

Devon SSA #43 Commission Meeting
Monday, February 28, 2022 2:30pm
Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87341468102>
call-in: 312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 87341468102



MEETING MINUTES

Commissioners Present: Irshad Khan, Sanhita Agnihotri, Junaid Butt, Maura Levit ,
Jay Shewakramani, Avi Bereliani,
Others Present: Sandi Price & Cindy Plante, RPBA;
Ald. Debra Silverstein

I. Call to order

Meeting was called to order at 2:52 pm
Due to the declared public health disaster caused by COVID-19, this meeting is
conducted by videoconference.

II. Public comment

There was no public comment

III. Approval of the minutes from Jan 24, 2022

Avi moved approval, Sanhita Seconded.
APPROVED.

IV. Glass Damage & Board-up rebate policy

Cindy presented the draft board up & glass damage rebate policy via screenshare and
provided background info.
Avi and Irshad had questions about insurance. Cindy pointed out language in the
document clarifying that the rebate provides up to 50% of repair expenses not covered
by insurance, up to a max of \$2,000. Applicants have to show that they've filed a police
report and attest that the repairs either aren't covered or are below the deductible. Most
of the businesses that have had incidents like this have insurance, but the deductibles
were high enough that the damage wasn't covered.
Avi moved approval, Maura seconded.
APPROVED.

V. TukTuk Event

Cindy provided an update on planning for the TukTuk event and presented a draft map
of potential locations where the TukTuks could be placed in the district. We'll be reaching
out to adjacent property owners to make sure they're on board. In addition, if anybody
has any artist contacts or organizations that would be interested in decorating or painting
one of the tuktuks, please share that info.
Sanhita and Maura both mentioned that they have contacts to share, Cindy will follow
up.

VI. Updates

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a. Light pole banners

Sandi and Cindy shared that about 20 of the light pole banners on Devon are damaged and in need of replacement. 46 seem to still be in good condition, and we replaced about 30 last summer. Given how many need to be replaced this year, we wanted to ask commissioners if there was interest in designing new banners or just reprinting more of the current design.

Irshad and Avi asked about more durable options since the banners we've been getting don't seem to last very long. Suggested looking into hanging baskets or metal banners.

Sanhita mentioned that Lincolnwood has flags on the light poles that might be an option.

Cindy has looked into hanging baskets before for other districts - typically the city doesn't allow them unless it's being done as part of a larger streetscape project, because the poles need to be rated for them. Not sure if that's the case with the poles on Devon, but we'll reach out to CDOT and ask.

b. 2022 landscaping

Cindy and Sandi are waiting for Brightview to get back to us regarding spring plant selection and installation timeline. They also need to correct their error on ordering planter pots last year. The ones they installed were not the ones we ordered, and the person who did it is no longer with the company. We also plan to issue an RFP for landscaping services this year, as the current contract ends this year.

c. Lighting replacement

Cindy shared that replacement lights have been ordered and our vendor is planning to install them this spring.

d. Pigeon abatement

Cindy presented the final pigeon signage, which we've had translated into Arabic and Hindi as well as English and Spanish. We'll be ordering posters for businesses to put up in windows, as well as yard sign ones to place in our in-ground planter areas this spring.

Avi asked about pest control services. Cindy hasn't scheduled any yet because we don't have any buildings left on the list. If there are additional ones commissioners want to pursue this year, send us the addresses.

VII. Adjournment

Sanhita asked about getting the OnDevon logo printed on collateral to hand out to businesses and event attendees. Suggested refrigerator magnets.

Cindy will look into it and get quotes.

Meeting adjourned at 3:23pm

Next Meeting: March 21, 2022, 2:30 pm

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