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 caused by COVID-19, this meeting is conducted by videoconference.

Attendance: Mike Sullivan, Farah Essa, Frank Uhler, David Oakes, and Laura Austin. Nadeen Kieren

Absent: Pete Valavanis

I. Welcome & introductions 2:00 PM

II. Public comment period

III. 2021 Audit with Thomas Bravos 2:10 PM Vote

Motion to Approve with updated page 7 on Audit Report: Mike Sullivan
Second: Farah Essa
All in Favor

IV. Approval of March 8, 2022 meeting minutes 2:25 PM Vote

Nadeen Kieren’s last name needs to be updated in the March 8 Minutes to Kieren.

Motion to Approve with changes: Frank Uhler
Second: Mike Sullivan
All in Favor

V. Financial report 2:30 PM Vote

Motion to Approve: Nadeen Kieren
Second: Farah Essa
All in Favor

VI. SSA Cash Flow Update from DPD-DPD suggests to spend conservatively or take out a line of credit for SSAs that did not have a carry over. This did not affect us at this time.

VII. Strategic Spending Model for 2022. A strategic spending model was going to be created as cash flow might have been an issue with folks paying their taxes and having them contest
their property tax at a higher rate than previous years. There was a suggestion by the city to spend conservatively which we have already done.

VIII. Services report

a. Customer Attraction
   i. 2022-23 Neighborhood Guide-SSA Editorial
   ii. Billboard ad placement in and around Chicago for regional marketing
   iii. 2022 special events calendar
       1. Andersonville Farmers Market starts May 11, 2022
       2. Midsommarfest is one month away
       3. Andersonville Arts Weekend all returning

b. Public Way Aesthetics
   i. Landscaping
      1. Working with Mike Lucas and Patch to maintain our planters and look for a source of water to keep them kept. This year we can possible patchwork and save money.
   ii. Streetscape elements-Pavers are in and scheduled to begin this summer
   iii. Rebate Programs
      1. Lady Gregory’s Patio

Motion to Approve: Mike Sullivan
Second: Nadeen Kieren
All in Favor

Side conversation: Based on our rebate programs the question arose on whether having one preferred bid is enough for a rebate program or should we continue to ask for two bids for projects? Also for businesses that open up and take advantage of these programs and projects as a new business and the closure rate of new businesses for various reasons. The question arose if we should stagger payment to help prevent unforeseen closures within a two year time. Next steps is that the Chamber will provide options for these programs that the SSA Commissioners will vote on at the next meeting to help businesses and protect line items from leakage.

c. Sustainability & Public Places
   i. Catalpa Public Space Project -Update
      a. The Catalpa Project had a survey out to Andersonville Chamber Members and now a new survey for non members, residents, and general public that will help guide consensus on what makes the most sense for this project where everyone has a chance for a say whether the street stays open with one way traffic or if it is completely vacated.
   ii. Clark Street Crossroads-Update
      a. Last meeting was rescheduled for a later date.
   iii. SBIF Roll out for Clark Ridge-Opens in June!!

d. Economic & Business Development
   i. Megalytics Data pull for 2022. David will reach out to Megalytics to get this years data pull for the district

f. Safety Programs-
   ii. Two Security Cameras are scheduled for installment this year. Placement will be tbd.
   iii. Safe crossing poles have been installed on Bryn Mawr and Clark for safer crossing
IX. Commissioners –

X. Adjourn

Future meeting dates:

2022 Andersonville SSA #22 Meeting Schedule:

Thursday, May 9, 2022, 9:30AM via Zoom

Tuesday, June 21, 2022 2PM via Zoom

Thursday July 7, 2022, 5PM via Zoom

Thursday, August 11, 2022, 9:30AM via Zoom

Tuesday, September 6, 2022, 9:30AM via Zoom

Thursday, October 13, 2022, 5PM via Zoom

Tuesday, November 8, 2022, 2PM via Zoom