

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

Tuesday, February 17th 2026 – 4:30pm
Uptown United Office
4619 North Broadway

Commissioners Present: Terry Tuohy (*Chair*), Matthew Ruffi (*Treasurer*),
Noreen Keeney (*Secretary*), Dominic Irpino, Todd Allen Israel,
Andrew Pillman

Commissioners Absent: Patti Hutzel (*Vice-Chair*), Kelly Cheng, Rosa Gamboa, Nick Pinto,
Lesley Showers, Karl Sullivan

Others in Attendance: Justin Weidl, Sarah Wilson,

1. Welcome and Call to Order

- a. Tuohy called meeting to order at 4:35pm.

2. Public Input

- a. None

3. Approval of Minutes

- a. Weidl presented meeting minutes from January 20th, 2026.
 - i. Minutes will be approved at March 17th, 2026 meeting.

4. Budget and Financial Report

- b. Weidl presented a financial report.
 - i. Cook County has distributed the 2025 2nd installment payments.

5. 2026 Budget Amendment

- a. Weidl anticipates a TIF Surplus announcement early this year.

6. Security Rebate Program

- a. Weidl presented a rebate application from Fat Miilk.
 - i. There were no objections to staff approving the application since the amount is under \$5,000 and there are funds available in the budget line item.

7. Curb Appeal Rebate Program

- a. Weidl presented a rebate application from JJ Equities.
 - i. There were no objections to staff approving the application since the amount is under \$5,000 and there are funds available in the budget line item.



8. Public Art Grant Program

- a. Weidl presented a grant application from Molly Z.
 - i. There were no objections to staff approving the application since the amount is under \$5,000 and there are funds available in the budget line item.
- b. Weidl presented a grant application from Gabi Bozeman.
 - i. There were no objections to staff approving the application since the amount is under \$5,000 and there are funds available in the budget line item.
 - ii. Weidl will work with Keeney and Irpino on design review.
- c. Weidl presented a grant application from Inspirattion Corporation
 - i. Ruffi expressed concerns over the location of the mural panels and the need for visibility into about out of the grass area behind the fence.
 - ii. Weidl to suggest the mural be located on the wood fence at the northwest corner of the McJunkin Building.
 - iii. Application will be reviewed at March 17th, 2026 meeting.

9. Strategic Communications Plan

- a. Weidl presented a RFP for a Strategic Communications Plan.
 - i. Proposal are due by the end of February.
 - ii. Weidl will share proposals with Ruffi and Keeney once received.

10. Roofline Lights on Wilson Avenue

- a. Weidl presented an idea to add roofline lights to buildings along Wilson Avenue
 - i. Weidl to present proposals at the March 17th, 2026 meeting.
 - ii. Weidl to work with Israel on holiday lights plan.

11. Next SSA Commission Meeting

- a. Tuesday, March 17th, 2026

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:41pm.

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

