

# SOUTH SIDE QUARTER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The Creative District in the Heart of Dallas

### SSQDC – South Side Public Improvement District Annual Meeting

June 28th, 2023

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SOUTH SIDE QUARTER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (A Texas Non-Profit Corporation)

#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The South Side Quarter Development Corporation plans to create, document and teach a new model of inner-city revitalization focused on humane and sustainable practices within the Southern community of the City of Dallas, Texas. The Corporation plans to serve a creative community with a quantifiable quality of life, create opportunities for a diverse socio-economic population; and foster small businesses by providing facilities, training and access to capital. Through these activities, the Corporation plans to provide residents the opportunity to live, work, learn and play within a safe, vital neighborhood. On June 12th, 2019, the SSPID was renewed for another 7 year term. Term years are from 2020-2026.

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#### **Fiscal Reporting:**

Fiscal Year is from Jan-Dec. The 2022 Audit report is available for review. Please see copy attached. I would like to go over the 2023-2027 Service Plan, lets review and decide if any funds should be changed around. Due to HB1543 all PID service plans must be carried out as decided in the annual meeting, so any service plan changes should be discussed now. Please see Service Plan Below:

### **Public Safety**

In the past year loitering has been a major concern in this area. RHI have worked very hard to keep solicitation and loitering down in our area, but due to our close proximity to many Dallas area shelters sometimes it can not be avoided. We would like for Zeal to report on there findings in the past year in this area.

We have added additional security at our retail area on the corner of Botham Jean and McGee. We have armed guards stationed at their post in the area every weekend night from 12am-6am. We have found that this measure has cut down on any criminal activity that could arise in the area.

#### **General Updates**

Want to get feedback on at Bark Park, with all of the upgrades and changes are their any other things you would like to see done at the park. We are aware of patrons issues revolved around safety as an aid to that RHI has upped security in that area as well as installed surveillance equipment. Also water flow has been an issue in the park all measures have been taken to remedy this situation.

WE are in the process of doing a total rehaul on all parkette areas. Harris Best Lawn care has began the job along the Beat pathway. Once the water issue is resolved. They will return to parkette improvement schedules along Powhattan and Botham Jean, and will then be moving on to tree maintenance along Cadiz, Botham Jean, Powhattan and Belleview.

We have updated all lighting in the area by ensuring when all of the bulbs get replaced by the city of dallas and trinity lighting they are being replaced with more efficient LED lighting. Our next step is to tackle the pedestrian crossing on both Powhattan and Mcgee Street to ensure safer crossing measures for all patrons the lighting on the ground has been researched and will be installed in the Q3 of 2023.

Website for SSPID is up and ready to go live. We will be giving out the website information today. On this site you can submit reports, questions and complaints etc, as well be made known to all events that will be going on in this area that are open to the public. Which include events put on from

neighborhood associations, surrounding large businesses as well as small businesses and vendors. This site will also hold all of our fiscal information so that the information can be accessed at any time.

There are currently 4 EV charging stations behind the Canvas Hotel they are available for use on a first come first served basis. If anyone is having issues getting their electric vehicles charged there please let me know and I will arrange a meeting with canvas in order to get residents scheduled for charging.

There is a new restaurant coming into the neighborhood. Johnny's once more information is released it will be placed on the PID website. Once the restaurant is open we will have a PID sponsored neighborhood event there so everyone can learn more about the restaurant.

Last but not least we have recently talked to the Cedars Neighborhood Association to have a coalition created between Cedars and South Side residents where quarterly meetings can be had and we can advocate together for the needs in this neighborhood. Some of the things already discussed where needs for a fully stocked grocery store, grocery delivery location, street scaping and entry way murals into the neighborhood. If anyone is interested in joining the coalition please let me know and I will send you an invite to the first official meeting.

## **Community Input**

**Operation Restaurant and Retail**: Last year we implemented this program by conducting marketing campaigns for The Fivee Bistro located at 1319 Botham Jean. We ran a social media, and radio ad campaign for the restaurant in order to draw more attention to the business.

We have sponsored several events and businesses in the area.

Cedars Open Studios – Nov 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Business Mixer at The Gold Standard – Jan 12th VIP mixer at The Fivee – June 16th Cedars 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration – July 4th Health Event at the Rooftop Canvas - TBD Neighborhood Restaurant Event at Johnny's - TBD **Neighborhood Events Committee**: We are still interested in presenting the opportunity for the neighborhood to create more events in the neighborhood.

If we cant get enough persons to sign up at the annual meeting this opportunity will also be presented at the quarterly meetings for the Cedars/Southside quarterly meetings.

We are currently looking for a group of 5-7 persons to fill this committee. This is a

pilot program and the PID will be presenting this committee with a \$12,000 commencement budget. The events

can be spread out over in the potential ways:

12 Monthly Events: \$1000 once a month, pop up events.

4 Quarterly Events: \$3000 once a quarter events

2 Bi-Annual Events: \$6000 twice a year events

1 Annual Event: \$12,000 once a year event

The way this is carried out is completely up to the committee. The committee will be self-ran, and the planning of

the events will be carried out by the committee.

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If you are interested please let me know by email <a href="mailto:sbrown@matthewssouthwest.com">sbrown@matthewssouthwest.com</a>

If not interested but have some good ideas you would like to share with us. Please email that as well.