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**COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN**

Regular Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2022

10:00 a.m.

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Commission President Jackie Filla called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. along with Vice President Vicki Curry and Commissioners Marla Messing, Nancy Rubin and Myesha Ward in attendance. Commissioner Erma Bernard-Gibson joined the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

Commissioner Dora Quach was absent.

Also in attendance were Claudia Luna, Assistant General Manager; Barak Vaughn, Deputy City Attorney; Francisco Ortega, Senior Project Coordinator and James K. Williams, Commission Executive Assistant II.

A quorum was established and the meeting proceeded.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

The public comment period was opened. There were no speakers to address the Commission. Therefore, public comment was closed.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The review and approval of the Minutes of the October 14, 2022 Special Meeting.

Commissioner Ward made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 14, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Rubin seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Ward  
Seconded: Rubin  
Ayes: Bernard-Gibson, Filla, Messing  
Abstain: Curry  
Absent: Quach

Vote: 6 – 0

The motion passed.

**4. NEW BUSINESS:**

**FINDINGS TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS PURSUANT TO AB361**

The reconsideration and determination to continue to hold the Commission on the Status of Women meetings teleconference pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 (AB-361) was discussed by the Commission.

Commissioner Bernard-Gibson made a motion to continue holding Commission meetings via teleconference. Commissioner Curry seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Bernard-Gibson  
Seconded: Curry  
Ayes: Filla, Messing, Rubin, Ward  
Absent: Quach

Vote: 6 - 0

The motion passed.

**5. DEPARTMENT UPDATE:**

Claudia Luna, Assistant General Manager shared the department update. She noted that it was the budget submission deadline and that the Discrimination Enforcement Unit had launched. She acknowledged the service of longtime employee Sheldon Cruz who transferred to the Youth Development Department and the hiring of Scott Lee an Advocate to support the Korean speaking public.

**6. NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:**

Jocelyn Smith and Kymberli Gayles of Working Dreams presented “Working Dreams enhancing the lives of Foster Care Youth in Los Angeles County”.

Amy Goldman, Director of Legal Services at Community Legal Aid SoCal presented “Representation for Victims of Domestic Violence”.

Karen Earl, CEO of Jenesse Center Inc. presented “Nonprofit Domestic Violence Intervention and Prevention”.

Commissioner Vicki Curry gave an update on the Pioneer Women Ad Hoc Committee.

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

There were no announcements from the Commissioners.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:**

Seeing no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 11:38 a.m.

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