

**WEST HOLLYWOOD SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2019

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 Michael Hollingsworth at 2 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Chair John Allendorfer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Members present: John Allendorfer, Esther Baum, Sofia Gelman, Michael Hollingsworth, William McNeeley, Joy Nuell, Martin Strudler and Lee Walkup

Members absent: Pat Dixon

Staff present: Corey Roskin, Nataly Quintero, and Kim Patterson

4. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

William McNeeley moved to adjourn in memory of Justin Wells. Joy Nuell moved to adjourn in honor of Thanksgiving. Chair Hollingsworth moved to adjourn in memory of Harry Morton.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 23, 2019 meeting were approved.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Nataly Quintero, the new Social Services intern, introduced herself.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. ITEMS FROM SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Valentina Aleksandrova, Activity Coordinator, gave an overview of the past month's successful events. She also announced upcoming programs and classes offered by the West Hollywood Comprehensive Services Center, and noted that the next Seniors in Action will be on Tuesday, December 17, not on December 24, due to the holidays.

B. SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD WORKPLAN

The Board made the following suggestions for topics of discussion in 2020:

- Census
- Homelessness/Homeless Count (possibly in February)
- Climate Change/Environment (possibly in August or November)
- Public Safety Issues (2x per year)
- Transit Services Update
- Pedestrian Safety (i.e. scooter usage, pedestrians using cell phones, crosswalk concerns/issues, street lighting, etc. -- possibly at the televised meeting in May)

C. DECEMBER SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

The Senior Advisory Board decided to meet on Wednesday, December 18 at Noon at a location TBA.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

11. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Vice-Chair Allendorfer attended the 2050 Vision for the City meeting for Chairs and Co-chairs of the Boards and Commissions. He also attended the Planning Commission meeting which discussed the Seismic Zoning Earthquake Map and zoning for parking at apartment buildings.

Lee Walkup and William McNeeley attended the Studio 1 closing ceremony. Lee also spoke about using one's own phone charger at airports to avoid potential malware, and an article in the LA Times about food delivery robots.

Esther Baum attended the Metro/Access meeting regarding transit for seniors and people with disabilities. They are considering providing free fares, except during rush hour, for all passengers. She reported that there are attendants on board to help seniors and people with disabilities get in and out of their seats and onto the ramp which is available for everyone. The Transportation Commission is developing plans to improve the use of bicycles and scooters in the City, including perhaps providing a lane for their use.

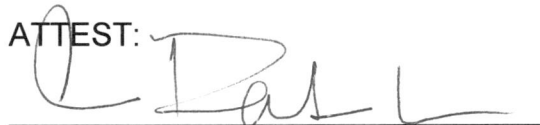
12. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Staff thanked Esther Baum for attending the transit meetings, and announced that Senior and Disabled Tap Cards will be free-of-charge for West Hollywood residents in 2020. There also may be free Lyft rides on nights and weekends. Lastly, staff confirmed that there are free tickets for Board members to attend the December 20 matinee of the Gay Men's Chorus concert.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Senior Advisory Board adjourned in memory of Justin Wells and Harry Morton, and in honor of Thanksgiving at 3:25 PM to its next meeting on Wednesday, December 18, 2019 beginning at 12 Noon at a location TBA.


MICHAEL HOLLINGSWORTH,
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST: 
STAFF LIAISON

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