

Special Service Area

SSA Minutes

May 23rd, 2023, 3:30 PM

City Hall Annex

- **Roll Call** – Larry Anderson, Dan Guerrero, Adam Guthrie, Patricia Hansen, Michell Horton, & John Stopoulos. Absent – Lyndsay Smith & Martin Corey
City: Annaka Whiting – Finance Director, Doug Maxeiner – City Administrator, Alderman 1st Ward Olivia Dorothy
- **Approval of Minutes** – Larry motioned to approve the March minutes with a second from Michelle. Minutes approved as written.
- **Guest** – Olivia Dorothy gave us a little background and was mostly interested in listening and learning what the SSA is about.
- **Financial Report** – Financial report presented by Annaka a motion by Patricia with a second from John. Financial report approved as written. A discussion regarding the funds as they relate to the budget, and we seem to be on track. Businesses are using the façade and quick appearance programs which is wonderful.
- **Façade/ Fencing Applications** – Nothing new to present currently.
- **Bills – Adam Guthrie** – Meyers bill for the flowers downtown, Patricia & Respect Abilities monthly bills, a bill for stain and brushes (staining was done at Runner’s Park by Adam & Elliott the cost of materials was submitted. Motion by John with a second by Larry to pay the bills. Motion passes.
- **Directors Report** – Adam mentioned an issue with people not picking up after their dogs. The city will investigate signage etc. Looking into Muralists for the War Memorial Park project Adam hopes to have some information at the next meeting.
 - As Adam is now the 4th Ward Alderman it is considered best if he steps down as the SSA President. The mayor will appoint someone for this position. Adam thanked everyone for their help over the last several years and offered his assistance to whoever will be appointed to take his position.
- **Flower Report (Michelle)** – Meyers delivered flowers a bit early for safety because of the construction but Michelle’s group made it work. This is Meyers last year of their contract. Considering putting out for a one-year contract for 2024 as after that the Raise grant improvements will be going and the bid will change drastically.

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- **Main Street Report (Patricia Hansen)** – Patricia reported that Cinco was a great success and a meeting regarding successes and opportunities has already been held to make 2024 an even better event. Putt Pub Crawl is on Saturday followed by the 1st Concert Series of 2023 on Sunday. Patricia also discussed the Book Walk opportunity for downtown East Moline. She will forward the group to Doug to guide the process to Stakeholders and build the idea into the Raise Grant.
- **Raise Grant** – monies currently being spent will count towards the city's portion of commitment.
- **Runners Park Gateway** – sign still needs addressed, condition and clearing. Larry and Adam will work on this together.
- **Mural at 9th Street Commons** – Adam will get some bids from muralists next month. Several potential artists were discussed for the project.
- **New Business** –
- **Old Business** –
- **Next Meeting (June 27th, 2023, 3:30pm)**
- **Adjourn** - Motion by Michelle to Adjourn with a second by Patricia.