

SSA #22 Commissioners Meeting  
January 21, 2021 at 2PM

**Pursuant to the applicable law and my determination that attendance by remote means is necessary because an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent due to the declared public health disaster caused by COVID-19, this meeting is conducted by videoconference.**

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Present: Mike Sullivan, Frank Uhler, Pete Valavanis, Nadeen Kiernan, Andy Peters, Farah Essa

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- 1) 2PM President, Mike Sullivan, opened the meeting
  - a) Formal announcement that meeting is taking place remotely over Zoom
- 2) **Welcome and Introductions**
  - a) Present: Mike Sullivan, Frank Uhler, Pete Valavanis, Nadeen Kiernan, Andy Peters, Farah Essa
- 3) **December minutes unanimously approved**
- 4) **Public Comment**
  - a) No public comments made as no new attendees were present at the meeting outside of commissions
- 5) **Financial Report**
  - a) P & L reviewed
  - b) SSA #22 budget is where it needs to be this year for carryover
  - c) In 2021 SSA will continue to be conservative for the first 1-3 months
  - d) Cash flow hits bank account late February/March
  - e) February's meeting will go through essential spending
  - f) There is no anticipated rebate for Patch and snow removal
  - g) Unanimously Approved Financials @ 2:12PM
- 6) **Unanimous Approval of Andersonville Chamber of Commerce as service provider for SSA#22**
- 7) **SSA Rebate Programs**
  - a) Better Air Rebate
    - i) Meeting House Tavern and Replay Andersonville applied for first round of rebates
  - b) Mike Sullivan, as owner of Meeting House Tavern, excused himself from the vote
    - i) Mike Sullivan stated that with the new recirculation system air is re-circulated every 6 minutes as opposed to the average 25 minutes in most current systems
  - c) Unanimously approved rebates for Replay and Meeting House Tavern

- d) **ACTION ITEM:** Recommendation was made to send out a dedicated SSA email to be sent out regarding Rebate Program opportunities to all businesses services by the SSA.
- e) David Oakes discussed a proposed walk-up window windbreaker rebate program. Working with an outside vendor to help create a purchasable windbreaker that also incorporates a walk -up window to service customers during Covid.
- f) Committee discussed the potential to have a 3rd party delivery rebate program. Northhalsted was able to have one, but unlikely for SSA#22 to be able to offer this.
- g) Nadeen asked a question about budget line items for rebate programs. David Oakes clarified that safety and facade are two separate line items

## 8) Services Report

### a) Customer Attraction

- i) David Oakes clarified City Grange Planters. There was a miscommunication as to what was being installed that will be cleared up moving forward in 2021
- ii) Discussed Andersonville Chamber of Commerce Events by Quarter
  - (1) Hygge Fest
  - (2) Coffee and Cocoa Crossover Event with Lincoln Square
    - (a) Megalytics data from our audit in 2020 showed that most of our customers come from Lincoln Square

### b) Public Way Aesthetics

- i) David Oakes is speaking with the City about street lights and installing step-down boxes as the voltage is too high and blows a fuse when other lights are plugged in.
- ii) Trash Cans
- iii) Suggestion was made to clean around the trash can and not just remove the liners because trash is getting left and missed
- iv) Trash gets removed by Clean Slate on Mondays and Thursdays
- v) Andy Peters noted that there has been increase in rats during Covid
  - (1) Rats are a problem across the City
  - (2) Call 311 about sightings

### c) Sustainability and Public Places

- i) Molly Costello mural

### d) Catalpa project updates

- i) Catalpa street project still on the table for 2021
- ii) The Andersonville Chamber of Commerce met with 40th Ward and monthly discussions will be held on project status

### e) Economic & Business Development

- i) The Andersonville Chamber of Commerce is planning a broker/property owner Networking event in March
- f) Safety Programs
  - i) David Oakes gave an update on neighborhood safety and communications sent by 20th district recommendations for best practice

**Meeting adjourned at 2:45PM**