

WPB SSA #33 Commission Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 17th, 2026 – 6:40 PM to 7:56 PM
Meeting Hosted at 1414 N Ashland Ave & Via Zoom

Attendance:

Wayne Janik (WJ)
Marcy Huttas (MH)
Dominika Hertsberg (DH)
Laura Botwinick (LB)
David Ginople (DG)

Staff – Alice Howe (SSA Program Director), Pamela Maass (WPBCC President & CEO), Luke Scaletta (Community Engagement Coordinator), Lindsay Siebert (Outreach & Engagement)

Guests – Amanda Kezios (Mojo Spa), Bree Flamini (Screams Everything Studio), John Shirk (Resident)

1) Call to Order at 6:40 PM

2) Approval of the June Agenda

*WJ motions. MH seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

3) Review of May Minutes

*WJ motions. MH seconds. WJ, MH, DH, LB in favor. DG abstains. **Motion passes.***

4) Review of May Financial Reports

*WJ motions. MH seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

5) President & CEO Report, delivered by PM

6) Program Director Report, delivered by AH

7) Outreach & Engagement Report, delivered by LiSi

a) *Commission discussed installations to protect storefronts against Smash and Grab burglary attempts, including bollards and additional planters. Further discussion will take place at the next Clean, Green & Transportation Meeting (6/29).*

8) 2027 Budget & Workplan Review

Commission discussed the proposed 2027 Budget & Workplan developed by AH and PM, to be presented to the 1st and 32nd Ward and City of Chicago.

9) Motions for Commission

Motion 1: The Commission recommends to approve funding not to exceed **\$3,300** from line item **1.10 (Community Grants)** to fund stipends for Artists, Experts, Speakers, Educators at the WPAC Sunday Fundays throughout Summer 2026 (26-0601)

*DG motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 2: The Commission recommends to approve funding not to exceed **\$5,000** from line item **1.10 (Community Grants)** to fund supplies and materials for the Friends of Burr Kids Fest at Wicker Park Fest (July 25-26) and other events in 2026-2027 (26-0602)

*DG motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 3: The Commission recommends to approve funding not to exceed **\$5,000** from line item **1.10 (Community Grants)** to fund stipends for Artists, Experts, Speakers, Educators at the BCO Garden Walk on July 11-12th (26-0607)

*DG motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 4: Motion 4: The Commission recommends to approve funding not to exceed **\$500** from line item **1.10 (Community Grants)** to fund stipends for educators and supplies for My 3 Meals and Sage Therapy, to allow free entry to their event on July 10th, entitled "Fueling Therapy: Nutrition Care Coordination to Improve Mental Health" (26-0608)

*DG motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 5: The Commission recommends to approve funding not to exceed **\$2,500** from line item **2.06 (Public Art)** to co-sponsor Chicago Sculpture Exhibit's 25th Anniversary (26-0609)

*DG motions. WJ seconds. LB, DG, WJ, DH in favor. MH opposed. **Motion passes.***

10) Motions from Committee

Motion 6: The Clean, Green & Transportation Committee recommends to approve funding not to exceed **\$5,000** from line item **5.04 (Bicycle Safety Programs)** to fund additional bike equipment (lights, leg bands, bells, etc.) and bike programming through 2026. (26-0604)

*DH motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 7: The Arts Committee recommends to approve funding not to exceed **\$9,000** from line item **2.06 (Public Art)** to fund the installation of a mural at 2124 N Damen Ave (Door24 Wine) in memorial to artist Tony Fitzpatrick, sponsored by SSA #33 with support from the Bucktown Community Organization (26-0605)

*DG motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

Motion 8: The Arts Committee recommends to approve funding not to exceed **\$13,000** from line item **2.06 (Public Art)** to fund the installation of a mural by Liz Flores at the Western Ave viaduct below the Bloomingdale Trail, sponsored by SSA #33 with support from the Friends of the Bloomingdale Trail (26-0606)

*DG motions. WJ seconds. All in favor. **Motion passes.***

11) Adjournment Motion at 7:56 PM

*WJ motions. DG seconds. All in favor. **Meeting Adjourned.***

Next Meeting – July 7th