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COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Regular Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2023

10:00 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Commission President Jackie Filla called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. along with Vice President Vicki Curry and Commissioners Erma Bernard-Gibson, Dora Quach and Myesha Ward in attendance. Commissioner Nancy Rubin joined the meeting at 10:24 a.m. Commissioner Marla Messing was absent.

Also in attendance were Capri Maddox, General Manager; Claudia Luna, Assistant General Manager; Barak Vaughn, Deputy City Attorney; Francisco Ortega, Senior Project Coordinator; Tristen Marler, Program Manager; 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 February 17, 2023 Commission Meeting.

Commissioner Curry made a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 17, 2023 Commission Meeting. Commissioner Bernard-Gibson seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 5 – 0

The motion passed.

4. DEPARTMENT UPDATE:

Claudia Luna, Assistant General Manager, shared the department update. She presented the LA Civil Rights Overview Deck for March 2023. This presentation can be viewed at civilandhumanrights.lacity.org

5. NEW BUSINESS – DISCUSSIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND ACTION ITEMS:

- a. Amy Turk, Chief Executive Officer of the Downtown Women’s Center along with Lorena Sanchez, Chief Communications and Development Officer of the Downtown Women's Center presented “Solutions Exist: Ending Homelessness for Women in Los Angeles”.
- b. Abigail Marquez, General Manager, CIFD and Veronica McDonnell, Assistant General Manager, CIFD presented “Community Investment for Families Department (CIFD) Programs and Resources”.
- c. Commissioner Myesha Ward gave an update for the Pioneer Women Ad Hoc Committee.
- d. Tristen Marler, Program Manager for the Civil + Human Rights & Equity Department shared an “Introduction to the Peace and Healing Centers”.
- e. The Commission discussed the “Collaboration with the Office of Mayor Karen Bass on Women's History Wikithon”.

Commissioner Curry made a motion to approve the Women’s History Day Wikithon Collaboration with the Mayor’s Office along with a 10,000 dollar ask. Commissioner Bernard-Gibson seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 6 – 0

The motion passed.

*The presentations can be viewed by visiting:
<https://civilandhumanrights.lacity.gov/commissions/commission-status-women/meetingsrecords>*

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Barak Vaughn, Deputy City Attorney, gave an update on the provisions of AB 2449.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

Seeing no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

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