

SSA Commission Meeting/ Special Service Area #60

March 12, 2014

5:00 P.M.

North River Commission Office

3403 W. Lawrence Ave Ste. 201

Chicago, IL 60625

SSA Commission Meeting Minutes

Attendance:

SSA Commissioners Present: Andrew Levin, Stephanie Fishel, Jim Karagianes, Angela Bowman, David Maletin, Mir Naghavi

North River Commission Staff Present: Duka Dabovic

Other Attendees: Amy Kozy, Resident; Justin Paulissian, Resident; Gretchen Helmreich, NRC Board, Martha Ramos, 35th Ward Chief of Staff; Shelby Bremer, State Rep Jaime Andrade; Casey Smagala, APCC; Eric Filson, APN; Roya Mehrnoosh, West River Park Neighbors.

Call to Order:

SSA Commission President Andrew Levin called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. and asked participants to introduce themselves.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the March 12th meeting approved unanimously.

CleanSlate Contract:

- A discussion was had regarding the termination of the contract being brought down from 90 days to 30 days, settling on 60 days maximum. This would give NRC staff enough time to procure another contractor if CleanSlate's service proves unsatisfactory.
- Exculpation: A discussion was had on incidental damage occurring from CleanSlate's service.
- Scope of Services:
 - a. Powerwashing: Clarification was provided regarding the service, which would occur in lieu of one day of sidewalk cleaning and would include the entire SSA District. If the Fall installment of the tax levy is received in a timely manner, there is a possibility to use this service. However, at this time, there is money allocated only for 4-day/week sidewalk litter abatement.

- b. Overflow from garbage cans: Andrew Levin asked about entirely emptying the garbage cans along the SSA instead of just removing the overflow. Duka Dabovic brought up Brady Gott's (CleanSlate rep) recommendation to refrain from requesting that service, as the responsibility to maintain the garbage bins could potentially be transferred from Streets and Sanitation over to the SSA. CleanSlate's service would be in place to supplement—not supplant—the service already provided by Streets and Sanitation.
- c. Tree grate debris: Eric Filson asked whether tree grates are lifted and the debris underneath them is removed; Duka will follow-up with CleanSlate on this issue.
- d. Scope of signage removal: A clarification was made on the contract regarding signage to be removed from utility poles. As per the contract, everything will be removed except for fully adhesive stickers and signs, which are entirely stuck to poles, newspaper boxes, etc.
- e. SSA Information leaflet: The Commission requested Duka to provide CleanSlate with a leaflet to be passed out to curious passersby, residents, and business owners by the CleanSlate staff. The leaflet would have Duka's contact information as well as the North River Commission's SSA webpage.
- f. Reporting: The Commission requested that regular CleanSlate reporting be made to the 33rd and 35th Ward offices, specifically pertaining to graffiti tags.

VOTE: Angela Bowman moved to approve the contract pending negotiation of the above items. David Maletin seconded; commissioners approved unanimously.

SSA Website & Webpage: Discussion was postponed to a later time. The Commission agrees that NRC's SSA webpage suffices for the time being.

New Business:

- Stephanie requested the transaction report and other pertinent financial information for every meeting going forward.
- Andrew Levin brought up the importance of co-branding the SSA with CleanSlate using stickers for the garbage cans and printed vests. A discussion was had regarding what should be on the vests/stickers.

VOTE: Stephanie Fishel moved, David Maletin seconded: the Commission voted to co-brand the SSA with CleanSlate.

Adjournment: Andrew Levin entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Stephanie Fishel made the motion; Jimmy Karagianis seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 P.M.