

GREEKTOWN SSA#16
February 24, 2022 VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES – FINAL

Commissioners Virtually Attending

Frank J. Caputo, (FC)
Eve Moran, (EM)
Anastasia Makridakis, (AM)
Tom Paspalas
George Reveliotis, (GR)
Marc Washor, (MW)

Others Virtually Attending

Rod Burch, (RB), Exec. Director WCA
Dean T. Maragos, (DTM), Advisor
Tia Angelos, (TA), Program Director, SSA #16
Elizabeth Neukirch, (EN), The Silverman Group

Commissioners Absent

Justine Fedak
Lorraine Rieff Liakouras
Maria Tsourapas

I. Call to Order, Roll Call – The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. A quorum was present.

II. Community Participation – There was no community participation.

III. Review and Vote on Approval of January 27, 2022 Meeting Minutes – There was a motion by TP and seconded by FC to accept the January 27, 2022 meeting minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Old Business

- A. Crosswalks Update – FC stated that he is waiting for City approval. The SSA has given the City the \$200,000 check. FC stated the check was personally taken to City Hall. City agent Garth Wemmer stated the check was cashed and he will give us the next steps.

V. New Business

- A. Annual Report Draft – TA stated that they had not yet received the Annual Report Draft from Spark Factor. TA said that they expect the report by the next SSA meeting.
- B. 2021 Q4 Performance Review – RB stated that this was the worksheet from the City. Highlighted on the worksheet is the 4th Quarter 2021 spending (see attached documents). RB will submit this to the City. RB will work with the CPA on the financial statements to be presented at the April 28, 2022 SSA meeting since the information is due in May, 2022 to the City.
- C. Lighting - Monuments – FC stated that he received a Twin Electric Proposal for a total of \$12,860.00. RB stated he will do an RFP on the lighting fixtures. FC also stated that the temples were in need of repair since the limestone was cracking. FC suggested that we do a second RFP for the repair of the temple limestone. There was a motion made by FC and seconded by EM to defer the vote on these until we have further information. The motion passed unanimously. RB stated that when he is so informed he will prepare the first RFP for the lighting fixtures and the second RFP for the limestone. FC also

stated that he was seeking a company to do the limestone repair work. DTM stated Mertes Construction Company had done it in the 1990's and they have an excellent reputation. FC said he will contact Mertes and TA will also contact Mertes. FC stated that the limestone work will be done first and then after the limestone is done we will do the light fixtures. RB agreed with that.

FC mentioned the safety of the electric lights at the corner of Quincy and Halsted. FC stated that he has contacted the Bureau of Electricity for the City of Chicago and is waiting their information on the Quincy and Halsted electricity status.

- D. Power Washing Proposal – TA stated that the power washing was last done by Pressure Washing, Inc. and that they are also looking to do the pressure washing for the SSA. RB stated that the Pressure Washing, Inc. did an excellent job. FC stated that he believed they were worthy to do the job again for the SSA. There was a motion made by AM and seconded by TP to accept the Pressure Washing, Inc. proposal for \$6,700.00. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Reports & Updates

- A. Chairman Report – FC stated that as of the last meeting Connie Hinkle's contract was approved by the SSA and Dean Maragos' contract was approved by the SSA. RB signed both the Hinkle and the Maragos contracts. FC wanted the status on the Silverman Group and AGB contracts. RB stated that the Silverman contract had initially an incorrect "Scope of Work Services" in the contract. FC stated he would like final copies of both the AGB and Silverman Group contracts.

AM stated that she believes there should be a second COVID rebate program. The issues are sanitation products and marketing. After much discussion there was a motion by EM and seconded by AM to prepare the rebate program to be voted on at the March 24, 2022 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

FC stated that at the next meeting there will be a review of TA's employment contract.

FC stated that he ordered new flags for Greektown.

FC and TP received their approval letters from Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot for their reappointment to be Commissioners. Maria Tsourapas is currently working on getting her approval.

- B. Art Committee Report – EM reported that she and DTM were talking with the Zen Leaf people. DTM informed the commissioners, and he has previously talked with EM that the Zen Leaf people simply wanted a bullet point letter on what EM wants and the SSA wants from them. EM stated she will prepare this letter next week and will get a copy to DTM and then EM and DTM will meet with the Zen Leaf people. FC and EM stated that the status on the storage of sculptures was awaiting an opinion from the City of Chicago Corporation Counsel on the legality of their storage. FC and EM will discuss the storage of sculptures at the next SSA meeting.

EM stated she is working with UIC on preparing banners advertising Greektown and UIC.

- C. PR Updates – TA gave the update since EN had to leave the meeting. TA reported that EN had provided a December 2021 recap. The restaurant week is from March 1st to March 7th.
- D. Security Committee Report – GR said there was no report.
- E. Program Manager Report/Sole Service Provider Report – RB said there was no report.

VII. Adjournment – At 3:00 p.m. there was a motion by FC and seconded by EM to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The next SSA meeting is March 24, 2022.