



District of Columbia Government
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
Agenda for September 10, 2009



- 7:00 pm **Call to order, Adopt Agenda and Approve previous meeting's minutes. pg. 3**
- 7:05 **Community Comments (2 minutes each)**
- 7:10 **Officer Reports:**
Chair (2 minutes)
Vice-Chair (2 minutes)
Secretary (2 minutes)
Treasurer (2 minutes) *pg. 16*
1. Approve treasurer's report and previous month's disbursements.
 2. Approve monthly photocopying expenses.
- 7:15 **Single Member District reports (2 minutes each)**
Standing Committee Reports:
- 7:30 **Alcohol Beverage Licensing pg. 17**
1. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A withdraw protest Andrew Agak's CR Application for Drew's (1245 H Street) with a signed VA that adds language relating to noise mitigation from outdoor area.
 2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A add language to standard VA that cites DC Code Chapter 16 Valet Parking and requires alcohol licensee establishments to comply with these regulations
 3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A add noise mitigation language for outside seating to the standard VA.
 4. **Membership:** Resignation of Derrick Figures from ABL Committee.
 5. **Membership:** Nomination of Jaki Downs to join ABL Committee.
 6. Approve committee report.
 7. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., Sept. 15, 2009 (3rd Tuesday)
- 7:35 **Economic Development and Zoning pg. 24**
1. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A oppose variance at 1242 H St. NE - BZA #17968.
 2. Approve committee report.
 3. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., Sept. 16, 2009 (3rd Wednesday)



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7:40 Community Outreach pg. 28

1. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A support the naming of Rosedale Field in honor of Mamie "Peanut" Johnson.
2. **Membership:** Resignation of Jacqueline Aamot.
3. Approve committee report.
4. Next meeting - 7:30 p.m., Sept. 21, 2009 (3rd Monday)

7:45 Transportation and Public Space Committee pg. 30

1. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT supporting elimination of one lane of traffic and heavy trucks on C Street NE.
2. Approve committee report.
3. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., Sept. 21, 2009 (3rd Monday)

7:50 Public Safety Committee pg. 36

1. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A accept the resignation of two committee members, Patrice Ford and Sharon Cochran.
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A Commissioners use their neighborhood contacts to solicit and recommend representatives to sit on the Committee, as the Committee strives for broader ANC representation.
3. Approve committee report.
4. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., Sept. 17, 2009 (3rd Thursday)

7:55 **Unfinished Business**

8:00 **New Business:** DC Army National Guard Commander's Run

8:05 **Community Comments Round II, time permitting (2 minutes each)**



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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Miner Elementary School

Minutes
July 9, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Alberti, Beatty, Fengler, Holmes, Marshall, Robinson, and Schultheiss
Absent: Commissioner Mack

1. Approval of agenda

Mr. Fengler asked to add discussion of a resolution on ANC election legislation to New Business. The agenda, as amended, was approved without objection.

2. Minutes

The minutes for the June meeting were approved without objection.

3. Community Presentation – Update on DCHA- owned properties

A representative of the DC Housing Authority reported on the status of several vacant properties in the ANC 6A area: the economic slowdown has had an impact on the agency's plans to renovate or sell the buildings. For one example, a building at 1337 Emerald Street was among those approved by HUD for renovation, and they had a contract but it fell through. 1326 F Street NE has not yet been approved by HUD, and they are hopeful of receiving stimulus funds to do the renovations. There is also a building at 525 13th Street that is in the same position and three others elsewhere—two on Newton Street and one at 2123 3rd Street NE. They have sold one, and used the money for HAZMAT remediation. There is a waiting list of applicants for all the units, and money from sales will be used to rehab the building on F Street.

Mr. Schultheiss said he has been in contact with the residents of those neighborhoods and the properties have been vacant for as long as six to eight years. They said there was a plan last year that demolition of the buildings would be finished in May. The DCHA representative responded that a contractor has been selected for the F Street and 13th Street properties, but they don't have a contract because they are waiting for funds. They are the next buildings on the list, and the contractor is on standby. Mr. Robinson pointed out that there are a number of other properties that ought to be on the list. Mr. Schultheiss asked if there was anything the ANC can do to expedite the start of the rehabilitation, and was told that it's really just the money, and there was a missed opportunity during the heyday of the market.

4. Community Presentation – Update of Police Station and Firehouse

Gilberto Cardenas, principal in the Argos Group, the developers of the police and fire station projects, reported that they are currently working on the schematics for the project, and the program has not changed. They are still on the original schedule, with the project due to be finished by the end of 2010 or early 2011. They expect to go to Historic Preservation by the end of the year.

Mr. Holmes asked whether the ANC's original priorities were still in place. Mr. Cardenas assured him that nothing has changed—the number of units, amenities, the size of the units, community relations, etc. He said the facades will be fully restored, with all the changes on the inside. Mr. Schultheiss asked about the planned outreach to the schools, and Mr. Cardenas said they are



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working with the Prospect School and the design team will go to the school some time in September. Mr. Fengler suggested that when they go to the school, they plan an evening event for the neighbors.

4. Officer Reports

Chair

The Chair had no report.

Vice Chair

The Vice Chair had no report.

Secretary

The Secretary had no report.

Treasurer

Commissioner Alberti presented the Treasurer's Report. The report shows that the opening checking account balance was \$ 25,714.20 and that the savings account balance was \$4,194.09. There was an interest payment to the savings account of \$.79, leaving an opening balance of \$4,195.28 in the savings account. There were disbursements of \$12 TO David Holmes for parking (Check #1419); \$127.50 to Roberta Weiner for transcription of minutes (Check #1420); \$200 to Heather Schoell for preparation of the agenda packet (Check #1421); and \$216.16 to FedEx Office for photocopying (Check #1422), leaving a balance of \$25,158.54 in the checking account. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved /Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to approve the expenditures. The motion passed without objection. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved /Mr. Holmes seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. It was approved without objection.

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved /Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to approve the Quarterly Report for the 3rd Quarter of FY09. The Report was approved without objection.

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

5. SMD Reports

Mr. Alberti reported that the traffic lanes on North Carolina Avenue have been repositioned and made wider, but that no bike lane has been approved for the block. He has requested a narrowing of the traffic lane.

Ms Beatty reported that speed bumps have been installed in the 1200-1400 blocks of E Street NE. She said it took about a year to get it done, but it's happened.

Mr. Fengler reported that there are now parking restrictions on both sides of 10th Street between F and G Streets.

Mr. Schultheiss reported that the Public Space Committee has provisionally approved curb cuts for 1400 Maryland Avenue NE.



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Mr. Marshall reported that Cricket Telecommunications is opening on H Street and putting a lot of money into its building. He said there have been few complaints about fireworks this year. He also reported that they haven't begun work on the mural yet, and he will have an update at the next meeting.

6. Committee Reports

ABL

Ms. Beatty reported that Buka, 1413 H Street, requested ANC support for a stipulated license to serve wine and beer, but did not present enough information on what kind of license they were requesting. However, the establishment has placards up for its application for a regular CR license, which should come through at the beginning of July if the ANC approves its application. **Motion:** Ms. Beatty moved/Mr. Fengler seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation to not approve Buka's request for support for a stipulated license. The motion passed 6-0-1, with Mr. Alberti not voting.

Motion: Ms. Beatty moved/Mr. Fengler seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation and not protest the CR license of Buka, providing they sign a VA before July 2. The motion passed 6-0-1, with Mr. Alberti not voting.

Mr. Fengler said that Drew's, an establishment at 1245 H Street NE, has applied for a CR license. The petition date is August 17 with a roll call hearing scheduled for August 31. He said that he is not anticipating any problems, but the establishment abuts back yards. He said there was a VA with the previous owner of the property, but the protest vote will serve as a placeholder in case anything is discovered. **Motion:** Mr. Fengler moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to protest the license for Drew's, 125 H Street NE. The motion passed 6-0-1, with Mr. Alberti not voting.

Motion: Ms. Beatty moved/Mr. Fengler seconded a motion to accept the resignation from the Committee of Mary Kosinski. The motion passed without objection.

The Committee's report was accepted without objection.

Economic Development and Zoning

There was no EDZ Committee meeting or report. **Motion:** Mr. Fengler moved that the resignation of Rich Luna be accepted. The motion passed without objection. He said the next Committee meeting would be on August 19.

Community Outreach

Elizabeth Nelson asked for ANC support of a grant of \$200 to the Kingsman Basketball League for game balls and mesh vests. Andre Sullivan, who was present at the meeting, explained to the Committee that additional vests are needed because of expansion of the League, and balls must be replaced annually. **Motion:** Mr. Fengler moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation and support a grant of \$200 to the Kingsman Basketball League. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to support the Committee's request for \$900 for the printing of the ANC brochure. The motion passed without objection.

Ms. Nelson reported that the Committee is taking on the responsibility for stocking ANC agenda packets in eight locations. She also reported that the Committee has drafted letters of gratitude to organizations supporting the ANC. **Motion:** Mr. Fengler moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to



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accept the Committee's recommendation to send letters of appreciation to Sherwood, Recreation Center, Miner ES, Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith, Capitol Hill Towers, Gallaudet University, Kirkpatrick Stockton and the Options School. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to accept the nomination of Necothia Bowens as a member of the Committee. The motion passed without objection.

The Committee's report was accepted without objection.

Transportation

Committee Chair Omar Mahmud was not present. Mr. Fengler said he wanted to thank Mr. Mahmud publicly for his hard work on behalf of the ANC, as illustrated by this committee's report. He suggested that Mr. Robinson's request to the Transportation/Public Space Committee for ANC bulletin boards in public space be funneled through the Community Outreach Committee.

The Committee's report was accepted without objection.

Public Safety

Rebecca Sibilia presented the Public Safety Committee's report, including concerns expressed at the meeting by the Rosedale Citizen's Alliance (RCA) about traffic on C Street in the vicinity of 18th Street NE, where a speed camera is located. **Motion:** Mr. Robinson moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation that a letter be sent to the MPD's Homeland Security Bureau requesting a speed camera on C Street. The motion passed without objection.

Mr. Robinson reported that the ANC has specific responsibilities for notification of the community in case of a disaster or other emergency. **Motion:** Mr. Robinson moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation that ANC 6D work with the DC Department of Homeland Security and others to plan, organize and co-host an ANC-specific Homeland Security training session, and that invitations be extended to all ANCs within Ward 6. The motion passed without objection.

Committee's report was accepted without objection.

7. New Business

H Street NE Environmental Art Installation Project

Sarah Loveland presented a plan for the location of 57 H-shaped planters along H Street while construction is moving forward. They have lined up 45 business owners to each adopt a planter, which will be in five different colors. They will be temporary and auctioned off at the end of the project. The shop owners will be responsible for maintenance. They are working with perennials for the boxes. Mr. Alberti expressed his reservation about people watering the trees, and if the project is to be successful the boxes will need diligent care. Mr. Holmes said he thinks it's a great idea and wants to see it succeed. Mr. Fengler said he initially had reservations because he thought it might slow down the streetscaping, but he is now very supportive. **Motion:** Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion to support the H Street Environmental Art Installation. The motion passed without objection.

Mamie Johnson and Rosedale Recreation Center Field



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Jerome Gray presented the proposal to name the field at the Rosedale Recreation Center Field after Mamie "Peanut" Johnson, one of three women who played in the Negro Baseball League, is one of the founders of the Rosedale Center and still lives in the neighborhood. He said that while things are not supposed to be named for living people, the field at Banneker is named for Maury Wills. He said that baseball is not as popular as it once was and it is a way to help bring baseball back and encourage girls to play. He said there was a story in the Washington Post recently about Mamie Johnson.

Ms. Beatty asked who, if the ANC supports the naming, would have to be asked, and was told that Councilmember Wells will submit a bill to the City Council which has to approve it. **Motion:** Mr. Robinson moved/Mr. Marshall seconded a motion to support the naming of the Rosedale Recreation Center field for Mamie "Peanut" Johnson.

Ms. Nelson said that there should be outreach into the community to see what its views are, including a community meeting. Mr. Robinson responded that there have been discussions in the community, and when the legislation is introduced there would be a wider opportunity for input. Mr. Holmes noted that the issue had been previously raised at a meeting when there were representatives of several Rosedale community organizations present and nothing was said at that time. Mr. Alberti said he is concerned about getting public input. Ms. Nelson pointed out that they did not ask for a letter at the time of their original presentation to the ANC and at that time, they had very little specific information about the name-change process. She also stated that, during a subsequent email exchange, she advised them to develop the idea and community support and then make a more complete presentation to the ANC, perhaps at a COC meeting. The motion failed 3-3, with Commissioners Beatty, Alberti and Holmes in opposition.

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to refer the issue to the Community Outreach Committee for their August meeting to make a recommendation. The motion passed 5-1, with Mr. Robinson in opposition.

Resolution on Legislation Modifying ANC Election Procedures

Mr. Fengler reported that he had received just hours before the meeting a resolution being circulated to Ward 6 ANCs opposing legislation introduced by City Councilmember Mary Cheh which would change the date of ANC elections from the November elections to the date of primaries. The resolution says that moving the election would be detrimental to the ANCs.

Motion: Mr. Fengler moved/Mr. Robinson seconded a motion to support the resolution opposing legislation that will move the date of ANC elections. The motion passed without objection.

Gottlieb Simon said that he plans to testify that the petition-gathering should be moved earlier than it is right now, to the end of August instead of the end of September. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion to support Gottlieb Simon's testimony to the Council and ANC supports moving the petition period earlier.

Mr. Marshall said that it should remain the way it is, and the Board of Elections should just do a better job in organizing the election. The motion passed 4-3, with Commissioners Robinson, Marshall and Beatty in opposition.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 pm.



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July 13, 2009

Mr. Gottlieb Simon
Executive Director Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20004

Mr. Simon:

At our regularly scheduled meeting on July 9, 2009, and with seven of eight Commissioners present to constitute a quorum, our Commission voted to support the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commission proposal to move the Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) petition filing date one month early on the calendar to provide the Board of Elections and Ethics additional time to prepare for ANC elections in November.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



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ANC 6A Resolution

In Opposition to Rescheduling ANC Elections

WHEREAS, Bill 18-0345 would reschedule Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) elections from November's general election to the primary election in September; and--

WHEREAS, although primary elections draw partisan voters to vote in party primaries, ANC elections are nonpartisan, and therefore inconsistent with the focus of a primary election; and--

WHEREAS, Primary elections generally have lower turnout than do general elections; and--

WHEREAS, Moving ANC elections to a primary-election date would particularly reduce participation in ANC elections by independents and members of parties not holding primaries that year; and--

WHEREAS, Advocates of rescheduling ANC elections give, as their only reason, reducing the September-November workload of, and therefore the number of election errors committed by, the Board of Elections and Ethics (BOEE); and--

WHEREAS, For over 30 years the BOEE has been able to conduct ANC elections on the same date as November's general election; and--

WHEREAS, Rescheduling ANC elections to September will reduce ANC-election turnout, reinforce the impression that ANC commissioners have a different status from all other elected officials, and have little effect on reducing the number of BOEE election errors; and--

WHEREAS, Other, less drastic measures, including changing the filing deadline for ANC ballot petitions, and directing more resources to conducting ANC elections, would sufficiently reduce the incidence of BOEE election errors; and--

WHEREAS, Requiring the BOEE itself to redo ANC elections invalid because of BOEE's own errors would also reduce the rate of BOEE errors in ANC elections;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this Advisory Neighborhood Commission urges the District of Columbia City Council to remove the provision of Bill 18-0345 that would reschedule ANC elections from November's general election to the primary election in September; and--

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Advisory Neighborhood Commission urges the District of Columbia City Council to require the Board of Election and Ethics, when it commits errors in an ANC election serious enough to justify redoing the election, itself to hold a properly run election, instead of requiring the affected ANC to hold a properly run election.

Approved unanimously by the Commission on July 9, 2009, with seven of eight Commissioners present.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



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SENT VIA EMAIL

July 13, 2009

Ms. Catrina Felder

Public Space Policy Branch
District Department of Transportation
2000 14th Street, NW, 6th Floor
Washington, DC 20009

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

Ms. Felder and Ms. Ricks:

At our regularly scheduled meeting on July 9, 2009, and with seven of eight Commissioners present to constitute a quorum, our Commission unanimously voted to support the H Street NE Environmental Art Installation. We believe this is an excellent addition to the corridor while the renovation work is being completed over the next few years. If a Public Space Committee hearing is not required, we strongly encourage the Public Space Policy Branch to approve all the permits required so the installation can begin as soon as possible. If a Public Space Committee hearing is required, we would welcome an expedited hearing process for July. And ultimately, we hope that our Commission's enthusiastic support for this project will translate into approval from the Public Space Committee.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Cc: Councilmember Tommy Wells



plant list
h-street planter boxes



knock roses (multi-colored)



rosemary



lavender



liriope



blue fescue



dianthus

greenroof sedums



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July 24, 2009

Peter Feather, Chair
Alcohol Beverage Control Board
941 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 7200
Washington, DC 20002

Re: ABRA-082364 Application, Double A Hospitality, Inc for Drew's located at 1245 H Street, NE

Dear Board Members,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on July 9, 2009, our Commission voted 6-0-1 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to protest the above Retail Class "C" Restaurant application.

The Commission opposes the license on the grounds that the establishment will have a negative effect on the peace, order and quiet in the neighborhood. The licensee has not contacted our Commission to schedule a time to present their application to our community for consideration.

Please be advised that any Commissioner or member of our Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee has been authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case – to include the hearing scheduled for August 31, 2009.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Cc: Mr. Fred Moosally, Acting Director, Alcohol Beverage Regulation Administration



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July 24, 2009

Peter Feather, Chair
Alcohol Beverage Control Board
941 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 7200
Washington, DC 20002

Re: DC Express (1504 East Capitol Street, NE) request for an exception to single sales restriction

Dear Board Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit additional information regarding the application of DC Express for an exception to the singles sales restriction. As we understand it, the law lists four criteria to be considered with respect to granting an exception: (1) any infraction in the past 12 months, (2) the impact an exception would have on the enforceability or effectiveness of the ban, (3) the ANC's opinion regarding the impact on the community and (4) evidence of participation in the community – such as attendance at meetings of the ANC or community organization. Our supplemental information will pertain to the last three criteria.

Impact an exception would have on enforceability or effectiveness of the ban

In our Commission, we have four liquor stores within a seven minute walk from DC Express:

- Bella (Class B), 101 15th Street, NE – less than 0.1 miles and two minutes away
- S&T (Class B), 201 15th Street, NE – less than 0.2 miles and three minutes away
- J&K (Class B), 234 15th Street, NE – less than 0.3 miles and five minutes away
- Viggy's Liquor (Class A), 409 15th Street, NE – less than 0.4 miles and seven minutes away

The distance between Eastern Thrifty Market, located at 1620 A Street, NE and Express Liquors is approximately 0.2 miles and three minutes away. This establishment is located in ANC 6B. Our Commission only has great weight on the establishments within the confines of our Commission. The distance between Bella and S&T liquor stores are closer to DC Express than the distance between Eastern Thrifty Market which is located in ANC 6B. Please see attachment #1 for a map overview.

It is our position that if DC Express was granted an exception to the singles sales restriction, the argument of "close proximity" will be used by remaining three Class B liquor stores and one Class A liquor store in this residential corridor to seek an exception to the single sales restriction using similar rationale. Accordingly, our Commission requests that you deny an exception to single sales restriction because it would impact the enforceability and effectiveness of our ban on the remaining four stores in this area.

ANC opinion regarding the impact on the community

Our Commission has a very transparent process established to hear requests for exceptions to the single sales ban. We invite the applicant to make a presentation at our Alcohol Beverage Licensing committee. This committee consists of residents that volunteer their time to serve our community. The Alcohol Beverage Licensing committee then makes recommendations for the Commission to consider at our regularly scheduled public meetings. Each recommendation is reviewed at our Commission's public meeting and voted upon by the Commissioners.



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In the case of DC Express, the Alcohol Beverage Licensing committee scheduled to hear Mr. Abebe Bekele's request for a single sales exception for DC Express on April 21, 2009. Mr. Bekele was not present at the time this item was discussed by the committee. The residents that attended the committee meeting expressed their opposition to the granting an exception. The general discussion for not supporting the exception request dealt with the negative effect on the peace, order and quiet in the neighborhood. It was noted that prior to the ban, customers would purchase beer at DC Express and then go to the Chinese restaurant next door to buy dinner. These customers would then dine outside leaving their trash and empty beer bottles and containers in public spaces. The combination of single beers and take-out food increased loitering and public urination. The Alcohol Beverage Licensing committee unanimously recommended that our Commission not approve the single sales exception request.

At our May 14, 2009, Commission meeting the recommendation from Alcohol Beverage Licensing committee was considered. Mr. Abebe Bekele was present and was given time to explain his request for single sales exception. After much discussion between the Mr. Abebe Bekele, residents that attended our Commission meeting as well as the Commissioners themselves, our Commission voted 7-0-1 to adopt the Alcohol Beverage Licensing committee's recommendation to not approve the single sales exception request. Accordingly, our Commission requests that you deny an exception to single sales restriction because an exception will negatively effect on the peace, order and quiet in the neighborhood.

Evidence of participation in the community

Aside from Mr Abebe Bekele's participation at our May 14, 2009, Commission meeting, we have no other examples or instances of his participation in the community. Accordingly, our Commission requests that you deny an exception to single sales restriction due to the lack of participation in our community.

In summary, approving the an exception to single sales restriction will have impact the ability to enforce the single sales ban on four other stores, negatively impact the peace, order and quiet in the neighborhood and reward a store owner that has not participated in the community. While we understand the economic competition between Eastern Thrifty Market and DC Express may appear compelling, it is our understanding that there is no provision or mechanism in the current law to grant an exception based on economic conditions. Our Commission has fought long and hard over the last seven years to enact legislation that implements single sales restriction to improve our neighborhood. Accordingly, we review each exception carefully, and in this case, we request that the Alcohol Beverage Control Board deny the request from DC Express for an exception to single sales restriction.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Cc: Mr. Fred Moosally, Acting Director, Alcohol Beverage Regulation Administration
Councilmember Tommy Wells



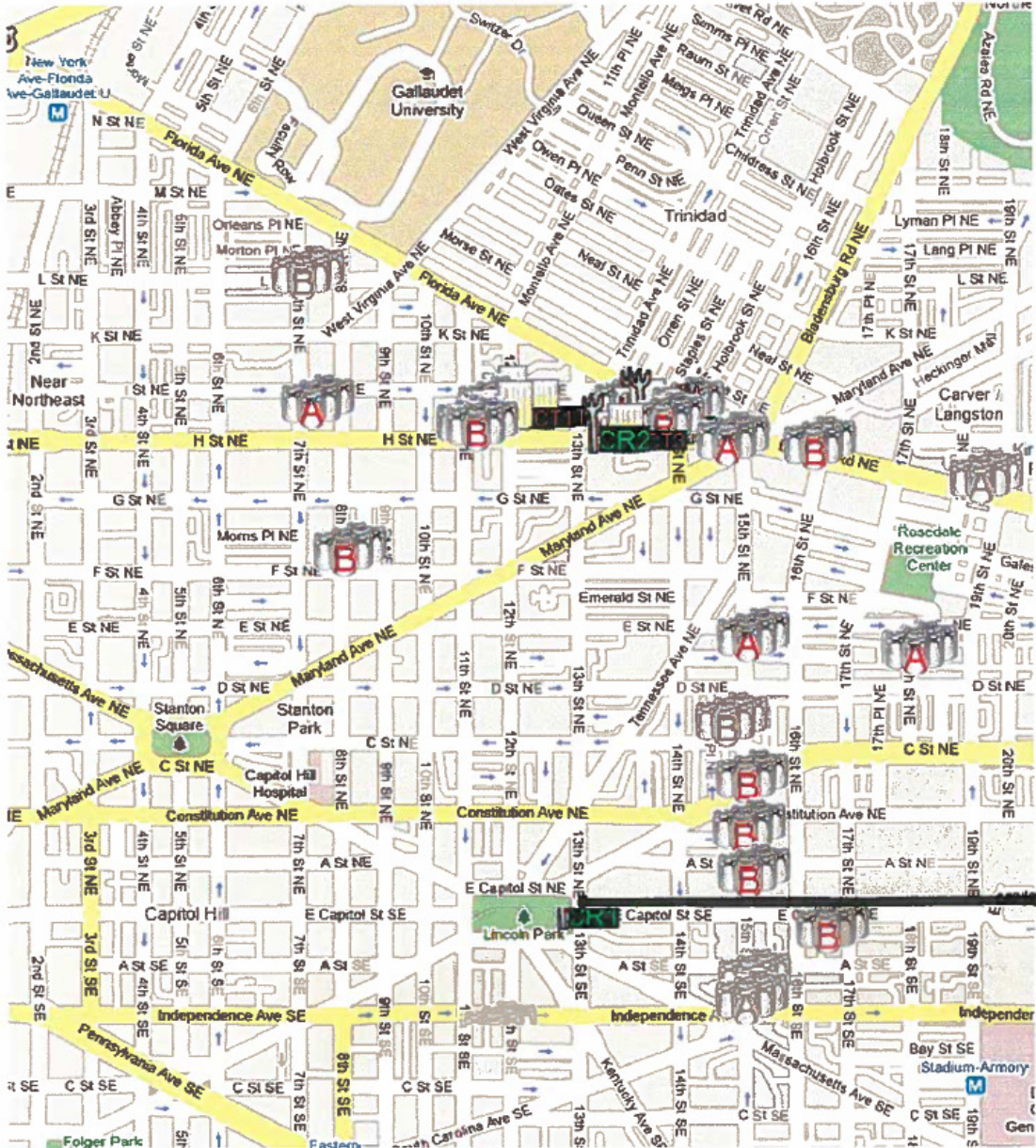
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Attachment #1



- RETAILER A
- RETAILER B
- RETAILER CN 01
- RETAILER CR 01
- RETAILER CR 02
- RETAILER CT 01

6A
6B



<http://www.communitywalk.com/map/127789>

7/24/2009



Officer Reports - Treasurer



ANC 6A Treasurer's Report July-August 2009

Period Covered: 07/01/09 - 08/31/09

Checking Account:

Balance Forwarded \$ 25,714.20

Receipts:

District Allotments \$ -
Transfers from Saving Account \$ -

Total Receipts \$ -

Total Funds Available \$ 25,158.54

Disbursements:

Roberta Weiner (June '09 Minutes) \$ 127.50
Heather Schoell (July '09 Agenda Package) \$ 200.00
FedEx Office (June '09 Statement) \$ 187.28
NLPNA (Grant to Kingsman Basketball League) \$ 104.96
FedEx Office (July '09 Statement) \$ 395.29
Capitol Hill Garden Club (Grant) \$ 650.00

Total Disbursements \$ 1,665.03

Ending Balance \$ 23,493.51

Savings Account:

Balance Forwarded \$ 4,195.28

Receipts:

Interest (06/30/09) \$ 0.69
Interest (07/31/09) \$ 0.71
Transfers from Checking Account \$ -

Total Receipts \$ 1.40

Total Funds Available \$ 4,196.68

Disbursements \$ -

Ending Balance \$ 4,196.68



Committee Reports

Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



ANC 6A ABL Committee August 18, 2009 Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:09 pm

Committee members present: Mary Beatty; Michael Herman; Tish Olshefski; Richard Sundberg

Committee members absent: Derrick Figures; Jeremy Marcus

Commissioner: David Holmes (ANC6A03); Rafael Marshall (ANC6A01); Kelvin Robinson (ANC6A08)

Community: Andrew Agak (Drew's); Nate Bush (Drew's); Helen Wooden-Wood; Robert Pittman; 1 other who did not sign in

- I. **Housekeeping**
 - a. **Agenda** – Motion to accept agenda. No objections.
 - b. **Minutes** – Motion to accept minutes. No objections.
- II. **Community Comment.** David Holmes glad to be here and is sorry he hasn't been here before but normally has a regular conflict and that was not held this month.
- III. **Discussion/Updates**
 - a. **DC Express Exemption from Single Sale Ban** – ANC voted to support our committee recommendation to not allow the exemption. 7:45 pm the owner approached us and said he wanted to make comments. Owner was told he could still pursue his exemption and come to the ANC meeting. He did, made statements and the recommendation was still approved. Owner went to ABRA with his protest of the ANC decision. Joe Fengler provided written testimony. ABRA upheld the ANC's recommendation on July 29.
 - b. **ANC Recommendations**
 - i. **Buka License** – recommendation to not protest as long as we got a signed VA. We got the VA so the ANC adopted the recommendation.
 - ii. **Mary Kozinski** - ANC confirmed Mary's departure from the committee.
- IV. **New Business**
 - a. **Andrew Agak – 1245 H Street CR Application** – Mr. Agak has been to the committee previously. Recommendation from Joe Fengler was that we protest and hold open for further comments because the Commission would not be meeting in August. By appearing at this meeting we will have an opportunity to make a recommendation. Roll call date is August 31.

Mr. Bush presented the plans for Drew's on behalf of Mr. Agak. Double A Hospitality is the establishment owner. Came before the committee in March about the intent to submit. Finally able to submit the application on June 17. Building was pretty run-down and renovations have been extensive. Continue to make changes that the city has requested and it is coming along very well. They have reviewed the ANC protest letter and the standard VA which is on the ANC website.



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Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



Q: entertainment endorsement and where located? A: yes, light jazz, background music and occasional soloist. Can be on one of two levels at the front end of the building, not to the back. Have insulated and sound proofed (acoustic Armstrong ceilings, plants, fabric) the sections of the building that would be closer to residential properties.

Q: CR license? A: yes.

Q: Kitchen? A: in the basement

Audience:

Q: 2nd floor patio? Entertainment? A: no entertainment.

Q: Hours? A: Fri to 1:00 am; rest of the week earlier; open for breakfast.

Q: Delivery entrance at the front and how is there a basement? A: basement was dug below grade and are securing the delivery entry.

Q: Speakers to the back? A: no

Q: Barrier on the outside patio? A: wooden fence, retractable canopy tops.

Q: Seating outside? Are you willing to add to the VA that food will not be served outside as it amplifies the noise outside. A: is willing to discuss.

Q: Mentioned an open space upstairs, need explanation and what about sound proofing to the front of the building. A: Type of music shouldn't be noisy. Will do all they can to minimize noise and are prepared to take action if there are complaints.

Q: Valet parking? A: will be using valet parking and will be using the service that Granville Moore and all the others use. Are told that the service has a lot. (U Street Parking)

Q: Capacity? A: 96 seats including the bar seats.

Q: In reference to trash. A: ANC is requesting rodent and vermin proof receptacles as per the VA.

Q: AA Hospitality own any other businesses? A: no

Q: Will there be extensions to the building? A: No, only renovations and digging the basement.

Q: Does application refer to rooftop dining? A: No.

Mary Beatty moves that with a signed VA that adds language relating to noise mitigation from outdoor area that the ANC drop the protest. Seconded by Michael Herman. Unanimous.

- b. **Valet Regulations** – We need to amend the VA. Valet parking regulations came out last week. The intent of the committee was to include this into our VA. That is, that no establishment be allowed to valet park cars unless they are in compliance with the new DC regulation. Exact wording was discussed at length, however, it was finally determined that the recommendation should just state intent and when the new VA is written that the ANC approve the final language.

Mary Beatty moves that language be added to our standard VA that cites this regulation (Chapter 16 Valet Parking) and requires alcohol licensee establishments to comply with these regulations. Seconded by Richard Sundberg. Unanimous.

- c. **ANC6A VA – Other Amendments** – other amendment that has been added to CT VA's is the noise issue, particularly for outdoor areas, (maybe half a dozen).



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Mary suggesting that we add noise mitigation language for outside seating (example given is items 3/c-d from the Vendetta VA) to the standard VA. Seconded by Richard Sundberg. Unanimous.

Possible further VA discussion: Define pub crawl. Commissioner Robinson notes that the safety committee has discussed installation and maintenance of surveillance equipment and also notes that in ABRA's rules some establishments (hotels and nightclubs) have to submit security plans. Might that also be necessary for liquor stores? The Committee agreed to address these issues before submitting the new standard VA.

V. **Adjourn.** Move to adjourn at 8:10 pm. Next meeting: September 20, 2009



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Made this 19th day of August, 2009
by and between
DREWS
1245 H Street, 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 Cooperative Agreement shall be presented to all Class CR 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 Cooperative 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 CR Liquor License at the subject premises; and,

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.



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- 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.
- e. Promptly removing or painting over any graffiti written on the exterior walls of the property.

2. Business Operations and Practices:

- a. Applicant will not, directly or indirectly, sell or deliver alcohol to any intoxicated person, or to any person of intemperate habits, or to any person who appears to be intoxicated. A person of intemperate habits shall be defined as:
 - i. Any person convicted of alcohol offences or alcohol-related crimes three times or more in any one year; and
 - ii. Who has been so identified to the licensee by the Metropolitan Police Department by giving a photo and name to the licensee.
- 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 alcohol into the establishment from outside sources, and at no time exits the establishment with alcoholic beverages.
- 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.
 - 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 (i.e. log) when the MPD was called for assistance.
- i. Applicant's log shall be provided to the Board and, for good cause shown to the Board, to any valid protestant during hearings involving future renewals or contested proceedings involving the Applicant's license.



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- j. Applicant shall not support of the installation of pay phones outside of the establishment on their property.
- k. 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.
- l. Applicant shall provide valet parking services only with Valet Parking services as defined licensed and in compliance with Title 24 DCMR Chapter 16.

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 the patio or summer garden the following steps will be taken:
 - 1) The hours for the patio will be until 11PM on weekdays and 12PM on weekends.
 - 2) Applicant shall not offer any type of live or pre-recorded music on the patio.
 - 3) A fence or other barrier will enclose the entire perimeter.
 - 4) No fewer than two signs will be clearly posted to remind guests to keep their voices at normal speaking volume.
 - 5) Staff will monitor the outdoor area to make sure guests do not raise their voices above normal speaking tones.
 - 6) Potted plants, trees, fountains or other types of noise mitigation techniques will be incorporated into the summer garden decor.
- d. If residents have no noise complaints for a three month period following opening of the establishment 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.
- e. Applicant shall obtain an entertainment endorsement to have a cover charge. For purposes of this clause, a cover charge is a fee required by an establishment to be paid by patrons for admission that is not directly applied to the purchase of food or drink.
- f. 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.

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. In the case 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 certifies that it does not owe more than \$100 to the District of Columbia government as the result of any fine, fee or penalty interest or past due tax.



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- b. Applicant shall post a copy of this voluntary agreement in the establishment in conjunction with the posting of its alcoholic beverage license.
- c. Applicant will operate in compliance with all applicable 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: ANDREW AGAK - PRESIDENT Date: 08/19/09
 Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

Advisory Neighborhood Council 6A Representative:

By: Joseph Fongler, Chair Date: 09/01/09
 Signature: Joseph Fongler

ABC Board-Licensed Manager:

By: _____ Date: _____
 Signature: _____



Committee Reports

Economic Development and Zoning (ED&Z)



ANC 6A Economic Development & Zoning Committee
Wednesday August 19, 2009, 7-9:00 PM
Sherwood Recreation Center (640 10th St, NE)
2nd Floor Community Room

Committee Members: Drew Ronneberg, Chair; Cody Rice; Dan Golden; Barbara Halleck; Jeff Fletcher

Commissioners present: Raphael Marshall (6A01), Kelvin Robinson (6A08), David Holmes (6A03)

7:00 pm Call to order

Ongoing Status Reports:

1. 1400 Maryland Ave. BZA Case #17825 (Drew Ronneberg)

ANC 6A lost the case in front of the DC BZA. The gas station will be built. We will try to document illegal turns across Maryland Avenue and request that the median be closed.

2. H Street Survey (Drew Ronneberg)

Drew Ronneberg saw the survey being conducted.

3. Zoning Code Rewrite (Cody Rice)

No update.

4. Vacant Properties (Dan Golden)

Welcome back to Dan Golden! He will resume maintenance of the vacant properties web site.

New Business

1245 H Street

- ANC 6A's Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee (ABL) met to discuss 1245 H Street. The location is under renovation; the owner is a business partner of Gary Rappaport (H Street Connection). They are planning to put in a restaurant. No meeting has been scheduled with ED&Z committee but it probably isn't needed.
- 1. 1242 H St. NE - BZA #17968. (Area Variance) pursuant to 11 DCMR §3103.2, for a variance from the non-residential floor area ratio requirements under subsection 1321.2, and a variance from ground floor level ceiling height requirements under subsection 1324.12, to allow the construction of a new commercial (retail/office) building in the HS (H Street Housing Sub-District Overlay)/C-2-A District, at premises 1242 H Street, N.E. (Square 1003, Lot 22). Hearing is October 6, 2009.



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The owner claims that the small lot size (17' 6" x 72') causes an undue hardship if the owner is required to follow the zoning code in place for this location.

- Drawings for the project are found at <http://www.anc6a.org/agendas/EDZA0809.pdf>

Representing I. S. Enterprises, Inc. (the owner):

- Italo Rodriguez - General Contractor for the job
- Hossain Guerrero - Attorney
- Gabriel Nathaniel - Architect

The owner wishes to build a 4 story building at 1242 H Street NE and is looking for a variance due to the small size of the lot - 17' 6" x 72':

1. The requirement for 14' ceiling on the first floor puts the project requires that they also put a landing on each floor. The landing would use up to about 30% of the first floor. Owner would like to get as much usable space out of the first floor so is asking for a ceiling height of less than 14'. Requesting 10' 6" ceiling height on 1st floor.
2. The owner wishes to configure the building for more than one tenant. A corridor would separate the stairs from the rest of the first floor.
3. The ground level is likely to be professional services offices. 2nd through 4th floor would be professional offices for the owner's development company and his general counsel.
4. No residential use.
5. The plan for the building incorporates some environmentally friendly aspects such as solar panels, green roof, and use of local/recycled bricks, energy efficient windows. The plan calls for high quality construction to allow the building to last for a 100-year lifespan. The building would not be LEED certified.

Discussion regarding this variance revolved around different arrangements that could be made to increase the usable floor space.

1. Elevator would require stairs anyway
2. Can't move stairs closer to the front of the building due to fire control room. The fire control room must be accessible from a common area.

Design Issues

1. Front is brick to maintain the look from the neighborhood. Design breaks the monotony and massing with windows. There is a roof deck at the top floor of the building.
2. Rear is hardy plank siding.
3. Uniform casement windows.

In general, the committee commented that the design was not in keeping with the rest of H Street. The

1. All the other structures on the block are 2 stories



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2. The design of the front does not reflect any of the architectural elements found on H Street. No historical elements, windows are modern looking instead of having the shape/style of other windows seen along H Street.

Zoning Issues

1. Current zoning for the location calls for ground floor retail with residential above.
2. H Street Overlay/arts district modifies underlying C-2-A zoning. Meant to create an incentive for better retail space.
3. C-2-A zoning—base zoning
 - a. 1.5 FAR for non residential
 - b. maximum of 2.5 FAR
 - c. 50' height restriction
 - d. 60% lot occupancy for residential
 - e. 15' rear yard
4. H Street Overlay modifications -supersedes base zoning
 - a. Residential - 70% lot occupancy
 - b. Non-residential FAR 1.0
5. They are asking for
 - a. 3.0 FAR
 - b. Not provide 14' ceilings on ground floor for retail
6. Procedural issues
 - a. Need zoning relief to base zoning in addition to variance to overlay
 - b. Application doesn't request the relief needed.
 - c. In addition, we have see DCOZ allow zoning variances on FAR

Comments

Raphael Marshall (ANC 6A01 Commissioner): Stated his support for the building saying that it would be great to have something other than restaurants on H Street. However, height may obstruct houses from the rear. Also asked questions regarding trash and parking. Trash would be handled by normal city services; Commissioner Marshall cautioned about food in trash receptacles due to the problem of rats in the alleys. Also there is 1 parking space; the architect believes that only 1 is required based on the square footage of the ground floor. (We are not sure this is correct).

Kelvin Robinson (ANC6A08) expressed that the height is an issue of concern to him.

Barbara Halleck stated that the design of the building does not in any way reflect the “look and feel” of H Street; the design is more like a suburban apartment building than a 100-year old building.

Dan Golden noted that the degree to which this goes outside the scope of other buildings such as zoning, FAR, first floor, height, makes it difficult for him to support the design as it is.



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Cody Rice discussed some of the goals of the H Street Overlay by saying that the Overlay was established to retain the best elements of H Street, including high quality retail on the corridor. 14' ceilings are required for good retail space. If the project called for a 2-story building it would be more like the rest of the block. This particular design doesn't provide any benefit to the community—no good retail, no residential.

Drew Ronneberg agreed with Cody Rice. Zoning codes were tailored to what the residents want on H Street. This project asks for a lot of relief with no return to the neighborhood. If we support this project, it goes completely against the purpose of the overlay. He expressed that he does not believe this project is appropriate for H Street. Drew also noted that the ED&Z committee has supported lot occupancy relief if other issues (design, FAR, height, etc.) were addressed in the design.

Motion by Cody Rice: Move that we recommend that ANC 6A oppose this application.

The motion was passed unanimously.

Motion by Cody Rice: Move that we recommend that ANC 6A oppose any application for variance to 1.5 FAR for commercial space at this specific site.

The motion passed 4-1.



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Community Outreach Committee (COC)



ANC6A Community Outreach Committee

August 3, 2009 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), Necothia Bowens, Jean Kohanek, Mark Roy, Rose Williams

Committee members absent: Jacqueline Aamot, Louis Barbash

ANC Commissioners present: Gladys Mack, Kelvin Robinson

Community members present: Mamie "Peanut" Johnson, Maurice Cook, Jackie Cook, Bryan Mack, Sondra Phillips-Gilbert, Mary Spencer, John Hill, Jerome Gray, Jocelyn Williams, Andre Williams

- I. Agenda
 1. Motion to adopt agenda. No objections.

- II. Proposal to rename Rosedale Field in honor of Mamie "Peanut" Johnson:
 1. Mr. Gray presented the proposal to rename Rosedale Field in honor of Mamie "Peanut" Johnson. Ms. Johnson is one of only three female Negro League players. She was "discovered" on the Rosedale Field and has lived in that neighborhood for most of her life.
 2. Regarding community notification: Commissioner Mack outlined efforts to notify the community regarding the proposal including print media (Hill Rag, Washington Post, Voice of the Hill) and public meetings (ANC, Rosedale Citizens Alliance, Rosedale Acorn). The COC meeting was also announced in the Hill Rag, The Buzz and on local listservs. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert announced that she had distributed fliers in the neighborhood. Ms. Bowens indicated that the Rosedale Citizens Alliance has taken a position in favor of the renaming.
 3. Regarding District policy not to name public spaces or buildings after living individuals: Commissioner Robinson remarked that we should "recognize a living legend as an example of what can be accomplished in the face of barriers". Others, including Ms. Phillips-Gilbert, expressed similar views. Mr. Gray noted that there is precedent because the baseball field at the Baneker Recreation Center was recently renamed in honor of Maury Wills.
 4. Regarding the merits of the proposal: Ms. Williams explained that her daughter is currently playing baseball on a "boys" team and that Ms. Johnson is an inspiration to her. Ms. Nelson said that Ms. Johnson is, in all likelihood, the most widely known and notable resident of the immediate neighborhood. Ms. Bowens, Ms. Kohanek and Mr. Roy made similar statements of agreement.
 5. Motion: Elizabeth Nelson moves that ANC6A support the naming of Rosedale Field in honor of Mamie "Peanut" Johnson. Seconded by Jean Kohanek. Vote 5 in favor, none opposed.

- III. Discussion of ANC 6A flier



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1. Given the resignation of Jacqueline Aamot (see IV below), the plan for distribution of the agendas in advance of the meeting had to be reconsidered. This, in turn, affected the layout of the flyer as the agenda locations are listed therein. Committee members agreed to redistribute the responsibilities and removed Ms. Aamot's address from the list of locations. Community members, Maurice and Jackie Cook graciously volunteered to take over two of the multi-copy locations. Ms. Bowens proposed additional locations that she will service. The revised flyer will be sent to the commissioners for final review within the next few days. No comments are expected as it has not changed except for the agenda locations.
2. With the agenda locations settled, the next issue was identifying a printer. The information was originally compiled by Ms. Aamot and may be out of date. Ms. Kohanek will review the existing information and possibly contact additional printers. With the cheapest price determined, she will order as many copies as can be paid for out of the approved budget. These are expected to be available before the end of August.
3. The committee members then turned to the distribution plan. Copies will be set aside for use at ANC and ANC committee meetings. Committee members agreed to take responsibility for geographic areas in which they can recruit volunteer distributors.
 - a. Mr. Roy and youth from Eastern SHS (primarily the Band) will focus their efforts in SMD 08.
 - b. Ms. Bowens will contact Mr. Cotten of the Rosedale Youth Institute who previously offered to assist in this effort. They will concentrate their efforts in SMD 07.
 - c. Ms. Nelson and Commissioner Alberti will flier in SMD 04.
 - d. Ms. Williams and her family and Jackie and Maurice Cook will do most of SMD 05.
 - e. Ms. Kohanek will do parts of SMD 05 and SMD 03.
 - f. Commissioner Marshall generally prefers to do SMD 01 himself and prints his own copies.
 - g. Ms. Nelson will contact the other commissioners to determine parts of their SMDs they may particularly wish to do themselves, and determine how many copies they will need. She will attempt to secure volunteers to cover areas not accounted for.
4. No date has been set for completing the task although we will begin work as soon as possible. It may be necessary to secure additional funding but this will not be known until the distribution is well underway.

IV. The Chair requests that the resignation of Jacqueline Aamot be accepted, with grateful thanks for her service on the committee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Next meeting: September 21, 2009 at 7:30 p.m



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Transportation & Public Space (TPS)



ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting Minutes
Capitol Hill Towers (900 G Street NE)
July 20, 2009

- I. Call meeting to order at 7:05
- II. Introductions
 - A. Present: Commissioner Nick Alberti, Shane Artim, DeLania Hardy, Ward 6 Transportation Planner Jamie Henson, Sean Lovitt, Rob Stevens (Rosedale Citizens Alliance) and Omar Mahmud (Chair)
 - B. Absent: Lance Brown, Diane Hoover and Marlon Smoker
- III. Community Comment - None
- IV. New Business
 - A. Presentation/Q&A with Jamie Henson, Ward 6 Transportation Planner
 - i. Mr. Mahmud introduced Mr. Henson to the committee and provided a brief overview of the purpose for Mr. Henson's visit. Mr. Mahmud reported that he and Mr. Henson met during the week prior to the committee meeting to go over the transportation, public space and planning issues the committee encounters most frequently.
 - ii. Mr. Henson reported to the committee on the following key issues he discussed with Mr. Mahmud and took back to staff at DDOT to get guidance:
 1. Public Space Enforcement – The committee raised the following specific concerns:
 - a. The process for requesting review and enforcement of possible public space violations is unclear. For example, it is not clear who in DDOT residents should contact about these issues. Mr. Mahmud told Mr. Henson Matthew Marcou has been extremely helpful in the past, but that he doesn't believe requests should be routed through Mr. Marcou as a regular practice. Mr. Henson asked Mr. Mahmud to pass on his last communication with Mr. Marcou so that Mr. Henson could see who Mr. Marcou assigned to research and enforce the reported public space violation.
 - b. Utility boxes installed in public spaces.
 - c. Commercial trash receptacles. Who to contact about whether they are on public space or not.
 - d. Who to contact regarding use of public space for construction projects.
 - e. Installation of fences that enclose public space.



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- f. Parking on public space like on wide sidewalks. Apparently, DPW and MPD can write tickets for other parking violations, but cannot write tickets for public space violations. It was suggested that a legislative fix may be required to remedy this problem.
- g. Mr. Henson agreed to look into these issues further and report back to Mr. Mahmud and the committee.
- h. Mr. Henson also explained that DDOT is divided into the following five administrations, each of which is responsible for various functions:
 - i. Transportation Policy & Planning Administration (TPPA) – Mr. Henson explained that his office falls under this administration. All development projects go to Mr. Henson’s office where planning issues are reviewed on the front end to ensure the plans do not call for public space to be infringed upon without authorization. The DDOT Public Space Committee also falls under this administration.
 - ii. Infrastructure Project Management Administration (IPMA)
 - iii. Traffic Operation Administration (TOA)
 - iv. Mass Transit Administration (MTA)
 - v. Urban Forestry Administration (UFA)
2. Parking – Particularly in entertainment district. Mr. Henson reported that Damon Harvey of DDOT has received preliminary approval for Residents Only Parking on certain residential blocks adjacent to H Street. Mr. Mahmud expressed his hope that, although this effort will likely provide short-term relief for residents, DDOT also focus on developing long-term strategies to deal with parking scarcity going forward, including enhanced public transportation options and identification of additional parking facilities (e.g. Hechinger Mall).
3. Streetcar and construction of H Street – Mr. Henson pointed out that the DDOT website contains updates on the construction project.
 - a. Mr. Mahmud asked how our ANC could go about requesting a faster construction schedule for the H Street portion of the project, as was recently done for the Benning Road portion. Mr. Henson did not have any recommendations.
 - b. Mr. Henson reported that the underground utility work is almost finished.
 - c. Commissioner Robinson recommended that the committee invite the H Street construction managers to an ANC meeting to provide a comprehensive construction update. Mr. Mahmud pointed out that the committee does not have the authority to schedule invitees on the Commission agenda. The request



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should come from the Commission. Commissioner Alberti indicated the request could be made at the September ANC meeting.

4. Prioritization process for pending projects.
 - a. Traffic calming requests made by residents' petition – According to Mr. Henson, the IPMA division looks at the site and determines whether it is a good candidate for traffic calming measures and attempts to identify funding for implementation of such measures.
 - i. Mr. Smoker pointed out that the petition process requires requests be made on a block-by-block basis when many of the problems prompting the request span several blocks.
 - ii. Commissioner Alberti followed up this observation by asking how the ANC can encourage or request “mini studies” for particular areas. Who can the request be directed to? Mr. Henson that it would be best to contact the DDOT Director, Gabe Klein, and Karina Ricks, the Head of Policy and Planning.
 1. Commissioner Alberti also asked Mr. Henson if someone at DDOT can explain where the District is on technology for speed bumps. In other words, what is being done to make them safer, more attractive, etc.
 2. Commissioner Robinson pointed out the need to: a) figure out how to deal with a proliferation of traffic calming requests; b) determine whether speed bumps being installed are the most appropriate ones to be installed for a particular location (best design, safest, most aesthetic, etc.); and c) improve the approval process. Mr. Robinson would like to know who weighs in on the speed bump design that is chosen? Are ANCs given an opportunity to provide input? Mr. Henson recommended these questions be sent to DDOT Director Gabe Klein and copy him.
 - iii. Prioritization of areas to be studied and recommendations to be implemented.
 1. Mr. Henson pointed out that senior DDOT staff consider which studies should be conducted and decide which construction projects to pursue on a year to year basis.
 2. Mr. Henson also confirmed that there is room for the ANC to provide input on prioritization of projects in our ANC. The ANC can make recommendations via a formal resolution.
 - b. Mr. Henson also briefed the committee on other projects in our ANC in the current pipeline, including:
 - i. NOMA circulation study – Will evaluate how to get people in and out of NOMA once it gets built out and transportation capacity for



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the area. The study will also find ways to promote bike access, transit access, east west access to the NOMA area.

- ii. C Street Study – Meant to evaluate the traffic caused by motorists traveling down E. Capitol from across the river and merging onto C Street NE. The study will focus on effective traffic calming measures for this area.
- iii. Construction projects.
 1. Conversion of 19th Street from one-way traffic to two-way traffic. Mr. Henson indicated that conversion of 17th Street to two-way is not under design yet while 19th is. Mr. Henson also told the committee he is currently trying to figure out why 17th is not ready for engineering design like 19th is. Mr. Henson later admitted to being uncertain which conversion is being planned first and promised to get back to the committee.
 - a. Mr. Lovitt asked for further information about the status of the conversion projects. Mr. Henson indicated he believes the first project is almost ready to go out for bid. It takes at least a year for completion of the design phase and then construction should begin shortly after that. Some of the work includes signal design work, street re-striping, and street reconstruction.
 2. Crosswalk striping effort around Lincoln Park is currently underway.
 3. Mr. Mahmud asked about re-striping crosswalks and installing additional pedestrian crossing signs at 10th and Maryland. In response to complaints our ANC has received from residents about pedestrian safety at that intersection, our ANC has previously submitted service requests and a letter to DDOT. Mr. Henson told the committee he would follow up on this request.
 - a. Mr. Henson informed the committee that there is discussion within DDOT regarding a Maryland Ave. corridor-wide study. Mr. Henson does not know how long it will take to get the study done. Our committee should coordinate our efforts to promote this study with ANC 6C. Commissioner Alberti recommended following up with DDOT on this issue every six months or so.



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- iv. Study regarding the X line Metro buses – Mr. Henson informed the committee that it can pass on any concerns it has to him since he goes to monthly meetings regarding this study.
 - v. Bike lane striping along G Street and I Street NE in the next year.
 - iii. Commissioner Alberti asked about getting public space application notices sent to the ANC. Mr. Henson indicated we would need to have a policy pronouncement on this issue.
 - iv. Commissioner Robinson asked whether the ANC could have a chance to opine on requests to apply for loading zone designations and requests to change loading zone hours at curbside parking spots. Mr. Henson indicated he doesn't know, but that he'll look into it and get back to the ANC.
 - B. Proposal to convert portion of 17th Street NE from one-way traffic to two-way traffic
 - i. The committee discussed this matter and decided it needs clarification on exactly what the 17th Street conversion recommendation is in the Capitol Hill Transportation Study (CHTS) before it can make a recommendation. There is confusion regarding whether the recommendation in the CHTS called for all of the street within the study area to be converted to two-way traffic or just that portion up to E Street.
 - ii. What are the implications of converting just this one block? Has a traffic flow study been considered?
 - 1. Mr. Lovitt asked what the benefit of the one block conversion would be. Mr. Mahmud indicated the chief benefit would be traffic calming.
 - 2. Commissioner Alberti proposed the committee obtain more information before making a decision.
 - 3. Mr. Henson suggested asking for the infrastructure (street signals) to be put in place now while the Benning Road construction is taking place, even if the actual conversion of the street does not take place until later.
 - C. Discussion of C Street NE transportation issues with Rosedale Citizens Alliance
 - i. Rob Stevens of the Rosedale Citizens Alliance (RCA) summarized the group's request that the ANC send a letter of support for it's C Street transportation initiatives.
 - 1. Mr. Stevens informed the committee that RCA proposes eliminating one lane of traffic on C Street between 21st and 16th and limiting the weight of trucks using the road.
 - 2. Mr. Stevens passed out a presentation that went over the following points:



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- a. Too much traffic currently travels down C Street. The street is like a highway going into the heart of Capitol Hill.
 - b. C Street's current configuration creates spillover effects for traffic heading into Capitol Hill.
 - c. The goal is to transform C Street from a minor arterial into a "Green Collector."
 - d. RCA hopes to push the bottleneck that occurs each day back to 21st Street by reconfiguration the street. RCA is calling for a redesign of C Street (e.g. widen median, re-time lights, etc.). According to RCA, the street is too wide and it allows for too much traffic to enter neighborhoods. There are 4 westbound lanes and 3 eastbound.
3. Mr. Henson confirmed that no DDOT projects are currently planned for this corridor other than the study he mentioned earlier.
 - a. The study will address the design and implications of removing a lane on C Street.
 4. Mr. Mahmud pointed out that Commissioner Schultheiss communicated a concern to him about recommending specific C Street solutions before DDOT releases the C Street study. Mr. Henson confirmed that he does not believe the proposed recommendations will conflict with any finding in the study.
 - a. *A motion was made to recommend the ANC send a letter to DDOT supporting elimination of one lane of traffic and heavy trucks on C Street. The motion was seconded and passed without objection.*

V. Additional Community Comment – None.

VI. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.



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Public Safety Committee (PS)



ANC6A Public Safety Committee
July 16, 2009 Meeting Minutes
Sherwood Recreation Center
640 10th Street NE

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Committee members present: Commissioner Kelvin Robinson (Co-chair), Rebecca Sibia (Co-chair), Dan Wolff, Brandon Lumm, Sharon Cochran

Committee members absent: Patrice Ford, Todd Hames

Commissioners present: None

Community members present: Bobby Pittman, PSA 102 Coordinator, Curtis Edwards, Office of Unified Command, Lieutenant Anthony Guice, Lloyd Cornish, The Deloren Foundation

I. Agenda and Minutes

1. Motion to adopt agenda. Without objections.
2. Motion to accept minutes of last meeting. Without objections.

II. Administrative, Ongoing and Old Business

1. Update on Volunteer/Donation efforts to support summer activities at Rosedale Recreation Center:
 - a. The Committee received a number of generous donations for Rosedale Recreation Center, which had been dropped off by the Committee Co-Chairs. These donations included craft kits, construction paper, crayons, markers, etc. for the remaining summer months.
2. Presentation of Crime Statistics:
 - a. The committee reviewed crime for the months of June 15-July 15, and noted that crime had declined relative to the prior spike in June activity. The committee also requested that a specific report with trend analysis be created for each SMD for presentation to the Commissioners at each ANC meeting.
 - b. Mr. Lumm is still working with members of the PSA 102 Committee to ensure that our crime statistics are consistent with the PSA report.
3. ANC Juvenile Crime Prevention policies
 - a. The committee members have a draft policy paper and implementation plan to review.
 - b. The Committee Co-Chairs will begin discussions with PSA Coordinators and other neighborhood representatives related to next steps in the development of this plan.
4. Motion: The Committee requests that the ANC accept the resignation of two committee members, Patrice Ford and Sharon Cochran.
5. Motion: The Committee further requests that ANC Commissioners use their neighborhood contacts to solicit and recommend representatives to sit on the Committee, as the Committee strives for broader ANC representation.



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New Business

6. Presentation by Curtis Edwards, Office of Unified Command
 - a. Mr. Edwards provided a brief overview to the Committee related to the change in the 311/911 system.
 - b. During this presentation, he indicated that for any call related to police, even non-emergency calls, citizens should use 911.
 - c. Committee members expressed their concern that many of our neighbors are not aware of or understand the change in the policy.
 - d. For many years, social influences have urged citizens to not use 911 for non-emergency calls, in order to keep the lines free for true emergencies. This new policy changes that “social norm”
 - e. Mr. Edwards indicated that he was unaware that confusion existed, and urged the Committee to forward to him any complaints or questions related to the use of 911 for all police and fire calls.
 - f. Ms. Sibilina committed to forwarding a number of these concerns that had been presented to our Committee or on neighborhood listservs.

III. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25.

Next Meeting, September 17, 2009, Sherwood Recreation Center, 7:00 pm.