

**WEST TOWN SSA**  
**MEETING OF SSA COMMISSION**  
Thursday, August 5, 2020 11:00 AM  
Meeting held via Zoom  
West Town Chamber of Commerce  
1819 W. Chicago Ave., Chicago, IL 60622

**AGENDA**

- **Call to Order**
- **Approval of minutes from July 9, 2020**
- **Financial Report & Budget:**
  - 2021 Final Budget & Service Provider Approval - **VOTE**
    - Tax rate is 0.3481%.
    - Levy is \$693,524
    - Total Budget is \$994,512
  - 2020 P&L Statement, Balance Sheet & Year to Date Budget distributed.
- **Rebate / Grant Programs:**
  - **COVID-19 Related Programming, Grants & Partnerships:**
    - West Town Bingo (\$500 in gift cards from SSA, \$500 from WTCC) - 13 of the 20 gift certificates have been distributed
    - Virtual Festivals & Non-Virtual Festivals:
      - West Fest Chicago update
      - Dancing in the Streets update
      - West Town Art Walk update
    - Save Local Businesses, photos by Candice Cusic - Photo series featured in video form during Virtual Festivals between musical acts.
    - Grant Application Review:
      - Website & Online Marketplace Upgrade Grant Applications
        - a. Will be processing payments in August.
        - b. Review Jen Lau Art Application
          - i. Paid Member of the Co-op Art Gallery
          - ii. All members have the opportunity to sell their pieces in the Gallery gift shop
          - iii. Updated her personal website, not the galleries website.
      - Emergency Board-Up Grant Applications
        - a. Will be processing payments in August.
  - **Facade** - 1112 N. Ashland Ave - Property Owner, Zygmunt Dyrkacz - In process
  - **Façade** – 1948 W. Chicago Ave – Tarnish - Finished & Paid. Project came in under budget. **Review final submission.**
  - **Façade** – 1431 W. Chicago Ave – Property Owner, Brian Suave – Finished & Paid.
  - **Façade** – 1721 W. Chicago Ave – Ice Cream Shoppe – In process.
  - **Façade** – 689 N. Milwaukee Ave – 689 Condo Association – Finished & Paid. **Review final submission.**
  - **Façade** – 2135 W. Chicago Ave – Property Owner, Ben & Emily Johnson – In process. Almost finished.
  - **Façade** – 1819 - 1821 W. Chicago Ave, WTCC – In process.
  - **Façade** – 745 N. Damen Ave – Sprout Home – Finished & Paid. .
  - **Security** – 1721 W. Chicago Ave – Ice Cream Shoppe – In process.
  - **Security** – 1949 W. Chicago Ave – 1949 Condo Association – Finished & Paid.

- **Security** - 2135 W. Chicago Ave - Property Owner, Ben & Emily Johnson - **REVIEW & VOTE**
- **Public Art** – Map Project – Review map draft. - **TABLED**
- **Public Art** - City Mural Registry Program – Decals received from DCASE, install TBA
- **Public Art** – Clear Coating Quote for Anthony Lewellen Mural & Ouizi Mural - **REVIEW**
- **Public Art** – 1821 W. Chicago Ave – Artist: Mara Baker – Location 1: Finished & Paid.
- **Public Art** – 2135 W. Chicago Ave – JB Snyder – In Process. Piece will be completed in August.
- **Public Art** – 1749 W. Chicago Ave – Cody Hudson, curation by Andrew Rafacz Gallery – In Process.
- **Marketing / Beautification / Safety / Other:**
  - West Town Pop Up Project: Meeting with Committee to work on lease rider next week. Lease was reviewed and created. Will finalize application and FAQ soon. After docs are completed by committee, Website will be created.
  - Landscaping:
    - Hand weeding is continuing every month.
    - Bartlett Tree service - Met with Alderman's office with Erik Grossnickle, our Bartlett Arborist, to discuss Tree Inventory and Management plan. Shared our requested removals, and we are looking to use those removals as planting opportunities with 1st Ward partnership and potential funding.
  - Street Cleaning: No updates.
  - Banners & Holiday Decorations: Golder College Prep requesting allowance to put up banners along 1 block of Chicago Avenue. **Review & Vote.**
  - Discover West Town Mobile App / Website Update: Currently only active at m.westtownchicago.com. Review & Discuss.
  - Master Plan: Reached out to CDOT about the Road Diet Plan to see if they were still on board. Waiting to hear back from them.
- **Events and Neighborhood Updates:**
  - 8/4/20 - Ask Me Anything: West Town Art Walk - 11am via Zoom
  - CANCELED - 8/12/20 – Member Mixer w/ WPB Chamber via Zoom– 6pm - 8pm
  - 8/5/20 - 8/12/20 - Dancing in the Streets - Live Music Stream on Friday, August 7th at 6pm.
- **Old Business:**
- **New Business:**
- **Public Forum:**

\*\*\*Next SSA Commission Meeting Date: September 3, 2020 via Zoom\*\*\*