

**SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD TELECONFERENCE MEETING
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2021
2 PM**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

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

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Boardmember Hollingsworth led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Members present: John Allendorfer, Esther Baum, Pat Dixon, David Eichman, Michael Hollingsworth, Joy Nuell, Nadia Sutton, and Lee Walkup.

Members absent: William McNeeley

Staff present: Katie Egan, Leslie Isenberg, and Francisco Gomez

4. **ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS**

Boardmember Allendorfer asked to adjourn in memory of former Senior Advisory Boardmember Barbara Krupa. Boardmember Allendorfer also asked to adjourn in memory of Virginia Sorenson, LeAnna Owen, Tamara Durand, and Wilhelm Hospel; they were killed in the Wisconsin Christmas Parade Crash on November 22 and were also part of the Dancing Grannies dance group. Boardmember Hollingsworth asked to adjourn in the memory of Ahmaud Arbery.

5. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The Board unanimously approved the agenda.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes for October 27, 2021, meeting were approved unanimously by the Board.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Barbara Meltzer spoke on the 21st Annual Paul Starke Warrior Awards that took place on World AIDS Day, December 1, at 6 PM. The awards were presented to staff and volunteers of local organizations that provide outstanding HIV/AIDS and substance abuse services.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. ITEMS FROM THE SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITY PROGRAM

The Senior Advisory Board received an update from Marina Goldshteyn, Activity Coordinator at Jewish Family Service (JFS), regarding remote programs and the limited in-person classes sponsored by the West Hollywood Comprehensive Services Center. The Comprehensive Service Center sponsored virtual museum tours, fitness classes, and an acting and improv class series during October and November.

B. DOCKLESS MOBILITY PILOT PROGRAM

The Senior Advisory Board received a presentation on the City's Dockless Mobility Pilot program from Coby Wagman, Parking Operations Supervisor. The City launched the 18-month pilot on July 1, 2021, and includes devices provided by three different providers: Bird, Lime, and Wheels. To date, the program has been very successful, with 112,000 rides recorded. During his presentation, Coby provided an overview of the City's outreach efforts, enforcement tools, and plans to improve the pilot program in the coming months.

Chair Nuell asked about outreach conducted at farmers' markets in the City. Coby let Chair Nuell know he and his team was looking to conduct monthly outreach at local farmers' markets in the future.

Boardmember Eichman asked about the number of devices each company can operate in the City. Coby let the Boardmember know that each company is allowed 100 devices and that each company determines the types of devices they make available. Boardmember Eichman also asked for clarification on the 20% buffer in the number of units companies can operate in the City. Coby stated that the 20% buffer is there to account for devices that may come from neighboring communities throughout the day. Boardmember Eichman also asked about the durability of informational hang ties installed in the devices to inform riders about the City's expectations relating to the use of the devices. Coby explained that the ties are durable and could only be removed using force. Lastly, Boardmember Eichman asked about the Sheriff's enforcement of policies relating to mobility devices. Coby mentioned that deputies enforce rules pertaining to dockless mobility devices and issue a handful of citations each month.

Boardmember Dixon asked if riders who don't correctly park a scooter are penalized by the companies who provide the devices. Coby explained that the

companies could enforce penalties but is unsure if they are. He also noted that devices could be moved once a ride ends by individuals who walk by.

Vice-Chair Walkup asked about how to find and book a dockless mobility device. Coby explained how to book a scooter using a smartphone application or by calling customer service number.

C. ADVANCE PLANNING

The Senior Advisory Board received a presentation on Advance Planning from Alla Chasnik, Staff Attorney at Bet Tzedek Legal Services. She provided information about the importance of estate planning and an overview of the different types of estate planning tools available to individuals, including trusts, living wills, wills, and powers of attorney.

D. LA METRO'S FARELESS SYSTEM INITIATIVE PILOT PROGRAM

The Senior Advisory Board received a presentation on LA Metro's Fareless System Initiative Pilot Program (FSI) from Devon Deming, a Senior Project Manager at LA Metro. The presentation provided an overview of Phase 1 Metro's FSI program, which targets K-12 schools and community colleges. Devon also offered information about Metro's plans to expand the pilot program to include low-income individuals living in Los Angeles County once funding for this expansion is found. Lastly, Devon described how Metro enhanced its Low-Income Fare is Easy (LIFE) by increasing the subsidy available to program participants.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

11. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD

Boardmember Hollingsworth asked staff about a recent request he received from Ambiance Transportation regarding the need to recertify residency. Francisco Gomez, Transportation Program Administrator, provided information about the recertification process and submitting documents by text message, email, or traditional mail.

Boardmember Allendorfer spoke on the November Seniors in Action meeting and hoped to resume in-person meetings in the near future.

Vice-Chair Walkup spoke on World Aids Day and the upcoming Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles concerts.

Boardmembers Dixon, Allendorfer, Hollingsworth, Eichman, Walkup, and Baum spoke on the passing and memory of former Senior Advisory Boardmember Barbara Krupa.

12. ITEMS FROM STAFF

Leslie Isenberg, Social Services Supervisor, spoke on the Advance Directive and Metro Fareless System Initiative Pilot Program items, which the Board requested in prior meetings, and thanked Alla Chasnik and Devon Deming for their presentations.

Katie Egan, Social Services Program Administrator, apologized for the delay in receiving printed agenda packets, which was likely caused by USPS delivery delays. She also reminded Boardmembers to submit a request for printed agenda packets if they would like to receive one by mail moving forward.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Senior Advisory Board adjourned at 3:40 PM to its next teleconference meeting on Wednesday, December 22, 2021, beginning at 2 PM.

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CHAIRPERSON

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STAFF LIAISON

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