

# CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD

## *Minutes of the Disabilities Advisory Board February 22, 2017 Rooms 5 & 6, Plummer Park*

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dore called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

#### A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Stephanie Harker led the pledge of allegiance.

#### B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Tom Demille, Yola Dore, Joy Freiberg, Anny Semonco, Louise Smith, Rick Watts and Michael Wojtkielewicz

ABSENT: Suzanne Dietrich

STAFF PRESENT: David Giugni, Joan Mithers, Derek Murray and Kim Patterson

#### C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda for the February 22, 2017 meeting was approved by the Board, with one opposed.

#### D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the January 25, 2017 meeting were approved by the Board, with an amendment from Michael Wojtkielewicz.

#### E. PUBLIC COMMENT

Stephanie Harker spoke about Hart Park and Movietown Apartments.

### 2. CONSENT CALENDAR

#### A. TRANSIT EVALUATION

The Disabilities Advisory Board received a draft of the transit evaluation report to review prior to submission to City Council.

### 3. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. VOTER OUTREACH

The Board received a presentation from Melissa Crowder, the City's Assistant City Clerk, about the March 7, 2017 election and voter outreach. This year it is not a stand-alone election, and will be handled by Los Angeles County.

#### **4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

##### **A. STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION**

Diane Burbie, Managing Principal of the ASPIRE Group, facilitated the second part of the strategic planning session with the Board. They set priority actions for the annual work plan which include the following:

- Annual Service Awards and Televised Event
- Annual Health & Wellness Event
- Communications
- Outreach and Community Events
- Pharmaceutical Town Hall Forum

#### **5. ITEMS FROM STAFF**

Derek Murray spoke about the Affordable Care Act updates, and announced the Mayor's press release about "Mayors Stand for All" in response to the ACA.

Joan Mithers reported that the subcommittee will meet on March 13, and if City Council doesn't appoint a new Board member, one of the subcommittee will need to volunteer to temporarily step down, so as not to violate the Brown Act. Michael Wojtkielewicz offered to be that person.

#### **6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was none.

#### **7. ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Michael Wojtkielewicz spoke of issues concerning Hart Park.

Louise Smith spoke about the new Wellness At Any Age Program and her participation in the project workgroup.

Tom Demille spoke about the City working with the Chamber of Commerce to provide part-time jobs for people with disabilities.

Rick Watts requested the discussion of service animals be agendaized in April.

Chair Dore requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Leah Adler, Werner Haas and Norma Cook.

#### **8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned in memory of Steven Spielberg's mother, Leah Adler, Werner Haas, and Norma Cook to its next special meeting, which will be held at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, March 22, 2017, in Rooms 5&6 of Plummer Park, 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood 90046.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE DISABILITIES ADVISORY BOARD ON THIS 22<sup>ND</sup>  
DAY OF FEBRUARY 2017.



YOLA DORE,  
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:



~~DEREK MURRAY~~, *Joan Mithers*  
STAFF LIAISON

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