



Commission Meeting Minutes

Attending: Carolina Juarez; RPBA staff, Wally Andersen; Chair, Nick Kosiek, Vice Chair; Irene Bermudez, Commissioner; Gabriel Sanchez, Commissioner; Shenicka Hohenkirk, 49th Ward Office.

Absent: Sara Izquierdo, Commissioner; Al Goldberg, Treasurer;

1. Welcome
The meeting began at 9:05 a.m.
2. Community and Public Input
None
3. May 08, 225 Minutes
May 08th minutes were reviewed. No additional information was requested.
4. BIP - Ricardo Silva
Commission reviewed BIP application and approved a 50% reimbursement for the cost for new signage from lowest bid presented, minus quote for work presented for the inside. (Izquierdo / Bermudez) Unanimously approved.
5. 2026 Workplan & Budget Draft
Commission reviewed 2026 workplan & budget draft presented by Carolina. The Commission asked that Special Events be increased to at least \$85K to accommodate more programming. The Commission will vote on the final budget in July after Carolina makes edits required by the City of Chicago.
6. SSA Manager's Report – Carolina gave updates to commission on the following:
 - a. Camino Clark
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 1. Taco Crawl- Thursday, July 17, 3 to 7 pm;
 2. Advisory Board- 2nd quarterly meeting- June 11th at 9 am;
 3. Other upcoming Colectivo Clark/ Events;
 - ii. GSM- Spiral Into Spring Soiree summary, 2025 season began;
 - iii. Business Technical Assistance - Fruit vendor, Nick Alvarez;
 - iv. Levitt Music Series Grant- applying for Touhy Park
 - v. Chicago is With You Taskforce- Carolina is a member
7. RPBA Updates
 - Ribbon Cuttings- June 17, 2025;
 - BEST: GROW More/PROGRESANDO Mas;
 - 14th District -Small Business Security Infrastructure Grant.
 - Best of Rogers Park - June 25th, 5:30 to 7:30 pm
 - First Friday Music Series
 - New Murals on Howard
8. Old Business
 - Glenwood Alfresco;
 - People Spot;
 - Glenwood Cobblestones;
 - Spikes on Railings.
9. New Business
 - a. New/Closing New: Ricardo Silva Design, Red Vault / Closing: Chikis

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.