

SSA #62 Advisory Commission Meeting 4747 W. Peterson 2nd Floor Conference Room November 14, 2017, 7:30 a.m.

Shop Sauganash Mission

Our vision is to create a gateway to the Sauganash business community by attracting commercial development, encouraging retail spending, creating new restaurants and transforming and enhancing existing retail and service space within the underutilized Cicero Avenue business corridor between Devon and Peterson. Provide a safe, attractive, friendly and hassle-free experience for pedestrians, cyclists, commuters, shoppers and local workers.

Public comment is encouraged throughout the meeting. The Chair will recognize non-commission members as appropriate. Non-commission members wishing to address the commission should so signify by raising their hand in order to be recognized by the Chair. The Chair will have discretion to limit discussion.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:40. Commissioners present were Marcia Jimenez, Alfred Klairmont, Patrick Tarpey and Jay Smith. Quorum was present. Alderman Margaret Laurino, Barbara Guttmann and Jennifer Herren were also present. All parties signed in and stated their names.
- II. Meeting Minutes All parties reviewed the minutes from the October 17 Commission meeting. Marcia Jimenez made a motion to approve. Patrick Tarpey seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

III. Chamber of Commerce Report

- The "Shop Sauganash" seasonal advertising has been placed in The Reporter and The Sounds. Every first floor business in the SSA district is listed in the advertisement.
- Winter landscaping has been installed with a combination of birch logs, live junipers and cut boughs.
- A bus shelter on the PNA property has been transformed into public art in conjunction with the Chicago Year of Public Art, with the cost borne by Alderman Laurino with a matching grant from the city.

IV. Reports of Committees (3-5 min/committee)

- Beautification The commission is in favor of expanding the landscaping initiative by purchasing and planting additional sidewalk urns.
- Marcia Jimenez made a motion to procure additional urns for the northern end of the district. A decision will be made at the next meeting.

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 Finance – A copy of the October bank statement was distributed, along with a report of each wire transfer.

I. Old Business

- a. Community Identifiers CDOT removed the dead tree at the site of the northern identifier at 6141 N. Cicero. CDOT is still working to secure utility clearance and permits for construction of the southern identifier at the northeast corner of Caldwell and Cicero, as well as the northern site.
- b. 2017 2018 SSA Budget Adjustments Revised budgets were discussed. A decision on remaining 2017 expenditures will be made at the next meeting.

II. New Business

a. Chicago Sculpture Exhibit – Barbara Guttmann provided an overview of the process required to place a piece of sculpture in a public location. For a \$3,500 fee, the organization will cover installation, permits, and insurance for a year. The sculpture pieces are allocated to communities through a jury process. January 16 is the deadline to submit payment indicating interest in obtaining sculpture.

Marcia Jimenez made a motion to get involved with this program. A decision will be made at the next meeting.

Jay Smith made a motion to adjourn. Marcia Jimenez seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:39 a.m.

The next meeting will be held on December 12, 2017 at 7:30 a.m.