

Ravenswood Community Council  
Greater Ravenswood Special Service Area 31 Commissioners Meeting  
Thursday, July 24, 2014, 2:30p.m.

Meeting was held at Schulhof Plumbing 4701 N. Ravenswood Avenue, 60640

Meeting was called to order at 2:35p.m.

Attendance: Commissioner Chair-Diane Walch, Paul Kartcheske, and Stephanie Spiegel

Absent: David Berger, Dr. Andrea Stein and Vince Saverino

Guest: Ernie Contantino and Bofei Ma from 47<sup>th</sup> Ward; Karen Reyes Executive Director from Lillstreet ArtReach

Staff: Megan Bunimovich and Cecilia Diaz (Recorder)

**Ward 47<sup>th</sup> Mural Project** is an alternative to cover walls that are frequently graffiti-ed walls within SSA#31. The cost per wall would cost \$1000 if done professionally or less with students. SSA#31 **Commissioner voted to do 10 walls** where some will include student involvement. All voted that there should be some money set aside for future maintenance.

**Arch Planning** was postponed because Beyond Design Representative was not available to present.

**SSA#31** worked with Metropolitan Planning Council on a **Placemaking Challenge** for August 15. RCC and Midwest Pesticide Action Center signed up for a challenge to transform an empty lot at Ravenswood and Wilson into a people space. SSA31 Commissioners **voted that \$2,500 goes to towards the event.**

**Request for Proposals (RFP)** from RCC will be sent out earlier this year to potential vendors than last year. Holiday Decoration and Snow Removal will be present at the August meeting. The RFPS for Landscaping and Litter Abatement will be presented in September.

**Minutes** June 2014 meeting minutes need edits but content approved.

Diane motioned that Ravenswood Community Council be the **Sole Provider** for SSA31. All present **voted** in favor.

Reviewed **Financial Report** that ended in June.

Paul motioned that SSA31 share cost of CDOT **Bike corral** with Turin at \$1650. All present voted in favor.

**2015 Budget** was discussed and conditionally approved that **all present voted in favor** would take into effect after one week if no one objected it.

**2014 Workplan** was discussed and conditionally approved that **all present voted in favor** would take into effect after one week if no one objected it.

Only **two bike racks** were pushed through the City Council.

**Snow Removal** RFP will include parking lots along Ravenswood Corridor. **All were in favor.**

Landscaping additional cost to redo CTA planters. **All were in favor.**

SSA31 Banners had to be replaced from Lawrence Ave to the Ravenswood Corridor because of the old light poles are being removed. There are opportunities to promote with Lycee School within SSA31.

Next meeting: Thursday, August 21, 2014 at 2:30p.m. RCC office.

Meeting was adjourned by Diane at 4:20p.m.