

WPB SSA #33 Commission Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 9th, 2024 – 7:09 PM to 8:42 PM
Hybrid Meeting Hosted at 1414 N Ashland Ave and via Zoom

Attendance:

Laura Botwinick (LB)
Wayne Janik (WJ)
Marcy Huttas (MH)
Ginna Ryan (GR)
David Ginople (DG)

Guests – Abby Dompke (AD), Adam Mohr (AM)

Staff – Alice Howe (SSA Program Manager), Pamela Maass (WPBCC Executive Director), Luke Scaletta (Community Engagement Coordinator)

1) Call to Order at 7:09 PM

2) Review of June Commission Minutes

*WJ motions. GR seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

3) June Financial Report

*WJ motions. GR seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

4) 2025 Budget & Service Provider Approval

Motion 1: The Commission moves to approve the SSA #33 2025 budget, workplan and services as presented.

*WJ motions. MH seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 2: The Commission moves to approve the Wicker Park Bucktown Chamber of Commerce as the Sole Service Provider for SSA #33 in 2025.

*WJ motions. GR seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

5) 2024 Holiday Tree

- a) Commission decided to opt for a live 20' tree to be installed in Wicker Park during the Holidays, with a specification that the SSA work with the Chicago Park District next year to plant a permanent tree in the Holiday Tree location to be used every year going forward.

Motion 3: The Commission moves to approve funding not to exceed **\$8,000** from line item **1.06 (Holiday Decorations)** for the procurement and installation of a live holiday tree, base, and lighting by Christy Webber in Wicker Park. (24-0713)

*MH motions. LB seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

6) Motions

Motion 4: The Grants & Rebates Committee moves to approve funding not to exceed **\$5,000** from line item **1.10 (Community Grants)** for Wicker Park Advisory Council to fund artist stipends and marketing materials for BooPalooza 2024. (24-0708)

*MH motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 5: The Grants & Rebates Committee moves to approve funding not to exceed **\$5,000** from line item **1.10 (Community Grants)** for Heaven Gallery to fund artist stipends for their 2024 programming. (24-0709)

*MH motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 6: The Grants & Rebates Committee moves to approve funding not to exceed **\$1,200** from line item **1.10 (Community Grants)** for Burr Elementary's Kid's Fest Area at Wicker Park Fest. (24-0707)

*MH motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 7: The Grants & Rebates Committee moves to approve funding not to exceed **\$1,000** from line item **1.10 (Community Grants)** for Garbage Gals to fund marketing efforts and materials for ongoing 2024 community clean up programming in 2024. (24-0706)

Discussion: WJ insisted that the Commission confirm that the programming will take place within the SSA footprint.

*MH motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 8: The Grants & Rebates Committee moves to approve funding not to exceed **\$5,000** from line item **1.10 (Community Grants)** for 826CHI to fund marketing materials for the 2024 "Eat Your Words" program. (24-0710)

*MH motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 9: The Grants & Rebates Committee recommends to approve funding not to exceed **\$5,000** from line item **5.03 (Security Patrol Services)** for Estelle's Bar & Grill to assist with on-site security patrol services. (24-0701)

*MH motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 10: The Grants & Rebates Committee recommends to approve funding not to exceed **\$5,000** from line item **5.03 (Security Patrol Services)** for Easy Bar to assist with on-site security patrol services. (24-0702)

*MH motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 11: The Grants & Rebates Committee recommends to approve funding not to exceed **\$5,000** from line item **5.03 (Security Patrol Services)** for Remedy to assist with on-site security patrol services. (24-0703)

*MH motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 12: The Marketing & Business Development Committee moves to approve funding not to exceed **\$30,000** from line item **1.06 (Holiday Decorations)** for the installation and removal of the neighborhood snowflake displays by Illuminight. (24-0711)

*Discussion: Commission amended recommendation to state "...for the installation **and removal...**"*

*MH motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 13: The Marketing & Business Development Committee moves to approve funding not to exceed **\$5,000** from line item **1.06 (Holiday Decorations)** for the installation and removal of holiday bike lighting by Illuminight on the 606 platform at Damen Ave. (24-0712)

*Discussion: Commission amended recommendation to state "...for the installation **and removal...**" as well as "...**holiday bike lighting...**"*

*MH motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

- 7) Chamber Report; delivered by PM
- 8) Program Manager Report; delivered by AH
- 9) New Business
 - a) Commission was interested in discussing a new light installation to replace the holiday bike lighting for next year's holiday season, which would promote shopping and staying local.
 - b) DG request that AH and LS clarify his remaining term and his Chair position expiration in September under DPD regulations.
- 10) Adjournment Motion at 8:42 PM

*WJ motions. GR seconds. All in favor. **Meeting Adjourned.***

Next Meeting – September 18th