



**Uptown Special Service Area (SSA#34)  
Advisory Commission Meeting  
April 20, 2010, 3:30 pm  
Sun Wah BBQ Restaurant  
5039-41 N. Broadway, Chicago, IL**

**Minutes**

Commissioners Present:

Terry Touhy (President), Steve Milford (Vice Chair), Margaret Haywood (Secretary), Tom Cameron, Chip Long, Noreen Keeney, Jenny Martin, Warren Preis,

Commissioners Absent:

David Rettker (Treasurer), Kelly Cheng, Marco Morales, Mitch Schneider

Others in Attendance:

Wally Rozak, SSA #34 Administrator, Uptown United  
Bart Eilts, Eilts & Associates

Meeting called to order at 3:39pm

- I. Public Input:** None
- II. Financial Update/Review of Audit:** Auditor Bart Eilts discussed the results of the audit performed for the 2009 fiscal year. He noted that a clean opinion for the audit. He also noted that the expenses were down last year with current surpluses now being due to deferred expenses (streetscape furniture, etc). given the state of the economy & possible effects on tax receipts, Eilts felt it was probably good to have some cushion. Cameron moved to accept the audit, Preis seconded. Approved unanimously by voice vote.
- III. Review of Minutes:** Minutes from the March meeting were approved unanimously. Moved, Milford, seconded Cameron.
- IV. 2011 Draft Budget/Workplan**  
Copies of the draft workplan and budget for 2011 were distributed. Rozak noted increases mainly with categories that tie in with streetscaping. Rozak felt a need to keep dollar figures consistent with previous years budgets so that we keep with the rate cap (i.e. 0.25% of EAV). Martin moved to approve the draft plan & budget; Milford seconded. Approved unanimously by voice vote.
- V. SSA Administrator Updates**  
- Security Rebate  
We are waiting for applicants to furnish cost estimates. Commissioners discussed & supported the desire to increase the number of rebate applicants in the pilot phase from 5 to 10. There is money in the Safety Program budget to accommodate the increase.

-Streetscape and Streetlighting

The contract for the streetscape project will be awarded soon. The last info from CDOT has the work starting in mid-spring to be completed before Thanksgiving. No definitive answer on the timeframe on Ald. Shiller's proposed installation of double-acorn lighting fixtures on Broadway & Wilson adjacent to streetscaped blocks.

-Public Allies

Michael Harrington will finish up his work on the litter-recycling in the schools project at the end of June. Harrington has developed standardized forms for the schools to record their recycling progress & has been visiting the schools to monitor participation and troubleshoot. The Public Allies program is recruiting & reviewing applicants for the 2010-11 year.

-Development Partners Meeting

Rozak extended an invitation to Commissioners to April 28th Development Partners meeting to hear a presentation by Jerry Mickelson of Jam Productions discuss his plans for the Uptown Theatre.

-Update on Joyce Dugan

Rozak noted that Joyce had been through her third round of chemo and is at home. A strong candidate for a stem cell donation was identified.

**VI. New Business**

-New City of Chicago Farmer's Market location will be at Weiss Hospital running from June through end of October. Touhy looking for more vendors for the market.

-Rozak noted recent meetings with incoming store manager of Target. Commissioners will be made aware of Grand Opening events.

-Windy City Ribfest in Uptown street fest coming to the 4700 block of Broadway from Friday, July 16 through Sunday, July 18.

**VII. Adjournment:**

Cameron moved to adjourn, Preis seconded, and it was passed unanimously at 4:13pm.