



District of Columbia Government
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
Agenda for March 12, 2009



- 7:00 pm Call to order, Adopt Agenda and Approve previous meeting's minutes - starts on page 3
- 7:05 Community Comments (2 minutes each)
- 7:05 Community Presentation - Recommended Kingsman Field Dog Park Design, 15 minutes
Sherry Frear, Department of Parks and Recreation
See design on page 36 of the agenda package
- 7:20 Officer Reports:
Chair (2 minutes)
Vice-Chair (2 minutes)
Secretary (2 minutes)
Treasurer (2 minutes) - *starts on page 18*
1. Approve treasurer's report and previous month's disbursements.
 2. Approve monthly photocopying expenses.
- 7:25 Single Member District reports (2 minutes each)
Standing Committee Reports:
- 7:30 Alcohol Beverage Licensing - starts on page 20
1. Recommendation: ANCA 6 oppose the granting of an exemption to the singles sales ban to China House located at 1601 Benning Road, NE.
 2. Recommendation: ANCA 6 oppose the granting of an exemption to the singles sales ban to New York Liquors located at 1447 Maryland Avenue, NE.
 3. Recommendation: ANCA 6 not oppose the granting of an exemption to the singles sales ban to Capital Liquors 1835 Benning Road, NE **with the stipulation that within 30 days the owner sign a VA which prohibits the sale of single beers and limits the sale of half pints to those above a threshold retail price to be negotiated.**
 4. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., March 17, 2009 (3rd Tuesday)
- 7:40 Economic Development and Zoning - starts on page 23
1. Recommendation: ANC6A appoint a committee to (1) coordinate with other interested groups such as Stanton Park Neighborhood Association, etc. and (2) develop a list of requested community amenities for the H Street PUD project.
 2. Recommendation: ANC 6A support the case going to "set down" based on the project's zoning and design elements.
 3. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., March 18, 2009 (3rd Wednesday)
- 8:00 Community Outreach - starts on page 29
1. Recommendation: ANC 6A approve the COC goals for 2009-2010
 2. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., March 16, 2009 (3rd Monday)



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8:05 Transportation and Public Space Committee - starts on page 31

1. Recommendation: Approve committee's 2009 goals
2. Recommendation: Send letter to DDOT requesting rush hour parking restrictions be removed along 15th and 17th Streets NE
3. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., March 16, 2009 (3rd Monday)

8:15 **Unfinished Business**

8:15 **New Business - starts on page 34**

1. I move ANC6A send a letter to DCRA expressing concern with the process that led to unpermitted construction at 1367 Florida Avenue, NE that led to the partial collapse of adjoining occupied structure at 1365 Florida Avenue. (Schultheiss)
 - i. We request an update on the training of DCRA inspection staff - this is the third structure within SMD ANC6A06 to collapse during construction within the last 2 years;
 - ii. We request an investigation and possible revocation of the license of contractors responsible for the work at 1367 Florida Avenue;
 - iii. We request a list of fines levied and enforcement actions taken on the properties where buildings have collapsed:
 1. 1367 Florida Avenue, NE
 2. 1222 Maryland Avenue, NE
 3. 642 15th Street, NE
2. I move for the approval of Heather Schoell to produce and assemble monthly ANC agenda package and for ANC6A to enter into a contract with her for these services which will expire at the January 2010 ANC meeting. (Schultheiss)
3. Re-constitution of Public Space Committee
4. Discussion of H Streets Arts Mural to be located in the 1000 block of H Street. (Fengler)



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Miner Elementary School
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Minutes

The meeting was convened at 7:07 PM.

Present: Commissioners Alberti, Beatty, Fengler, Holmes, Mack, Marshall, Schultheiss

1. Agenda

Motion: Ms. Beatty moved/Mr. Fengler seconded a motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed without objection.

2. Minutes

The minutes were accepted as presented.

3. Community Comment

A resident spoke about the extensive crime around a four-unit building he has purchased on 19th Street and asked for help. It was suggested that he speak with his SMD Commissioner.

Heather Schoell announced that a partnership had been formed between Maury School and CHAMPS to provide tutoring and other programs, and she solicited volunteers.

4. Officers' Reports

Chair

Mr. Fengler announced that Kelvin Robinson was the new ANC Commissioner for SMD 08, but that because he had not yet been sworn in, he would not be seated until the March meeting.

Treasurer

Mr. Alberti presented the Treasurer's Report. The opening balance of the checking account was \$24,171.29. The savings account had an opening balance of \$4,189.30, and there was an interest payment of \$1.06, leaving a balance of \$4,190.36. The following disbursements were approved: \$10.31 to Nick Alberti to replenish petty cash (Check #1402); \$127.50 to Roberta Weiner for transcribing minutes (Check #1403); \$25.00 to the ANC Security Fund (Check #1404); and \$345.60 to FedEx/Kinkos (Dec 08) (Check #1405). The closing balance was \$23,662.88.

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion to approve the disbursements in the January Treasurer's Report. They were accepted without objection. The report was adopted without objection.



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Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion that \$600 be approved for copying for ANC materials, and that up to \$60 be approved for copying for each Committee's materials and each SMD's materials for the next month. The motion was adopted without objection.

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion to approve the Quarterly Report for the 1st Quarter of FY 09. The motion passed without objection.

5. Single Member District Reports

Mr. Alberti reported that he received a notice from the Public Charter School Board on a meeting at which communication with the community would be discussed. The meeting notice was mailed five days before the meeting, and received three days prior to the date.

Mr. Holmes reported that the Fire Department has resurveyed the fire hydrants in his SMD and they are now working.

Mr. Fengler reported that the police and fire buildings development will come before the City Council within the next week. He also said he would like to thank Drew Ronneberg for analyzing the H Street Connection project, and said he is excited that there is a good plan. He reported that he is still struggling with the street on the west side of the Sherwood Rec Center because it is not zoned for RRP.

Mr. Schultheiss reported that the ANC has won the case at Public Space with the gas station at Maryland Avenue and 14th Street. The owners are redesigning the property. He thanked Rich Luna's firm as a great support to the ANC in the matter.

5. Committees

Alcoholic Beverage and Licensing

Motion: Ms. Beatty moved/Mr. Fengler seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation for its Goals for 2009. The goals were adopted without objection.

The report of the Alcoholic Beverage and Licensing Committee was accepted without objection.

Economic Development and Zoning

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion to accept the nominations of Patricia Schaub and Jonathan Schradar to be members of the ED&Z Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation for its Goals for 2009. The goals were adopted without objection.

1381 F Street NE

There is a request for support of a BZA application for a special exception for the construction of a partial third story addition to a property at 1381 F Street NE. The hearing is on March 17th. The



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roof-top addition would be for a third bedroom and will be designed to not cast a shadow on her or her neighbors' yards.

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion that the ANC accept the Committee's recommendation to send a letter of support to BZA for the project. The applicant will seek letters of support from her immediate neighbors. The motion passed without objection.

246 10th Street NE

This is a request for support of a request to the Zoning Administrator to permit a 10% deviation in the requirement for the rear yard setback. The owner, who is renovating this row house, would like to build a rear addition that will limit the rear yard to 18 feet, while zoning regulations require a rear yard setback of 20 feet. The neighboring houses already have additions.

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to approve the Committee's recommendation to send a letter of support to the Zoning Administrator for the deviation in the zoning regulations. Mr. Alberti said that this renovation removes a vacant property from the rolls and makes an improvement to the neighborhood. The motion passed without objection.

H Street NE Zoning Overlay Text Amendment

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation to request that the ANC ask Rich Luna to write and file a text amendment to include all lots bounded by 13th Street, 14th Street, Maryland Avenue, and Florida Avenue within the H Street Zoning overlay.

According to Mr. Ronneberg the change would mean that the Maryland Ave. properties would get the benefits of the overlay, including matter-of-right bonuses, and would be subject to its requirements. Mr. Fengler, noting that a change would also involve ANC 5B, proposed that the change specifically only include properties within 6A. The motion passed without objection.

Letter to DCRA on Training Inspectors

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation to send a letter to DCRA requesting that they train their inspectors to not permit electric service on public space. The motion passed without objection. The report of the ED&Z Committee was accepted without objection.

Community Outreach

Updating ANC Flyer

Elizabeth Nelson reported that the ANC 6A flyer will have to be updated, and said a final draft would be presented to the ANC at its March meeting.



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Updating List of Locations for Posting Agendas

Ms. Nelson requested that the Commissioners provide an updated list of locations where agendas will be posted in advance of monthly meetings

Grant for H Street Building Survey

This is a request that a \$4000 grant to the Capitol Hill Restoration Society to partially fund a survey of buildings on H Street be transferred to the Stanton Park Neighborhood Association. This is being done with the approval of both organizations. Drury Tallent was present as a representative of the Stanton Park Neighborhood Association.

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion to accept the request of the Community Outreach Committee to approve funding for the grant application of the Stanton Park Neighborhood Association to assume the responsibility of administering the H Street survey. And, if this grant request is approved, to accept the request of the Capitol Hill Restoration Society to withdraw funding for their grant proposal. The motion passed without objection.

The report of the Community Outreach Committee was accepted without objection.

Transportation and Public Space

National Marathon

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to approve the Committee's recommendation to send a letter to Emergency Management supporting the 2009 National Marathon. Mr. Holmes said that he would be in opposition to the motion because his constituents are trapped in their houses for the duration of the race, and the police wouldn't allow people to cross East Capitol Street despite the fact there was no traffic. Mr. Alberti said he had opposed Bike DC, but the National Marathon people made concessions last year, and the group had worked with the ANC. He said he was willing to live with the inconvenience. Ms. Beatty said she was in favor of the race. The motion passed 5-1, with Mr. Holmes in opposition.

No Parking Signs at 15th Street and Tennessee Ave. NE

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion to recommend that the ANC accept the Committee's recommendation to send a letter to DDOT asking for follow-up on requests by Lance Brown to install No Parking signs along the triangular corner park at 15th Street, F Street, and Tennessee Avenue NE. The motion passed without objection.

Traffic Study for H Street Connection

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion that the ANC accept the Committee's recommendation to send a letter to the Rappaport Company, the developers of the H Street Connection sit, asking for:

- a) transportation impact study for the surrounding area, particularly 8th and 10th Streets, given the current design which does not include property access to/from H Street



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- b) to give consideration of alternative configurations, including one with property access to/from H Street.

Mr. Fengler said that he does not want to create a whipsaw between the Transportation and Development Committees. Cody Rice suggested that the Transportation Committee hold off until the ED&Z Committee make its recommendations, and send a single letter to Rappaport. Mr. Alberti said he is fine with asking for a transportation study, but not for “alternative configurations” and the resolution should be divided into two parts. Mr. Holmes also suggested deleting point b of the resolution. Mr. Fengler said that while he will be perfectly happy having Mr. Rappaport go to both Committees, he feels that the ANC should speak with one voice. He said he would prefer to not adopt the resolution and wait until the process is further along. Mr. Alberti said he is in favor of getting information on traffic.

Motion to amend: Mr. Holmes moved/ Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to delete everything after “part b” in the existing resolution. The amendment passed without objection. The original motion, as amended, passed without objection.

The report of the Transportation and Public Space Committee was accepted without objection.

6. New Business

Elimination of Public Safety Committee

Motion: Mr. Holmes moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to postpone discussion of the elimination of the Public Safety Committee until next month. Ms. Beatty said that the new Commissioner may be interested in doing something about it, and she agrees that it has value. Mr. Robinson said that, indeed, he is interested. Mr. Fengler said that he wants to make certain it is not duplicating the work of PSA 102 or 103 in any way. Mr. Holmes said he would withdraw his motion.

Resolution on Ward 6 Single Sales Moratorium

Ms. Beatty reported that an ABC hearing is scheduled for March 4th on whether the sale of two or more bottles of half pints in a single transaction can be allowed under the Ward 6 singles legislation.

Mr. Alberti said that the purpose of the hearing was to ask the ABC for an interpretation of the law, on the issue of sales of more than one half pint in a single transaction. The liquor industry, in support of that interpretation is, he said, very much in evidence on the issue. Ms. Beatty said that 200 ml. (the standard measurement for small bottles) is less than a half pint. She also said that the ANC can stay out of the issue all together without, in her opinion, negatively impacting our area. Ms. Mack said that it was a blind decision to include half pints in the law. Mr. Fengler said that he welcomed that ban on half pints, and is comfortable with banning half pints. Mr. Alberti asked whether there was a logical extension to the proposed suggestion to 22 oz. cans of malt liquor, and it is not a decided issue.

A local liquor storeowner said he might not survive without the sale of half pints. Ms. Beatty said she has received three letters requesting waivers to the moratorium. Mr. Alberti said that it's necessary for the ANC to express its views on the issue of interpretation. Mr. Fengler said he is



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not sympathetic to a store that has a preponderance of sales in half pints, and the ANC should weigh in. Mr. Marshall said that the problem of street drinking is associated with cheap bottles, not expensive ones. Ms Beatty said that while the ban on half pints may be right for H Street, it might not be right for the whole ward. Mr. Schultheiss said that the initial ban has produced improvements on H Street, and you can see the difference on Bladensburg Rd., where there has been a big increase in street drinking activity, as they have no ban in effect.

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Schultheiss seconded a motion to send a letter to ABRA reaffirming ANC support for the ban on the sale of half pints, irrespective of packaging, in the Ward 6 moratorium on single sales. The motion failed 3-3, with Mr. Alberti not voting.

Motion: Ms. Beatty moved/Ms. Mack seconded a motion to not send a resolution to ABRA on this matter. The motion failed 2-4, with Mr. Alberti not voting.

Mr. Marshall said that the ANC should not start watering down the moratorium, and Mr. Fengler added that ANC 6A needed to lead by example. Ms. Beatty repeated her support of the moratorium that she personally fought for, and felt that the ANC needed to offer justification for its position. She stated her opinion that if ABRA interpreted the language of the legislation to allow the sale of two half pints in a transaction that it would still eliminate most street drinking.

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Schultheiss seconded a motion to send a letter to ABRA reaffirming ANC 6A's support for the ban on half pints in the Ward 6 moratorium on single sales. The motion passed 4-1-2. Mr. Alberti did not vote.

Appointment of ANC 6D08 Commissioner

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to send a letter to the Board of Elections appointing Kelvin Robinson to serve as Commissioner for ANC 6D08. The motion passed without objection.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.



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February 20, 2009

Ms. Linda Argo, Director
Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs
941 North Capitol Street NE, Room 9500
Washington, DC 20002

RE: DCRA Issuance of Permits for Equipment Illegally Located on Public Space

Dear Ms. Argo,

At our November 13, 2008 meeting, our Commission voted unanimously to request that DCRA (1) train its permitting staff to recognize when electrical equipment (e.g., electric meter boxes and air conditioning units) is located on public space and (2) refrain from issuing permits for such equipment unless the owner has first obtained a public space permit from DDOT.

Our ANC has written numerous letters to DDOT to draw attention to large electrical equipment that is installed on public space without a public space permit. In most cases the electrical equipment is an eyesore and detracts from the green spaces and unobstructed sightlines that are the intent of the L'Enfant Plan, of which ANC 6A is a part.

While public space is within the jurisdiction of DDOT, ANC 6A has concluded that DCRA contributes to this problem by issuing permits to allow the installation of equipment illegally located on public space. We are asking that you help address the problem by first, requiring all DCRA inspectors be trained to recognize the division between public space and private land; second, *as part of the permit review process*, require plans that show where utility boxes, meters (gas and electrical) and equipment will be located (when such equipment is to be installed), require approval from DDOT before the issuance of a permit for such work, and refrain from issuing permits on equipment illegally located on public space; and third, *as part of the inspection and enforcement process*, issue citations and/or stop work orders when utility boxes, meters and mechanical equipment are located in public space (presumably as a material violation of the official approved plans previously filed with DCRA). Furthermore, we ask that DCRA permitting officials be held accountable in their job performance evaluations if they continue to erroneously issue permits for illegally sited equipment.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Drew Ronneberg, Chair of our Economic Development and Zoning Committee at ronneberg6a02@gmail.com or (202) 431-4305.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc. Dan Tangherlini, City Administrator
Nicholas Majett, DCRA
Connie Wheeler, DDOT

Matthew Marcou, DDOT
Lennox Douglas, DCRA (BLRA)
Marvin McFadden, DDOT



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Ms. Melissa Bird
Neighborhood Planning Coordinator (Ward 6)
Office of Planning
2000 14th Street, NW, 4th Floor
Washington, DC 20009

Re: Proposed Agency Action: Map Amendment (Square 1049)

Dear Ms. Bird:

ANC 6A proposes that the Office of Planning recommend a zoning map amendment to include all C-3-A zoned lots of Squares 1026, 1027, 1049 and 1050 within the H Street NE Neighborhood Commercial Overlay Zone District (11 D.C.M.R. §§ 1320-26) (the "H Street Overlay").

ANC 6A believes that the exclusion of these lots from the H Street Overlay was an oversight, and, in any event, is essential to the ability to achieve the planning, land use and economic development objectives of the H Street Overlay at its eastern-most end. Alternatively, ANC 6A requests that these lots currently excluded from the Overlay be rezoned as a C-2-A zone district. The attachment explains the ANC 6A's reasons for proposing this agency action.

ANC 6A proposes this agency action pursuant to its authority under D.C. Code § 1-309.10(h)(1) (2001 & Supp. 2008). On February 12, 2009, ANC 6A voted in favor of this proposal by a vote of 6 (with 4 Commissioners required for a quorum) at a public meeting noticed and held in accordance with D.C. Code § 1-309.11(g). Accordingly, a response is due within 10 days and a status report is due within 60 days following that as required by D.C. Code § 1-309.10(h)(1). Please contact me if I can be of further assistance.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Enclosures



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Attachment #1

The H Street Overlay

On January 9, 2006, the Zoning Commission approved Zoning Commission Order 04-27, which implemented the H Street Overlay (Exhibit A). It became effective on March 10, 2006. The H Street Overlay created an Arts Sub-district at the eastern end of the corridor (see Exhibit A at § 1323). The H Street Overlay restricts other uses that are deemed incompatible with the Arts Sub-district (see, Attachment #2, Exhibit A at § 1320.4).

The Excluded Lots

The eastern-most end of the H Street NE Corridor is the only place on the entire street where lots subject to the provisions of the H Street Overlay are immediately adjacent to lots in a commercial zone district that are excluded from the provisions of the Overlay. All other commercially zoned lots on the H Street NE Corridor are adjacent to residentially zoned lots. These deviating lots are:

1. In Square 1026: Lots 173,177, 835,836, 65 and 66;
2. In Square 1027: Lots 141,142,143, 849, 804, 840 and 841;
3. In Square 1049: Lots 19, 20, 21, 31, 803 and 809; and
4. In Square 1050: Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 22, 30, 31, 35, 36, 803, 806, 807, 809 and 812.

The Excluded Lots are in a C-3-A zone district, but not subject to the provisions of the H Street overlay (see Exhibit B). As a result, the zoning for the Excluded Lots creates lots that have less zoning restrictions than adjacent lots that have the same base zoning but are subject to the provisions of the H Street Overlay. The remainder of the surrounding Capitol Hill neighborhood is zoned Residential.

Disparate Zoning Creates “Islands” of Incompatible Uses

The Excluded Lots are in prominent, highly visible locations—the corner of Maryland Avenue and 14th Street, along the south side of Maryland Ave between 14th and 15th St and along the south side of Florida Ave between Staples and Holbrook St NE. These properties are at the eastern gateway of the Arts Sub-district and the northeast Capitol Hill neighborhood. Currently, these neighborhoods are the centerpieces of District planning efforts, development efforts and over \$40 million in infrastructure investment. Any development that occurs on the Excluded Lots will effectively define (1) the Eastern Gateway of H Street, NE, (2) the success or failure of the Arts Sub-district, and (3) the northeast Capitol Hill neighborhood.

The vast disparity in zoning treatment between the Excluded Lots and C-3-A zoned lots subject to the Overlay creates “islands” of incompatible land uses. Because of the visibility and prominence of the Excluded Lots, incompatible development will disrupt the remainder of the Arts Sub-district and the neighborhood. Unfortunately, the incompatibility has already begun: an eight-pump gas station was proposed for the cornerstone of square 1049, lots 803 and 21 (see Board of Zoning Adjustment Application No. 17825 (filed May 7, 2008)).



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This type of development has been deemed to be entirely incompatible with the H Street Overlay (see 11 D.C.M.R. § 1320.5(d)) and the northeast Capitol Hill Neighborhood (Comprehensive Plan, Policy CH 1.1.6 (10 D.C.M.R. § 1508.7)). It is also entirely inconsistent with planning objectives that have the force of law (see Comprehensive Plan (10 D.C.M.R. § 100 *et seq.*)).

Proposed Agency Action

For the foregoing reasons, ANC 6A has concluded that exclusion of the Excluded Lots from the H Street Overlay was an oversight and that including them would be consistent with the District planning objectives for this area. Accordingly, rezoning the Excluded Lots so that they are entirely within the H Street Overlay would remedy this inconsistency. Alternatively, ANC 6A concludes that rezoning them as a C-2-A zone district would at least mitigate the detrimental impact of incompatible development at the Excluded Lots. Any such amendment should be retroactive to the effective date of the H Street Overlay, March 10, 2006.



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Attachment # 2

Exhibit A

Zoning Commission 04-27

Jan. 9, 2006

Z.C. NOTICE OF FINAL RULEMAKING & ORDER NO. 04-27
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- (1) Candy store;
- (2) Computer store;
- (3) Delicatessen;
- (4) Fabric store;
- (5) Health or exercise studio;
- (6) Ice cream parlor;
- (7) Plant store or nursery;
- (8) Secondhand or consignment store;
- (9) Shoe store;
- (10) Video rental and sales; and
- (11) Other similar personal/consumer service establishment or retail use.

(c) HS-A Sub-district: Any use listed in §1323.2.

1320.4 The following buildings, structures, and uses are permitted only by special exception if approved by the Board of Zoning Adjustment, in accordance with the standards specified in §§ 3104 and 1325 of this Title.

- (a) Any use requiring a special exception in the underlying zone, except a new gasoline service station;
- (b) Accessory parking spaces located off-site from the principal use;
- (c) Fast food restaurant or food delivery service provided:
 - (1) No part of the lot on which the use is located shall be within twenty-five feet (25 ft.) of a Residence District, unless separated therefrom by a street or alley;
 - (2) If any lot line of the lot abuts an alley containing a zone district boundary line for a Residence District, a continuous brick wall at least six feet (6 ft.) high and twelve inches (12 in.) thick shall be constructed and maintained on the lot along the length of that lot line;
 - (3) Any refuse dumpsters shall be housed in a three (3) sided brick enclosure equal in height to the dumpster or six feet (6 ft.) high, whichever is greater.



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The entrance to the enclosure shall include an opaque gate and shall not face a Residence District; and

(4) This use shall occupy no more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the linear street frontage within the HS Overlay District as measured along the lots that face the designated roadway;

- (d) Funeral, mortuary, or undertaking establishment;
- (e) Parking garage; and
- (f) Construction of a new building or enlargement of the gross floor area of an existing building by fifty percent (50%) or more, if located on a lot that has six thousand square feet (6,000 sq. ft.) or more of land area.

1320.5 The following uses are prohibited:

- (a) Automobile and truck sales;
- (b) Automobile laundry;
- (c) Boat or marine sales;
- (d) Gasoline service station;
- (e) Outdoor storage of any materials; and
- (f) Parking lot.

1320.6 The provisions of §1302.5 shall not apply to the HS Overlay District.

1320.7 For purposes of §1303.2, the designated roadway within the HS Overlay Districts shall be H Street, N.E.

1321 HS OVERLAY HOUSING SUB-DISTRICT (HS-H)

1321.1 The purpose of the housing sub-district is to encourage housing.

1321.2 The floor area ratio for new construction in the HS-H Sub-district may not exceed 0.5 FAR for non-residential uses, except as provided in §1321.3.

1321.3 New construction that preserves an existing façade constructed before 1958 is permitted to use an additional 1.0 FAR, for up to a maximum non-residential density of 1.5 FAR, for office uses or neighborhood-serving retail uses as permitted in §§701.1 and 701.4.



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February 20, 2009

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Diane Romo Thomas
Director, Community Relations & GWSA Foundation
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Washington, D.C. 20006
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Re: 2009 SunTrust National Marathon and Half Marathon

Dear Mr. Browne and Ms. Thomas:

At our regularly scheduled meeting on February 12, 2009, and with a quorum present (seven out of seven commissioners), the Commission voted to support the 2009 SunTrust National Marathon & Half Marathon scheduled for March 21, 2009.

We are particularly pleased with the greater effort being made to notify ANC 6A residents of race day interruptions through the use of local media, door-to-door outreach and door hangers, as well as cooperative arrangements with District transit officials to post bus route disruption notifications. As was discussed with our ANC's Transportation & Public Space Committee, we hope to see even greater strides next year towards minimizing the impact of street closures on the mobility of local residents.

We appreciate your efforts to encourage community participation and wish you much success with the event this year.

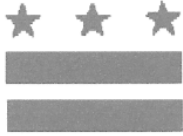
On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler, Chair
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Cc: Tommy Wells, Ward 6 Councilmember



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February 26, 2009

Ms. Karina Ricks
District Department of Transportation
941 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

Re: Request for parking restriction on small triangle park

Ms Ricks:

At our regularly scheduled public meeting on February 12, 2009, our Commission voted unanimously to request that a no parking sign be installed on one side of a small triangle park.

The park is across from Miner Elementary, at the intersection of 15th Street, F Street, and Tennessee Avenue, NE. When vehicles are parked along the east face (15th Street side) of the triangle park, visibility for motorists entering 15th Street from Tennessee Avenue have limited visibility, leading to vehicular and pedestrian conflicts. Attached are photographs that partially illustrate this point.

Also attached is a service request from May 2008, with a DDOT assigned resolution date in August 2008. No action has been taken on that request as of February 11, 2009.

If you have any questions, please contact ANC 6A Transportation Committee Chair Omar Mahmud at (202) 546-1520 or via email at familymahmud@yahoo.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Cc:
Omar Mahmud, Chair, ANC Transportation Committee



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March 3, 2009

Mr. Fred Moosally
Interim Director
Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration
941 North Capitol Street, NE
7th Floor
Washington, DC 20002

RE: ANC 6A re-affirms the ban on the sale of half pint bottles of spirits

Mr. Moosally:

At our February 12, 2009, properly noticed monthly Commission meeting, and with a quorum present, we voted to re-affirm our support for the ban on the sale of half pint bottles of spirits in the Ward 6 single sales moratorium. Specifically, we voted re-affirm our support to the Alcohol Beverage Control Board for the following provision located in subsection 25-346(b)(2) of the "Consolidated Mt. Pleasant, Ward 2, and Ward 6 Single Sales Moratorium Act of 2008":

"Sell, give, offer, expose for sale, or deliver an individual container of beer, malt liquor or ale with a capacity of 70 ounces or less, as well as spirits (liquor) sold in half-pints or smaller volumes."

If there any questions, please contract me at (202) 423-8868.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



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ANC 6A Treasurer's Report February 2009

Period Covered: 02/01/09 - 02/28/09

Checking Account:

Balance Forwarded		\$	23,662.88
Receipts:			
District Allotments		\$	-
Transfers from Saving Account		\$	-
Total Receipts		\$	-
Total Funds Available		\$	23,662.88
Disbursements:			
Voice of the Hill Newspaper (2009 Ads)	Ck #1406	\$	2,166.00
Roberta Weiner (Minutes Jan. '09 Minutes)	Ck #1407	\$	135.00
FedEx Office (Dec '09 Statement)	Ck #1408	\$	182.80
Total Disbursements		\$	2,483.80
Ending Balance		\$	21,179.08

Savings Account:

Balance Forwarded		\$	4,190.36
Receipts:			
Interest (01/30/09)		\$	1.07
Transfers from Checking Account		\$	-
Total Receipts		\$	1.07
Total Funds Available		\$	4,191.43
Disbursements		\$	-
Ending Balance		\$	4,191.43



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PETTY CASH SUMMARY

Period Covered 01/01/08 - 01/31/08

Balance Forwarded	\$	25.00
Deposit to Petty Cash	\$	-
Total Funds Available	\$	25.00
Disbursements:		
Total Disbursements	\$	-
Ending Balance	\$	25.00



Committee Reports

Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



ANC 6A ABL Committee
February 17, 2009
Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

Committee members present: Mary Beatty (Chair and ANC6A05 Commissioner), Derrick Figures; Michael Herman, Tish Olshefski; Richard Sundberg

Committee members absent: Mary Kosinski, Jeremy Marcus

Commissioners Present: Gladys Mack (ANC6A07); Kelvin Robinson (ANC6A08); Raphael Marshal (ANC6A01)

Community: Woo Young (Capitol Liquors); You-Feng Yang (China House); Coralie Farlee (ANC6D ABC Chair); Rebecca Sbilgia; Peter Cho (KAGRO); Gary Cha (Yes Organic Market); Veen Dutta (New York Liquors)

I. Housekeeping

- 1) **Agenda** - Motion to accept agenda. No objections to changes to pre-filed agenda. Motion to accept minutes of last meeting as amended. No objections.

II. Community Comment

- a. None

III. Discussion/Updates

- a. **ANC Recommendations-**
 - i. **Goals Accepted** - recommendation to the ANC to accept our goals for 2009 and that was accepted.
 - ii. **VA Rewrite** - ANC thought it a good idea to review and rewrite and change the template. Will probably start on this next month.
- b. **March 4 Hearing re: Ward 6 Ban on Half-Pints** - question asked about how to interpret a "Single sale of a half pint." Hearing on this originally scheduled for February 3 and ANC6A asked for extension. Thorough discussion at last ANC meeting with a vote to reaffirm our ban on singles of half pints. This will go to ABRA for the March 4 hearing.

IV. New Business

- a. **Exemption Requests**
 1. China House
 2. New York Liquors
 3. Capitol Liquors

Mary Beatty explained that as originally introduced, exemptions to the Ward 6 single sales ban would have been granted by each ANC, but as finally enacted, ABRA will make a determination, but will take the ANC's recommendations into consideration. They will carry "great weight".



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She explained the process for the ANC's exemption would be that she will ask each establishment owner to make a presentation about why they need an exemption. Then we'll make a recommendation on each establishment which will go to the ANC for a vote. That final recommendation will go to ABRA.

Question: Is there any criteria for granting exemptions.

Answer: Chair Beatty read the statute aloud which listed the following criteria, (and the recommendation from the ANC),

- Absence or presence of any violation in 12 months
- Evidence of licensee participation in community
- Clear and convincing evidence no serious adverse community impacts

Question: when was that document sent before the date of implementation?

Answer: one month

Question: There was a comment that in the original letter in 2008 sent out to class A and B that the applicant only needed approval from their ANC SMD rep, not the entire ANC. A letter with different wording was sent on January 7.

Answer: final wording of the law is that it is a letter from the entire ANC is needed.

China House: You-Feng Yang - 1601 Benning Road, NE

Statement of Owner: Ninety percent of my alcohol business is single beers. Business is primarily a carry-out, people will come in, buy a beer and food and take it home with them. Q: What percentage of business is food—about 50% is food. Eighty percent of customers are from the immediate neighborhood. Introduced a petition from their customers with 88 signatures.

How long does an exemption last? That has to go into a VA.

Mr. Peter Cho: talks to shop owners, sales are down; it's in our hands to keep some of them in business or put them out of business.

China House history - we protested renewal in 2005 based on loitering in the business; recommendation from SMD Commissioner Mack and the community. Went into negotiations on a VA, goal was to ban the sale of singles. China House was resistant to not selling singles; we decided to sign a VA; dropped our protest; agreed that if all those around them did not sell singles, then they would not sell singles. With the ban all those around them will not be selling singles.

Mary Beatty moves that we recommend that the ANC oppose the granting of an exemption to China House. Seconded by Richard Sundberg. Unanimous.

ANC has made it clear they don't want to weaken the law. Concern about whether they can sustain their business. There is no limit to the number of times they can apply for an exemption.

New York Liquors—1447 Maryland Avenue, NE

No VA



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Ms. Beatty said that at the last ANC meeting Commissioner Schultheiss spoke in favor of not weakening the ban, sees a lot of single bottles thrown around in front of the store and considers the establishment to have a real problem.

Owner not present (arrived later in meeting after below action taken)

Mary Beatty moves that we recommend that the ANC oppose the granting of an exemption to New York Liquors. Seconded by Michael Herman. Unanimous.

Capitol Liquors - Mr. Woo. 1835 Benning Road.

This establishment is a Class A. Owner is seeking exemption for sale of half-pints, not for single beers. Ward 5 and Ward 7 are within a block of his establishment.

Q: Does he have a voluntary agreement at this time? No.

Q. Can we make an exemption for one part of the ban? We can put that in a VA.

Community member spoke in favor of Mr. Woo. Commissioner Mack spoke in his favor as a community supporter.

Q. Would you be willing to sign a VA to prohibit the selling of beers and also negotiate over the selling of certain sizes of liquors? Yes.

Mary Beatty moves that we recommend that the ANC not oppose this exemption request with the stipulation that within 30 days the owner sign a VA which prohibits the sale of single beers and limits the sale of half pints to those above a threshold retail price to be negotiated. Seconded by Derrick Figures. 3 to 2. Passes.

(Comments were also made to include a provision into the VA that his exemption goes away if a ban on half-pint sales is enacted within a 600 ft. radius of his establishment. Chair Beatty agreed this language would be in the VA.)

V. Adjourn. Move to adjourn 8:30 pm. Next meeting: March 17, 2008 (wear green!)



Committee Reports

Economic Development and Zoning (ED&Z)



REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING
COMMITTEE OF ANC 6A
Wednesday, February 18, 2009, 7:00-9:00pm
Sherwood Recreation Center (640 10th St., NE)
2nd Floor Community Room

Resident Members: Drew Ronneberg (chair), Jeff Fletcher, Rich Luna, Barbara Halleck, Jonathan Shrader, Cody Rice

Commissioners: Nick Alberti (6A04), David Holmes (6A03), Raphael Marshall (6A01),

Drew Ronneberg chaired the meeting.

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Community Comments - None

Status Reports

1. 1400 Maryland Ave. BZA Case #17825
 - a. Owner plans to build a Shell gas station and convenience store at this location. The original plans used the surrounding public space for advertisement, and vehicle circulation. ANC6A protested this use of public space and the applicant's request was denied at the December Public Space Committee hearing.
 - b. The owner is proposing a new, smaller design; the ANC's authorized representative believes that the new design still does not comply with D.C. Department of Transportation regulations.
 - c. Most residents neighborhood are opposed to this development even with the smaller footprint.
 - d. There will be an additional public space hearing to address the sites curb cut requirements as well as on-site vehicle and tanker circulation; there will also be a BZA hearing in June, 2009. Commissioner Bill Schultheiss continues to champion the neighborhood's cause.

2. H Street Survey
 - a. Based on the current level of funding, we will likely be able to conduct a professional survey to document the historic buildings on H Street.
 - b. Stanton Park Neighborhood Association will administer the H Street survey grant
 - c. Funding promised as follows
 - i. ANC6A \$4,000
 - ii. CHRS \$4,000
 - iii. H Street Main Street \$5,000
 - iv. Abdo Development \$10,000
 - v. ANC6C possible contribution



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3. Zoning Code Rewrite - no update
4. Vacant Properties - During the month of January, the ANC6A ED&Z Committee has made significant progress regarding the review and correction of the vacant property list provided to us by DCRA. It appears that the DCRA vacant property list is highly inaccurate, with many of properties categorized as vacant are actually occupied. DCRA is using our vacant property surveys, to update their records. As SMDs are surveyed, we are updating the Community Walk online map with the corrected information. Once all SMDs are surveyed and we are confident the information is accurate we will make the map public. The committee continues to work closely with DCRA's vacant property team to ensure that their records contain the best, most current information regarding vacancies.
 - a. Criteria for vacant
 - i. Boarded up
 - ii. Exposed to the elements and unlivable
 - iii. No furniture
 - iv. An immediate neighbor confirms that no one lives there
 - b. Criteria for occupied
 - i. Occupant answers the door or are visible
 - ii. Furniture or other obvious signs of occupation
 - iii. An immediate neighbor confirms that someone lives there
 - c. Survey status
 - i. 6A01not surveyed
 - ii. 6A02surveyed
 - iii. 6A03surveyed
 - iv. 6A04partially surveyed
 - v. 6A05not surveyed (note: 6A05 was surveyed after report to Feb. ED&Z meeting)
 - vi. 6A06partially surveyed
 - vii. 6A07partially surveyed
 - viii. 6A08not surveyed
 - d. As surveys are completed, ED&Z is turning the information over to DCRA to update their records.
5. 1305-1311 H St. NE Nomination for Historic Landmark -The owner of the buildings has requested a delay in the historic landmark hearing. This means that the raze permit cannot go forward at this time.

Old Business - None

New Business

1. H Street Connection Redevelopment (900 H St. NE). Presentation of revised plans for the redevelopment of the H Street Connection site as a Planned Unit Development (PUD). The site currently has a 1-story structure (strip mall) set behind a parking lot that fronts H Street. The site is zoned C-2-B and as a matter of right, structures in C-2-B zones can be 65' high with a FAR of 3.5. If the development goes through the PUD process, the structure is permitted a maximum of 90' and a FAR of 6.0.



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2. Mr. Chip Glasgow of the law firm Holland & Knight and Ms. Sarah Alexander and Ms. Cheryl O’Neil of the architecture firm Torti Gallas presented revised plans for the redevelopment of the H Street Connection site. Mr. Gary Rappaport, the owner of the H Street Connection, was also on hand to answer questions from the community.
3. The original conceptual design for this location was presented to the ED&Z committee in October, 2007. The committee provided specific feedback related to massing, scale, and design. Based on that feedback, a new design was presented in this meeting. (see the Agenda for February 19 ED&Z meeting for additional drawings.)
4. Gary Rappaport believes that the building can set a tone for 8th Street for the next generation.



Highlights of the design as reported by Torti Gallas

1. 520 parking spaces, all under ground; 170 spaces that will be available for public parking, this is in excess of the 60 that are required
2. Ground floor is retail
3. FAR of 5.0 (down from 5.4 in original design)
4. 8% of the residential units will be affordable
5. Developer will adhere to LEED standards (although is not committed to acquiring LEED certification due to costs of the certification process)
6. Design integrates into the look of the neighborhood, incorporating characteristics of the architecture on H Street
 - a. Low scale along the street
 - b. Heights of the facades are varied
 - c. H Street elements of character included in the design—patterns, cornice elements, patterns
7. Massing is towards center and back; tailored the massing to blend into the neighborhood
8. Loading dock in back of the building
9. 3 outdoor “café” areas
10. Curved façade at 8th Street end of the block provides the largest café area (conceptual rendering below)



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11. Materials predominantly brick and masonry, some glass, possibly a metal panel on 8th & H Street corner.

12. Setbacks of upper stories start at the 4th or 5th floor.

Community discussion

1. Design

- a. The comments were generally favorable except regarding the step down on the 8th and 10th Street sides; community participants generally agreed that they would prefer a more gradual/graceful transition.
- b. Drew Ronneberg: The design is a great improvement; we appreciate them incorporating our comments to design something that flows with H Street.
- c. Questions
 - i. Can we get a south side rendering? (yes)
 - ii. Why not design 8th and 10th Street sides to look like more like the structures on the residential streets? (They believe that designing the 8th and 10th street facades more like rowhouses would be too abrupt of a design transition from the H Street façade..)
 - iii. Can the ingress/egress for commercial access be moved to H Street instead of near residential homes? (Developer felt that it probably won't be allowed because of the H Street Overlay. Will check with traffic consultants to see what can be done.)
- d. Monte Edwards of Stanton Park Neighborhood Association stated that the transition from the row houses to H Street development is too abrupt; and the building should be less massive. He also stated that this is a good chance to look for more sidewalk seating space. Recommended greater setback from the seat at 10th and 8th Street for more sidewalk seating and that the height on 8th and 10th Streets be decreased.
- e. Any thoughts on connecting the grid from 9th Street (conceptually, not literally)? Suggestion to perhaps bump out the sidewalk in front of the lobby to "receive" 9th Street.
- f. Raphael Marshall commented that he is excited about the new design; he feels that



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- the consistency of the new design is an asset.
- g. Curved façade at the 8th St. side is unusual for the area; may not be harmonious with the historical importance of this corner.
2. Massing & Density
 - a. Community comments showed a some concerns about the building's mass and height.
 - b. Drew Ronneberg: we had asked for massing and density to be concentrated towards the center and back; we're glad that they incorporated our suggestion.
 - c. Rich Luna: general concern about the size of the project as a whole because its size is so out of scale with the neighborhood. It's the same height as Capitol Hill Towers but CHT has landscaping and a large setback. Doesn't feel he can support the project with its current design.
 - d. Omar Mahmud: also concerned about the size, even compared to CHT; wonders about the aesthetics of a large building among smaller and the impact on traffic and transportation.
 - e. Monte Edwards of Stanton Park Neighborhood Association questioned whether there was some compromise between the 3.5 FAR and 5.0 FAR proposed that would provide a more appropriate/lower stepdown on the 8th and 10th Street sides as well as additional sidewalk setbacks.
 3. PUD process
 - a. PUD process doesn't always work very well and has led to projects that did not promote good design within their neighborhood contexts. When in a PUD process, there are often tradeoffs—sometimes you trade good design and better materials for FAR.
 - b. Chuck Berger: People are beginning to accept higher density if it brings other improvements such as retail, more consumers, parking, and economic improvements for the neighborhood. Can we guarantee that parking spaces will remain for public use? (Yes, as part of the PUD negotiation process; also developer would like to seek tax abatements for the building to defray the cost of building even more parking spaces)
 4. PUD Amenities
 - a. When does the amenities package get hashed out (can start now)
 - b. Amenities suggested
 - i. More parking (TIF money or tax abatements to defray cost)
 - ii. Parking for ZIP car
 - iii. DC bicycle sharing program
 - iv. LEED building
 - v. Façade improvements for north side of H Street (TIF money)
 - vi. Funding assistance for H Street historic survey
 - vii. Public toilet on 8th and H so people do not use the nearby alleys.
 5. Set Down
 - a. Allow the case to go forward with the zoning commission
 - b. Happens when the parties are close enough to have an initial hearing and the project is ready to move to the next phase
 - c. Similar to a HPRB conceptual review
 - d. **Motion:** In a vote of 4 in favor/1 abstaining, the ANC6A ED&Z Committee recommends that ANC6A support the case going to "set down" based on the project's zoning and design elements.
 - e. There were questions regarding ANC6A's expectations for a joint recommendation



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from ED&Z and Transportation committees. The Transportation/Public Space committee needs to see a traffic study before making a recommendation. The project team consented to send their preliminary study and is also moving to update the study.

- f. **Motion:** In a unanimous vote, ED&Z committee recommends that ANC6A appoint a committee to (1) coordinate with other interested groups such as Stanton Park Neighborhood Association, etc. and (2) develop a list of requested community amenities for the H Street PUD project.

Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting:
Wednesday, March 19, 2008
7:00-9:00 PM
Sherwood Recreation Center (640 10th St., NE)
2nd Floor Community Room



Committee Reports

Community Outreach Committee (COC)



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6A
Community Outreach Committee (COC)
Report for February 16, 2009

The Committee convened at 7:30 PM, at the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith annex, 1235 C St. NE.

Attending COC members: (quorum)

- Rose Williams
- Jacqueline Aamot
- Elizabeth Nelson (chair)

Absent COC members:

- Mark Roy
- Louis Barbash

I. Grant application from Eastern SHS PTA:

Ms. Nelson contacted the Eastern SHS PTA to see if they wanted to re-submit their grant for band instruments. They declined but may apply at some point in the future.

II. Continued discussion of revised ANC 6A flyer:

1. Committee members created a draft of the revised flyer but realized that it needs to be updated after a decision is made regarding scheduling of the Public Safety Committee.
2. The COC members also discussed that portion of the flyer that lists the locations at which agendas are to be posted in advance of the monthly ANC meeting. By and large, the commissioners are not actually using those locations currently listed. The committee is considering a plan for committee members to assume some distribution responsibilities and not rely entirely on the commissioners. Ms. Aamot is going to investigate commercially available display cases (some work was done on this a few years ago) but we may end up using simple plastic sleeves and posting them on the fences of citizen-volunteers. One issue is the timeliness of agenda creation. This may be resolved if/when clerical help is hired to assist with that task.
3. We still hope to receive a list of locations that the commissioners plan to service themselves, as requested at the February ANC meeting.

III. Community Outreach Goals for 2009-2010

1. Recruitment of grant applicants / grant writing assistance / review of grant applications
2. Improve and maintain the website.
3. Handle advertising arrangements with *The Voice of the Hill* and *The Hill Rag*. Keep the ANC 6A flyer and contacts list up-to-date.
4. Increase public awareness, including press coverage, of ANC 6A activities, especially grant making activities.
5. Increase awareness of community events, including school events.
6. Arrange sign language interpretation for ANC functions as needed.

Committee request: that ANC 6A
Approve the COC goals for 2009-2010.



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IV. Grant application from Joy of Motion:

Ms. Nelson was contacted by Joy of Motion. The organization will be requesting funding for activities at their H St. location. Consideration of a grant application will be on the COC agenda in March.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next meeting is March 16.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Nelson



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Transportation and Public Space



ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting Minutes
Capitol Hill Towers (900 G Street NE)
February 16, 2009 at 7:00 pm

1. Call meeting to order at 7:10 pm
2. Introductions
 - a. Present: Shane Artim, Lance Brown, Marlon Smoker and Omar Mahmud (Chair). Also in attendance was Kurt Plunkey, resident of ANC 6C.
 - b. Absent: DeLania Hardy, Diane Hoover and Sean Lovitt.
3. Community Comment
 - a. Mr. Plunkey presented the committee with information on WASA's plan to recover fees from property owners for storm water run offs.
 - i. The current plan is to charge residents for water run offs from their property by calculating the charge based on property lot size. Mr. Plunkey proposes this calculation also include public space in front of houses that is often enjoyed by residents as if it private property (e.g. driveways on public space).
 1. Mr. Plunkey proposes using GIS tools to figure out how much land each resident uses, then charge each resident this WASA fee based on this total amount of land used.
 - b. Mr. Plunkey also indicated an interest in providing input on zoning updates as regulations are updated by the city. Mr. Mahmud informed Mr. Plunkey that the ANC 6A Zoning Committee is currently reviewing proposed zoning regulations and the he should contact Drew Ronneberg or Cody Rice of that committee or ANC 6C to find out how he can contribute to the city-wide review.
 - c. Mr. Plunkey also informed the committee he remains concerned about public space enforcement issues. Mr. Mahmud informed him DDOT's public space enforcement officer for Ward 6 is scheduled to attend the next committee meeting in March. Mr. Brown recommended Mr. Plunkey document public space enforcement efforts and bring that information with him for presentation to the enforcement officer if he plans on attending the March committee meeting.
4. Old Business
 - a. New Recommendation Regarding Gas Meters and Utility Boxes
 - i. Mr. Mahmud explained that he has yet to receive the memo on utility box placement in public space being prepared by the Capitol Hill Restoration Society (CHRS). The committee's original plan was to base an ANC 6A recommendation on information obtained from that memo.



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- ii. The committee agreed it would be best to table this issue until the CHRS memo becomes available.

5. New Business

a. Review of 2009 Committee Goals

- i. The committee underwent an extensive discussion of the goals for 2009 based on a review of the committee's goals for 2008.
- ii. Attachment A hereto contains all proposed suggestions for the 2009 goals in track changes compared against the committee's 2008 goals.
- iii. *Mr. Mahmud made a motion that the committee recommend ANC 6A adopt the committee's 2009 goals, as presented in Attachment A. The motion was seconded and passed without objection.*

b. Rush Hour Restrictions on 15th and 17th Streets

- i. Mr. Brown informed the committee that new rush hour parking restrictions have popped up of late on 15th and 17th Streets NE.
 1. 17th Street NE is one way, with four lanes (two parking lanes). The new parking restrictions appear from the street's intersections with Gales Street to the north to E Street to the south. There are no residential parking permit (RPP) restrictions in place here.
 2. 15th Street NE is also one way, with three lanes (two parking lanes). The new parking restrictions appear on the east side of the street from the street's intersections with Gales Street to the north to F Street to the south. RPP restrictions are in place at the northern end of this stretch of 15th Street.
 3. The rush hour parking restriction runs from 7:00 to 9:30 am on 15th Street and 4:00 to 6:30 pm on 17th Street, meaning more lanes of traffic are open during these times, which hampers traffic calming efforts in this neighborhood.
 4. *Lance Brown made a motion that the committee recommend ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT (CC: Councilmember Wells) requesting rush hour restrictions be removed at the locations above and explaining policy concerns for the request (improve traffic calming, increase neighborhood safety). The motion was seconded and passed without objection (NOTE: At this time, the committee no longer had a quorum). Mr. Mahmud agreed to create a draft of the letter.*

6. Additional Community Comment

- a. None



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7. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

ANC 6A Transportation and Public Space Committee 2009 Goals

1. Provide a forum for the ANC 6A community to discuss and recommend solutions to transportation and public space-related issues impacting ANC 6A.
2. Cultivate relationships and coordinate efforts with other city ANCs and community groups having a stake in transportation and public space matters impacting ANC 6A.
3. Work with other ANC 6A committees to address committee crossover issues including, but not limited to, zoning and public safety concerns.
4. Assist the District Department of Transportation, nearby Advisory Neighborhood Commissions and other community groups with implementing a comprehensive transportation management plan incorporating parking, public transit, vehicle sharing, bicycling and pedestrian alternatives to address the anticipated increase in traffic congestion in and surrounding the H Street/Benning Road corridor.
5. Help educate the ANC 6A community on transportation and public space-related concepts.
6. Provide timely, well-informed recommendations to the ANC 6A Commission regarding transportation and public space-related issues so that it may weigh in on city decisions affecting ANC 6A including, but not limited to, streetscape improvements for the H Street corridor, the temporary shuttle bus and proposed streetcar line serving the H Street/Benning Road corridor, planned public space uses and implementation of the Capitol Hill Transportation Study.
7. Track progress of streetscape improvements for the H Street corridor/Benning Road corridor, temporary shuttle bus and creation of streetcar line serving the H Street/Benning Road corridor and implementation of the Capitol Hill Transportation Study, and report to the ANC 6A Commission on these matters.
8. Work with the District Department of Transportation, Deputy Mayor for Planning and Urban Development and/or other city agencies to implement the proposals contained in the H Street/Benning Road corridor and Capitol Hill Transportation Studies, including upcoming studies and initiatives aimed at making the city more bicycle rider and pedestrian friendly.
9. Report to the ANC 6A Commission on all significant transportation and public space-related activities conducted by the District Department of Transportation, Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, Deputy Mayor for Planning and Urban Development, Office of Planning, National Capital Planning Commission, and other agencies that directly or indirectly impact ANC 6A.



New Business



1. I move, ANC6A send a letter to DCRA expressing concern with the process that led to unpermitted construction at 1367 Florida Avenue, NE that led to the partial collapse of adjoining occupied structure at 1365 Florida Avenue.(Schultheiss)
 - a. We request an update on the training of DCRA inspection staff - this is the third structure within SMD ANC6A06 to collapse during construction within the last 2 years;
 - b. We request an investigation and possible revocation of the license of contractors responsible for the work at 1367 Florida Avenue;
 - c. We request a list of fines levied and enforcement actions taken on the properties where buildings have collapsed:
 - i. 1367 Florida Avenue, NE
 - ii. 1222 Maryland Avenue, NE
 - iii. 642 15th Street, NE

2. I move for the approval of Heather Schoell to produce and assemble monthly ANC agenda package and for ANC6A to enter into a contract with her for these services which will expire at the January 2010 ANC meeting. (Schultheiss)

From Heather's Application:

Agenda Package

Understanding that ANC 6A has \$2,400 allocated for agenda package preparation, I will provide the monthly service (with the exception of August, when historically, ANC 6A does not meet) for the yearly sum of \$2,000, or \$200 per month.

Monthly Minutes Taking

Transcription is not something that I am accustomed to doing, and therefore it would take a great deal of time for me to present an accurate product. Therefore, it is not a position I seek to fill with any regularity. If ANC 6A is in a bind, I will take minutes and present the transcript in a timely manner for a sum of \$200 per incident.

Regarding payment schedule, I defer to ANC 6A's usual payment practice, be it monthly payments, quarterly, or otherwise.

3. Re-constitution of Public Space Committee (Robinson)
 - a. **Nomination of members:** Kelvin J. Robinson, Rebecca A. Sibilia, Brandon Richard Lumm, Cochran, Joe Bellino
 - b. **Nomination of Co Chairs:** Kelvin J. Robinson, Rebecca A. Sibilia
 - c. **Adoption of goals for 2009**
4. Discussion of H Streets Arts Mural to be located in the 1000 block of H Street. (Fengler)



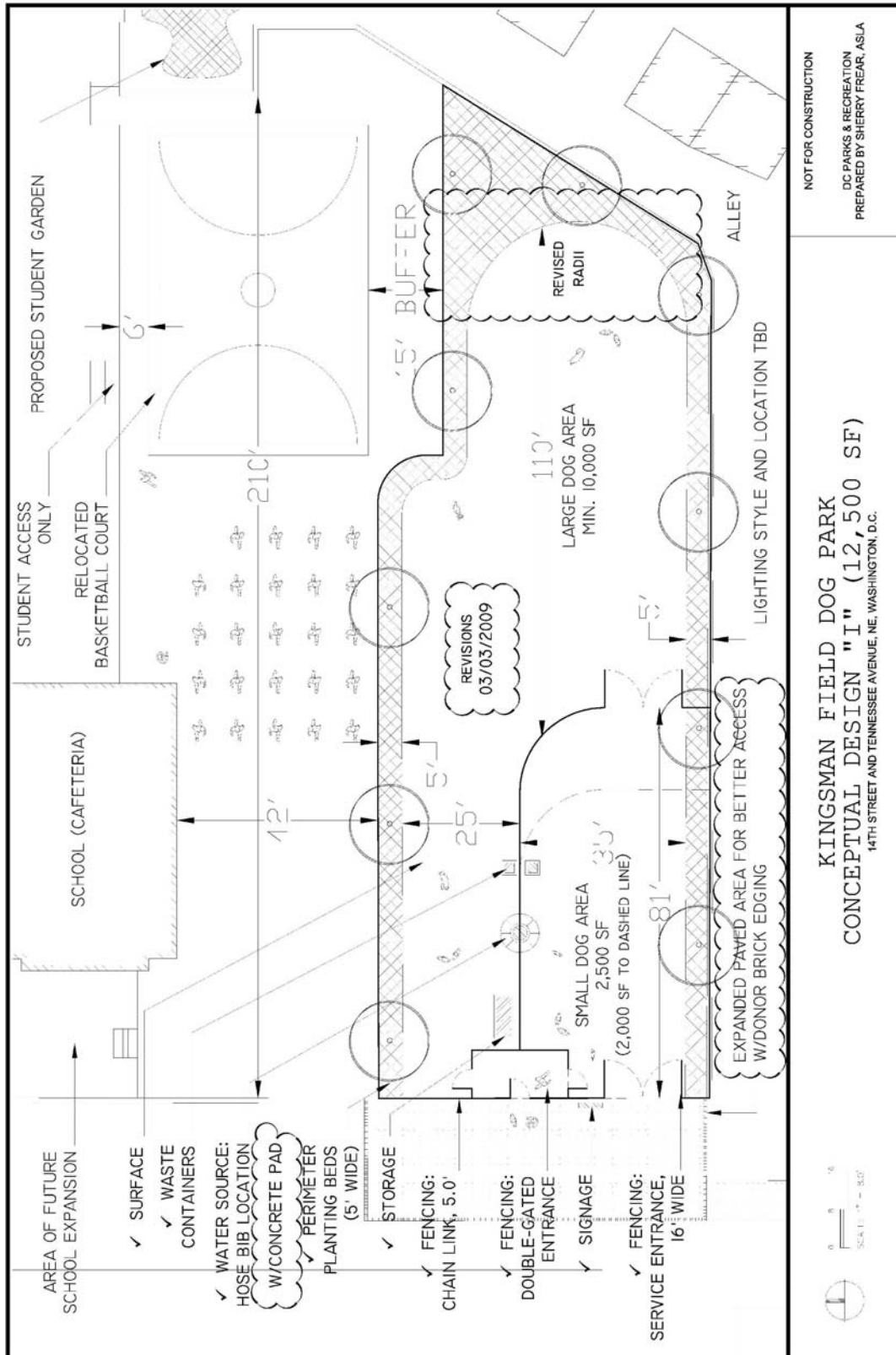
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Collapsed wall of 1365 Florida Ave caused by construction at 1367 Florida Avenue



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ANC 6A Public Safety Committee
2009 Mission and Goals

Mission

The ANC 6A Public Safety Committee serves as a neighborhood forum where residents of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission may discuss and address issues related to crime and public safety within our neighborhoods. Specifically, the Committee focuses on the goal that positive neighborhood interaction, awareness and engagement can contribute significantly to an overall reduction in criminal activity, as well as other negative public safety hazards within a community and solutions to recurrent problems should be regularly examined to ensure the preservation and maintenance of a positive quality of life for ANC residents.

General Committee Goals

1. *Act as a consistent and useful forum for residents to address criminal activity and public safety hazards within their neighborhood.*
 - a. Invite and solicit feedback on recent crime and public safety concerns of ANC residents
 - b. Provide a forum in which neighbors can discuss general concerns related to crime in a cohesive manner, and organize their approach to Metropolitan Police Department's monthly Police Service Area meetings. Care will be taken to not duplicate the PSA meeting purpose or overburden police staff by requiring attendance at the PSC meeting.

2. *Review proposed legislation, new public safety policies and directives to determine possible impact on our neighborhoods.*
 - a. Advocate for community concerns related to recurring and persistent public safety issues, as well as provide consistent feedback to ANC Commissioners in order to elevate issues when needed.
 - b. Monitor and report on any relevant Council Public Safety Committee activities.
 - c. As requested by the ANC, participate in Council roundtables, hearings, etc.

3. *Monitor and report on a monthly basis crime statistics and patterns within the ANC*
 - a. Provide a liaison to the MPD PSA officials to address monthly patterns in criminal activity
 - b. Provide monthly reports to the ANC on such statistics, discussions with PSA officials, and suggestions for ANC action, when needed

4. *Identify and address social and environmental contributions to reduced public safety in our neighborhood, including*
 - a. Promoting positive youth outlets and activities within the ANC



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- b. Identifying environmental promotion of crime, including lighting and public space use
 - c. Ensuring our community is proactively secure, including fire hydrants, alleyway clearance for emergency vehicles, etc.
5. *Coordinate activity with other related ANC Committees for agenda items within their purview that directly relate to neighborhood safety*
- a. Work with the Vacant Property Taskforce to address specific instances of criminal activity and public safety concerns related to nuisance properties in the ANC
 - b. Work with the Alcohol Beverage Committee to report on criminal activity associated with establishments that sell or serve alcohol within the ANC, and provide formal reports on each establishment for Committee consideration during license renewal , exemptions and other related actions
 - c. Work with the Transportation and Public Space committee to address public safety concerns related to activity, condition and environment of our neighborhood schools, public spaces, streets and alleyways
6. *Work with various DC agencies through formal and informal correspondence and coordination of efforts*
- a. Provide a neighborhood conduit for fire safety initiatives of DC Fire and Emergency Medical Services, including the Smoke Alarm Verification and Utilization program
 - b. Request DC FEMS fire code inspections of residential and commercial concerns in the neighborhood
 - c. Work with MPD and FEMS related to firework activity within the ANC
 - d. Work with DC WASA to re-evaluate and monitor the working condition of fire hydrants within the neighborhood

Preliminary 2009 Committee Objectives

1. Improve neighborhood responsiveness of PSA officials
2. Review positive outlets and youth activities within the ANC, work with the Outreach Committee to promote these happenings, and identify opportunities for increased youth activities, particularly during summer months
3. Identify and elevate spikes in crime within the ANC, address these issues in monthly PSA meetings, and elevate to the full Commission for further action when necessary
4. Plan for and re-commission a full review of ANC fire safety inspections, including voluntary fire code inspections of ANC public buildings, stores and restaurants
5. Work with the Alcoholic Beverage Committee to review public safety elements of Voluntary Agreements during the comprehensive review of the VAs.



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H Street Underground Railroad Mural

City Arts has received a grant from the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities to create a prominent public mural at 1010 H Street, NE in the heart of the heavily traveled H Street Corridor. The remaining funds needed are being requested from the DC Neighborhood Investment Fund, as part of its targeted grant funds in support of the H Street, NE Corridor.

The mural will depict the District's important role in the Underground Railroad, which helped thousands of slaves flee north to freedom in the northeast United States and Canada. It will be painted on concrete panels measuring approximately 32' x 16' and will include an eight-inch mosaic border of mosaic glass, mirrored glass, and ceramic tile. The mural will be located on the side wall of a building owned by Mason's Hair Gallery and will be highly visible to tens of thousands of pedestrians, commuters, and tourists traveling east on H Street, NE each year.

According to H Street Main Street, H Street, NE is one of Capitol Hill's oldest main streets. With roots from the 1900s, it was once the second busiest commercial corridor in Washington and had its own trolley line. Torn apart during the 1960s, H Street suffered severe economic deterioration from riots, burned out buildings, and suburban sprawl. Revival of this important link between downtown, Northeast neighborhoods, and suburban Maryland is now underway. City Arts' H Street Mural will help to spur this revitalization. The figurative "railroad" that will be referenced in the Underground Railroad mural is a fitting theme, as H Street is a major transportation corridor and is located adjacent to the city's rail yards.

Since its founding in 1997, City Arts has created more than 25 colorful commissioned public artworks throughout the District, introducing hundreds of thousands of people to the diversity of our nation's capital. These artworks are displayed in highly traveled areas, allowing the District to share its story with residents and visitors alike. Some artworks evoke the unique architecture found in many of the city's neighborhoods. Others honor the men and women who shaped the city. In addition to enhancing the urban landscape and stimulating the revitalization of underserved neighborhoods, City Arts projects celebrate the life and culture of the city and provide talented DC public school students with paid professional training in the arts.

Goals of the Project

The project's main goal is to beautify a highly visible, evolving area of the city by creating a mural that pays tribute to the District residents who played major roles in the Underground Railroad and highlights the escapees' travels north to freedom. The mural will instill a sense of pride in residents of the District and outlying suburbs as well as tourists and highlight the District's unique history. The secondary goal is to provide a means for the transfer of artistic practices to disadvantaged DC public school students. By participating in the completion of a large-scale public artwork, City Arts' talented DC public school apprentices along with four youth who live in the H Street neighborhood will learn to make a positive contribution toward a team effort. They will enhance their artistic skills by working hand-in-hand with a team of professional artists led by award-winning muralist Byron Peck and gain a sense of pride as co-creators of the mural.



How Project Will Impact and Serve the Community

This mural project presents an outstanding opportunity to shine a spotlight on several prominent Underground Railroad “conductors” from the District, including Frederick Douglass, Anthony Bowen, and Mary Ann Shadd Cary, who earned a law degree at Howard University and later moved to Canada, where she opened a school for children of escaped slaves. Their courage inspired a host of young African Americans to work for education and reform. Other images may include the District’s safe houses and churches that harbored the travelers, the escapees’ nighttime travels, and the routes the travelers took from the District to the northern United States and Canada. There is a variety of interesting subject matter that could be explored and community input will help to determine which images are featured.

Project Location

The proposed mural will be installed on the side of Mason’s Hair Gallery at 1010 H Street, NE. The building’s owner, Robbie Mason, has granted permission for a mural to be installed on the west-facing wall. The approximately 16 concrete panels comprising the mural will be installed at least four feet off the ground for maximum visibility. The location is accessible on foot, by bicycle, by car, and by public bus line. In fact, there is a bus stop located directly in front of the proposed site of the mural. When traveling east on H Street, NE, people will be able to see the mural from several blocks away.

Target Audience

The primary audience for the mural is the tens of thousands of Ward 6 residents of all ages, backgrounds, and income levels who will see the artwork. Other audiences include residents from across the District, Maryland, and Virginia, plus tourists. This is an excellent opportunity to educate visitors to the city about the importance of the Underground Railroad in the 1800s.

How Audience/Participants Will be Informed/Recruited

DC Public School art teachers in Ward 6 will recommend four artistically talented junior high and high school students who live near H Street to assist with the project. City Arts professional artists, led by Byron Peck, along with the advanced high school students who serve as year-round apprentices with City Arts will serve as mentors to these students, training them to research, design, and create the mural and mosaic border. Byron Peck is the Founder/Artistic Director of City Arts and was named a Local Hero by Bank of America in 2007. He is a 2000 recipient of the Mayor’s Arts Award for Excellence in an Artistic Discipline. A professional muralist and mosaic artist for more than two decades, Peck has worked with hundreds of Washington, DC public school students to design and create large-scale public art projects.

Residents of the H Street corridor and surrounding neighborhoods will be invited to attend a community meeting to learn about the mural and view preliminary designs. Their input will help to determine which images are featured in the mural. This community meeting will be promoted to neighborhood associations in and around H Street and will be coordinated in partnership with H Street Main Street, Ward 6 Councilmember Tommy Wells, and Ward 6 ANC Commissioners.



About City Arts

City Arts has created more than 25 high-profile public murals, mosaics, and other artworks in the District. Artworks in Adams Morgan, Anacostia, Capitol Hill, Downtown, Dupont Circle, Shaw, and the Southwest Waterfront ensure that people from all walks of life are served. Our artworks feature diverse images, including tennis greats Venus and Serena Williams; music legends Duke Ellington and Marvin Gaye; educator Nannie Helen Burroughs; African-American explorer Matthew Henson; plus Asian, Central American, and Native American designs.

Completed City Arts projects in Washington, DC include:

Columbia Heights Community Mural, 2008	Lamond Recreation Center Mosaic, 2008
Shaw Community Mural, 2008	New Community Church Mural, 2008
Stoddard Baptist Nursing Home Mosaics, 2008	U.S. Botanic Garden Mosaic Bench, 2008
DC Multi-School Mural, 2008	Southwest Gateway Mosaic, 2007
U.S. Department of Education Mural, 2007	Ross Elementary School Mural, 2007
Nannie Helen Burroughs Artwork, 2006	Shaw Junior High School Mural, 2005
Mayan Mural, 2005	United Planning Organization Mural, 2005
Duke Ellington Mural, 2004 expansion	American Legacy Foundation Mural, 2003
Mondrian Mural, 2003 restoration	Matthew Henson Mosaic, 2002
Randall Mural, 2002	SE Tennis & Learning Center Mural, 2001
Earth Conservation Corps Pumphouse Mural, 2001	DC Chamber of Commerce Mural, 2000
DC Dept. of Parks & Rec. Pool Mural, 1998	Duke Ellington Mural, 1997

Current projects:

City Arts has several exciting projects in progress. Our professional artists and student apprentices are designing a mural, mosaics, and art enhancements featuring Native American designs, Anacostia River images, and a portrait of Marvin Gaye for Marvin Gaye Park at Minnesota and Nannie Helen Burroughs Avenue, NE; a mosaic column at the Kennedy Recreation Center and Playground at 7th and P Streets, NW that features the notable people who lived or worked in Shaw; and a mosaic sculpture depicting the history of the Anacostia waterway at the planned Diamond Teague Park, adjoining the site of the new Washington Nationals baseball stadium. All of these projects will be created with assistance from the talented DC public school students who serve as paid apprentices in City Arts' year-round Urban Arts Mentoring Program.

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