Commission Meeting Minutes

Attending: Jim McHale, Chairperson; Chris Johnson, Vice Chairperson; Al Goldberg, Treasurer; Dorothy Milne, Secretary; Kevin Owings, Commissioner; Ana Bermudez (RPBA Staff), Carolina Juarez (RPBA Staff)

Absent: None

1. Welcome
   Meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.

2. Community and Public Input
   None.

3. Approval of April 2015 Minutes
   The minutes were reviewed. No changes, corrections nor additional information were requested. Motion to approve the April 2015 minutes (Goldberg / Owings). Unanimously approved.

4. Review and approval of April 2015 Financials
   April 2015 Financials were reviewed. No changes, corrections nor additional information were requested. Motion to approve April 2015 Financials (Johnson/ Milne). Unanimously approved.

5. Action Items
   - Review 2016 budget and workplan draft
     Commission reviewed and discussed draft of 2016 Budget and Workplan to submit to the City of Chicago. Discussion included:
       i. Will be going over budget on landscaping, anticipating to spend less in the coming years due to new plantings which will grow back annually.
       ii. Line of credit is still $25,000. Will be changing banks.
       iii. Added spending for Free Wi-Fi program, Banners, Landscaping, Small business energy efficiency program, Bicycle Transit Enhancements and BIPs.
       iv. Removed spending from Safety Program
       v. Ana and Carolina will submit draft to the City of Chicago and once we receive their notes, we will meet to approve a final budget for 2016.

6. Information Items
   - Landscaping
     Carolina/ Ana reported: summer planters have been planted. Brickman will plant perennials in sidewalk cut-outs. We are looking into affordable mulch for tree squares.
   - GSM Opening Ceremony
     As the major sponsor, the Commission was invited to attend the Glenwood Sunday Market Opening Ceremony. Chris Johnson, Dorothy Milne and Al Goldberg will attend.
   - Mile of Murals
     2015 mural draft was approved by MoM committee. Mural will be painted in
July. Mural on viaduct between Morse and Lunt and under CTA Lunt exit bike racks have been restored by Roman.

- **New Businesses**
  Carolina announced new businesses on SSA #24: GingerSlam Nail Bar, Centered Studios, Pub 626, SmackDab, Chez Delisay’s Cajun Cousine, Coffee shop/bookstore on south west corner of Clark and Wallen, Tavern and Dollar Store.

- **P Street Designation**
  Ana reported that Alderman will be introducing P Street Designation this month (June).

7. **New Business**
   - Ana and Carolina have new titles; Ana is now the Marketing and Communications Manager for the Rogers Park Business Alliance, including all SSAs. Carolina is now the Clark/Morse/Glenwood SSA Manager.

8. **Old Business**
   None.

Meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.