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**Meeting Minutes
Special Service Area #17
November 17, 2021
Lakeview East Chamber of Commerce
Zoom Meeting**

ATTENDANCE: Jeanne Saliture, Todd Hyatt, Eric Kirsammer, David Blitz, Juliana Montebello-Roman, Jim Schuman, Andrew Rizzo, David Gassman, STAFF: Maureen Martino, Nata Wier

CALL TO ORDER: Jim Schuman called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion to approve the 11/17/21 meeting agenda by Juliana Montebello-Roman, seconded by David Gassman was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to approve the meeting minutes of 10/13/2021 by Henry Schuppert, seconded by Jeanne Saliture was unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT: M. Martino noted that the tax funds have been coming in and we have collected approximately 100% of the tax dollars that we budgeted for. Budget was 822K and we received 824K. M. Martino discussed carry over funds and suggested that we start thinking about capital expenditures combine previous carry over funds. M. Martino noted that she has been very active with Meyer Blank, as he did an analysis (case studies) of the reassessed property values and the increases that will be coming in property taxes. We are waiting for the Cook County tax increases, which should be coming in March. We are being cautious with spending due to the increases coming down. We will have over 100K to spend before year end and can allocate towards pop – up's, placemaking and purchases. At this time, we are requesting approval of the P & L and reallocation for snow removal. We went over due to the large amount of snow in the early part of the year. A motion to approve reallocating fund \$9600 from 2.05 (streetscape elements) and \$2,000 from (loss/late collections) for snow removal. We will be spending within budget \$11K will towards projection for the winter months. M. Martino also mentioned that we will be going ahead with purchase a vacuum MadVaxx(\$60K) and split the cost between the two SSA's. (this was voted on Oct. 2021). AA motion to approve the financials by Henry Schuppert was seconded by Jeanne Saliture and unanimously approved. Motion to approve the spending of funds towards the barricades (6-7K) by David Blitz and seconded by Eric Kirsammer was unanimously approved.

SOLE SERVICE PROVIDER UPDATES:

SECURITY AND SAFETY: M. Martino discussed a few issues that occurred in and around the SSA area. Discussion ensued about safety and security. Security has been diligent in the SSA area keeping order in the area. Some issues occur after midnight, and we strive to keep the businesses safe. A discussion ensued regarding having security the first of the year. The committee voted to keep security beginning in January for a few months until a new

contract can be obtained. Motion to approve the extension of the security program through January by Andrew Rizzo and seconded by David Gassman was unanimously approved.

SNOW REMOVAL: M. Martino noted that we sent a request to 20 businesses to request an RFP. We are in the process of working on getting RFP's for snow removal and have had little success due to the shortage of staff. We are working to secure snow removal and are hopeful we will have one locked in shortly. We are confident that we can do per occurrence until 2022 if needed.

WRIGLEYVILLE WONDERLAND: M. Martino noted we would be having Friends and Family night on December 9th featuring Santa, a marching band, projection, dueling pianos and ice sculptures.

HOLIDAY DÉCOR: M. Martino noted that we have approximately 19 pop-up bars participating in the Wrigley area.

FAÇADE REBATES: M. Martino requested a motion to approve EO Paramount lighting. A discussion ensued regarding the lighting and the safety it will provide. A motion to approve funding in the amount of 12K by Erik Kirsammer was seconded by Jeanne Saliture was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Rizzo seconded by Juliana Montebello-Roman was unanimously approved and Jim Schuman adjourned the meeting at 10:50 am.