

Devon SSA #43 Commission Meeting

Monday, December 17, 2018 3:00pm 2949 W. Devon Ave., Chicago

MINUTES

Commissioners Present: Avi Bereliani, Irshad Khan, Rebeca Vasquez, Pete Valavanis **Commissioners Absent**: Sanhita Agnihotri, Jayesh Shewakramani, Maura Nemes

Commissioner Candidates Absent: Mohammad Bozai

Service Provider Staff Present: Sandi Price, Gina Caruso, Tony Pelican (Rogers Park Business

Alliance)

Public Officials Present: Alderman Debra Silverstein **Guests:** Melissa Lagowski, Ana Beems Big Buzz Idea Group

- I. Call to Order at 3:07pm
- II. Public Input None Present
- III. Review and approve draft October and November 2018 Meeting Minutes Motion to approve by Pete with a second by Avi. APPROVED
- IV. Financials
 - a. 2018 Budget Revision Motion to approve a budget revision by shifting \$30,000 for PLACE Consulting management fees from: 1.08 Display Ads \$17,000; 1.09 PR \$3,000, 5.02 Security \$10,000 Rebeca and Avi APPROVED
- V. Programs & Services
 - a. BIP & Sign Removal Rebates
 World Fresh Market working on their project
 - Public Way Security Camera Proposals and Rebate Program Change -big plus was software to hook up with the CPD and they can give us access.
 Next step – get quote from Genetec camera company then have RFP respondents rebid.
 - c. Public Way Beautification
 - i. Streetscape Update get bids to paint
 - ii. Holiday Decorations Update- change video on FB and get mandala prototype; get credit on pole wrapping do RFP for pole painting
 - d. Landscaping
 - e. Customer Attraction

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- i. Banners Bannerville is sending out truck to check for damage and missing banners and will fix them.
- ii. Advertising- add to January agenda
- iii. PR Sandi reported on A5 which is \$1,000/mo, Sparkfactor doesn't do social media; next step see if we can get the price down for Silverman
- iv. Special Events Devon's Got Talent Debrief and 2019 Events
 - Melissa and Ana reviewed the event scope and debrief of the event. Take-aways include: do a showcase rather than competition because this format draws people from a larger area; more time (minimum six months out); do Bombay Hall next year.
 - 2. Commission feedback: adjusted lighting to focus on the stage; successful part was the children;
 - Recommendations: shift focus to not be as broad focus on North Shore and local area and stick locally; more frequent communication including phone calls and in-person meetings
 - 4. Put on January agenda to decide when to have an event in 2019.
- f. SSA Open Houses 2019 Dates & Locations (two in 2019) end of April and end of August
- g. Economic Development: Mapping Presentation Tony presented some of the data on the Devon SSA map, including streetscape elements and vacancies.

VI. SSA Commission

- a. Treasurer Election; New Candidates
- b. Next meeting: January 14th 3:00pm
- c. 2019 Draft Meeting Schedule
- VII. Old & New Business
 - a. Opened / Closed Businesses
- VIII. Adjournment 5:00pm

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