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COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

Special Meeting Minutes June 23, 2023 10:00 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Erma Bernard-Gibson called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. with Commissioners Lucig H. Danielian, Simona Grace, Tracy D. Gray, Jerilyn Lopez Mendoza and Cristina Rose in attendance. Commissioner Dora Quach had planned to be 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 March 17, 2023 Commission Meeting.

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

Moved: Bernard-Gibson Seconded: Lopez-Mendoza

Ayes: Danielian, Grace, Gray, Rose

Absent: Quach

Vote: 6-0

The motion passed.

4. BROWN ACT TRAINING:

Barak Vaughn shared the highlights of the Brown Act and answered specific questions posed by the Commission regarding conduct and ethics.

5. DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Claudia Luna, Assistant General Manager, shared the department update. She presented the LA Civil Rights Overview Deck for June 2023. This presentation can be viewed at https://civilandhumanrights.lacity.gov/commissions/commission-status-women/meetings-records.

6. PRESENTATION:

- a. Carla Ibarra, LGBTQIA+ Liaison, LA Civil + Human Rights and Equity Department gave an overview of the Trans and Non-Binary Community. After her informative presentation, she responded candidly to questions from the Commission.
- b. Francisco Ortega, Senior Project Coordinator shared some of the vibrant history of the Commission on the Status of Women. He highlighted accomplishments and answered questions from the Commission.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There were no announcements.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Seeing no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

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