

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

THURSDAY, August 24, 2017 at 7:00 PM
West Hollywood City Hall, 1st Floor Community Room
8300 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood, CA 90069.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

A. Roll Call

Vice Chair Eyres called the meeting to order at 7:14 pm

Present: Amanda Bleich, Debra D'Amico, Karen Eyres, Tina Moore, Nadia Sutton and Silvia Salguero

Absent: Amanda Smash-Hyde, Melaney Lubey and Carla Romo

Staff: Larissa Fooks, Staff Liaison

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Meeting of July 27, 2017 – *Tabled*

III. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Teri Maher of WEHO Works shared information regarding upcoming programming.

Monica Dunahee, Be Well WeHo coordinator, shared information about a new program of wellness classes offered by the City.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Co-Sponsorship of "Tea with Alice and Me"

Zoe Nicholson and Martha Wheelock gave a presentation regarding a proposed project about called "Tea with Alice and Me" about suffrage leader Alice Paul. The Board will consider co-sponsoring a production of a new play. The Women's Advisory Board voted to support the project and recommend it to City Council. Boardmember D'Amico made the motion which was seconded by Boardmember Moore and passed unanimously.

B. Human Trafficking Outreach Project

Boardmember Bleich discussed her recent involvement with the National Council of Jewish Women/LA led campaign for the implementation of SB 1193, a bill that mandates that certain businesses must publicly post hotline information about human trafficking and organizations that combat it. She described the process and suggested the Board consider participating in future outreach activities.

C. Equal Means Equal Initiative to Ratify the Equal Rights Amendment

Staff gave a brief update regarding the Equal Means Equal initiative to ratify the Equal Rights Amendment. Boardmember Moore made a motion for the Board to support the Equal Means Equal Initiative and to add to the work plan which was seconded by Boardmember Bleich and unanimously passed.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Women's Equality Day 2017

The Board gave feedback regarding the City's recent event held on August 18th to commemorate the anniversary of women's right to vote in the United States for Women's Equality Day and the briefing held on August 21st of the launch of Equal Means Equally Campaign. Boardmembers found the programming and their participation meaningful and impactful.

B. 25th Anniversary of the Women's Advisory Board

The Subcommittee made suggestions regarding how to promote the 25th anniversary of the Board throughout the year.

C. National Night Out

Boardmembers gave feedback regarding their recent participation in the City's annual National Night Out event.

VI. LEGISLATION & ADVOCACY:

None.

VII. BOARD AND COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS:

Boardmembers discussed their participation in the upcoming Association of California Women's Commissions Meeting on September 23, 2017.

VIII. MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL:

Boardmember Bleich volunteered to report.

IX. SUBCOMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:

A. Feedback and updates regarding the following Board initiated and or/co-sponsored activities

- 1. Women In Film Speaker Series** – No report.
- 2. Elimination of the Statute of limitations on Rape** – No Report
- 3. Report from the Women's Safety Joint Subcommittee** – Staff reported that the Public Safety Commission's continued participation on the joint subcommittee is still pending confirmation.
- 4. WAB Club: Women And Books** – Chairperson Eyres reported that Anne Korkeakivi the author of *Shining Sea* will be at the October meeting.

5. **Live Love Thrive Women's Empowerment Conference** – The Board agreed by consensus to volunteer to assist with the luncheon portion of the event.

X. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC:

None.

XI. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:

Chair Eyres requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of several notable women who had recently passed.

XII. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

None.

XIII ADJOURNMENT:

The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 8:50 pm to their next regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, September 28, 2017 at the 1st Floor Community Room, West Hollywood City Hall, 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 28th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2017.


KAREN EYRES, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


LARISSA FOOKS, RECORDING SECRETARY