

GREEKTOWN SSA#16
FEBRUARY 23, 2023 VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES – FINAL

Commissioners Virtually Attending

Frank J. Caputo, (FC)
Eve Moran, (EM)
Anastasia Koumi, (AK)
Maria Tsourapas, (MT)

Others Virtually Attending

Rod Burch, (RB), Exec. Director WCA
Dean T. Maragos, (DTM), Advisor
Tia Angelos, (TA), SSA #16 Program Director

Commissioners Absent

Justine Fedak
Tom Paspalas
Lorraine Rieff Liakouras

I. Call to Order, Roll Call – The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. A quorum was present.

II. Community Participation – Paul Hammond, the General Manager of the Arkadia Building did not come to the meeting.

III. Review and Vote on Approval of SSA #16 January 31, 2023 Meeting Minutes – There was a motion by EM and seconded by FC to amend the SSA #16 January 31, 2023 meeting minutes by removing the term “each” after “\$200” in Section D. “Art 2023 Proposal” #5. The minutes will now read “the plaques are \$200.” The motion to approve the revised January 31, 2023 meeting minutes passed unanimously.

IV. Old Business

- A. Monument Lighting RFP – EM said there was only one bid made by Twin Electric. There was a motion made by EM and seconded by AK to move forward on the progress and RB will inform the Department of Planning & Development that Twin Electric was the only bidder and we are going to hire Twin Electric to do the electric work. The motion passed unanimously.

V. New Business

- A. Streetscape Project Update – After much discussion, there was a motion made by FC and seconded by EM to defer this matter to the next meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. Parade Proposal – Photographer & Décor on Monuments – TA informed us of the negotiations for the photographer at \$950 and \$762 to decorate the two Monuments at Van Buren and Monroe. There was a motion made by EM and seconded by AK to approve the \$950 for the photographer. The motion passed unanimously. There was a second motion made by EM and seconded by AK to approve the \$762 to decorate the two Monuments. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. WGN Flag Proposals for Brackets & Banners – TA reported that new flags were needed since many of them are in disrepair and need replacement. There was a motion by AK

and seconded by EM to expend \$4,230 for new WGN flags. The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Reports & Updates

A. Chairman Report – FC informed the commission that there was an inquiry by Eddie Youkhana to discuss the land title and leasehold for the land parcel that is currently occupied by Walgreens. After much discussion, attorney Dean Maragos (DTM) stated that it seemed that Eddie wanted the SSA to get involved in a private land matter. It is the opinion of DTM that the SSA does not have “standing” to get involved in a private land matter by landholders. DTM informed FC to inform Eddie of the situation with the SSA.

B. Program Manager Report/Sole Service Provider Report – There was no update by RB.

VII. Adjournment – EM wanted to note that all items were voted on before the technical break. At 2:00 p.m. there was a motion by EM and seconded by AK to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The next SSA #16 Commissioner meeting is March 23, 2023.