

**Uptown SSA #34
Advisory Commission
Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, December 16th 2025 - 4:30pm

**Uptown United Office
4619 North Broadway**

Commissioners Present: Terry Tuohy (*Chair*), Matthew Ruffi (*Treasurer*), Noreen Keeney (*Secretary*), Kelly Cheng, Rosa Gamboa, Dominic Irpino, Andrew Pillman, Nick Pinto
Commissioners Absent: Patti Hutzel (*Vice-Chair*), Todd Allen Israel, Lesley Showers, Karl Sullivan
Others in Attendance: Justin Weidl, Sarah Wilso, Greg Carroll, Frank Du

1. Welcome and Call to Order

- a. Tuohy called meeting to order at 4:31pm.

2. Public Input

- a. Frank Du from Uni Uni introduced himself and shared about his Curb Appeal Rebare application.

3. Approval of Minutes

On acceptance of minutes for the below meeting:

Motion to accept November 18th minutes:

Motion: Ruffi

Second: Keeney

VOTE: Approve – All

Oppose – None

Motion Passes

4. Budget and Financial Report

- a. Weidl presented a financial report.

- i. Cook County tax bills were sent on 11/15 and were due 12/15.

5. 2025 Budget Modification

- a. Weidl presented a Budget Modification that would reduce the levy request by \$8,716.

Motion to approve Budget Modification:

Motion: Irpino

Second: Keeney

VOTE: Approve – All

Oppose – None

Motion Passes

6. Community Event Grant Program

- a. Weidl presented a budget outlining allocations of the \$200,000 Special Event Budget for 2026.

Motion to approve funding allocations for Special Event Budget for 2026:

Motion: Cheng

Second: Irpino

VOTE: Approve – All

Oppose – None

Motion Passes

7. Curb Appeal Rebate Program

a. Weidl presented an application from Uni Uni located at 1130 W Argyle Street.

Motion to approve rebate application from Uni Uni:

Motion: Ruffi	Second: Irpino
VOTE: Approve – All	Oppose – None
Motion Passes	

b. Weidl presented an application from Ground Floor PT located at 1150 W Leland Avenue.

Motion to approve rebate application from Ground Floor PT:

Motion: Cheng	Second: Keeney
VOTE: Approve – All	Oppose – None
Motion Passes	

8. Public Art Program

a. Weidl presented a funding request from Erik Peterson for a Bubble Sculpture to be located at Buttercup Park.

i. Ruffi requested a long-term maintenance plan and agreement, primarily to address concerns of graffiti and vandalism. .

Motion to approve funding request from Erik Peterson:

Motion: Irpino	Second: Cheng
VOTE: Approve – Tuohy, Irpino	Oppose – Ruffi, Keeney, Cheng, Gamboa, Pillman, Pinto
Motion Fails	

9. 2026 Meeting Schedule

a. Weidl presented a 2026 Meeting Schedule.

Motion to approve 2026 Meeting Schedule:

Motion: Ruffi	Second: Irpino
VOTE: Approve – All	Oppose – None
Motion Passes	

10. Next SSA Commission Meeting

a. Tuesday, January 20th, 2026

11. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:26pm.

Minutes Submitted By: Justin Weidl, *Director of Neighborhood Services*