

**District of Columbia Government**  
**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A**  
**Agenda for September 11, 2014**



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

- 7:00 pm **Call to order**  
Call of the roll and announce the presence of a quorum  
Approve Previous Meeting's Minutes, Adopt Agenda
- 7:05 pm **Community Comments (2 minutes each)**
- 7:15 pm **Community Presentation**  
Upcoming Mayoral Forum  
Phillip Pannell, Executive Director of the Anacostia Coordinating Council
- 7:20 pm **Officer Reports:**  
Chair (2 minutes)  
Vice-Chair (2 minutes)  
Secretary (2 minutes)  
Treasurer (2 minutes)  
1. Approve Treasurer's Report
- 7:30 pm **Standing Committee Reports:**  
**Community Outreach**  
1. Approve August 2014 committee report.  
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A approve \$300.00 in support of the Miner ES PTO request for athletic equipment. (6-1-0)  
3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A approve \$733.00 in support of the Maury ES PTA request for items to enhance the Math Resource room and \$1,760.00 in support of the aquatics component of the SYC grant request. (unanimous)  
4. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, September 15, 2014 (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday)
- 7:45 pm **Alcoholic Beverage Licensing**  
1. Approve August 2014 committee report.  
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A take no action regarding the CR license renewal for Kitty's Saloon at 1208 H Street NE (ABRA # 088675) (f/k/a Souk).  
3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A take no action regarding the CR license renewal for Ocopa at 1324 H Street NE (ABRA # 088102) (f/k/a Chicken Tortilla).  
4. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, September 16, 2014 (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday)
- 7:55 pm **Transportation and Public Space Committee**  
1. Approve July and August 2014 committee reports.  
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT to examine the traffic pattern at the intersection of F Street NE and Eleventh (11<sup>th</sup>) Street NE and indicating that the ANC would support changing it from a two-way stop to a four-way stop.  
3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter in support of legislation to name the 1100 block of Florida Avenue NE in honor of Ruby Whitfield.

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4. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to DPW concerning the process and policies to request litter cans in the community as well as specifically the ones at Twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) Street NE and K Street NE.
5. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT to conduct an assessment of drainage, cleanliness and traffic conditions concerning alleys in ANC6A, including 1200 block of Wiley Street, 1200 block of Linden Place, and alley behind 800 block of H Street NE, asking specifically for tools to address the situation, including additional signage to discourage parking that blocks alleys.
6. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to appropriate agencies requesting additional enforcement of cleanliness standards in alleys, including 1200 block of Wiley Street, 1200 block of Linden Place, and alley at 800 block of H Street NE.
7. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to the Director of DDOT, copying Councilmember Wells and the Chair of DC Council Transportation Committee to address designation of street addresses for Zone 6 residential parking permits, noting the 1000 block of Florida Avenue NE.
8. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT asking them for information regarding the process for issuing emergency no-parking permits and opportunities for the ANC to weigh in on longer-term permits.
9. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, September 15, 2014 (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday)

8:15 pm

**Economic Development and Zoning**

1. Approve August 2014 committee report.
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A write a letter of support to BZA for the request for a special exception for 1229 F Street NE (BZA Case No. 18835) from the rear-yard setback restrictions.
3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A write a letter of support to BZA for the request for special exceptions for 1419 F Street NE (BZA Case No. 18836) from the lot occupancy and rear-yard setback restrictions and for an addition to a non-conforming structure
4. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A write a letter to the Zoning Administrator calling to his attention that the permitted construction occurring at 1215 Wylie Street NE is occurring on a lot that measures only 825 square feet in area and therefore does not meet the minimum lot-dimension requirements for the R-4 district and requesting that the Zoning Administrator require that the developer obtain the appropriate zoning approval prior to continuing construction. In the event that the Zoning Administrator elects to take no action in response to the ANC's request, the ANC will appeal the Zoning Administrator's decision to the BZA.
5. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A write a letter to DCRA relating recent observations regarding the condition of 1000 C Street NE and requesting that the property be inspected to evaluate whether it meets the criteria of a vacant or blighted property.
6. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, September 24, 2014 (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday)

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- 8:30 pm      **New Business**
1. DDOT Proposed Rules on Private Improvements to Pocket Parks  
*DDOT Proposed Rules - Pocket Parks*  
*ANC Comments - DDOT Proposed Rules for Pocket Parks*
  2. ANC Transparency Bill
  3. Pilgrim A.M.E. - Congratulatory Letter to Rev. Dr. Wendell O. E. Christopher, Sr. on 40<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Anniversary
- 8:45 pm      **Single Member District reports (2 minutes each)**
- 8:55 pm      **Community Comments Round II, time permitting (2 minutes each)**
- 9:00 pm      **Adjourn**



**Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A**  
**Minutes**  
**Regular Business Meeting**  
**Miner Elementary School**  
**July 10, 2014**

**Present:** Commissioners Nick Alberti, Andrew Hysell, J. Omar Mahmud, Sondra Phillips-Gilbert, Calvin Ward, Chris Ward, Jay Williams  
**Absent:** Commissioner Gloria Nauden

The meeting was convened at 6:50 pm.

**1. Agenda**

Mr. Williams asked to have the discussion of the license renewal for Rock & Roll Hotel and the H Street Country Club postponed until September 2014 because they are not yet ripe for discussion. The agenda, as amended, was agreed to without objection.

**2. Minutes**

The May 2014 minutes were inadvertently left out of last month's agenda packet, and were accepted without objection. The June 2014 minutes were also accepted without objection.

**3. Community Presentation**

National Guard Race

Lt. Daniel Banasik gave a presentation on the annual Land Component Commander's Race, which will be held on Saturday, September 13, 2014 from 7:00 am to 9:00 am (the actual run time will be shorter) on East Capitol Street from the National Guard Armory around Lincoln Park and back up East Capitol Street. Guards will patrol the cross streets and control the traffic. Lt. Banasik ended his presentation by saying "We try to make it as low impact as possible. The General just likes to show/remind the community that the military is here as a good neighbor in times of community need in the District."

**Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Mahmud seconded a motion to send a letter of support for the Land Component Commander's Race on September 13, 2014 to the Emergency Management Task Force. The motion passed unanimously, 6-0.

**4. Officers' Reports**

Chair

Mr. Alberti reported that there will be an election for ANC Commissioners in November 2014. For those interested in running, petitions are due the first week in August 2014.

He also announced that after a long period of dormancy, work was beginning on the C Street NE renewal project from Twenty-third (23<sup>rd</sup>) Street to Sixteenth (16<sup>th</sup>) Street NE.

Finally, he reported he had met with Jeffrey deWitt, the new Chief Financial Officer (CFO), who pointed out where there is a need for improvement, such as a more stable District Department of Transportation (DDOT) budget, so alley repair can be accomplished.



#### Treasurer's Report

Mr. Alberti presented the Treasurer's Report. He reported that the opening balance in the checking account was \$20,557.27 and the savings account balance was \$13,718.72. There was a deposit of \$0.23 to the savings account. There were disbursements of \$121.00 to FedEx Office for May expenses (Check #1653); \$252.00 to the DC Treasurer for security for June and July ANC meetings (Check #16540); \$200.00 to Irene Dworakowski for the June 2014 agenda package (Check #1655); \$180.00 to Roberta Weiner for transcription of the June 2014 ANC minutes (Check #1656); \$191.43 to the Maury School PTA for a grant (Check #167); \$248.00 to FedEx Office for June expenses (Check #1658); \$157.16 to Jay Williams for reimbursement of travel expenses (Check #1659); and \$920.64 to Eliot Hine Middle School for a grant (Check #1659), leaving a balance of \$18,286.80 in the checking account, and \$13,718.95 in the savings account.

**Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Mahmud seconded a motion to accept the disbursements. The motion passed 5-0-1, with Mrs. Phillips-Gilbert abstaining.

**Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Williams seconded a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion passed 5-0-1, with Mrs. Phillips-Gilbert abstaining.

#### Quarterly Report

Mr. Alberti presented the Quarterly Report for the Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Quarter of FY 14 saying he had circulated the supporting documents prior to the meeting and asking if there were any questions.

**Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Chris Ward seconded a motion to accept the Quarterly Report for the Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Quarter of FY 14. The motion passed 5-0-1, with Mrs. Phillips-Gilbert abstaining.

### **5. Committee Reports**

#### **Economic Development and Zoning**

The report of the Committee was accepted without objection.

#### 1425 North Carolina Avenue NE

A request for support was submitted for a Bureau of Zoning Authority (BZA) application for special exceptions from the lot occupancy and rear yard setback requirements, as well as for additions to the buildings that exceed permitted lot occupancy in connection with the construction of a rear deck; and in support of a variance from the definition of "yard" which prohibits any structure occupying more than 50% of a yard, in the event the Zoning Administrator and BZA deem that requirement applicable to a structure below four (4) feet in height. The applicant, Janet Katowitz, and her attorney, Marty Sullivan, were present at the meeting.

**Motion:** The Committee moved/Mr. Hysell seconded a motion to support the BZA application for variances and a possible special exception for 1425 North Carolina Avenue NE. The motion passed, 5-1-1, with Mr. Alberti opposed and Mr. Calvin Ward abstaining.

#### R.L. Christian Library Site

Mr. Hysell reported on the status of construction plans for the site of the R.L. Christian Library. He said that the developer for the site, Arise Development, had been selected, but that they are unable to follow through on one proposed element of the plans. Due to groundwater problems they will be unable to build below ground parking. Otherwise, the design will be the same.



### **Community Outreach**

The report of the Committee was accepted without objection.

Ms. Nelson asked for a postponement of discussion of a proposed motion to approve a grant to Miner Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) because a representative of the organization was not present.

### **Alcohol Beverage Licensing**

The report of the Committee was accepted without objection.

#### Smith Commons - 1245 H Street NE

The owner of Smith Commons and his attorney were present at the meeting. They said they were unaware that, when they acquired their license from the previous owners, the license did not have a summer garden endorsement. The owner stated that they were willing to abide by the ANC's limitations because they were anxious to be good neighbors. Because of that, they willingly agreed to the elimination of §3(d) of the Settlement Agreement, which allows for later hours beyond 11:00 pm on weekdays and 12:00 am on weekends after a three-month period with no complaints, and keep the listed hours.

**Motion:** The Committee moved/Mr. Chris Ward seconded a motion that the ANC amend its Settlement Agreement with Smith Commons, 1245 H Street NE, striking §3(d). The motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

#### The Pursuit - 1421 H Street NE

**Motion:** The Committee moved/Mr. Williams seconded a motion to formally protest the CR license for The Pursuit, 1421 H Street NE, unless The Pursuit agrees to amend its Settlement Agreement to strike §3(d). Jay Williams is authorized to represent ANC 6A in this matter. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

## **6. Single Member District (SMD) Reports**

Mr. Calvin Ward (ANC6A08) thanked people for helping to make his block party a success. He also announced his intention to run for Commissioner of his district again.

Ms. Phillips-Gilbert (ANC6A07) announced that Pilgrim AME Church, 612 Rosedale Street and Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) Street NE has a summer program that runs through August 6, 2014. The registration fee is \$25.00. The church is also a site for children to have free breakfast and lunch. She also reported that she provided free tickets to the Rosedale community to attend the DC Capital Fair at RFK Stadium from June 27 through July 6, 2014. Finally, she is working on noises surrounding the community, rat abatement and illegal dumping at Gibbs Elementary School grounds, a public space.

Mr. Williams (ANC6A05) announced that he is not running for re-election, but he hopes to remain as Chair of the ABL Committee.

Mr. Alberti (ANC6A04) acknowledged the importance of the work of the ANC's committees and thanked all of the ANC's Committee Chairs for their commitment to the ANC.

Mr. Chris Ward (ANC6A03) reported that he is working on two abandoned houses in his SMD.

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Mr. Hysell (ANC6A06) said he is working on the Rock and Roll Hotel Settlement Agreement negotiations. He thanked his colleagues, especially Mr. Williams, for their efforts to reach an agreement.

## 7. New Business

Naomi Mitchell, a representative of Councilmember Tommy Wells' staff, addressed the DC Water (WASA) project that is about to begin along Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) and Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) Streets NE. The concern is that the project will delay DDOT's plans to implement traffic calming measures along these two streets. Ms. Mitchell noted that ANC 6B has sent a letter to DC Water expressing their concerns about the delay the project has caused in the implementation of traffic calming measures.

**Motion:** Mr. Mahmud moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to write to WASA asking 1) why the ANC was not informed of the work; and 2) that WASA consider the urgency of safety concerns and accelerate the schedule of work along Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) and Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) Streets. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

## 8. Community Comments II

Naomi Mitchell of Councilmember Wells' office announced that legislation is being reviewed by the DC Council that would allow the creation of Conservation Districts, to address community concerns, including "pop-ups".

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A  
Community Presentations**







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July 18, 2014

LTC Tine Kopilchack  
JFHQ-DCJ3  
District of Columbia National Guard Armory  
2001 East Capitol Street, SE  
Washington, DC 20003

Dear Colonel Kopilchack,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on July 10, 2014, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A voted unanimously (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the September 13, 2014 National Guard Land Component Commander Run.

We understand that you will follow past practices and block intersections only for those brief periods needed for participants to safely pass. We have experienced no problems, and appreciate the smooth operation and minimal impact of past National Guard's Run.

On behalf of the Commission,

Nicholas Alberti,  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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# Commission Letters of September 11, 2014 Meeting



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Box 75115  
Washington, DC 20013



July 11, 2014

Mr. Clifford Moy  
Secretary of the Board of Zoning Adjustment  
Board of Zoning Adjustment  
441 4<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Suite 210  
Washington, DC 20001

Re: BZA Case No. 18798 (1425 North Carolina Avenue, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on July 10, 2014, our Commission voted 5-1-1 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request for a special exception from the lot occupancy requirement (§ 403.2), the rear-yard setback requirement (§ 404.1), and for additions to buildings that exceed permitted lot occupancy (§ 2001.3), and for a variance from the definition of "yard" (§ 199), which prohibits any structure occupying more than 50% of a yard, in the above referenced application. The applicant seeks the foregoing relief to permit the construction of a two-tiered deck at the rear of the existing rowhouse structure.

The Commission supports granting the requested special exception because the proposed deck will not unduly affect the light and air available to neighboring properties nor unduly compromise their privacy of use and enjoyment. The Commission supports granting the requested variance because strict application of the definition of "yard," to limit the deck to less than 50% of the rear yard would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties and hardship to the applicant. This is so because the area of the rear yard is limited and constructing a smaller deck would render the remainder of the rear yard unusable. Furthermore, granting the requested variance will not result in substantial detriment to the public good or substantially impair the intent, purpose, and integrity of the zoning plan.

Please be advised that Nicholas Alberti, Andrew Hysell, and Daniel Golden are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at [6A04@anc.dc.gov](mailto:6A04@anc.dc.gov).

On behalf of the Commission,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Nicholas Alberti'.

Nicholas Alberti,  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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ANC 6A Treasurer's Report  
July/August 2014

Period Covered 07/01/14 - 08/31/14

**Checking Account:**

|  |          |    |           |
|--|----------|----|-----------|
| Balance Forwarded                        |          | \$ | 18,286.80 |
| Receipts:                                |          |    |           |
| District Allotments:                     |          | \$ | 4,229.46  |
| Transfers from Saving Account            |          |    |           |
| Total Receipts                           |          | \$ | -         |
| Total Funds Available                    |          | \$ | 22,516.26 |
| Disbursements:                           |          |    |           |
| Roberta Weiner (June '14 Minutes)        | Ck #1661 | \$ | 180.00    |
| Irene Dworakowski (Agenda July 2014)     | Ck #1662 | \$ | 200.00    |
| DC Treasurer(Security Sept ANC Meetings) | Ck #1663 | \$ | 126.12    |
| Eliot-Hine MS PTO (Grant)                | Ck #1664 | \$ | 300.00    |
| FedEx Office (July 01, 2014 Invoice)     | Ck #1665 | \$ | 229.00    |
| Serve Your City (Grant)                  | Ck #1666 | \$ | 1,715.00  |
| Total Disbursements                      |          | \$ | 2,750.12  |



ANC 6A Treasurer's Report  
July/August 2014

PETTY CASH SUMMARY

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



**ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC)**  
**August 25, 2014 Minutes**  
**Maury Elementary School (ES), 1250 Constitution Avenue NE**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

Committee members present: Elizabeth Nelson (Chair), Jean Kohanek, Maurice Cook, Roni Hollmon, Pat Joseph, Gladys Mack, Shirley Worthy (quorum)

Committee members absent: Rose Williams, Louis Barbash

Commissioners present: Sondra Phillips-Gilbert, Nick Alberti

Community members present: Donny Kirsch, Maury ES PTA; Ashley Donald, P'Tones; Raphael Marshall, Director Sherwood Recreation Center

I. Agenda  
Adopted.

II. Mr. Cook recused himself from all discussion and did not participate in any votes because a grant application from his organization, Serve Your City, was under consideration by the Committee. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert asked Ms. Nelson if she would recuse herself because she volunteers at Maury Elementary School (ES). Ms. Nelson declined; she volunteers with several civic organizations and serving as a volunteer does not disqualify her.

III. Ms. Worthy inquired as to the status of a grant request from a cheerleading group based at the Rosedale Recreation Center. She expressed her disappointment that the application would not be considered. Ms. Nelson reported that they submitted a grant application on August 21, 2014, long after the filing deadline (August 11, 2014) for the current funding cycle. Applications must be submitted far enough in advance that the Committee members can exercise "due diligence" in evaluating them, prior to making a recommendation. Ms. Nelson has offered to help the Rosedale Tiger Cheerleaders navigate the application process in a future grant cycle, as she does for all new grant applicants. Ms. Worthy also said that she did not think that the grant application should require that an Employer Identification Number (EIN) (IRS tax id) be provided. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert registered a similar concern. Ms. Nelson explained that compliance with IRS code requires that charitable organizations must apply for an EIN if their annual receipts are in excess of \$5,000.00. Organizations with receipts less than \$5,000.00 (who are therefore not required to have an EIN) can submit a bank statement with their grant application instead of providing an EIN. This is noted on the grant application form. Ms. Hollmon said she had experience with applying for an EIN and would be glad to share information with the organization.

IV. Applications from Maury ES Parent Teacher Association (PTA), Serve Your City and P'Tones: There was some question as to whether all three of the grant applications met all of the guidelines. So, the Committee members first voted on whether each application should be considered. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert and Ms. Mack objected to this but it was deemed a reasonable way to proceed by a majority of the Committee members. The Maury ES PTA application was selected for consideration (5-2-0) - Joseph, Nelson, Kohanek, Hollmon, Worthy in favor; Mack and Phillips-Gilbert opposed. The Serve Your City application was selected for consideration (4-3-0) - Joseph, Nelson, Kohanek, Hollmon in favor; Worthy, Phillips-Gilbert, Mack opposed. The application from P'Tones was not selected for consideration (3-4-0) - Worthy, Mack and Phillips-Gilbert in favor; Joseph, Nelson,



Kohanek, Hollmon opposed. Reasons given for not supporting consideration of the P'Tones grant included that it did not meet the guidelines, not having a statement of benefit to ANC 6A (District statute specifies that the primary benefit must be to the ANC funding the grant) or a complete budget section (the total amount requested exceeds the sum of the itemized costs listed) and did not indicate what other sources of funding were available (the amount requested exceeds the entire grants budget).

The organization is registered to operate in the District but is not locally based. Ms. Hollmon pointed out that the headquarters is in New Jersey (according to the IRS website) and they operate centers in several cities; anything purchased with ANC funds could easily be moved elsewhere and the ANC would have no recourse. This is not a serious risk with locally based organizations that do not have facilities elsewhere.

Ms. Nelson explained that she had spent a great deal of time coaching the P'Tones through their initial request for funds and that application was complete and had been approved by the Commissioners (it is posted on the ANC website). However, the ANC had been forced to withdraw the grant at their September 2012 meeting when it was discovered that P'Tones was attempting to use the funds to pay for equipment for their New Jersey site. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert asked if there was any documentation to support this. Ms. Nelson responded that the matter was discussed at the September 2012 ANC meeting and is reflected in the minutes posted on the ANC website. [please see excerpts from these minutes, included at the end of this document] The Chair at the time, David Holmes, sent an email to P'Tones documenting his concerns on July 27, 2012; the commissioners, including Ms. Mack, were included in the cc list.

Ms. Nelson went on to say that, although it seemed clear to her that the current application was incomplete, she did not think it appropriate for her to make a unilateral decision. So, the matter was brought before the Committee so the members could decide at the meeting whether to consider the application.

1. Mr. Kirsch presented the grant application from Maury ES PTA for \$1,000.00 for technological items, math games and other enhancement materials for the new Math Resource Room (see grant application for details). The requested materials will enable the Maury PTA to enhance the learning environment for children throughout the range of proficiency. While the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) has hired a new Math Resource Teacher, funding is not available for the "extras" that will allow the school to leverage this asset. The items requested will also be used to enhance the recess and after-school experiences of the students.
  - a. Ms. Worthy observed that she thought the Maury PTA grant was a good idea.
  - b. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert asked if the LSAT (school advisory board) had requested a Math Resource teacher and why they would make such a request if they didn't have money in their budget to purchase supplies. Mr. Kirsch responded that he was not a member of the LSAT and that staffing decisions are made by the principal. So, he didn't know the particulars of how the school developed the current budget, but that the PTA was trying to find funding for equipment that DCPS cannot provide. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert asked if Mr. Kirsch had approached other organizations prior to applying to the ANC for funding. He said he had contacted the ANC first, but that the PTA will reach out to other grant-making organizations as listed in the grant application.
  - c. Ms. Kohanek asked if there was a dedicated space for the items requested and if they could be secured. Mr. Kirsch replied that there was a designated Math Resource Room and that items would be secured there.



- d. Ms. Joseph asked the ages of the children who would use the materials. Mr. Kirsch replied that it would serve the entire school population from Pre-K-3 through Fifth Grade.
  - e. Ms. Mack asked “what was the budget to have a Math Resource Teacher”. Mr. Kirsch did not know as he is not on the LSAT and is not privy to salary information. Ms. Kohanek noted that it was not the job of the Committee to assess the school’s budget; the PTA had submitted a complete grant application that met the guidelines; and the Committee had often recommended approval for similar projects in the past.
2. Mr. Cook presented the grant application from Serve Your City (SYC) for \$3,384.50 for equipment and uniforms in support of their rowing, aquatics and tennis programs (see grant application for details). Rowing, Aquatics, and Tennis are sports that are generally too expensive for low-income, disadvantaged students to participate due to the high costs of equipment, supplies, and training. The SYC program makes these activities available to youth who would not otherwise be able to participate.
- a. Ms. Joseph noted that Mr. Cook had made extensive efforts to reach out to many different community groups to recruit youth to participate in SYC activities.
  - b. Ms. Hollmon asked when the programs would begin at Eliot-Hine Middle School (MS). Mr. Cook replied that they would begin on October 1, 2014. They have four rooms available for tutoring (for which they are not seeking financial support) and indoor space for tennis this winter.
  - c. Ms. Worthy asked how many children and volunteers participated in the summer programming. There were 38-42 youth plus 14 volunteers. Some volunteers are college students but some are young local residents. Many of the children had parents who participated as well - a good family strengthening experience. In response to a specific follow up questions - rowing had 17 youth participants.
  - d. Ms. Worth also asked if Mr. Cook had reached out to the Rosedale community; Mr. Cook has been in contact with Mr. B. Williams (at the Recreation Center) and is planning an information session for youth at the Center.
  - e. Ms. Hollmon noted that she had seen the flyers posted at Eliot-Hine MS.
  - f. Ms. Mack expressed concern that SYC had received grant money in the recent past. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert also expressed this concern. Mr. Cook said that SYC requests funding from many organizations, including ANC 6A and that the money is used to provide programs that are unique and serve youth that would not otherwise have access to these activities. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert asked if the funds allocated to the 2013 SYC grant application had been spent and learned that they had been. She also asked if there were children already enrolled. Mr. Cook replied that recruitment enrollment was still underway but that he had 20 registered already for the fall program.
  - g. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert expressed concern that the aquatic activities might not benefit residents in ANC 6A because they would take place at the Deanwood Pool in Ward 7. Mr. Cook said that the he would have preferred to use the Rumsey Center near Eastern Market but that it is so heavily used that he couldn’t book the time. Ms. Kohanek asked if SYC was recruiting at Deanwood Pool; Mr. Cook stated that they were not recruiting there, but simply using the space. Participants will be residents of ANC 6A and SYC is providing bus tokens to facilitate transportation. SYC will be running after school programs at both Eliot-Hine MS and Eastern Senior High School (SHS) and those will be the primary recruitment sites.

**Committee Reports**  
**Community Outreach Committee (COC)**



3. Ms. Nelson noted that the balance in the FY 2013-2014 grants budget is \$2,533.00. The total amount requested exceeds that amount. The Committee voted on which of the grant applications should be considered for full or partial funding, to be followed by a discussion of apportionment. The Maury ES PTA grant was recommended for consideration (5-2-0) - Joseph, Nelson, Kohanek, Hollmon, Worthy in favor; Mack and Phillips-Gilbert opposed. The SYC grant was recommended for consideration (4-2-1) - Joseph, Nelson, Kohanek, Hollmon in favor; Worthy and Phillips-Gilbert opposed; Mack abstaining. The Committee discussed priorities within each grant application with the applicants.
  - a. Ms. Mack moved that the COC recommend that ANC 6A approve \$1,000.00 in support of the Maury PTA request and \$1,533.00 in support of the Serve Your City request. There was no second.
4. Ms. Nelson moved (seconded by Ms. Worthy) that:  
**The COC recommends that ANC 6A approve \$733 in support of the Maury ES PTA request for items to enhance the Math Resource room and \$1,760 in support of the aquatics component of the SYC grant request.** The measure passed unanimously, 6-0-0. (Ms. Phillips-Gilbert had left the room and did not vote.)
5. Ms. Worthy and Ms. Phillips-Gilbert expressed concern that applications are received from many of the same organizations and asked what outreach had been done. Ms. Nelson said that the availability of grants had been posted to the website and published in the Hill Rag and Buzz newsletter. She had personally contacted the PTAs for the schools serving ANC 6A children plus the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Friends of Sherwood Recreation Center, etc. It is to be expected that we will see many of the same applicants because the primary benefits of the grants have to be to ANC 6A, which is a very small area. Ms. Nelson said that she would welcome assistance with outreach to qualified organizations. Ms. Joseph said she would do what she could to publicize the availability of grants and suggested that Ms. Worthy assist also, which she agreed to do.
- V. Ms. Nelson noted that, since there will not be a new fiscal year budget until October or November, there would be no grant applications to consider at the September meeting. The Committee will use that opportunity to consider possible adjustments to the ANC 6A grants guidelines.
- VI. Confirmation of next meeting date.  
**The next meeting will be held Monday, September 15, 2014 at 7:00 pm at Maury ES, 1250 Constitution Ave NE (enter from 200 block of 13<sup>th</sup> Street).**
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

**Excerpts from minutes, September 2012 meeting of ANC 6A**

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

P'Tones Grant (Officers Reports, Chair)



**Committee Reports**  
**Community Outreach Committee (COC)**



Last month the ANC approved a grant to P'Tones, to purchase equipment and software for a program teaching recording techniques to young people at Sherwood Rec Center.

Mr. Holmes read from the Commission's by-laws: *(IV 9b) The Commission may approve grants to organizations that are public in nature and benefit persons who reside within the Commission area*

*And*

*(h) the grant recipient shall forward to the Commission a statement as to the use of the funds consistent with the grant application, complete with receipts which support the expenditures.*

He said it had become apparent that the P'Tones grant was at risk of being used to purchase equipment and/or software for conveyance to sites outside the 6A area. Therefore, he said, he stopped the issuance of the check funding this grant and conveyed his concerns that all grants must be spent for the direct benefit of, and use in, ANC 6A. He said he had yet to receive communication that the funds, if transmitted, will be spent solely for the facility in the Sherwood Rec Center. He said the matter would come up for a vote later in the meeting.

P'Tones (under New Business)

**Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Dr. Ronneberg seconded a motion to withdraw the grant to P'Tones awarded in July. Mr. Holmes said that it is a worthwhile program, but the grant is to be implemented outside the ANC 6A boundaries. The motion passed without objection.



**Advisory  
Grant**



**Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A  
Request Application Form**

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| <b>1. DATE OF APPLICATION</b><br>05/12/2014   | <b>2. DATE OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY</b><br>2014-2015 School Year |
| <b>3. APPLICANT ORGANIZATION NAME AND ADDRESS</b><br>Myrtilla Miner Elementary PTO<br>601 15 <sup>th</sup> Street NE Washington, D.C. 20002   | <b>4. EIN (TAX ID NUMBER)++</b><br>46-5630964                  |
| <b>5. CONTACT NAME</b><br>Arthur Yarbrough  | <b>6. TITLE</b><br>PTO Co-President                            |
| <b>7. ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)</b><br><br>   |  |
| <b>8. TELEPHONE</b><br>(202) 397-3960   | <b>8. FAX</b><br>(202) 724-4957                                |
| <b>10. E-MAIL ADDRESS</b><br><a href="mailto:Calotta.brown@dc.gov">Calotta.brown@dc.gov</a> , <a href="mailto:artyarbro@hotmail.com">artyarbro@hotmail.com</a> (PTO)  |  |
| <b>11. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT/ACTIVITY</b><br>Purchase of athletic equipment that can be used to enhance students' learning experience within the classroom during various sports units and during recess.   |  |
| <b>12. PROJECTED TOTAL COST</b><br>\$350.00   | <b>13. AMOUNT REQUESTED</b><br>\$300.00                        |
| <b>14. OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING (BE SPECIFIC, PROVIDE NAMES)</b><br>None  |  |
| <b>15. STATEMENT OF BENEFIT (DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY, WHO WILL BENEFIT AND IN WHAT WAY)</b><br>Physical Education is a growing necessity for all schools; however, our school is lacking some additional resources for Health and PE. Not having these resources makes the ability to properly teach a unit more difficult, thus not allowing our students to reach their full potential while playing certain sports. If granted with the opportunity to purchase more athletic equipment it will give students tremendous aid in providing a more hands-on approach for learning and would help teachers by enhancing their unit/lesson plans to create a more valuable learning environment. Additionally, these items will be used to enhance the recess experience and encourage students to be more active during this time. Miner ES is located in ANC 6A; its in-boundary area is largely within ANC 6A; consequently a large percentage of students are residents of ANC 6A. |  |



ANC 6A Grant Request  
Miner Elementary School PTO  
Funds for Athletic/Recess Equipment

**Project Description:**

The Miner Elementary School PTO would like to request \$300.00 to fund the purchase of athletic equipment to be used during all physical education classes to give students a better hands-on approach when learning various sports units. Having additional sports equipment will also improve the quality of our recess activities, encouraging students to use this time in more productive ways, encouraging them to be more active and engage with each other in more constructive ways. This equipment is outside the scope of what DCPS will provide. Other funding is not available.

**Background:**

Every student at Miner Elementary School from pre-school to fifth grade is required to take physical education. But we would like to teach sports that require equipment that we currently do not have or do not have enough of making it difficult to completely teach the lesson/unit. For example, the students will have a unit on Badminton but we do not have enough shuttlecocks for students to practice with nor do we have a Badminton net to learn how to play an official Badminton match/game. Although it forces the teacher to become more creative with the lesson and have students work together collaboratively, it is still very imperative that students are able to work independently especially for the individual sports versus the team sports. More athletic equipment will enhance the learning experience and allow students to reach their maximum potential in sports and result in more advanced lesson plans from teachers.

**Budget:**

If awarded, the grant money will be used to purchase items such as:

|                                     |                |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| • Dual use Badminton and Tennis net | \$100.00       |
| • Tug of War Rope                   | \$76.00        |
| • Foam Noodles                      | \$72.00        |
| • Dodge Balls                       | \$70.00        |
| • Kick Balls                        | \$20.00        |
| • Double Dutch Ropes                | <u>\$12.00</u> |
|                                     | \$350.00       |



## Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Request Application Form

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| <b>1. DATE OF APPLICATION</b><br>08 / 8 / 2014  | <b>2. DATE OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY</b><br>09 / 15 / 2014 |
| <b>3. APPLICANT ORGANIZATION NAME AND ADDRESS</b><br>Maury PTA<br>1250 Constitution Ave. NE, Washington, DC 20002   | <b>4. EIN (TAX ID NUMBER)++</b><br>27-0404305           |
| <b>5. CONTACT NAME</b><br>Donny Kirsch  | <b>6. TITLE</b><br>Grants Committee Chair               |
| <b>7. ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)</b><br>   |   |
| <b>8. TELEPHONE</b><br>( 202 ) 905 - 1164   | <b>8. FAX</b><br>( ) -                                  |
| <b>10. E-MAIL ADDRESS</b><br>Donny.kirsch@gmail.com   |   |
| <b>11. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT/ACTIVITY</b><br>Funds will be used to provide technological items, math games, and other enhancement materials for Maury Elementary School's new Math Resource room.   |   |
| <b>12. PROJECTED TOTAL COST</b><br>\$ 978.00  | <b>13. AMOUNT REQUESTED</b><br>\$1000.00                |
| <b>14. OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING (BE SPECIFIC, PROVIDE NAMES)</b><br>If necessary, additional funds will be sought from the Maury PTA general fund and from the Capitol Hill Community Foundation.   |   |
| <b>15. STATEMENT OF BENEFIT (DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY, WHO WILL BENEFIT AND IN WHAT WAY)</b><br>Maury ES is located within ANC 6A, is in-boundaries for much of ANC 6A and most of the children who attend live in ANC 6A. Math proficiency is essential to a successful adult life. Recognizing this, DCPS has hired a new Math Resource teacher for Maury, and the school has outfitted a room for this purpose; however, no funds have been provided for supporting this instructor's activities. The requested materials will enable the Maury PTA to enhance the learning environment for children throughout the range of proficiency, engaging those who are lagging behind, exciting those who are on grade-level and challenging those children who are ready for higher-level work. All materials will be secured in the Math Resource room when not in use. |   |



### Area Neighborhood Commission 6A Grant Request

The Maury Elementary School PTA is requesting funds of \$1000.00 to purchase technological devices, games, and other supplementary learning materials to outfit our brand new Math Resource room and support the efforts of our first Math Resource instructor, Shanna Williams-Carr. While DCPS funds cover the cost of the teacher’s salary and a basic math curriculum, the requested materials are outside the scope of what DCPS will provide. The PTA hopes to provide these materials to enhance the learning experience of our students.

The technological items we are seeking are a flatbed scanner and a LCD projector. These items will allow Ms. Williams-Carr to scan individual and group projects and project them on the wall for all to see. Ms. Williams-Carr will also be able to project problems on the wall for students to solve on a collaborative basis.

The second group of items for which we are requesting funding includes games and other products that are designed to enhance the classroom learning experience by providing hands on learning experiences and opportunities to visualize and contextualize a range of mathematical concepts. Materials will be purchased that will address the full range of students attending Maury.

It is our expectation that a well-stocked Math Resource room and a capable Math Resource instructor will serve our other instructors and students in many areas. The Resource Instructor can introduce the teachers to materials for classroom use during times such as indoor recess or when students have completed assignments early. Outside of classroom time, the resource room can provide enhancement materials for students at all learning levels, from beginning through advanced. In addition, just as our art teacher and librarian provide recess options for our students, it is expected that the Math Resource room will similarly provide a recess option for our students.

### Maury Elementary School

Maury Elementary School is a traditional public school located in the heart of ANC6A, with a student body of 360, the majority of whom reside in ANC6A. A small and diverse community-based school, Maury Elementary School offers students a personalized learning environment. Through work and in play, students discover their potential, embracing diversity and benefitting from strong relationships with staff, parents, and volunteers. Maury is committed to providing inquiry based learning experiences, arts enrichment, and academic programs that enhance students’ growth and development, inspiring a passion for learning and self-empowerment and promoting high achievement.

**Our Mission:** Maury Elementary School offers a nurturing environment to its community of involved learners, fostering creativity, cultivating curiosity, and forming lasting connections to develop self-empowered citizens.

**Our Values:** We believe that each child has an inherent right to an education. It is our intent that he or she will develop his or her maximum capabilities, regardless of sex, ethnic, economic, social or religious background.

**Committee Reports**  
**Community Outreach Committee (COC)**



At Maury, we believe that each child has the ability to learn, regardless of his or her rate of learning. Therefore, we pledge ourselves to meeting the challenge by providing a comprehensive educational program in an atmosphere that is open and responsive to the needs of our pupils.

We believe in an inquiry-based environment where students must use critical and analytical thinking. We believe that hands-on learning in various settings is a crucial part of learning. Our caring staff attends to each student’s learning style to help him or her succeed.

**Our PTA:** Community is at the core of Maury Elementary School, and this includes a role for our parents, our neighbors, area businesses, who along with the Maury staff, make up one of the most effective PTAs in our city, helping to ensure that no child is left behind. Throughout the year, the Maury PTA raises money through a series of fundraisers and grants to support a range of initiatives, including classroom aides, literacy programs, greening initiatives, technological equipment, etc. PTA members also serve as active volunteers, providing support both in the classroom and at school-wide events.

The Maury PTA is a 501(c)(3).

**ANC6A Grant Request Budget - Maury math enhancement materials**

Technology Items (these or similar):

|                                |              |                         |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Flatbed Scanner                | 1 x \$100.00 | \$100.00                |
| Epson V230 SVGA 3LCD Projector | 1 x \$360.00 | \$360.00                |
| Shipping and Handling 15%      |              | \$69.00                 |
| Technology total               |              | <b>\$529.00 approx.</b> |

Math Games and Other Enhancement Materials, items such as:

|                                |              |                 |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Math Marks the Spot            | 1 x \$36.00  | \$36.00         |
| Math Mat Challenge Game        | 1 x \$38.00  | \$38.00         |
| Jumbo Foam Dominoes            | 1x \$29.00   | \$29.00         |
| Spectrum 4” Rubber Dice        | 1 x \$35.00  | \$35.00         |
| Math Link Cubes                | 2 x \$13.00  | \$26.00         |
| MathDictionary Vocabulary Game | 1 x \$26.00  | \$26.00         |
| Other                          | 1 x \$200.00 | \$200.00        |
| Math Games Subtotal            |              | <b>\$390.00</b> |
| Shipping and Handling 15%      |              | \$59.00         |

Math Games Total **\$449.00 approx.**

Total Math Resource Room Projected Costs **\$978.00 approx.**

Total Grant Request **\$1000.00**

**Committee Reports**  
**Community Outreach Committee (COC)**



\*The math games cited here include items Ms. Williams-Carr has specifically requested for the Math Resource room. A line item for “other” has been created to offer flexibility based on availability of the items and opportunity to consult with Maury faculty. Finally, as this is a brand new space that is being created and the focus and the grant is math oriented, we have used our elementary school math skills and slightly rounded up our total request - as the individual prices are approximate.



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

1. DATE OF APPLICATION

JULY /29 /2014

2. DATE OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY

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3. APPLICANT ORGANIZATION NAME AND ADDRESS

Ptones Records INC  
Sharewood Recreation Center 640 10<sup>th</sup> Street NE DC 20002

4. EIN (TAX ID NUMBER)++

20-8444423

5. CONTACT NAME

Oren Rosenbaum

6. TITLE

CEO

7. ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)

Ashley Donald Ptones Records 5 Rhode Island Ave Suite # T2 Washington DC 20001

8. TELEPHONE

( 917 )420 - 5075

8. FAX

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10. E-MAIL ADDRESS

orosenbaum@gmail.com

11. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT/ACTIVITY

Looking to upgrade music production software to enhance the music quality and allow the teens to learn use the newest technology in the business. Items we are looking to purchase:

1.

With over 50 plugins from dynamics, equalization and reverb to pitch correction, spatial imaging and beyond, Diamond is a must-have to enhance the quality of music produced as well a learning tool to explore .

2. Komplete 9 Ultimate by Native Instruments \$999

3. Apple Master Computer

--  
Apple 21.5" iMac Desktop Computer

# APIM271T8640 ■ Mfr # MD093LL/A-- \$1299.

12. PROJECTED TOTAL COST

\$ \$3297

13. AMOUNT REQUESTED

\$\$3297

14. OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING (BE SPECIFIC, PROVIDE NAMES)





15. STATEMENT OF BENEFIT (DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY, WHO WILL BENEFIT AND IN WHAT WAY)

Keeping up with the music industry allows teens also to develop music in a professional level. Such a level prepares the participants that are looking into careers in the music industry help develop the appropriate skills but confidence to compete with others.

The Master computer is a must since Apple is the only Brand used in professional studios . It has the capacity and quality to handle such software but also will not crash while in use as it is often happens with the Dell current master computer that we use in the studio. Once a computer crashes the entire music that was developed is gone. It is critically important that finally we can offer the appropriate equipment. This investment will last for many years to come.

++ Organizations exempt under 501(c)(3) but not required to request a ruling from the IRS ruling (see excerpt from tax code below) may provide documentation demonstrating that they meet the criteria in lieu of providing an EIN.

Organizations Not Required to File Form 1023

Churches and organizations (other than private foundations) with annual gross receipts normally \$5,000 or less are not required to file Form 1023 and obtain recognition of tax exemption for contributors' contributions to them to be tax deductible. Although there is no requirement to do so, many churches and small organizations seek IRS recognition because recognition assures contributors that contributions are deductible. For more information, see [Publication 1828, Tax Guide for Churches and Religious Organizations](#), and [Public Charity - Exemption Application](#). To apply <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fl023.pdf>

- Grant applications should each consist of a single Word document including this application form, proposal (maximum of 2 pages), and itemized budget showing all projected expenses. Supporting documents such as financial statements, newspaper clippings, brochures, product descriptions, "screen shots", etc. may be included as embedded .pdfs.
- E-mail applications as attachments to [Elizabeth\\_knits@yahoo.com](mailto:Elizabeth_knits@yahoo.com) with "ANC6A grant application" in the subject line; e-mails without a subject line will not be opened. Organizations without internet access may deliver instead to: ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee, 1330 North Carolina Ave. NE 20002 – but only by prior arrangement.
- Grant requests must be reviewed by the Community Outreach Committee (COC) before submission to the ANC for consideration. The COC meets the third Monday of each month. The ANC meets the second Thursday. Funding will not be provided until and unless the ANC votes to approve it. For mini-grants (<=\$300), applications must be submitted at least a week prior to the monthly COC meeting at which they will be reviewed, 3 – 4 weeks before the ANC meeting at which funding approval is sought, usually 6 – 8 weeks prior to the project or activity date. Applications for larger grants (>\$300) will be considered at only the January and July/August COC meetings and subsequent ANC meetings in February and September. As with the smaller grants, applications must be received electronically, at least a week in advance of the COC meeting.
- Potential grant applicants are strongly encouraged to contact Elizabeth Nelson at (202) 543-3512 or above e-mail address to obtain advice on the application process prior to submitting an application. A review of successful grant applications (similar in purpose) posted to the website is also encouraged.

**Statutory Guidelines for Grant awards (as determined by the District of Columbia)**

- D.C. Code, Section 1-309.13(m), authorizes ANCs to award grants to organizations for public purposes.
- The Auditor encourages ANC's to adopt guidelines\*\* for the consideration and award of grants. A grant applicant must:
  - Submit a written grant application to the Commission;
  - Describe the proposed project for which the grant is requested'
  - State the expected public benefits; and
  - State the total cost of the project including other sources of funding.

**Committee Reports**  
**Community Outreach Committee (COC)**



**Advisory  
Grant**



**Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A  
Request Application Form**

**1. DATE OF APPLICATION** 08/06 /2014 **2. DATE OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY** 09/15/2014-06/12/2015

**3. APPLICANT ORGANIZATION NAME AND ADDRESS** Serve Your City (SYC) **4. EIN (TAX ID NUMBER)++** 80-0753615  
 633 14th Street NE #2 Washington, DC 20002

**5. CONTACT NAME** Maurice Cook **6. TITLE** Executive Director

**7. ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)**

**8. TELEPHONE** (202 ) 341 -1732 **8. FAX** ( ) -

**10. E-MAIL ADDRESS** mcook.serveyourcity@gmail.com

**11. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT/ACTIVITY**  
 Rowing/Tennis/Aquatics after-school program. Expose at-risk youth from ANC 6A schools and recreation centers to Rowing, Tennis, Swimming, Snorkeling, and Scuba diving.

**12. PROJECTED TOTAL COST** \$5,734 **13. AMOUNT REQUESTED** \$3,384.50

**14. OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING (BE SPECIFIC, PROVIDE NAMES)**  
 Capitol Hill Community Foundation, National Capitol Region Community Foundation  
 Office of the State Superintendent of Education, US Tennis Association, US Rowing Association

**15. STATEMENT OF BENEFIT (DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY, WHO WILL BENEFIT AND IN WHAT WAY)**  
 Rowing, Aquatics, and Tennis are sports that are generally too expensive for low-income, disadvantaged students to participate due to the high costs of equipment, supplies, and training. Economic exclusion has had a negative impact on the ethnic/racial makeup of tennis players, swimmers, and rowers. Also, it limits the level of exposure and engagement of low-income youth to sports that are widely recognized as intensive, physically demanding activities that require discipline and sustain life-long healthy fitness habits. SYC can address this issue by providing its College student members (volunteers) who are willing to support the training and mentorship of low-income youth recruited from ANC 6A schools and recreation centers. These facilities are all located within ANC 6A and cater to youth living in ANC 6A. Equipment will be secured at the activity sites (Eliot-Hine MS, Deanwood Pool, and the Anacostia Community Boathouse). ANC 6A youth participants will receive 3 hours per/week (15 weeks) of training sessions of Rowing at the Anacostia Boat House and the Capitol Hill Crossfit Gym where they will learn Rowing Fundamentals. Youth will also receive 3 hours per/week (20 weeks) of Tennis training at Eastern HS. Finally, youth will receive 3 hours per/week (20 weeks) of Aquatics training at Deanwood Pool. All of these activities will be facilitated by local area college students (SYC volunteers) who have been trained by certified instructors in each sport. Although some youth from outside ANC 6A will participate in the programs, the majority will be from ANC 6A and the funding requested in this grant application will be used to support the activities of ANC 6A youth.



**ANC 6A GRANT PROPOSAL**

Serve Your City (SYC) is a 501c3 non-profit organization with a mission to recruit volunteers (primarily from local DC region Community Colleges and Universities) to become directly involved in improving the educational and social outcomes of DC youth. In fulfilling this mission, for the past 3 years SYC has provided college student volunteers in Ward 6 schools at Maury ES, Amidon-Bowen ES, Eliot-Hine MS, and Eastern SHS. SYC has also created numerous events for youth who attend these schools to visit local Universities for educational and co-curricular programming. Furthermore, SYC has provided volunteers for neighborhood events that include the H Street Festival, Lemonade Day, and Ward 6 Family Day.

SYC's 2014-2015 after-school Rowing, Aquatics, and Tennis Camp will be part of the organization's Health/Wellness programming. The immediate goal is to provide structured, safe, outdoor activity that engages and exposes youth to these sports. The long-term goal is to create sustainable, collaborative athletic programming between schools.

Currently, SYC is completing its Summer Camp health/wellness programming of Rowing, Aquatics, and Tennis. Summer participants include students from ANC 6A schools Eliot-Hine MS and Eastern SHS. With financial support from ANC 6A, SYC will have the opportunity to expand this program by offering it during the 2014-2015 academic year.

Finally, SYC believes that financial support from ANC 6A can help us in our efforts to provide continuous programming, providing these young people an opportunity to enhance their Rowing, Aquatics, and Tennis skills over a longer period of time, influencing the long-term ethnic/racial makeup of these sports in our community, but most importantly, creating healthy exercise habits and positive, fun engagement with the Anacostia River.

Maurice L. Cook  
Executive Director, Serve Your City

**Budget**

**Rowing**

Uniforms (Short Sleeve and Long Sleeve Shirts)=\$50.00\*25 uniforms=\$1,250.00  
Total Cost=\$1,250.00

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**Aquatics, items such as:**

Keifer Wide Noodle (5)=\$33.45  
Keifer Water Noodle Standard (5)=\$24.75  
Keifer Equipment Caddy (1)=\$249.00  
Keifer Swimmers Front Snorkel (5)=\$129.75  
Keifer 5" Universal Pull Buoy (5)=\$42.25  
Keifer Glide Kickboard (5)=\$69.75  
Keifer 30" Water Swim Bar (5)=\$64.75  
Keifer Basic Dumbbells (2)=\$25.90  
Ultralight Snorkel Mouthpiece (10)=\$49.90  
Keifer Type III Life Vest-Youth (5)=\$134.75  
Keifer Type III Life Vest-Adult (5)=\$139.75  
Large First Aid Kit (1)=\$108.00  
Speedo Vanquisher 2.0 (20)=\$239.00  
Speedo Adventure Mask Snorkel Set (10)=\$229.50  
Sporti Floating Swim Fins (10)=\$179.50  
Emergency Solar Blanket (10)=\$39.50  
Total Cost=\$1759.50

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**Tennis, items such as:**

Junior Practice Net (1)=\$125  
19"-27" Rackets (10)=\$250  
Total Cost=\$375

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**Total Expense=\$3,384.50 (approx.)**

## Committee Reports

### Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



#### Alcoholic Beverage Licensing (ABL) Committee Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A August 19, 2014

Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee (“Committee”) of ANC6A was held commencing at 7:00 pm on August 19, 2014 at Sherwood Recreation Center, 640 Tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) Street NE, Washington, DC 20002.

**Committee Members Present:** Jay Williams (Chair), Michael Herman, and Christopher Seagle.

**Committee Members Absent:** David Oberting, Roger Caruth, and Adam Healy.

**Commissioners Present:** None.

**Community Members Present:** David Conn and Ashlee E. Lawal (Kitty’s Saloon), Jayne’ Price and Jermaine Matthews (Naomi’s Ladder), Wuipig Yap (H Street Main Street), Claude Labbe, Victor McKoy, Larry Janezich (Capitol Hill Corner), and David Holmes.

#### I. Call to Order

Chairman Jay Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting having been duly convened, was ready to proceed with business with a quorum. Mr. Williams reviewed the agenda and asked if there were any additions or edits. There were none.

#### II. Community Comment

None

#### III. Old Business

Mr. Williams reported that the ANC and surrounding community were continuing to work with Rock & Roll Hotel and H Street Country Club to develop a new settlement agreement that all parties could be comfortable with. He also noted that Vendetta’s request to terminate its settlement agreement was dismissed by the Board for failure to attend a required hearing.

#### IV. New Business

##### A. Discussion of CR license renewal for Kitty’s Saloon at 1208 H Street NE (ABRA # 088675) (note: f/k/a Souk, Settlement Agreement reached in 2010).

- Mr. David Conn and Ms. Ashlee E. Lawal presented their plans.
- The new establishment will focus on smaller plates with a western theme. The initial plan is to open in the evenings, but they hope to introduce brunch soon after opening.
- There is not an outdoor space for the establishment, but they are working with the landlord to take over the second floor and, if allowed, would convert space in the back of the building to outdoor seating, but that won’t happen for quite a while.
- When asked whether they were aware of the settlement agreement (SA) previously agreed to by Souk, Ms. Lawal stated that she was not. Mr. Williams stated he would forward it after the meeting.
- Mr. Williams asked if the owners would be willing to work with the ANC on the outdoor space to make sure that there are no disturbances to the community. Mr. Conn and Ms. Lawal both said they would.
- Mr. Holmes asked if they had identified a place to deposit trash that was not on public space, and Ms. Lawal said they had. They also confirmed that they had space to store used cooking oil.



- Mr. McKoy asked some questions about the planned menu, to which Mr. Conn responded.
- Mr. Williams explained that any request for outdoor space seating would be considered a substantial change to the license, because the license currently does not have an outdoor seating endorsement. Thus, the ANC would have an opportunity to address any outdoor seating concerns if and when such a request is made. Because of that, and the SA currently in place, Mr. Williams stated that he felt that the ANC does not need to take any action at this time.

Mr. Williams moved/Mr. Seagle seconded that ANC 6A take no action regarding the CR license renewal for Kitty's Saloon at 1208 H Street NE (ABRA # 088675) (f/k/a Souk). Motion carried 3-0.

**B. Discussion of CR license renewal for Ocopa at 1324 H Street NE (ABRA # 088102) (note: f/k/a Chicken Tortilla, Settlement Agreement reached in 2012).**

- Mr. Williams noted that, although nobody had responded to his invitation to attend the meeting, Ocopa's situation was similar to Kitty's Saloon. The current license has a settlement agreement and does not have an endorsement for outdoor seating. Thus, he felt that no action on the part of the ANC was needed at this time.

Mr. Williams moved/Mr. Herman seconded that ANC 6A take no action regarding the CR license renewal for Ocopa at 1324 H Street NE (ABRA # 088102) (f/k/a Chicken Tortilla). Motion carried 3-0.

**C. Discussion of request by ANC 6A establishments for limited exemptions for certain provisions of their Settlement Agreements during H Street Festival.**

- Mr. Williams noted that he had received a request from Jason Martin (Rock N Roll Hotel, Dangerously Delicious Pies, Chupacabra) that the ANC take up requests similar to those made last year by H Street establishments regarding limited exemptions to their settlement agreements for the duration of the Festival.
- Mr. Williams noted that nobody was present to make such a request, so there was nothing for the Committee to discuss or recommend.

**D. Presentation by new owner of 1123 H Street NE (formerly XII Restaurant and Lounge) regarding license transfer and future plans.**

- Ms. Jayne' Price and Mr. Jermaine Matthews presented on behalf of the owners.
- Ms. Price stated that the new owner of the space that was known as XII is Naomi's Ladder, LLC.
- The plan is for the establishment to serve as a training facility. During the day, it would be similar to culinary centers elsewhere, offering training for management, bartending, serving, etc.
- The establishment would also provide a restaurant space with a bar with music and dancing.
- The owners also plan to obtain a catering license.
- The location will be attached to a non-profit, and they hope to provide food to area senior centers, daycares, etc.
- The owners are planning to have the rooftop space have a garden feel.

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- Overall, they hope for an “entertainment complex” to allow for live music similar to what HR-57 provided on H Street.
- For culinary arts training, the owners are currently working with the Office of State Superintendent of Education to get a training license hopefully by January.
- When asked who the members of the LLC are, Ms. Price stated that Ms. Wanda James is one of the partners, but she is not sure who else.
- Mr. Williams stated that many in the community were interested in this space and what was planned because of the negative history with XII. He said most of the concerns are centered on noise, particularly from the roof deck. He asked the representatives to clarify their plans for the rooftop. Mr. Matthews and Ms. Price stated that they hoped to enclose the rooftop and use it for a bar and entertainment.
- Mr. Seagle noted that he believed the current settlement agreement prohibits music on the rooftop. Mr. Williams reviewed the document and confirmed, but stated that background music is allowed. Ms. Price and Mr. Matthews said there were no plans for music on the rooftop.
- Mr. Seagle and Mr. Herman recounted that the neighborhood had repeated issues with XII because many windows on the second floor were cracked, causing loud music to be heard inside neighboring houses, and XII never undertook efforts to repair them. Mr. Matthews and Ms. Price stated they would consider ways to ensure that noise did not get out of the building.
- Mr. Matthews confirmed that the owners were planning to offer a full menu, but hoped to keep the CT license (as opposed to a CR license).
- Mr. McKoy asked for more details regarding the establishment’s business plan. They noted that it would have an educational and retail purpose, but that it would first and foremost be a restaurant and bar.
- Mr. Seagle asked if there were any pending federal grants for the educational portion of the plan, and Ms. Price said there were not, but they hoped to obtain Department of Labor grants in the future; they were planning to be a non-degree certified program licensed through the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE).
- Mr. Labbe asked whom the owners hoped to have as their client students. Ms. Price stated that it would be adult DC residents and people from the surrounding areas.
- Mr. Matthews and Ms. Price stated that their first priority was to open the establishment (bar/restaurant) and then move to the education aspect of the business plan.
- Mr. McKoy asked what percentage of revenue they expected to come from education. Ms. Price stated 35-40 percent.
- Mr. Labbe asked about plans for the second floor, where he noted many noise complaints originated from. Ms. Price clarified that the entire facility would be used for dining and entertainment.
- Mr. Labbe asked why the owner did not attend the Committee meeting herself, and Mr. Matthews stated that she had a previous engagement, but they wanted to get on the Committee agenda as soon as possible. Mr. Williams noted that due to the timeline with the former XII license and the ANC’s pending protest, there would be additional opportunities for the ANC to hear from the owner.
- Mr. Matthews stated that he works with a contractor who does his own sound testing and soundproofing, and they will work to make sure that noise issues are minimized.
- Mr. Labbe asked if this was the owner’s first business venture. Ms. Price said that this was the first venture of this type. She currently runs a nonprofit, but wants to work

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- hard to establish a successful school and business. Ms. Price also reported that the owner attended new licensee training at ABRA.
- Mr. McKoy stated that he hoped the owner would answer the following questions in the future: (1) Percentage of revenue from food vs. alcohol; (2) The training curriculum (Ms. Price stated that they were working on one currently that would be run by an advisory board of current business owners); and (3) Details of the establishment's security plan (Mr. Matthews stated that one would be submitted).
  - Mr. Holmes stated that he welcomed the new owners to the neighborhood and was looking forward to seeing their business. He asked who owns the building. Mr. Matthews stated that he did not have that information at the moment, but he did not believe it was Mr. Bernard Gibson.
  - Mr. Holmes asked if Mr. Gibson was involved in any way with the new venture, including as an officer, manager, or stockholder. Mr. Matthews said that he was not, and that nobody affiliated with Mr. Gibson financially was involved.
  - Mr. Holmes asked if they planned to utilize promoters. Mr. Matthews stated that if they did, they would work hand-in-hand with management, and promoters would never be allowed to run the establishment. He also stated that they would attempt to do self-promotion.
  - Mr. Holmes stated that most of the issues the neighborhood had focused on noise, and suggested that the owners look into sound barriers on the roof as well as in the windows on the second floor.
  - Mr. Matthews said that prior to opening, the owners would like to host a walkthrough with neighborhood representatives.
  - Mr. Williams stated that, at this time, there is nothing for the ANC to act on, because the owners were planning to submit a license transfer to the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA), which does not allow for public comment. However, he noted that if the license were transferred, the license's renewal would begin again because XII never completed a renewal. At that point, the ANC would be able to further discuss this license and work with the owners.
  - Mr. Williams thanked Ms. Price and Mr. Matthews for attending the meeting and stated he was looking forward to working with them.

#### V. Adjourn

The Committee adjourned at 8:05 pm.



ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting Minutes  
Maury Elementary School (1250 Constitution Avenue, NE)  
July 21, 2014

- I. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.
- II. Introductions  
Committee members in attendance were Commissioner J. Omar Mahmud (Co-Chair), Todd Sloves (Co-Chair), Delania Hardy, Andrea Adelman, and Lara Levison. Also in attendance were ANC 6A Chairman Nick Alberti, and community members Sarah Willis, Necothia Bowens, and Stacey Leavandosky.
- III. Community Comment  
None
- IV. New Business
  - A. Request by residents to install stop sign at Eleventh (11<sup>th</sup>) Street NE and F Street NE
    - i. At this corner, there is a relatively-new stop sign for F Street NE (east-west) but no stop sign on Eleventh (11<sup>th</sup>) Street NE (north-south). This is confusing and hazardous. Drivers speed up going south to catch the next signal light.
    - ii. ***Co-Chair Sloves offered a motion, seconded by Delania Hardy, to recommend that ANC 6A send a letter to District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to look into this intersection and indicating that the ANC would support changing it from a two-way stop to a four-way stop. The motion passed unanimously.***
  - B. Consideration of support for the renaming of Eleventh (11<sup>th</sup>) Street NE and Florida Avenue NE as "Ruby Whitfield Way"
    - i. Mr. Mahmud indicated his belief that the ANC had already taken up this matter and agreed to support the proposal, but that he would look into the ANC record to confirm. At any rate, the Committee decided to take up the matter just in case additional ANC action was necessary to support the proposal. Ms. Bowens, community member who brought this for a recommendation, indicated the ANC would be able to provide timely support either way if it sent a letter of support after the September ANC meeting.
    - ii. This proposal concerns the renaming of the 1100 block of Florida Avenue NE in front of New Samaritan Church, to Ruby Whitfield Way. Mayor Vincent Grey committed to this change early on after the tragic death of Ms. Whitfield in a hit and run accident. This is Commissioner Mahmud's single-member district, and he supports it as well. ANC 6A Chairman Alberti indicated he also supports the proposal. ANC 5D needs to send a letter as well.
    - iii. There is current legislation, put forward by the Mayor. Ms. Necothia Bowens indicated a desire to have it for the second year memorial in 2015.
    - iv. ***Co-Chair Sloves offered a motion, seconded by Commissioner Mahmud, to recommend that ANC 6A send a letter in support of legislation to name the 1100 block of Florida Avenue NE in honor of Ruby Whitfield. The motion passed unanimously.***



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### Transportation and Public Space (TPS)



#### V. Additional Community Comment

Stacey Leavandosky asked if there has been any response to the request for the Bikeshare station at Tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) and Maryland NE. There has not yet been a response. Commissioner Mahmud will follow up with Jim Sebastian at DDOT. Committee member Andrea Adelman suggested that we invite Mike Goodnow from DDOT to give us a bike infrastructure tour. Mr. Mahmud indicated that would be a great idea and asked Ms. Adelman to reach out to Mr. Goodnow to make the request.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.



**ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space (T&PS) Committee Meeting Minutes  
Maury Elementary School (1250 Constitution Avenue, NE)  
August 18, 2014**

- I. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.
- II. Introductions  
Committee members in attendance were Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) Commissioner J. Omar Mahmud (Co-Chair), Todd Sloves (Co-Chair), Jeff Fletcher and Andrea Adelman. Also in attendance were ANC 6A Chairman Nick Alberti, Commissioner Sondra Phillips-Gilbert, former Commissioners Gladys Ann Mack and Raphael Marshall, Gretchen Brandt (1000 block of H Street NE), Greg Nicklas (owner of 1380 H Street NE), Kim Tomadjoglou (1200 block of Linden Place), Anthony Green (resident of 1200 block of Wiley Street NE) and other community members.
- III. Community Comment
  - A. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert provided community comment about the District Department of Transportation's (DDOT) stalled redesign of Seventeenth (17th) Street NE and Nineteenth (19th) Street NE.
    - i. Commissioner Sondra Phillips-Gilbert stated that the ANC voted to support a letter at its July meeting to address the Seventeenth (17th) Street and Nineteenth (19th) Street redesigns. She said ANC Chairman Alberti and Commissioner Mahmud told her a letter would be drafted but has not received anything to look over. She asked if it will be ready for the ANC 6A September 2014 meeting, stating that ANC 6B has already done so.
    - ii. ANC Chairman Alberti responded saying he has reached out to DDOT by phone to get additional information concerning proposed utility work that is holding up the streetscape construction before drafting the letter, but that he has been unable to get a response, explaining that it is unclear as to whether the utility work holding up construction covers the entire stretch of Seventeenth (17th) Street and Nineteenth (19th) Street or just the southern halves in ANC 6B. He wants to clear that up so the ANC doesn't send a letter about something that isn't happening.
    - iii. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert reiterated her disappointment in not seeing a letter go out yet and stressed the importance of the project to her and her community. ANC Chairman Alberti promised to reach out to responsible city officials again and to have an update regarding the project by the time of the next ANC meeting in September 2014.
  - B. Private alley between 1000 blocks of G Street and H Streets NE, resident Gretchen Brandt.
    - i. Gretchen Brandt requested that support for signage to enlighten people that it is a private alley and not a public street be put on a future Committee agenda. It is private property but residents are receiving tickets from the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) and the Department of Public Works (DPW). Ms. Brandt said she had conversations with Lieutenant Cullen, who acknowledged that it is private property, but officers have not been informed and MPD and DPW are still issuing tickets.
    - ii. Co-Chair Mahmud said he would reach out to responsible officials at MPD and DPW to get this cleared up, and, if not cleared up satisfactorily, to put this matter on a future agenda.



IV. New Business

- A. Consideration of public space application for sidewalk café at 1380 H Street NE (14th Street side of the property).
- i. Greg Nicklas, owner of the property, presented plan designs for a sidewalk café and a proposal for moving a trash receptacle and bicycle rack from the area where sidewalk café would be located. He would like to use the space on the Fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) Street NE side for outdoor dining, and presented options to move the bike rack and trash receptacle along the curb in various locations either on Fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) Street side or H Street side.
  - ii. Co-Chair Mahmud asked who would assume the expense of the move. Mr. Nicklas responded that the city's reference is that the business pays to move it, but they would like to see if the city will pay. Mr. Mahmud said that in the past, the ANC's preference has been to have the business pay. Mr. Nicklas said they may look into a deferred repayment agreement with DDOT, and Mahmud indicated he would be fine with the ANC deferring to DDOT's decision on who bears the expense.
  - iii. Mr. Mahmud asked about their expected hours for the sidewalk café. Upon explanation of the hours stipulated in ANC 6A's standard voluntary agreement, Mr. Nicklas said that would be fine with him and the tenants. He also said there will be only food and drink service on the sidewalk café, no loud music.
  - iv. Mr. Mahmud asked what sort of materials would be used for serving, concerned about possible littering. Mr. Nicklas said everything would be plated (i.e., not using disposable plates and utensils).
  - v. Mr. Mahmud asked about the gate/fence enclosure for the space. Mr. Nicklas said they aren't sure about the options because of the sidewalk grates that exist. He asked if the ANC has preferred options, to which Mr. Mahmud responded his belief that the type is set by city regulation, but that the ANC has supported the other examples you currently see on H Street. Mr. Nicklas said they are considering black wrought iron that goes down to the ground, similar to that of other sidewalk cafes on H Street. Mr. Mahmud asked if the business could provide pictures and Mr. Nicklas agreed.
  - vi. Mr. Mahmud asked what the plan is for use of the space in terms of noise level. Mr. Nicklas said it is just for dining. No loud or amplified noise or music. There is a lot of noise from traffic on Fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) Street that they would want to block out from their customers, so they are looking into options.
  - vii. Mr. Mahmud asked Mr. Nicklas if tables and chairs are easily movable and will be moved to the side of the space and locked up when not in use. Mr. Nicklas agreed.
  - viii. Mr. Mahmud asked if they plan to install an awning over the space. Mr. Nicklas said not at this time but most likely in the near future. Mr. Mahmud informed Mr. Nicklas that DDOT will require a separate public space application for that.
  - ix. Mr. Nicklas asked if there was still discussion about expanding the Capitol Hill Historic District. T&PS Committee Co-Chair Mahmud and ANC Chairman Alberti indicated their belief is that the proposal is currently on hold, but, in any event, not imminent.
  - x. Mr. Mahmud asked about the size of the patio and the need for buffer space between the adjacent property, possibly the size of an alley (he estimated 8 feet, but indicated he would have to check what was approved for other similar proposals adjacent to other properties). Mr. Nicklas said that seemed like a lot of space and repeatedly asked if he could work out an agreement with the neighbors. Mr. Mahmud explained that could set an undesirable precedent and that the ANC wished to maintain a consistent approach along the H Street corridor in ANC 6A. ANC Chairman Alberti explained that the staging



area for dining or other operational aspects could be set up in that space, so it wouldn't be completely unused space. The business' current design takes into account the current location of a bike rack and trash receptacle, which, if moved, could allow for more sidewalk café space. This could make up for table space being removed to accommodate the buffer area. Mr. Nicklas also said he may have more space to expand right on the Fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) Street side, which could also add square footage. Mahmud indicated he would be fine with that as long as there is adequate room for the sidewalk and tree box per city regulations.

- xi. Mr. Mahmud asked about trash plans. Mr. Nicklas said the business plans to work out an agreement with a business across the street that would allow the restaurant to store enclosed trash dumpsters on that business' property. The dumpsters will be located in a legal area that is designed not to disturb residents. Mr. Nicklas said there is a dumpster currently in the location of the proposed sidewalk café that belongs to 1378 H Street NE and he is concerned about that business seeking a public space application to legally store the dumpster there. ANC Chairman Alberti and T&PS Co-Chair Mahmud both indicated they would never support a public space application for a business to store its trash dumpster on public space, and that they do not foresee the ANC supporting such a proposal. Mr. Nicklas indicated the business will seek out its removal and Mr. Mahmud indicated he would support that effort.
- xii. Mr. Mahmud said the issues discussed at the meeting should be resolved and re-heard at the September 2014 committee meeting (after the business has a chance to consider the issues and revise its plans). Mr. Mahmud indicated his experience that DDOT Public Space prefers businesses and ANCs to work out these operational issues prior to the public space hearing before DDOT. The business owners agreed to return to the September Committee meeting to address the issues discussed at this meeting.
- xiii. The following summarizes the issues discussed by the Committee and the business:
  - 1. The Committee/ANC would prefer that owners cover the expense of moving the bike rack and trashcan, but will defer to DDOT's decision on this if DDOT decides to cover the cost.
  - 2. Owners agreed to follow hours and terms of sidewalk cafe operation stipulated in ANC 6A's standard voluntary agreement, including closing at 11:00 pm Sunday through Thursday and 12:00 am Friday and Saturday. This also includes no music, only food and drink service.
  - 3. Owners said food will be plated, it will not be light-weight paper or plastic that is prone to litter the area.
  - 4. The Committee would like to see pictures of the gate they plan to use for the enclosure once they have chosen it, preferring fencing that contains trash in the sidewalk café area down to the ground.
  - 5. The Committee would like to hear more about plans for limiting noise carried beyond the enclosure.
  - 6. Owners agreed to move chairs and tables to the side and lock them up when not in use.
  - 7. The Committee would prefer a buffer area of about 8 feet at the northern end of the space so as to not have tables right next to the front yard of the adjacent property on Fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) Street NE. They could use that buffer area as space for quiet sidewalk café operations. Additionally, the current design accounts for the current location of the bike rack and trashcan. After removing the trashcan and bike rack as proposed, the tables currently at the northern end of the space in the buffer zone could move to this newly opened up space. Mr. Nicklas also mentioned the possibility



- of extending a few more feet to the right. The Committee would like to see an updated layout and dimensions to ensure this can be done within city guidelines for sidewalk width requirements.
8. The Committee would like to hear more about plans for trash removal when they have been developed.
- B. Request for information from Department of Public Works (DPW) concerning process for requesting public litter cans, including a specific request by residents to install litter cans at and around the intersection of Twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) and K Streets NE.
- i. Mr. Mahmud explained that there is increased pedestrian activity raising the need for trashcans in certain parts of ANC 6A. He has already put in requests with DPW but would like the ANC to do it formally.
  - ii. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert said she spoke to a liaison at DPW listed in a document that Former Commissioner David Holmes gave the ANC, as well as a liaison at the Department of General Services (DGS), in order to make a request.
  - iii. Mr. Mahmud said he will also contact DGS, but would still like a letter that outlines the process and guidelines for installation spots in the future.
  - iv. ***Co-Chair Mahmud moved to recommend that ANC 6A send a letter to DPW concerning the process and policies to request litter cans in the community as well as specifically the ones at Twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) and K Streets NE, seconded by Jeff Fletcher. The motion passed unanimously.***
- C. Request for District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to conduct assessment of traffic conditions and drainage/cleanliness (including additional signage) related to the alley between the 1200 block of Wiley Street NE and H Street NE and the alley just north of the 800 block of H Street NE.
- i. Mr. Mahmud said he would like DDOT to give the ANC and the Committee some options for dealing with these situations, including, but not limited to, signage saying it is illegal to block alley and any other options in DDOT's "toolbox" for dealing with alley issues. DDOT gave him contact information for people to raise these issues with, but he wants the ANC on record saying we asked for a solution for these locations given they extremely problematic. There are also concerns regarding the cleanliness and drainage of alleys in ANC 6A in general.
  - ii. Kim Tomadjoglou, resident of 1200 block of Linden Place, said the situation with alleys in the community is terrible and that her alley is currently completely blocked by construction. She said signage does not work. Restaurants do not clean up and there is no enforcement. The alleys in general behind the H Street businesses are in terrible condition. She encouraged the ANC to ensure the proper authorities come down on H Street businesses to maintain the rear alleys.
  - iii. Mr. Mahmud thanked her and agreed with the assessment. He said the ANC has gone back and forth countless times with H Street Connection in particular. He also indicated he would come take a look at the Linden Alley and ask DDOT to inspect any alley blockage he observes due to construction.
  - iv. Anthony Green said parking enforcement has done a better job on Wiley Street. The lack of cleanliness is despicable, though the Queen Vic Pub on H Street NE has done a very good job. He said businesses need to be held accountable. He advocated for a business improvement district (BID).



- v. Ms. Tomadjoglou stated that when management changes, it makes a big difference in openness to community concerns and treatment of the alley.
  - vi. ANC Chairman Alberti recommended the Committee ask the incoming Ward 6 Councilmember to attend a committee meeting in February 2015 to hear concerns regarding alleys in ANC 6A.
  - vii. ***Co-Chair Mahmud moved that the Committee recommend the full ANC send a letter to DDOT to conduct an assessment of drainage, cleanliness and traffic conditions concerning alleys in ANC 6A, including 1200 block of Wiley Street, 1200 block of Linden Place, and alley behind 800 block of H Street NE, asking specifically for tools to address the situation, including additional signage to discourage parking that blocks alleys. Co-chair Sloves seconded. The motion passed unanimously.***
  - viii. ***Co-Chair Mahmud moved that the Committee recommend ANC 6A send a letter to appropriate agencies requesting additional enforcement of cleanliness standards in alleys, including 1200 block of Wiley Street, 1200 block of Linden Place, and alley at 800 block of H Street NE, seconded by Jeff Fletcher. The motion passed unanimously.***
- D. Request for DDOT to address designation of addresses for Ward 6 parking permit qualification.
- i. Mr. Mahmud said DDOT has told him they need to more comprehensively consider zone parking permits rather than on a case-by-case basis as they had done previously. He said there is a new liaison at DDOT who is handling this, and feels the ANC ought to send a letter to DDOT urging them to resolve the issue of “zone-less” residences as quickly as possible.
  - ii. Former Commissioner Gladys Mack asked if this had to do with condos who agree to make their residents ineligible for residential parking permits. Mahmud clarified that it does not.
  - iii. ANC Chairman Alberti asked if this was in reference to a particular block. Mr. Mahmud said it has to do with the south side of the 1000 block of Florida Avenue NE.
  - iv. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert recommended that since this is a citywide issue, we should copy Councilmember Wells and the Chair of the DC Council’s Transportation Committee on this letter. Mr. Mahmud agreed to do this.
  - v. ***Co-Chair Mahmud moved that the Committee recommend ANC 6A send a letter to the Director of DDOT, copying Councilmember Wells and the Chair of DC Council’s Transportation Committee, to address designation of street addresses for Zone 6 residential parking permits, noting the 1000 block of Florida Avenue NE, seconded by Co-chair Sloves. The motion passed unanimously.***
- E. Request for DPW to address vacant city owned property lot concerns, including frequent illegal parking, at 802 Tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) Street NE.
- i. Co-Chair Mahmud explained that the city is now in possession of this property but has not secured it.
  - ii. Committee member Fletcher asked if it is possible to ask the city to fence in the property.
  - iii. ANC Chairman Alberti recommended sending a letter to DDOT and DGS impressing upon them the importance of securing the property.
  - iv. Former Commissioner Raphael Marshall informed the Committee that he reached out to DGS and they secured the property and put up signage within 30 days. Commissioner



Mahmud thanked him for his actions and asked that he provide copies of his emails to the Committee so the ANC will know who to contact to address similar concerns in the future. Mr. Marshall agreed to do so.

- F. Request for information from DDOT concerning community input for temporary “No Parking” sign applications.
- i. Co-Chair Mahmud explained that the ANC ought to look into this issue because there is no reasonable timeframe or limitation on no parking signs applied for by contractors and others when reserving parking spots on residential streets. It seems DDOT just approves the no parking application as requested with little concern for the impact on nearby residents and there doesn’t seem to be follow up to ensure the applicant is only marking off the parking spots applied for. For example, despite being granted no parking restrictions for a dumpster in a limited part of the block, someone on Tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) Street took up nearly the entire block with no parking signs, which caused a resident on the block to get a parking ticket on a spot that was near the end of the block and nowhere near the applicant’s dumpster.
  - ii. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert asked about sending a letter asking for DDOT’s policies and procedures. Mahmud said that is what he was proposing the ANC do.
  - iii. Co-Chair Sloves related one instance where contact information on the posted sign was bogus and the period of the no parking restriction was much longer than necessary.
  - iv. Mahmud said his concern is that there should be a chance for the community to weigh in on longer-term applications to ensure there is accountability for the proposed use.
  - v. ***Mr. Sloves moved that the committee recommend the full ANC send letter to DDOT asking them for information regarding the process for issuing emergency no parking permits and opportunities for the ANC to weigh in on longer-term permits, seconded by Commissioner Mahmud. The motion passed unanimously.***

V. Additional Community Comment

Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert again expressed her dismay with the delay in sending DDOT a letter regarding Seventeenth (17th) Street and Nineteenth (19th) Street redesigns. Commission Chairman Alberti and Commissioner Mahmud again disagreed with her characterization of the delay in sending a letter, but agreed the issue was of concern to them as well and agreed to continue looking into the most effective way to communicate ANC concerns via the proposed letter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

## Committee Reports

### Economic Development and Zoning Committee



**Report of the Economic Development and Zoning (ED&Z) Committee of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A  
Sherwood Recreation Center (640 Tenth (10th) Street NE)  
August 20, 2014**

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

#### Present:

Members: Dan Golden (Chair), Missy Boyette, Stephanie Frang, Brian Carlson, Charmaine Josiah

Commissioners: Nick Alberti, Omar Mahmud

Dan Golden chaired the meeting.

#### Community Comment

There were no community comments at the beginning of the meeting.

#### Status Reports

**Resolution of Previously Heard BZA/HPA Cases:** The ANC voted to recommend Bureau of Zoning Authority (BZA) approval of the rear deck at 1425 North Carolina Avenue (case heard by ED&Z Committee in June 2014).

Previously, the Committee recommended and the ANC agreed to send a letter to the Office of Planning seeking the rezoning of those portions of the western half of the block between Fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) and Sixteenth (16<sup>th</sup>) Streets and A and East Capitol Streets NE (currently zoned C-2A) that do not border on East Capitol Street from C-2A to R-4. After discussions with the Office of Zoning by the residents of that block, it was determined that it may be most effective for the ANC to submit the official application for the rezoning. Commissioner Alberti is currently pursuing this issue.

**Other:** No additional items

#### New Business

**BZA 18835 (1229 F Street NE):** Applicant is seeking a special exception from rear-yard setback restrictions. Tim Barley, the homeowner, presented the project and presented two letters of support. He stated that he is interested in a garage addition that fits in to the neighborhood and he also owns the property at 1227 F Street NE, which he plans to renovate and sell. The proposal is for a two (2) story garage addition at the rear of the property, connected to the existing house with a covered walkway.

Committee members inquired about other two (2) story garages nearby the subject property. The homeowner stated that there are others, and that the height depends on where the grade is. He also stated that the alley is quite wide and that there are three entry points to the alley. Committee member Missy Boyette asked about whether the brick indicated on the drawings will be true brick. The homeowner replied that it will be true brick on all sides except for the second floor façade facing the main house. Ms. Boyette also asked about the location of the downspout. The homeowner stated that the downspout is on the interior. Chairman Dan Golden explained that a special exception takes into account any effects of the proposed project on light and air.

The Committee made a motion to recommend that ANC 6A write a letter to the BZA approving the proposed rear garage addition. Motion was seconded. Motion was approved in vote 5-0.





**BZA 18836 (1419 F Street NE):** Applicant and homeowner Beth Antunez is requesting a special exception related to rear-setback and lot occupancy as well as nonconforming structure. The owner stated that she is seeking approval for a one (1) story screened porch addition with enclosed space at the basement level so that she can increase the living space in her home. She explained that the project involves removing the existing deck and building a new screened-in porch. She does not yet have letters of support from her neighbors directly behind her, but does have other letters from neighbors. It does not appear that the new addition would be visible from the property behind.

The Committee made a motion to recommend that ANC 6A write a letter to the BZA approving the proposed rear porch addition. Motion was seconded. Motion was approved in vote 5-0.

**1215 Wylie Street NE:** The owners of 1217 Wylie (a vacant lot) and 1219 Wylie have raised concerns regarding new construction at 1215 Wylie (previously a vacant lot) that appears to exceed what is allowed by-right by zoning as well as with the safety of the structure. The owner at 1217 and 1219 Wylie who presented the issue stated that the permit that was proposed for the property at 1215 Wylie was for a three (3) story rowhouse, but the construction appears to be free-standing due to the existence of open space on the neighboring lots (the structure at 1213 Wylie is not built up to the lot line that it shares with 1215 Wylie).

It was discussed that, due to the size of the lot being below the minimum lot size of 1800 square feet, a variance should have been required. (The online tax records indicate that the lot is only 825 square feet.) Commissioner J. Omar Mahmud explained that when someone gets permission to build without a required variance, this gives no opportunity for the community to weigh in. The owner has not gone before the BZA because the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) appears to have seen this as a by-right application. Commissioner Mahmud stated that the owner, Mr. Russ, was notified about this meeting of the ED&Z Committee but that he declined attendance. Regarding the structural concerns of the construction, Mr. Golden suggested that the ANC can include language related to these concerns (safety and stability of the building) in the letter that would go to the zoning department pointing out that the house is a stand-alone structure so that it is evaluated as such.

The committee made a motion to recommend that ANC 6A write a letter to the Zoning Administrator regarding the fact that it appears that a variance should have been required based on the size of the subject property lot and further expressing concern on the structural review (pointing out that the proposed construction is for a free-standing building) and further that, to the extent the Zoning Attorney does not act on this letter, authorizing the ANC to pursue an appeal before the BZA on the non-action of the Zoning Administrator. Motion was seconded. Motion was approved in a vote 5-0.

Commissioner Mahmud added that the recommendation might be brought to the attention of the owner.

**1000 C Street, NE:** Chairman Golden explained that the ANC ED&Z Committee has become aware, by way of messages on the ANC and MOTH listservs, that this property appears to be of renewed concern among the neighbors due to recent discovery of a hypodermic syringe outside of the basement window, that the window did not appear to be secured shut, and some fears that some people may be squatting (no evidence of such claim). Nonetheless, the Committee wishes to bring up this property again due to concerns over the years regarding its status of vacancy. The property is not currently on the vacant property list and is currently taxed normally. Mr. Golden asked whether the ANC should ask the City to examine this property as a vacant or blighted property. Mr. Golden and Commissioner Nick Alberti will work together on the language of such a request in order to point out the history of this property.

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**Economic Development and Zoning Committee**



The Committee made a motion to recommend that ANC 6A write a letter to DCRA identifying what has been observed at the property and to request that the property be inspected to see if it meets the criteria of a vacant or blighted property. Motion was seconded. Motion was approved in vote 5-0.

**H Street Signage Guidelines:** Chairman Golden reported that the ED&Z Committee now has a working draft for the H Street Signage Guidelines. Committee members Missy Boyette and Charmaine Josiah have developed a document that requires some additional edits due to input received from Mr. Golden as well as continued review and edit of captions in the document. One resident, Victor McCoy, has recommended that there be no electricity in the signs that face side streets (streets perpendicular to and intersecting H Street). Mr. Golden recommended that the guidelines adopt this language and that, once the document has been further edited, a final draft be circulated prior to the next ED&Z Committee meeting. The document could then go before the full ANC in October 2014, to adopt as a resolution. The document would be posted in its final form on the ANC website.

Commissioners Mahmud and Alberti expressed appreciation for the development of this document and suggested that additional guidelines related to other issues that come before the ED&Z Committee might be developed in the future.

**Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting:  
Wednesday, September 24, 2014  
7:00-9:00 pm  
640 10th Street NE  
Sherwood Recreation Center, Second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Floor**

**Committee Reports**  
**Economic Development and Zoning Committee**



September XX, 2014

Mr. Clifford Moy  
Secretary of the Board of Zoning Adjustment  
Board of Zoning Adjustment  
441 4<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Suite 210  
Washington, DC 20001

Re: BZA Case No. 18835 (1229 F Street, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on September 11, 2014, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request for a special exception from the rear-yard setback requirement (§ 404.1) in the above referenced application. The applicant seeks the foregoing relief to permit the construction of a two-story garage addition at the rear of the property with a second-floor apartment, connected to the existing house with a covered walkway.

The Commission supports granting the requested special exception because the proposed structure will not unduly affect the light and air available to neighboring properties nor unduly compromise their privacy of use and enjoyment. The applicant is the owner of one of the adjoining properties at 1227 F Street, NE. A letter of support was provided by the owner of the other adjoining property at 1231 F Street, NE.

Please be advised that Nicholas Alberti, Andrew Hysell, and Daniel Golden are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at 6A04@anc.dc.gov.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Nicholas Alberti  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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September XX, 2014

Mr. Clifford Moy  
Secretary of the Board of Zoning Adjustment  
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441 4<sup>th</sup> St. NW, Suite 210  
Washington, DC 20001

Re: BZA Case No. 18836 (1419 F Street, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>2</sup> on September 11, 2014, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request for a special exception from the lot occupancy requirement (§ 403.2), the rear-yard setback requirement (§ 404.1), and for additions to nonconforming structures (§ 2001.3), in the above referenced application. The applicant seeks the foregoing relief to permit the construction of a one-story rear porch addition to the rear of an existing rowhouse structure.

The Commission supports granting the requested special exception because the proposed porch will not unduly affect the light and air available to neighboring properties nor unduly compromise their privacy of use and enjoyment. Letters of support were provided by owners of the adjoining properties at 1417 F Street, NE and 1421 F Street, NE.

Please be advised that Nicholas Alberti, Andrew Hysell, and Daniel Golden are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at 6A04@anc.dc.gov.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Nicholas Alberti  
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September XX, 2014

Mr. Matthew Le Grant  
Zoning Administrator  
Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs  
1100 Fourth Street, SW, Room 3102  
Washington, DC 20024

Re: Notice to ZA of Potential Zoning Violation (1215 Wylie Street, NE)

Dear Mr. LeGrant,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>3</sup> on September 11, 2014, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request that you investigate ongoing construction at 1215 Wylie Street, NE that appears to be in violation of the zoning code. Specifically, the lot at 1215 Wylie Street, NE measures only 825 square feet and therefore does not meet the minimum lot size requirement for the R-4 district of 1,800 square feet for row dwellings. Despite the apparent need for a variance from the lot-size requirement, it appears from DCRA's building permit website that zoning approval was granted on July 15, 2013. Construction at the site already has commenced.

In light of this apparent error in the permitting process, the neighbor owning the adjoining property at 1217 Wylie Street, NE has additional concerns that the appropriate structural review may not have been undertaken. A thorough structural review is particularly warranted in view of the fact that the proposed building will be a freestanding three-story structure fronting on public space.

We therefore ask that you investigate the proposed construction at this address and determine whether any zoning relief or additional permitting measures are required. I would appreciate a response regarding this issue at your earliest convenience. I can be contacted at [6A04@anc.dc.gov](mailto:6A04@anc.dc.gov).

On Behalf of the Commission,

Nicholas Alberti  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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**DDOT Proposed Rules - Pocket ParksText**  
**DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**  
**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

The Director of the District Department of Transportation (“Department”), pursuant to the authority set forth in Sections 4(a)(5)(A) (assigning authority to coordinate and manage public space permits and records to the Department Director), 5(4)(A) (assigning duty to review and approve public space permit requests to the Department Director), and 6(b) (transferring the public right-of-way maintenance function previously delegated to the Department of Public Works (DPW) under Section III (F) of Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 1983 to the Department) of the Department of Transportation Establishment Act of 2002 (“DDOT Establishment Act”), effective May 21, 2002 (D.C. Law 14-137; D.C. Official Code §§ 50-921.03(5)(A), 50-921.04(4)(A), and 50-921.05(b) (2012 Repl.)), and Section 604 of the Fiscal Year 1997 Budget Support Act of 1996, effective April 9, 1997 (D.C. Law 11-198; D.C. Official Code §§ 10-1141.04 (2012 Repl. & 2013 Supp.)), which was delegated to the Director of DPW pursuant to Mayor’s Order 96-175, dated December 9, 1996, and subsequently transferred to the Director of the Department in Section 7 of the DDOT Establishment Act (transferring to the Director of the Department all transportation-related authority previously delegated to the Director of the Department of Public Works) (D.C. Official Code § 50-921.06 (2012 Repl.)), hereby gives notice of the intent to adopt amendments to Chapter 1 (Occupation and Use of Public Space) and Chapter 33 (Public Right-of-Way Occupancy Permits) of Title 24 (Public Space and Safety) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (DCMR).

These proposed rules will revise the definition of the term “public parking”, as that term is used in Chapters 1 and 33 of Title 24, to explicitly exclude U.S. reservations which have been transferred jurisdictionally to the District of Columbia. Additionally, the proposed rules will establish the Department’s policies and procedures to obtain a public right of way occupancy permit for the purpose of making private improvements to U.S. reservations that are controlled by the Department. The proposed rules will also make explicit the Department’s authority to modify or remove private improvements made to such reservations.

Final rulemaking action to adopt these amendments shall be taken in not less than thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice in the *D.C. Register*.

**Title 24, PUBLIC SPACE AND SAFETY, is amended as follows:**

**Chapter 1, OCCUPATION AND USE OF PUBLIC SPACE, is amended as follows:**

**Section 102, PUBLIC PARKING: UPKEEP AND PLANTINGS, is amended by repealing Subsection 102.8.**

**Section 199, DEFINITIONS, is amended by adding a new definition after the definition of “Personalized Marker”, to read as follows:**

**Public parking** -- the area of public space devoted to open space, greenery, parks, or parking that lies between the property line, which may or may not

coincide with the building restriction line, and the edge of the actual or planned sidewalk that is nearer to the property line, as the property line and sidewalk are shown on the records of the District; except, the term “public parking” does not include United States reservations.

**Chapter 33, PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY OCCUPANCY PERMITS, is amended as follows**

**A new Section 3314 is added to read as follows:**

**3314 PRIVATE IMPROVEMENTS TO CERTAIN UNITED STATES RESERVATIONS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

3314.1 It is the policy of the Department that the United States reservations that are triangle parks under the Department’s jurisdiction should be preserved as publicly accessible neighborhood amenities in addition to maintaining them for the purpose for which the reservation was transferred to the District.

3314.2 No person shall make a landscaping or hardscaping improvement, such as the removal or planting of shrubbery or trees or the installation of paving, fencing, benches, or other fixtures, to a United States reservation that is a triangle park under the Department’s jurisdiction without first obtaining a public right of way occupancy permit from the Director.

3314.3 Notwithstanding § 3314.2, a person may mow grass or perform other landscape maintenance to existing grass areas or planting beds on, or may clean up, a United States reservation that is a triangle park under the Department’s jurisdiction without the need to first obtain a public right of way occupancy permit from the Director.

3314.4 The Director shall not issue a permit to make a landscaping or hardscaping improvement to a United States reservation that is a triangle park under Department’s jurisdiction unless the proposed improvement:

- (a) Does not change the real or implied function of the park as a public open space;
- (b) Preserves public access to the park;
- (c) Promotes the public enjoyment and use of the park; and
- (d) Avoids the use of impervious surface coverings to the maximum extent practicable.

3314.5 Before issuing a permit for a landscaping or hardscaping improvement to a United States reservation that is a triangle park under the Department’s jurisdiction, the

Director shall send the permit application to the affected Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) for its review and recommendations. The Director shall provide the ANC thirty (30) business days to perform its review and provide its recommendations.

- 3314.6 The recommendations, if any, of the affected ANC shall be given great weight, as that term is described in Section 13(d)(3)(A) of the Advisory Neighborhood Councils Act of 1975, effective March 26, 1976 (D.C. Law 1-58; D.C. Official Code § 1-309.10(d)(3)(A)).
- 3314.7 The Director may modify or remove any public or private improvements made to a United States reservation that is a triangle park under the Department's jurisdiction.
- 3314.8 Notwithstanding §§ 3310.3 and 3310.4 of this chapter, the Director may revoke any permit issued pursuant to this section at any time.

**Section 3399, DEFINITIONS, is amended as follows:**

**A new definition is added, after the definition of "Personalized paver", to read as follows:**

**Public parking** -- the area of public space devoted to open space, greenery, parks, or parking that lies between the property line, which may or may not coincide with the building restriction line, and the edge of the actual or planned sidewalk that is nearer to the property line, as the property line and sidewalk are shown on the records of the District; except, the term "public parking" does not include United States reservations.

**A new definition is added, after the definition of "Stand-alone conduit", to read as follows:**

**Triangle park** – an area of open space, generally triangular in shape, that is located at the intersection of two (2) streets (generally, one of which is orthogonal and one of which is diagonal) and that has been set aside for public ownership. Examples of triangle parks include United States Reservations 142 and 143, located at the intersection of New Hampshire Avenue and 20th Street, NW; United States Reservation 230, located at the intersection of Independence Avenue and North Carolina Avenue, SE; and United States Reservation 61, located at the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and P Street, NW.

All persons interested in commenting on the subject matter in this proposed rulemaking may file comments in writing, not later than thirty (30) days after the publication of this notice in the *D.C. Register*, with Samuel D. Zimbabwe, Associate Director, District Department of Transportation, 55 M Street, S.E., 5th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20003. An interested person may also send comments electronically to [publicspace.policy@dc.gov](mailto:publicspace.policy@dc.gov). Copies of this proposed rulemaking are





available, at cost, by writing to the above address, and are also available electronically, at no cost, on the District Department of Transportation's website at [www.ddot.dc.gov](http://www.ddot.dc.gov).



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



Samuel D. Zimbabwe  
Associate Director  
District Department of Transportation  
55 M Street, SE 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Washington, DC 20003

Re: Proposed Rules on Private Improvements to DDOT-Controlled “Pocket” Parks – Amendments to Chapters 1 and 33 of Title 24

Dear Mr. Zimbabwe,

ANC 6A commends the DC Department of Transportation (DDOT) on for issuing proposed rules on private improvements to DDOT-controlled “pocket” parks. We have several comments on the proposed amendments to Chapters 1 and 33 of Title 24.

Our comments are as follows:

- 1) Section 3314.5 - ANCs should be given the opportunity to review all types of alterations to triangle parks including those made for transportation purposes

The proposed Section 3314.5 states, “Before issuing a permit for a landscaping or hardscaping improvement to a United States reservation that is a triangle park under the Department’s jurisdiction, the Director shall send the permit application to the affected Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) for its review and recommendations. As mentioned in 3314.1, it is DDOT’s policy to maintain triangle parks for the purpose for which the United States reservation was transferred to the District in addition to preserving them as publicly accessible amenities. I understand the proposed Section 3314.5 to mean that the ANCs will only be given the opportunity to provide input on landscaping and hardscaping improvements and that ANC will not be given an opportunity to provide input on other types of alterations such as those made for transportation purposes. Section 3314.5 should be modified to required that affected ANCs be noticed and given the opportunity comment on all proposed alterations to triangle parks that affect their use as publicly accessible amenities, including alterations made for transportation purposes as such alteration will also affect the use of triangle parks as publicly accessible neighborhood amenities.

- 2) Section 3314.5 - The time for ANC comment should be extended to a minimum of 45 days

The proposed Section 3314.5 states “The Director shall provide the ANC thirty (30) business days to perform its review and provide its recommendations”.



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ANC must be given sufficient time to notify its constituents, receive public input, and for the full ANC to consider and vote on the proposal. ANCs need a minimum of 45 days to affectively consider and provide recommendations on any proposal. I would recommend allowing a 60 day period for review and comment, as it would provide a more reasonable opportunity for public input.

- 3) Section 3399 - Definition of triangle parks should be amended to include parks that fit the definition when jurisdiction was initially transferred to the District but due to subsequent alterations no longer fit the proposed definition.

The proposed Section 3399 defines a triangle park as “an area of open space, generally triangular in shape, that is located at the intersection of two (2) streets (generally, one of which is orthogonal and one of which is diagonal) and that has been set aside for public ownership”. Some triangle parks fit the proposed definition of triangle parks when jurisdiction was initially transferred to the District, but no longer fit that definition because they have since been intersected by roads or otherwise altered. The definition of triangle parks should be expanded to include open spaces that were located at the intersection of two (2) streets (generally, one of which is orthogonal and one of which is diagonal) at the time jurisdiction was initially transferred to the District.

On behalf of the Commission,

Nicholas Alberti,  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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ANC Transparency Bill

  
Councilmember David Grosso

  
Councilmember Mary M. Cheh

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IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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Councilmembers Mary M. Cheh and David Grosso introduced the following bill, which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_.

To amend the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Act of 1975 to require Advisory Neighborhood Commissions to periodically provide certain records to the Office of the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions, to give the Office of the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions authority to ensure the records are provided in a timely manner, and to require the Office of the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions to make these records publicly accessible on the Internet.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Transparency Amendment Act of 2013.”

Sec. 2. The Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Act of 1975, effective March 26, 1976 (D.C. Law 1-21; D.C. Official Code § 1-309.01 *et seq.*), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 14 (D.C. Official Code § 1-309.11) is amended as follows:

(1) Subsection (d)(3) is amended to read as follows:

“(3) A current copy of each Commission's bylaws, including any amendments, shall be filed with the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions within 14 days of any adoption or amendment. Newly amended bylaws shall not become effective until filed with the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions.”



1 (2) A new subsection (h) is added to read as follows:

2 (h) Within 14 days after each Commission meeting, each Commission shall file a  
3 copy of the following records from its meeting to the Office of Advisory Neighborhood  
4 Commissions:

5 (1) Approved meeting minutes;

6 (2) Grant applications received by the Commission;

7 (3) Measures adopted by the Commission during the meeting, including:

8 (A) Recommendations regarding legislation pending before the  
9 Council, pursuant to section 13(p);

10 (B) Recommendations regarding government action, pursuant to  
11 section 13(d)(1);

12 (C) Proposals for District government action, pursuant to section  
13 13(h)(1);

14 (D) Adoption or modification of the Commission's yearly  
15 schedule of regular meetings, pursuant to section 14(b)(2);

16 (E) Recommendations regarding matters before the Commission,  
17 pursuant to section 14(b)(2);

18 (4) Agreements entered into by the Commission;

19 (5) Reports issued by the Commission, including, committee reports,  
20 annual reports filed pursuant to section 13(j)(1), and reports submitted to the District of  
21 Columbia Auditor;

22 (6) Bank account statements detailing all transactions for bank accounts  
23 held by the Commission;

1 (7) Any additional records as required by the Office of Advisory  
2 Neighborhood Commissions.”.

3 (b) Section 18 (D.C. Law 1-21; D.C. Official Code § 1-309.15), is amended as follows

4 (1) Subsection (a) is amended by striking the phrase “to the Advisory  
5 Neighborhood Commissions” and inserting the phrase “to the Advisory Neighborhood  
6 Commissions, and to ensure the procedural and substantive transparency of all Advisory  
7 Neighborhood Commissions actions” in its place.

8 (2) New subsections (d), (e), and (f) are added to read as follows:

9 “(d) The Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions shall make all documents and  
10 information filed by Commissions under this act publicly available in a manner designed to  
11 promote transparency. This shall include making Commission documents, meeting schedules,  
12 contact information, and related information publicly available in a searchable database on the  
13 website of the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions.

14 “(e) In addition to the mandated records under this act, the Office of Advisory  
15 Neighborhood Commissions shall have the authority to require the uniform disclosure of  
16 additional records and information for the purpose of promoting transparency. The Office of  
17 Advisory Neighborhood Commissions shall also assist the Commissions in filing older  
18 documents and records that they may have.

19 “(f) The Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions shall make every effort to  
20 minimize the burden of compliance with this act for the Commissions.”

21 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

22 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal



1 impact statement required by section 602(c)(3) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act,  
2 approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(3)).

3 Sec. 4. Effective date.

4 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the  
5 Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of Congressional review as  
6 provided in section 602(c) (1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December  
7 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of  
8 Columbia Register.



Rev. Dr. Wendell O. E. Christopher, Sr.  
Pilgrim A.M.E. Church  
612 17th Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20002

Dr. Christopher,

On behalf of Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A, I congratulate you on your 40<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Anniversary. This is indeed an important milestone in your ministry and a cause for celebration among your church family at Pilgrim African Methodist Episcopal Church. They are most grateful for your caring presence.

My fellow commissioners and I wish you many more years of fruitful service to your community.

With warm regards,

Nick Alberti  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A