

Deliberations of the Guide Development Committee of SSA#33 which met October 21, 2011

Attendance:

- Committee members
 - Paige, Co-Chair (SSA33 Commissioner)
 - Keers
 - Hull
 - Other SSA33 Commissioners
 - Ginople
 - Staff
 - Wobbekind
 - Burck
 - Others
 - 2 representatives from BDI (Diane Williams and Bridget Lane)
1. Motion regarding Façade Rebate Application for Storefront Window Replacements at 1941 W. Division Street
 - a. A Motion was passed to support and recommend to the full Commission the application for rebate of facade Storefront Window Replacements at 1941 W. Division Street under the façade rebate program, totaling \$420.67 (50% of \$841.33.)
 - b. This motion was passed with some hesitancy as it is simple replacement of two large front store windows. The Committee felt the guidelines are not clear on this policy and will look into changing the policy to avoid simple window replacements as a façade rebate allowance.
 2. Motion regarding hiring BDI for a WPB Market Study for at a cost of \$21,000
 - a. A Motion was passed to support and recommend to the full Commission hiring BDI to perform a market study of the WPB area which will include market data analysis, distributed survey analysis, analysis of interviews, and the preparation and delivery of a final report with action recommendations for both business retention and attraction.
 - b. This motion was passed with the caveat that it be cost shared with the WPB Chamber of Commerce and that sufficient funds are identified in the WPB SSA33 budget to fund the SSA33 share of this study. It was felt that this study will help attract new businesses, provide information to help retain and enhance existing businesses, and be a way to encourage locally owned Chicago businesses.
 3. SSA#33 Master Plan – Action, including letters to the two aldermen and transmittal of the Master Plan (cover letter, executive summary, update matrix,) will be taken as soon the results of the SSA33 Long Term Planning Committee has completed its work. This will allow for an updated Master Plan matrix and 2012 priorities to be included with the adoption package. The letter to the alderman is anticipated prior to the end of this calendar year. The action will be for the Chicago Plan Commission to adopt the SSA33 Master Plan.
 4. Mauteen/Metzger Court as an example for a 2012 Project of the Year – A preliminary plan was discussed for the development of Mauteen/Metzger Court as a 2012 Project of the year. Plans include installing solar lighting, installing an international crosswalk across Milwaukee Avenue, developing community programming, providing tables and chairs, and installing public WiFi service.

- a. The Committee developing this proposal wants to receive additional ideas and input for this project. Ideas and input should be addressed to Kirsten Hull and Wendy Kauffman-Stachowiak
 - b. The Committee recognized that other SSA33 Committees would be pursuing components of this proposal especially Solar Lighting (Clean, Green and Safe Committee) and International Crosswalks (Transportation Committee.) The Guide Development Committee encourages these other Committees to pursue implementation of these projects as well.
 - c. In particular, International Crosswalks were discussed and it was noted that the City of Chicago desires a list of key WPB locations for implementation. Toward this end the Guide Development Committee developed the following list of locations for implementation:
 - i. Metzger Court – 1262 N. Milwaukee Avenue
 - ii. Milwaukee and Honore
 - iii. Milwaukee and Wood
 - iv. North Avenue and Hoyne
 - v. Paulina and Division'
 - vi. Division and Marion Court
 - vii. Division and Hoyne
 - viii. Damen and Waubansia
 - ix. Damen and W. McClean Avenue
 - x. The Polish Triangle
 - xi. Western Avenue and the CTA Station
 - xii. Milwaukee North and Damen
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5. Pizza Hut property at Division/Ashland – A meeting to discuss this project is scheduled at the Chamber of Commerce for November 3, 3 p.m.. The meeting will discuss the Pizza Hut property and a proposed Kung Fu Pizza restaurant at Ashland and Milwaukee.
 6. Removal of rush hour parking restriction on North Avenue – This will be discussed at the next Committee meeting, November 18, 8 a.m., Café De Luca on Damen.
 7. Artists Live -Work Space – This will be discussed at the next Committee meeting, November 18, 8 a.m., Café De Luca on Damen.