



MINUTES
SSA #18 COMMISSION – SPECIAL MEETING
July 11, 2017
Nookies Tree, 3334 N. Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

Chairman Jim Ludwig called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m. and the following Commissioners were in attendance: Jim Ludwig, Nicholas Cocalis, Dave Gassman, Kearby Kaiser, Tim Klump, Cindy Rudman, Randy Shingledecker and Nichol Vargas.

A quorum was present.

Also in attendance were Northalsted Business Alliance Executive Director Chad Honeycutt and Director of Operations Eric Santiago.

Public Attendance: Manuel Galvan and Matthew Jackowiak from Whole Foods Market Halsted Street and local resident Michael Raffety

2. 2017 Financial Update

Eric reports on 2017 year to date spending. He states that we are \$32,951.92 under our projected spending. This shortage is mainly due to the delay on the economic impact study and the security camera network. These projects were originally planned for the spring but have been delayed to the fall. Actual spending in most categories is on track with projected spending.

3. 2018 SSA Budget Presentation

Eric presents the proposed 2018 SSA budget. Copies of the 2018 SSA Budget are distributed to the Commission for review.

Eric provides a comparison between the 2017 and 2018 budget and services. He proposes an increase of 5% from 2017 to 2018. This increase is the max allowed and would change the estimated tax rate to generate the 2017 levy from 0.50% to 0.52%. Increased funding will be allocated to 1.00 Customer Attraction, 2.00 Public Way Aesthetics and 6.00 SSA Management. The increase in SSA Management is intended

to more accurately reflect actual spending. These additional increases will allow for enhanced services and additional programs.

It was MOVED by Commissioner Tim Klump and SECONDED by Commissioner Cindy Rudman To approve the 2018 budget as presented.

The commission discusses how this rate change will impact property owners in the district.

**Vote: 2 Yes, 4 No, 1 Abstain
MOTION does not pass. Discussion continues.**

The commission asks if the estimated EAV continues to increase due to new construction projects in the area and overall market trends how this increase will impact levy amount in the future. Commission proposes establishing a tax rate cap for next year's budget but this topic is tabled so that Eric can learn more from the city on this issue.

The commission discusses the proposed additional programs and services and their impact on the neighborhood.

It was MOVED by Commissioner Cindy Rudman and SECONDED by Commissioner Randy Shingledecker To approve the 2018 SSA#18 services, 2018 budget and the 2018 service provider agency as presented.

**Vote: 5 Yes, 2 No
MOTION CARRIED**

4. Public Comment

Chairman Ludwig invited public comments.

5. Adjournment

There being no further business,

It was MOVED by Commissioner Tim Klump and SECONDED by Commissioner Randy Shingledecker to adjourn the meeting at 10:54 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED.