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**COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN
MEETING MINUTES**

April 16, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

- The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. with roll call provided by Commission Liaison Tammy Ortuno.
- Commissioners in Attendance: Jackie Filla, Ana Teresa Dahan, Erma Bernard-Gibson, Vicki Curry, Marla Messing, and Jessica Postigo.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD No public comments were made.

III. PRESENTATION: District Attorney Barak Vaughn presented the new Brown Act Social Media Provision AB-992, which took effect on January 1, 2021. The provision amended the Brown Act stating that a public official may communicate on social media platforms to answer questions, provide information to the public or to solicit information from the public regarding a matter within the legislative body's subject matter jurisdiction.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- General Manager Capri Maddox provided an overview of the ongoing process of establishing and operationalizing the Department and provided a sample of recent events the Civil + Human Rights and Equity Department hosted: Partnering with Council District 7 for Digital Safety and Security Event, called "REAL TALK," Transgender Day of Visibility Virtual Celebration, and The Future of Equity, Climate, and Health.
- Mrs. Maddox also shared that Ms. Kandee Lewis from the Positive Results Center is nominated by the Mayor to fill a vacancy on the Commission on Civil Rights pending Council approvals.
- She also noted that the Equity and Empowerment (E²) pillar under the department will be expanding to encompass the Office of Racial Equity pending final Council approvals.

V. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

- Pioneer Women Awards 2021 is tasked with leading and honoring women who are leaders in the City of Los Angeles. This year the focus of the Pioneer Women Awards is "Sheroes in the Time of COVID-19." The nomination form will be open through April.

- Upcoming Council Motion 20-1578 concerning the COVID-19 impact on working women, and Motion 21-0338 concerning gender equity policy and unfair practices in sports, the whistleblower's program, and women sport executives, were noted for general awareness for members of the Commission.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Commissioner Dahan announced the release of a new report by greatpublicschoolsnow.org/educationalrecoverynow. The report highlights how students have been affected by the pandemic over the last year.

VII. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:59 a.m.