

**SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD TELECONFERENCE MEETING  
MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2020  
2 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair John Allendorfer at 2 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Boardmember Walkup led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

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

Staff present: Francisco Gomez, Leslie Isenberg, and Kim Patterson

4. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

The Board moved to adjourn in memory of Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was unanimously approved.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the August 26, 2020 meeting were approved.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Nadia Sutton, Women's Advisory Boardmember, invited the Board to participate in their teleconferenced meetings every fourth Thursday at 7 PM.

Bill Sive, President of the Gay Elders' Circle, gave an update on the upcoming mid-year LA County Department of Mental Health conference where there will be a workshop on LGBT seniors for the second time. He requested an endorsement (no funds involved) to bring awareness to the issue.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. ITEMS FROM SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

Mandi Carpenter, Director of Arts, Wellness and Engagement (AWE) Programming, and Alex Pagan-Mejia, interim Activities Director, gave an overview of the on-line classes and programs offered by the West Hollywood Comprehensive Services Center. She reported on September programming and highlighted a variety of upcoming October activities.

B. ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS UPDATE

Eva Angeloff, the Grants Coordinator for the City of West Hollywood's Arts Division, invited the Board to participate in the audience at their events and join as artists in the Arts Grant Program, the Artist Bootcamp, and the Artist Roundtable, among other activities.

C. VOTING OPTIONS FOR NOVEMBER 3, 2020 ELECTION

Yvonne Quarker, City Clerk, introduced this segment on voting options. Melissa Crowder, Assistant City Clerk, gave a presentation on the various ways that community members can safely vote in the November 3rd election.

D. RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Leslie Isenberg, Social Services Supervisor, gave a presentation on the rental assistance programs available to West Hollywood residents.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

Barbara Meltzer, Human Services Commissioner, announced an on-line forum on Social Isolation and Loneliness with the Motion Picture and Television Fund, the City of West Hollywood, Cedars-Sinai, and other agencies on Tuesday, October 6, from 2-3:30 PM.

11. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Vice-Chair Hollingsworth suggested that Spectrum offer a senior discount.

Lee Walkup encouraged people to vote.

Chair Allendorfer reported that yesterday's Seniors in Action event was another success, enhanced by the younger generation's insights with Alex Pagan-Mejia. He offered condolences on behalf of the Board to Joy Nuell, whose sister Faye Mayo passed away a few days ago.

12. ITEMS FROM STAFF

City staff announced that Cedars-Sinai and the City of West Hollywood will hold a flu clinic on Thursday, October 29, from 9 AM-Noon at the patio in front of the Community Center at Plummer Park.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Senior Advisory Board adjourned 3:25 PM in memory of Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Faye Mayo to its next teleconference meeting on Wednesday, October 28, 2020, beginning at 2 PM.

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JOHN ALLENDORFER,  
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

*Leslie Isenberg*  
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STAFF LIAISON

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