

**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 24, 1995
647 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

6:00 P.M. - SPECIAL MEETING

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Land called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge was led by Francis Eisenberg.
3. **ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT - Councilmembers- Guarriello, Koretz, Martin, Heilman, Mayor Land
ALSO PRESENT - Assistant City Manager Makinney and City Attorney Jenkins
4. **REORGANIZATION OF COUNCIL:**
 1. *Election of Mayor* - Mayor Land opened nominations for Mayor. Councilmember Guarriello nominated John Heilman, seconded by Councilmember Martin and unanimously carried.

Newly-Elected Mayor Heilman presented outgoing Mayor Land a plaque.
 2. *Election of Mayor Pro Tempore* - Mayor Heilman opened nominations for Mayor Pro Tempore. Councilmember Martin nominated Paul Koretz as Mayor Pro Tempore, seconded by Guarriello and unanimously carried.
5. **APPOINTMENT OF SANITATION DISTRICT ALTERNATE:**

Mayor Heilman provided background information as outlined in the staff report dated April 24, 1995.

MOTION: Councilmember Martin nominated Councilmember Guarriello, seconded by Councilmember Land and unanimously carried.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 95-1434, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPOINTING AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 4"
6. **PRESENTATIONS:**
 - A. **COMMENTS BY OUTGOING MAYOR**

Outgoing Mayor Land provided an overview of the accomplishments of the City Council this year. Some of which included the opening of the new City Hall, the unanimous vote on the first municipal parking structure, the approval of a new Fire Station, held the first Economic Summit, dedicated an Affordable Housing Project this year; approved another Affordable Housing Project on Palm Avenue, gun control legislation, prostitution abatement, clean and safe cities program and

numerous other accomplishments. In addition, she wished Mayor Heilman the best of luck.

B. COMMENTS BY NEWLY-ELECTED MAYOR

Mayor Heilman thanked his colleagues on the City Council. He stated that although there may be disagreements they still try to do what is right for the City. Secondly, he thanked the staff in particular he thanked City Manager Paul Brotzman, Assistant City Manager Makinney, City Attorney Jenkins, the directors and specially thanked the Council Deputies, and the people of West Hollywood and stated he has felt honored to serve.

He spoke about the new City Hall and encouraged people to tour the new facility. He spoke aggressively on resolving the parking problems, he indicated that the Kings Road Project will be build this year, in addition negotiations are taking place to acquire more property on Santa Monica Blvd., Robertson Blvd., and Sunset Blvd. In addition other new facilities will be a new library, new firestation, social service facilities and acquisition of Santa Monica Boulevard. Public Safety and reduction of crime is an issue and a focus point, environmental activities will continue. The Sunset Specific Plan will be adopted sometime this year. The commitment to Social Services will continue and perhaps expand in the coming year.

He stated four new initiatives which he would like to see happen. The first being telecommunications and the information Superhighway. He would like to create a Task Force to look at the information superhighway and in particular three aspects: (1) physical infrastructure; (2) the ability to attract new business that will be on the cutting edge of this technology; and (3) to make sure that all of our residents have sufficient training and access to the information. The second major initiative would be new meeting facilities for the City. The third project would be improving the eastside of West Hollywood. Lastly, the fourth initiative is senior program including review of existing program, outreach, work with sister Cities to coordinate activities and program such as: recreation, education and social services.

C. COMMENTS BY NEWLY-ELECTED MAYOR PRO TEMPORE

Mayor Pro Tem Koretz thanked and commended Abbe Land for such a terrific job as Mayor this past year. As far as the Council itself, it has been an interesting year, he states the "fractionalize" Council of the past has eliminated itself, and the Council is all working together towards the same goals. He indicated he has a couple of priorities which include Social Services. Due to decrease funding we will need to work with the business community and promote those businesses still here and attract new businesses to the area. He stated there needs to be stronger outreach to the business community while still working with the residents. He indicated this can be done through parking. Mayor Pro Tem Koretz stated some of his other priorities are dealing with crime and violence. He added he hopes a program of community patrols can be established. He stated that violence is out of hand and hopes to continue to deal with those issues through gun control, ammunition control and other legislative processes.

D. OTHER COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Guarriello indicated that he concurred with all the comments made by his colleagues. He will focus on the eastside. He wished Mayor Heilman and Mayor Pro Tem Koretz the best of luck.

Councilmember Martin thanked outgoing Mayor Land for her leadership during this last year. He thanked her for bringing the Council together as a cohesive unit. He indicated he looks forward to working with Mayor Heilman on a number of issues. He indicated he would like to adjourn the meeting in memory of the victims of the Oklahoma tragedy and the victims of the Armenian holocaust.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

JEANNE DOBRIN, WEST HOLLYWOOD, she commended outgoing Mayor Land for all her work. She commended the activities of the Planning Commission relative to the House of Blues and the Sunset Specific Plan. She also commended the Public Safety activities which have taken place this year. She asked if the public will be able to park in the parking lot behind the new City Hall.

DEANNA STEVENSON, WEST HOLLYWOOD, presented a card and flowers for outgoing Mayor Land from the Women's Advisory Council.

Outgoing Mayor Land thanked Deanna Stevenson.

Mayor Heilman indicated that everyone is invited to an event at the Pacific Design Center which will benefit the West Hollywood Homeless Organization and L.A. Shanti.

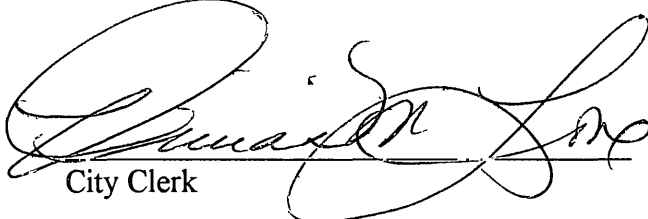
8. ADJOURN:

The City Council adjourned at 7:00 p.m. in memory of the Oklahoma City Victims and victims of the Armenian holocaust, to their next regular meeting on Monday, May 1, 1995 at 7:00 p.m. at West Hollywood Park, 647 N. San Vicente Boulevard.

APPROVED BY MOTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL ON THE 5TH DAY OF JUNE, 1995.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


City Clerk