

SSA #62 Advisory Commission Meeting June 20, 2023 4747 W Peterson Suite 200 7:30AM

# **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 a.m. Commissioners present were Pat Tarpey, Marcia Jimenez, Alfred Klairmont, and Kelly Smith. Quorum was present. Nick Haak and Kathy Fern were also present.
- II. Review of May 16, 2023 Meeting Minutes
   Marcia Jimenez made a motion to approve the minutes.

  Pat Tarpey seconded.
  Motion passed unanimously.

## III. Executive Director's Report

Kathy Fern introduced herself as the new Executive Director of the Edgebrook Sauganash Chamber of Commerce. Kathy intends to attend meetings regularly and report on any relevant Chamber initiatives.

## IV. Program Manager's Report

Nick Haak reported that some of the service requests sent to the City had been addressed, while many remain open. The SSA bank balance was reported at \$65471.71.

### V. Old Business

There is nothing new to report regarding public art.

The Commission requested that SSA staff assist in identifying a vendor for installation of security cameras, as the previous vendor fell through.

A request for quotation was sent to 5 companies for maintenance to the existing community identifiers, including pressure washing and repainting. Quotes are expected prior to June 30th.

After discussion, the Commission determined that a Wet initiative for the south side of Peterson was not financially feasible at this time and that additional input from stakeholders would be required.

### VI. New Business

The Commission was presented with the revised district light contract, which includes the removal and storage of lighting. Marcia Jimenez made a motion to approve the amended contract. Al Klarimont seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Nick Haak presented the 2024 budget proposal. The Commission discussed the possibility of allocating additional funding to Economic Development in the future. The Commission will take the proposal into consideration and prepare for a vote in July.

Al Klairmont made a motion to retain the Edgebrook Sauganash Chamber of Commerce as the sole service provider for SSA 62 in 2024, as well as approving the scope of services as described in the budget proposal.

Pat Tarpey seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Alfred Klairmont made a motion to adjourn. Kelly Smith seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:20.