

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD**

MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, August 25, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

1st Floor Community Conference Room, West Hollywood City Hall
8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90069

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Torres called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

Roll Call

Present: Kelly Alexander, Debra D'Amico, Karen Eyres, Amanda Smash Hyde, Tina Moore, Nadia Sutton and Silvia Salguero, Anne Toole and Noemi Torres

Staff: Larissa Fooks, Staff Liaison and John Erickson, Recording Secretary

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Vice Chair Eyres made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 28, 2016 and Boardmember Moore seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None.

IV. SPECIAL PRESENTATION FROM WOMEN AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE, WAGV

Ann Lane, Women Against Gun Violence, presented to the Board information about current local, state and federal gun control legislation and initiatives. She also spoke about the issues related to gun violence and policy and their relationship to women as well as advocacy opportunities.

V. WEST HOLLYWOOD REPORT ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Staff distributed to the Board the City of Glenda's Report on the Status of Women and Girls and the City of Santa Monica's Report on the Status of Women and Girls for them to review.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Presentation from Bet Tzedek Legal Services

Tabled.

B. Financial Education Workshop for Women

Michelle Rudo and Tami Navi, TransAmerica World Financial Group, presented information to the Board financial education workshops that they offer that are targeted to helping women around financial education.

The Board agreed by consensus to reach out in the future to TransAmerica World Financial Group should there be an event where could collaborate together.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Women's Equality Day Commemoration-August 26, 2016

The Board confirmed their roles and participation at City's annual Women's Equality Day Commemoration event on Friday, August 26, 2016.

B. Sexual Assault Awareness Campaign- Only "Yes Means Yes"

Staff Liaison Fooks announced that the next Only "Yes Means Yes" campaign outreach which will be targeting locations on Sunset Blvd, is scheduled for September 9th from 6 pm – 8 pm. The Board was also invited to participate in the next Sheriff's public safety walk-a-bout on August 31st at 5:00 pm.

C. Board Work Plan 2016-2018

Tabled.

VIII. LEGISLATION & ADVOCACY DISCUSSION:

Vice Chair Eyres reported on status of SB 813, regarding the elimination of the statute of limitations on rape. and stated that there will be a group of individuals going to the Governor's office on Tuesday, September 6 for a press conference.

IX. BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS:

None.

X. MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL:

Boardmember Salguero volunteered to report for the month of August.

XI. SUBCOMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

1. Young Women Subcommittee

Chairperson Torres reported that the Subcommittee is still trying to formulate a recommendation regarding which age group to focus on. It was requested that the City staff attend an upcoming Board meeting to give an update about the City's new Youth Advisory Board and provide information regarding what the greatest needs for children and youth are in the City.

2. Women In Film Speaker Series

Boardmember Toole commented that the event was successful and well attended.

3. Elimination of the Statute of limitations on Rape

No report.

4. Economic Equality Subcommittee

Boardmember Alexander reported that she will have an update next month for the Board after she meets with Operation Hope.

5. Report from the Women's Safety Joint Subcommittee

Chair Torres said that she will report back after their next meeting on September 7, 2016.

XII. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None.

XIII. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:

Boardmember Toole commented that she will be away at a job in Europe for the foreseeable future.

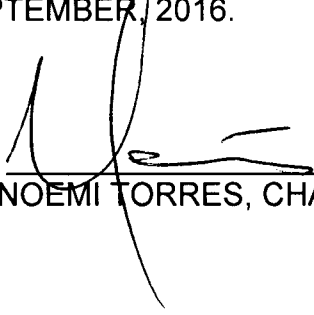
XIV. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

Staff Liaison Fooks reported that the Annual Congress of Commissions and Advisory Boards is scheduled for Saturday, October 29, 2016 from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm in the City Council Chambers and that there will also be an ethics training that all boardmembers will be required to attend either in person or complete online. The Board will can expect notifications from the City Clerk regarding both activities.

XV. ADJOURNMENT:

The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 8:15pm until their next regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, September 22, 2016 at the West Hollywood City Hall, 1st Floor Community Conference Room, located at 8300 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood, CA 90069.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ON THIS 22nd DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016.



NOEMI TORRES, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



JOHN ERICKSON, RECORDING SECRETARY