



SSA #25 Commission Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 12, 2022

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Meeting ID: 827 3498 3732

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9:00AM

AGENDA

9:00AM

- Welcome and Call Meeting to Order
 - a. SSA #25 Chairman, Moreno Jr. called the meeting to order at 9:10AM
The meeting of the SSA #25 Commission is called to order.
Pursuant to the applicable law and my determination that attendance by remote means is necessary because an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent due to the declared public health disaster cause by COVID-19, this meeting is conducted by videoconference.
- SSA #25 Commissioner Roll Call
 - a. SSA #25 Commissioners in attendance: Richard Juarez Sr., Mike Moreno Jr., Claudia Rodriguez, Elena Duran, Richard Juarez & Francisco Menchaca.
 - b. SSA #25 Commissioners absent: Jose Hernandez and Pascual Villarreal
 - c. LVCC staff in attendance: Blanca Soto
 - d. Public in attendance: None
- Approval of Agenda
 - a. Commissioner Juarez Sr. motions to approve the SSA #25 meeting agenda as presented, Commissioner Rodriguez seconds; all approve.
- Approval of SSA #25 December 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes
 - a. Commissioner Juarez Sr. motions to approve the SSA #25 December 14, 2021 meeting minutes as presented with a small correction on the misspelling of his last name, Commissioner Menchaca seconds; all approve
- Approval of SSA #25 December 2021 Financial Reports
 - P&L, Balance Sheet
 - Expense Tracking Budget
 - a. As of 12/31/2021 a total of \$291,367.44 has been deposited into the SSA #25 bank account
 - b. As of 12/31/2021 a total of \$282,969.13 from our \$341,058.00 budget has been expensed out.
 - c. Commissioner Menchaca motions to approve the SSA #25 Dec 2021 financials as presented, Commissioner Duran seconds; all approve.

NEW BUSINESS:

- SSA #25 2021 Budget Shift of \$550
 - a. \$500 to be moved from line item # 2.10 City Permits to line item # 2.08 Sidewalk maintenance to cover the \$549 overage cost.
 - b. Commissioner Porrez motions to approve, Commissioner Juarez Sr. seconds; all approve.
- SSA #25 QTR 4 Report
 - a. Blanca presents to the SSA #25 Commissioners with the QTR 4 report.
 - b. QTR 4 report will be submitted by deadline of 1/31/22
 - c. Commissioner Duran motions to approve, Commissioner Rodriguez seconds; all approve.
- SSA #25 2021 Commission Meeting Attendance Log
 - a. Blanca provided the SSA #25 Commissioners with a copy of the SSA #25 Commission meeting attendance log.
 - b. Blanca reminds the SSA #25 Commissioners the importance of attending the monthly meetings.
 - c. Commissioner Menchaca would like to also see the special commission meeting dates to be added to the attendance tracking log moving forward.
- SSA #25 Commissioner Renewals (Expiration Date : 6/30/2022)
 - Claudia Rodriguez
 - Elena Duran
 - Jose Hernandez
 - a. SSA #25 Commissioners: Rodriguez, Duran and Hernandez terms expire on June 30,2022.
 - b. Blanca emailed all the SSA #25 Commissioners the renewal application.
 - c. Renewal Commissioner applications need to be submitted by 2/28/2022 to Blanca at the LVCC office.

OLD BUSINESS

- SSA #25 Holiday Decorations
 - a. Holiday decorations to be removed by 1/24/2022 with weather permitting.
- SSA #25 2022 Commission Meeting Schedule
 - a. Blanca reminds the Commissioners that all SSA #25 Commission meetings have been moved to the second Wednesday of the month per last meetings vote.
 - b. SSA #25 Commissioners to reach out to Blanca ahead of time if they will not be attending a scheduled meeting to make sure quorum is met if not, to reschedule a special meeting with time.

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 - a. Commissioner Duran comments on the issue with the West side of the 26th Street corridor still having a lot of garbage debris and trash receptacles not serviced in the morning by the sidewalk maintenance vendor. There was a time that by noon all the corridor was clean.
 - b. Blanca followed up with vendor to make sure that the 26th street business corridor gets cleaned at the same time starting on both ends, East & West on 26th Street.
 - c. Sidewalk maintenance contract for 2021 ended on 12/31/2021, the new contract is to begin on 4/1/2022.
 - d. SSA #25 Trash receptacles are being used by residents for their home trash.

- e. Chairman Moreno Jr. suggest putting some signs to notify the public what can be put into the SSA #25 trash receptacles or install a small lid with a smaller opening on top of the can.
- f. Blanca mentioned that installing a small lid on the can makes it harder for the City of Chicago trucks to empty the cans out when picking garbage up.
- g. Commissioner Duran thinks that by putting a smaller lid on the receptacle will cause the public to pile up more garbage on top of the can and create more garbage.
- h. Commissioner Rodriguez mentions she installed cameras and has seen others use her cans and she submitted a complain into the City of Chicago.
- i. Chairman Moreno Jr. would like to discuss the increase of trash issues with both Alderman, Cardenas and Rodriguez and try to come up with a solution together.
- j. Blanca to connect with both Alderman in Ward 12 (George Cardenas) & 22 (Michael Rodriguez) to attend April's SSA #25 Meeting.
- k. Chairman Moreno Jr. said we can also request an update on the LV Arch from Alderman Cardenas at our April's meeting.
- l. Commissioner Rodriguez also comments on another issue she's been seeing is homeless and day drinking behind a building on 25th & Kedzie Avenue/V Live. These individuals use her back alley as a bathroom. She doesn't know how to take care of that issue.
- m. Blanca mentioned it has also been an issue with Los Comales Restaurants, the issues have been brought up at a CAPS meeting. This is an ongoing issue that needs to be kept bringing up with the 10th District CPD.
- n. Commissioner Duran mentioned she was told that others may use her trash receptacle if they need to, even though she pays her city fees.
- o. Chairman Moreno Jr. mentioned that it would be a good idea to include certain wording on contracts when renting to the public in regards to the trash/recycling.
- p. Commissioner Juarez Sr. asked if anyone has seen any type of reporting on increase rodents (rats) infestation with in the SSA #25 Area. Is Stet and Sanitation
- q. Chairman Moreno Jr. said it's a whole City issue.
- r. Commissioner Rodriguez mention that rodent bait needs to be requested with Street and Sanitation.
- s. Commissioner Duran mentioned she hasn't seen as many rodent droppings in her areas in a while.
- t. Blanca mentioned if anyone gardens in their yards, planting menthol leaves helps keep rodent (rats) away as it's known that they don't like the smell of mint.
- u. Chairman Moreno Jr. would like the SSA #25 Commissioners to keep an eye for restaurants with the new City mandate he feels it's going to get harder on their business and would like to come up with some ideas that can be useful on their businesses.
- v. Commissioner Menchaca mentioned that he noticed other businesses opt from having anyone dining in to only carry outs, that might be an option for some of the LV restaurants to think about.
- w. Commissioner Menchaca mentioned that we should make sure all meetings that quorum was not met should be posted.
- x. Blanca informs Commissioner Menchaca that all "no quorum" meetings have been uploaded into our SSA #25 Website.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50AM

Commissioner Juarez Sr. motions to adjourned the SSA #25 meeting, Commissioner Rodriguez seconds; all approve.