



**NOTICE OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SANTA MONICA COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN  
AGENDA**

**September 13, 2017 – 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm**  
Ken Edwards Center ♦ 1527 4<sup>th</sup> St ♦ Santa Monica ♦ CA, 90401

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**Mission**

The purpose of the Commission on the Status of Women is to enhance the status of women in our community. The Commission will promote these goals through investigation of, advocacy for, and policy development regarding issues relevant to women and girls, and by creating leadership and career advancement opportunities for women and girls in our community.

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**Standards of Behavior that Promote Civility at All Public Meetings:**

- Treat everyone courteously
- Listen to others respectfully
- Focus on the issues and avoid personalizing debate
- Embrace respectful disagreement and dissent as democratic rights, inherent components of an inclusive public process, and tools for forgoing sound decisions

1. Call to Order:

Roll Call:

2. Approval of Minutes from August 9, 2017 meeting- Chair Ghazarian (5 minutes):

3. Public Input: Public comment is permitted only on items not on the agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the body. Please note that State Law prohibits the Commission on the Status of Women from taking any action on items not listed on the agenda, including issues raised under this agenda item. (A chit should be completed indicating items for public input. Each speaker is limited to **three (3) minutes**).

4. Commissioner and Staff Liaison announcements and correspondence (5 minutes):

5. New Business:

A. Presentation by the City of Santa Monica's Housing and Economic Development Department Senior Administrative Analyst, Anna Topolewski, regarding housing vouchers and the housing needs of Santa Monica's women and girls (20 minutes presentation, 10 minute Q&A)

6. Commission Liaison Reports- Commissioners (25 minutes):

- Rosie's Girls –Rosie's Girls Liaison with Chair Ghazarian
- Association of California Commissions for Women –ACCW
- CityTV
- Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women-CEDAW
- Housing Commission
- National Association of Commissions for Women-NACW
- NCJW
- OWL Committee
- Santa Monica Cradle to Career

7. Reports from the Ad Hoc, discussion, and possible action related to any budget allocations for Learn and Thrive, Economic Opportunity, Community and Health, Women's History Month ad hoc- Chair Ghazarian (30 minutes):
8. Future Agenda Items (5 minutes):
9. Adjourn

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