

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION & INSTALLATION MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2004
PACIFIC DESIGN CENTER**

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Duran Family led the pledge.

PRESENTATION BY THE WEST HOLLYWOOD CHORALE:

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Guarriello, Heilman, Land, Mayor Pro Tempore Duran and Mayor Prang.

ABSENT: NONE.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Paul Arevalo, City Attorney Mike Jenkins, City Clerk West and Assistant City Clerk Gwen Peirce.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Mayor Pro Tempore Duran requested that his comments and Councilmember Land's comments be moved to the end of the meeting.

Mayor Pro Tempore Duran requested that Public Comment be moved before Councilmembers' Comments.

ACTION: Motion by Councilmember Guarriello and seconded by Councilmember Land and unanimously carried to approve the April 26, 2004 agenda as amended.

Mayor Prang introduced Mayor Pro Tempore Duran. Mayor Pro Tempore Duran introduced The Honorable Gloria Duran.

THE HONORABLE GLORIA DURAN ADMINISTERED THE OATH OF OFFICE TO THE NEWLY ELECTED MAYOR JOHN J. DURAN:

Mayor Duran introduced Councilmember Land. Councilmember Land introduced The Honorable Superior Court Judge Judith Chirlin.

THE HONORABLE SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE JUDITH CHIRLIN ADMINISTERED THE OATH OF OFFICE TO THE NEWLY ELECTED MAYOR PRO TEMPORE ABBE LAND:

INTRODUCTION OF DIGNITARIES:

Mayor Duran introduced Assistant Sheriff Doyle Campbell, Trevor Daly from Sen. Dianne Feinstein's Office, Jerry Guzman, City Treasurer of Montebello, Jay Greenstein

from Assemblyman Paul Koretz's Office, Emily Gold from Sen. Sheila Kuehl's office, the Honorable John Olson, Australian Consulate General, and Los Angeles County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

TOM DEMILLE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the March for Women's Lives that occurred on April 25, 2004.

JAMES FUHRMAN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, congratulated Mayor Duran and Mayor Pro Tempore Land. He spoke in support of forming an Ethics Commission in the City of West Hollywood.

RIC RICKLES, WEST HOLLYWOOD, congratulated Mayor Duran and Mayor Pro Tempore Land.

JACK MERRILL, WEST HOLLYWOOD, congratulated Mayor Duran and Mayor Pro Tempore Land. He spoke in support of preserving the building at 1343 N. Laurel Avenue.

ALLEGRA ALLISON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, congratulated Mayor Duran and Mayor Pro Tempore Land. She spoke in support of expanding the cultural arts in the City.

RICHARD MAGGIO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, congratulated Mayor Duran and Mayor Pro Tempore Land from the Rent Stabilization Commission.

JAY GREENSTEIN, REPRESENTING ASSEMBLYMAN PAUL KORETZ, presented a proclamation to Councilmember Prang for his work as Mayor of West Hollywood. He also presented certificates to Mayor Duran and Mayor Pro Tempore Land congratulating them on their appointments.

PRESENTATION TO OUTGOING MAYOR PRANG:

Mayor Duran presented a gift in appreciation to the outgoing Mayor, Councilmember Prang.

Councilmember Prang spoke regarding issues and events that occurred over the past year, such as increased parking facilities, budget constraints, commitment to building a new library, the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Commission, the completion and dedication of the Veteran's Memorial, design of the Russian Veteran's Memorial, increased affordable housing, adoption of an equal benefits ordinance, support of Supreme Court ruling against sodomy and of San Francisco's issuance of gay marriage licenses, and the opening of the Gateway Project.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Heilman thanked Councilmember Prang for his work as Mayor and congratulated Mayor Duran.

Councilmember Guarriello thanked Councilmember Prang for his work as Mayor and congratulated Mayor Duran.

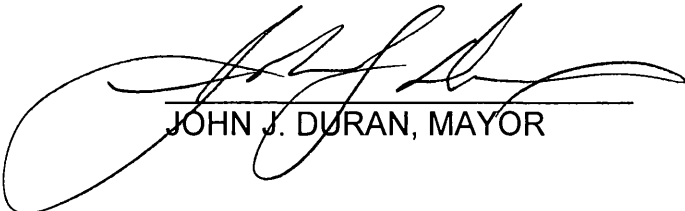
Mayor Pro Tempore Land thanked Councilmember Prang for his work as Mayor and congratulated Mayor Duran. She provided an update on the delegation that marched on Washington D.C. at the March for Women's Lives.

Mayor Duran recognized his family, his partner, his Commissioners, the City Manager, the City Attorney and all City Hall employees. He reflected on the history of the City and the diversity and unity of the community and spoke regarding the 20th Year Anniversary of the City of West Hollywood.

PRESENTATION BY THE GAY MEN'S CHORUS:

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned the meeting at 7:50 PM to their next regular meeting, which will be on Monday, May 3, 2004 at 6:30 PM at West Hollywood Park, 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard.

APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY COUNCIL THIS 3RD DAY OF MAY, 2004.



JOHN J. DURAN, MAYOR

ATTEST:



THOMAS R. WEST, CITY CLERK