

Board Welcome and Intros.

Welcome to Amy with PEBA:

PEBA (Pulaski Elston Business Association)

<https://www.pebachamber.org/>

PEBA has been here for 20 years. Neighborhood business development center.

- Assist businesses with permits, signage, location.
- City of Chicago language specialist location - Korean
- Events
  - o Networking
  - o Collab with other
  - o Mktg pieces
  - o Sidewalk cleaning once a week
  - o Pigeon problem at Lawrence and Pulaski
  - o Area marketing
  - o Security camera rebate program
  - o Snow plowing
  - o Quite a few new businesses opening.
    - Upbeat music and arts
      - Huge win! Can house 600 students
    - Asian improv arts
  - o Territory: cicero to Pulaski. Irving park to argyle.
  - o Trends – wholesalers aren't sticking around.
    - Less auto on Elston
    - Great landlords and are responsive
    - New coworking space on Lawrence
    - Getting inquiries for restaurants
    - Moderately priced rent
    - Mall is now full
  - o We have a TIF on Lawrence
    - 1.8 mil in SPIF money. – business owners can apply to use for renovations
      - Releasing 1.3 m in may

- For the little guy
- Bump outs: kennecot east
  - They weed them out, mulch,
  - Seasonal. Will start clean out soon
  - Tulips and summer plants
  - Inground watering
  - Maintain 14 planter boxes – all on Elston
  - Ribbon cutting for mural on Elston
  - Looking for more places for murals
  - Sculptures – getting a new one and swapping out the current ones. Brings in people doing tours
- What can we do?
  - Jeff park – organizes a walk where they walk to different businesses
  - Matching t-shirts
  - Promote businesses on social media
  - PEBA will do live music on Lawrence in clark street sports parking lot
  - Ask business owners to come to speak and be members
  - Spend money at a local business

#### Park District update

- Winter classes end this week
- Spring classes coming up – mostly full
- Pool expected to opening June 17<sup>th</sup> (subject to change)
  - Renovating locker rooms
  - 5 or 6 days a week
  - Need pool attendants – apply online.
- South gompers
  - Clean ups once a month
  - Tagged 4 tents
  - Department of family services has to be there to remove
  - Environmental department- district is looking at getting a port-a-potty
  - Brick landscaping building in S. Gompers has been condemned and will be removed
  - Nature space – will meet with developer in April
  - Clean up on April 20<sup>th</sup>. 9-12
  - April 23<sup>rd</sup> for quarterly meeting
    - Election for officers
  - Once we have more info on nature play space they will share
    - They will need committee members

- Friends of Palmer
  - TTS give back day on Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Sip and Stroll on June 1
- NRC
  - April 4<sup>th</sup> – environmental meeting- contact jim for more details
  - Survey for north park village building for the future is still out there
    - There will be an event to identify uses for buildings
- Nugent office
  - Participatory Budgeting meetings are starting
    - Ballot and voting out by summer
- [Mayfair Public Library](#)
  - Teacher in the library twice a week to help students with homework
  - Story hours, crafternoons, lego club,
  - All programs are on their website
  - [https://www.chipublib.org/locations/49/?\\_gl=1\\*\\_ubhkit\\*\\_ga\\*MTcyOTY1Njg4NC4xNzA5NTgxOTkw\\*\\_ga\\_G99DMMNG39\\*MTcxMTAzOTExNy4yLjAuMTcxMTAzOTExNy4wLjAuMA..\\*\\_ga\\_92RPWHE421\\*MTcxMTAzOTExNy4yLjEuMTcxMTAzOTI1NC4wLjAuMA..](https://www.chipublib.org/locations/49/?_gl=1*_ubhkit*_ga*MTcyOTY1Njg4NC4xNzA5NTgxOTkw*_ga_G99DMMNG39*MTcxMTAzOTExNy4yLjAuMTcxMTAzOTExNy4wLjAuMA..*_ga_92RPWHE421*MTcxMTAzOTExNy4yLjEuMTcxMTAzOTI1NC4wLjAuMA..)
  - Summer reading program coming up soon
    - Theme is music
    - Old town school of folk concert
    - Indian dance and culture workshop with Bollywood groove
    - Stuffy sleepover will be back
  - Adult crafting nights quarterly
  - Late night at the library
    - 2 concerts
    - Open 1 hour later
    - May and September
  - Looking for summer teen volunteers for summer program
    - 12 – 17 years old
    - Would work with children’s staff
  - Touch a truck program
  - Cook book club for adults

- Local barbershop harmony chorus
  - Recently moved to mayfair presb.
  - Looking to grow the chorus
  - Meet Wednesday nights
  - Sing at nursing homes and community centers
  - Sing at all types of events
  - Want to sing at 4<sup>th</sup> of July
- North Mayfair Presb.
  - Need funding for the bells
  - <https://www.givesendgo.com/GBV7K?fbclid=IwAR0qhJzugkRbRYWgHflhNkOjBGhfbEHb19P9SmuUkRbyrXFgjjhyaOqu7Sw>
- Mike Kelley blood drive
  - At heritage center on March 29<sup>th</sup>
  - <https://repkelly.com/>
  - Doing a pet supply drive
    - Leashes
    - Collars
    - food