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**SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**  
**SANTA MONICA COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN**  
**October 15, 2008 – 7:00 P.M.**  
Ken Edwards Center \* 1527 4<sup>th</sup> St. \* Santa Monica CA 90401

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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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1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call (1:00)
3. Approval of Minutes from September 10, 2008 Meeting (2:00)
4. Public Input: Public comment permitted only on items not on the agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of this body. Each speaker is limited to **three (3)** minutes.
5. Announcements and Correspondence (Chair Jara) (5:00)
6. Staff Liaison Report (Staff Liaison Taren) (5:00)

***The following items may result in action:***

7. Committee/Liaison Reports - Discussion
  - a. Association of California Commissions on Women (Vice-Chair Bishop-Dunbar)
  - b. Westside Domestic Violence Network (Commissioner Stegemoeller)
  - c. Vacancy Ad Hoc Committee (Commissioner Skulski) (15:00):
    - Recommendation to the City Council to fill two COSW vacancies
  - d. Strategic Plan Subcommittees Interim Report:
    - Continuing discussion of the Strategic Plan Goals and Community Outreach efforts (20:00)
  - e. Electoral Reform Ad Hoc Committee:
    - Report on Voter Registration Drive in collaboration with Santa Monica College. (Vice-Chair Bishop-Dunbar) (5:00)
  - f. Pico Neighborhood Association (Commissioner Jara) (10:00)
8. Old Business
  - a. Discussion of 2008 Outstanding Women Leader Awards Event: (10:00)
  - b. Planning for COSW Participation at Latina Youth Conference: (10:00)
9. New Business
  - a. Community Safety Awareness (Vice-Chair Bishop-Dunbar) (5:00)
10. Adjournment

No other business will be conducted at this special meeting.

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Ana Maria Jara, Chair

Date 10/13/08

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