



Downtown Hyde Park SSA #61

Community Meeting #2

Tuesday | May 16th, 2023 | 5:30pm – 6:30pm | Nichols Park Fieldhouse, 1355 East 53rd St

Attendees

Advisory Committee

Peter Cassel

Greg Guttman

Michael McGarry

Jourdan Sorrell

SECC

Diane Burnham

Roderick “Rod” Sawyer

Raymonde Vance

City of Chicago

Mark Roschen

Teska Associates

Scott Goldstein

Benito Garcia

Others

Doreen E. Barrett, 4th Ward Advisory

Mika Hoffman Zoller

Kiara Hardin, SECC Program Coordinator

Dave White, NPAC

The presentations and information covered in Community Meeting #1 and #2 were the same. Below are the topics covered followed by questions from the public.

1. Welcoming and Introductions, SECC
2. SSA Introduction, City of Chicago
3. SSA #61 Renewal, Teska Associates
4. SSA #61 Highlights
5. Questions and Commentary

Questions from the Public

Does the SSA boundary go up 51st St near the residential area?

- An SSA is intended for commercial areas only, thus SSA #61 purposely avoided residential uses.



Why is the SSA overlapping with City Services?

- SSA #61 is an extension of Chicago City services, it serves as extra attention to a specific area and is able to allocate additional resources. Chicago must provide and distribute equal attention everywhere and therefore cannot always focus on one location.

Is there something that can be done with viaduct cleaning and pigeons?

- Viaduct cleaning will be a two-part process and SSA #61 is budgeting extra to keep up with clean-up as well as implementing education components (such as letting people know not to feed pigeons).

After questions and comments were completed, the meeting came to an end.