

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD  
TRANSGENDER ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2022 – 6:00 PM**

**Plummer Park Rooms 5 & 6  
7377 Santa Monica Boulevard  
West Hollywood, CA 90046**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Nash called the meeting to order at 6:09pm.

A. Land Acknowledgment –Chair Nash

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B. Pledge of Allegiance – Chair Nash

*“I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”*

**C. Roll Call**

Present: Chair Nash, Vice-Chair Ruiz, Boardmember Brown, Boardmember Alexander, Boardmember Samala, Boardmember Gray, and Boardmember Kacy.

Absent: Boardmember Robinson, Boardmember Luna

**D. Approval of the November 2, 2022 Meeting Agenda**

The Board is requested to approve the November 2, 2022 Meeting Agenda as posted.

**ACTION:** Motion to approve agenda by Chair Nash and seconded by Boardmember Kacy. Motion passed

**E. Approval of the October 5, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

The Board is requested to approve the minutes of the October 5, 2022 meeting.

**ACTION:** Motion to approve by Boardmember Kacy and seconded by Vice-Chair Ruiz and approved 8 to 0 by roll call vote.

**F. Public Comment**

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Karen Eyres, West Hollywood Resident, President of the Hollywood Chapter of the National Organization for Women (Hollywood NOW), promoted the world premiere of the Transvagina Diaries taking place November 5-6, 2022 at Council Chambers. The production features transgender and intersex members. Karren commended the City for supporting the event through an arts grant and for having a Transgender Advisory Board.

**2. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A. Transgender Day of Remembrance (TDOR) Event Update**

The Transgender Advisory Board will receive an update from the Subcommittee and Staff on TDOR planning.

**ACTION:** Moya Marquez and Chair Nash provided a subcommittee report, which included an approved design for the flyers and updates on outreach efforts to date. Outreach for the event has commenced with invitations sent to 15 trans-led organizations.

**3. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Update on Multi-Stall Gender Neutral Restroom Facilities**

The Transgender Advisory Board received an update from Ben Galan, Building and Safety Manager, focused on SB 1194 which was co-sponsored by the Cities of West Hollywood and Santa Monica. With the recent passage of SB 1194, the City of West Hollywood is working on updating the municipal code that will be presented to the City Council at the December 5, 2022 meeting.

Chair Nash shared concerns about fully enclosed doors for safety reasons and shared that this concern was also brought up at a recent Public Safety Commission meeting.

Presenter Ben Galan requested ideas for urinals from TAB members.

Board member Kacy asked if there will be a combined toilet and urinal option.

Co-Chair Ruiz shared there is a hotel in San Francisco that had an environmentally friendly option with a toilet and urinal separated in space with the same pipe.

Public Comment: Stephanie Harker, West Hollywood resident, expressed safety concerns as her opposition to these restroom facilities, as one size does not fit all. With locations such as Plummer Park that has illegal activity that should not have enclosed restrooms. Stephanie added that floor to ceiling stalls with locked doors is not safe.

**ACTION:** No action taken.

**B. 2023 WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival Curator / Producer Selection Process**

The Transgender Advisory Board (TAB) considered electing one representative from TAB to join the Performing Arts and Cultural Affairs (PACA) Subcommittee of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission (ACAC) to review applications received for the WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival Curator/Producer Request for Qualifications (RFQ).

**ACTION:** The Transgender Advisory Board Elected Chair Nash to join the Performing Arts and Cultural Affairs Subcommittee of the Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission to review applications received for the WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival Curator/Producer RFQ.

**C. Status Report On Board Recommendations**

The Board received updates from staff regarding the status of their recent recommendations and details about how recommendations move forward after the Board take actions.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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**5. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD**

**Boardmember Brown** announced that the National Trans Visibility March is taking place this weekend. On Friday, November 4, is the Torch Awards and Saturday, November 5, is the March at West Hollywood Park beginning at 11 a.m. and the Rally will be held at 12 p.m. Boardmember Brown added that Boardmembers are encouraged to arrive at Saturday's March at 10:15 a.m.

**Boardmember Alexander** encouraged attendance at this weekend's Transvagina Diaries and added they will be performing.

**Vice Chair Ruiz** will bring a list of organizations to the next board meeting so the board can start inviting organizations to do short presentations at future TAB meetings.

**Chair Nash** expressed that November is a big month for the Trans community with various events such as TDOR, the TransVagina Diaries, and the National Trans Visibility March taking place.

**6. ITEMS FROM STAFF**

Moya Marquez thanked the board for the work that they do.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

The Transgender Advisory Board adjourned at 6:45 p.m. to its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at 6:00p.m. to be held in- person at West Hollywood Plummer Park, Rooms 5 & 6, 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard, West Hollywood, CA 90046.

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Shane Nash, Chair

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Tatyana Rodzinek, Acting Recording Secretary