



SSA #62 Advisory Commission Meeting
4747 W. Peterson
2nd Floor Conference Room
February 20, 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 7:37. Commissioners present were Marcia Jimenez, Alfred Klairmont, Patrick Tarpey and Jay Smith. Quorum was present. Alderman Margaret Laurino, Brian Robin, Nick Haak and Jennifer Herren were also present. All parties signed in and stated their names.
- II. Meeting Minutes - All parties reviewed the minutes from the January 16, 2018 commission meeting.
Pat Tarpey made a motion to approve.
Marcia Jimenez seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.
- III. Chamber of Commerce Report
 - Chicago Sculpture Exhibit – Pictures of sculptures to be included in the show were circulated for input. The commission voted for their top 5 sculptures in the order of popularity: Birds of a Feather, North Star (Green Flower), Box of Flowers, Reach (steel squiggle), and Articulated Column (red-orange column). CSE will notify us of the sculpture slated for placement in Sauganash in front of the Polish National Alliance.
 - There was a discrepancy in the amount of the December 19 Chamber reimbursement that will be applied toward unreimbursed 2018 expenses. No adverse tax or other implications exist.
- I. Reports of Committees
(3-5 min/committee)
 - Beautification – Both community identifiers have been installed. The southern identifier is difficult to see when driving south on Cicero.
 - Finance – A copy of the January bank statement was distributed.

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II. Old Business

- a. 2017 budget – A Profit and Loss report showing the 2017 budget allocations and actual expenditures was distributed.
- b. Community Identifiers – see Beautification Report above.
- c. 2018 Hanging Baskets – The Cicero-Glenlake stoplight installation resulted in the loss of 2 hanging baskets. One was moved to a gateway light pole on Peterson between Cicero and the Edens expressway ramp. CDOT provided a quote of \$861.55 to move the second hanging basket fitting to a pole that currently houses interstate signage. This would involve removing the signs and relocating them to another light pole.

Al Klairmont made a motion to spend \$861.55 to relocate the signs and the hanging basket fitting to Peterson Avenue.

Marcia Jimenez seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

III. New Business

- a. 2018 Audit – There is no learning curve with our current auditor, as they have been performing services for SSA #62 for 3 years.

Jay Smith made a motion to retain Eilts and Associates to perform the 2017, 2018 and 2019 audits for the current price of \$2,250 per year with the ability to increase the fee to \$2,500 if necessary.

Marcia Jimenez seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

- b. 2018 Budget – Brian Robin reported that 10 light poles between Glenlake and Hiawatha will be painted black and receive LED light heads. Alderman Laurino is providing these improvements through her discretionary funding. The SSA committee may choose to replicate these efforts in other areas of the SSA district.

Public Way Aesthetics is the most heavily funded category. Specific spending plans will be determined that could include additional community identifiers, sidewalk planters, hanging baskets, ornamental lighting or other eligible expenses. CDOT has designated a spot on the northwest corner of Peterson and Keating for an additional identifier.

IV. Adjourn

Marcia Jimenez made a motion to adjourn.

Pat Tarpey seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:32 a.m.

The next meeting will be held on March 20, 2018 at 7:30 a.m.