

ROSELAND SPECIAL SERVICE AREA (SSA71)

REGULAR MINUTES of SPECIAL SERVICE AREA #71

Tuesday February 13th, 2024

US Bank Building, 1000 East 111th Street 4th Floor, Chicago, IL 60628

In Attendance:

Andrea Reed
Sheilah Stevenson CAIC
Acting Commissioner Jerry Fort Business Owner
Melissa Campos CAIC Business and Development
Sheilah Stevenson CAIC/SSA Program Manger

Guest in Attendance:

Tracy Murray CAIC Regional Business Coordinator
Evann Johnson 9th Ward Legislative Aide

5th District CAPS Business Liaison

Officer Sam Smith

Michigan Ave Property/Business Owners

Roseland Socks & T-Shirts Shop
Roseland Business Development - Ledell Edwards
Legends Barber Shop -Arron Williams
Ranch Steak House-Judy Ware

103rd Street Property/Business Owners

Nicole Brown Sheldon Liquors

Public in Attendance:

Rosemoor Community Assoc - Godfrey Lawson
Pullman Civic Organization -Carol Lagadinos

Meeting call to order: General meeting of SSA#71, held In-Person at US Bank 4th floor 1000 E 111th Street, Chicago IL 60628 on Tuesday February 13th, 2024. The meeting convened at 10:05 a.m. Sheilah Robinson SSA Program Manager presiding.

Reading and Approval of Minutes

Andrea Reed motioned to approve the SSA 71 Commission meeting minutes from January 9th, 2024, seconded by Jerry Fort Business: motion carries.

Public Comment-

- A question was asked about the Roseland, South Michigan Avenue & 111th Street Corridor Improvements. Judy Ware, owner of the Ranch Steak asked, will the project provide safe, walkable, and attractive streets that will foster community and economic growth.
- Ledell Edwards Chairman of the Roseland Business Development – how can they get notice regarding 111th Street Red Line Extension Project
- Mr. Godfrey Lawson from the Rosemoor Community Assoc stated that the 103rd St./Rosemoor Station has been closed starting on November 07, 2023, for rehab. He asked how long, will take for this project to be finished. Sheilah Robinson told him that that station will be under construction for one year.

Treasurer's Report: The Commissioner was giving a copy of SSA 71 Financials & Budget for 2024. As of January 2024, beginning balance 182,638.26. After the Commissioner reviewed the financial & budget statements Andrea Reed asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding the financials statements. No questions or concerns were presented by the Commissioner. A motion was made to accept the budget by Andrea Reed, seconded by Jerry Fort Business: motion carries.

Financials & Budget Modification: No budget modification was made.

New Commissioner Update for SSA 71:

Sheilah Robinson announced that there are empty Commissioners seat available. She will be going door to door to see if anyone is interested.

Work Plan Update Reports

1.02 Special Events: Every Litter Bit Hurts

- Sheilah Robinson informed the Commission that a date has been set for the planting of the Peace Garden on 113th Michigan Ave. The Clean and Green/Earth Day event will be held on Friday April 26, starting at 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The following organization has commented volunteer, Chicago Cares White Sox Volunteer Corps, 5th District Broom and Bloom, Clean Slate, 9th Ward Alderman Office (Community Service). Sheilah will have by-weekly meeting with the organization.

2.00 Public Way

Relocation of planters: Sheilah Robinson reported that she has not been successful with finding a company to move the planter two blocks over.

From: Four 400 Lbs. Planters moved (two at 11200 Street and Two at 11200 Place Michigan)
To: All four moved to 113 Street (Michigan)

From Two 400 Lbs. 111th Place (Michigan) Both side of Street
To 111th Street (Michigan)

3.01 Shredding and Recycling Events

- Our event will provide Commercial and Residential document destruction, paper shredding, and recycling of electronics. The first event is scheduled for Thursday May 23rd,2024 10:00 a.m. until 2: p.m. To be held at the Pullman Community Center, 10355 S Woodlawn Ave. Sheilah met with and got the approval to host the second one on the vacant lot 103rd Eberhart. The date is to be confirmed.

7. Economic Impact Study

- Last year Streetscape Committee: Sheilah Robinson informed the Commission that a streetscape will be starting 2024 with Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT). The scope of this CDOT-led project includes streetscape improvements on Michigan Avenue, 110th Street to 116th Street and 111th Street, Stewart Avenue to MLK. The project will provide safe, walkable, and attractive streets that will foster community and economic growth. This effort will support the City’s initiative to re-activate neighborhood cores that have historically served as focal points for pedestrian activity, shopping, services, transportation, public spaces, and quality-of-life amenities for all who shop within the business district.

Follow up Meeting: SSA 71, CDOT, 9th Ward Aldermanic Office, Greater Roseland Chamber and Chicago Main Street, has been meeting to put together a Leadership round table meeting with the sounding community organizations. We have identified 40 organizations to invite.

- Announcements: Sheilah Robinson announced that SSA 71 Michigan Ave is within the Invest Southwest corridor. She will be working with Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives (CNI), The Greater Roseland Chamber (GRC). The 5th District CAPS Police Department and Chicago Department of Transportation (CDOT) to implement some of the upcoming programs.

5.03 Security/Safety Patrol Planning

- Sheilah Robinson will be meeting with the 5th District Commander Tyrone Pendarvis, and the new CAPS Sergeant. The present CAPS Sergeant Vivian Williams will be retiring after 29 years of service. Sheilah Robinson will be giving an overview of potential 2024 safety initiatives. She will also invite them to sit in on the two-security company that will be presenting for security patrol for SSA71 business district.

1st Presenter: Obama Energy Corporation & America Smart Cities, Inc. they are a certified minority (ACDBE/BEP/DBE/MBE) company and licensed distributor specializing in “smart city” IoT technology, Solar, EV Charging & digital products, electrical components, and commodities whose purpose is to create energy efficiency, increase safety and security.

2nd Presenter: AASI PUBLIC SAFETY Director Ricky Martinez: Sheila Robinson stated that AASI has provided service for SSA71 for three years. AASI Security offers a long list of tailored security solutions, including access control, CCTV systems and more. AASI highly trained staff has ensured that we have a skilled team and has made it their goal to exceed our expectations in the quality of service.

New Business

There was no new business.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.