CITY COUNCIL CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD MINUTES MONDAY, MARCH 1, 1999 WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Martin called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Barbara Hamaker led the Pledge.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Councilmembers Guarriello, Prang, Heilman and Mayor Martin.

Councilmember Koretz arrived at 8:15 P.M.

ABSENT: Councilmembers - None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Makinney, City Attorney Jenkins, City Clerk

Thompson and Records Mgmt. Coordinator Carmen Nunley.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mayor Pro Tem Heilman pulled items 2.N., and 2.T., from Consent Calendar for further discussion.

ACTION: Approve the March 1, 1999 Agenda as amended. Motion Councilmember Prang, seconded by Councilmember Guarriello and unanimously carried.

PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Pro Tem Heilman and Kim Schneider of and the Women's Advisory Board unveiled a banner in memory of Barbara Jordan, Congresswomen and Educator in support of Women's History Month. Mayor Pro Tem Heilman read the Proclamation for Women's History Month.

Mayor Martin presented a plaque to Judge Judith Stein in recognition of Women's History Month.

Mayor Martin presented Councilmember Guarriello with a bust of Harry Truman in honor of his 80th birthday.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

CAROL TRUSCOTT, LOS ANGELES, Principle of Fairfax High School, gave background on the Diamond Jubilee event in which they will be celebrating 75 years of education. She also invited the community to join in celebration.

MICHEAL MAHURIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Mayor Pro Tem Heilman, Councilmember Guarriello and Barbara Hamaker as City Council candidates.

PATRICK PRINSTER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the event at Plummer Park by the West Hollywood Orchestra, and thanked the Steering Committee and the entire Council for their support.

JIM CURTIS, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the entire Council and the reelection of Mayor Pro Tem Heilman.

JON CARSON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke against the methods of financial contribution to campaigns by Corporation and Billboard companies. Also spoke in support of Chris Patrouch for City Council.

JOHN PAUL DRAYER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, asked the Council to consider campaign financing.

KEVIN NOTRE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the MTA property and a transportation project along the Labrea Gateway. Also spoke in support of Chris Patrouch for City Council.

CAROL B. RODRIGUEZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke against the campaign tactics of some of the candidates but supports the re-election of the current Councilmembers.

EFFFIE REUVENI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Councilmember Guarriello and Mayor Martin. Also spoke regarding saving the trees and green space in the parks.

DON BRUHNKE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke against the circulation of campaign materials that would discredit candidates.

CRAIG RITCHIE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Ruth Williams, the up coming election and the need to have a woman on the Council.

JAMIE VALLADARAS, representing PACIFIC BELL, introduced the new Pacific Bell Director, Aurelia Fredman.

SIMON HARVEY, WEST HOLLYWOOD, asked the Council to support some type of financial structure for future campaigns.

DAVID CRUZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke out against the campaign tactics of some candidates, but supports Chris Patrouch for City Council.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Guarriello, spoke about the removal of campaign signs and how it is taking away citizens rights to freedom of speech.

Mayor Pro Tem Heilman, spoke about the event by the West Hollywood Orchestra. He asked the citizens to support the Fairfax Diamond Jubilee on May 22, 1999. He also commented state law regarding campaign financing and stated that he supports campaign finance reform. Mayor Pro Tem Heilman asked that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Charles Burlingame.

Councilmember Prang, spoke in support of the parking enforcement issues and invite citizens to comment. He stated that he is in support of the Bill that would protect Seniors from criminal and physical abuse and the need to have accessible restrooms facilities. He also supports limiting the sizes of commercial vehicles to be parked on residential streets.

Mayor Martin spoke in support of the West Hollywood Orchestra. He asked that everyone support Fairfax High School Diamond Jubilee event. He comment on the lack of the pooper scooper enforcement law, ask that enforcement began to talk to citizens regarding the law. Also ask that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Don Savior Sr.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: City Manager Makinney asked City Clerk Thompson to update Council on the up coming Election events.

Mayor Martin also comment on the decrease of polling location sites, and suggest that the City allocate money in their budget for additional polling sites for future elections.

FISCAL IMPACT ON CONSENT CALENDAR: City Clerk Thompson stated the fiscal impact on the Consent Calendar of March 1, 1999, as amended is \$629,808 in expenditures and \$457,768 in potential revenues.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR:

ACTION: Approve Items 2.A., B., C., D., E., F., G., H., I., J., K., L., M., O., P., Q., R., S., U., V., W., X., and Y.

Motion Mayor Pro Tem Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Prang and unanimously carried.

2.A. POSTING OF AGENDA:

ACTION: Receive and file. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

No Minutes were approved

2.C. WAIVER OF FURTHER READING:

ACTION: After the City Attorney has read the title of any ordinance on tonight's agenda, the further reading thereof shall be waived. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.D. CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION:

ACTION: Deny the claims of Crystal Jordan and refer to the City's claims adjuster. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.E. DEMAND REGISTER NO.385, RESOLUTION NO. 99-2028:

ACTION: Approve Demand Register No. 385 and adopt Resolution No. 99-2028, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ALLOWING AND APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF DEMANDS ON DEMAND REGISTER NO. 385." **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.F. TREASURER'S REPORT:

ACTION: Receive and file the Treasurer's Report of January, 1999. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.G. PROPOSED RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SB 163 (HUGHES – LOS ANGELES) AND AB 59 (CEDILLO – LOS ANGELES), BILLS THAT WOULD PROTECT SENIORS FROM ELDER ABUSE:

ACTION: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 99-2029, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD SUPPORTING SB 163 (HUGHES – LOS ANGELES) AND AB 59 (CEDILLO – LOS ANGELES), BILLS WHICH WOULD PROTECT SENIORS FROM ELDER ABUSE;" and, 2) Direct staff to forward copies of this resolution to Senator Teresa Hughes and Assemblymember Gilbert Cedillo, the City's legislative advocate and to the chairs of each state legislative committees hearing this legislation. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.H. PROHIBITION OF OVERSIZED VEHICLE PARKING WITHIN RESIDENTIAL ZONES:

ACTION: 1) Direct staff to draft an ordinance that would prohibit oversized vehicles from parking within residential zones using size and weight limitations; and, 2) Forward ordinance to the Transportation Commission for review and comment. This ordinance should be returned to the City Council on April 19, 1999. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.I. YOM HASHOA – HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE APRIL 18, 1999:

ACTION: 1) Approve City sponsorship of the 1999 Yom Hashoa Holocaust Remembrance on April 18, 1999; 2) Direct staff to work with the Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board and the Human Services Commission in organizing and administering the event; 3) Direct staff to publicize the event, including coverage on City Channel 10; and, 4) Direct the Director of Finance to appropriate \$2,500 from unobligated reserves for the associated costs of sponsorship and planning the event. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.J. CREATION OF A HATE CRIMES/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SPECIALIST POSITION:

ACTION: 1) Adopt the new job specification for the Hate Crimes/Domestic Violence Specialist position; and, 2) Approve the salary range as recommended by Human Resources, Grade GE-12, Salary Range \$3,667 - \$4,438 per month. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.K. PROPOSED ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD WHICH MAKES AVAILABLE RESTROOM FACILITIES FOR PERSONS WITH PHYSICAL HANDICAPS REGARDLESS IF THEY ARE A CUSTOMER, CLIENT, EMPLOYEE OR PAID ENTRANT:

ACTION: 1) Direct staff to draft an ordinance and forward to the Disabilities Advisory Board for review and comment. The ordinance should be returned to City Council on April 5, 1999; and, 2) Direct the Public Facilities Commission to recommend on the street public restroom facilities to include cost, installation, upkeep, brands, and community usage and need. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.L. CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR SUNSET BOULEVARD LIGHTED CROSSWALK PROJECT, CIP 9804:

ACTION: 1) Approve a professional services agreement with Transtech Engineers, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$18,600 for the Sunset Boulevard Lighted Crosswalk Project, CIP 9804; and, 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.M. AMENDMENT TO THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY:

ACTION: 1) Approve the Amendment to the Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement between the City of West Hollywood and the County of Los

Angeles; and, 2) Approve the Guidelines for Selecting Traffic Signal Settings. Approved as part of Consent Calendar

- 2.N. APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PUBLIC INTEREST INVESTIGATIONS, INC. (PII) FOR SERVICES OF INVESTIGATOR/OMBUDS: Removed from Consent Calendar and discussed under Excluded Consent Calendar.
- 2.O. ISSUE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR PARKING ENFORCEMENT SERVICES: ACTION: Authorize the Parking Services Division to issue a Request For Proposal for parking enforcement services. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.
- 2.P. APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CONSULTANTS TO PREPARE TRAFFIC IMPACT ANALYSES (T.I.A.'S):

ACTION: 1) Approve professional services agreements with HDR Engineering, Inc., Kaku Associates, Inc., and LSA Associates, Inc. in an amount of any individual contract not to exceed the amount of money the City receives from a developer as a deposit to perform the study; and, 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreements. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.Q. APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NADEK COMPUTER SYSTEMS, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF DOCUMENTED GUIDELINES AND STANDARDS AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE:

ACTION: 1) Approve a professional services agreement with Nadek Computer Systems, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the provision of technology consulting services; and, 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.R. PROPOSED RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION'S (AMA) APPEAL TO THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT TO CHALLENGE THE AETNA/PRUDENTIAL MERGER: ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 99-2030, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD SUPPORTING THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION'S APPEAL TO THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT TO CHALLENGE THE AETNA/PRUDENTIAL MERGER.". Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.S. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SIERRA COMPUTER SYSTEMS, INC. TO CREATE A NEW RENT STABILIZATION COMPUTER SYSTEM:

ACTION: 1) Approve a professional services agreement with Sierra Computer Systems, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$46,184 to create a new computer system; 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement; and, 3) Authorize the Finance Director to transfer funds from Capitol Projects to Computer System Master Plan. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

- 2.T. LEVY OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD MAINTENANCE DISTRICT: Removed from Consent Calendar and discussed under Excluded Consent Calendar.
- 2.U. PROPOSED RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL 208 INCREASING THE PUNISHMENT FOR HATE-BASED MURDERS TARGETING GAYS AND LESBIANS AS WELL AS THOSE COMMITTED ON ACCOUNT OF GENDER:

ACTION: Adopt Resolution No. 99-2031, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL 208(KNOX);" and, 2) Direct staff to forward copies of this resolution to Assemblyman Wally Knox office. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.V. APPROVAL OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT REIMBURSABLE CONTRACT AMENDMENT NO. 2:

ACTION: 1) Approve the Community Development Block Grant Reimbursable Contract Amendment No. 2, with the County of Los Angeles for Fiscal Year 1999-2000; and, 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.W. WEST HOLLYWOOD CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU, FIRST AND SECOND QUARTER REPORTS:

ACTION: 1) Receive and file the first and second quarterly reports for the West Hollywood Convention and Visitors Bureau for the quarters ending December 1999; and, 2) Continue with report from WHCVB President at March 15, 1999 Meeting. **Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.**

2.X.	RESIGNATION FROM THE FINE ARTS COMMISSION:			

ACTION: Accept with regret the resignation of Eugene Frederick Castillo from the Fine Arts Commission. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

2.Y. FAIRFAX DIAMOND JUBILEE, MAY 22, 1999:

ACTION: 1) Approve the City co-sponsorship of the 1999 Fairfax Diamond Jubilee on May 22, 1999; 2) Direct staff to publicize the City of West Hollywood's co-sponsorship of the Diamond Jubilee; and, 3) Direct the appropriate City staff to work with the Diamond Jubilee Committee to plan events for the community. Approved as part of the Consent Calendar.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

3.A. PROPOSED ORDINANCE ADOPTING BY REFERENCE APPENDIX G OF THE 1995 CALIFORNIA PLUMBING CODE:

Councilmember Prang provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated March 1, 1999.

City Clerk Thompson stated a Notice of Public Hearing was published.

Mayor Martin opened the Public Hearing. No speakers coming forward the Public Hearing was closed.

ACTION: Introduce for first reading Ordinance No. 99-537, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD ADOPTING BY REFERENCE APPENDIX G, GRAY WATER SYSTEMS, OF THE 1995 CALIFORNIA PLUMBING CODE." Motion Councilmember Prang, seconded by Mayor pro Tem Heilman and unanimously carried.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD: THE PROJECT MANAGER WILL PROVIDED A VERBAL UPDATE ON THE SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD PROJECT. City Manager Makinney provided a brief oral report regarding the Santa Monica Boulevard, brochure to be released.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- GENERAL ITEMS:

4.A.	1997-98 SOCIAL	SERVICES	CONTRACTS	S REPROGRAMMING:
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Daphne Dennis, Social Services Administrator, provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated March 1, 1999.

Public Comments:

DARA PESNICK, representing the ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION, thanked the Human Service Commission for their support and approval of the contract.

STEVE WAYLAND, WEST HOLLYWOOD, representing PAWS-LA, thanked the Human Service Commission and staff for their approval of the increase of their contract.

JEANNE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the Human Service Commission and praised them for all the support in the community.

ACTION: Authorize staff to negotiate a contract for \$10,000 to the Alzheimer's Association and \$4,650 to PAWS-LA from 1997-98 contract savings. Motion Councilmember Guarriello, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Heilman and unanimously carried.

4.B. PLUMMER PARK COMMUNITY/SENIOR/TEEN CENTER PROJECT – FINAL SCHEMATIC DESIGN:

Sam Baxter, Landscape and Building Manager and Lloyd Long, Director of Human Services, provided the background information as outlined in the staff report dated March 1, 1999.

DON BRUHNKE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the Teen/Senior Center.

JEANNE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the Teen/Senior Center, and suggested that the hall have hardwood floors so that dancing can be provided.

HOWARD ARMISTEAD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the Comprehensive Teen Center, but added that the City should make up for the green space that they will be loosing from the building.

CHAD BLOUIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the plan but feels that they should not use all the green space of the park to support

this project. He asked that they revisit the master plan and look at other surrounding properties.

ACTION: Approve the Final Schematic Design dated February 10, 1999 for the Plummer Park Community/Senior/Teen Center Project, at a project size of approximately 20,000 square feet. Motion Councilmember Gaurriello, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Heilman and unanimously carried.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.A. CREATION WEST HOLLYWOOD EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE ANNUAL GRANT PROGRAM:

Scott Svonkin, Deputy to Councilmember Koretz, presented background information as outlined in the staff report dated March 1, 1999.

ACTION: 1) Approve the creation of the West Hollywood Educational Excellence Annual Grant Program; 2) Authorize the expenditure of \$5,000 from unobligated reserves; and, 3) Establish a committee that shall be composed of two (2) council office representatives, three (3) appointees from the Children's Round Tables and shall be coordinated by Human Services. Appoint Councilmember Koretz and Mayor Pro Tem Heilman to the Committee. Motion Mayor Pro Tem Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Guarriello unanimously carried.

EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR:

2.N. APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PUBLIC INTEREST INVESTIGATIONS, INC. (PII) FOR SERVICES OF INVESTIGATOR/OMBUDS:

ACTION: 1) Approve a professional services agreement with Public Interest Investigations, Inc. (PII), for Investigator/Ombuds services per attached fee schedule; and, 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement. 3) Directed Staff to add to the scope of services that the consultant must review the City's current ordinance, polices and procedures and submit findings/recommendations.

Motion Mayor Pro Tem Heilman, and seconded by Mayor Martin and unanimously carried.

2.T. LEVY OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENT FOR SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD MAINTENANCE DISTRICT:

Tabled to the meeting of March 15, 1999. Motion Mayor Pro Tem Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Guarriello and unanimously carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

AVIVA SEGALL, ALHAMBRA, member of the West Hollywood Orchestra, spoke in support of the Orchestra.

ROSLYN KRAUSE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, a poll worker for the upcoming elections, encouraged all to come out and vote, she also spoke in support of the re-election of Councilmember Guarriello.

STAN LOTHRIDGE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the re-election of Councilmember Guarriello.

DONNY CACY, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of three candidates Mayor Martin, Councilmember Guarriello and Ruth Williams.

HOWARD ARMISTEAD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of himself for City Council.

BRUCE TRAUB, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the re-election of Councilmember Guarriello.

DAVID FROST, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the re-election of Councilmember Guarriello, and Jeanne Dobrin for Council.

KULANI JACKSON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked the council for their response to a situation with Cal Trans and asked that they continue to follow-up on this situation.

BARBARA HAMAKER, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of herself as Councilmember. She thanked the three continuing candidates for their support to the City.

JEANNE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of herself as councilmember.

NORMAN SHRAMOFF, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Jeanne Dobrin for council and also the three continuing candidates.

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FREDERICH ARONZON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke regarding the need for a safe drop off spot for children in front of West Hollywood Elementary School. Also spoke on the traffic problem of illegal U-turns in the area of La Cienega and Sunset.

STEVE SMITH, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of the re-election of Councilmember Guarriello.

CHAD BLOUIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, encouraged everyone to go out and vote and spoke in support Councilmember Guarriello and Mayor Pro Tem Heilman.

SABATO FIORELLO, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Councilmember Guarriello.

JIM BUCCI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke in support of Councilmember Heilman and Councilmember Guarriello, and Jeanne Dobrin to Council.

DONNA SAUR, WEST HOLLYWOOD, thanked the City Council for the support of the repairs and wall that was placed on Gardner Street. She also spoke in support of the re-election of Councilmember Guarriello.

6. LEGISLATIVE: None.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

Councilmember Guarriello thanked everyone for the well wishes for his birthday. He also thanked the citizens for their support and asked that they be patient during the construction of Santa Monica Boulevard Project.

Councilmember Koretz, encouraged the citizens to go out and vote.

Councilmember Prang, addressed some concerns of potential conflict of interest regarding his position with the Sheriff's Department and the City Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Heilman, thanked the people in the community for their support and awareness of the election process.

Mayor Martin, thanked the community for supporting him during the past four years. He stated that he supports campaign reform. He also commented on the community flyer that was sent out speaking against him.

ADJOURNMENT: The City Council adjourned at 9:30 P.M., in memory of Don Savoie Sr. and Charles Burlingame, to their next regular meeting on Monday, March 15, 1999 at 7:00 P.M. at West Hollywood Park, 647 N. San Vincente Boulevard.

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APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY COUNCIL THIS 5^{TH} DAY OF April, 1999.

John Hulman MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Clerk