



## CIDBIA Board Meeting Minutes

November 3, 2016

Board Members Present: Larry Larson (Co-Chair), Ken Louie (Co-Chair), I-Miun Liu (Treasurer), Diane King (Secretary), Maiko Winkler-Chin, Tuck Eng.

Board Members Absent: Barry Blanton, Aaron Crosleycone, Lei Ann Shiramizu

Staff Present: Jessa Timmer, Monisha Singh

Meeting called to order by Larry Larson at 8:40 a.m. November 3, 2016

### 1. Welcome

Larry welcomed board members. There were no guests present

### 2. Public Comment on Agenda Items

There were no public comments.

### 3. Review and Approval of October 6, 2016 Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2016 minutes were approved noting a correction of the spelling of I-Miun Liu's name.

### 5. BIA Renewal Update

Jessa was happy to report that 29.4% of property owners have agreed to sign the renewal petition when it comes out. She has been meeting with property owners over the past month and a half.

Ken, I-Miun and Jessa met with the Chong Wa board regarding the work of the CIDBIA. *Jessa will prepare a one page flyer outlining what the CIDBIA does.* This flyer will be printed in different languages and will be available to distribute at meetings in the neighborhood. Tuck volunteered to distribute it to neighborhood businesses. It will also be included in the January billing cycle for rate payers.

It was suggested that the CIDBIA attend Chong Wa board meeting a couple times a year to update them on the CIDBIA activities. Tuck mentioned that Chong Wa is in contact with the 22 association organizations in the neighborhood and meets with them bi-monthly.

InterIm has been approached regarding the rate increase and *Jessa will meet with Brian Scott regarding the Danny Woo garden to confirm that one of the three parcels of land making up the garden (owned by the Woo family) can be specifically called out in the ordinance so it can be treated as a tax-exempt property.*

Ken met with Tomoko Moriguchi-Matsuno and Denise Moriguchi of Uwajimaya and they are supportive of the new rate.

Meetings still need to be set up for the properties across 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. It is unclear who to talk to and who will be responsible to sign the petitions. *Jessa will meet talk with BDS and the City regarding who has signing authority.*

*Ken will contact Goodman who owns the Bartell Property (Icon apartments) and also obtain the contact for the Equity apartments.*

*I-Miun will contact Assunta Ng owner of the Northwest Asian Weekly and several properties in the CID.*

SCIDPDA supports the new renewal assessment.

It was felt after Lunar New Year would be best time to meet with the neighborhood as a whole regarding the new assessment proposal.

## **6. Finance Committee Update**

The finance committee, Maiko, Jessa, Barry and I-Miun met to discuss the 2017 budget. The new budget will be voted on at the December meeting. The current 2016 balance sheet has not changed since the last meeting. With the old budget, the BIA should be \$56K in the red at this point in the year, but we are at a positive \$5K.

## **7. Events/Marketing Update**

The Happy Hour Food Walk is continuing on the third Thursday of the month through December. The next one is scheduled for November 17 from 4-7 p.m.

The Shop Small Saturday Campaign put on by the Ethnic Business Coalition will be held November 26. Ten retailers will participate with instore activation through special activities or mini-shops. The CIDBIA will have a special food walk with 25 restaurateurs participating from 3-6 p.m.

Lunar New Year (year of the Rooster) celebration will be held on January 21. It will be one day only. Melissa Jurcan and Audrey Fan will be handling the event. Their contract ends after Lunar New Year and Monisha will begin negotiations to renew their contract with an effort for them to manage the work that Monica has done in the past.

The design work on the new website, [www.seattlechinatownid.com](http://www.seattlechinatownid.com), is progressing.

## **8. Staff Update**

There will be enhanced cleaning in the district with money provided by the city. At present Recology Cleanscapes cleans 3 days a week and SPU provides cleaning 2 days with the added ability to provide pressure washing.

A public safety coordinator is still to be hired.

Jessa has been approached to sign a petition which will be sent to the City Council requesting they reject a proposal to establish a new designated fee on businesses to fund the office of Labor Standards (OLS). The Board agreed with her request to sign the petition.

The metro chamber of commerce is inviting the CIDBIA to partner with them which would be beneficial since it could provide our group with up-to-date policy information and perhaps allow us to partner with them in providing employee benefits. It was agreed that it would be beneficial to join.

Upcoming activities: November 15 – South Downtown Mixer.  
Meeting (probably the third week in November) with Spring Hill Suites groups who will advise us of their building plans at 8<sup>th</sup> and Lane. Diane and Larry would like to be included in that meeting.  
CIDBIA holiday party – probably held the second week of December.

Next meeting December 1, 2016.

**9. Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

**Meeting adjourned at 10:20 am**

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*Action Items italicized*

Submitted by Diane King