at the Griffith Park Adult Center, including weekly current event discussions, dancing, and hiking.

Esther Baum spoke about the importance of communication because many seniors on the westside don't know about the activities at Plummer Park.

Sophia Gelman reported on a meeting at Plummer Park concerning bus stops.

Joy Nuell agreed with Pat Dixon's idea for the City to offer more activities.

Vice-Chair Levin expressed dissatisfaction about her living situation. She also recommended a film that addresses issues with Alzheimers' disease.

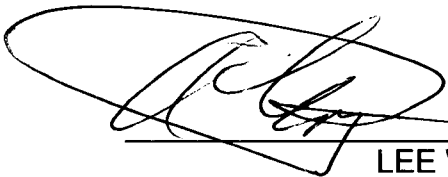
Chair Walkup would like the effects of Costa-Hawkins and Ellis Acts to be placed on a future agenda. He announced that he is going to Denver to attend the International Choral Festival and that he is running as a delegate for the Democratic Convention.

12. ITEMS FROM CITY STAFF

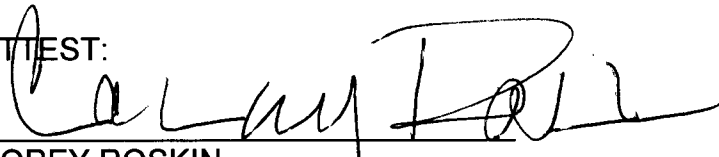
Corey Roskin distributed direct deposit forms for those Board members who want to sign up. He also announced potential dates for the pharmaceutical drug pricing town hall meeting on either Wednesday, September 14 or Wednesday, September 21. Leslie Isenberg passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers at the Senior Health Fair.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM in memory of Prince and Larry Gust, to a meeting on Wednesday, May 25, 2016 at 2 PM in the Community Conference Room at West Hollywood City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Blvd. West Hollywood, 90069.



LEE WALKUP,
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


COREY ROSKIN,
STAFF LIAISON/SECRETARY

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