

SSA #62 Advisory Commission Meeting 4747 W. Peterson 2nd Floor Conference Room July 21, 2020, 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 via Zoom and teleconference were Mario Correa, Marcia Jimenez, Alfred Klairmont, Jay Smith and Patrick Tarpey. Quorum was present. Adam Roberts and Jennifer Herren were also present. All parties signed in and stated their names.

II. Meeting Minutes

The June 16 meeting minutes were reviewed. Pat Tarpey made a motion to approve. Mario Correa seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Chamber of Commerce Report

A CBD store is moving into the former Sauganash Cleaners storefront.

Sauganash businesses that received \$1,115.38 checks from the Small Business Lottery were: Donna's Garden, Edens Fast Food, Bellissima Donna Salon, Chai Asian Bistro and Himshikar. Thanks to Smith Corcoran for their generous donation.

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

Beautification – All issues identified on the beautification walk were logged on a spreadsheet and forwarded to the 39th Ward office.

Finance – A copy of the June 2020 bank statement was distributed.

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V. Old Business

The Chicago Sculpture Exhibit – Commissioners indicated their preferences, which were forwarded to the selection committee. Installation date has not been slated.

2020 Beautification Initiatives – The area was canvassed to document the signs on the poles between Caldwell and Peterson on Cicero. These signs will need to be moved in order to install hanging baskets. Input from the Department of Transportation is that the City has been impacted by COVID and it is not likely that the installation will occur this year. Will explore procuring in 2020 and installing in 2021 in time for spring landscaping installation.

Sauganash Benches - The benches will be installed in front of BQS Realty and Edens Fast Food.

VI. New Business

Service Provider Designation: Al Klairmont made a motion that the Edgebrook~Sauganash Chamber of Commerce serve as the service provider for 2021.

Mario Correa seconded.

Motion passed unanimously

2021 Budget – Commissioner Tarpey reviewed the 2021 budget. The largest spending categories remain Public Way Aesthetics and Customer Attraction.

Mario Correa made a motion to pass the 2021 budget.

Pat Tarpey seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

2021 District Services

Al Klairmont made a motion to provide district marketing, beautification and customer attraction services in the district in 2021, with safety, sustainability and economic development on an as-needed basis.

Mario Correa seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Sauganash Service Requests – a copy of the service requests that were forwarded to the Ward office on July 7 will be forwarded to all commissioners.

VII. Adjourn

Al Klairmont made a motion to adjourn Pat Tarpey seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:09 a.m.

The next meeting is Tuesday, September 22 at 7:30 a.m.