

Regular Meeting - Tuesday, May 9th, 2023 8:00am – 9:30am

Zoom Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88279475691?pwd=cHFkcXFwaE1KTDBBZlIwcEdiWFhWQQT09>

Meeting ID: 882 7947 5691 | Password: 015860

Commissioners Present: Pam Farley, David Israel, Duke Miglin, Rick Tannenbaum

Commissioners Absent: Stan Razny

Others in Attendance: Gina Caruso (Oak St Council/The Lord Companies, L.L.C.); Robert Kearney, Ald. Reilly's Office

Minutes

1. Welcome and Call to Order

- a. Caruso called the meeting to order at 8:05am

2. Public Input

- a. No public in attendance.

3. Approval of April 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes

- a. On acceptance of the April 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes:
Motion to accept the April 10, 2023 Meeting Minutes:

Motion: Tannenbaum **Second:** Farley

VOTE: Approve – ALL **Motion Passes.**

4. SSA Financials

- a. The SSA Commission reviewed the financials prior to the meeting. Tannenbaum suggested exploring saving accounts at Wintrust that offer a higher yield and offered to discuss with the Wintrust banker. Tannenbaum asked what the collection rate is to date for 2022 taxes and Caruso noted the financials show approx. \$149,000 collected to date, which is below the estimated 55% for first installment. Tannenbaum also requested that the OSC bookkeeper add totals for the last two columns in the tracker report.

5. Safety & Security

- a. Caruso suggested that OSC host a Security Summit with the 18th District Commander, Cook County Sheriff's team, and HLSA Security to discuss security on Oak with the businesses. Farley suggested the topic of plans for summer security. Farley suggested having the City's announcements of gathering to be posted on the GoupMe chat. Caruso will follow up with HLSA to do so and will distribute them through the new OSC GroupMe chat starting soon. Farley inquired as to whether the CPD will be blocking Oak St with patrol cars overnight and Caruso is finding out.

6. Special Events

- a. Caruso reported about the meeting with Star Events' team last week to further refine the Bespoke on Oak event and promotion strategy. Next steps are to get scope/pricing from Star Events and further plan the events and media strategy. Events are targeted for August-October 2023.

7. Public Way & Traffic

- a. Caruso reported on getting estimates from vendors on replacing the sidewalks with pigmented cement and with stone/paver options. Estimates are forthcoming. Kearny confirmed the City does only standard concrete for the Sidewalk Replacement Program, which OSC received conditional approval for the Oak St. SSA district. The deadline is June 2 to decide if OSC is participating in the City program.
- b. Caruso reported that the OSC vendor conducted pressure washing May 8 and will be inspecting the work today.
- c. Caruso reported that the City confirmed there is no active permit for the kiosk at Oak and Rush. Next step is to devise a scope/plan for the kiosk and present the plan to the Alderman. The Commission wants to move this project forward along with possibly painting the existing jersey barriers at Oak and Rush.
- d. Kearney stated there are no updates on the City's Traffic Study at this time, but that it's in process.
- e. Kearney reported that the City is getting custom panels made to replace missing/damaged panels on the light poles. Caruso reported the Commission is seeking to clean the lightpole globes and paint the poles. Kearney said to submit a request to him and he will look into it.

8. New Meeting Business

- a. Tannenbaum reported he heard a rumor that Coopers Hawk was closing.

9. Next Oak St SSA Commission Meeting

- a. June 12th, 2023 8:00am-9:30am virtually.

10. Adjournment

- a. *Motion to adjourn the May 9, 2023 Regular Meeting*

Motion: Tannenbaum **Second:** Farley

VOTE: Approve – ALL **Motion Passes.**

Minutes Submitted By: Gina Caruso, SSA Program Manager APPROVED 6/28/23