# Soulard Community Improvement District Monthly Board Meeting Minutes Monday, August 11, 2025

Location:

Molly's

Call to Order:

Terry called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm

Adjourn:

5:54 pm

**Commissioners Present:** 

The following commissioners responded to roll call:

Terry Hoffman John Durnell Luke Reynolds Laura Leister Mary Hart Burton

Commissioners Absent:

Steve Edele

Phyllis Young

There was a Quorum

Yes

Guests in Attendance:

Mary Tabbachi Robert Althoff Richard Eaton Matt Risser

#### • Secretary's Report

- Approval of minutes from the last Board Meeting on Monday, July 14, 2025.
  - A motion to approve the July minutes was made by Luke and seconded by Mary.
    Laura abstained as she was absent from the July meeting. All remaining board members in attendance approved.

### Treasurer's Report

- Terry presented the Budget & Income Statement through July 2025.
  - Year-to-date revenue & carryover: \$2,171,926
  - Expenses (operating + programs): \$14,631
  - Net total: \$2,157,278
- o Total expenses related to trash/street/alley (\$160,154) and administrative (\$17).

## Communications Manager Report

- Terry reported that the Communications Manager has updated the website with expansion maps.
- o CID submitted an article about the expansion to the Renaissance, which should be front page according to the newspaper's Editor-in-Chief.

## · Reports of Officers, Boards or Committees

o No report.

### Open and Unfinished Business

- Trash Program:
  - Four permit applications were officially submitted to the Board of Public Service for the purpose of updating the existing trash and pet receptacle permits for the existing CID boundaries and obtain new permits for expanded area. Once approved, Board will authorize purchase for approximately 30 trash cans and 26 pet waste.
  - Discussed replacing the telescopic stands with historic poles.
  - The CID received some comments from residents about individuals pulling trash out of dumpsters and into alleys, which creates a mess. CID will request Charlie Brown to allocate some time to cleaning alleys. Currently, Charlie Brown is paid

to be in the neighborhood four days per week, CID will consider hiring them for five days per week if the labor is too much to fit into their current schedule.

Skyscraper Banners:

 Craftsman provided a bid on installing banners in expanded area and replacing two banners in the existing area due to damage. Cost will be \$4200 per banner.

Logo:

New CID logo design has been finalized with Ten8. CID will be using new logo on assets moving forward.

Beautification/Street Tree Plan:

- City has 120 trees on their list for removal they are 20-30% through their list.
  We also contracted Davey Tree for removal of other trees they are 50% through their list.
- The Head of Forestry requested a list from the CID showing where we would like new trees planted. Phyllis is currently making a list, which will include approximately 100 to 150 trees.

Traffic Calming:

CBB is working on the cycle track for Russell.

- CID is waiting on our streets to be resurfaced by the City, including Russell. The City is currently resurfacing alleys.
- Board is working on another installation list for speedhumps due to resident requests. Looks like we will be installing approximately 10 more throughout the neighborhood.

o Pontiac Park:

Two new water fountains are currently being installed in Parks Department.

Shelter Blueprint

 No update. It appears no occupancy or other permits have been submitted to the City by Trinity at this time.

Economic Development Study:

- RFP for an economic development study has been finalized by the Board and approved by attorneys. Budget is \$150,000.
- In the next two weeks, CID will be meeting with the SBA Board and SRG Board to loop in the organizations and take comments.
  - Part of the RFP includes Kosciusko area because it would be part of the City plan, and it could eventually transform into retail, which would affect Soulard. Because Kosciusko is outside of the CID boundary, the Board plans to ask for a small contribution from the SBA and SRG to fund the part of the RFP that is outside of the CID's boundaries.
- Tery and Luke will then meet with our Alderwoman to discuss the RFP and get official support.

Historic Tour Scripting & Commentary:

 Still waiting to hear back from Veronica with SRG Historical. Meanwhile, we are going to get quotes for the project.

Shredding/Recycling Event:

- Board is thinking about delaying it for next year to make it a bigger event to include more recycling companies.
- Since the City has limited recycling, Terry thought about contacting Brightside (Mary Lou Green) to have a Soulard second recycling drop. The only drop in Soulard is the fire station. Terry and John will check out the fire station to see how vast the drop is there to see if we need to supplement with another location.
- Snow Removal:
  - No update.

Boys and Girls Club:

- Terry asked whether the Board wants to get involved with what could happen if the property was sold. John suggested we contact Walker with SRG PRT.
- New Business
  - o None

Comments by Guests in Attendance

- Mary T. expressed concern for Trinity's activities and its affect on 8th Street. Board told her we would check in with the City to see if there have been any updates.
- Adjournment
  - There being no further business. Mary moved that the Board adjourn until the next meeting. Luke seconded the motion. All board members present were in favor.

Minutes Submitted by Laura Leister Secretary, Soulard Community Improvement District

Laura Leister

Date: