# GREEKTOWN SSA#16 MAY 26, 2022 VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES – FINAL

## **Commissioners Virtually Attending**

Frank J. Caputo, (FC)
Justine Fedak, (JF)
Lorraine Rieff Liakouras, (LRL)
Anastasia Makridakis, (AM)
Tom Paspalas, (TP)
George Reveliotis, (GR)
Marc Washor, (MW)

#### Others Virtually Attending

Rod Burch, (RB), Exec. Director WCA
Dean T. Maragos, (DTM), Advisor
Tia Angelos, (TA), SSA #16 Program Director
Matthew Allee, Attorney- 232 S. Halsted applicant

## **Commissioners Absent**

Eve Moran Maria Tsourapas

- I. Call to Order, Roll Call The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. A quorum was present.
- **II.** Community Participation Mr. Vitogiannis addressed the Commissioners and stated that he has worked hard to work with the SSA to make the community a good place to work. He further stated that he believed that the Package Goods Liquor Store would be an asset to the community.
- III. Review and Vote on Approval of April 28, 2022 Meeting Minutes There was a motion by FC and seconded by AM to accept the April 28, 2022 meeting minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.
- IV. Old Business There was no Old Business.

### V. New Business

- A. <u>Budget 2023</u> Rod Burch (RB) presented the Budget to the Commissioners. There was a motion by FC and seconded by TP to accept the Budget as proposed and presented by RB. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. <u>Zen Leaf/Verano Presentation of Expansion</u> Zen Leaf stated that it would not make a presentation at this meeting and would notify us when it wanted to make a presentation.
- C. 301 S. Green Street Presentation (30 Story Building) None of the members including Tia Angelos (TA), and RB or Dean Maragos (DTM) received any information on the Green Street Project as promised earlier at the April 28<sup>th</sup> meeting when 301 S. Green made its presentation. The matter will be deferred until the next meeting.
- D. <u>232 S. Halsted Presentation (potential liquor store)</u> Matthew Allee (MA) who is the attorney for the applicant informed the SSA that he had given the SSA all the relevant information that it requested at the last meeting. He emphasized that there are security cameras, and his client would be working with the police. After a lengthy discussion by the members of the commission, there was a motion made by FC and seconded by AM to deny the application of the proposed 232 S. Halsted Package Goods Liquor Establishment. There was a roll call vote and there were three votes to deny the

application and one vote to approve the application with three abstentions. The motion to deny the application passed.

- E. <u>Security Service Hours</u> TA reported that AGB was requesting hours from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. daily as opposed to the current hours of 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. There was a motion made by JF and seconded by AM to accept the new hours. The motion passed unanimously.
- F. <u>Lease Renewal for SSA 16 Office</u> The landlord stated he would amend the lease to \$1,500 per month. There was a motion made by AM and seconded by TP to accept the new proposal for \$1,500 per month. The motion passed unanimously.
- G. <u>Security Rebate App NHM paid invoice</u> TA stated she is waiting for the paid receipts from the applications to issue the rebate.
- H. Lyre Sculpture Ribbon Cutting Event There will be a Lyre Sculpture Ribbon Cutting Event in Greektown for the artifacts on June 30<sup>th</sup> from 3 p.m. 5 p.m. After the event, the Lyre statues will be at the reception at the National Hellenic Museum. Angela Paderakos is one of the founding members of the National Hellenic Museum. The cost to the SSA is \$2,000. There was a motion by TP and seconded by FC to pay the \$2,000. The motion passed unanimously.

#### VI. Reports & Updates

A. <u>Chairman's Report</u> – FC and the Commission stated that TA did a great job. RB stated that the Parade was very successful. The dancers on the Elysian Field were very effective. There were 40 floats in the parade and twenty marching groups.

There will be a groundbreaking at 130 S. Halsted on Friday, June 3, 2022 at 1 p.m.

There was further discussion by JF concerning the status of having the SSA meetings via Zoom and in-person or in-person only. It was discussed at the meeting that the Zoom communication and/or telephone conference call communication and/or in-person communication were all acceptable to conduct meetings under the Open Meetings Act. The matter will be discussed at the next meeting.

- B. <u>Art Committee Report</u> FC was very impressed with the sculpture chosen and commented that EM did a great job.
- C. PR Updates No report on the Public Relations update.
- D. <u>Security Committee Report</u> No report was given.
- E. <u>Program Manager Report/Sole Service Provider Report</u> RB stated we need more retailers in Greektown and that would be discussed at the next meeting.

**VII. Adjournment** – At 3:15 p.m. there was a motion by JF and seconded by AM to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The next SSA #16 Commissioner meeting is June 23, 2022.