



Southeast Side
COMMUNITY
Business District
Special Service Area 5

SSA 5 Regular Commission Meeting Minutes

August 27, 2020

PRESENT

Dorothy Hudson
Bonnie Dinell-Diamond
Alex J. Alemis
Angela Hurlock
Laurentino Ramirez
Albert Garcia

ABSENT

SERVICE PROVIDER

Tom Schell
Dave Price
Diane Abbott

The meeting of the SSA 5 Commission is called to order at 2:09 p.m. Pursuant to the applicable law and the determination that attendance by remote means is necessary because an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent due to the declared public health disaster cause by COVID-19, this meeting is conducted by conference call.

1. Approval of the Agenda

There being one addition to the agenda, Dave Price added one item (a proposed event) to the Program Manager Report. With the addition and no other corrections or additions, a motion to approve the agenda was made by Albert Garcia, seconded by Dorothy Hudson. Motion carried.

2. Approval of the Minutes

There being no corrections or additions to the June 25, 2020 Meeting Minutes, a motion to approve the June 25, 2020 Meeting Minutes was made by Alex J. Alemis, seconded by Dorothy Hudson. Motion carried.

There being no corrections or additions to the July 9, 2020 Budget Meeting Minutes, a motion to approve the July 9, 2020 Budget Meeting Minutes was made by Dorothy Hudson, seconded by Alex J. Alemis. Motion carried.

3. Financial Report

Financial Reports for the month ending June 30, 2020, were reviewed and discussed. Tom Schell reviewed the revenues and expenses for the month of June. After further discussion regarding the Financial Reports, a motion to approve the June 30, 2020 Financial Reports was made by Albert Garcia, seconded by Alex J. Alemis. Motion carried.

Financial Reports for the month ending July 31, 2020, were reviewed and discussed. Tom Schell reviewed the revenues and expenses for the month of July. After further discussion regarding the Financial Reports, a motion to approve the July 31, 2020 Financial Reports was made by Dorothy Hudson, seconded by Albert Garcia. Motion carried.

4. Cash Flow / Receivables

Tom Schell provided the commissioners with a copy of the June, 2020 bank reconciliation. After a discussion, a motion to accept the June bank reconciliation was made by Albert Garcia, seconded by Dorothy Hudson. Motion carried.

Tom Schell provided the commissioners with a copy of the July, 2020 bank reconciliation. After a discussion, a motion to accept the July bank reconciliation was made by Dorothy Hudson, seconded by Bonnie Dinell-Diamond. Motion carried.

5. Items for Approval

Tom Schell presented the June and July invoices for payment approval. After a brief discussion regarding the invoices, a motion to approve the June and July invoices was made by Bonnie Dinell-Diamond, seconded by Albert Garcia. Motion carried.

6. Program Manager Report

Dave Price discussed the safety and security report for the months of June and July. Dave Price said that the areas of concern seem to be 89th and Commercial Avenue and the east side of 91st Street. Loitering is the main issue. Dave Price informed that all 19 meters had been removed as they were being used for possible distribution of drugs.

Dave Price stated that the 4th District Police Department has started their monthly community meeting. The last meeting included a discussion regarding the persistent issues within the community. The Police Department is urging people to call 911 with any complaints as the patrolling patterns are determined by the complaints recorded (data driven patrolling). If the community does not make the calls, the patrols will not be out in the areas that need the most patrols.

Dave Price said that he will visit every business in the SSA 5 and make sure they hear this message. He will also reassure businesses that their calls will be kept confidential.

Dave Price presented a Fall Planting Event that consists of volunteers from the event committee as well as the community spending a couple days of massive bulb planting, resulting in a beautiful spring display next year. A motion to approve the Fall Planting Event scheduled for October 17 & 24, 2020, with the expenses not to exceed \$1,000.00 was made by Bonnie Dinell-Diamond, seconded by Dorothy Hudson. Motion carried.

Dave Price shared the Event Committee proposal to hold an event at the mural site. The event would be a celebration of the mural as well as provide music and food to the community. The commissioners discussed many issues that could become problems with holding an event next month. It was decided that Dave would present to the event committee the possibility of holding a “drive by concert” encouraging the community to visit the mural if they have not already seen it.

7. Items for Discussion

Tom Schell stated that the next meeting September 24, 2020, could be done via zoom if all the commissioners agreed to download the zoom app.

Tom Schell informed regarding the Invest Southwest Corridor Manager RFP. Tom Schell stated the Invest Southwest Corridor RFP has been submitted and the expected announcement will be in September. Tom Schell will alert the commissioners as soon as he is notified one way or the other. If awarded the RFP, the SSA 5 would need to hire a manager to work in conjunction with Dave Price and the SSA 5 goals.

Tom Schell stated that the SSA 5 banners were hung throughout the business district and look bright and great. Tom Schell encouraged all the commissioners to look for the banners while out and about in the community.

Adjournment

There being no additional business, a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:10 p.m. was made by Bonnie Dinell-Diamond, seconded by Laurentino Ramirez. Motion carried.

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting – September 24, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.