CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE
OLD TOWN PORTAL MARKET ADVISORY BOARD
March 2, 2022 - Minutes

Board Members: Ramona Tafoya, Charlene Kalbfell, Betty Panos, Sylvia Ramos Cruz, Denise Pepin
City Representative: James de Champlon

Ramona established that there was a quorum and called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Sylvia motioned to approve the Agenda; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Charlene motioned to approve the Minutes from the December 15, 2021 Board meeting; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Portal Manager’s Report:
Denise Pepin’s term ended on 6/1/2021, Denise has remained a sitting member on the Board since that date. Mayor Keller has asked that we submit a slate of candidates for this position on the Board. At some point after this meeting a call for nominations will go out to all Craft Units, the nominations along with a response from each nominee will then be sent out as a ballot to all of the Craft Units. The votes will then be counted and a list of the top vote getting candidates will be sent to the Mayor for a final selection.

At the July 21, 2021 meeting Ramona asked “What role is the advisory board going to play in the program?” with the claim that changes had been made to the program that had not been brought to the board for discussion. The examples that she gave at the time were that certain time restraints had been changed and that self-regulation of afternoon reassignments had been introduced. As a point of clarification, the Board did discuss both of these issues prior to the revision of the regulations in November of 2017, and July of 2020 respectively. While a consensus among the Board members was reached prior to the 2017 changes, no resolution was attained over the issue of afternoon reassignments, but the concerns that had been brought up were weighed and used to help craft the regulations regarding afternoon reassignments that became effective.

Old Business:
There was a discussion about the current rule of not sweeping with regular brooms during the 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. time that the Portal Market is open, but that the use of dust mops and handheld dust brushes is allowed without restriction. Dust mops like Swifter, and handheld dust brushes are allowed at any time so that vendors who arrive after 9 a.m. or for afternoon reassignment can still clear their space of dust and debris without having to use a regular broom. The possibility of moving the cutoff time for sweeping closer to 9:30 a.m., so that a greater number of vendors would be allowed to sweep prior to the cutoff time was discussed. A general consensus of 9:20 a.m. as a cutoff time for using regular brooms was arrived at.

Ramona Tafoya motioned that the Board recommend that sweeping with regular brooms on the Portal be allowed until 9:20 a.m.
The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

The next Board meeting will be held at 4 p.m. at the Albuquerque Museum on April 13, 2022.
Meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.