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COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

MEETING MINUTES
September 18, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

- a. The meeting was called to order at 10:06 am and a quorum was reached at the same time, all commissioners were present with the exception of Commissioner Messing and Dahan.
- b. Commission President, Jackie Filla welcomed fellow commissioners and guests on the Zoom call.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS & NON- AGENDA ITEMS

- a. General Public Comments: There was no public comment submitted for this meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Minutes for the August 21st meeting were approved.

IV. ACTION ITEMS

- a. No action items were submitted.

V. INFORMATION & DISCUSSION

- a. Ms. Silyan-Saba provided a brief update on the Civil and Human Rights Department, including the completion and submission of the Gender Equity Plan to the Mayor's Office and the upcoming budget finalization.
- b. Additionally, Ms. Silyan-Saba informed the Commission that the website for the Civil and Human Rights Department would be launched by the end of September.
- c. Siri A. Khalsa, Deputy Director of Auditing for the Office of the Controller, presented the "Closing the Gap" report which analyzed the demographics of the city's workforce relative to gender.

VI. COMMISSIONER UPDATES

- a. President Jackie Filla noted that the Commission will soon embark on updating the Report on the Status of Women and Girls - Los Angeles.
- b. Commissioner Bernard Gibson informed the Commission of her recent meetings with the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) to support seniors during the COVID-19 pandemic and of her meeting with the African American commissioners to determine which bills to recommend for support.
- c. Commissioner Zar reported on her recent work supporting refugees in Greece and her efforts to increase the availability of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in certain regions.

- d. Commissioner Postigo spoke on her engagement with community efforts to close the digital divide by supporting students and their families.

VII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. President Jackie Filla informed the Commission that a special meeting will soon be called to officially initiate the update of the 2015 Report on the Status of Women and Girls in Los Angeles.

VIII. NEXT BOARD MEETING AND EVENTS

- a. **Friday, October, 16 2020, 10:00am - 12:00 pm, via Zoom**

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING COMMISSION MEETINGS

- a. Civil and Human Rights Commission, Thursday, October 8, 2020, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm, via Zoom
- b. Human Relations Commission, Wednesday, October 28, 2020, 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm, via Zoom
- c. Transgender Advisory Council, Thursday, October 15, 2020, 6 pm – 8 pm, via Zoom

X. ADJOURNMENT

- a. No quorum was present.