



**Uptown Special Service Area (SSA#34)  
Advisory Commission Meeting  
June 29, 2010, 3:30 pm  
Sun Wah BBQ Restaurant  
5039-41 N. Broadway, Chicago, IL**

**Minutes**

Commissioners Present:

Terry Touhy (President), Kelly Cheng, Margaret Haywood (Secretary), Chip Long, Jenny Martin

Commissioners Absent:

David Rettker (Treasurer), Tom Cameron, Noreen Keeney, Steve Milford (Vice Chair), Marco Morales, Warren Preis, Mitch Schneider

Others in Attendance:

Wally Rozak, SSA #34 Administrator, Uptown United  
Brad Leibov, Terra Firma Co. and member of the Board, Uptown United

Meeting called to order at 3:52pm - **NO QUORUM PRESENT**

**I. Public Input:** None

**II. Review of Minutes & Review of Mid-Year Assessment:**  
Since no quorum was present, vote deferred to later meeting.

**III. Presentation of PIN Research/Update Findings**

Brad Leibov discussed his findings. Basically he described how the underlying Property Index Numbers (PINs) that designate each parcel with the SSA changed since the establishment of the SSA. Some key findings

- All parcels that are within the boundaries of the SSA, are indeed being taxed as expected.
- Although the number of PINs associated with residential uses outnumber those with commercial uses, the SSA is still predominantly commercial when looking at property value and the amount contributed to the SSA. Of a tax base of about \$440 million, only \$69 million comes from residential PINs.

- Regarding the impact of Uptown's three TIF districts that overlap with the SSA, In summary, for PINs that are both within a TIF and SSA, like any other taxing body, the SSA does not receive the full amount levied. For example, if the Commissioners were to approve a levy for the maximum percentage allowable (0.25% of EAV), a budget of approximately \$1million should result. However, when the impact of the TIF Districts is taken into account, an SSA budget of \$685K would result and about \$400K would be retained by TIF Districts.

Leibov also talked about his firm's ongoing work with Uptown United exploring the concept and feasibility of developing a public market at the CTA's Red Line Wilson Station.

**IV. Presentation of 2009-10 Litter in the Schools Project**

Michael Harrington summarized his work on the litter-recycling in the schools project. In addition to an autumn 2009 "America Recycles Day" event at Truman College, Harrington has been working to develop our relationships with the teachers & leadership at the schools and also understand how we can work with them to bolster their actual recycling programs as well as increased anti-litter/pro-recycling/green activities & curriculum. The Public Allies program is recruiting & reviewing applicants for the 2010-11 year who will help us to build upon the project in its 2nd year.

**V. SSA Administrator Updates**

- President/CEO Search for Uptown United

Search is underway and applicants are being reviewed.

- Broadway Streetscape

Work is planned to continue until the Friday before the July 20 Target opening. Work will start up again

**VI. Adjournment:**

Meeting adjourned at 4:48pm.

*Minutes approved at November 10, 2010 meeting.*