



SSA #62 Advisory Commission Meeting
4747 W. Peterson
2nd Floor Conference Room
July 17, 2018, 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 7:35. Commissioners present were Marcia Jimenez, Alfred Klairmont, Patrick Tarpey and Jay Smith. Quorum was present. Brad Frieswyk, Samantha Nugent and Jennifer Herren were also present. All parties signed in and stated their names.
- II. Meeting Minutes
All parties reviewed the minutes from the June 19, 2018 Commission meeting.
Marcia Jimenez made a motion to approve.
Patrick Tarpey seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.
- III. Chamber of Commerce Report
 - a. 2019 Community Identifier – In accordance with the 2018 and 2019 budgets, the 3rd identifier will be paid for in two installments: one in late 2018 and one in 2019 following the first installment. The identifier will be placed on the west side of Cicero at approximately 5920 North. CDOT has advised that there are no interfering infrastructure issues at this location. The cement wall needs to be removed prior to the identifier's installation.
 - b. SSA 5 Year Report – The report will be produced in a print format during the 4th quarter of 2018 to accurately reflect actual costs and expenditures through the end of 2018; the halfway point of the SSA's term. The target audience includes property owners who contribute to the SSA, as well as residents who patronize the businesses. The report will be placed online, as well.

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

- a. Beautification – City maintenance issues continue to be unresolved in the district. The County repaired the sinkhole on its property behind 4801 W. Peterson, however debris was left behind.

The top three issues will be prioritized and brought to the Ward office's attention, beginning with:

- the crumbling ADA ramp with protruding rebar just south of the alley at 6011 N. Cicero
- the pothole on Caldwell just east of Cicero
- the new pothole in front of 5929 N. Cicero

- b. Finance – A copy of the June bank statement was distributed.

II. Old Business

- a. 2019 Budget - The 2019 budget was revised to reflect the actual 2018 EAV. The SSA funds are derived from a tax that is a fraction of a percentage of each property's total value. The SSA is viewed as a long-term investment designed to increase property values.

- a. 4801 W. Peterson Development – the project is set to be heard at the July 24 Zoning Committee meeting downtown. Each store will have its own exit and entrance on Peterson. Julio Rufo, an architect for Imperial Realty, explained that the gateway installation may encroach on the new retail space furthest west on Peterson.

Marcia Jimenez made a motion that the SSA support a request to CDOT to locate the gateway 60' west of the originally planned location.

Pat Tarpey seconded.

CDOT will be contacted to schedule an onsite meeting to discuss.

In the event that a restaurant would like to move in, the restrictions prohibiting the sale of alcohol would need to be lifted. Imperial Realty would bear the costs associated with this. The SSA Commission supports a "Wet" initiative, as long as appropriate restrictions are in place.

III. New Business

- a. Additional Roofline Lighting – The Chamber is paying the costs incurred for lighting two sides of the South Sauganash Condominium property. If the lighting is expanded to four sides, the Chamber would bear the entire cost for both installation and electricity bills.

IV. Adjourn

Jay Smith made a motion to adjourn.

Pat Tarpey seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

The next meeting will be held on September 18, 2018 at 7:30 a.m.