



SSA Commissioners Community Meeting

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Tuesday, February 15, 2021 at 2pm

Commissioners Present: Sara Lukens, Chris Bell, Jennifer Clark  
Commissioners Absent: Heather Hill, Tony Fox  
Others Present: Sandi Price & Cindy Plante, RPBA,  
Karen Forte, City of Chicago

**1. Call to order**

Meeting was called to order at 2:15pm

Due to the ongoing Covid19 pandemic the meeting is being recorded and held in a virtual format.

**2. Public comment**

there was no public comment

**3. Approve minutes from last meeting**

Chris moved approval of the minutes; Sara seconded.

APPROVED Unanimously.

**4. 2021 Live Love Shop recap**

Cindy presented a report on participation in the 2021 Live Love Shop program.

**5. Funding request for 2022 Flatts & Sharpe Block Party**

Chris asked to move this to the next meeting.

Cindy will include it on the April agenda.

**6. Board up and glass damage rebate policy**

Cindy presented draft program guidelines for a new rebate program based on BIP to assist businesses recovering from damage to their storefronts due to vandalism, violence, or burglary. Proposed program would allow for a 50% rebate on repairs not covered by insurance, up to a max of \$2,000. Amount is based on the approach taken by SSA 43 in response to 2020 civil unrest, but there have been several inquiries since in other SSAs, so there was a need to codify the policy, which also requires that applicants submit a police report, and doesn't impact future BIP eligibility.

Chris moved approval, Sarah seconded.

Approved.

Cindy will also share a copy of the program guidelines with Karen.

#### **7. Public Way Aesthetics**

Cindy shared that our account manager at Brightview landscaping has left the company, and we're working to set up a meeting with our new account rep to discuss plans for spring plantings. Will be sharing feedback from last year regarding inconsistency of plantings throughout the district and potential need for soil amendments in the 6400 block of Sheridan.

Cindy shared that we'll also be making some minor fixes to the BellaWrap installation once the weather warms up based on feedback from CDOT before applying to expand the installation.

#### **8. 2022 dates**

Cindy reminded commissioners that the April meeting will include approval of the 2021 audit and beginning of budget discussion for 2023. The June meeting is being moved to July to comply with the City's budget timeline. City & County Ethics filings are also due May 1 for commissioners.

#### **9. Adjournment**

Jennifer asked for an update on BID legislation.

Sandi said we haven't really looked into it much yet because it's still pending at the state level. Once the state passes it we'll most likely follow the city's lead on any implementation.

Cindy added that we've been in contact with Ald.Hadden's office about potential new TIFs.

Jennifer moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:35