

City of Naperville

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Naperville

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 11, 2025

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

SECA Commission

PUBLIC COMMENT:**A. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Brodhead called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

B. ROLL CALL:

Present 9 - Judith Brodhead, Rich Gannon, Tom Miers, Rachna Prasad, Kader Sakkaria, Lai So, Ashfaq Syed, Arthur Zards, and Linda Kuhn

Also present: Miranda Barfuss, Community Grants Manager; Jake Fiedler, Special Events Coordinator; Melanie Marcordes, Director of Community Services; Alex Amato, Student Representative; Tien Nghiem, Student Representative.

Commissioner Miers made a motion to allow Commissioner Sakkaria to participate by phone, seconded by Rachna Prasad. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

C. PUBLIC FORUM:

None

D. OLD BUSINESS:

- Approve the SECA Commission meeting minutes of November 15, 2025

Attachments: [SECA Commission Meeting Minutes 111525 - DRAFT](#)

Commissioner Miers made a motion to approve the SECA Commission meeting minutes of November 15, seconded by Prasad. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

E. NEW BUSINESS:

- Reach consensus on a unified funding recommendation for the CY26 SECA Grant Fund allocations and direct staff to submit the recommendation to the City Council for review and approval

Attachments: [CY26 SECA Grant Fund Allocations](#)

Fiedler and Barfuss reviewed the combined commissioners spreadsheet and noted that seven applications will not receive funding due to the majority of Commissioners allocating \$0. Commissioners discussed allocations and completed a unified recommendation leaving \$15,000 for public art projects that arise throughout the year.

Meeting recessed at 7:50 PM. Meeting resumed at 7:57 PM.

The SECA Commission directed staff to determine how unspent funds are handled when an event is canceled and to obtain clarification on this process before submitting the final recommendation to City Council.

Commissioner Gannon made a motion to approve the unified recommendation for CY26 SECA Grant Fund allocations and directed staff to submit the recommendation to City Council for review and approval, seconded by So. The motion was approved by the unanimous vote.

2. Approve the SECA Commission 2026 Meeting Schedule

Attachments: [SECA Commission 2026 Meeting Schedule Final](#)

Commissioner Kuhn made a motion to approve the SECA Commission 2026 Meeting Schedule, seconded by Zards. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Commissioner Miers asked to move the January meeting to January 28. Commissioners agreed.

3. Review and approve the 2025 SECA Commission Annual Report draft

Attachments: [2025 SECA Annual Report](#)

Commissioner Prasad made a motion to approve the 2025 SECA Commission Annual Report draft with revisions, seconded by Gannon. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

F. ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Miers made a motion to adjourn the SECA Commission meeting of December 11, 2025 at 8:36 PM, seconded by Prasad. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

/S/ Jake Fiedler
Jake Fiedler
Special Events Coordinator