

Special Service Area #61
SSA #61 Program Committee Minutes
Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 10:00am
SECC Office Conference Room, 2nd Fl.
1511 East 53rd Street

Present: George Rumsey, Mary Rogel.

Absent: Anthony Beach.

Also Present: Rod Sawyer (SECC/SSA Program Manager), Annie Anderson and Stephanie Horst (SECC Interns), Dorian Sylvain, Roger Huff.

Call to Order: Chairperson Rogel called the Program Committee meeting of SSA #61 to order at 10:04am.

Minutes:

Minutes for March 2023, April 2023, May 2023, and September 2023 were presented. All minutes were accepted as corrected.

Lake Park/53rd Metra Wall Mural Project:

Artist D. Sylvain presented three designs for review. While received well, it was noted that the sketches did not sufficiently reflect the RFP requirements that they represent the business corridor. New designs will be presented by 11/20. Metra will require a final design as part of its license agreement to use its' wall. Because this project will not begin prior to the Thanksgiving holiday, it will be delayed until Spring, 2024.

SSA Spend Down Plan:

R. Sawyer discussed the Financial Spend Down Plan as it relates to the funding of projects for the 2023 Workplan. Tax collections nor TIF disbursement funds had not yet been received. Efforts will be made to execute projects as soon as funds are received.

SSA Initiatives:

No discussion held on the major SSA initiatives, but are listed per Chairpersons' request:

- 53rd and 55th Viaducts
- Lake Park Medians
- Nichols Park
- 53rd Street/Woodlawn
- 55th Street east of Lake Park

Questions and Comments:

None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:59am.

Respectfully submitted,
Roderick Sawyer, SSA 61