

## **SSA 5 Regular Commission Meeting Minutes**

**February 22, 2018**

### **PRESENT**

Bonnie Dinell-Dimond  
Dorothy Hudson (2:30 arrival)  
Alex Alemis  
Angela Hurlock  
Robert Loncar

### **ABSENT**

### **SERVICE PROVIDER**

Tom Schell  
Dave Price  
Diane Abbott

### **Guests**

Alderwoman Susan Sadlowski Garza (3:10 arrival)  
Nikki Garcia

Meeting was called to order at 2:08 p.m.

### **1. Approval of Agenda**

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Angela Hurlock, seconded by Robert Loncar. Motion carried.

### **Presentation:**

- Derric Clemmons presented "Drive by Art" art concepts for Facade Rebate Program. He presented more specific proposals and locations for consideration.

## **2. Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes of the January 25, 2018, meeting were reviewed. There being no corrections or deletion to the minutes, a motion to approve the January 25, 2018, meeting minutes was made by Angela Hurlock, seconded by Robert Loncar. Motion carried.

## **3. Financial Report**

Financial Reports for the month ending January 31, 2018, were reviewed and discussed. Mr. Schell reviewed the revenues and expenses for the month of January. After further discussion regarding the Financial Reports, a motion to accept the January Financial Reports was made by Robert Loncar, seconded by Alex Alemis. Motion carried.

## **4. Cash Flow / Receivables**

Mr. Schell provided the commissioners with a copy of the January, 2018 bank reconciliation. After discussion, a motion to accept the January bank reconciliation was made by Angela Hurlock, seconded by Robert Loncar. Motion carried.

Mr. Schell reported that as of the date of the meeting, cash in the bank totaled \$141,638.00.

## **5. Items for Approval**

Mr. Schell presented the January and February invoices for payment approval. After a brief discussion regarding the invoices, a motion to approve the January and February invoices was made by Robert Loncar, seconded by Angela Hurlock. Motion carried.

Mr. Schell stated the City of Chicago approved the increase in the number of SSA 5 commissioners up to nine. The commissioners decided that the nine commissioners was ideal and that at least 2/3 of the sitting commissioners shall be owners of property or lease holders or employees of such within the SSA boundaries. A motion to accept the draft copy of the by-laws was presented by Angela Hurlock, seconded by Robert Loncar. Motion carried.

Mr. Price presented the Façade Rebate Application. After a discussion regarding the application, the only change recommended was to change the word storefront to property: Applicants who plan to make “**property**” improvements are eligible for a rebate of up to 90% of the associated costs of eligible improvements with a maximum rebate of \$9,000. A motion to accept the Draft Façade Rebate Application was made by Angela Hurlock, seconded by Robert Loncar. Motion carried.

## **6. Program Manager Report**

Mr. Price presented the Security Report in terms of the PD Matrix SSA #5 handout. Mr. Price stated the goals were to increase occupancy with engaged residents and increase security within the SSA. According to the matrix, the 2.54 base incidents need to be driven down. The February incidents were 1.43 mainly due to the snow storm.

Mr. Price presented a SBIF Update. Mr. Price visited each business within the SSA 5 at least 2 times since his arrival and presented the SBIF program to each business owner. Mr. Price mailed 102 packets to property owners in hopes of getting a large audience for the SBIF Program Event. So far, 8 business owners have applied for SBIF funds with six within the SSA 5 and the other two within the Tif District.

Mr. Price shared his ideas for the SSA 5 Facebook page: Commercial Avenue SSA@sweethomesouthchicago. Mr. Price stated he wanted to develop a SSA 5 website and spend the money allocated for this budget item. The commissioners encouraged Mr. Price to complete this task.

Mr. Price presented proposals for the available Tif Infrastructure funds. Mr. Price stated the proposals include Bus Pads at 91<sup>st</sup> & Commercial Avenue and Traffic Calming Curb Extensions on Commercial Avenue. Alderwoman Susan Sadlowski Garza stated she would forward to the commissioners the proposals her office has already submitted.

## **7. Items for Discussion**

Mr. Price passed out an impressive updated list of the current SSA 5 businesses.

Alderwoman Susan Sadlowski Garza presented the Community Identifier that her office along with an artist have developed. Alderwoman Garza asked the SSA to combine funding to be able to place three community identifiers in the 10<sup>th</sup> Ward instead of just one.

## **8. Adjournment**

There being no additional business, a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 p.m. was made by Angela Hurlock, seconded by Dorothy Hudson. Motion carried.

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting – March 22, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.