



**District of Columbia Government
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
Agenda for March 10, 2011**



2nd Thursdays at 7pm, Miner Elementary, 601 15th St., NE
Public Meeting - All Are Welcome to Attend

- 7:00 pm **Call to order, Adopt Agenda, Approve previous meeting's minutes and the minutes of the Jan. 2011 meeting** *pg. 3*
- 7:05 **Community Presentation:** Charles Brodsky, Chair of the ABC Board, and Fred Moosally, Director of ABRA
- 7:25 **Community Comments** (2 minutes each)
- 7:30 **Officer Reports:**
Chair (2 minutes)
Vice-Chair (2 minutes)
Secretary (2 minutes)
Treasurer (2 minutes) *pg. 25*
1. Approve treasurer's report and previous month's disbursements
- 7:40 **Single Member District reports** (2 minutes each)
- Standing Committee Reports:**
- 7:55 **Community Outreach** *pg. 27*
1. Approve committee report
 2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A fund the grant application from the Maury ES PTA to purchase 3 ELMO overhead projectors at a cost of \$1,767.
 3. Next meeting - 7:30pm, March. 21, 2011 (3rd Monday)
- 8:00 **Alcohol Beverage Licensing** *pg. 32*
1. Approve committee report
 2. Next meeting - 7pm, March 15, 2011 (3rd Tuesday)
- 8:05 **Transportation and Public Space Committee** *pg. 38*
1. Approve committee report
 2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send letter of support regarding 2011 Capitol Hill Classic 10K race
 3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A approve 2011 Committee Goals
 4. Next meeting - 7pm, March 21, 2011 (3rd Monday)



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8:10 Economic Development and Zoning pg. 42

1. Approve committee report
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to Acting DCRA Director Majett requesting DCRA publish guidelines for assessing “reasonable accommodation” requests by homeowners, that the guidelines provide relief which is tailored to demonstrate a nexus with the need for the accommodation, that ANCs be provided notice of such request and that a public comment period be held prior to granting and that any accommodation be allowed to persist only so long as the need exists
3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to Matt LeGrant requesting that a building permit application within H Street Zoning Overlay be required to fill out a questionnaire to determine compliance with the Overlay’s requirements
4. Next meeting - 7pm, March 16, 2011 (3rd Wednesday)

8:15 Unfinished Business

8:20 New Business pg. 44

1. Consider ABRA change to the HR-57 voluntary agreement (Healy)
2. Accept the resignation of Jaki Downs from the ABL Committee (Healy)
3. Support of H Street Main Street/CHAMPS Proposal (Holmes)

8:25 Community Comments Round II, time permitting (2 minutes each)

8:30 Adjourn



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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Minutes Miner Elementary School February 10, 2011

Present: Commissioners Alberti, Healy, Holmes, Hysell, Lawler, Ronneberg, and Veenendaal-Selck

The meeting was convened at 7:02 p.m. by Chair David Holmes

1. Agenda

Dr. Ronneberg asked that the making of Phil Toomajian to the ANC 6A point of contact for vacant properties be added to New Business. The agenda was approved as amended.

1. Minutes

The December minutes were approved without objection. Mr. Holmes and Dr. Ronneberg noted that requested changes to the January minutes had not been made and consideration was delayed to the March meeting.

2. Community Presentation

DC Clean Rivers Project

Compton Douglas and Justine Carl, design managers of the DC Clean River Project, gave a presentation on the fifteen-year plan by DC Water to construct new tunnels to reduce Combined Sewer Overflows (CSOs) in DC's water system and put the District in compliance with the federal Clean Water Act.

The project consists of the construction of four tunnels:

- The first will be the Blue Plains Tunnel, a 4.5 mile tunnel, 23 feet in diameter that will run under the eastern shore of the Potomac and Anacostia Rivers. It will end at the DC Water (formerly WASA) pumping station near the Nationals ball park.
- The second tunnel will be the Anacostia River Tunnel, with construction scheduled to begin in 2013, which will start on the southeast side of the Anacostia at Poplar Point and terminate south of RFK Stadium.
- Third will be the Northeast Boundary Branch Tunnels, which will run along R Street from a shaft near Brentwood Reservoir to 6th Street NW, north along 1st Street NW and north along the CSX rail facility to the Rhode Island Ave. Metro station.
- Fourth will be the Northeast Boundary Tunnel, construction beginning in 2021, which will run from the end of the Anacostia River Tunnel north under the RFK Stadium parking lot, the Langston Golf Course, the National Arboretum, and Mt. Olivet Road to the Brentwood Reservoir shaft.



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The tunnels will be buried 100-125 feet below the surface, and will allow a reduction of 98% in CSOs, with only one or two a year at Bolling Air Force Base and just below RFK. Dr. Ronneberg asked how often there was currently a CSO, and was told that it happens almost every time it rains. The Commission was told there would be no construction in the ANC 6A area, except for staging at the meadow at RFK, which will be restored. More information is available at dcwater.com.

4. Community Comment

Joshua Lopez, a candidate for the City Council At-Large position, introduced himself and gave a brief presentation on his positions.

5. Officer Reports

Chair

Mr. Holmes reported that he and Mr. Alberti had attended a briefing on ANC finances and he discovered he “had a lot to learn.”

He also announced that the Capitol Hill Restoration Society (CHRS) and the Rosedale Citizens Association (RCA) are sponsoring a public presentation about the history of Rosedale. The study on which, the presentation by EHT Traceries, was jointly funded by the ANC, CHRS and the City. It was scheduled for Tuesday, March 8 at the former Gibbs School, 519 19th Street NE, and will cover the history of the community, its architecture and developers.

Mr. Holmes reported that a community meeting had been held to discuss the renaming of the Rosedale Recreation Center, and the community that was present expressed vociferous opposition to the removal of the Rosedale name from the rec center. There was discussion about working to find a place to incorporate the name of Reginald C. (KIYI) Ballard somewhere in the building.

He reported that the hearing on 1245 G Street NE has been postponed. The people developing the property appear to be seeking to go around the zoning laws and their attempt to use fair housing exceptions should be explored.

Finally, he described the Neighborhood Investment Fund (NIF) Target Area Project Grants, a program that was passed in December 2010. One of the categories for eligible projects is “affordable housing preservation”, and H Street NE is among the target areas. More information is available from the website for the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, www.dmped@dc.gov under Funding Opportunities.



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Treasurer

Mr. Alberti reported that the problems with missing checks from the Auditor's Office had been straightened out, and the ANC's finances were now in order. He said that ANC 6A was one of fourteen ANCs to receive certificates from the Auditor's Office for having its finances in good order.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Alberti presented the Treasurer's Report. It shows that the opening checking account balance was \$20,410.69 and the savings account balance was \$16,248.30. There was a District allotment of \$5,555.40, and an interest payment to the savings account of \$.30. There were disbursements of \$180 to Roberta Weiner for taking and transcribing the December 2010 minutes (Check #1493); \$53.64 to FedEx Office (December '10 statement) (Check #1494); \$200 to Heather Schoell for the January 2011 Agenda package (Check #1495); and \$25 to the ANC Security Fund (Check #1496), leaving a balance of \$21,343.06 in the checking account and \$4,203.91 in the savings account. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Ms. Veenendaal-Selck seconded a motion to approve the disbursements. It passed without objection. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Ms. Lawler seconded a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. It passed without objection.

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Hysell seconded a motion to appropriate up to \$75 to replenish the checks, including a new binder. The motion passed without objection.

Quarterly Report

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Healy seconded a motion to approve the Quarterly Report for the 1st Quarter of FY11. The motion passed without objection.

6. SMD Reports

Mr. Healy reported that he will have an SMD meeting on March 7. He said that he has been working on parking issues on Wylie and 12th Street with DPW. He also reported that there was a productive PSA 102 meeting about crime issues in his SMD, and that the sergeant has already followed up on issues with concerned residents.

Ms. Lawler reported that she has launched her website, which will have information on SMD meetings, which will be held quarterly at the Options School, and she will also have "office hours" once a month in the morning at SOVA. She said there will be a community walk-through on February 17. She also reported that the satellite campus for Options School is in ANC 2C, and she will continue meeting with the administration of the school.

Dr. Ronneberg reported that there will be a hearing on XII's liquor license on March 16. He also said the AutoZone property has been sold to Westmill Capitol, who will come to the EDZ meeting to talk about their plans. He reported that some blocks in his SMD have resident-only parking and others do not, and that DPW has been unresponsive on enforcing the resident-only parking signs. He said that the Father's Day event at Sherwood Rec Center had its permit denied last year by the Department of Parks and Recreation and they are trying again this year.



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Mr. Alberti reported that there is a five-unit apartment building in the 100 block of 15th Street that has apparently started construction without permits, and expressed his concern as well that it may exceed the 40' height limit. Dr. Ronneberg suggested it be brought up under New Business.

Ms. Veenendaal-Selck said she is working on the location and frequency of her SMD meetings, and reported that there has been drug activity on 16th and 17th Streets, and she is working with Naomi Mitchell on that.

Mr. Hysell reported that he attended a Zoning Commission hearing with Dr. Ronneberg on the ANC's request for application of the H Street Zoning Overlay to the portion of Maryland Avenue just west of 14th Street, ending just past 15th Street on Benning Road and to downgrade the zoning from C3A to C2A. The ANC sought the change in response to residents' interests. The Office Planning supported the request in order to maintain the distinct aesthetic of Maryland Avenue and prevent excessive density from overwhelming surrounding homeowners. Under the C2A zoning drive through restaurants and gas stations will be precluded from the area. He reported that, by a divided vote, the Zoning Commission approved the ANC's request. Commissioner Peter May, a resident of Capitol Hill himself, did an excellent job of articulating the ANC's position and was instrumental in winning a majority. In addition, the H Street overlay was also applied to the northeastern corner of 13th Street and the corner of H Street and Florida Avenue NE that about 14th Street. He also thanked Dr. Ronneberg for his work on the issue. He said they have attended meetings with OP and Zoning Commission hearings going back to last summer, and Dr. Ronneberg's dedication to pushing the rezoning made a real difference.

7. Committee Reports

Community Outreach

Elizabeth Nelson reported that the ANC 6A ad on The Hill is Home has gone live, but that she is still in a holding pattern with The Informer as far as advertising goes. She also said that they are working on a new brochure, which has not been printed, but is on the website.

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

ABL

Mr. Healy presented the update of the revised Voluntary Agreement that the Committee has been working on containing new language on the section of the agreement concerning reimbursable details.

Motion: Mr. Healy seconded the Committee's recommendation to approve the revised VA, including the new language on reimbursable details.

Mr. Alberti asked whether, if the ANC votes to require a reimbursable detail, it is automatically required that the licensee get one? Mr. Healy said that was true, that if there are complaints, it comes to the ABL Committee, which hears the complaints, then votes and then it comes to the full ANC for a vote. Mr. Alberti replied that while it seems fair on the surface, the City will only pay a portion of the detail, and the costs have recently gone up. He said he would not advise anyone to sign



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a VA with that language, because there's too much opportunity for a rogue action by the ANC to cause an unreasonable financial hardship for the licensee.

Mr. Healy said this was not his idea, and that Ms. Beatty had spoken with MPD, and it had been discussed four or five times by the ABL Committee. Commander Kamperin suggested it. Mr. Alberti said he will be curious to see how new licensees react and the kind of negotiations that will take place prior to signing a VA.

Dr. Ronneberg said he strongly supports the language, as did Mr. Hysell who said that the redraft of the language is very good. He said that it is incumbent on the ANC to take a strong position to represent the ANC's residents.

Margaret Holwill said that a consortium of owners had hired a reimbursable detail in the past and it didn't work. The officers didn't show up, and officers are still on call even if they're off duty, and the cost is really high. Ms. Nelson said she has a problem with the language, which says that the licensee must have a reimbursable detail, but doesn't say what it is, for how long it has to be in effect, no standard that has to be met, and no indication of the number of officers that have to be present. Mr. Alberti added that its weakness is that it doesn't really say the number of hours. MPD is not unbiased, and it is MPD that comes to the ABL Committee and says what hours and days of the week the detail should be activated. MPD requires no less than 4 hours and a two-person detail minimum. He suggested that the committee have an on-going discussion about the issue, and perhaps bring in the owners to get their input. Mr. Healy pointed out in the draft language that MPD would present their suggestion as to the number of days and hours a reimbursable detail should be required and how much it would cost an establishment. Mr. Healy said all of that information would be available and taken into account by the ABL Committee and ANC when making a decision.

Ms. Lawler said that she appreciates the flexibility of the language because it lets the community set the guidelines. However, it was a good point about the coverage not received when it was paid for. Michael Herman, a member of the committee, said that there was strong support in the committee. The motion passed 6-0-1, with Mr. Alberti abstaining.

The report of the ABL Committee was accepted without objection.

Transportation and Public Space

National Marathon. Committee Chair Omar Mahmud began by noting the effort that has been made by the Marathon organizers to reach out and meet the ANC 6A community's needs. **Motion:** Mr. Mahmud moved/Dr. Ronneberg seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation and send a letter to the Emergency Management Task Force in support of the National Marathon on Saturday, March 26.



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Ms. Veenendaal-Selck said that she appreciates the efforts that have been made but is concerned about what steps are being taken to communicate with the residents of the affected area. Diane Thomas, director of community outreach for the Marathon, said there would be door hangers both on the race route and feeder streets in the area around the stadium, there will be signs on course streets, posters will be up the day before the race, and they are willing to make robo-calls.

Mr. Holmes said that he has never supported the Marathon because it goes through his district blocking residents, and he will not support it this year. Ms. Nelson said that they have made promises and never kept them, and things have never gone the way they said they would. She pointed out that last year she cleaned up three large trash bags of discarded outwear that had been left on the route and not picked up after the cleanup had been promised. Mr. Alberti said that he had supported the race for the past six years, but not this year. He said that the ANC has been told that they are showcasing Ward 6, but the changes that have been made to improve the route have been instituted by the ANC. People are now trapped in the area for 2 to 4 hours; the route had been changed because it once trapped people for five hours. The race staff has not thought about the pain of the people who live on the route. For example, the race organizers speak of ways they have accommodated the dialysis center, but those changes do not require any concessions by the race organizers, they only involve the dialysis center's patients changing their schedules. He suggested that the race people start looking for a new route that could be substituted for the current route every two years.

Ms. Thomas said that she does understand the residents' pain. She said she's been a DC resident for 22 years, and that this is her fourth year in front on the ANC. She said the race goes through six out of the eight wards, so it's not just problems in 6A that have to be solved, but they are trying. Mr. Alberti said that Ms. Thomas has been wonderful to work with, but race organizers have not been proactive in identifying and solving problems - they just don't try hard enough.

Mr. Mahmud said that the race provides a great opportunity to showcase the neighborhood, and Ms. Thomas has done everything she's been asked to do. Dr. Ronneberg said he voted against the race last year, but the main outreach issues had been addressed this year, so he will support it. Ms. Veenendaal-Selck said she's not opposed to the race, but that she does need more information on a communications plan. Ms. Lawler said that a communications plan is a good idea, and that she loves the idea that there's a race coming to the neighborhood. Mr. Hysell said he appreciates the effort that has been made and he will support it.

Ms. Thomas said there will be an ad in the Hill Rag, they will reach out through local listservs and blogs like DCist, and they will have signs and will use WUSA and other broadcast outlets. The motion passed 5-2, with Mr. Holmes and Mr. Alberti in opposition.



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Snow Removal Legislation. Mr. Mahmud proposed that the ANC support legislation currently before the City Council that would fine residents no less than \$25 and businesses no less than \$250 for failing to clear snow from their adjacent sidewalks any later than eight hours after daylight following a snowstorm. Currently the Office of the Attorney General can sue to recover snow removal costs; under the legislation MPD and DPW can issue citations. **Motion:** Mr. Holmes moved/Dr. Ronneberg seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation to support the legislation and submit written testimony to the City Council. Mr. Holmes offered an amendment that non-profit organizations and houses of worship be specifically included in the legislation.

A question was asked about how it would affect people on business travel and others such as the elderly who may have problems, and it was suggested that a person could be hired to shovel the street for less than the fine, and there were neighbors and others who would volunteer to help out. Ms. Nelson said that as a pedestrian without a driver's license, she is dependent on walking and appreciates how important the legislation will be. The motion passed without objection.

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

Economic Development and Zoning

809 D Street SE. This is a request for support of a BZA application for a special exception to construct a 2nd story addition that will expand a non-conforming court (dogleg). The owners, Patrick and Allison Cooke, presented photos of the existing conditions, plans for the construction, and letters of support from their neighbors. The Committee agreed that the addition met the test for special exception, that it not unduly impact the light, air or privacy of the neighbors. **Motion:** The committee presented/Dr. Ronneberg seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation and support the application for a special exception at 809 D Street SE. The motion passed 7-0.

906 Maryland Avenue NE. The owner wants to construct a detached garage at the rear of the property. Variances are required because the garage will be closer than 12 feet from the alley centerline and the lot occupancy will be greater than 70%.

The architect explained that setback variance was being sought because, in order to comply with this regulation, it would require moving a brick retaining wall and losing a mature tree that shades the neighbors' yards. The variance from lot occupancy is being sought because a neighboring structure actually occupies 2% of the lot. If the neighboring structure did not encroach on the lot, the lot occupancy would be less than 70%. In addition, the architect said that the neighboring properties had non-conforming garages built to the alley property line, so the proposed garage would not extend past the neighboring structures. **Motion:** The Committee resolution moved/Dr. Ronneberg seconded a motion that the ANC support the Committee's recommendation to support the variance requests for 906 Maryland Avenue NE. The motion passed 7-0.



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617 16th Street NE. The Committee requested potential changes to the submission to build a garage with a roof deck that requires variances. A suggested request for a postponement of the hearing was met with the approval of the Applicant and discussion of the case was postponed until a future date.

Adoption of 2011 ED&Z Goals. **Motion:** The committee resolved/Dr. Ronneberg seconded a motion to accept the committee's recommendation and approve the 2011 Goals of the ED&Z Committee. The motion passed without objection.

8. New Business

New ED&Z Committee Vacant Property Representative

Motion: Dr. Ronneberg moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to appoint Phil Toomajian as the official Vacant Properties Representative of the ED&Z Committee. Dr. Ronneberg said this was being done so he could deal with City agencies. The motion passed without objection.

125-131 15th Street NE

Mr. Alberti said he is unsure of how to proceed on these buildings because he hasn't been able to assess the situation at the house. He said he would like to leave it open-ended, and if he finds the permits for the structure are not in order, then he would take action. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion to appeal the permits for 125-131 15th Street NE if they are found to be deficient. The motion passed without objection. Mr. Ronneberg said that he's been told that ANC Commissioners can get plans without charge.

Homeslice Pizza -1387 H Street NE

This is a request for support of a public space permit for a patio and the installation of dumpsters for a new establishment that plans to open on March 31st. The owner, Mr. Ulsan, gave two days' notice prior to coming to the Public Space and Transportation Committee, with photographs of the space, but no schematics nor a public space application. Margaret Holwill asked whether he could present his request with the proper documentation to the full ANC, given the month's delay to appear before the Committee again. Mr. Mahmud was told it's time-sensitive, but he replied that the application has to go to DDOT Public Space Committee. Mr. Ulsan told Mr. Mahmud that he would provide the drawings, but has not yet done so.

Dr. Ronneberg said he had several concerns, one that the dumpsters are not screened. He said he will not vote for the project unless the dumpsters are screened. Mr. Alberti said that because the opening is scheduled for March 31, the approvals can be done next month. If the dumpsters are not screened, however, it's a non-starter for him. Mr. Holmes said that it is not his intention to ever bypass committees in considering support of various projects.



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9. Community Comment

Margaret Holwill announced that a year ago, there were three places on H Street opened for lunch, and that by March 1, 14 or 15 places will be serving lunch.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 pm.



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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Minutes Miner Elementary School January 13, 2011

Present: Commissioners Alberti, Healy, Holmes, Hysell, Lawler, Mack, Ronneberg, and Veenendaal-Selck

The meeting was convened at 7:00 pm by Commissioner Nicholas Alberti.

2. Agenda

Mr. Alberti asked to have a resolution on the ANC's bank considered under the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Holmes requested that the Economic Development Committee report be moved up earlier in the meeting. The agenda was accepted as amended without objection.

2. Minutes

Consideration of the December minutes was moved to the February meeting because they were not included in the agenda package.

3. Special Orders - Election of Officers, Bylaws, Committee Chairs and Appointment of Members for 2011

Officers

Mr. Alberti asked for nominations for the position of Chair: **Motion:** Dr. Ronneberg moved/Ms. Mack seconded a motion to nominate David Holmes as Chair of ANC 6A. There were no other nominations, and Mr. Holmes was elected unanimously.

Mr. Holmes assumed the chair. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti nominated/Ms. Mack seconded the nomination of Drew Ronneberg to be Vice Chair of ANC 6A. There were no further nominations, and Dr. Ronneberg was elected unanimously.

Motion: Dr. Ronneberg moved/Mr. Healy seconded the nomination of Nick Alberti as Treasurer of ANC 6A. There were no further nominations, and Mr. Alberti was elected unanimously.

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved/Dr. Ronneberg seconded the nomination of Lia Veenendaal-Selck as Secretary of ANC 6A. There were no further nominations and Ms. Veenendaal-Selck was elected unanimously.

Bylaws

Mr. Holmes suggested voting on several changes to the ANCs bylaws that were presented at last month's meeting for consideration:



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- **Change the titles Chairperson and Vice Chairperson to Chair and Vice Chair respectively.** Mr. Holmes said he believes that “person” is an awkward construction, now dated. It is commonly understood that the titles Chair and Vice Chair encompass both sexes.
- Article 4, section 8a adds **“an instrumentality of”** and deletes **“pursuant to the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.”** Credit Unions are separately insured, as have been savings and loans. Other federal agencies may be created to insure funds in future types of depository institutions.
- Article 5, section 4 makes explicit an acceptable type of public notice for ANC meetings. Add **“Posting of notice of meetings of the Commission’s website; and”**, and re-number.
- In Article 6, section 2, delete section 2b and re-number, because the topic is included in 2d with greater clarity.
- In Article 8, re-number the third section to correct having two Section 2s.
- Article 9, section 4(g), replace **“mailed”** with **“transmitted”**. Few depository institutions still mail originals and many only make copies of cancelled checks available online.
- In Article 10, section 2, insert and re-number to reflect the previously adopted status of Transportation and Public Space as a permanent committee.
- Article 11, section 2 delete **“and file the proper signature”** as duplicative and awkward.

Mr. Holmes also asked whether the Commission wished to designate the Chair as deputy Secretary to fulfill the duties of the Secretary when a vacancy occurs in that office. If so:

- Article 9, Section 1, add new (g) **the Chair shall perform the duties of the Secretary during any vacancy in the office of Secretary, in which case the Chair shall also serve as Deputy Secretary. In case of resignation or vacancy of the Secretary, the Deputy Secretary shall perform the duties of the Secretary until an election can be held at the next Commission meeting.”** Re-number.

He also suggested:

- Amend Article 10, section 7 by adding **“Committee recommendations shall constitute motions [when a quorum of Committee members is present] when presented to the Commission, and shall require a Commissioner to second the motion.”** Mr. Holmes said that this recognizes the importance of the work the Committees do, and expedites the proceedings. (The bracketed portion of the amendment was added as a friendly amendment, and the brackets are not part of the amendment.)

Ms. Lawler asked whether the process in the last amendment is done by other ANCs, and was told, yes by Mr. Holmes, that other Commissions use the same parliamentary process but that the Commission could establish its own procedures. The bylaws changes were approved *en bloc* 7-0-1, with Ms. Mack abstaining.



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Committee Chairs

Alcoholic Beverage and Licensing: **Motion:** Dr. Ronneberg moved/Ms. Lawler seconded a motion to nominate Adam Healy as Chair of the ABL Committee. There were no other nominations and Mr. Healy was elected unanimously.

Community Outreach: **Motion:** Dr. Ronneberg moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to nominate Elizabeth Nelson as Chair of the Community Outreach Committee. There were no other nominations and Ms. Nelson was elected unanimously.

Economic Development and Zoning: **Motion:** Ms. Lawler moved/Mr. Hysell seconded a motion to nominate Drew Ronneberg as Chair of the Economic Development and Zoning Committee. There were no other nominations and Dr. Ronneberg was elected unanimously.

Transportation and Public Space: **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Hysell seconded a motion to nominate Omar Mahmud as Chair of the Transportation and Public Space Committee. There were no other nominations and Mr. Mahmud was elected unanimously.

Mr. Holmes asked whether there were any motions for additional committees, but there were none.

Committees

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved/Dr. Ronneberg seconded a motion to vote on all the candidates for committee membership listed in the agenda package *en bloc*. *Those candidates are:*

Alcoholic Beverage and Licensing: Ann Marie Kosahuta, Jaki Downs, Michael Herman, Katy Ziegler Thomas

Economic Development and Zoning: Dan Golden, Cody Rice, Jeff Fletcher, Phil Toomajian, Barbara Halleck, Arkan Haile, Bill Schultheiss, Charmaine Josiah, Julie Santoboni

Community Outreach: Louis Barbash, Rose Williams, Mark Roy, Jean Kohanek, Necothia Bowens, Patricia Joseph.

Transportation and Public Space: Lance Brown, Shane Artim, DeLania Hardy, Sean Lovitt, Marlon Smoker.

Dr. Ronneberg said that Lance Brown had moved out of the ANC and was not eligible to serve. Mr. Alberti moved to remove his name from the list, and the committee members were approved unanimously.

4. Community Comment

Brittney Weaver, the new Ward 6 representative of the Mayor's Office introduced herself, and said she wants to be as helpful as possible to the people in ANC 6A. She can be reached at brittney.weaver@dc.gov.



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Naomi Mitchell, of Councilmember Wells' office, introduced herself to the Commission, saying that she has covered the other three Commissions in the Ward, but now would be covering 6A as well. She said it is important for her to know what each Commissioner is up to so she and the Councilmember can be of help. She was asked what the difference is between what she does and the Mayor's office's responsibilities. She said that she was more concerned with issues, and the Mayor's office worked on process. Mr. Holmes said that Ms. Mitchell had been of great help to the ANC in dealing with important issues.

5. Officer Reports

Chair

Mr. Holmes thanked the Commissioners for their confidence in him.

Treasurer

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Motion: Mr. Alberti moved/Ms. Veenendaal-Selck seconded a motion to approve the disbursements. It passed without objection. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Ms. Lawler seconded a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. It passed without objection. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Ms. Veenendaal-Selck 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.

Dr. Ronneberg asked whether the photocopying expenses can be approved for the entire year. Mr. Alberti said that he gets mixed messages from the Auditor, but it is in the budget and he can stop doing this, and he will withdraw the motion and make a new one, Ms. Veenendaal-Selck agreed to the withdrawal of the motion. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Dr. Ronneberg 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 each month of 2011. The motion was accepted without objection.

Mr. Alberti said that it was time to renew the ANC's participation in the ANC Security Fund, which indemnifies all the ANC's against theft and embezzlement. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Ms. Veenendaal-Selck seconded a motion to allocate \$25 for ANC participation in the ANC Security Fund. The motion passed without objection.



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Ms. Veenendaal-Selck raised the issue of business cards for all commissioners and committee chairs that need them. Mr. Alberti said that specific information is needed—who the cards are for, how much they will cost, etc. Ms. Veenendaal-Selck said she will do more research and report back next month. Mr. Healy said he would prefer to move faster because he had people to whom he wanted to distribute the cards. Mr. Alberti said he would appreciate a motion that allocates a lump sum of money with a cap. **Motion:** Ms. Veenendaal-Selck moved/Mr. Hysell seconded a motion to allocate up to \$1000 for business cards for Commissioners and committee chairs. The motion passed without objection.

6. SMD Reports

Mr. Healy reported that there had been a fire in the 800 block of 10th Street. He also said he was working on the logistics for a monthly SMD meeting and would have them finalized shortly.

Dr. Ronneberg reported that the new restaurant Smith Commons had opened in his SMD and “it’s fabulous.” He also informed the Commission that the streetcar substation has been moved to the southwest corner of 12th and H Streets, across the street from AutoZone. Finally, he said that DDOT had finally removed a wooden locker that had been cemented into the ground during construction.

Mr. Holmes reported that DCRA voided the permit extension issued for the construction of the AppleTree Learning Center because the permit on which it was based had expired. This had happened prior to last month’s action by the ANC.

Ms. Lawler reported that she had spoken with Dr. Montgomery of Options School who said they had finally identified a site to move the special needs children, but there was a delay in the move. She also said that there had been five drug arrests in her SMD, and that she too was working on plans for SMD meetings.

Ms. Veenendaal-Selck reported that DCPS was having professional development workshops at Eastern High School and had been kind enough to call her to let her know about the extra parking in her neighborhood. They will be doing more workshops and said they would call and let her know then as well.

7. Committee Reports

Economic Development and Zoning

Dr. Ronneberg recognized the several members of his committee who were in attendance at the meeting, and as he had not attended the last meeting, asked Dan Golden to present the Committee’s report.

Gallaudet University

This is a request for a letter of support for a special exception to amend an approved campus plan, and construction of a mixed use academic and student residential building on property zoned R-4. This building will be 60,000 sq. ft. and five stories high, will include a 175-bed dormitory and have a first-floor living and learning center. Gallaudet is seeking approval of the building separately from approval for its Master Plan (which it will present to the Commission soon) because of pressing need for the building. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti seconded the Committee’s recommendation to send a letter to



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the Zoning Commission supporting Gallaudet's request for a special exception. The motion passed unanimously, 8-0-0.

1245 G Street NE

This is a request for support for a BZA application for a variance from the non-conforming structure provisions to allow a second story sunroom addition on top of an existing garage serving a one-family house.

The owner, Valeri Byrd, plans to rebuild the existing non-conforming garage and add the sunroom atop the garage. The garage is in need of structural repair, and the sunroom will not have a window on its southern face, overlooking the adjoining property. Mr. Golden reported that Ms. Byrd came to the committee meeting without her architect, and without letters of support for the project from her neighbors. Ms. Byrd also was unfamiliar with the process for obtaining a variance. Because of these reasons, Mr. Holmes, who was present at the meeting indicated he would seek to have the BZA hearing postponed. He also said that if it could not be Ms. Byrd would have the opportunity to provide the letters of support for the project.

Mr. Alberti asked whether the project could still be considered and was told that it could, although Mr. Ronneberg said that from subsequent e-mails he had the idea that she is not open to any changes. Mr. Holmes said he had spoken to someone at BZA. Mr. Alberti said he will oppose supporting the variance because it is incumbent on the owner to come forward to support their project. **Motion:** Dr. Ronneberg seconded the Committee's recommendation that, in the event that the BZA hearing cannot be postponed, ANC 6A will provide a letter opposing the grant of a request for a variance. The motion passed 7-0-1 with Ms. Mack abstaining. **Motion:** Dr. Ronneberg moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to approve leaving the option of the case being reconsidered by the ANC open. It passed without objection.

Mr. Holmes, who was ill, left the meeting and was replaced in the Chair by Vice Chair Drew Ronneberg.

Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee

Mr. Healy said he wanted to thank Mary Beatty, with whom he had a couple of good meetings.

Angelico H Pizza and Tapas - 1421 H Street NE

This is a request for support of a new CR license application for Angelico H Pizza and Tapas at 1421 H Street NE. There is no entertainment endorsement. Liquor service is attached to the food service. They're proposing a summer garden on the Maryland Avenue side of the establishment. The building is a currently vacant. They expect liquor sales to be about 20% of sales. Hours will be 11 am to 2 am, seven days a week, although they may close one day. The pizza oven shuts down at 10 pm, tapas and liquor only after that. Seating capacity is 48, plus the summer garden in season. The petition date is January 24th. **Motion:** Dr. Ronneberg seconded the Committee's recommendation that the ANC not



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protest the license if there is a signed voluntary agreement prior to the petition date, and that the stipulations for the summer garden should be the same as for the Argonaut.

Mr. Healy reported that the voluntary agreement had been signed. However, the ABC Board had added a phrase to number 5 “Modifications. This agreement can be modified only by mutual agreement of all the parties with the approval of the ABC Board, or by the ABC Board consistent with the law.” Mr. Healy explained that this meant that changes could be done by Board order and sent back to the applicant. Mr. Alberti added that this is a source of conversation between the City Council and ABRA. It is consistent with the laws approved by ABRA, but sets a precedent for unilateral Board action, which takes power away from ANCs.

Mr. Alberti said the Board is being helpful in giving the provision the weight of law. Kelvin Robinson asked whether the Board will accept a rejection by an ANC. Mr. Alberti responded that the Board is suggesting changes that will help the ANCs act. Ms. Mack said she won’t support the motion because the owner hasn’t been informed of the change. Mr. Healy said that Angelica does have to sign off on the change. The motion passed 4-2-1, with Ms. Mack and Ms. Veenendaal-Selck in opposition and Mr. Alberti not voting.

HR 57 - 816 H Street NE

This is an application for a CT license for HR-57 at 816 H Street NE. It is a community-based jazz club that has been in existence for 19 years in a different location. They have only had one police complaint in nineteen years. The space will hold about 100 to 105 persons. They have soundproofed the space and will only be using the ground floor. They will charge admission from 7:45 pm to closing and will have a happy hour prior to that. Their entertainment endorsement is from 2 pm to 2 am. They will sell carryout food during the day. There is an issue that they permit customers to bring in open containers, which have to be shown on arrival. **Motion:** Dr. Ronneberg seconded the Committee’s recommendation that the ANC protest this license unless there is a signed Voluntary Agreement before the petition date of January 10th. Mr. Healy said that the petition date is past, and that the agreement is still being worked on, with the committee working on identifying the language in the law having to do with open containers. The vote was 6-0-1, with Mr. Alberti not voting.

Changes to the Standard Voluntary Agreement

Mr. Healy said that these are several changes to the standard Voluntary Agreement. Mr. Alberti suggested they each be discussed separately.

The first change to Number 1, adds sections (h) and (i), which requires (h) The owner and employees not to park on public space between the building and the curb; and (i) not locate trash bins, chairs, tables, or other equipment of public space without a valid public space permit. **Motion:** Mr. Healy moved/ Mr. Hysell seconded a motion to add these two provisions to the VA.

Mr. Alberti said that this was covered by other DC statutes, and it was enforceable by DDOT. This puts



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the onus on the community, and will make everyone have to monitor the establishments and take pictures and turn people in. He thinks DDOT should enforce this; ABRA inspectors don't know what public space is. Dr. Ronneberg added that the chances of getting DDOT to enforce the rule are next to nil. In the best of all possible worlds, he said, tying it to the VA will lead to better results. Ms. Mack said that this puts the ANC in the role of the police. Elizabeth Nelson added that carried to its logical extreme, you'd have ABRA enforcing building permits. Mr. Alberti added that if it's a VA and it's enforceable, then it creates a life of its own and you could have ABRA enforcing zoning regulations. Dr. Ronneberg said that there were already requirements in the VA associated with keeping the establishment and surrounding public space clean. If the proposed additions shouldn't be included because of enforceability issues, the current provisions should also be removed. Kelvin Robinson said that it recognizes that ABRA has separate responsibilities, and it provides a way to allow for the documentation of unlicensed behavior. The vote was 5-2, with Ms. Mack and Mr. Alberti in opposition.

The next change to Number 2, would add a new section V (v), which would establish an incident log to record any activity by patrons inside or immediately outside the establishment which could lead to an ABRA investigation, and establishes a format for the log. **Motion:** Dr. Ronneberg moved/Ms. Veenendaal-Selck seconded a motion to approve the language establishing an incident log for the VA. The motion passed 6-1-0, with Ms. Mack in opposition.

Finally the language on establishing reimbursable details is discussed in Number 2, section (j). Mr. Alberti said that he doesn't believe the section has the weight of law the way it is written. Ms. Lawler said that there is no compliance period included. Mr. Healy said that they had looked at several VAs and adapted their language. Dr. Ronneberg suggested that the language be amended to say that the applicant agrees to comply with MPD's request as far as numbers. Mr. Alberti said that it should be sent back to the Committee with specific instructions to work on that section. Mr. Hysell asked what constitutes "suggests" in the first sentence of the paragraph, and it should be kept a two-way street, that it's too heavy-handed the way it's written. Mr. Alberti said that legally MPD cannot force an establishment to have a reimbursable detail. **Motion:** Dr. Ronneberg moved/ Ms. Veenendaal-Selck seconded a motion to refer the recommendation back to committee. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Community Comments

Margaret Holwill announced H Street Eats, a \$20.11 dinner special week in conjunction with Restaurant Week.

Mr. Healy announced that the XII protest was still not resolved and they have not agreed to any changes in the VA.

Carrie Nobles announced a project to re-name the Rosedale Recreation Center in honor of Reginald C. (KiYi) Ballard, a community activist. She announced that there would be a public meeting at Miner School on February 7th to discuss the project.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm.



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District of Columbia Government
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
Box 75115
Washington, DC 20013



February 15, 2011

Diane L. Thomas
Director, Community Relations
Greater Washington Sports Alliance
2300 14th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20009

Re: 2011 SunTrust National Marathon & Half Marathon

Dear Ms. Thomas:

At Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A's (ANC) regularly-scheduled meeting on February 10, 2011, and with a quorum of seven of the eight commissioners present, the Commission voted 5-2-0 to support the 2011 SunTrust National Marathon & Half Marathon scheduled for March 26, 2011.

We are particularly pleased with the effort being made by race organizers to notify ANC 6A residents of race day disruptions through the use of local media, door-to-door outreach and door hangers, as well as your effort to work with District transit officials to post bus route disruption notifications. In addition, we appreciate your effort to respond to specific concerns raised at the October 18, 2010 Transportation and Public Space Committee meeting regarding race day impact on the Capitol Hill Seventh Day Adventist Church, DaVita Dialysis Center, and Specialty Hospital of Washington, all in and on the border of our ANC by reaching out to these organizations and creating plans with them to minimize race day disruptions experienced by their constituents. As was discussed with our ANC's Transportation & Public Space Committee, we hope to see even greater strides towards minimizing the impact of street closures on the mobility of local residents.

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

On a personal note, I appreciate the twice-given assurances from the Greater Washington Sports Alliance that no parked cars will need to be moved from C Street, NE.

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes, Chair

Cc: Tommy Wells, Ward 6 Councilmember



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February 15, 2011

Councilmember Tommy Wells
Council of the District of Columbia
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 408
Washington, DC 20004

Re: Winter Sidewalk Safety Amendment Act of 2011

Dear Councilmember Wells:

At Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A's (ANC) regularly scheduled meeting on February 10, 2011, and with seven of the eight Commissioners present, the Commission voted 7-0-0 to support the Winter Sidewalk Safety Amendment Act of 2011.

We believe that the proposed legislation enhances the District's ability to enforce current snow and ice removal requirements, thus making our city's sidewalks safer for all. It provides a more efficient manner for assigning fines to those who fail to meet their snow and ice removal obligations, helping us continue to create a livable and walkable community that enhances the quality of life in our ANC.

The ANC voted to request that the final language of the bill explicitly include non-profits and churches among the entities required to clear their bordering sidewalks. Fines should be equivalent to those imposed on commercial properties.

We appreciate your efforts to encourage safer sidewalks. Please let us know should you require any help from our ANC in this endeavor. If you require any additional information concerning this matter, please contact our ANC's Transportation and Public Space Committee Chair Omar Mahmud via email at familymahmud@yahoo.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair



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February 11, 2011

Mr. Clifford Moy
Secretary, Board of Zoning Adjustment
Office of Zoning
441 Fourth Street, NW, Suite 210S
Washington, DC 20001

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D.C. OFFICE OF ZONING
2011 FEB 14 AM 10:40

Re: BZA Case 18173 (906 Maryland Ave, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on February 10, 2010, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A (ANC) voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the request for a variance from the lot occupancy requirements in Section 403 and from the alley center line setback requirements in Paragraph 2300.2(b) in the above referenced application. In addition, the applicant requested ANC support from the requirements of 401.1 and 401.3 (minimum lot width and area requirements) and subsection 2100.3, (nonconforming structures devoted to conforming uses). Although the ANC does not believe that variances from these sections are required, it supports the applicant's request, if the BZA deems them necessary.

The Commission supports the applicant's request for zoning relief because:

1. Complying with the alley setback requirements would require demolishing a full height brick wall separating existing garden and parking area and would require removing a mature tree which shades the applicant's and several neighboring properties.
2. Complying with the lot occupancy requirements would necessitate constructing an unusually shallow garage.
3. The neighboring structure occupies 2% of the applicant's lot. If this structure did not occupy the lot in question, the requested zoning relief would be for a special exception.
4. The neighboring properties have non-conforming garages built to the alley property line, so the proposed garage would be consistent with these structures.
5. The neighboring property owners have written letters of support for the application.



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Due to the fact that the property's exceptional circumstances place practical difficulty on the applicant and granting zoning relief does not represent a substantial detriment to the public good or to the intent of the zoning map, our Commission supports this BZA application.

Please be advised that Commissioners Drew Ronneberg and David Holmes are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. Dr. Ronneberg can be reached at ronneberg6a02@gmail.com or (202) 431-4305.

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



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February 11, 2011

Mr. Clifford Moy
Secretary, Board of Zoning Adjustment
Office of Zoning
441 Fourth Street NW, Suite 210S
Washington, DC 20001

2011 FEB 14 AM 10:40
D.C. OFFICE OF ZONING

Re: BZA Case 18171 (809 D Street, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on February 10, 2010, Advisory Neighborhood Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the request for special exception from Section 223 (not meeting the court requirement in an R-4 zone) in the above referenced application.

The Commission supports the request for a special exception because the proposed extension of a non-conforming court will not unduly affect the light and air available to neighboring property nor unduly compromise their privacy of use and enjoyment. In addition, both abutting neighbors have written letters of support for the project.

Please be advised that Commissioners Drew Ronneberg and David Holmes are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. Dr. Ronneberg can be reached at ronneberg6a02@gmail.com or (202) 431-4305.

I request the Board make this correspondence part of the record, despite the lateness of the filing.

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



Officer Reports - Treasurer



ANC 6A Treasurer's Report February 2011

Period Covered 02/01/11 - 02/28/11

Checking Account:

Balance Forwarded \$ 21,343.06

Receipts:

District Allotments:		
Transfers from Saving Account	\$	-
Total Receipts	\$	-

Total Funds Available \$ 21,343.06

Disbursements:

Heather Schoell (Feb. '11 Agenda Package)	Ck #1497	\$	200.00
DC Access (Web Ad Feb. '11)	Ck #1498	\$	100.00
Roberta Weiner (Jan. '11 Minutes)	Ck #1499	\$	190.00
Vista Print (Business Card)	Ck #1500	\$	237.15
Total Disbursements		\$	727.15

Ending Balance \$ 20,615.91

Savings Account:

Balance Forwarded \$ 4,203.91

Receipts:

Interest (01/31/10)	\$	0.36
Transfers from Checking Account		
Total Receipts	\$	0.36

Total Funds Available \$ 4,204.27

Disbursements \$ -

Ending Balance \$ 4,204.27

Prepared February 28, 2011



Officer Reports - Treasurer



ANC 6A Treasurer's Report February 2011

PETTY CASH SUMMARY

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

Prepared February 28, 2011



Committee Reports Community Outreach Committee (COC)



ANC6A Community Outreach Committee January 17, 2010 Minutes Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith annex, 1235 C St. NE

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Committee members present: Elizabeth Nelson (Chair), Rose Williams, Louis Barbash, Jean Kohanek (quorum)

Committee members absent: Necothia Bowens, Mark Roy, Pat Joseph

Commissioners present: Gladys Mack, David Holmes

Community members present: Sondra Phillips-Gilbert, Diane Douglas (Maury PTA)

- I. Agenda
 1. Adopted.

- II. Status report on ANC/COC activities.
 1. The COC minutes from January were approved.
 2. The Hill is Home ad is running and has been well-received.
 3. Final copy of ad for Capitol Hill (AKA Fagon) Guide has been received. A typo has been identified and reported.

- III. David Holmes addressed the committee as Chair of ANC 6A.
 1. He thanked the COC members for contributing to the success of ANC 6A. He said that 6A enjoys a reputation as being very effective and that it would not be possible to accomplish as much as it has without the support of the committees.
 2. He informed the COC that ANC 6A committees now have “immediate parliamentary standing”, meaning that their recommendations do not need to be introduced by a commissioner in order to be considered by the Commission - provided that the committee has a quorum. This is in recognition of the serious efforts of the committees.
 3. Commissioner Holmes reminded the COC that the committees and ANC 6A have taken on issues of concern not only to 6A but also city-wide. He asked that the COC develop suggestions that will benefit 6A and the City.

- IV. Diane Douglas presented a grant application on behalf of the Maury ES PTA for three ELMO projectors for classroom use.
 1. Ms. Douglas explained that parents, faculty and staff at Maury are all working to improve test scores. This is of obvious benefit to the students in the testing grades but it is also important to the overall success of the school as test scores affect enrollment decisions at all grade levels. Teachers, in particular, are working hard to differentiate instruction to reach each child on his/her level. They try to plan ahead but need to be able to respond “in the moment” to interests and questions as they are expressed in the classroom.
 2. The pre-school classes at Maury currently share an ELMO. Based on observation of its use in these classes, the teachers in the upper grades realized that it would allow them to easily



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customize lessons. Currently, there is no facility at Maury to make even “traditional” transparencies and, in the current budget crunch, there are no plans to rectify that situation. However, even if there were a means of making transparencies, that would still not provide the same utility as transparencies must be made in advance. The ELMO allows projection of the material onto a variety of surfaces where notations may be made spontaneously. For example, sentences can be diagrammed or math problems can be expanded.

3. Several committee members (Ms. Kohanek, Ms. Williams, Mr. Barbash) asked if there would be compatibility issues between the ELMOS and other electronic equipment, problems with changing technology/upgrades, or additional software requirements - but were assured that none of this would be problematic. Upgrades are not required and the ELMS would be used independently of other electronic equipment. Mr. Barbash also inquired if DCPS would allow the school to purchase this equipment - since it is out of scope to what they do provide. The answer is “yes”; if the school can raise the money through grants, they may purchase the equipment.
 4. The reason three ELMOs are needed is that they will be used primarily for language arts and math. These courses are taught in the same time-period for all three of the upper grades. They can’t readily be shared because they would be needed at the same time for all three classrooms.
 5. The ELMO projectors clearly benefit the residents of 6A as Maury is completely in-boundaries to ANC 6A. The grant would not be duplicative of City services; although DCPS has provided a less useful version of an overhead projector in the past, it has no plans to do so going-forward. This has been confirmed by Principal Albert-Garvey. In fact the one ELMO currently in use at Maury was provided by a grant from Target.
 6. **Motion: Ms. Williams moved that the COC recommend that ANC 6A fund the grant application from the Maury ES PTA to purchase 3 ELMO overhead projectors at a cost of \$1,767. Seconded by Mr. Barbash. Vote 5 in favor (incl. Commissioner Holmes), none opposed.**
- V. Discussion of advertising in the Washington Informer.
1. Subsequent to the January COC meeting, Ms. Nelson spoke with Ms. Bowens, who had offered to attempt to negotiate favorable rates with the Washington Informer. Ms. Bowens said that she would like to have a sample ad (based on Fagon ad) in hand at the time she would initiate the negotiations. Ms. Nelson has now received a draft of the Fagon ad. However, it has been suggested that email addresses, in addition to phone numbers, be included. The Fagon ad is not large enough to accommodate this but the shape of the Informer ad will likely be different and may accommodate the additional information.
 2. Ms. Kohanek will lay out a possible draft of the Informer ad and forward to the COC for review. Ms. Bowens will then discuss placement and rates with the Informer.
- VI. Continued discussion of revised ANC flyer:
1. Ms. Nelson suggested that the list of agenda distribution points be removed from the version currently posted on the website, as agendas are not actually available at those locations. The COC agreed that we do not want to have mis-information on the website so Ms. Kohanek will produce a version without that section so that Ms. Nelson can replace what is on the website.
 2. There followed a discussion of how to use the extra space. The COC agreed that a brief description of the activities of the various committees would be appropriate, at least in



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the short run. Other ideas are under consideration, including grant application information.

3. Commissioner Mack cautioned that the ANC boundaries will be redrawn as a consequence of Census redistricting. She advised that flyers not be reprinted at this time.
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.
- VIII. **The next meeting will take place Monday, March 21, at 7:30 p.m. at 1235 C St. NE**



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Community Outreach Committee (COC)



Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
Grant Request Application Form

1. DATE OF APPLICATION	2. DATE OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY
2/5/11	ongoing when purchased
3. APPLICANT ORGANIZATION NAME AND ADDRESS	
Maury Elementary PTA	www.mauryelementary.com
1250 Constitution Ave, NE	ANC 6A04
Washington, DC 20002	
4. CONTACT NAME	5. TITLE
Diane Douglas	Maury PTA Academic Support Committee Chair
6. ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)	
same	
7. TELEPHONE	8. FAX
(202) 698-3838	(202) 698-4843
9. E-MAIL ADDRESS	
diane.douglas8@verizon.net	
10. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT/ACTIVITY	
Purchase of three Elmos for Maury's 3 rd , 4 th , and 5 th grades.	
11. PROJECTED TOTAL COST	12. AMOUNT REQUESTED
\$1767	\$1767
13. OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING (BE SPECIFIC, PROVIDE NAMES)	
Maury received a Target grant for the purchase of a first Elmo.	
14. STATEMENT OF BENEFIT (DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY, WHO WILL BENEFIT AND IN WHAT WAY)	
<p>Maury has one Elmo, and it has proven so useful in student instruction as well as staff strategic planning that the teachers are specifically requesting them for daily classroom use. Elmos are the new generation of overhead projectors in that they project whatever is in the viewer onto the wall or screen; however, it projects from printed material <i>without</i> using a transparency, clearly and in full color.</p> <p>Elmos would be used regularly, giving teachers the ability to "write" in the books, underlining and highlighting text, illustrating points, etc. – without defacing the books, and with the entire class looking on. Geometry, sentence diagramming – essentially all subjects can be taught dynamically with Elmos.</p> <p>Subject blocks are simultaneous (i.e. classes have their math and language arts in the mornings), so sharing Elmos among classrooms would not be viable. We ask for three to cover the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades, the grades with the most challenging curriculum that could most benefit from the illustrated instruction. The Elmo purchased by the Target grant is in the top floor of the newer building, which is shared by the library, special education, staff data center, and three kindergarten classes. The three that would be purchased with the aid of the ANC would go to the upper grades in the top floor of the historic building (geographically as far away from the existing Elmo as one could be in this school).</p> <p>DC Public Schools (DCPS) does not provide Elmos; it is outside of their scope. This grant would not be duplicative of the goods or services provided by DCPS. Maury is a Title I School; 46% of students are considered low-income and qualify for free or reduced lunch. Maury is within the boundaries of ANC 6A04, and approximately 70% of students reside in ANC 6A.</p>	



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BUDGET

- Total required is \$1,767
- Three Elmos at \$589 each.
- Maury PTA is a 501c3, so no sales tax is due, and shipping is free.

ITEM DESCRIPTION

http://www.acpdirect.com/TT-02RX_Digital_Document_Camera-P5165.aspx#
Item #: WB-TT-02RX

The popular Elmo TT-02S has been replaced by the brand new Elmo TT-02RX document camera, loaded with all new features and enhanced capabilities:



- Outputs in WXGA & SXGA
 - Synch Zoom
 - Full function I/R Remote Control
 - Picture in Picture
 - Masking and Highlighting capabilities
 - Scroll capability with 2x, 3x, or 4x zoom
 - CMOS 1.39 mega-pixel sensor allows 30 frames per second "smooth" video -- no more "choppy" images when you move and object under the camera.
 - Enhanced ImageMate software with audio / video record capability
 - LED Lighting -- no bulbs to replace
 - Microscope mode -- no adapters necessary
- Auto Brightness Control & LED Lamp automatically adjusts camera to changing levels of room brightness
 - Versatile input/output connections make it easy to switch from a PC image display to any projector or video monitor
 - SD card-ready -- images captured can be easily stored and transferred back to a PC via SD Memory Card, or for use as a slide show presentation
 - 41.6x Total Zoom
 - Bundled with ImageMate Software lets you capture and save any image directly onto your computer using a USB cord, and allows you to draw and annotate over captured images, as well as gives you split screen capabilities for side by side comparisons
 - Removable stage allows you to write at a comfortable position, and gets out of the way when presenting large objects
 - Setup Dimensions: 14"W x 15"D x 16¼"H
 - Foldup Dimensions: 8"W x 10"D x 17½"H
 - Shooting Area:
 - Max: 17" x 12½" Min: 3¾" x 2¾"



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Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee Meeting ANC 6A February 15, 2011

Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee (“Committee”) of ANC6A was held commencing at 7:00 pm EST on January 18, 2011 at the Sherwood Recreation Center, 640 10th Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002.

Committee Members Present: Jaki Downs, Michael Herman, Anne Marie Koshuta and Katy Thomas

Committee Members Absent: Adam Healy, Chair (Commissioner, 6A01)

Commissioners Present: David Holmes (Commissioner, 6A03)

Community Members Present: None

I. Call to Order

Mr. Herman called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm EST and Ms. Thomas recorded the minutes as meeting secretary. A quorum of committee members was present and the meeting having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business.

II. Approval of Agenda

After review and discussion, upon motion duly made by Ms. Koshuta and seconded by Ms. Downs, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the agenda for the February 15, 2011 meeting of the Committee be approved.

III. Approval of Minutes

After review and discussion, upon motion duly made by Ms. Downs and seconded by Ms. Koshuta, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the minutes, presented this date to the Committee, of the meeting of the Committee held on January 18, 2011 are approved in all respects.

IV. Community Comment

Mr. Herman invited Mr. David Holmes to make a comment; he thanked committee members for serving their community. He announced a new parliamentary procedure that allows recommendations from the committee to be brought straight to the commission and urged the committee to continue the tradition of a proactive ANC.

V. Review of ANC6A Actions re: ABL Recommendations

Mr. Herman provided a review of the recent ANC6A meeting relative to the approval of the updated standard voluntary agreement. The VA was adopted as presented to the ANC6A Commission. Discussion held.

VI. New Business

Ms. Downs announced her departure from Washington and subsequent resignation from the committee effective the end of February.

VII. Adjourn

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm EST. The next committee meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, March 15, 2011.



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Made this _____ day of _____, 20____

by and between

[Name of Establishment]
Street Address, NE
Washington DC 20002

and

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Preamble

Through this agreement, both parties aim to create an environment whereby the applicant may operate as a viable contributing business in the ANC 6A community, while concurrently curtailing any adverse effects a business such as the applicant's could have on the surrounding neighborhood.

The applicant agrees to work regularly with the ANC 6A, neighborhood associations, and residents to ensure the business operations do not adversely affect the surrounding neighborhood. All parties believe the statements and provisions contained in this agreement are reasonable and must become wholly integrated into the day-to-day operation of the business establishment.

Further, ANC 6A acknowledges that this Voluntary Agreement shall be presented to all Class ____ applicants within the boundaries of ANC 6A. The community and merchants have agreed that it is in all the parties best interests to standardize the requirements for the operations of restaurant, tavern, and nightclub establishments within the boundaries of ANC 6A. To the greatest extent possible, the ANC will not insist upon or allow any significant changes to this Voluntary Agreement that will unfairly benefit or, conversely, cause competitive disadvantage to, any individual applicant or establishment within the ANC, unless such change is required by the District of Columbia government, other authorized governmental bodies, or rule of law.

The community and merchants understand and agree that the changes imposed upon the operations of all licensees within the ANC as set forth herein are important measures to protect the safety, peace, order and quiet of the neighborhood, its residents, and businesses.

Witnesseth

Whereas, Applicant's premises is within the boundaries of ANC 6A; and,

Whereas, the parties desire to enter into an agreement governing certain requirements and understandings regarding the issuance of a Retailer's Class ____ Liquor License at the subject premises; and,

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The Parties Agree As Follows:

1. Public Space Cleanliness and Maintenance. Applicant will maintain the public space (minimally the front sidewalk up to and including the gutter in front of the subject premises, and the alleyway behind the subject premises) adjacent to the establishment in a clean and litter-free condition by:

- a. Picking up trash, including beverage bottles and cans, and all other trash a minimum of twice daily (once immediately before business hours and again between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.).
- b. Maintaining regular trash garbage removal service, regularly remove trash from the trash and dumpster area, and see that the trash and dumpster area remain clean.
- c. Applicant shall deposit trash and garbage only in rodent-proof dumpsters, and shall see that dumpster covers fit properly and remain fully closed except when trash or garbage is being added or removed.
- d. Exercising due diligence to prevent and/or rid vermin infestation in and around the establishment, including following, minimally, the recommendations and guidelines of the Vector Control Division of the Department of Public Works.
- e. Assisting in maintenance of the curb in front of the establishment to keep them free of trash and to remove snow and ice from the sidewalk and comply with all applicable D.C. laws and regulation in these respects.
- f. Planting, watering, and generally tending to tree boxes directly in front of the subject premises, if any.
- g. Promptly removing or painting over any graffiti written on the exterior walls of the property.
- h. Requiring the owner and employees not to park on public space between the building and the curb.
- i. Not locating trash bins, chairs, tables, or other equipment on public space without a valid space permit.

2. Business Operations and Practices:

- a. Applicant will not, directly or indirectly, sell or deliver alcohol to any intoxicated person or to any person who appears to be intoxicated.
- b. Applicant agrees to take all necessary steps to prevent patron rowdiness, including refusing admission/service to rowdy and/or unruly persons.
- c. Applicant agrees to ensure that no patron bring an open container of an alcoholic beverage into the establishment from outside sources, and at no time exits the establishment with an open container of an alcoholic beverage. Wine shall be corked in accordance with Title 25-113(b)(5)(A)(B)(C) of the DC Municipal Code.
- d. Applicant will not provide or sell alcoholic beverages "to go." Applicant agrees not to promote or participate in bar or pub "crawls" or any other event of this nature.
- e. The licensed establishment will be managed by the applicant in person or a board licensed manager.
- f. Applicant, and all employees of the applicant, shall attend and complete an alcoholic beverage server training course/seminar.
- g. Applicant shall post a notice kept in good repair and visible from point of entry a sign, which states:
 - i. Proper ID required (proof of age 21 minimum to be served and assurances that ID's will be checked at all times prior to serving alcoholic beverages to patrons).
 - ii. Prohibition against selling alcohol to minors.

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- iii. Request to patrons to not litter, loiter, or make excessive noise in the neighborhood as they arrive or depart.
- iv. Warning: Drinking alcoholic beverages during pregnancy can cause birth defects.
- v. Request that customers do not contribute to panhandlers.
- h. Applicant shall make every effort to prohibit and prevent loitering and criminal activity on or in front of the establishment premises, to include:
 - i. Asking loiterers to move on whenever they are observed outside the establishment,
 - ii. Calling the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) to remove loiterers if they refuse Applicant's request to move on,
 - iii. Calling the Metropolitan Police Department if illegal activity is observed,
 - iv. Keeping a written record of dates and times (a calllog) when the MPD is called for assistance.
 - v. Applicant will maintain a detailed incident log. An incident is defined as any activity by patrons of the establishment inside or immediately outside the establishment which could lead to an ABRA investigation. Each incident will contain date, time and location of each incident with a concise summary. Guests and staff involved or witnesses of the incident will be identified and listed. If there is a medical or police response, that information will also be noted.
- i. Applicant's call log and incident log shall be provided to the ANC or Board during meetings or hearings involving future renewals or contested proceedings involving the Applicant's license.
- j. After receiving complaints and/or observing problems with this establishment, ANC Commissioners and/or the ABL Committee chair may ask the D.C. Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) for records and data regarding calls for service or other necessary police presence around this establishment.
 - i. If data from MPD indicates that this establishment has caused or is significantly contributing to additional crime or criminal activities in the neighborhood, including disorderly conduct and/or reoccurring public disturbance, the ANC 6A ABL Committee will hold a public meeting to discuss the problems and ways in which to mitigate them. The Applicant, MPD, and an ABRA representative will be invited and encouraged to participate, as well as concerned residents. MPD will be asked to recommend to the Committee the days of the week and hours when the reimbursable MPD detail should be necessary to maintain peace, order, and quiet at and around this establishment and the costs that would be associated with such reimbursable detail. If the Committee recommends the use of a reimbursable MPD detail at this establishment to mitigate these problems, the recommendation will then be considered by ANC 6A at their next scheduled meeting.
 - ii. If the ANC, by a majority vote, supports requiring a reimbursable MPD detail, the ANC Chair will notify in writing the First District MPD Commander or his/her designee and the Applicant that this establishment will be required to have a reimbursable MPD detail assigned to their location.
 - iii. The Applicant shall transmit to MPD funds sufficient to provide the next month's reimbursable MPD detail by the 1st day of each month that the reimbursable detail is required.
 - iv. The reimbursable detail shall be maintained by the Applicant for up to six months. Within six months, the ABL Committee will conduct another review to hear input on whether or not the reimbursable MPD detail should be continued. The ABL Committee will make a recommendation that will then be considered by the ANC at their next scheduled meeting.

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- k. Applicant shall not support of the installation of pay phones outside of the establishment on their property.
 - l. Applicant will utilize and maintain high-intensity flood-lights on the exterior of its premises so as to fully light any abutting alleyway from dusk until dawn.
 - m. Applicant shall provide valet parking services only with valet parking companies as defined licensed and in compliance with Title 24 DCMR Chapter 16. Applicant will not engage in valet parking that results in vehicles parked in residential parking spaces.
3. Music / Dancing / Entertainment:
- a. Applicant agrees to ensure that sounds originating from within the establishment are mitigated by installing adequate sound proofing.
 - b. Applicant shall not produce any sound, noise, or music of such intensity that it may be heard in any premises other than the licensed establishment in accordance with DC Official Code Title 25-725.
 - c. In order to mitigate noise on an outdoor patio or summer garden the following steps will be taken:
 - 1) Applicant shall not offer any type of live or pre-recorded music on the patio.
 - 2) A fence or other barrier will enclose the entire perimeter.
 - 3) No fewer than two signs will be clearly posted to remind guests to keep their voices at normal speaking volume.
 - 4) Staff will monitor the outdoor area to make sure guests do not raise their voices above normal speaking tones.
 - 5) Potted plants, trees, fountains or other types of noise mitigation techniques will be incorporated into the decor.
 - d. The ANC will establish a three month trial of noise levels from the outdoor area with limited hours until 11PM on weekdays and 12AM on weekends. If noise levels do not create a repeated disturbance to the neighborhood during this time period and the licensee has a record of good conduct during this time period, the hours for service on the patio may be extended to be consistent with the licensee's normal business hours. The three month time period for this applicant is _____ to _____.
 - e. Applicant may offer facilities for dancing for patrons only with an entertainment endorsement and may have recorded and background music without an entertainment endorsement. "Entertainment" means live music or any other live performance by an actual person, including live bands, karaoke, comedy shows, poetry readings, and disc jockeys. The term "entertainment" shall not include the operation of a jukebox, a television, a radio, or other prerecorded music.
 - f. All CT license holders with an entertainment endorsement must have an ABRA accepted security plan in place.
4. Cooperation with ANC 6A. Applicant agrees to work on resolving issues preventing the applicant from fulfilling its obligations under this cooperative agreement with all of the following: the Single Member District (SMD) ANC Commissioner within whose boundaries the establishment is located, the Chair of the ABL Committee, and other Commissioners whose SMD's are adjacent to the location of the establishment.
5. Modifications. This agreement can be modified only by mutual agreement of all the parties with the approval of the ABC Board or by the ABC Board consistent with DC Code § 25-446. In the case

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of ANC6A, if applicant desires to modify the terms of this agreement, the applicant, prior to implementing the change(s), shall receive written agreement from ANC6A after a majority of the commissioners shall have voted in favor of the changes at a full public meeting.

6. Miscellaneous:

- a. Applicant shall post a copy of this voluntary agreement in the establishment in conjunction with the posting of its alcoholic beverage license.
- b. Applicant will operate in compliance with all applicable DC laws and regulations.

7. Enforcement:

- a. If either party hereto believes in good faith that the applicant is in violation of this agreement, written notice specifying the alleged violation shall be delivered to the applicant and the applicant shall have ten (10) days after receipt of such written notice to come into compliance with this agreement or respond to said alleged notice of default.
- b. Applicant and the ANC 6A Commission agree to enter into this agreement. If the applicant should breach the conditions of this agreement, it is understood by all parties that the ANC 6A, and/or its committees, or others shall immediately petition the ABC Board for a “show cause” hearing pursuant to 23 D.C.M.R. 1513.5.
- c. This cooperative agreement is binding on the applicant and its assigns and will continue in force for any and all subsequent license holders at this location.

In Witness Whereof

The parties have affixed hereto their hands and seals.

Applicant:

By: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Representative:

By: _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____



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Transportation and Public Space (TPS)



ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting Minutes Capitol Hill Towers (900 G Street NE) February 21, 2011

- I. Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm
- II. Introductions - ANC 6A residents William Mohring and Sondra Phillips-Gilbert; Lori Goss with the Capitol Hill Classic 10K; ANC 6A Commission Chairman David Holmes, and Commissioners Gladys Mack and Drew Ronneberg; Committee members Marlon Smoker and J. Omar Mahmud (Chair).
- III. Community Comment
 - A. Commission Chairman Holmes announced he sent the snow removal legislation letter the committee discussed last month to Councilmember Tommy Wells.
- IV. Announcements
 - A. Mr. Mahmud announced that residents having problems with trees (dead or damaged) or who would like to request additional trees may contact the District Arborist, Jack Chapman (jack.chapman@dc.gov) or Program Support Assistant, Lennita Duncan-Hamilton (lennita.duncan@dc.gov).
- V. New Business
 - A. 2011 Capitol Hill Classic 10K - Mr. Mahmud introduced Ms. Goss and thanked her for coming to present information about this year's race. Ms. Goss discussed the following information and fielded questions from those in attendance:
 - i. The race will be held May 15, which will be the 32nd annual running of the race. The race is the primary fundraiser for the Capitol Hill Cluster Schools. The course is exactly the same as last year. There will be about 3,500 runners, but a bulk of the runners do the 10k portion of the race. Streets being closed from 7:30 to 11 am include C Street between 4th and 5th Streets, and 5th Street between C Street and Constitution Avenue NE, all in NE.
 1. Mr. Mahmud pointed out that these streets and intersections are not in ANC 6A and asked Ms. Goss to focus on any street closures or potential disruptions in ANC 6A. Mr. Mahmud also explained the boundaries of ANC 6A. Ms. Goss explained that from 8:30 until approximately 9:45 am, E. Capitol Street will be subject to rolling closures. Rolling closings means that MPD has instructed officers to let traffic cross the race route when no runners are present. Ms. Goss believes this will be the case at every intersection that goes north/south across the race route. Mr. Mahmud asked about the closure of E. Capitol from Lincoln Park to RFK stadium. Ms. Goss believes this stretch of the street will be subject to rolling closings as well from 8:30 to about 9:15 am.



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- ii. Ms. Goss indicated she has talked to both churches along the stretch, Lincoln Park Methodist Church and another located at E. Capitol and 13th Street NE, and have supported the race.
 - 1. Questions were raised regarding whether these churches were the only ones to be impacted along the race route. Ms. Goss agreed to follow up with any other churches along the race route she has yet to speak to.
 - iii. Mr. Mahmud asked whether there would be disruptions, route changes, etc. for public transit riders to be aware of. Ms. Goss indicated the 96 bus runs on E. Capitol Street, but race organizers have never had to deal with rerouting in the past.
 - iv. Ms. Goss plans to notify residents about the race via local schools, Moms on the Hill (MOTH), campaign-style posters around the impacted neighborhoods, CHAMPS, Voice of the Hill, and The Hill is Home, but no door-to-door visits or door hangers will be done in our ANC.
 - v. ***Mr. Mahmud made a motion to send a letter of support for the race, which specifically mentions the importance of allowing safe route crossing during the race. Mr. Ronneberg seconded the motion, which passed without objection.***
 - vi. Chairman Holmes left the meeting following the passing of this motion.
- B. Request to approve placement of trash dumpster on public space adjacent to new pizza restaurant located at 1387 H Street NE
- i. Mr. Mahmud made a motion to remove this item from the agenda given the business owner was not in attendance. Mr. Smoker seconded the motion, which passed without objection.
- C. Request for public space/construction permit for “Welcome to Rosedale” sign in the 1700 block of C Street NE
- i. Mr. Mahmud asked if anyone was in attendance to speak to this matter. There being none, Mr. Mahmud made a motion to remove this matter from the agenda. The motion was seconded and passed without objection.
 - ii. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert expressed interest in having a second welcome sign by the Rosedale Recreation Center. She hopes to speak with Ken Granata about this matter. Mr. Granata asked for this matter to be put on the agenda.
- D. Discuss 2011 Committee Goals
- i. The committee reviewed the draft goals distributed by Mr. Mahmud and discussed possible revisions.
 - ii. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert expressed concern that the Capitol Hill Transportation Study has impacted her neighborhood. Discussion ensued regarding a modification to goal seven, which resulted in adding “and other upcoming or ongoing transportation studies” following the mention of Capitol Hill Transportation Study.



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- iii. Goals 8 and 9 were slightly revised to modify the correct title for the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development.
- iv. ***Mr. Ronneberg made a motion to adopt the 2011 committee goals with the proposed revisions discussed. Mr. Smoker seconded the motion, which passed without objection.***

VI. Additional Community Comment

- A. Mr. Mohring asked which ANC 6A committee should handle parks and recreation issues. Discussion ensued, with those in attendance agreeing a mandate to cover such issues does not currently exist for any of the committees.
- B. Mr. Mohring asked whether the committee has heard anything about the city's efforts to address poor utility cuts which cause damage to roadways. He thinks Councilmember Wells may be taking this issue up soon and wonders if the ANC has heard anything. No one in attendance had knowledge of this issue.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.



ANC 6A Transportation and Public Space Committee 2011 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/Benning Road corridor and C Street NE, 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/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 other upcoming or ongoing transportation studies, and report to the ANC 6A Commission on these matters.
8. Work with the District Department of Transportation, Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic 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 Economic Development, Office of Planning, National Capital Planning Commission, and other agencies that directly or indirectly impact ANC 6A.



Committee Reports Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)



REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING COMMITTEE OF ANC 6A February 16, 2011

Present: Members: Dan Golden, Charmaine Josiah, Phil Toomajian, Jeff Fletcher
Commissioners: Drew Ronneberg, David Holmes, Nick Alberti

Drew Ronneberg chaired the meeting.

Status Reports

Resolution of Previously Heard BZA/HPA Cases: Commissioner Holmes reported that the owner of 809 D St received BZA approval for the second floor addition to expand a nonconforming court and sent an email thanking the ANC for its support.

Vacant Properties: Phil Toomajian reported he met with the H Street Taskforce regarding vacant properties and that the Taskforce was interested in partnering with ANC 6A to address and properly categorize properties along H Street. He also reported that 1340 G St NE had its unpaid back taxes sold at the Fall 2010 tax sale and that he had alerted the concerned owner adjacent to the property of the situation in hopes that she might work with the potential new owner to address her concerns.

Rezoning of the Eastern End of H St NE: Drew Ronneberg reported that the Zoning Commission approved ANC 6A's and OP's rezoning request to downzone commercial properties south of H St NE between 13th and 15th St to C-2-A and include them in the H Street NE Zoning Overlay. The Commission also granted ANC 6A's request to include 11 commercial properties north of H St (on the 700 block of 13th St NE, 700 block of 14th St NE and 1300 Block of Florida Ave. NE) within the H Street NE Overlay. However, it did not grant ANC 6A's request to bring alley properties on Linden Place and in Square 1026 into the Overlay.

H Street Business Liaison Report: Charmaine Josiah reported that she was reaching out to AIA and to Urban Land Institute.

Autozone Parcel Redevelopment

Ben and Dan Miller of Westmill Capital Group introduced themselves to the Committee as the new owners of the parcel at 1207 H Street NE. Ben Miller previously served as President of Western Development Corp. The Millers expressed their great enthusiasm for the H Street Corridor and said it was the best neighborhood in the city because of its great energy, authenticity, and vibe. They purchased the parcel from the H Street CDC a few weeks ago and look forward to developing it, but reported that the expiration of Autozone's lease is not imminent. They were particularly excited about this parcel because it is in the heart of the H Street corridor's entertainment district and hope to bring the parcel into better alignment with its neighboring properties.

The property is zoned C-2-A and Westmill is interested in redeveloping it for ground level retail with residential above. Westmill appreciates H Street's many independent small businesses and hopes to fill their spaces with the same. They have expressed their willingness to play host to the streetcar power substation below grade as part of their redevelopment.



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The Committee and present commissioners shared their enthusiasm for the project and expressed a desire to work together citing the successful partnership with Gary Rappaport on the redevelopment of the H Street Connection property. In particular, the well-designed plans on that building which appears as 8 separate façades so as to avoid the monolithic appearance was commended to Westmill. Westmill agreed to return to the Committee to discuss its development plans in greater detail once it had a better sense of its time frame.

DCRA process for FHA ‘reasonable accommodation’ requests

Mr. O’Donnell, who lives within ANC6B on Massachusetts Ave SE, shared his concerns and those of ANC6B regarding abuse of reasonable accommodation requests made to DCRA and BZAs unwillingness to exercise jurisdiction in such instances. It appears that such requests are being abused by people who do not have disabilities and there is little recourse for appeal or transparency in the process. DCRA does not appear to have guidelines and is not making available the rationale for its decisions to grant these requests. The Committee was concerned by what it had heard about the lack of standards and transparency, especially in light of the reports that these requests were being used by developers to circumvent the zoning process.

Motion (passed unanimously): The ANC send a letter to Acting DCRA Director Majett requesting DCRA publish guidelines for assessing “reasonable accommodation” requests by homeowners, that the guidelines provide relief which is tailored to demonstrate a nexus with the need for the accommodation, that ANCs be provided notice of such request and that a public comment period be held prior to granting and that any accommodation be allowed to persist only so long as the need exists (i.e., removed if sold to a new owner who does not demonstrate similar need, etc.).

H Street NE Zoning Overlay Questionnaire

The H Street NE Zoning Overlay requires that new construction have 14’ ground floor ceiling heights, entrances fronting on H Street, translucent windows, and has a number of other requirement that enhance the quality of retail space. These requirements can be difficult for DCRA to enforce, especially because non-compliance of some items (e.g. non-tinted windows) often cannot be determined from the building plans. DCRA currently uses a questionnaire for eating establishments to distinguish between fast-food establishments, prepared food shops, and restaurants. A similar H Street NE Overlay questionnaire would help DCRA enforce the Overlay requirements before issuing building permits.

Motion (passed unanimously): The ANC send a letter to Matt LeGrant requesting that a building permit application within H Street Zoning Overlay be required to fill out a questionnaire to determine compliance with the Overlay’s requirements.

Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting:
Wednesday, March 16, 2011
7-9 PM
640 10th St., NE
Sherwood Recreation Center, 2nd Floor



New Business



----- Forwarded message -----

From: Davis, Thea (ABRA) <thea.davis@dc.gov>

Date: Mon, Feb 14, 2011 at 3:56 PM

Subject: HR-57 - Voluntary Agreement

To: Adam Healy <healyanc6a01@gmail.com>, David Holmes <holmes6a3@gmail.com>

Cc: "Delgado, Yazmin (ABRA)" <yazmin.delgado@dc.gov>

Commissioners,

Thank you for submitting the Voluntary Agreement, dated January 15, 2011, between HR-57 and ANC 6A ("Agreement").

On January 26, 2011, the Board reviewed the Agreement, which was approved with modification to modify the following provision, which does not comply with applicable laws and regulations, as required by DC Official Code 25-446(c). The following provision exceeds the scope of 25-446(c) and 23 DCMR 1609.

- Section 5 (Modifications): The first sentence in Section 5 should be modified to read as follows so that it is consistent with the law: "This agreement can be modified only by mutual agreement of all the parties with the approval of the ABC Board or by the ABC Board consistent with the law."

If the parties agree to the modification, this can be accomplished via the Board Order without the parties submitting a revised Agreement. Please respond to this e-mail with your approval of the modification. I understand if you need to get the full approval of the ANC at your next meeting before approval.

If you have any questions, please let me know. Thank you.

Best regards,

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New Business



On Mon, Mar 7, 2011 at 5:00 PM, David Holmes <holmes6a3@gmail.com> wrote:

Earlier I sent a letter of support for funding two initiatives. The money is being sought from the Deputy Mayor for Economic Development and Planning by H Street Main Street and CHAMPS. See the proposal language below and the spreadsheet attached.

It seems to me that these twin projects are worthy of ANC support. Since the ANC did not have a chance to vote before last Friday's deadline, I wrote as an individual commissioner

So I propose that the ANC authorize the following letter of support for this grant to be sent to DMPED and Councilmember Tommy Wells.

March 11, 2011

Victor Hoskins
Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development
1350 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Suite 317
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Mr. Hoskins,

Please accept this letter of strong support for the NIF application targeting H Street NE.

It's good to build a partnership between H Street Main Street and CHAMPS. It will further development and growth of the small businesses along this most important corridor.

First, the grant will create a small business seminar series with how-to clinics led by professionals targeting issues applicable to the businesses on H Street NE. Expected to be included are topics about DCRA permitting and licensing, zoning updates, small business accounting, and establishing social media work flow with Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, blogs etc. It should facilitate best practices among the small businesses in need of this business development.

It will also create an interactive outdoor art experience; building on the success of the emerging H Street NE arts scene. The Chalk Walk will consist of local artists sponsored by H Street businesses to be drawn on designated storefront areas of the sidewalk, along the length of H Street, NE.

We agree with Councilmember Wells' statement that "This partnership is critical to the long-term success of the H Street NE corridor - generating jobs, engaging small business development, and embracing art and training opportunities for youth and local artists in the area".

Sincerely,

David Holmes
Chair



PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION

H Street Main Street, in partnership with CHAMPS - Capitol Hill's Chamber of Commerce, proposes two initiatives focused on strengthening economic opportunities by delivering technical assistance to businesses and on improving the quality of life through a large-scale interactive arts event bringing together businesses, residents and visitors to discover, explore and appreciate the ongoing revitalization of the H Street, NE corridor.

SMALL BUSINESS SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS AND HOW TO CLINICS

H Street Main Street and CHAMPS will work with Black Lab Advisory to produce a bi-weekly series of 10 seminars and how-to clinics targeting issues applicable to small and growing businesses and industries on H Street NE. The series will commence by May 1, 2011 - dependent on receipt of funding and will be complete by September 15, 2011.

Seminars & How To Clinics

Proposed topics include:

- Seminar: Making Social Media Work: Facebook vs. Twitter vs. LinkedIn vs. blog
- Seminar: Human Resources

Workers comp DC law | Hiring/firing | Finding good employees | Employee overhead

- Seminar: Marketing Your Business
- Seminar: Connecting With Your Customers
- Seminar: Do I Need A Business Plan?
- Seminar: Setting Goals, Prioritizing, and Managing Time
- How To: Creating and Managing Facebook Business Page
- How To: Blogging for Business
- How To: Twitter 101: The Basics
- How To: Twitter 202: Tips & Tricks for Building Your Following and Connecting with Your Audience
- How To: Social Media Workflow: Managing Multiple Accounts and/or Applications

Sensitivity/Hospitality Workshops

H Street Main Street and CHAMPS will work with Gallaudet University to produce a series of cultural sensitivity training workshops for H Street, NE corridor merchants and service providers. Given the proximity of Gallaudet University to H Street, it is important that H Street businesses community be equipped with the skills to provide the best possible experience for customers who are deaf or hard of hearing. Proposed workshops include:

- Basic ASL Training Workshops: Gallaudet University will provide instruction and materials for seven workshops on basic signing skills with an emphasis on signs that best suit service providers and customer relations.
- Cultural Sensitivity Training Workshops: Gallaudet University will provide instruction and materials for three workshops focused on the best practices available for working with deaf customers, helping business owners and employees build an understanding of the deaf perspective and cultural norms for communication.



New Business



- How-To Handouts: Gallaudet University will create and provide handouts and leaflets that illustrate basic “survival” signs and key tips for working with deaf customers.

H STREET CHALK WALK: MY NEIGHBORHOOD IS MY BUSINESS

A large-scale, interactive outdoor art experience, the H Street Chalk Walk will provide opportunities for each business on H Street, NE compete and collaborate in a corridor-long community art project.

How It Works

The CHALK WALK is a one-day event

Prior to the day of the CHALK WALK, participating businesses will designate an artist or artistic team to represent them in the CHALK WALK contest. Each business’ designated artist or artistic team will collaborate and create a drawing on a designated area of the sidewalk in front of that participating business.

- Artists can range from business owners to employees, students, professionals, or neighborhood residents. There is no minimum or maximum age requirement.
- Entries must somehow reflect or respond to the theme “my neighborhood is my business.” This can be done literally or figuratively and is deliberately open to interpretation.
- Subject matter of each entry is at the complete discretion of the individual business owner but must reflect the overall event theme.
- Each team will be provided with chalk and any other materials needed.
- On the day of the CHALK WALK, teams will have from 8am to 3pm to complete their entry.
- A truly hands-on art event, there will be a designated sidewalk area where on-lookers will be encouraged to add to a public chalk “sidewalk mural”
- The sidewalk mural will be documented on film and video
- From 3-6:30pm, the public will be invited to participate in the CHALK WALK by using an official ballot (provided at each CHALK WALK location) to vote and comment on their favorite entries.
- Throughout the event, there will be special on-the-fly Twitter votes
- There will be two main winning categories: Judges’ Choice (winner/runners up selected by a special guest panel) and People’s Choice (based on ballots collected during the CHALK WALK)
- Several runners-up and twitter contest winners will be awarded with prizes donated by local businesses.
- Winners will be announced and prizes presented at a CHALK WALK celebration beginning at 7:30p, location TBD. Winners will be announced at 8:30pm.

The goal of the H STREET CHALK WALK is to draw new and returning visitors to H Street; attract consumers and prospective business owners; and to use art as a means for stimulating community development and increasing quality of life for area residents. The H STREET CHALK WALK will be held in mid-late summer, bringing business to the corridor during a typically slow time of year and helping to ensure businesses remain financially solvent.