



District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Agenda for May 12, 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** *pg. 3*

7:05 **Community Comments** (2 minutes each)

7:10 **Community Presentation:** Ward 6 Councilmember Tommy Wells regarding redistricting

7:30 **Officer Reports:**

Chair (2 minutes)

Vice-Chair (2 minutes)

Secretary (2 minutes)

Treasurer (2 minutes) *pg. 15*

1. Approve treasurer's report and previous month's disbursements
2. FY11 2nd Quarter Report

7:35 **Single Member District reports** (2 minutes each)

Standing Committee Reports:

7:50 **Community Outreach** *pg. 21*

1. Approve committee report
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A fund the grant application from the Capitol Hill Garden Club to purchase bulbs at a cost of \$650 for planting in public areas within ANC 6A
3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A fund the grant application from the Eastern SHS PTSA to purchase percussion instruments for the Eastern SHS band, not to exceed \$4,000
4. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A approve the allocation of an additional \$350 to cover the costs of an additional 3-month run on the ad in The Hill Is Home
5. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A oppose Mr. Washington's request for support of a 2011 Father's Day event at Sherwood Recreation Center
6. Next meeting - 7:30pm, May 16, 2011 (3rd Monday)

7:55 **Alcohol Beverage Licensing** *pg. 29*

1. Approve committee report
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to the Chair of the Alcohol Beverage Control Board detailing what changes to an ABRA license should constitute a substantial change and subject to placarding and public comment
3. Next meeting - 7pm, May 17, 2011 (3rd Tuesday)



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8:00 Transportation and Public Space Committee pg. 31

1. Next meeting - 7pm, May 16, 2011 (3rd Monday)

8:05 Economic Development and Zoning pg. 32

1. Approve committee report
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to the mayor requesting a waiver of signatures for closing H Street for the H Street festival
3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A write a letter of support for a two-year extension of the BZA order for 601-645 H St NE
4. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A authorize an appeal of granting a public space permit for 701 10th St NE
5. Next meeting - 7pm, May 19, 2011 (3rd Wednesday)

8:10 Unfinished Business

8:15 New Business: pg. 37

1. A motion to thank Commander David Kamperin for his years of service to ANC 6A and the entire First District, and to wish him well in his retirement. (Holmes)
2. Consideration of a motion to authorize a letter to the City Council strongly objecting to any proposal that moves Rosedale, Hill East or any parts of SMDs 7 and 8 from Ward 6 to Ward 7. (Holmes)
3. ANC letter of support for a Capitol Bikeshare (CaBi) bike station at 10th and H St. NE. (Ronneberg)
4. ANC letter of support to request an additional CaBi station adjacent to Lincoln Park on the southeast traffic triangle. (Alberti)
5. Authorize up to \$600 for the distribution of flyers advertising 2-3 special meetings of the ED&Z Committee to consider supporting the expansion of the Capitol Hill Historic district to 8th St. in the West, H St. in the north, 15th St. to the east and East Capitol St. to the south. (Ronneberg)
6. Amtrak letter to support H Street Trolley to Union Station (Hysell)

8:20 Community Comments Round II, time permitting (2 minutes each)

8:25 Adjourn



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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Minutes Miner Elementary School April 14, 2011

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

The meeting was convened at 7:05 pm.

1. Agenda

The issue of a waiver for letters of support for the H Street Festival was added to New Business, and the agenda was accepted as amended.

2. Minutes

Dr. Ronneberg said that the motion in support of tree planting at Sherwood Rec Center had not been included in the minutes and should be added. **Motion:** Dr. Ronneberg moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to accept the minutes as amended. The motion was accepted without objection.

3. Community Comment

Andrea Sledd announced that the planned April 30 event DC Cares was sponsoring was being postponed, but she was working with Commissioner Mack on a health fair to be held in Rosedale on May 7. She said she was looking for donations of refreshments for the event.

Chris Fitzgerald of the Mayor's Office announced that the Mayor would be holding Town Hall meetings on the budget, and the one for Ward 6 would be held on Saturday, May 7 at Miner Elementary School at 2 pm.

4. Community Presentation

National Marathon Recap

Commissioner Holmes said that Commissioners have received an After Action Report from the Greater Washington Sports Alliance on their view of the outcome of the March 26 National Marathon. He introduced Chris Brown and Diane Thomas of the Alliance, and said they would give a brief, four-minute presentation, after which Commissioners would ask questions, followed by the community. Brief closing statements would be entertained.

Mr. Brown thanked the Commission for inviting them to recap the race and get feedback. He thanked Mr. Holmes, who, he said, was great at staying in touch during the planning. He said it was the sixth annual race that had started and finished at RFK Stadium, and there had been many variations in the route. He said that the Alliance viewed running as a privilege, not a right, and said they had strong outreach on the route design. He said they had 16,000 registered runners this year, with 13,000 finishing the race. One quarter of the runners were DC residents, most from Ward 6. He reported that 580 kids had completed their kids program. They took in \$13.1 million, and the funds are going to eight national and local causes.



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He said that Mr. Alberti had provided instrumental feedback a couple of years ago and Mr. Mahmud had also been very helpful. He said that the bump crosswalks, which were new this year, seemed to work well, and he thought that the group following the runners to pick up discarded clothing worked well.

Ms. Veenendaal-Selck said that people had asked the police for alternate directions at detours, and the officers had problems telling them how to proceed. Mr. Brown said they were Special Operations officers and they were not briefed at the last minute and it was a human factor that created the difficulty.

Mr. Holmes said that the bump cross routes did not work. East Capitol Street closed at 6:20 am, first reopening at 8th Street only after he had e-mailed Mr. Brown, and the police refused to open the routes. So the first crossing was about 9:20 am, and almost entirely at 8th Street. Other streets opened up after 10 am or so. Because of the early and complete closure of the route, vehicles funneled down Massachusetts Ave. to 10th Street, down all the numbered streets to 10th Street. He said there were over 100 cars within one block of his house until about 9 am. Several buses and trucks decided to double-park while waiting for the streets to open. Most did not turn off their diesels and no officer could leave his/her station to give tickets for the violation.

As for the clean-up, an hour after the conclusion of the race, he said he and his neighbors picked up over 50 pairs of National Marathon gloves, hundreds of paper cups, many foil blankets. After 3 pm he said they picked up three large bags of clothes and one medium bag of quality clothing to be offered for a school yard sale. He suggested that there should be blowers used for 1000 feet after water stations to assure that thrown cups don't stay between and under cars.

He also said that the last-minute confusion about the course helps no one. Based on an e-mail from Ms. Thomas, he said, he asked the Police Board what security concerns they had about running the race along C Street, and they said they had none, but he suspects the problem was one he had warned the Alliance about—that C Street is too narrow for the large number of runners without removing all the cars, and likely to be a problem even then: East Capitol Street with its wide lanes and two generous bike lanes was filled side to side at 9th Street.

He said there should be a sag wagon, a bus to pick up runners who have fallen to the back of the pack. It was supposed to be a time-restricted course; what happened to that? He suggested that stragglers start being cleared at the halfway point, and then continuously from that point on, perhaps at the 5:15 pace. At 11th Street during the last 40 minutes that East Capitol Street was open, there were fewer than 30-40 runners left. Some runners, he said, took more than six hours to finish the course - a heroic effort, but not a time-restricted marathon.

Ms. Lawler said that the neighbors she spoke with were pleased with the advance notification—the posters, door hangers, etc. Elizabeth Nelson produced a garbage sack of clothing that she said she had picked up from her block alone. The pick-up group, she said, should be responsible until at least mile 13. Mr. Brown responded that she is right, that there are going to be misses, and he identified that as a place where there could be improvement. He said it had not been a major issue for them, and the comments are right on.

Mr. Alberti said that every year the same thing happens—people come to visit the neighborhood, and aren't aware of the race, or if they take a dog to the cemetery to walk, they're stuck and can't get out of the neighborhood to get home.



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Resident Ted Elston said there was a map showing the street closures, and the streets were closed a half hour early, and there was every attempt to avoid the race, and it couldn't be done because the streets closed early.

Mr. Alberti said the neighborhood was locked down for five or six hours. Every year, he said, he hears the same promises, and he's lost faith in the Alliance's word and its ability to plan. He asked how he can trust for next year, when the trash this year was worse, not better. He said he had asked Ms. Thomas if it would be better, and she said it would. He said he was told the switch to C Street was an improvement and it wasn't. The door hangers weren't done in time and the information was sketchy. Mr. Holmes reiterated that the cleaners were not adequate and said that clothing was thrown under cars when it should be blown into the street for the clean-up truck. He said a way should be found to not go through the community twice and find a better route.

Mr. Brown said these are difficult issues, and he disagrees about trust issues. He agreed that the trash has to be managed better, not just what's on the roadway. He said he takes the Commissioners' comments very seriously, and we can do better. Mr. Alberti said he challenges the Alliance staff to live up to just one of the commitments they make to the community for next year.

5. Officer Reports

Chair

Mr. Holmes said he was going to meet with DCRA Director Nicholas Majett on April 19 in regard to the ANC's March motion on the abuse of "reasonable accommodation" regulations. He said he believes he has found criteria for effective changes, although currently there are no regulations, nor is there any person designated to evaluate the validity of claims, or any review of decisions. He said that the recommendations will be modeled on Montgomery County and similar regulations from around the country. DC just hasn't planned for this administrative problem. Contractors talk, however, and the new cases open a wide range of zoning and regulation-busting possibilities.

Mr. Holmes also announced a community meeting for an update on the H Street streetcar project at the Atlas Theatre on April 20 at 6:30 pm. DDOT Director Bellamy and Project Manager Scott Kubly will be present.

Treasurer

Mr. Alberti presented the Treasurer's Report. It shows that the opening checking account balance was \$20,615.91 and the savings account balance was \$4,204.27. There was the payment of an allotment from the District of Columbia of \$5,555.40 and an interest payment to the savings account of \$.26. There were disbursements of \$100 to DCAccess for a web ad (Check #1501); \$230.84 to FedEx Office (Jan. 2011 statement) (Check #1502); \$250 to the US Postal Service (Yearly Post Office Box rental) (Check v#1503); \$200 to Heather Schoell for the March 2011 Agenda package (Check #1504); \$190 to Roberta Weiner for taking and transcribing the January 2011 minutes (Check #1505); \$279.67 to FedEx Office (Feb. 2011 statement) (Check #1506); and \$1,767 to ACP for payment of funds for a grant to the Maury Elementary PTA, leaving a balance of \$23,163.80 in the checking account and \$4,204.53 in the savings account. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Hysell seconded a motion to approve the disbursements. It passed without objection. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Hysell seconded a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. It passed without objection.



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Mr. Alberti called to the Commissioners' attention that a mid-year summary of ANC expenses can be found on page 16 of the agenda packet. He said he does this every year so that the Commission can keep track of the money it is spending.

No other officers had reports.

6. Single Member District Reports

Mr. Hysell said that he was working with the 14th Street Block Association on its clean-up and is hoping to get as many streets as possible signed up to participate. He said he wanted to thank Andrea Sledd for inviting him to judge the pie-baking contest at her recent event. There were a lot of good pies!

Ms. Lawler said that on April 28 she was having a drop-in for her SMD at Sova from 7 to 8:30 am.

Dr. Ronneberg said that the tree planting at Sherwood Rec Center had been successful. He also announced that Khan's Barbeque was opening and it was very good.

Mr. Alberti said that he and Mr. Holmes had met with the principal at Maury Elementary School, and there will be lots of renovations going on at the school.

Mr. Healy reported that he was having SMD meetings on the first Monday of the month, and the last one had brought out about 40 people. He also said he had done a ride-along with the police on the previous Saturday evening, and it was certainly an interesting way to get to know the neighborhood.

Ms. Veenendaal-Selck announced that she had an SMD meeting on March 31, and she will be doing a community walk-through.

7. Committee Reports

Community Outreach

The committee had no report.

Alcohol Beverage Licensing

The report of the Committee was accepted without objection.

Transportation and Public Space

Motion: The Transportation and Public Space moved/Mr. Hysell seconded a motion that the ANC support the Committee's recommendation to send a letter of support for the Biergarten Haus valet parking operator's application to provide valet parking provided that the operator first provide 1/ an acceptable valet parking plan and 2/proof of notification of the application to adjacent property owners, as required by the DCMR.

Mr. Mahmud said that the ANC doesn't have "great weight" with valet parking. The cars will be taken to a lot between H St. and Florida Ave. that will hold 14 cars. DDOT is going to check to make certain the parking patterns are safe. Mr. Holmes said he had attended the committee meeting and feels that



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the follow-up is particularly important because it's necessary to protect the residents who are adjacent to H St. The motion passed without objection, 7-0.

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

Economic Development and Zoning

808 9th Street NE

This is a request for support of a BZA application for a special exception for a two-story rear addition with a roof deck to an existing one-family row house, not meeting the court requirements in the R-4 district. According to Dr. Ronneberg, the property is non-conforming in that the "court" dogleg is only 4' wide. The addition will keep the dogleg, maintaining the light and air. **Motion:** The ED&Z Committee moved/Ms. Lawler seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation that the ANC support the BZA application for a special exception for an addition at 808 9th Street NE. The ANC approved the motion unanimously, 7-0.

1329 North Carolina Avenue NE

This is a request for a special exception to permit a child development center for 24 children (nine infants from zero to 24 months old, and 15 children from two to 12 years) and eight staff in the R-4 district. There had been extensive discussion about the proposed center at the Committee meeting (see Committee minutes), resulting in the following motion:

Motion: The ED&Z Committee moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion that the ANC accept the Committee's recommendation to oppose the application for a special exception to establish a child development center at 1329 North Carolina Avenue NE as the application does not meet the requirements for a special exception for the reasons below:

1. Increase in traffic and dangerous conditions for cyclists and children being dropped off at the center;
2. Insufficient on-site parking;
3. Noise and other conditions not mitigated
4. Travel to main play area at Lincoln park is unsafe; and
5. The property has effectively been turned into a commercial use.

The motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

138 12th Street NE

Mr. Holmes began the discussion by saying he had spoken with Mr. Simon in the Office of ANCs, and proposed that the Commission limit discussion to ten persons in favor and ten persons opposed on any motion offered that appears ready to involve more than 20 minutes of discussion. All discussion should be directly relevant to the proposed motion. He said he intended to tightly adhere to a one minute rule on all community participants. Discussion should be germane to the language of the motion. He asked people to line up and to speak so that both the Commission and the audience can hear. He also said that no member of the Commission could speak more than twice. Finally he said that preferential recognition would be given to residents of ANC 6A, and that rudeness would not be tolerated.

A brief review of the issue of the AppleTree Learning Center and the revocation and reinstatement of their construction permits was given. It was also reported that a representative of DCRA had been



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invited to the EDZ Committee meeting to discuss and explain their events surrounding the issuance of building permits. However, because there may be pending litigation, DCRA declined to attend.

Elizabeth Murray of 11th St. SE said there is clearly a need for the school in the neighborhood. A resident who said he lived across the street from the school said that there is a reason there are rules and they should be followed. Karen Davenport said she has a three-year-old at the school. She said both revocations and repeals had gone on long enough and they should be allowed to finish the building. Flavia Nadan who lives at 12th and Maryland said the school is a boon to the community, and the ANC shouldn't be using her tax money to work against it. Herb Faling of 11th St. NE said that DCRA had revoked the permits but never gave a good reason as to why. A resident of 11th St. NE said that the zoning regulations were put into place for the benefit of everyone in the neighborhood. Another resident mentioned that AppleTree had a problem with its Certificate of Occupancy at its facility in Columbia Heights. Ann Malone responded that the C of O was in good shape.

Elizabeth Nelson said that DCRA should follow the law. Dr. Ronneberg said that the situation was fundamentally about a process, and DCRA wasn't following its own rules.

Mr. Alberti pointed out that if they had applied for permits now, they wouldn't have gotten them; they were improperly issued. Dr. Ronneberg said that it was a zoning issue, not a question of whether they wanted a school. It's important for other cases that come to the Commission. He said the ANC is willing to work with the owners of AppleTree to identify other locations that meet the criteria for a school.

Motion: The ED&Z Committee moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to appeal the reinstatement of the revoked and expired building permit(s) issued for 138 12th Street NE during February 2011. (Nominally the permits were a renewal of permits originally issued in October 2007.)

Commissioners Holmes, Alberti and Ronneberg are authorized to represent the Commission in this matter.

The motion passed 6-0-1, Commissioner Veenendaal-Selck abstaining.

The report of the Economic Development and Zoning Committee was accepted without objection.

8. New Business

Waiver for H Street Permit Signatures

Mr. Holmes said he had received a request from Anwar Saleem of H Street Main Street asking the ANC to support a waiver of the requirement that he get the signatures of every business, store and residence within 500 feet of H Street stating they have no objection to the H Street Festival closing the street. Mr. Alberti said that he had no objection to the request but believes that ANC procedures should be followed and the request should go through the Committee process. Mr. Holmes said he would refer it to the Economic Development and Zoning Committee.

Mr. Saleem said that this year's festival would also be a celebration of the completion of the streetscape. He said the festival has grown from 5,000 to 35,000 people and having the waiver would give them a jump start on their preparations.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.



Commission Letters of March 10, 2011 Meeting



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Box 75115
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April 24, 2011

Ms. Catrina Felder
Public Space Committee, District Department of Transportation
2000 14th Street, NW, 6th Floor
Washington, DC 20009

Re: Biergarten Haus Valet Parking Application

Dear Ms. Felder,

At ANC 6A's regularly-scheduled and publicly-noticed meeting held on April 14, 2011, the Commission voted unanimously (7-0-0), with a quorum present, to support the applicant's valet parking application for Biergarten Haus located at 1355 H Street, NE.

We appreciate that applicant's provision of legal off-street parking but we encourage your cautious review of the applicant's ability to move cars safely within the parking lot designated for valet-parked vehicles.

Thank you for considering this letter of support. Should you have any questions about this matter, please contact Omar Mahmud of our ANC's Transportation and Public Space Committee at familymahmud@yahoo.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair



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April 21, 2011

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

Re: ANC 6A appeal of DCRA Decision to Vacate Revocation of Permit B1010205

Dear Sir,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on April 14, 2011, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A voted 6-0-1 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to appeal the administrative decision of the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs Building and Land Regulation Administration to vacate its decision to revoke Building Permit No. 1010205 for the property at 138 12th St NE. The statement of appeal will be sent to your offices under a separate cover.

The original permit has far exceeded the maximum amount time allowable for renewal, especially since the City Regulations for public schools in the R-4 district have changed to prohibit the use of small properties such as 138 12th Street, NE.

ANC 6A requests that the developer be required to return to BZA for the normal special exception and variance process.

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair



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April 24, 2011

Mr. Clifford Moy
Secretary, Board of Zoning Adjustment
Office of Zoning
441 4th St NW, Suite 210S
Washington, DC 20001

Re: BZA Case 18203 (1329 North Carolina Avenue, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on April 14, 2011, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 4 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the request for a special exception to permit a child development center (24 children with nine (9) infants from zero (0) to twenty-four (24) months old, and fifteen (15) children from two (2) to twelve (12) years old, and eight (8) staff under section 205) in a R-4 District.

The Commission notes that at the March 16th, 2011 meeting the ANC's Economic Development and Zoning Committee, the applicant stated that their application would be amended to reduce the request to 18 children. The Commission opposes this application because it does not meet the tests for the special exception.

Specifically, it does not meet the following requirements:

205.2 The center of facility shall be capable of meeting all applicable code and licensing requirements.

The applicant will be unable to provide the required outdoor play area. The applicant proposes to use the small front yard as the play area (the applicant has committed all available space in the rear yard to parking). Title 29 Ch. 367 of the DCMR requires that the front play area be surrounded by a fence and gate that is a minimum of four feet and one-half feet (4.5 ft) tall and requires that the fence be designed to discourage climbing. The applicant is unable to meet this requirement since the property lies within the Capitol Hill Historic District which limits front yard fence heights to three and one-half (3.5) feet tall and requires fences with an open design. Additionally, the applicant is required to install a ramp for handicap access at the front entrance. There is insufficient space in the front yard to accommodate both the play area and a handicap entrance ramp.



205.3 The center or facility shall be located and designed to create no objectionable traffic condition and no unsafe condition for picking up and dropping off persons in attendance.

The proposed child development center will be located on a heavily trafficked street - the 1300 block of N. Carolina Avenue, which is a major commuter thoroughfare. Westbound traffic routinely clogs the entire length of the block from 7 am to 9 am. There are few available on-street parking spaces within a block of the facility during the peak hours of drop off and pick up. As a result, the Commission believes that most of the center's clients will be forced to double-park on N. Carolina Avenue to drop-off and pick up their children, which will create objectionable traffic conditions and unsafe conditions for their children.

205.4 The center or facility shall provide sufficient off-street parking spaces to meet the reasonable needs of teachers, other employees, and visitors.

Although the plans show three parking spots, they are not legal spaces because the parking is stacked and does not meet the required dimensions. The ANC believes that there is only one legal parking spot at the rear of the structure while Section 2101 of the Zoning regulations requires two parking spaces. Additionally, all of the on street parking within one mile of the facility is restricted to two hour parking for non-residents or is metered parking.

205.5 The center or facility, including any outdoor play space provided, shall be located and designed so that there will be no objectionable impacts on adjacent or nearby properties due to noise, activity, visual, or other objectionable conditions.

The applicant proposes to use the play area at Lincoln Park, but access to that play area requires crossing major streets. The Commission believes that the front yard will be heavily used as a play area but the applicant has not addressed how noise and visual impacts would be minimized. In addition, the proposed center shares party walls with two neighboring properties. Yet, the applicant has not proposed soundproofing or other means of reducing the elevated levels of noise that the center will produce. In addition, the applicants have not appropriately addressed how they will dispose of the large volume of waste including diapers that the Center will produce.

205.7 Any off-site play area shall be located so as not to result in endangerment to the individuals in attendance at center or facility in traveling between the play area and the center or facility itself.

Accessing the play area at Lincoln Park will require crossing North Carolina Avenue or East Capitol Street which are both heavily trafficked during commuting hours. The Commission believes that these conditions will endanger the Center's children.

205.8 The Board may approve more than one (1) child/elderly development center or adult day treatment facility in a square or within one thousand feet



(1,000 ft.) of another child/elderly development center or adult day treatment facility only when the Board finds that the cumulative effect of these facilities will not have an adverse impact on the neighborhood due to traffic, noise, operations, or other similar factors.

There is another child development center within 1000 feet of the proposed center, located at the Lincoln Park United Methodist Church – 1301 N. Carolina Avenue. Because the applicant incorrectly stated that they were the only center, they failed to address the cumulative effect of the centers in the application. In addition to the reasons cited above, the Commission is concerned that the applicant no longer plans to reside at the property – in effect converting it to commercial use. The Commission believes that the original intent of permitting Child Development Centers in residential zones was to allow for day care to be located in a primary residence, rather than permitting a fully commercial use in a residential zone.

Please be advised that Nick Alberti, David Holmes and Dan Golden are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. Commissioner Alberti can be reached by phone at 202-329-1193 or by email at alberti6a04@yahoo.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



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April 24, 2011

Mr. Clifford Moy
Secretary, Board of Zoning Adjustment
Office of Zoning
441 4th St NW, Suite 210S
Washington, DC 20001

Re: BZA Case 18202 (808 Ninth Street, NE)

Dear Sir,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on April 14, 2011, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 4 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the request for a special exception in the above referenced case to allow a two-story rear addition with roof deck to an existing one-family row dwelling.

The Commission notes that the applicant presented letters of support from the abutting properties at the ANC's March 16th Economic Development and Zoning Committee meeting. In addition, the Commission believes that extending the existing dogleg will provide greater light, air and privacy to the abutting property than would an addition that filled in the dogleg as a matter of right.

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

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair



Officer Reports - Treasurer



ANC 6A Treasurer's Report April 2011

Period Covered 04/01/11 - 04/30/11

Checking Account:

Balance Forwarded \$ 23,163.80

Receipts:

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

Total Funds Available \$ 23,163.80

Disbursements:

DC Access (Web Ad Apr. '11)	Ck #1508	\$	100.00
FedEx Office (MaR, 2011 Statement)	Ck #1509	\$	353.97
Roberta Weiner (Minutes Mar. '11)	Ck #1510	\$	180.00
Heather Schoell (Agenda Package Mar. '11)	Ck #1511	\$	200.00
Total Disbursements		\$	833.97

Ending Balance \$ 22,329.83

Savings Account:

Balance Forwarded \$ 4,204.53

Receipts:

Interest (03/31/10)	\$	0.18
Transfers from Checking Account		
Total Receipts	\$	0.18

Total Funds Available \$ 4,204.71

Disbursements \$ -

Ending Balance \$ 4,204.71

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Officer Reports - Treasurer



ANC 6A Treasurer's Report April 2011

PETTY CASH SUMMARY

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



Officer Reports - Treasurer



ANC 6A QUARTERLY REPORT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY 2nd Quarter FY11

Quarterly Report Period Covered 01/01/10 - 03/31/10

ANC 6A

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements: Checking Account

Balance Forwarded		\$ 21,801.70
Receipts:		
District Allotments	\$ 5,555.40	
Interest Income	\$ -	
Other Deposits	\$ -	
Transfers from Saving Accounts	\$ -	
Total Receipts		\$ 5,555.40
Total Funds Available		\$ 27,357.10
Disbursements:		
1. Net Salary and Wages	\$ -	
2. Workers Compensation	\$ -	
3. Insurance:		
4. A. Health	\$ -	
5. B. Casualty/Property	\$ -	
6. Total Federal Wages Taxes	\$ -	
7. Tax Penalties	\$ -	
8. Local Transportation	\$ -	
9. Office Rent	\$ -	
10. Telecommunication Services	\$ -	
a. Landline Telephone		
b. Cellular Telephone		
c. Cable/Internet Services		
11. Postage and Delivery	\$ 250.00	
12. Utilities	\$ -	
13. Printing and Copying	\$ 564.15	
14. Flyer Distribution	\$ -	
15. Purchase of Service	\$ 1,587.15	
16. Office Supplies	\$ -	
17. Office Equipment	\$ -	
a. Rental	\$ -	
b. Purchase	\$ -	
18. Grants	\$ 1,767.00	
19. Training	\$ -	
20. Petty Cash Reimbursement	\$ -	
21. Transfers to Saving Account	\$ -	
22. Bank Charges	\$ -	
23. Website/Webhosting	\$ -	
24. Other	\$ 25.00	
Total Disbursements		\$ 4,193.30
Ending Balance:		\$ 23,163.80

Approval by Commission: _____

_____	_____	_____
Treasurer	Chairperson	Secretary

Secretary Certification _____ Date _____

I hereby certify that the above noted quarterly financial report has been approved by a majority of Commissioners during a public meeting in which there existed a quorum.



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ANC 6A QUARTERLY REPORT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY 2nd Quarter FY11

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements: Savings Account

Balance Forwarded			\$ 4,203.91
Receipts:			
Transfers From Checking Account	\$	0.80	
Other (Interest Earnings, etc.)	\$	-	
Total Receipts			\$ 0.80
Total Funds Available			\$ 4,204.71
Disbursements:			
Transfers to Checking Account	\$	-	
Other	\$	-	
Total Disbursements			\$ -
Ending Balance:			\$ 4,204.71

CHECKING AND SAVINGS ACCOUNT DEPOSITS		
Deposits to Checking Account		
(Including transfers from savings account)		
Date	Amount	Source
12/23/10	\$ 5,555.40	District Allocation 4th Quarter FY10
Total	\$ 5,555.40	
Deposits to Savings Account		
(Including transfers from checking account)		
Date	Amount	Source
01/31/11	\$ 0.36	Interest
02/28/11	\$ 0.26	Interest
03/31/11	\$ 0.18	Interest
Total	\$ 0.80	



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Petty Cash 2nd Quarter FY11

PETTY CASH SUMMARY

Period Covered 01/01/10 - 03/31/10

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



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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 pm.

Committee members present: Elizabeth Nelson (Chair), Rose Williams, Pat Joseph, Jean Kohanek (quorum)

Committee members absent: Necothia Bowens, Mark Roy, Louis Barbash

Commissioners present: Drew Ronneberg, David Holmes, Nick Alberti

Community members present: Vira Sisolak (CHGC), John Gibson (Eastern PTSA)

- I. Agenda
Adopted.
- II. Status report on ANC/COC activities.
No feedback or assignments.
- III. Vira Sisolak presented a grant application on behalf of the Capitol Hill Garden Club (CHGC) to pay for bulbs to be planted in public space within ANC 6A.
 1. Ms. Sisolak reported that the program was successful last year. All bulbs went to qualified applicants/locations. They plan to run the program the same way this year, including outreach through print media, listservs and the ANC 6A website.
 2. Ms. Nelson reported that she handled the 6A portion of the bulb distribution as she did the year before. Several organizations (including Sherwood, Miner and Maury) have indicated that they intend to request bulbs again this year.
 3. Other committee members remarked that they have been favorably impressed with the program, that the bulbs are very visible, are noticeably increasing as a result of the program, that the choice of bulbs is good as daffodils come back every year and are a “harbinger of spring”.
 4. **Motion: Ms. Kohanek moved that the COC recommend that ANC 6A fund the grant application from the Capitol Hill Garden Club to purchase bulbs at a cost of \$650 for planting in public areas within ANC 6A. Seconded by Ms. Joseph. Vote 4 in favor none opposed.**
- IV. John Gibson presented a grant application on behalf of the Eastern SHS PTSA for funding for percussion instruments for the Eastern band.
 1. Mr. Gibson outlined the recent history of the Eastern band program and that DCPS has no plans to provide any funding at all for instruments and related materials. The band does have uniforms thanks to donations (including from ANC 6A) which were stored by friends of the band during the renovation. Unfortunately, they were unable to store the instruments (such as they were) and many were ruined during the move. Currently there are fewer instruments than student participants, which is an unacceptable situation. The situation is expected to be worse next year as an additional 100 incoming students have indicated that they wish to participate in the band program, particularly in the percussion section. Despite the difficulties, the band has been very competitive, doing well at competitions.



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2. Ninth grade students currently at Elliot JHS have been allowed to participate and many of these will continue in the program next year when they enroll at Eastern. The DC Youth Orchestra Program (DCYOP) housed at Eastern but not part of DCPS has been partnering with the band program. Shared resources are also used during classroom music instruction as well as the after-school program. 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.
3. The band has a few brass instruments and hopes to acquire more, also wind instruments but percussion is the priority. The entire cost for percussion alone will be in the \$12,000 range. The PTSA has been very aggressive in grant writing, having approached the Capitol Hill Community Foundation, The Holland Opus Foundation and the Fender Music Foundation. The students do some fundraising to pay for maintenance of the uniforms, trips and incidentals but the PTSA believes that children should not carry the burden of providing basic equipment. The PTSA is working toward a partnership with the local military bands in the hopes of acquiring used instruments. The Commissions present suggested ways to acquire additional donated used equipment.
4. Ms. Kohanek raised questions about the adequacy of storage, given that many of the few old instruments the band had, were destroyed in the move. Mr. Gibson replied that the renovated building has a “state of the art” band room and that additional storage is planned. Also, no significant renovations/disruptions are anticipated and the building will be in operation (and secure) this summer to house DCYOP and band camp, among other activities.
5. Ms. Nelson expressed satisfaction that the students in our community will be well served by the cooperative working relationships that the Eastern band has established with the DCYOP, Elliott JHS, and the classroom music instruction program at Eastern SHS. COC members expressed agreement with the value of the program to the students involved and to the community surrounding the school. Music instruction is known to improve academic performance. The band has a history of providing a safe, productive, wholesome activity for youth. It also provides structure and a positive sense of identity.
6. Ms. Williams expressed concern that Eastern might not be in a position to safeguard the instruments and that, since it is just re-opening, she is not certain that the new principal will be committed to the band program. She would not want the instruments to be damaged or go unused. Mr. Gibson replied that Principal Skerritt is entirely supportive of the PTSA's efforts as regards the band and intends to renew Eastern's musical traditions, including the Choir. Also, the Band Director is highly qualified.
7. Eastern SHS is within the ANC 6A boundaries, is in-boundaries to most of ANC 6A and a significant percentage of the student population reside within ANC 6A.
8. **Motion: Ms. Joseph moved that the COC recommend that ANC 6A fund the grant application from the Eastern SHS PTSA to purchase percussion instruments for the Eastern SHS band, not to exceed \$4,000. Seconded by Ms. Kohanek. Vote 3 in favor (Nelson, Kohanek, Joseph), 1 opposed (Williams).**



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- V. Discussion of advertising on The Hill Is Home (THIH) blog.
1. Ms. Kohanek presented a report showing page views and click-through rates for the existing ANC ad. She pointed out that the rate is “normal”. Ms. Williams noted that this type of advertising is a good way to connect to new residents. That sentiment was shared by the other COC members who agree that it is appropriate to do outreach in multiple ways (print advertising, such as the Rag and electronically, including the listservs and now, THIH).
 2. The possibility of changing ad size and/or location was discussed and the possibility of skipping months. But it was agreed that consistency is a good thing and that we should stick with the current plan for another 3 months, re-evaluating after that time.
 3. **Motion: Ms. Williams moved that the COC recommend that ANC 6A approve the allocation of an additional \$350 to cover the costs of an additional 3-month run on the ad in The Hill Is Home. Seconded by Ms. Kohanek. Vote 4 in favor, none opposed.**
- VI. Request for ANC 6A support for a Father’s Day event at Sherwood Recreation Center.
1. Mr. Jordan Washington was not present to present his request in person, though he was notified of the date/time/venue by both Ms. Nelson and Commissioner Ronneberg.
 2. All but one of the committee members and all three commissioners present are familiar with past Father’s Day events organized by Mr. Washington. Most have witnessed the proceedings in person, have seen the aftermath and/or have reviewed significant community complaints about the activity. The ANC has a long history of opposition to the event, most notably by former Commissioner Joseph Fengler. Commissioner Ronneberg presented a file of ANC correspondence on the topic as documentation. Chief Kamperin has also opposed the event this year.
 3. Commissioner Ronneberg reported that the event is generally attended by large number of people from outside of the neighborhood and that there have been significant problems with alcohol consumption, public urination, trash, hostile behavior, loud music and noise. Commissioner Alberti pointed out that the party is not confined to the Recreation Center grounds, but spills out into the street and that there does not seem to be the level of family interaction commonly associated with Father’s Day as the men congregate in one location while the children entertain themselves, largely without adult supervision, in another. Commissioner Holmes reported that at times the streets have been closed without the proper procedures.
 4. As Ms. Kohanek remarked, the organizers had several opportunities to improve the event but have not taken done anything to solve the reported problem. They have not accepted responsibility for the problems
 5. Commissioner Alberti pointed out that, even if the event itself were not problematic, he would have reservations about supporting it because there is no evidence that it is sponsored by a legitimate community group and he does not think the ANC should support individuals’ parties in public facilities. Mr. Washington is not a District resident and the group with which he is associated is not a bona fide 501 (c)(3) organization.
 6. **Motion: Commissioner Ronneberg moved that the COC recommend that ANC 6A oppose Mr. Washington’s request for support of a 2011 Father’s Day event at Sherwood Recreation Center. Seconded by Ms. Williams. Vote 6 in favor (incl. Ronneberg, Alberti), none opposed.**
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.
- VIII. The next meeting will take place Monday, May 16, at 7:30 pm at 1235 C St. NE.



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

1. DATE OF APPLICATION	2. DATE OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY
04 /07 /2011	9/01/2011
3. APPLICANT ORGANIZATION NAME AND ADDRESS	
Capitol Hill Garden Club	
4. CONTACT NAME	
Vira Sisolak	
5. TITLE	
President, Garden Club	
6. ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)	
638 A St., NE, WDC 20002	
7. TELEPHONE	8. FAX
(202) 546-2534 HOME PHONE	(202) 663-4762 WORK PHONE
9. E-MAIL ADDRESS	
ElviraSisolak@EEOC.gov	
10. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT/ACTIVITY	
Community beautification—augment the garden club’s program with additional daffodils and crocus bulbs to be planted in public spaces within ANC 6A	
11. PROJECTED TOTAL COST	12. AMOUNT REQUESTED
\$1,700	\$650
13. OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING (BE SPECIFIC, PROVIDE NAMES)	
Capitol Hill Garden Club	
Capitol Hill Community Foundation (grant request pending)	
14. STATEMENT OF BENEFIT (DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY, WHO WILL BENEFIT AND IN WHAT WAY)	
See attached	

For the past seven years, the Capitol Hill Garden Club has sponsored a bulb giveaway program in which the club purchases and distributes daffodil and crocus bulbs to homeowners and organizations on Capitol Hill for planting in public spaces where the flowers can be seen from the sidewalk. The club intends to continue the program in 2011. Areas suitable for planting are: pocket parks, curbside gardens, church and school grounds, libraries, parks, and community centers. Through this grant, the club will purchase bulbs for individuals and organizations to plant in the jurisdiction of ANC 6A. The club will purchase bulbs from our wholesaler in early spring and advertise the program in Capitol Hill newspapers and local list serves in late summer. The club will accept applications until mid-August. In October, the club will distribute the bulbs for planting.



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The garden club is also requesting a grant from the Capitol Hill Community Foundation. And the garden club itself will contribute funds toward the program. Last year, ANC 6A gave the garden club a grant of \$650 for this program. The garden club contributed \$100 to this amount to purchase approximately 2,500 daffodil and 2,000 crocus bulbs from our wholesaler. This year, the garden club is requesting a grant of \$650 to purchase approximately the same number of bulbs. The club makes every effort to give at least some bulbs to each applicant. Last year, all applicants from the ANC 6A jurisdiction received the number of bulbs they requested. A copy of the club's guidelines for distributing the bulbs is attached.

Budget:

Approx. 4,500 Daffodil and crocus bulbs from wholesaler - \$650
(to be augmented by funds from the CHCF and CHGC, if received)

GUIDELINES FOR BULB GIVEAWAY PROGRAM

1. The club will give away daffodil and crocus bulbs, chosen because they reliably repeat year after year. The bulbs will be distributed in October for planting in pocket parks, tree boxes, curb-side private gardens, church and school grounds, parks, and community centers. Flowers must be visible from the street.
2. Individuals and groups may apply to plant bulbs in the greater Capitol Hill area. We are roughly defining this area as from North Capitol St. to New York Ave. to Florida Ave. to Benning Rd. and to the Anacostia River; from there, along the river to South Capitol Street. [For the purposes of this grant application, the area is limited to the boundaries of ANC 6A]
3. Applications must include specific information about where the bulbs will be planted and a simple plan for the planting that includes the name or names of person(s) who will be responsible for implementing it.
The club will try to give at least some bulbs to all persons and organizations that meet the application criteria.



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

1. DATE OF APPLICATION	2. DATE OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY
04/04/2011	08/01/2011

3. APPLICANT ORGANIZATION NAME AND ADDRESS
PTSA of Eastern Senior High School – 1700 East Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

4. CONTACT NAME	5. TITLE
Mark Roy and John Gibson	Vice President and Former President

6. ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)

7. TELEPHONE	8. FAX
(202) 262 -7185 – Mr. Roy and (202) 425-9258 Mr. Gibson	() -

9. E-MAIL ADDRESS
Mark.roy@bep.treas.gov and jcgibson74@gmail.com

10. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT/ACTIVITY: The Eastern SHS PTA is attempting to secure funding to purchase a new percussion line (inclusive of 8 snare drums, 8 bass drums, 2 marching quints, 8 pairs of cymbals and 4 marching chest tenor drums) for our band, the Blue and White Marching Machine.

11. PROJECTED TOTAL COST	12. AMOUNT REQUESTED
\$12,000.00	\$4,000.00

13. OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING (BE SPECIFIC, PROVIDE NAMES)
We have applied for grants with the Capital Hill Community Foundation, The Holland Opus Foundation and the Fender Music Foundation.

14. STATEMENT OF BENEFIT (DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY, WHO WILL BENEFIT AND IN WHAT WAY)
Over half of ANC 6A residents are in-boundaries to Eastern SHS and a significant number of the Freshman class who are expected to participate in the band reside within ANC 6A. Also, because of the immense popularity of the Eastern Marching Band, the group frequently performs at events where a large number of ANC 6A residents are in attendance. Music education is of obvious benefit to students in itself, but it is well-established that it also improves other forms of academic achievement. The Blue and White Marching Machine is well known for providing discipline and a strong sense of belonging in all participants, especially those who are otherwise “at risk”.



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Additional Statement:

Eastern High School (EHS) has a storied instrumental music program that has represented the Capitol Hill Community, both nationally and internationally, for decades. Unfortunately, DCPS has never targeted specific funding for the purchase, maintenance and replacement of music instruments. Instead, this responsibility has been carried out by a cadre of committed volunteers and supporters, including the PTSA. The PTSA was hopeful that the instrumental music program would secure new instruments as part of the on-going modernization effort; however this has not been the case.

With the re-launch of the 'New' Eastern SHS, a large number of incoming 9th grade students have indicated, via a 'Students Interest Form,' their desire to participate in the instrumental music program, notably the marching band, and many of them have specifically indicated their desire to join the percussion section. Our current inventory of drums will not support this need. So the Eastern PTSA is currently attempting to secure funding to purchase a new percussion line.

Numerous studies have shown the positive benefits of music education, and over the years our students have flourished and many have gone on and joined some of the finest collegiate marching bands in the country. Our program has been a way 'out' for many students from broken homes as well as those students who've felt isolated in a high school environment. Our band is a family. We've taken those that have been overlooked and neglected and made them leaders. Traditionally, our students have had some of the highest GPA's in the school. We measure our success by the 100% graduation rates for marching band members; their scholarship awards; and ultimately, the degrees they receive and citing the band as the catalyst for providing them with structure, discipline and guidance.

Budget:

Funding would be used to pay for these or similar items. Prices below were quoted by the Washington Music Center

Item	Number	Price Per Item	Total
Dynasty Marching Snare	8	\$328.00	\$2,624.00
Dynasty Quint Set	4	\$664.00	\$2,656.00
Zildjian Cymbals	8	\$101.00	\$808.00
Dynasty Marching Bass Drum 16x 14	1	\$314.00	\$314.00
Dynasty Marching Bass Drum 18x 14	1	\$330.00	\$330.00
Dynasty Marching Bass Drum 20x 14	1	\$356.00	\$356.00
Dynasty Marching Bass Drum 22x 14	1	\$364.00	\$364.00
Dynasty Marching Bass Drum 24x 14	1	\$358.00	\$358.00
Dynasty Marching Bass Drum 26x 14	1	\$419.00	\$419.00
Dynasty Marching Bass Drum 28x 14	1	\$449.00	\$449.00



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Dynasty Marching Bass Drum 30x14	1	\$494.00	\$494.00
Dynasty Marching Tenor Drum 15x12	8	\$284.00	\$2,272.00
		Total:	\$11,444.00

*Please note that the 'total' price may change due to the vendor not adding in the costs for the drum carriers



Committee Reports

Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee
ANC 6A
April 19, 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 April 19, 2011 at the Sherwood Recreation Center, 640 10th Street, NE Washington, DC 20002. Introductions made:

Committee Members Present: Adam Healy, Katy Thomas, Michael Herman and Anne Marie Koshuta
Committee Members Absent: None
Commissioners Present: None
Community Members Present: None

Call to Order

Mr. Healy called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm EST and Ms. Thomas recorded the minutes as meeting secretary. The meeting having been duly convened was ready to proceed with business.

Approval of Agenda

After review and discussion, Mr. Healy asked for acceptance of the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

After review and discussion, Mr. Healy asked for acceptance of the February 15, 2011 and March 15, 2011 meeting minutes.

I. Community Comment

None

II. Review of ANC6A Actions

None

III. Old Business

Mr. Healy reviewed the draft letter to Mr. Charles Brodsky, Chairman of the ABC Board relative to criteria for the ABC Board to use when considering what constitutes a substantial change to an existing ABRA license. Discussion held. After review and discussion, upon motion duly made by Ms. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Herman, it was unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the draft letter to Mr. Brodsky, presented this date to the Committee be sent to the ANC6A for their approval.

IV. New Business

Mr. Healy summarized the budget proposal changes from Mayor Gray relative to allowing beer, wine and liquor stores to remain open until midnight; increasing sales tax on off premises alcohol sales from 9% to 10%; allowing bars to sell alcohol beginning at 8:00am on Sundays, and allowing liquor stores to sell alcohol on Sundays. Discussion held.

V. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm EST. The next committee meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, May 17, 2011.



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Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



May XX, 2011

Charles Brodsky, Chair
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
2000 14th St NW, Suite 400 S
Washington, DC 20009

Dear Chairman Brodsky:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on May 12, 2011, our Commission voted X-X-X (with a quorum present) to recommend criteria for the ABC Board to use when considering what constitutes a substantial change to an existing ABRA licensee.

It recently came to the attention of the Commission that the ABC Board has a great deal of discretion in determining what constitutes a substantial change. To help the ABC Board determine what should constitute a substantial change to licenses in ANC6A, please consider the following changes to be substantial and subject to public notice, placarding, and input from the ANC and the community.

- Adding an entertainment endorsement;
- Expanding the hours of the sale of alcohol;
- Adding or expanding a summer garden, outdoor patio, or rooftop deck;
- Expansion of the number of patrons to be served; and
- Any other changes that might impact the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood.

Should you have any questions, please contact Commissioner Adam Healy, chair of the Commission's Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee, at 202.556.0215 or healyanc6a01@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair



Committee Reports
Transportation and Public Space (TPS)



NO REPORT



Committee Reports

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)



REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING COMMITTEE OF ANC 6A April 27, 2011

Present: Members*: Charmaine Josiah, Jeff Fletcher
Commissioners: Drew Ronneberg, David Holmes

Drew Ronneberg chaired the meeting.
*The meeting was held without a quorum

Status Reports

Resolution of Previously Heard BZA/HPA Cases: Drew Ronneberg stated that the special exception for the rear addition at 809 9th St NE was approved by the BZA and that the application for a special exception to permit a child development center at 1329 North Carolina was withdrawn by the applicant.

Vacant Properties: No Report.

H Street Business Liaison Report: Charmaine Josiah reported that she met with Ken Brewer and Tony Richardson about promoting small business incubator space on H St.

BZA #17521-B (601-645 H St. NE)

Mr. Chip Glasgow from Holland and Knight stated that the applicant has been unable to secure financing for the 601-645 H St. project because of the downturn in the economy and unique challenges of the site, and is consequently asking for a 2-year extension to their BZA order. The original BZA order was granted in 2007 and one extension was granted in 2009. Mr. Glasgow stated that because the comprehensive plan, the small area plan and the underlying zoning have not changed in the meantime, there are no material changes in circumstance that would impact their request for a second extension. The site is located in ANC 6C, but ANC 6A has party status because the lot is located within 200 feet of its border.

Mr. Glasgow said that the District has 1.5 years left on their lease and that there are items in the contract that could extend it by another 2 years. The owner has been trying to negotiate a 15-20 year lease, but so far the District has not been willing to sign a long-term lease. This has made it difficult to secure financing. Mr. Glasgow said that the District was the only prospective office tenant, and if they moved, the owner would likely convert the office space to residential. One of the bookend buildings could be easily retrofitted for residential but the other building would have to have its floor area physically reconfigured.

Bobbi Kregel testified that there are material changes in circumstance because H Street has changed so much over the past 4 years that it was worth revisiting the project. Jill Reedy, who lives on the 600 block of G St, immediately behind the project, spoke about the changes in H Street, the impending arrival of the streetcar and the fact the many new residents have moved to the area and the increase in the enrollments at Ludlow-Taylor as evidence of changed circumstances. They asked that the ANC not support the two-year time extension. ANC 6C voted to hold a special meeting on May 2 to consider the extension. Drew Ronneberg felt that the ED&Z committee shouldn't make a recommendation to ANC 6A before ANC 6C held their special meeting. The other committee members felt that the extension was justified and worried that if it was not granted it would reopen the project to changes that might not be improvements to the current design.



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Recommendation (passed 3-1): The ANC write a letter of support for a two-year extension of the BZA order for 601-645 H St NE and also write a letter to OPM, with copies to Councilmember Wells, urging them to make a decision about whether to enter into a long-term lease agreement with the owner of the property.

Street Closures for the H Street Festival

Anwar Saleem, the Director of H Street Main Street asked the ANC to write a letter to the mayor, asking that the signature requirements to close H Street for the H Street Festival be waived. The signature requirements require that 90% of the nearby households sign a petition supporting the street closing.

The Committee felt that residents were well aware of the H Street Festival and that the Festival was a very positive event for the community. They felt that the time would be better spent on organizing the festival than gathering signatures for a petition.

Recommendation (passed unanimously): The ANC should send a letter to the mayor requesting a waiver of signatures for closing H Street for the 2011 H Street Festival.

Public Space issues at 701 10th St. NE

Drew Ronneberg recapped the public space issues regarding this property which include 1) the front of the building illegally projects onto public space much farther than the neighboring building and negatively impacts its light and air, 2) a 24-foot curbcut was constructed over the opposition of the ANC and in violation of DDOT's curbcut guidelines and 3) air conditioners were installed on public space without a permit. The ANC appealed the curbcut, but it was never addressed by DDOT and thus is still active. Also, DCRA placed a hold on the C of O for the property until the public space issues were addressed.

Drew stated that the property recently changed hands and that the owner agreed to remove the curbcut and move the air conditioners in exchange for the SMD's rep support for granting a waiver for the front of the building being built on public space. Since that time, DDOT recommended granting the waiver in a staff-level decision, which Drew thought ran counter to the regulations that require the case go through the Public Space Committee. The owner has since been silent about whether they will follow through on their commitment to apply for a parking variance and remove the curbcut. Dr. Ronneberg felt that owner would be more likely to seek a variance from parking requirements and remove the curbcut if the waiver for the occupation of public space for the front of the building went through a public process of obtaining Public Space Committee approval.

Recommendation (passed unanimously): The ANC should appeal the granting a public space permit for 701 10th St. NE.

Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting:
Wednesday, May 18, 2011, 7-9 PM
640 10th St NE
Sherwood Recreation Center, 2nd Floor



Committee Reports
Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)



May X, 2011

Mayor Vincent Gray
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Suite 316
Washington, DC 20004

RE: Support for a waiver of signature requirements to close H Street NE for the 2011 H Street Festival

Dear Mayor Gray,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on May 12, 2011, our Commission voted unanimously to support a waiver of signature requirements to close H Street NE for the 2011 H St Festival.

As you know, the H Street Festival has grown tremendously in recent years with the 2010 Festival drawing more than 30,000 people. We expect an even larger turnout for the 2011 Festival.

Given the fact that the annual H Street Festival is a well-advertised event that enjoys the broad support of the surrounding community, we believe that requiring 90% of the residents within 500 feet of the proposed street closings to sign a petition of support is an unnecessary burden on the time and resources of the Festival's organizers.

As a result, we ask that you waive the petition requirements. In addition, we invite you to join us at this year's H Street Festival on September 17, 2011.

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Tommy Wells, Ward 6 Councilmember



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Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)



May X, 2011

Mr. Clifford Moy
Secretary of the Board of Zoning Adjustments
Office of Zoning
441 4th St NW, Suite 210S
Washington, DC 20001

RE: BZA Case 17521-B (601-645 H St NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on May 12, 2011, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the applicant's request for a two-year extension per Section 3130.6 of the Zoning Regulations in the above referenced case.

The Commission believes that the extension is justified based on the applicant's inability to secure financing for the project due to the difficult economic conditions in the District's real estate market. These difficulties have been compounded by the fact that the District has not signed a long-term extension to their current lease for the office space at the site.

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

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

¹ ANC 6A meetings are advertised electronically on the anc6a-announce@yahoo.com listserv and through print advertisements in the Hill Rag.



Committee Reports Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)



May X, 2011

Brian Hanlon
DRES, Interim Director
2000 14th Street NW
8th Floor
Washington, DC 20009

RE: Department of Employment's Service's (DOES) Lease at 601-645 H St NE

Dear Director Hanlon,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on May 12, 2011, our Commission voted unanimously to request DRES publically announce whether it intends to sign a long term lease for the building located at 601-645 H St NE for DOES headquarters.

The lack of a long term lease has prevented the owner of 601-645 H St NE from securing financing for a large office and residential use project that will bring many need residents to the H Street Corridor. If DRES does not sign a long-term lease, the developer plans to develop the site a mixture of residential and retail uses.

Either outcome is preferable to the current situation where re-development of the site is stuck in a holding pattern while waiting for DRES's decision on a long term lease for DOES. As such, we urge your office to publically announce whether it intends to sign a long term lease so the developer can move forward with the currently planned project or develop new plans for the site.

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



New Business



May 9, 2011

Terry Bellamy
DDOT, Interim Director
55 M Street SE
Suite 400
Washington, DC 20003

RE: Support for a Capitol Bikeshare Station at 10th and H or 11th and H St. NE

Dear Director Bellamy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on May 12, 2011, our Commission voted unanimously to request DDOT installs a CaBi bike station at 10th and H or 11th and H St NE. The requested station is on the DDOT's list of "potential" bike stations found at http://ddotfiles.com/CaBi_Expansion/.

Currently, the demand for the CaBi station at 13th and H exceeds the supply and, as a result, DDOT has difficulty keeping the station balanced with bicycles and empty docks. The Commission believes that a CaBi station at 10th/11th and H likewise will be heavily used and will help fill the station gap that currently exists between 3rd and 13th St on H St NE. In addition, in previous conversations with Mr. Chris Holben, the Bikesharing Project Manager, the community was assured that the 10th/11th and H St. station would be installed by Spring 2011. As a result, a significant number of residents became CaBi members based on this commitment.

Our ANC is pleased with the CaBi program's overwhelming success and believe that the installation of a new station at 10th/11th and H St NE will help relieve the pressure on the 13th and H station and help further integrate H Street NE into DC's multi-modal transportation network.

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Tommy Wells, Ward 6 Councilmember
Scott Kubly, Director, PTSA
Ralph Burns, Deputy Associate Director, PTSA



New Business



May X, 2011

Joe McHugh
Vice President
Government Affairs and Corporate Communications
AMTRAK
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RE: H Street Trolley

Dear Mr. McHugh,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on May 12, 2011, our Commission voted unanimously to request Amtrak's full cooperation to help resolve quickly outstanding matters around the connecting the H Street Trolley to Union Station.

At a town hall meeting hosted by Mayor Vincent Gray on Saturday, May 7th, 2011, the H Street Trolley project was discussed as well as the possibility of a late start up for the project. This late start up could result in a delay of six months meaning that the Trolley would not begin operation until around December 2012.

At this same meeting, Councilman Tommy Well's Chief of Staff Charles Allen commented that a quick resolution—within the next thirty days—between Amtrak and the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) on outstanding issues would allow the Trolley to remain on schedule with an opening of May or June of 2012.

We urge Amtrak to work quickly with DDOT to resolve all final issues.

The value of the Trolley is significant to H Street's economic development. Local residents are eagerly anticipating the Trolley and the value of a new mass transit option. The promise of the Trolley has enticed new businesses, including retail and dining establishments, to open along the H Street Corridor. Ensuring a timely start up for the project is of utmost important to our constituents and local businesses.

On behalf of the Commission,

David Holmes
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Cc: Councilor Tommy Wells