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WEST HOLLYWOOD SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2016 West Hollywood City Hall, Community Conference Room 8300 Santa Monica 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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. ROLL CALL

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

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

4. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

The meeting will be adjourned in memory of those who gave their lives for this country, and with best wishes to Ivy Bottini for a speedy recovery.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

6. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

The minutes of the April 27, 2016 SAB meeting were unanimously approved.

7. BOARDMEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

Each Board member introduced themselves and spoke about their involvement on the Senior Advisory Board and in the West Hollywood community.

8. <u>ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC</u>

Marina Berkman, Director of the Comprehensive Services Center, congratulated the Board on a very successful Senior Month, and thanked them for being the voice of the senior community. She also thanked the City for their generosity in funding the Center.

Rick Watts, member of the Disabilities Advisory Board (DAB), congratulated the Board and the awardees on their advocacy for seniors. He announced that the DAB is planning a Town Hall in the Fall regarding solutions to the increasing pharmaceutical prices. He also announced that the AIDS Life Cycle is coming up on the second weekend of June.

Rita Norton, former Board member, also thanked the Board for their work, and mentioned that she worked for many years at the City's library as well as on the incorporation of the City.

Jeanne Dobrin, resident, announced that she will be 96 years old soon, and appreciated the work of the Board.

James Wen, Chair of the Transgender Advisory Board, congratulated the awardees, and looks forward to future collaboration.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. SENIOR MONTH UPDATE AND OVERVIEW

Leslie Isenberg, Social Services Program Administrator, gave a brief overview of the events and activities that took place during Senior Month, including the successful Senior Health Fair which served over 500 seniors.

B. SENIOR STORIES WEHO

Phyllis Applegate gave a dramatic reading of "Bluestory" from the 2016 "Senior Stories WeHo" publication and Carleton Cronin read "Community".

C. <u>ITEMS FROM SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM</u> Nancy Desser congratulated everyone on another successful Senior Month.

D. <u>SENIOR AWARDS PRESENTATION TO MARCY NORTON AND VICTOR</u> OMELCZENKO

Councilmember Lindsey Horvath and Mayor Lauren Meister presented Senior Awards to Marcy Norton and Victor Omelczenko for their many years of service to the community.

E. THE FUTURE OF MEDICARE

Aileen Harper, Executive Director of the Center for Health Care Rights, gave a presentation on "The Future of Medicare".

Stephanie Cohen, Senior Field Representative, Office of Assemblymember Richard Bloom, announced the Senior Scam Stopper event at Plummer Park on June 24th.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

Stephanie Harker, resident, congratulated the Senior Month awardees for their well-deserved honors.

Rita Norton, former SAB member, spoke about the friendships she made during her many years of service on the Board, and gave advice to young people about finding jobs.

Jeanne Dobrin, resident, announced that she was the first recipient of the Senior Award She also thanked Social Services manager David Giugni, Social Services Program Administrator Leslie Isenberg, and the sheriffs for their assistance.

11. ITEMS FROM CITY STAFF

There were no additional items from City Staff.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4 PM in memory of those who gave their lives for this country, and with best wishes to Ivy Bottini for a speedy recovery, to a meeting on Wednesday, June 22, 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, LESTIL

STAFF LIAISON/SECRETARY

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