



District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Agenda for June 11, 2015



Second (2nd) Thursdays at 7:00 pm, Miner Elementary, 601 Fifteenth (15th) Street NE
Public Meeting - All Are Welcome to Attend

- 7:00 pm **Call to Order**
- 7:02 pm **Approve Previous Meeting's Minutes, Adopt Agenda**
- 7:05 pm **Community Presentation**
Amazing Love Health Services, LLC
Seeking zoning relief for less than required parking for medical facility at 702 15th St NE
- 7:10pm **Officer Reports**
Chair (2 minutes)
Vice-Chair (2 minutes)
Secretary (2 minutes)
Treasurer (2 minutes) *pg. 22*
1. Approve Treasurer's Report
2. FY15 Second (2nd) Quarter Financial Report
- 7:20 pm **Standing Committee Reports:**
Community Outreach pg.30
1. Approve committee report.
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A approve moving the monthly meeting day of the ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee from the third Monday of each month to the fourth Monday of each month, pending the availability of adequate and accessible meeting space at Maury Elementary School; and after due public notice and discussion. The meeting location (Maury ES) and start time (7:00 pm) will remain as it currently is set.
3. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, June 15, 2015 (3rd Monday)
- 7:25 pm **Alcohol Beverage Licensing pg.34**
1. Approve committee report.
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, June 16, 2015 (3rd Tuesday)
- 7:30pm **Transportation and Public Space Committee pg.35**
1. No report. Committee did not meet in May 2015.
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to both DPW and MPD requesting enforcement action regarding parking on sidewalk and public space at northwest corner of 14th St. NE and East Capitol St., in front of Al's Pizza..
3. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, June 15, 2015 (3rd Monday)
- 7:35 pm **Economic Development and Zoning pg. 37**
1. Approve committee report
2. **Recommendation:** ANC write a letter to HPRB in support of the proposed design of the two (2) story rear addition at 242 Tenth (10th) Street NE.
3. **Recommendation:** ANC write a letter to BZA in support of variance from the off-street parking requirements under § 2101.1, and special exceptions from the roof



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structures requirements under §§ 411.5 and 770.6, the HS-A Overlay requirements under § 1320.4(f), and the HS Overlay Design and Special Exception requirements under §§ 1324.10 and 1325.1, to allow construction of a new four-(4) story, mixed-use building with ground floor retail containing thirty-six (36) residential dwelling units at 1300 H Street NE (BZA 19026), on the following conditions: 1) The applicant records a covenant requiring that all leases or contracts for sale of the individual units prohibit the tenant or purchaser from obtaining a residential parking permit (RPP); 2) The applicant treat the building (and all units) as fronting on H Street and as having an H Street address; and 3) The applicant investigate with DDOT the feasibility of supporting an expansion of access to Capital Bikeshare near the building.

4. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, June 17, 2015 (3rd Wednesday)

- 8:00 pm **Single Member District reports** (2 minutes each)
- 8:15 pm **Community Comments** (2 minutes each)
- 8:30 pm **Adjourn**



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2015



Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Minutes Miner Elementary School May 14, 2015

Present: Commissioners Phil Toomajian (Chair), Matt Levy, J. Omar Mahmud, Patrick Malone, Sondra Phillips-Gilbert, Calvin Ward, Chris Ward, and Stephanie Zimny

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

The minutes for the ANC April 2015 meeting and the agenda for the May 2015 meeting were approved without changes or objection.

Community Presentations

Capitol Riverside Youth Sports Park (CRYSP)

Bob Coomber and Ziad Demian gave a brief presentation outlining a proposal to develop the parking lot located by the Anacostia River around RFK Stadium, and the Whitney Young Memorial Bridge into a community green space and park for youth sports. More detailed information on the CRYSP project can be obtained through its website: capitolriverside.org. Messrs. Coomber and Demian requested a letter of support from the Commission. After discussion, a motion was made (Levy/Toomajian second) to send a letter from the Commission endorsing this project. The Commission approved the motion (8-0).

DC Office of the Attorney General (OAG)

Argie Weatherington of the DC OAG made remarks regarding OAG budget matters and initiatives. Members of the community can contact representatives of the OAG regarding matters under the purview of the OAG, specifically consumer protection, community outreach nuisance properties and juvenile justice. Ms. Weatherington's office can be reached at: 202-724-5487 or 202-727-6338.

Casey Trees

Maisie Hughes of Casey Trees spoke briefly about the ongoing activities of Casey Trees in the community. Ms. Hughes mentioned that Ward 6 has the lowest tree canopy in DC. Casey Trees works in conjunction with DC agencies, primarily with the District Department of Transportation's (DDOT) Urban Forestry Administration, to promote tree plantings and other green space projects. Ms. Hughes invited community members to attend a dinner and panel presentation on Thursday, May 21, 2015 at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 400 I Street, SW.

DC Streetcar Commission

Malia Salaam of the DC Streetcar team made brief remarks. She emphasized the District's commitment to the completion of this project. There are ongoing studies to obtain a more comprehensive picture of both motorist and pedestrian behaviors in an effort to mitigate outstanding safety issues.

Representatives from Mayor Bowser's Office

Mr. Seth Shapiro and Mr. Frank Maduro, the Mayor's Ward 6 Outreach Service Specialists, updated the Commission on the following items that were discussed with Mayor Bowser last month:

Chairman Toomajian provided an update on the timeline for the Maryland Avenue Pedestrian Safety project and stated that the traffic light on Tenth (10th) and Maryland Avenue NE should be up and operational before the beginning of the new school year.



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Winter Shelter use of the Sherwood Recreation Center: The Mayor's office will work with the Interagency Council on Homelessness to better manage this program and to solicit more community involvement before the 2015-2016 implementation process takes place. Chairman Toomajian requested information on to whom a written communication should be directed, and Mr. Shapiro advised that he would provide the appropriate contact information.

Alley Maintenance, including Linden Court and Linden Place NE A full rebuild is scheduled for Linden Court beginning on May 26, 2015. Commissioner Mahmud asked for Department of Public Works (DPW) presence at Transportation & Public Space Committee meetings and strongly urged that there be coordination between city agencies involved in alley maintenance. Mr. Maduro requested that Commissioner Mahmud follow up with him.

Eliot-Hine Middle School: Mr. Maduro advised approximately seventy-five (75) issues were identified after Mayor Bowser's walk through of Eliot-Hine Middle School, and that all but approximately five (5) of the issues have been addressed.

Officers Reports

Chairman Toomajian announced that a request for proposals have been issued for the old Miner Elementary School to designate it as a charter school. This proposal is a direct contradiction to the recommendations made by the ANC and the community. The ANC will press for a continuing public role in the process.

Chairman Toomajian advised that Councilman Charles Allen would hold community office hours on Wednesday May 20, 2015, at 5:30 pm at Smith Commons, 1245 H Street NE.

Treasurer's Report

Ms. Zimny presented the Treasurer's Report. The opening balance in the checking account was \$14,695.52, and the savings account balance was \$13,720.77. There were disbursements of \$450.00 to Irene Dworakowski (Check #1702) -- \$250.00 for agenda/web master services and \$200.00 for April 2015 agenda package; \$196.00 to FedEx office (April 2015 statement) (Check # 1703); leaving a balance of \$13,899.52 in the checking account and \$13,720.77 in the savings account. The report was accepted without objection.

Committee Reports

Community Outreach Committee (COC)

The Community Outreach Report was accepted without objection.

Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee (ABL)

The ABL report was accepted without objection.

A motion (Toomajian/Levy second) was made that the ANC file a protest of the license renewal for Andy Lee Liquor Inc., t/a New H Wine and Spirits at 914 H St NE and authorize the Chair and ABL Co-Chairs to represent it unless the ABL recommends otherwise at its next meeting. The motion was approved by the Commission (8-0).

A motion (Mahmud/Levy second) was made that the ANC file a protest of the license renewal for Kartik, Inc., t/a New York Liquors at 1447 Maryland Ave NE and authorize the Chair and ABL Co-Chairs to represent it unless the ABL recommends otherwise at its next meeting. The motion was approved by the Commission (8-0).



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Request by Nomad Hookah Lounge at 1200 H Street NE (License Number ABBRA-087558) to extend public space patio hours and/or to remove the provision in its amended settlement agreement setting last call at least one half hour before closing time of the patio. No action was taken by the Commission.

License renewal for 18th & D Liquors, Inc., t/a Master Liquors at 1806 D Street NE (Class “A” Retail) License Number ABRA-074594). A motion (Toomajian/Calvin Ward second) was made to permit license renewal. The motion was approved by the Commission (8-0).

License renewal for 7 River, LLC t/a 7River Mart at 250 Eleventh (11th) Street NE (Class “A” Retail) (License Number ABRA-089591) No action was taken by the Commission.

License renewal for Jumbo Liquors at 1122 H Street NE (Class “A” Retail) License Number ABRA 000420). Chairman Toomajian relayed concerns heard about activity around Jumbo Liquors. Commissioner Mahmud indicated that a new settlement agreement may be in order for this establishment as there has been no update to the settlement agreement since 1999.

A motion was made (Mahmud/Malone second) that the ANC file a protest of the license renewal for Jumbo Liquors and authorize the Chair and ABL Co-Chairs to represent it. The motion was approved by the Commission (8-0).

License renewal for Myongwoo Inc. t/a/ Grand Liquors at 409 Fifteenth (15th) Street NE (Class “A” Retail) (License Number ABRA-089508). No action was taken by the Commission.

A motion was made (Toomajian/Mahmud second) to add Mr. Justin Rzepka as a member to the ABL. The motion was approved by the Commission (8-0).

Transportation and Public Space Committee (TPS)

The TPS Committee report was accepted without objection.

Proposed new sign regulations

Motion: The Committee moved and Mr. Chris Ward seconded a motion that the ANC send a letter to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) requesting changes to the proposed new sign regulations. The motion was approved by the Commission (8-0).

Linden Court alley rebuilding

The Commission discussed the fact that DDOT has agreed to rebuild the Linden Court alley with bricks in the coming weeks and determined that it was not necessary to send a letter requesting that it be moved to the top of the ANC alley repair list.

Wylie Community Garden

Motion: The Committee moved and Mr. Mahmud seconded a motion to send a letter of support for preserving Wylie Garden to Kenneth Brewer, President of H Street Community Development Corporation. The motion was approved by the Commission (8-0).

Resident Only Parking

Motion: The Committee moved and Mr. Toomajian seconded a motion to send a letter to DDOT requesting clarification and issuance of the rules for resident only parking. The motion was approved by the Commission (8-0).



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In the interest of allowing ample time for consideration, the Commission proceeded to complete the matters pending from the Economic Development and Zoning Committee and then returned to DDOT's proposed rulemaking.

New DDOT rulemaking regarding Pocket Parks

Motion: The Committee moved and Mr. Malone seconded a motion to send a letter in support of DDOT's regulations but requesting a modification of the definition of "triangle park" to eliminate ambiguity and asking that DDOT attach a list of triangle parks to the regulations, also to eliminate ambiguity.

Amendment: Mr. Levy moved and Mrs. Phillips-Gilbert seconded a motion to submit a substitute letter previously circulated by to the ANC by Commissioner Levy.

Chairman Toomajian allowed time for public comment.

(Commissioner Malone left the meeting prior to the vote).

The motion to amend by substituting the Levy letter failed (2-5).

The original motion to send the letter supporting the regulations, but requesting a modification of the definition to eliminate ambiguity was then approved (4-2).

Economic Development and Zoning

The ED&Z Committee report was accepted without objection.

Motion: The Committee moved and Mr. Chris Ward seconded a motion to send a letter to HPRB in support of the proposed design of the two-story rear addition at 224 Ninth (9th) Street NE. The motion was approved by the Commission (8-0).

Motion: The Committee moved and Mrs. Phillips-Gilbert seconded a motion to send a letter to BZA in support of the special exceptions from the lot occupancy requirements under § 403 and the rear yard requirements under § 404 to allow construction of a two-level deck at 451 Tennessee Avenue NE (BZA Case Number 19012). The motion was approved by the Commission (8-0).

Motion: The Committee moved and Mrs. Phillips-Gilbert seconded a motion to send a letter to BZA in support of the special exception from the rear yard requirements under Section 404 to allow construction of a two-story addition at 242 Tenth (10th) Street NE (BZA Case Number 19001). The motion was approved by the Commission (8-0).

Motion: The Committee moved and Mrs. Phillips-Gilbert seconded a motion to send a letter to the Zoning Administrator seeking clarification regarding the basis upon which he has permitted the by-right use of a portion of Lot 810 at 20 Fourteenth (14th) Street NE for four (4) car-sharing spaces. The motion was approved the Commission (8-0).

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 pm.



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Community Presentations





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May 15, 2015

The Honorable Muriel Bowser
Mayor, District of Columbia
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20004

RE: ANC6A support for proposed Capitol Riverside Youth Sports Park

Dear Mayor Bowser:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on May 14, 2015, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to write you to express our support for the Capitol Riverside Youth Sports Park ("CRYSP"), a proposed youth sports park and unprogrammed green space for the largely vacant parking lots North of RFK Stadium bounded on the West by Oklahoma Avenue, on the South by C Street NE, on the East by the Anacostia River, and on the North by Benning Road NE.

CRYSP is a neighborhood-inspired vision for playing fields, walk/bike trails, an outdoor farmer's market pavilion, river access and other amenities that would replace the north lot on the RFK Stadium Complex. This vision addresses a key lack of field space that has left youth sports teams without sufficient facilities in Wards 5, 6, and 7.

ANC6A believes that CRYSP would be a great asset to our community, as well as others nearby in Wards 5, 6 and 7. A safe place for children to get outside and play and a green space for all residents to enjoy are sorely needed in this area and would benefit the District as a whole.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian,
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Brian Kenner, Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development
Gregory A. O'Dell, President and Chief Executive Officer, Events DC
Councilmember Charles Allen, Ward 6
Councilmember Yvette Alexander, Ward 7

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May 16, 2015

Ms. Ruthanne Miller, Chairperson
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
2000 14th Street, NW, Suite 400S
Washington, DC 20009

Re: ABRA-000420 (Jumbo Liquors, Inc. t/a Jumbo Liquors), 1122 H Street NE

Dear Ms. Miller,

Please be advised that at the May 14, 2015 meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A, with a quorum present, the Commission voted (8-0) to protest the Class A Retail License renewal of Jumbo Liquors, ABRA #000420. This vote took place at our regular and publicly announced meeting.¹ The grounds for the protest are disturbance to peace, order, and quiet.

I, as the Co-Chair of the ANC 6A Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee, will be the primary representative of the ANC in this matter. The ANC's Chair (Phil Toomajian), Commissioner J. Omar Mahmud (ANC 6A01), and the ABL Committee's Co-Chair (Christopher Seagle) are also authorized to represent the ANC before the Board with respect to this application. I can be reached at 202-906-0657 or WilliamsANC6A05@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Jay Williams
Commissioner, ANC 6A05
Co-Chair, ANC 6A ABL Committee

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May 15, 2015

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

Re: Proposed regulations on private improvements to DDOT-controlled pocket parks, 24 DCMR 3314

Dear Mr. Zimbabwe:

ANC6A commends the DDOT for its commitment to preserve public triangle parks for public use, a vital benefit for Capitol Hill and District of Columbia residents. At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on May 14, 2015, our Commission voted 4-2 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to submit the following comments:

The regulations provide important protections for public access to triangle parks, but only for parks defined as a “triangle park” in 24 DCMR 3399. “Triangle parks” should include those parks that once were triangles at the intersection of an orthogonal street and a diagonal street, but because of subsequently built roads that intersected and divided the triangle, the triangle been transformed into two spaces, one a smaller triangle, and the other a larger trapezoid or circle. In addition, a park that currently satisfies the definition of a triangle park may be altered in the future, (e.g., by putting a street through the park) so that it is no longer a triangle. These triangle parks with altered geometry (whether in the past or in the future) must be included in the definition of “triangle parks” in 24 DCMR 3399. On Capitol Hill alone, there are a number of these parks.

A sample is:

Reservation Nos.	Address	Larger trapezoid section	Smaller triangle section
86, 87	A Street & Mass. Ave., NE	86	87
89, 89A	14th Street. & Mass. Ave. NE	89	89A

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231, 232	North Carolina & Independence Ave. SE	232	231
233, 234	North Carolina & 14th Street, NE	233	234
236/237	14th Street and Tenn. Ave. NE	236	237
266	13th Street & Tenn. Ave., NE	266 (same reservation number in 2 parts)	266 (same reservation number in 2 parts)

ANC6A suggests that DDOT clarify that triangle parks such as Reservations 86, 89, 232, 233, 236, and 266 are “triangle parks as defined in 24 DCMR 3399.” The re-proposed regulations define in 24 DCMR 3399 a triangle park as a park “*generally* triangular in shape ... located at the intersection of two (2) streets (*generally*, one of which is orthogonal and one of which is diagonal) and has been set aside for public ownership.” [emphasis added]. DDOT should further clarify the definition by adding one or more of these altered geometry triangle parks to its list of examples in the regulations as none of the current examples illustrate this situation.²

ANC6A thanks you for the opportunity to submit comments on the re-proposed regulations.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

² “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.”



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May 13, 2015

Director Leif Dormsjo
District Department of Transportation
55 M Street SE, Suite 400
Washington, DC 20003

Re: Rules Regarding Resident Only Parking Restrictions

Dear Director Dormsjo,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on May 14, 2015, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to send this letter to you seeking issuance of DDOT's rules regarding the implementation of resident only parking restrictions.

As you may know, certain parts of our ANC, specifically the north/south blocks immediately adjacent to H Street NE, were designated as resident only parking areas on one side of each block as DDOT implemented a performance parking program for the H Street corridor. From this, DDOT began a process that allowed residents to petition for resident only parking via the DDOT Parking Manager, who at the time was Damon Harvey. After Mr. Harvey left DDOT, we were told that DDOT would create rules around the resident only parking restriction process. Commissioner Mahmud, the ANC Commissioner who chairs our ANC's Transportation and Public Space Committee, was told the rules would be issued toward the end of 2014. To date, these rules have not been issued, and Commissioner Mahmud's requests to DDOT for guidance on this issue have gone unreturned. We are therefore asking for DDOT to update our ANC on its plans to issue rules that clarify the process for residents to seek resident only parking restrictions on their block.

Given the increasing scarcity of parking in our neighborhoods, we are eager to receive this guidance as soon as possible so our community is aware of the process for moving these requests forward. Thank you for hearing our concerns about this critical matter for our community. Please feel free to reach out to me at philanc6a@gmail.com or Commissioner Mahmud at mahmud6a01@gmail.com should you wish to discuss this matter further.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Charles Allen, Councilmember Ward 6

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May 13, 2015

Alice Kelly, Manager, Policy Branch
Policy Planning and Sustainability Administration
District Department of Transportation
55 M Street, S.E., 5th Floor
Washington, D.C. 20003

Re: Proposed changes to sign regulations

Dear Ms. Kelly:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on May 14, 2015, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to share the following concerns with the proposed sign regulations.

1) As sign regulation is a land use/zoning issue as well as a transportation issue. The Zoning Commission should review sign permits for aesthetics and land use considerations in addition to the traffic safety review by DDOT.

2) Because the impact of electronic signs on a neighborhood would be so significant and long-lasting, the Council (and not the Mayor) should approve any DEA.

The DDOT proposed regulations describe the procedure to designate a DEA:
"Other areas the Mayor designates [as a DEA] as a result of a process determined by the Mayor which shall include consultation with the Office of Planning, the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA), the District Department of Transportation (DDOT), the appropriate Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (ANCs), and appropriate federal agencies if required based on the location of the proposed DEA."
13 DCMR 900.2(e)

3) The ANC must be notified of permits applications for **all** digital signs, not just signs with motion or moving images and allowed time to comment on the size and placement of these signs.

The DDOT proposed regulations do not require notification of the ANC for a digital sign permit, unless the sign is a motion or moving image sign. 13 DCMR 905.7, 906.10, 9901.1 "digital sign," animated sign, full-motion video.² Thus, the ANC is not required to be

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² 906.10 The permitting official shall notify potentially affected Advisory Neighborhood Commissions in writing of the submission of an application for any sign that includes motion or moving images within ten (10) days of receipt of the application and invite the ANC to submit a written response within forty-five (45) days of the date of the notice.



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notified of a digital sign "that is internally illuminated and displays static images or variable messages on an alternating basis."³ This type of digital sign is intrusive, and the ANC must have the right to be notified and comment on all electronic signs.

4) No sign permit should be issued unless the applicant proves that the sign will have no adverse impact on the character or integrity of DEA or adjacent neighborhood.

This critical protection is missing from the requirements to obtain a sign permit in a DEA. Under 13 DCMR 905.8 this standard is only relevant if the Office of Planning (OP) reports an adverse impact.⁴ The ANC and the public cannot raise adverse impact unless OP had also raised this issue. Adverse impact must be an affirmative standard to be considered, and the ANC and the public have the right to raise an adverse impact on the adjacent neighborhood (and not just the immediately adjacent neighborhood) from signs.

5) Certain types of electronic signs are allowed in DEAs (discussed below) The regulations must provide that no part of any electronic sign or the light it transmits within a DEA will be visible from any area zoned for residential use or zoned C1 or C2A. Applicants for permits should be required to include sight line studies in the permit application (not currently required in 13 DCMR 904.1).

A DEA is "a specific area recognized by the Mayor as a destination venue that provides a concentrated number of venues for events, performances, or activities designed to entertain others." 13 DCMR § 9900.1. H Street, NE has a theater, a nightclub, multiple restaurants with live entertainment, and a street festival attracting thousands of people. Therefore, H Street, NE, which is not in a historic district, is a potential DEA.

Variable message signs (signs with a changing message, including digital signs, full-motion video signs) are allowed in a DEA. 13 DCMR 9900.1. ANC 6A opposes DEA designation for H Street, NE, because the signs allowed in a DEA are detrimental to our neighborhood.

³ Animated – actual motion or the illusion of motion through devices activated by wind, thermal changes or other natural environmental input, or by a mechanical system powered by electric motors or other mechanically induced means. Animated devices include spinners, pinwheels, pennant strings and other devices that respond to naturally occurring external motivations.

Definitions: Full motion video – images presented on an internally illuminated device, including a television or a video monitor, that change at a rate that makes objects appear to move smoothly and continuously.

Digital sign – A sign that is internally illuminated and displays static images or variable messages on an alternating basis. Digital signs do not include full motion video signs.

13 DCMR 9900.1

⁴ 905.8 No permit shall be granted if, within the time period provided in this section:

(a) DDOT reports in writing that the location, size, lighting, or height above grade of the sign negatively impacts vehicular traffic safety or violates the Highway Beautification Act; or

(b) OP reports in writing that the proposed sign would adversely impact the character and integrity of the DEA or the immediately adjacent neighborhood.



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6) The proposed regulations would allow signs on roofs up to the lesser of the permitted height limit of the zoning district in which the sign is placed or ninety feet (90 ft.). 13 DCMR 906.5. The H Street overlay zone allows building heights up to 90 feet. Many buildings on H Street, NE are two- and three stories, which would allow signs on roofs in many areas. ANC 6A opposes all roof signs, because they will blight our neighborhood

7) The provisions in 13 DCMR 906.5 and 906.8 are subjective and provide inadequate protection for homeowners or tenants living near H Street, NE.⁵ This shortcoming is compounded by an inadequate enforcement process. DCRA is responsible for enforcement of the sign regulations for signs on private property, and DDOT is responsible for enforcement for signs in public space. 13 DCMR 901.1, 601, 701. ANC 6A suggests that residents affected by violations of the sign regulations be provided with a right of private action, to sue for enforcement in DC Superior Court.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments on the proposed regulations.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Muriel Bowser, Mayor
Phil Mendelson, Council Chair
Charles Allen, Councilmember Ward 6

⁵ 906.5 No sign shall:

(b) Cast light directly or indirectly into a residential unit; or

(c) Adversely impact an owner's enjoyment of residential property located within or adjacent to a DEA.

906.8. No variable message or animated sign or image shall be placed on the exterior of any building in a DEA such that the sign or image is directly across from and parallel to any residential building, including buildings where fifty percent (50%) or more of the gross floor area contains Residential Group R-2, R-3 or R-4 occupancies as defined in the D.C. Building Code Supplement, 12-A DCMR.



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May 13, 2015

Kenneth Brewer
President
H Street Community Development Corporation
900 2nd Street Northeast Suite 201
Washington, DC 20002

Re: Wylie Street Community Garden

Dear Mr. Brewer,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on May 14, 2015, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to send this letter of support for efforts to find a solution that will enable preservation of the Wylie Street Community Garden (on 13th Street NE between Wylie Street and H Street NE), which has been an integral part of the greater H Street community for several years.

Our ANC recognizes the H Street Community Development Corporation (HSCDC) has played a key role in development projects along the H Street corridor. We appreciate HSCDC's interest in continuing to see our community thrive and grow as H Street enters a new phase of development. Our hope is that HSCDC plans to sell or develop this plot of land, which will likely remove the garden from this property, can be put on hold for a period of time so the community can work with you to develop a solution that will meet the needs of all parties involved. There may be ways to learn from the successes of other communities in preserving space such as the Wylie garden that you and the community can learn from in developing a plan.

One of the most significant issues along the H street corridor is a severe lack of green space. There are no parks or pocket niches, and only a limited number of small trees. Although the growth of H Street has been exciting, the growth has been largely commercial and concrete, with little to no green space creation for the benefit of families, schools, the environment or the aesthetics of the community. Without the preservation of vital green space like the Wylie Street Community Garden, the sustainable development of the H Street area will suffer.

The community that is working to maintain the garden has been serious about achieving its goals. Our ANC has been in regular contact with the neighbors who maintain the garden and work hard to keep it an attractive green space. Neighbors work tirelessly to keep the area clean and free of rodents. Neighbors are also engaging businesses on H Street and local partners who can realize a shared benefit from supporting the garden (Miner Elementary School, for example, has expressed an interest in using the site for instruction). Our ANC is

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encouraged to hear of your willingness to hear neighborhood concerns and engage in a meaningful dialogue, which we hope will continue.

Thank you for hearing our concerns about this critical matter for our community. Our hope is we can work together to find solutions that benefit HSCDC's long term development goals and the hopes of the community for a diverse and sustainable green space environment. Please feel free to reach out to me at philanc6a@gmail.com or our Commission's Vice-Chair and Co-Chair of our Transportation and Public Space Committee, Omar Mahmud, at mahmud6a01@gmail.com should you wish to discuss this matter further and share any thoughts on how we can work together on this matter going forward.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Muriel Bowser, Mayor
Phil Mendelson, Council Chair
Charles Allen, Councilmember Ward 6



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May 15, 2015

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

Re: BZA Case No. 19001 (242 10th Street, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on May 14, 2015,¹ our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request for a special exceptions from the rear-yard requirement (§ 404) in connection with the construction of a two-story addition at the rear of the existing structure.

The Commission supports granting the requested special exceptions because the proposed addition will not unduly affect the light and air available to neighboring properties nor will they unduly compromise their privacy of use and enjoyment. The neighboring property owners that could be contacted support the requested relief.

Please be advised that Andrew Hysell and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at philanc6a@gmail.com and Mr. Hysell can be contacted at hysell6a06@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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May 15, 2015

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

Re: BZA Case No. 19012 (451 Tennessee Avenue, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on May 14, 2015,¹ our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request for a special exceptions from the lot-occupancy requirement (§ 403) and the rear-yard requirement (§ 404) in connection with the construction of a two-level deck at the rear of the existing structure.

The Commission supports granting the requested special exceptions because the proposed addition will not unduly affect the light and air available to neighboring properties nor will they unduly compromise their privacy of use and enjoyment. The neighboring property owners support the requested relief.

Please be advised that Andrew Hysell and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at philanc6a@gmail.com and Mr. Hysell can be contacted at hysell6a06@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

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May 15, 2015

Ms. Gretchen Pfaehler, Chair
Historic Preservation Review Board
Office of Planning
1100 Fourth Street, SW, Suite E650
Washington, DC 20024

Re: HPA # 15-XXX (224 9th Street, NE)

Dear Ms. Pfaehler,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on May 14, 2015, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the design of the proposed two-story rear porch addition to the existing single-family dwelling located at 224 9th Street, NE.

The applicant proposes to construct a two-story addition at the rear of the property. The ANC has reviewed the proposed plans and supports the proposal. The ANC believes it will provide an aesthetically pleasing fit with the remainder of the block.

Please be advised that Andrew Hysell and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at philanc6a@gmail.com and Mr. Hysell can be contacted at hysell6a06@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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May 28, 2015

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

Re: Car-Sharing Spaces on Square 1035, Lot 810

Dear Mr. LeGrant,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on May 14, 2015, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request the rationale for your approval of the by-right use of a portion of the above-referenced lot for four (4) car-sharing spaces.

The majority of Lot 810 is occupied by a structure consisting of seven adjoining parking garages. Behind the garage structure, the remainder of the lot has been paved and now hosts four (4) car-sharing spaces used by a commercial car-sharing service. In 2014, the property owner applied for a building permit (Permit No. B1406901), to undertake work including replacing the concrete pavers on the open portion of Lot 810. At that time, Rohan Reid from your office informed a nearby resident, Mr. Michael Cushman, that “[a] parking lot use in the R-4 zone would require relief from the Board of Zoning Adjustment,” and that “[i]f at any time you become aware that the open space is being used as a parking lot, please feel free to contact me so that our office can begin enforcement procedures.” (June 16, 2014 email from Rohan Reid to Michael Cushman.) However, the ANC understands from the property owner that he disclosed the proposed car-sharing use to your office and that he was informed that zoning relief would not be necessary. On March 10, 2015, DCRA issued a certificate of occupancy for Lot 810 that describes the occupancy of the lot as “Private Parking Garages – 7; and Open Parking Spaces – 4; Total of 11 Parking Spaces [Not a Public Parking Lot].” The certificate also lists the “Approved Zoning Code Use” as “Private garage as principal use.” Following further inquiries by Mr. Cushman, Mr. Reid again wrote to Mr. Cushman to inform him that “because the use is not for a commercial parking lot, which would require BZA relief, and is instead for private parking,” the certificate of occupancy application was correctly approved. (April 28, 2015 email from Rohan Reid to Michael Cushman.)

The ANC now seeks clarification regarding the various zoning code provisions that appear potentially to bear on the use of a portion of Lot 810 to host the four car-sharing spaces. Specifically:

- Pursuant to § 333.1, a “parking lot . . . on an alley lot . . . shall be permitted as a special exception in an R-4 District if approved by the Board of Zoning Adjustment under § 3104,

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subject to the provisions of this section.” At § 199, the code defines “lot, parking” as a “tract of land used for the temporary parking of motor vehicles when the use is not accessory to any other use.” Does the use of a portion of Lot 810 to host four car-sharing vehicles constitute a “parking lot” within the meaning of the code? If not, is the rationale because the use is “accessory to” the use of the remainder of the lot as a parking garage? If so, on what basis can additional parking for car-sharing vehicles be “accessory to” a primary use of the lot for parking?

- Mr. Reid’s email of April 28, 2015 to Mr. Cushman states that, for purposes of determining whether zoning relief is necessary, a commercial parking lot is treated differently from a lot used for private parking. What is the basis for this distinction? The definition of “lot, parking” at § 199 does not refer to commercial use, nor does § 333.1 specify that a special exception is needed only when a parking lot is to be used for commercial purposes. Is there some other provision of the Code that bears on this question? In addition, why would a contracted-for use of a lot by a car-sharing company be considered a private use and not a commercial one?
- Pursuant to § 301.1, a permitted “accessory use” in the R-2 District is “Car-sharing spaces; provided that any car-sharing space beyond the first two (2) spaces shall be located within or under a principal structure and may not be a required parking space for any use on site.” Is it correct that this accessory use is incorporated by reference into the permissible accessory uses in the R-4 District. If so, are two of the car-sharing spaces on the site required to be located within or under a principal structure? In what ways can that requirement be met, given that the principal structure on the lot would appear to be the existing garage?

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We believe that your interpretation of the zoning regulations with respect to these issues has significant consequences not only for the alley lot in question, but also in potential future cases, particularly given that there are numerous car-sharing spaces located throughout the ANC. Accordingly, your answers to the above questions, as well as your rationale for permitting the car-sharing use by right in this case, are very much appreciated.

Please be advised that Andrew Hysell and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at philanc6a@gmail.com and Mr. Hysell can be contacted at hysell6a06@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



Officer Reports - Treasurer



ANC 6A Treasurer's Report May 2015

Period Covered 5/1/2015-5/31/2015

Checking Account:

Balance Forwarded \$ 14,685.52

Receipts: Q1 District Allotment \$ 4,481.70

\$ -

Total Receipts \$ 4,481.70

Total Funds Available \$ 19,177.22

Disbursements:

Irene Dworakowski (Agenda/Web Master Services May	Ck #1704	\$	450.00
Note Taking (May. 2015 Minutes)	Ck #1705	\$	200.00
FedEx Office (May. 01, 2015 Statement)	Ck #1706	\$	251.29
Total Disbursements		\$	901.29

Ending Balance \$ 18,275.93

Savings Account:

Balance Forwarded \$ 13,720.56

Receipts:

Interest	05/28/15	\$	0.21
Deposit -			
Transfers from Checking Account			

Total Receipts \$ 0.21

Total Funds Available \$ 13,720.77

Disbursements \$ -

Ending Balance \$ 13,720.77



ANC 6A Treasurer's Report
May 2015

PETTY CASH SUMMARY

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



Officer Reports - Treasurer



Quarterly Report - ANC 6A, 2015 Q2

Balance Forward \$17,991.97

Receipts

District Allotment	\$4,481.70
Interest	\$0.00
Other	\$0.00
Transfer From Savings	\$0.00

Total Receipts \$4,481.70

Total Funds Available \$22,473.67

Disbursements

1.	Net Salary & Wages	\$0.00
2a.	Health Insurance	\$0.00
2b.	Casualty/Property Insurance	\$0.00
3.	Total Federal Wage Taxes Paid (Income and Soc. Sec.)	\$0.00
4.	State and Local Income Taxes Paid (DC, MD, VA)	\$0.00
5.	Unemployment Insurance Contributions	\$0.00
6.	Tax Penalties Paid	\$0.00
7.	Local Transportation	\$43.62
8.	Office Rent	\$0.00
9a.	Landline Telephone	\$0.00
9b.	Cellular Telephone	\$0.00
9c.	Cable/Internet Services	\$0.00
10.	Postage and Delivery	\$0.00
11.	Utilities	\$0.00
12.	Printing and Copying	\$741.20
13.	Flyer Distribution	\$0.00
14.	Purchase of Service	\$2,900.00
15.	Office Supplies	\$0.00
16a.	Rental	\$342.00
16b.	Purchase	\$0.00
17.	Grants	\$0.00
18.	Training	\$0.00
19.	Petty Cash Reimbursement	\$0.00
20.	Transfer(s) to Savings Account	\$0.00
21.	Bank Service Charges	\$0.00
22.	Website/Webhosting	\$0.00
23.	Other	\$25.00

Total Disbursements \$4,051.82

Ending Balance \$18,421.85

Approval Date By Commission: _____

Treasurer: _____

Chairperson: _____

Secretary Certification: _____

Date: _____

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



Officer Reports - Treasurer



2015 Budget - ANC 6A

Balance Forward: (from "Ending Balance" of Previous Fiscal Year)

\$18,022.16

Budget Receipts

Cat	Amount	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD	Diff
D-AL District Allotment	\$0.00	\$4,962.76	\$4,481.70	0.00	0.00	\$9,444.46	\$9,444.46
D-Int Deposit Interest	\$0.00	\$0.46	\$0.67	0.00	0.00	\$1.13	\$1.13
D-O Deposit Other	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
D-T Deposit Transfer - Transfer from Savings	\$0.00	\$4,607.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$4,607.82	\$4,607.82

Total Receipts

\$0.00 \$9,571.04 \$4,482.37 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$14,053.41 \$14,053.41

Total Funds Available:

\$27,593.20 \$22,474.34 \$18,422.52 \$18,422.52

Budget Disbursements

Cat	Amount	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD	Diff
1 Net Salary & Wages	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2a Health Insurance	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2b Casualty/Property Insurance	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Total Federal Wage Taxes Paid (Income and Soc. Sec.)	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4 State and Local Income Taxes Paid (DC, MD, VA)	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5 Unemployment Insurance Contributions	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6 Tax Penalties Paid	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7 Local Transportation	\$0.00	\$14.26	\$43.62	0.00	0.00	\$57.88	(\$57.88)
8 Office Rent	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9a Landline Telephone	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9b Cellular Telephone	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9c Cable/Internet Services	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10 Postage and Delivery	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11 Utilities	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12 Printing and Copying	\$0.00	\$840.75	\$741.20	0.00	0.00	\$1,581.95	(\$1,581.95)
13 Flyer Distribution	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
14 Purchase of Service	\$0.00	\$6,509.00	\$2,900.00	0.00	0.00	\$9,409.00	(\$9,409.00)
15 Office Supplies	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
16a Rental	\$0.00	0.00	\$342.00	0.00	0.00	\$342.00	(\$342.00)
16b Purchase	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
17 Grants	\$0.00	\$2,237.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	\$2,237.22	(\$2,237.22)
18 Training	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
19 Petty Cash Reimbursement	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
20 Transfer(s) to Savings Account	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
21 Bank Service Charges	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
22 Website/Webhosting	\$0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
23 Other	\$0.00	0.00	\$25.00	0.00	0.00	\$25.00	(\$25.00)

Total Expenditures

\$0.00 \$9,601.23 \$4,051.82 \$0.00 \$0.00 \$13,653.05 \$-13,653.05

Ending Balance:

\$17,991.97 \$18,422.52 \$18,422.52 \$18,422.52



Officer Reports - Treasurer

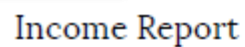


Expenditure Listing - ANC 6A, 2015 Q2

Cld	Check	Date	Payee	Cat	Amount	Purpose	Date Approved
	1685	2015-02-11	ANC Security Fund	27	25.00	ANC Security Fund Bonding Amount	2/12/2015
	1686	2015-02-11	Roberta Weiner	17	200.00	Payment for Dec recording minutes	2/12/2015
	1687	2015-02-11	Roberta Weiner	17	200.00	Payment for Jan recorded minutes	2/12/2015
	1688	2015-02-11	Irene Dworakowski	17	200.00	Payment for Jan printing services	2/12/2015
	1689	2015-02-11	FedEx	15	240.50	Jan Printing Services	2/12/2015
	1690	2015-02-11	Phil Toomajian (ANC Chair)	8	18.25	Transport to ABRA Meeting	2/12/2015
	1691	2015-03-11	Irene Dworakowski	17	200.00	February Services for Printing	3/12/2015
	1692	2015-03-11	FedEx	15	202.50	Feb Printing Services	3/12/2015
	1693	2015-03-11	Roberta Weiner	17	200.00	Payment for Feb Recording Minutes	3/12/2015
	1694	2015-03-11	Dana Wykoff	15	43.25	Printing for COC Meeting Materials	3/12/2015
	1695	2015-03-11	Phil Toomajian (ANC Chair)	8	25.37	Transport to Treasury Training	3/12/2015
	1699	2015-04-06	Irene Dworakowski	17	200.00	Payment for Mar Printing	4/9/2015
	1696	2015-04-09	Post Office	19	342.00	Rental Fee for Post office box	4/9/2015
	1697	2015-04-09	FedEx	15	254.95	Printing Services	4/9/2015
	1698	2015-04-09	Roberta Weiner	17	200.00	Payment for Mar minutes recording	4/9/2015
	1700	2015-04-09	Website Development	17	1500.00	Payment for building new website	4/9/2015

Note:

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Checking

Savings

Note:



Officer Reports - Treasurer



Reconciliation Report - ANC 6A, 2015 Q2

Date of Bank Statement	1/1/2015
Ending balance on bank statement	\$18117.63
+ Total Outstanding Deposits	\$4,481.70
- Total Outstanding Checks/Charges for this Quarter	\$4,051.82
- Total Outstanding Checks/Charges for Previous Quarters	\$0.00
Reconciled Bank Balance	\$18,547.51
QRA Ledger Balance	\$18,422.52
Bank Statement/QRA Difference	\$124.99

Deposits Not on Statement

Source	Date	Amount
1 District Allotment	03/16/2015	\$4,481.70

Outstanding Checks

Check	Payee	Date	Amount
1 1685	ANC Security Fun	02/11/2015	\$25.00
2 1686	Roberta Weiner	02/11/2015	\$200.00
3 1687	Roberta Weiner	02/11/2015	\$200.00
4 1688	Irene Dworakows	02/11/2015	\$200.00
5 1689	FedEx	02/11/2015	\$240.50
6 1690	Phil Toomajian (A	02/11/2015	\$18.25
7 1691	Irene Dworakows	03/11/2015	\$200.00
8 1692	FedEx	03/11/2015	\$202.50
9 1693	Roberta Weiner	03/11/2015	\$200.00
10 1694	Dana Wykoff	03/11/2015	\$43.25
11 1695	Phil Toomajian (A	03/11/2015	\$25.37
12 1699	Irene Dworakows	04/06/2015	\$200.00
13 1696	Post Office	04/09/2015	\$342.00
14 1697	FedEx	04/09/2015	\$254.95
15 1698	Roberta Weiner	04/09/2015	\$200.00
16 1700	Website Developm	04/09/2015	\$1,500.00

Note:



Committee Reports

Community Outreach Committee (COC)



Minutes

ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC) of
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
Regular Meeting - May 18, 2015
Maury Elementary School
1250 Constitution Avenue NE, Washington, DC

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm.

COC members present: Dana Wyckoff (Co-Chair), Shirley Worthy, Gladys Mack, Joyce West, Roni Hollmon, Pat Joseph, Jean Kohanek, Raphael Marshall (Co-Chair) (Quorum)
ANC Commissioners present: Sondra Phillips-Gilbert
Community members present: Hannah Lewis, Mulikat Sarumi

I. Agenda

Adopted with amendment

II. Old Business

1. Grant Application Revision: The Committee reviewed a rough draft of suggested revisions to the ANC 6A grant application instructions, compiled by Co-Chair Dana Wyckoff with input from the COC's 'grant small group' tasked with updating the documents.

Revisions to the grant application instructions and final report requirements are to fulfill recommendations approved by ANC 6A in December 2014 designed to make the grant application more user-friendly and compliant with ANC 6A and DC ANC rules and legal requirements.

Discussion included concerns about the length of the draft document, with Committee Member Jean Kohanek noting that instructions should help applicants fill out the form easily, and a bullet-point format might be useful. Committee Member Pat Joseph suggested the draft be cut down and edited further. Committee Member Joyce West recommended a review of the current application form and instructions, to prevent overlap. Committee Member Shirley Worthy said that the current instructions on the application should be removed, since there was duplication. Committee Member Gladys Mack suggested striking the first paragraph of the "Overview" page.

Committee member Roni Hollmon was concerned that the language under "Eligibility and Rules" - describing what types of organizations may apply - was not clear enough. She noted that certain groups are eligible to apply even if they don't have a 501(c) 3 designation and that this was not emphasized strongly enough in the draft. Co-Chair Wyckoff agreed, and will re-write this section to clearly define that eligible groups without a 501(c) 3 may apply.

Commissioner Sondra Philips-Gilbert said that she felt that the COC grant application should allow individuals to apply without being part of a 501(c) 3 group or an eligible organization. Co-Chair Wyckoff and other Committee Members noted that this is not allowed under ANC 6A and DC ANC rules. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert said that the COC can make recommended changes to include individuals that want to provide services to their communities and submit it for the ANC for its consideration and action.



Committee Reports

Community Outreach Committee (COC)



Committee Member Kohanek said that reviewing the draft at a meeting is “a lot to digest” and suggested circulating it for review online before the next meeting. Co-Chair Wyckoff noted that the ‘grant small group’ was created to work online and between meetings, and that having the whole group see the ongoing product was to ensure input from all. Co-Chair Wyckoff will incorporate edits and suggestions from the COC meeting and circulate an edited version before the next meeting to the ‘grant small group’ and all COC members for comments.

Draft suggestions for the grant ‘final report’ requirements prepared by Committee Member West, who serves on the ‘grant small group’ were not reviewed due to time constraints.

2. Grant Outreach Plan and Implementation Strategy: This was not discussed due to time constraints.

III. New Business

1. Website Review and Outreach Process: The Committee is tasked, as part of its mission statement, with reviewing and suggesting updates to certain ANC 6A webpages, including ‘Government’, ‘Organizations’ and ‘Grants’; and suggesting other changes related to outreach and communication.

The Committee discussed the process of updating the pages, ensuring the inclusion of pertinent groups, and how to organize the pages. Committee Member Kohanek said that the links on the ‘Government’ and ‘Organizations’ pages need to be checked and updated one by one. Committee Member Mack said that some groups listed on the ‘Organizations’ page aren’t really active; Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert and Co-Chair Wyckoff said that it is up to the COC to contact those already listed and see if information and links are active, but it is not up to the Committee to choose who to list as long as the group’s purpose is to benefit residents of the ANC.

Committee Member Joseph agreed to check the ‘Government’ pages; both Committee Member Worthy and Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert said that listing 311 and 911 was important. Committee Member Joseph asked how involved should the help/Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) section be, noting the process to report and follow up on an issue was to contact 311 (to get a confirmation number), then the ANC Commissioner, then the Councilmember. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert suggested including the process and the approximate time to wait before moving to the next level. Committee members discussed ways to organize the ‘Government’ page, including a FAQ; an expanded paragraph on how to use 311 to report problems via phone, email or app; or a ‘who to contact first’ section.

Co-Chair Wyckoff asked the Committee Members to suggest groups that should be included on the ‘Organizations’ page before the next COC meeting. She will send out a link to the current ANC 6A ‘Organizations’ page, as well as links to good examples of ‘Community’/‘Organization’ pages from other DC ANC websites for Committee Members to review and use as a springboard for ideas.

2. Day and Location of COC Meeting: The Committee had moved and adopted an amendment to the Agenda to discuss a proposal by Co-Chair Raphael Marshall to move the current COC



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meeting day and location from the third (3rd) Monday of each month at Maury Elementary School (ES) to the third (3rd) Thursday of each month at Sherwood Recreation Center. Co-Chair Wyckoff noted that while it is the prerogative of the ANC and the Committee Chair to set the meeting day and location, it is important for the full Committee to discuss the issue, since it affects the schedules of all members.

The Committee first discussed the issue of moving the meeting day from the third (3rd) Monday to the third (3rd) Thursday of each month. Co-Chair Marshall said that he wanted the day change because currently both the ANC 6A COC and the Transportation and Public Space Committee (TPS) meetings are held on the same day, and he wants to attend the TPS meeting, especially about issues concerning H Street, Eighth (8th) Street and surrounding neighborhoods. Protracted discussion ensued: Committee Members Worthy and Kohanek said that either day was good; Committee Member Joseph said that meeting on Mondays worked better for her schedule, Committee Members West and Mack said they wanted to attend TPS meetings and wanted the meeting to move to Thursdays. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert supported the move so she can attend the TPS meetings.

Co-Chair Wyckoff said that the third Thursday of each month conflicted with another community meeting she attends. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert asked Co-Chair Wyckoff why the Committee had to follow her schedule, and that Co-Chair Marshall could run the meetings. Co-Chair Wyckoff noted that everyone on the committee knew the meeting day, location and time when they asked to be appointed to the Committee, and that the COC and TPS meeting dates have been scheduled on the same day for many years.

Committee Member Hollman said that the third (3rd) Monday was more difficult for her, though not every Monday was so busy. The alternative meeting day of the fourth (4th) Monday of each month was then discussed. Co-Chair Marshall said that moving the meeting to the fourth (4th) Monday of each month meant that he would have to attend ANC-related meetings three separate weeks in a row. Committee Members Hollman, West, Worthy, Joseph and Kohanek were agreeable to meeting on the fourth (4th) Monday of each month.

Co-Chair Marshall also proposed moving the meeting location from Maury Elementary School (ES) to Sherwood Recreation Center. Co-Chair Wyckoff pointed out that two ANC 6A Committees (Alcohol Beverage Licensing and Economic Development and Zoning) currently meet at Sherwood, and the third (Transportation and Public Space) meets across the street at Capitol Hill Towers, 900 G Street NE. She said that if the COC meeting moved to Sherwood, the geographic distribution of public meetings within the ANC would be non-existent. Co-Chair Marshall responded that it was not up to him to know where the other meetings were held.

Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert said that people are 'used to attending meetings at Sherwood and more people would attend the COC meeting if it was held there. She noted that the Sherwood Recreation Center Manager 'is right here' (indicating Co-Chair Marshall) and that a decision to schedule the meeting could be made right away. Co-Chair Wyckoff asked Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert why she did not support holding the meeting at Rosedale Community Center, which is in her SMD, and which would ensure more geographically diverse public meetings within the ANC. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert said that holding the meetings at Sherwood would bring out a more diverse group of people, which would not be true at



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Rosedale Community Center. Committee Member Worthy agreed with this, saying that there is more diversity at Sherwood. Committee Member Hollman stated that if the meeting was moved to Sherwood, she would quit the Committee, since it would lengthen her walk to/from the meeting and increase her safety concerns. Committee Member Joseph agreed and did not support moving the meeting location.

After further discussion, the Committee moved and seconded a motion to approve the recommendation that the COC meeting day move to the 4th Monday of each month, from the current 3rd Monday of each month, pending the availability of accessible space at Maury ES; and to submit it to the ANC 6A for a vote at its June 11, 2015 meeting. The vote was 9-0 with Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert voting.

The COC will forward the following recommendation to the ANC:

The monthly meeting day of the ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee will move from the third Monday of each month to the fourth Monday of each month, pending the availability of adequate and accessible meeting space at Maury Elementary School; and after due public notice and discussion. The meeting location (Maury ES) and start time (7:00 pm) will remain as it currently is set.

IV. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

**The next regular meeting of the ANC 6A COC
Monday, June 15, 2015 at 7:00 pm
Maury Elementary School, 1250 Constitution Ave NE
(enter from 200 block of Thirteenth (13th) Street)**



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Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



Minutes

Alcoholic Beverage Licensing (ABL) Committee

Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A

May 19, 2015

Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee (“Committee”) of ANC 6A was held commencing at 7:00 pm on May 19, 2015 at Sherwood Recreation Center, 640 Tenth (10th) Street NE, Washington, DC 20002.

Committee Members Present: Jay Williams (Co-Chair), Christopher Seagle (Co-Chair), Michael Herman, Roger Caruth, and Justin Rzepka.

Committee Members Absent: David Oberting.

Commissioners Present: None.

Community Members Present: None.

I. Call to Order

Mr. Williams called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. The meeting having been duly convened was ready to proceed with business with a quorum. There were no additions or edits to the agenda as published.

II. Community Comment

None.

III. Old Business

None.

IV. New Business

Prior to addressing the agenda items, Mr. Williams recognized Mr. Rzepka as a new member of the Committee. The Committee members welcomed him and Mr. Rzepka stated he was looking forward to serving on the Committee.

A. Discussion of license renewal for Andy Lee Liquor Inc. t/a New H Wine and Spirits at 914 H Street NE (Class “A” Retail) (License Number ABRA-093550) and Discussion of license renewal for Kartik, Inc. t/a New York Liquors at 1447 Maryland Avenue NE (Class “A” Retail) (License Number ABRA-076234).

- Mr. Williams explained that these were licenses that, due to their timing, had to be tentatively approved for a protest at the last ANC meeting, but if the Committee decided that a protest for either was not warranted, then no protest would be filed.
- Mr. Williams noted that nobody was in attendance to speak concerning either license renewal. He stated that he had not received any complaints or concerns related to either location, and other members of the Committee reported that they had not heard any complaints or concerns either.

Mr. Williams moved/Mr. Seagle seconded that the ANC take no action concerning the license renewal for Andy Lee Liquor Inc. (t/a New H Wine and Spirits) and Kartik, Inc. (t/a New York Liquors). The motion carried 5-0.

V. Adjourn

The Committee adjourned at 7:20 pm.



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Transportation and Public Space (TPS)



No report. Committee did not meet in May 2015.



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Transportation and Public Space (TPS)



June xx, 2015

Teri Doke
Administrator
Department of Public Works, Parking Enforcement Management
2000 14th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009

Dear Mr. Doke:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on June 11, 2015, our Commission voted X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request the DPW and MPD enforce the relevant laws and regulations regarding parking on sidewalk and public space at the northwest corner of Fourteenth (14th) Street and East Capitol Street NE, in front of Al's Pizza.

Residents have expressed concern that couriers for Al's Pizza, a carry-out restaurant on the northwest corner of Fourteenth (14th) Street and East Capitol Street NE, are regularly parking illegally on public space sidewalk adjacent the store.

The situation poses a safety hazard and concerns for our residents. Cars belonging to the restaurant's staff and owners are entering and exiting the public space area, crossing the sidewalk, very frequently. Not only is this illegal, it is dangerous. The 1300 block of East Capitol St. is the site of very heavy use by pedestrians. There have been multiple reports of near-misses and citizens report that they have complained and spoken to Al's Pizza without success.

We look forward to enforcement action resulting in elimination of this dangerous and illegal activity. Please feel free to reach out to me at philanc6a@gmail.com or our Commission's Vice-Chair and Co-Chair of our Transportation and Public Space Committee, Omar Mahmud, at mahmud6a01@gmail.com should you wish to discuss this matter further and share any thoughts on how we can work together on this matter going forward.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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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 May 20, 2015

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

Present

Members: Laura Gentile, Dan Golden (Co-Chair), Andrew Hysell (Co-Chair)

Commissioners: Stephanie Zimny

Community Comment

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

Status Reports

1. Resolution of previously heard BZA/HPRB cases (Dan Golden)

New Business

1. 242 10th Street, NE (HP-XX). Michael Blake, architect and homeowner, presented his proposal to the committee. Applicant seeks Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) approval for design of two (2) story addition to existing two (2) story, single-family dwelling in the Capitol Hill Historic District. Mr. Blake is adding a two (2) story addition that is not visible from the street. The proposed design has changed somewhat from what was presented at the previous EDZ Committee meeting, when the applicant sought support for zoning relief requested from BZA. Specifically, the design now features a slightly inverted roof slope to allow for additional ceiling height. The roof will have an internal gutter system to allow for drainage. Neighbors living adjacent to the building and across the alley have seen the drawings of the proposed design and have offered their support. Mr. Blake has shared the drawings with the Historic Preservation Office, which may decide to simply review the project at the staff level.

Dan Golden made a motion that the committee recommend that the ANC send a letter to the Historic Preservation Review Board in support of the project design. The motion passed unanimously.

2. 1300 H Street, NE (BZA 19026): The District's chosen developer, Fundrise, is now partnering with Insight (the developer at the Apollo project at the site of the former Murry's Grocery to the west on H Street, NE) for the proposed development of the former site of the R.L. Christian Library. Representatives from both Fundrise and Insight presented to the Committee. Fundrise/Insight seek a variance from the off-street parking requirements under § 2101.1, and special exceptions from the roof structures requirements under §§ 411.5 and 770.6, the HS-A Overlay requirements under § 1320.4(f), and the HS Overlay Design and Special Exception requirements under §§ 1324.10 and 1325.1, to construct a new four (4) story, mixed-use building with ground floor retail containing thirty-six (36) residential dwelling units in the HS-A/C-2-A District. The relief sought will permit the applicants to furnish only eight (8) parking spots on-site, to have two (2) penthouses of unequal height atop the structure, and to have egress only for residents onto H Street.

The proposed project will be heard by the Bureau of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) on July 7, 2015. At least one comment was made regarding concerns about the increase in density resulting from more cars being parked on the street. The developers are proposing to include eight (8) parking spots for the thirty-six (36) units, while the law requires that they provide fifty (50) spaces. To address the



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parking concerns, the developers indicated that they would ensure that residents of the building would not be able to obtain Residential Parking Permits (RPPs). The developers mentioned that buildings with an address on the 1300 block of H Street, NE are already precluded from obtaining RPPs by the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) system. The developers also mentioned that they would make sure the address of the building would remain as H Street, which they would do by locating the fire control room on the H Street side of the building. The location of the fire control room typically dictates a building's address.

Insight has agreed to provide twenty-seven (27) spaces for bicycle parking, and are working with DDOT on other transportation measures as well.

With respect to the appearance of the building, the developers indicate that initial plan was to develop a building that looked more like a warehouse with large windows and a loft like appearance. However, in response to community comments, the developers change the design of the building to look more modern.

The building will include apartments for rental (no condos) and retail. For the retail aspect to the building, the developers are proposing to bring in one business that would operate 24 hours/seven days a week. The intent is that this business would be able provide a variety of options for the community, similar to recently-opened Maketto on H Street NE which offers a combination of retail, coffee, cocktails at night, and lunch.

In response to a question from Commissioner Stephanie Zimny about whether there would be additional Bikeshare racks, the developers said that they were moving one of the Bikeshare racks already on a street over so it would be closer to their building. The developers are also planning to pay the Bikeshare fees for its residents. The eight (8) parking spaces will be available for rent on a first-come, first-serve basis. There will also be a communal rooftop terrace with some portion of the roof dedicated to low growth vegetation.

In response to concerns from the community about how to enforce the parking permit prohibition, the developers agreed that, as an added measure, they will add language in leases and, in the event units are sold in the future, in contracts for sale precluding residents from obtaining RPPs.

Co-Chair Dan Golden made a two-part motion as follows: First, for the special exceptions, Golden made a motion to recommend that the ANC write a letter to the BZA in support of the request for these special exceptions; and second, with respect to the variance from the off-street parking requirements, Mr. Golden made a motion to recommend that the ANC support the variance request under the following two conditions: 1) a covenant be recorded that requires that all leases and contracts for sale of the building units specifically prohibit tenants from obtaining RPPs; and 2) at all times, the developers treat their address as being on H Street. A third condition was added on a motion to amend by Commissioner Zimny: to require as a condition of support that the applicant further investigate options for sponsoring or subsidizing expanded nearby Bikeshare options. The amended motion passed unanimously.

3. 702 15th Street, NE (BZA 19021): The Applicant, Amazing Love, is a new start-up that has obtained a permit to operate as a behavioral health clinic to provide therapy to community members. The Applicant seeks a special exception from the off-street parking space reduction requirements under § 2108, to allow a medical office in the HS-A/C-2-A District.



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The operation has thirteen (13) parking spaces, while, according to the applicant, the law requires twenty (21) for a medical office. (Co-chair Golden stated that it appears that the law may require as many as forty-two 42 parking spaces, based on his reading of the zoning regulations.) The Applicant expects to have eleven (11) employees and to operate from 9:00 am - 5:30 pm Monday through Friday. The Applicant said most patients will not drive to the center and, to encourage the use of public transportation, they will provide patients with bus passes. Many community members commented during the meeting, raising concerns about the increase in parking in an already high density neighborhood, about the lack of clarity on how much traffic could result from the operation, and from the fact that they had reached out by phone and email to contact the Applicant and had received no response. They also raised concerns that Amazing Love is not yet operating at full capacity and, as such, the Applicant did not have a good sense of the potential impact to local parking when the facilities operating at full capacity.

Co-Chair Dan Golden asked the Applicant to return to the Committee next month to present more clear data on the expected impact of their operation on parking in the neighborhood. The Applicant agreed to postpone its BZA hearing and to present at the EDZ's June 2015 Committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting:
Wednesday, Jun 17, 2015
7:00 - 9:00 pm
640 Tenth (10th) Street NE
Sherwood Recreation Center, Second (2nd) Floor



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June XX, 2015

Ms. Gretchen Pfaehler, Chair
Historic Preservation Review Board
Office of Planning
1100 Fourth Street, SW, Suite E650
Washington, DC 20024

Re: HPA # 15-XXX (242 10th Street, NE)

Dear Ms. Pfaehler,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting² on June 11, 2015, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the proposed two-story rear addition to the main structure located at 242 10th Street, NE. The ANC supports the proposal and believes it will provide an aesthetically pleasing fit with the remainder of the block.

Please be advised that Andrew Hysell and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at philanc6a@gmail.com and Mr. Hysell can be contacted at hysell6a06@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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June XX, 2015

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

Re: BZA Case No. 19021 (1300 H Street, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on June 11, 2015,³ our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support, under certain conditions discussed below, the Applicant's request for a variance from the off-street parking requirements set forth at § 2101.1, and for special exceptions from the roof structures requirements under §§ 411.5 and 770.6, the HS-A Overlay requirements under § 1320.4(f), and the HS Overlay Design and Special Exception requirements under §§ 1324.10 and 1325.1. The applicant seeks the requested relief to construct a new four-story, mixed-use building with ground floor retail containing 36 residential dwelling units in the HS-A/C-2-A District.

The Commission supports granting the requested variance from the off-street parking requirements because strict application of the above-referenced zoning requirements would result in peculiar and exceptional practical difficulties and hardship to the applicant and because granting the requested relief will not result in substantial detriment to the public good or substantially impair the intent, purpose, and integrity of the zoning plan. However, the Commission supports granting of the off-street parking variance only on the condition that: 1) a covenant be recorded in the land records requiring that each lease or contract for sale of a residential unit prohibit the tenant or owner of the unit from obtaining a residential parking permit; and that 2) the applicant for all purposes treat the building as fronting on H Street, N.E., including assigning or causing the District to assign an H Street, N.E. address to the building and each of its units.

The Commission also supports granting the requested special exceptions because the two proposed roof structures with disparate heights will not unduly affect the light and air available to neighboring properties nor will they unduly compromise their privacy of use and enjoyment. In addition, the absence of a residential entrance on H Street, N.E. is, in the view of the Commission, not inconsistent with the overall goals of the H Street, N.E. design overlay.

Please be advised that Andrew Hysell and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at philanc6a@gmail.com and Mr. Hysell can be contacted at hysell6a06@gmail.com.

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