



SSA #62 Advisory Commission Meeting
Via Zoom and Teleconference
March 16, 2021 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 7:39 a.m. Commissioners present via Zoom and teleconference were Marcia Jimenez, Alfred Klairmont, Jay Smith and Patrick Tarpey. Quorum was present. Jennifer Herren and Alisa Tilson were also present. All parties stated their names.
- II. Meeting Minutes
The February 16 meeting minutes were reviewed.
Marcia Jimenez made a motion to approve.
Alfred Klairmont seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.
- III. Chamber of Commerce Report
The Chicago Sculpture Exhibit selections will be limited to those that can be mounted on grass.
- IV. Reports of Committees
(3-5 min/committee)

Beautification – The new issues were added to the Excel spreadsheet and forwarded to the 39th Ward office. Some of these items have already been rectified and others remain on the list. The past winter's heavy snowfall and Arctic blast caused significant damage to the district's infrastructure, including rusting on two of the community identifiers.

It is the committee's goal to light trees in the district this year. While it would have been desirable to achieve this improvement sooner, the sidewalk excavation and light pole wiring are still in process.

Finance – A copy of the February bank statement was distributed. The 2022 SSA budget is due to the City on June 4.

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V. Old Business

Infrastructure improvements – nothing to report.

VI. New Business

2021 Budget – The spending limit for the 2020 carry-over will be limited to 25% of the 2021 total budget. The Finance Commissioners welcome any input on the 2022 budget. The City sent its ethics filings which are due on May 3. The county has not yet issued its ethics submittal forms, which are generally due at the beginning of June.

District Safety – Alderman Nugent is holding a safety meeting on March 23 featuring representatives from the 16th and 17th police districts.

CDOT Update – Alisa Tilson from CDOT reported that the gateway project has been delayed due to budget issues that could create the need to pare down the design elements. The commission prefers to retain the original design.

VII. Adjourn

Marcia Jimenez made a motion to adjourn
Al Klairmont seconded.
Meeting was adjourned at 8:21 a.m.

The next meeting is Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 7:30 a.m.