

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD  
RUSSIAN ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2021**

**VIA TELECONFERENCE**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Maysky called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** –Chair Maysky led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. ROLL CALL** - Board members present: Raisa Aguf, Lyubov Levitan, Valentina Matiji, Diana Volman, Eugene Maysky, Vika Safrigina.

Gabriela Gershfeld, Ekaterina Kutepova, Alex Tolocenco were absent.

Staff Liaison Tatyana Rodzinek was also present.

- 4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** – Member Levitan made a motion to approve the agenda of Tuesday, September 21, 2021, seconded by Member Volman. Motion passed.

- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of the meeting of August 17, 2021. Member Aguf made a motion to approve, seconded by Member Safrigina. Motion passed.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

**7. RUSSIAN ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS**

There were no items from the board members.

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

**8.A. RUSSIAN ADVISORY BOARD WORK PLAN**

**Subject:** Board members will begin discussing a workplan for the next twelve months and potential topics for inclusion in it.

**Action:** the board members discussed the work plan and approved the topics included into the plan. Member Maysky made a motion to approve the plan. Member Levitan seconded. Motion was unanimously approved.

**9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**8.A. BABI YAR 80TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION EVENT**

**Subject:** Board members will continue discussion regarding the proposal and discuss the programming of the event.

**Action:** The board members continued discussion regarding the upcoming event. Staff informed the board about the documentary that will be produced to commemorate the tragedy and other elements of the program.

Gregory Makaron provided additional details that will be included into the program and updated the board on the budget.

**9.B. RUSSIAN ARTS AND CULTURE MONTH AND RUSSIAN-SPEAKING COMMUNITY ARCHIVE**

**Subject:** Board members will discuss ideas about the project dedicated to the celebration and preserving of Russian Cultural Heritage

**Action:** Received information regarding the Russian-speaking community archive, discussed additional ideas. Received information from staff regarding proposed exhibit dedicated to the history of the Russian-speaking community in the Los Angeles area

**9.C. UPCOMING CULTURAL PROJECTS AND EVENTS**

**Subject:** Board members will receive information regarding upcoming events.

**Action:** Received information from staff regarding various cultural events in the city.

**10. ITEMS FROM STAFF:**

There were no items from staff.

**11. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no public comments.

**12. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS/BOARD MEMBERS**

Eugene Maysky spoke about the upcoming Tenants' Forum by CES (Coalition for Economic Survivors) and encouraged everyone to participate.

**13. ADJOURNMENT:** The Russian Advisory Board adjourned at 8:38 PM to a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, October 19, 2021, beginning at 7 PM via teleconference.

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