

# **GREEKTOWN SSA#16**

## **APRIL 22, 2025 MEETING MINUTES - FINAL**

### **Commissioners Attending**

Frank J. Caputo, (FC)  
Eve Moran, (EM)  
Anastasia Makridakis, (AM)  
Lorraine Rieff-Liakouras, (LL)  
Maria Tsourapas, (MT)  
Constantine Vitogiannis, (CV)

### **Others Attending**

Tia Angelos, (TA), Program Director  
Dean T. Maragos, (DTM), Advisor  
Mark Roschen, DPD  
Oneida Pate, DPD  
Marty Morris, Alderman William Conway's Agent  
Andrew Burton, President of 770 W. Gladys Lofts  
Elizabeth Neukirch, Elizabeth Neukirch PR Consulting

### **Commissioners Absent**

Tom Paspalas

**I. Call to Order, Roll Call** – The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

**II. Community Participation** – There was no community participation.

**III. Review and Vote on Approval of SSA #16 March 18, 2025 Meeting Minutes** – There was a motion made by AM and seconded by CV to accept the March 18, 2025 meeting minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

### **IV. New Business**

- A. Streetscape Crosswalks Status – FC reported that he had contacted Cody Matchen, and he had not received any responses to his calls. The area is the Van Buren and Halsted crosswalks. CDOT requested \$62,860.23. The SSA previously paid the \$200,000 amount. There was a motion made by FC and seconded by EM to authorize the West Central Association (WCA) to make a check for \$62,860.23 for streetscapes project of intersections of Van Buren/Halsted, Jackson/Halsted, and Adams/Halsted. The motion passed unanimously. The check was to be made to the "City of Chicago" and the SSA bookkeeper is preparing and sending the check.
- B. Q1 2025 Performance Report – This item was deferred to the next SSA meeting.
- C. Office Lease Status with Peerless Building, LLC Lease – TA reported we are waiting for landlord approval to move to Suite 209 for a reduced monthly rent of \$1,125/month.
- D. Audit Status – TA reported that the Audit is currently underway under Mr. Bravos the independent auditor.
- E. Bylaws Review – The SSA bylaws were read to the commissioners concerning succession of positions in the SSA. The Commissioners congratulated FC for his almost 29 years as Chairman. The Commissioners gave FC an ovation for doing an outstanding job. Under the bylaws no person can be the Chairman for more than four consecutive years. Also, under the bylaws, the First Vice Chairman automatically upon a vacancy will become Chairman of the SSA #16. In this case EM is the First Vice Chairman and she automatically is the new Chairman of the SSA #16 for a two year term. The SSA wished

her well. There was a motion made by EM and seconded by LL to have CV as the new 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair for a two year term. The motion passed unanimously. The Sole Service Provider will provide reports to be reviewed by the Commissioners at each of the monthly meetings per the items on the agenda.

- F. 2026 Workplan and Budget – This item was deferred to the next SSA meeting.

## **V. Reports & Updates**

- A. Chairman Report – There was no Chairman Report.

Insurance – FC stated that Alliance Insurance Company which is a division of Mesirow Company has a liability policy, property policy and damage policy for the Elysian Field. The insurance ends in June 2025. TA stated she will handle this with the insurance people to include our artifacts. There was a motion made by EM and seconded by FC to authorize TA to move forward on this project. The motion passed unanimously. TA has done a tour and count to include artifacts that are being covered by the insurance policy.

- B. Art Chair Report – EM reported that she has a new sculpture for Elysian Field and showed it to the Commission. She stated she was also going to move forward with the “Urns Project”. There will be 30 urns in this project, and they will be ready by June 5<sup>th</sup> for the ribbon cutting at the NHM.

- C. Program Manager/Sole Service Provider Report – TA and FC commended Elizabeth Nuekirch (EN) for the outstanding job she did on the Public Relations for all the events in Greektown over the past month. EN said the parade went very, very well. EN reported on the extensive coverage for Greektown as a result of her efforts.

- D. Security Committee Report – CV reported that there was a shooting at the Blue Line Racine station. TA stated that Beats 1231 and 1232 hold CAPS meetings and Coffee with Cops. CV and TA stated they will attend the next BEATS meetings and report back to the SSA.

**VI. Adjournment** – At 3:30 p.m. there was a motion by AM and seconded by MT to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The next SSA #16 Commissioner meeting will be on May 20, 2025, at 2 p.m. at the SSA office.