

**MINUTES
PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMISSION
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 08, 2021
TELEVISED LIVE-BROADCAST
TELECONFERENCE**

6:30 P.M. – SPECIAL MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chair Polachek called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

A. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioner Isaacs; Commissioner Karliss;
Commissioner Larry (joined at 6:45pm);
Commissioner Solomon; Commissioner Torres; Vice
Chair Mason; and Chair Polachek.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Helen Collins, Facilities and Field Services Division
Manager; Erin Hamant, Senior Administrative Analyst;
and Debbie Gonzalez, Administrative Coordinator.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Mayor Meister.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Approve the December 08, 2021 Agenda.

Motion by Vice Chair Mason, seconded by Commissioner Isaacs, and approved unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION: Approve the minutes, dated November 10, 2021, of the prior Public Facilities Commission meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Karliss, seconded by Commissioner Solomon, and approved unanimously with an Abstention from Vice Chair Mason.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

STEVE CAMBPELL, CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked the Commission for all their hard work. He wished everyone happy holidays and a happy new year.

5. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Isaacs and Commissioner Karliss both expressed enthusiasm for the Green City Awards ceremony.

Commissioner Solomon thanked the Councilmembers and Staff for being in attendance. He shared about the pickleball court opening at Plummer Park.

Commissioner Torres spoke regarding public safety at Plummer Park. She thanked the Councilmembers for being in attendance tonight.

Vice Chair Mason thanked staff for the new Recreation Services Fee Schedule. He

thanked the Facilities and Recreation Services staff for the hard work surrounding the opening of the Aquatic and Recreation Center. He is happy to see more sport activities in West Hollywood.

Chair Polachek welcomed everybody to the meeting and award ceremony. She thanked staff for all the work they do to support the Commission.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR - None.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. GREEN CITY AWARDS CEREMONY

SUBJECT: Presentation of the 2021 Green City Awards and Green Seedlings Prize.

Chair Polachek provided background information on the Green City Awards program.

Chair Polachek introduced the Councilmembers.

Mayor Meister thanked the Commission and staff for their work in keeping the public facilities open and available to the public. She thanked the public for attending the Green City Awards ceremony. Meister spoke about the importance of the Green City Awards program. She congratulated the award recipients and thanked them for their hard work.

Mayor Pro Tempore Shyne extended her appreciation to the Commission for all the hard work that they do. She thanked staff for their work and dedication. She went on to congratulate the award recipients and acknowledged their efforts in fighting the climate crisis and encouraged them to continue to do the work.

Councilmember D’Amico spoke about taking care of the City’s public facilities. He thanked the Commission and staff for their work in ensuring that the City facilities are maintained and available to the public. D’Amico wished the very best to the Green City Award recipients.

A video was shared of Councilmember Erickson congratulating the winners of the Green City Awards.

Commissioner Torres congratulated all the winners of the Green City Awards.

Commissioner Solomon congratulated the winners. He acknowledged their efforts and thanked them for submitting their projects. Solomon thanked staff for their work on the Green City Awards.

Commissioner Larry congratulated the award recipients and thanked them for their participation in the program.

Commissioner Karliss spoke about the Green City Awards’ contribution in promoting environmental sustainability projects. He recognized former

Commissioner, Larry Block, for his work on the Green City Awards program. Karliss went on to congratulate the award recipients.

Commissioner Isaacs thanked the Councilmembers for being in attendance. She spoke about the importance of the Green City Awards and congratulated the winners.

Councilmember Erickson joined the meeting and shared a few words. He congratulated the winners. He went on to thank the Commission for the stellar work that they do for the community.

Chair Polachek spoke about the importance of the Green City Awards program. She congratulated the winners and expressed how proud she is of their projects. Polachek spoke about the importance of sustainability in the City of West Hollywood.

Vice Chair Mason presented the Individual Adult Award to Heidi Schooler for "Heidi's Garden."

Heidi Schooler accepted the award and shared a few words.

Vice Chair Mason presented the Business Award to Bikes and Hikes LA.

Elizabeth Conway accepted the award on behalf of Bikes and Hikes LA and shared a few words.

Vice Chair Mason presented the Green Seedlings Prize to FARING for "9176 Sunset Blvd."

Jake Stevens accepted the award on behalf of FARING and shared a few words.

B. URBAN FOREST PRESERVATION CHAMPION AWARD

SUBJECT: Presentation of the 2020 Urban Forest Preservation Champion Award.

Chair Polachek presented the 2020 Urban Forest Preservation Champion Award to Angee Beckett.

Angee Beckett accepted the award and shared a few words.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. UPDATE PROPOSED LGBTQ+ SUICIDE MEMORIAL

SUBJECT: The Commission will consider appointing an Ad Hoc Committee to gather further input on the proposed LGBTQ+ Suicide Memorial.

Staff Introduced the item.

The following members were appointed to the Ad Hoc Committee: Vice Chair Mason, Commissioner Larry, and Commissioner Torres.

10. EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR – None.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

12. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Steve Campbell provided an update on the West Hollywood Park Project.

13. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS & SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Isaacs shared sentiments about the Green City Awards ceremony.

Commissioner Karliss thanked the Green City Award winners. He wished everyone happy holidays. He inquired about the Plummer Park Master Plan. Staff provided an update.

Commissioner Larry shared sentiments about the award recipients.

Commissioner Solomon spoke about the Plummer Park subcommittee. He asked for an update on the City's website.

Commissioner Torres spoke about an upcoming event hosted by MILK studios benefitting the AIDS monument and Project Angel Food.

Vice Chair Mason thanked everyone for their work on the Green City Awards Ceremony.

Chair Polachek spoke about the Green City Awards. She spoke about public safety in the City and reminded everyone to stay safe.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The Public Facilities Commission meeting adjourned at 8:12 P.M. to its next Regular meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 6:30 P.M. via Teleconference.*

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