

**WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
THURSDAY, August 25, 2022
7:00 P.M.**

TELECONFERENCE MEETING*

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Women's Advisory Board Meeting was called to order by Chair Field at 7:06 p.m.

2. OATH OF OFFICE

Councilmember John D'Amico administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Women's Advisory Board Member Clara Juhn.

3. ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Angela de Silva, Keely Field (CHAIR), Clara Juhn, Sajji Lazarus (VICE CHAIR), Tina Moore and Nicole Payton

ABSENT: Danielle Nisim, Melissa Purner

ALSO PRESENT: Yvonne Quarker, Director of Community Services, Andi Lovano, Community and Legislative Affairs Manager, John D'Amico, City Councilmember, Janene Sherrard, Recording Secretary and Larissa Fooks, Staff Liaison

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

ACTION: Meeting agenda for August 25, 2022. **Motion by Boardmember de Silva, seconded by Boardmember Moore, and approved.**

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

ACTION: Meeting minutes for July 28, 2022. **Motion by Chair Field, seconded by Boardmember Payton, and approved.**

6. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE EVENT

The Board reviewed and discussed the request to hold an event and incorporate a "Silhouette Display," which is a visual display related to domestic violence/intimate partner violence.

ACTION: Chair Field made a motion to support the creation of a subcommittee of Boardmembers to plan the “Silhouette Display” event, seconded by Boardmember de Silva, and approved

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. TITLE: WOMEN’S EQUALITY DAY

The Board reviewed plans for the City’s annual commemoration of Women’s Equality Day, the anniversary of women winning the right to vote in the United States to be held on Saturday, August 27, 2022.

ACTION: Chair Field, Boardmember de Silva, and Boardmember Payton confirmed that they will attend.

B. TITLE: NIGHTLIFE SAFETY STUDY SESSION RECAP

The Board discussed the study session held August 22, 2022, at City Council Chambers.

ACTION: Andi Lovano, Community and Legislative Affairs Manager, provided notes from the Nightlife Safety Study Session to Commissions and Advisory Boards. Chair Field made a motion to recommend and support City Council in doing another Study Session, seconded by Boardmember Moore, and approved.

C. TITLE: DRINK SPIKING TEST STRIP DISTRIBUTION EVENT RECAP

The Board discussed the August 22, 2022, distribution of drink spiking test strips to City businesses.

ACTION: Chair Field made a motion to invite a speaker to a meeting to discuss the formation of sexual assault response teams, seconded by Boardmember Payton, and approved.

D. TITLE: MONTHLY REPORTS TO CITY COUNCIL:

The Board designated a member to report back to the City Council.

ACTION: Boardmember Payton was designated to report back to the City Council.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

10. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:

Boardmember Lazarus welcomed new Boardmember Clara Juhn.

Boardmember Juhn stated that she looked forward to working with the Board and was happy to see that the Board is working on issues that are important to her.

Boardmember de Silva mentioned that she will be travelling to Greece and Italy. She also stated that she will be continuing her college education.

Boardmember Moore noted that the Board had made a lots of progress this evening. She noted that the next Woman’s Advisory Board meeting is September 22, 2022, is

also Women in Business Day. She also reported that that her podcast Talkshoplive is producing a day of content regarding women owned businesses on September 22, 2022. She is looking forward to seeing Board members at the Women's Equality Day pop-up this Saturday, August 27, 2022.

Boardmember Payton expressed her appreciation to the Recreation Division. She commended the opening ceremonies and beautiful facilities at the new Parks and Recreations Center. She encouraged Boardmembers to check out the facilities. She stated that she looked forward to seeing the Boardmembers this Saturday.

Chair Field discussed the Public Safety meeting she attended and addressed the difficulty of people speaking about intimate issues publicly, but that it helps others to feel less alone. She mentioned that California Senate Bill SB-1245, The Los Angeles County Abortion Access Safe Haven Pilot Program, was doing well. She also welcomed new Boardmember Juhn.

Boardmember de Silva made a **motion to add discussion of an anti-bullying campaign on the next agenda, it was seconded by Chair Field, and approved.**

Boardmember Payton announced Denise Pines, past President of the Medical Board of California, will be hosting WisePause, an event on navigating the Menopause years, on September 10th, 2022 at the Skirball Cultural Center.

Chair Field welcomed back Larissa Fooks, Staff Liaison for the Women's Advisory Board.

11. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

Larissa Fooks, Staff Liaison, thanked the Board for the welcome back. She mentioned that subcommittee follow up will need to be added to the next Agenda. She reported that two bills will be up before the Legislature next week and August 3¹, 2022 is the last day for Legislature to pass any bills. She stated that September 30th is the last day for the Governor to sign any bills that have been passed by the Legislature. She encouraged Boardmembers to continue their advocacy. She concluded by mentioning that she will have materials and additional information to share regarding Domestic Violence Month that is in October.

Andi Lovano encouraged meeting attendees to make public comments at this time.

Jessica Mosher Felizzola, West Hollywood, expressed interest in the topics brought up by the Board. She also asked about Latina representation on the Board. City Staff responded that they would investigate that for her.

Andi Lovano reminded Boardmembers and meeting attendees there is an open seat on the Women's Advisory Board.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

The Women's Advisory Board adjourned at 8:56 p.m. to their next Teleconference meeting on Thursday, September 22, 2022, at 7 pm.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARD ON THIS 22nd DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2022.

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KEELY FIELD, CHAIR

ATTEST:

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Larissa Fooks
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