



**SSA #42 COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
APRIL 6, 2017  
SOUTH SHORE CHAMBER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, INC.  
1750 E. 71<sup>ST</sup> STREET  
CHICAGO, IL 60649**

**Attending:**

**Commissioners:** Amena Karim, Gregory Smith, Martha Peters, Lynn Small  
**Chamber Staff:** Tonya Trice, Ciera Whittaker  
**Alderman's Staff:** Kim Webb  
**Guests:** Donald Lightfoot

1. Commissioner Karim opened the meeting at 6:00pm
2. The agenda was approved
3. The minutes of the March meeting were approved.
4. The commissioners reviewed the three responses to the RFP seeking an event planner for the Summer Festival. We received submissions from Artworks Chicago, Chicago Special Events and Command Attention. After a discussion of pricing, experience and talent opportunities, the commissioners chose Chicago Special Events to run the festival. Looking ahead, we will look to hire an intern to assist with the process. We will also hold a debriefing meeting in September, which will be the time we draft the RFP for the 2018 event. This should get us off to an earlier start.
5. The March statements are not yet available. We currently have over \$250,000 in the bank. We received \$504,204 from the City, plus a \$133,000 carryover from last year.
6. Conflict of interest statements are due in May. The terms of three commissioners, Kareem, Jackson and Hurt expire in April. They are expected to be renewed in May.
7. The SSA #42 website was reviewed. Several wording and design elements were revised and approved.
8. The murder of several people in the past few days shows we still have a serious security issue. We still need to get Walgreens to clean up their act and be more proactive in cleaning up their property. We will ask Allpoints if varying their patrol times will help.
9. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:07pm.