

SSA #62 Advisory Commission Meeting Via Zoom and Teleconference December 22, 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 7:34. Commissioners present via Zoom and teleconference were Mario Correa, Marcia Jimenez, Alfred Klairmont, Jay Smith and Patrick Tarpey. Quorum was present. Jennifer Herren was also present. All parties stated their names.

II. Meeting Minutes

The November meeting minutes were reviewed.

Pat Tarpey made a motion to approve.

Marcia Jimenez seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

III. Chamber of Commerce Report

The Holiday Lighting ceremony photos and the Shop Sauganash print advertisements were published in The Reporter and The Sounds. Thanks to Commissioner Klairmont, this year's photos were excellent, despite the prevailing darkness in the district.

IV. Reports of Committees

(3-5 min/committee)

Beautification – The Beautification Committee will conduct a district walk in January to identify further City services needed and assess progress of those already submitted.

Finance – Budget amendments will be addressed later in the agenda.

V. Old Business

39th Ward Service Requests – The Excel spreadsheet will be updated after a district walk in January. No tree-related requests will be addressed until Spring.

2020 Beautification Review – Landscaping and public art were the primary initiatives in 2020. Infrastructure improvements will allow for additional ornamental lighting in 2021.

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2020 Budget Review – Budget amendments to be addressed in new business.

Chicago Sculpture Exhibit – The jury process will take place virtually this year in January. No progress has been made on correcting the sculpture to face east at 6050 N. Cicero. Discussion took place regarding increasing the number of Sauganash sculptures for 2021. Given that the commission does not have definitive jurisdiction over which sculpture is designated for our district, the Commission elected to continue with a single sculpture in 2021.

VI. New Business

2020 Budget Amendments – Patrick Tarpey made a motion to approve amendments in Line Items 1 and 6 outlined in addendum.

Al Klairmont seconded.

Motion approved unanimously.

VII. Adjourn

Pat Tarpey made a motion to adjourn Marcia Jimenez seconded.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 a.m.

The next meeting is Tuesday, January 19 at 7:30 a.m.