



Southeast Side
COMMUNITY
Business District
Special Service Area 5

SSA 5 Regular Commission Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2023

PRESENT

Laura Shallow
Bonnie Dinell-Diamond
Laurentino Ramirez
Dorothy Hudson

ABSENT

Alex Alemis
Angela Hurlock

SERVICE PROVIDER

Tom Schell, Executive Director
Crystal Vance-Guerra, Program Manager

GUESTS

Grace Morin, 10th Ward Office
Captain Kevin Salmon, AGB Investigative Services
Mikael David, Claretian Associates
Derric Clemmons, South Work ARTE
Bill EliOponlos, Cosmos Mortgage
Diane Dalton, Peoples Bank
Doreetha Wheatley, South Chicago Hub
Lucy Gudino, Cosmos Mortgage

At this time, our guests, commissioners and services provider staff introduced themselves.

At this time, a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 2:20 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

There being no corrections or additions to the agenda, a motion to approve the agenda was made by Laura Shallow, seconded by Laurentino Ramirez. Motion carried.

Public Comments

An opportunity for community member to provide updates was provided at this time.

Security Report

Crystal Vance-Guerra and Captain Kevin Salmon presented the April Security report.

2. Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from the April 27, 2023 were reviewed. There being no corrections nor additions to the minutes, a motion to approve the April 27 2023 meeting minutes as presented was made by Bonnie Dinell-Diamond, seconded by Laurentino Ramirez. Motion carried.

3. Financial Report

Financial Reports for the month ending April 30, 2023, were reviewed and discussed. Mr. Schell reviewed the financial position statement as well as the revenues and expenses for the month of April. After further discussion regarding the Financial Reports, a motion to approve the April 30, 2023 Financial Reports was made by Laura Shallow, seconded by Dorothy Hudson. Motion carried.

4. Cash Flow / Receivables

Tom Schell provided the commissioners with a copy of the April bank reconciliation. A brief discussion occurred regarding the outstanding checks and the monthly deposits. After further discussion and explanation, a motion to accept the April bank reconciliation was made by Laura Shallow, seconded by Bonnie Dinell-Diamond. Motion carried.

5. Items for Approval

Tom Schell presented the April and May invoices for payment approval. After further discussion regarding the invoices, a motion to approve the April and May invoices for payment was made by Laurentino Ramirez, seconded by Laura Shallow. Motion carried.

Jessica Smith presented a Security Rebate Application. On Purpose Community Series, LLC 3008EPS dba Indigo located at 3008 E. 92nd Street is requesting a rebate for new fencing in the back of their building.

After a brief discussion and a review of the security application guidelines, a motion to approve the Security Rebate Application for On Purpose Community Series, LLC 3008EPS dba Indigo located at 3008 E. 92nd Street was made by Alex Alemis, seconded by Dorothy Hudson. Motion carried.

6. Program Report

Crystal Vance-Guerra reviewed the SSA Monthly Review Report provided to the Commissioners. The report contained information regarding business supports, business promotions, past and upcoming events and a reimagine art on Commercial Avenue flyer. During the discussion, Ms. Vance-Guerra proposed a series of podcast highlight lighting business in the corridor. During the discussion, the commissioners had several questions and concerns that could not be answered at this meeting. The proposal was tabled until Ms. Vance-Guerra could obtain answers to their questions and concerns.

Adjournment

There being no additional business, a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:41 p.m. was made by Laura Shallow, seconded by Dorothy Hudson. Motion carried.

Next Scheduled Meeting – May 25, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

