

BELMONT-CENTRAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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SSA #2 Commissioners' Meeting
Tuesday, March 23, 2021, 2pm
Zoom teleconference @ 5534 W. Belmont Avenue
Meeting ID: 837 6611 9125
PassCode: 480107

Commissioners Present: Darlene Ortiz, John Toumplis
Commissioner via Zoom: Mark Roschen (DPD-Ex Officio)
Commissioners Absent: Kelly Rauch, Zbigniew Kruczalak
Others Present: Reid Mackin (BCCC), Mike Caldarulo (BCCC)
Others via Zoom: Joy Coombes (Eilts & Associates)

Due to the ongoing pandemic and in the interest of general health and safety, the meeting was conducted both in –person and recorded online via Zoom.

Quorum & Meeting Minutes

With three commissioners present, a quorum was determined to exist. Darlene motioned to accept the July 7, 2020 minutes; John seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously. No visitors were present to provide a public participation.

Administration

Matthew Goncarz of Retro Café Restaurant (3246 N. Central Avenue) has expressed his willingness to serve on the commission and is currently completing the application's requirements for submission. Mark asked that the completed application be submitted to DPD with copies forwarded to the SSA's aldermen.

A letter will be sent to current commissioners who have been absent at three or more consecutive meetings in order to determine their interest in continuing to serve on the SSA #2 commission.

City and County Statements of Financial Interest are due on May 3, 2021.

Finances

Joy presented the draft 2020 audit. The one reoccurring finding is the Carry-over aka Reserves that exceeds the 25% budget cap allowed by the City. John motioned to approve the 2020 audit; Darlene seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

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A draft 2022 budget was presented that freezes the tax levy for the fourth consecutive year. The draft budget will be voted upon at the April meeting with a final approval at the July meeting.

Other/New Business

The chamber received a supplemental invoice from Imperial Landscaping for providing extra snow removal services during January and February's snowstorms. Imperial had to employ a Bobcat-style skid to remove excess snow from the garage roof and at the sidewalk intersections of the SSA district. Darlene motioned to move \$4330 from 3.08 Garage Repair & Maintenance to 2.11 Snow Removal Services; John seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

One proposal for the garage resurfacing project was received and presented. The commissioners would like to interview the company at the next meeting.

Two proposals for the garage gardens were presented. The commissioners would like to interview the prospective companies to learn more about the materials that would be used in the gardens. Reid will ask the companies to attend the next meeting.

Northwest Side Community Development Corporation (CDC) would like to hold a business fair at the garage on a Saturday afternoon in late July or early August. The commissioners would like to interview a representative from the CDC about the event at the next commission meeting.

2021 Meeting Schedule/Adjournment

Since the commission normally meets on a quarterly basis, the City requests the commission meet on a January-April-July-October schedule in order to review and approve the quarterly reports; therefore, the next scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 27 followed by July 13 and October 5, 2021.

With no more business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m.