SSA #62 Advisory Commission Meeting
August 5, 2026
4747 W Peterson Ave Suite 200
Chicago IL 60646

Attendees: K. Smith, A. Klairmont, T. May, K. Kilmer

Minutes:
Call to Order – 3:43PM
Review of July 14, 2026, Minutes: 1st K. Smith, 2nd A. Klairmont
Minutes approved.

Welcome and Introduction of Theron May. He is in the process along with K.Kilmer to move forward with the process of becoming a commissioner for the SSA 62.

Holiday Lighting:
Holiday Outdoor and Décor 2026 Contract Info.

- 2025 Holiday Lights Cost: $24,960.00
- 2026 Holiday Lights Cost: $25,460.00

Difference in Cost:

- +$500.00

Percentage Increase:

- 2.00% (approximately 2.003%)

The 2026 Holiday Lights proposal reflects an increase of $500.00 over the 2025 contract, representing an approximate 2.0% year-over-year increase.

Motion to approve Holiday Outdoor and Decore 2026 contract and cost.
Approved: 1st A. Klairmont, 2nd K. Smith

Additional Décor Budget:

- 2026 Holiday Budget: **$34,000**
- Approved Base Lighting Contract: **$25,460**
- Remaining Budget Available: **$8,540**

Recommended Additional Décor Investment: Approximately **$6,000**, leaving about **$2,540** in reserve for contingencies or unforeseen expenses.

IN SUMMARY: Our approved 2026 holiday décor budget is **$34,000**. The annual holiday lighting contract is **$25,460**, leaving **$8,540** available. Rather than spending the entire remaining balance, I would recommend allocating approximately **$6,000** toward additional holiday décor this year. This allows us to enhance the district while maintaining approximately **$2,500** in reserve for any unforeseen expenses or future needs.

Motion to approve additional holiday decore with Holiday Outdoor and Decore.
Denied: 1st A. Klairmont, 2nd K. Smith

Spring Walk Through:
Updated spreadsheet created and passed along to commissioners. Next walkthrough rescheduled for September 8, 2026.

SSA Holiday Tree Lighting
The SSA and ESCC will once again combine events of the SSA Tree lighting and ESCC trolley event. It is scheduled for Thursday December 3, 2026. Time TBD. More details on this event to follow.

Adjourn:
Motion to adjourn 1st A. Klairmont, 2nd K. Smith
Meeting adjourned 4:18PM