

District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Agenda for November 12, 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

7:01 pm Approve Previous Meeting's Minutes, Adopt Agenda

7:02 pm **Community Presentations**

Update from Mayor Bowser's Office (5 minutes)

<u>Department of Public Works (DPW) Director Chris Shorter</u> (15 minutes)

7:25 pm Officer Reports

Chair

Vice-Chair Secretary

Treasurer pg. 14

- 1. Approve Treasurer's Report
- 2. FY15 Third (3rd) Quarter Financial Report

Standing Committee Reports:

7:35 pm Community Outreach pg.16

- 1. Approve October 2015 committee report.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, November 23, 2015 (4th Monday)

7:40 pm Alcohol Beverage Licensing pg. 17

- 1. Approve October 2015 committee report.
- 2. **Recommendation:** The ANC take no action in response to the request by The Pursuit Wine Bar (1421 H St NE) for a change from a Restaurant to a Tavern license.
- 3. **Recommendation:** The ANC protest the request by Ocopa (1324 H St NE) for an Entertainment Endorsement until Ocopa is able to present its plans to the ABL Committee and the Committee has no objections to or concerns with those plans.
- 4. Next meeting 7:00 pm, November 17, 2015 (3rd Tuesday)

7:50 pm <u>Transportation and Public Space Committee</u> pg. 18

- 1. Approve October 2015 committee report.
- 2. **Recommendation:** The ANC send a letter of support for the following elements of the Rappaport Company's application to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) Public Space Committee, with the condition that the Rappaport Company present a security plan for the perimeter of the property:
 - a. Close the curb cut at Ninth (9th) Street NE and replace it with residential drop off and pick up zone;
 - b. Widen the curb cuts for the alley behind the property to conform with the alley's increased width;
 - c. Use special pavers at the corner of Eighth (8th) Street NE and H Street NE;
 - d. Place cantilevered awnings at the two (2) residential entrances that will not obstruct pedestrian traffic;



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- e. Include a café zone on the Eighth (8th) Street NE side of the property that will provide six (6) feet of space between the existing bus shelter and the café zone, and that will provide buffer space between neighboring property to the south on Eighth (8th) Street NE; and
- f. Create a valet parking zone on the H Street NE side of the property.
- 3. **Recommendation:** The ANC send a letter of support to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) for the proposal to move three parking spaces on the east side of Tenth (10th) Street NE to the west side of the street (in place of current curb cuts) in order to accommodate truck turning, and that the Commission strongly recommend the spaces should remain as currently designated: two (2) for residents and one (1) metered.
- 4. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter of support to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) for a request for a traffic calming study on the 1200 and 1300 blocks of Constitution Ave NE and ask DDOT to assess the intersection at Thirteenth (13th) Street NE, Tennessee Ave NE and Constitution Ave NE.
- 5. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter of support to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) for the Lincoln Park bike lane plans with the exception of the contraflow lane on 100 block of Eleventh (11th) Street NE and request that DDOT examine which would be safer, a dedicated southbound lane or the originally proposed contra-flow bike lane along that block.
- 6. Next meeting 7:00 pm, November 16, 2015 (3rd Monday)

8:20 pm Economic Development and Zoning pg. 27

- 1. Approve October 2015 committee report.
- 2. **Recommendation:** ANC accept the resignation of Dan Golden as co-chair of the EDZ Committee
- 3. **Recommendation:** ANC accept the nomination of Brad Greenfield as a member of the EDZ Committee.
- 4. **Recommendation:** ANC accept the nomination of Brad Greenfield as chair of the EDZ Committee.
- 5. **Recommendation:** ANC write a letter to the Board of Zoning Authority (BZA) in support of the request for a special exception from the lot occupancy requirements under § 403 to construct a garage with a rooftop deck at 134 Eleventh (11th) Street, N.E. (BZA 19108), on the condition that the parapet wall height be raised to 15 feet and that a green roof be included in the design that sets the roof deck back at least 7 feet from the alley and is impassable.
- 6. **Recommendation:** ANC write a letter to the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) in support of the proposed design of the proposed garage and roof deck at 134 Eleventh (11th) Street, N.E. (HPA 15-633), on the condition that additional detail be added to the brick facade above the garage door.
- 7. **Recommendation:** ANC write a letter to the Historic Preservation Review Board HPRB in support of historic landmark status for the Lexington Apartments building at 1114 F Street, N.E. (HLA 15-19).
- 8. Next meeting 7:00 pm, November 18, 2015 (3rd Wednesday)



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

8:45 pm Single Member District reports (1 minute each)

8:55 pm Community Comments (2 minutes each)

9:00 pm Adjourn





Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Minutes Miner Elementary School October 8, 2015

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

The meeting convened at 7:01 pm.

The minutes for the ANC 6A September 2015 meeting and the agenda for the October 2015 meeting were approved without changes or objection.

Community Presentations

Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) Assistant Chief Diane Groomes

MPD Assistant Chief Diane Groomes spoke at length regarding MPD's ongoing public safety initiatives including increasing overtime for officers in an effort to ensure added police presence, the dispatching of mountain bicycle officer patrols, and the expansion of the "night life" program, i.e. small groups of five to ten (5-10) officers dispatched to neighborhood night spots throughout the city including the H Street NE corridor, during the late evening to early morning hours. Assistant Chief Groomes indicated that there has been increased police presence along Benning Road NE where there is a concentration of lawbreaking activity and which serves as a convenient means of evasion for many lawbreakers. Additionally, Assistant Chief Groomes advised that an arrest has been made in the case of a robbery and resultant homicide at Seventh (7th) and H Streets NE. The Assistant Chief further indicated that robbery figures were down substantially after an uptick earlier this year. Finally, the Assistant Chief clarified that marijuana use in public is still illegal and also noted that tickets may be issued for marijuana possession as well.

MPD First District Captain Antonio Charland highlighted MPD crime-fighting efforts in the H Street NE area, and recommended that members of the public contact the MPD if there are concerns about questionable activity or misconduct. Captain Charland can be reached at AntonioCharland@dc.gov.

MPD Detective Sergeant Andrew Struhar of the Narcotic Enforcement Unit relayed that illegal drug activity dealing with sales and/or distribution can be reported to MPD by calling 911, sending an anonymous text to 54011, or by email at NSID.DrugComplaints@dc.gov.

Representatives from Mayor Bowser's Office

Mr. Seth Shapiro, Ward 6 Outreach Service Specialist, gave an update on the initiatives proposed by Mayor Bowser to improve public safety and again made available copies of the fact sheet provided from the Mayor's office at the September 2015 meeting. Mr. Shapiro also elaborated on last month's report from the Mayor's office regarding improving services for the city's homeless population, including working on ending homelessness for veterans.

Anacostia River Sediment Project

Mr. Richard Jackson, Deputy Director, Department of Energy and Environment (DDOE), Environmental Services Administration, outlined briefly the ongoing study for the proposed de-contamination and cleanup of a nine (9) mile section of the tidal portion of the Anacostia River. Further information can be obtained from the DOEE website at www.doeedc.gov/anacostiasediment.





Officer Reports

Chairman Phil Toomajian spoke about the positive reception in reference to the September 2015 ANC 6A Education Forum, and indicated interest in making the Education Forum an annual event. The Chairman advised that the traffic light at Tenth (10th) Street and Maryland Avenue NE has been installed and should be operational by the end of October 2015. The Chairman announced the resignation of Mr. Dan Golden as Co-Chair of the Economic Development and Zoning Committee (EDZ), relayed his thanks and commendation to Mr. Golden for his efforts in behalf of the EDZ. Mr. Golden will continue to serve as a committee member. Mr. Toomajian advised that the Economic Development and Zoning Committee's recommendation regarding a proposed expansion of a property on Emerald Street would be tabled as the application had been withdrawn. Finally, Mr. Toomajian raised the issue of the many vacant properties located on the H Street NE corridor and the delays by the city in the disposition of these properties.

Treasurer's Report. Ms. Stephanie Zimny presented the 2016 ANC 6A budget. The budget was accepted without objection (7-0). Ms. Zimny delivered the Treasurer's Report. The opening balance in the checking account was \$14,695.52, with a forwarding balance of \$22,793.42, (including Q1 and Q2 District Allotments of \$4,481.70 each). There were disbursements of \$450.00 to Irene Dworakowski (Check 1714) for agenda/webmaster services and \$200.00 for September 2015 minutes; (Check 1715); \$215.50 (Check 1716) to FedEx; leaving a balance of \$22,793.42, in the checking account and \$13,720.56, with a \$0.21 interest deduction in the savings account. The report was accepted without objection.

Committee Reports

Community Outreach Committee (COC)

The September 2015 COC Report was accepted without objection.

Ms. Wyckoff advised of the resignations of Ms. Jean Kohanek and Ms. Shirley Worthy from the COC. Ms. Wyckoff submitted a prototype of the ANC 6A grant application and a proposed updated grant application fact sheet for review.

Motion: Mr. Toomajian moved and Mr. Omar Mahmud seconded a motion that the ANC send letters of appreciation to Ms. Kohanek and Ms. Worthy. The motion passed (7-0).

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, October 26, 2015 (4th Monday)

Alcohol Beverage Licensing (ABL)

No report. The ABL Committee did not meet in September 2015.

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, October 20, 2015 (3rd Tuesday).

Transportation and Public Space Committee (TPS)

The September 2015 TPS Committee Report was accepted without objection.

Ms. Theresa DuBois and Mr. Pete Kirschner from Events DC advised of a partnership with KaBOOM, a national non-profit whose mission is to build, open, or restore play areas or playgrounds primarily in low-income areas, regarding the proposal to build a new community playground at Twentieth (20th) and C Streets NE. This project is on hold pending community support. Events DC committed to maintain and upkeep the existing Oklahoma Avenue playground going forward.





Motion: The TPS Committee moved and Mr. Calvin Ward seconded a motion that the ANC 6A send a letter of support in favor of the Events DC proposal to construct a playground on the 2000 block of C Street NE according to the plans provided to the ANC. The motion passed (7-0).

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, October 19, 2015 (3rd Monday).

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

The September 2015 EDZ Committee Report was accepted without objection.

Motion: The EDZ Committee moved and Mr. Mahmud seconded a motion that the ANC write a letter to the Zoning Commission in support of an extension of the order permitting redevelopment of the H Street Connection site at 901 H Street NE (ZC 10-19) with mixed-use residential and retail structure. Ms. Emily Strunk of the Rappaport Companies gave a short briefing on the pending development plans for the H Street Connection located between Eighth (8th) and Tenth (10th) Streets NE. Ms. Strunk committed to working with the Chair and Vice Chair to ensure the security of the site during the period of vacancy before construction commences. The motion passed (7-0).

Motion: The EDZ Committee moved and Ms. Sondra Phillips-Gilbert seconded a motion that the ANC write a letter to the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) in support of a special exception from the lot occupancy requirements under § 403, the rear yard requirements under § 404, and the addition to a non-conforming structure requirements under § 2001.3 to allow the construction of a rear spiral staircase at the existing flat at 1617 Gales Street NE (BZA 19104), on the condition that the applicant use best efforts to obtain letters of support from the owners of the adjoining properties prior to the September 10, 2015 ANC meeting. The motion passed (7-0).

Motion: The ANC write a letter to the BZA in opposition to the request for a variance from the lot size requirements under § 401, the lot occupancy requirements under § 403, the rear yard requirements under § 404, the court requirements under § 406, and the nonconforming structure requirements under § 2001.3, and the request for special exception form the height requirements under § 400, to construct a third (3rd) story addition to an existing two (2) story, one-family dwelling and a new shed at 1336 Emerald Street NE (BZA 19085). The motion was tabled with no action was taken as the application was withdrawn.

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, October 21, 2015 (3rd Wednesday).

Single Member District (SMD) Reports

Mr. Calvin Ward mentioned the need for maintenance for a large tree located near a resident's yard in the alley between Eighteenth (18th) and Nineteenth (19th) Streets NE and is seeking clarification on whether it is a city maintenance issue or a homeowner issue. Mr. Calvin Ward further mentioned community concerns regarding Eighteenth (18th) and D Streets NE and has requested that MPD provide additional presence between the evening hours.

Ms. Zimny advised of the status of the proposal for a language immersion program at the Miner Elementary School. Ms. Zimny spoke about gathering information from the community about dilapidated building in the neighborhood and indicated that there would be a community clean-up day scheduled for October 24, 2015.





Mr. Mahmud mentioned that there would be a dedication ceremony at the New Samaritan Baptist Church at 1100 Florida Avenue NE on October 18, 2015 at 10:00 am commemorating the renaming of the block as Ruby Whitfield Way. Ms. Whitfield was tragically killed by a hit-and-run driver near the church site.

Mr. Toomajian mentioned the success of last month's the Sherwood Day activities at the Sherwood Recreation Center and provided additional detail on the installation of the new traffic signal at Tenth (10th) Street and Maryland Avenue NE.

Ms. Phillips Gilbert spoke about the success of a Job Fair that took place and announced that a Halloween gathering would take place on October 31, 2015 between 12:00-4:00 pm at Rosedale Community Center.

Mr. Matt Levy mentioned new alley repair requests at Thirteenth (13th) and East Capitol Streets and on 14th Street. Mr. Levy also advised of a SMD meeting at the Maury Elementary School on October 22, 2015, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Mr. Patrick Malone commended Mr. Dan Golden for his service to the EDZ Committee. Mr. Malone also mentioned his intention to follow-up with the MPD regarding the synthetic drug issue, and his observation of a noticeable downtick in crime due to increased bicycle officer presence.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Community Presentations









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



October 9, 2015

Ms. Sharon Schellin Secretary to the Zoning Commission D.C. Office of Zoning One Judiciary Square 441 4th St. NW, Suite 210S Washington, DC 20001

Re: ZC Case No. 10-03 (901 H Street, N.E., Square 912, Lot 55)

Dear Ms. Schellin.

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on October 8, 2015, our Commission voted 7-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request for a second extension of Zoning Commission Order No. 10-03, effective January 14, 2011, granting consolidated PUD approval for the construction of a mixed-use development composed of retail and residential uses on Lot 55 in Square 912 (the "H Street Connection Property").

The Commission concludes that good cause exists for the requested extension based on the delays that the applicant has experienced in connection with terminating the leases of the current tenants on the property. The Commission continues to believe that the contemplated development will make an important and positive contribution to the revitalized H Street, N.E. corridor.

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.

Phil Toomajian

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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Commission Letters of October 8, 2015 Meeting





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



October 9, 2015

Gregory A. O'Dell President and Chief Executive Officer Events DC 801 Mt. Vernon Place NW Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. O'Dell:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on October 8, 2015, our Commission voted 7-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Events DC proposal to construct a playground on the 2000 block of C Street NE according to the plans provided to the ANC.

Our ANC is supporting installation of a playground at this location because we believe our neighborhood can be best served by providing additional space for children and families to play and gather. In addition, residents in our ANC living near this location have expressed support for the proposed new playground.

We understand that Events DC may have plans to remove another playground along Oklahoma Avenue in the future to make way for future development of that area. Our hope is that future plans for that location will include a playground that is well-maintained as well so that residents who currently enjoy the playground at that location can expect to have access to a facility for their children as well.

Thank you for presenting your plans to install a new playground at this location and for considering our thoughts on the project.

Should you need to follow-up with the ANC on this proposal, please feel to contact me at philanc6a@gmail.com or Omar Mahmud at mahmud6a01@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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October 10, 2015

Ms. Patricia Joseph 1132 C Street NE Washington, DC 20002

Dear Ms. Joseph,

ANC 6A has been informed of your decision to resign from the ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC). The Commission accepted it, with regret, at an ANC meeting earlier this year when we voted unanimously to send you this letter of appreciation for your contributions to our community.

The Commissioners and I sincerely appreciate your years of service on the Committee, and the spirit of volunteerism that exemplifies. We know that through your work the residents of ANC 6A will continue to benefit from your commitment to community, outreach and communication.

The COC Chair is very appreciative of your contributions to the ANC's grant program over the years; your insight and guidance during the development of the COC mission statement; and your willingness to undertake a webpage review, even as you prepared to leave the Committee.

I join the Commissioners, the Committee Chair, and your fellow Committee members in thanking you for your dedication to our community and our ANC.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian,

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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



October 10, 2015

Ms. Jean Kohanek 1230 C Street NE Washington, DC 20002

Dear Ms. Kohanek.

The Commission accepted it, with regret, at our October 8, 2015 meeting when we voted unanimously to send you this letter of appreciation for your contributions to our community.

The Commissioners and I sincerely appreciate your years of service on the Committee, and the spirit of volunteerism that exemplifies. We know that through your work the residents of ANC 6A will continue to benefit from your commitment to community, outreach and communication.

The COC Chair is very appreciative of your contributions to the ANC's grant program over the years; your insight and guidance during the development of the COC mission statement; and your willingness to undertake a webpage review, even as you prepared to leave the Committee.

I join the Commissioners, the Committee Chair, and your fellow Committee members in thanking you for your commitment to outreach and communications within our community.

On behalf of the Commission.

Phil Toomajian,

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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October 9, 2015

Ms. Shirley Worthy 1700 Gales Street NE, Apt. 4 Washington, DC 20002

Dear Ms. Worthy,

ANC 6A has been informed of your decision to resign from the ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee. The Commission accepted it, with regret, at the October 8, 2015 ANC meeting.

The Commissioners and I sincerely appreciate your years of service to the ANC and its residents and to the spirit of volunteerism you exemplify. We know that you will continue to participate in community events and activities, to the benefit of our ANC.

I join the Commissioners and your fellow Committee members in thanking you for your commitment to the outreach and communications within our community.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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Officer Reports - Treasurer



ANC 6A Treasurer's Report October 2016

Period Covered	10/1/2015-10/31/2015					
Checking Accour	ıt:					
Balance Forwarded						9,875.55
Receipts:	Q1 Distritct Allotment Q2 Distritct Allotment				\$ \$ \$	4,481.70 4,481.70 -
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Disbursements					\$	-
Ending Balance					\$	13,720.98



Officer Reports - Treasurer



Quarterly Report - ANC 6A, 2015 Q3

Balance Fo	rward		\$18,421.8
Receipts			
District All	otment	\$4,535.77	
Interest		\$0.00	
Other		\$0.00	
Transfer Fr	rom Savings	\$0.00	
Total Rece	ipts	\$4,535.77	
Total Fund	s Available		\$22,957.6
Disbursem	ents		
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		\$0.00
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		\$461.59
13.	Flyer Distribution		\$0.00
14.	Purchase of Service		\$2,400.00
15.	Office Supplies		\$0.00
16a.	Rental		\$0.00
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
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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.



Committee Reports Community Outreach Committee (COC)



Minutes

ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC) of Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Regular Meeting - October 28, 2015 Maury Elementary School 1250 Constitution Avenue NE, Washington, DC

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm. No quorum.

COC members present: Joyce West, Dana Wyckoff (Chair).

COC members absent: Roni Hollmon, Gladys Mack, Raphael Marshall (Co-Chair).

ANC Commissioners present: None.

Community members present: Andrew Foote, Tatum Foote.

In the absence of a quorum, Chair Dana Wyckoff and Committee Member Joyce West spoke with and answered questions from attendees Andrew and Tatum Foote. The wide-ranging discussion included the goals and mission of the Community Outreach Committee (COC); what the Footes identify as issues and concerns as new residents of ANC6A; and possible ways to respond to these issues through the ANC, their Single Member District representative, and the COC. Ms. Wyckoff will forward information about local media, listservs and non-profits to the Footes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.

The next regular meeting of the ANC 6A COC Monday, November 23, 2015 at 7:00 pm Maury Elementary School, 1250 Constitution Avenue NE (enter from 200 block of Thirteenth (13th) Street)



Committee Reports Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



Minutes Alcoholic Beverage Licensing (ABL) Committee Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A October 20, 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 October 20, 2015 at Sherwood Recreation Center, 640 Tenth (10th) Street NE, Washington, DC 20002.

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

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 without a quorum. There were no additions or edits to the agenda as published.

II. Community Comment

None.

III. Old Business

None.

IV. New Business

A. Discussion of request by The Pursuit at 1421 H Street NE (License No. ABRA-094881) for a change from a Restaurant to a Tavern license.

Mr. Williams moved/Mr. Seagle seconded that the ANC take no action in response to the request by The Pursuit for a change from a Restaurant to a Tavern license. The motion passed 2-0.

- B. Discussion of request by Ocopa at 1324 H Street NE (License No. ABRA-088102) for an Entertainment Endorsement.
 - Mr. Williams noted that he was unsure where dancing/entertainment would take place in this establishment.
 - Mr. Williams and Mr. Seagle both discussed how generally it sounded like the request would not be objectionable, but they were interested in hearing more details about how the Entertainment Endorsement would be used.

Mr. Williams moved/Mr. Seagle seconded that the ANC protest the request by Ocopa for an Entertainment Endorsement until Ocopa is able to present its plans to the ABL Committee and the Committee has no objections to or concerns with those plans. The motion passed 2-0.

V. Adjourn

The Committee adjourned at 7:15 pm.



Committee Reports

Transportation and Public Space (T&PS)



MINUTES

ANC 6A Transportation and Public Space (T&PS) Committee Meeting Capitol Hill Towers (900 G Street NE) October 19, 2015 at 7:00 pm

- I. Called to order at 7:05 pm.
- II. Introductions
 - A. Committee members in attendance: Omar Mahmud (co-chair), Todd Sloves (co-chair), Hassan Christian, Lara Levison, Jeff Fletcher, Elizabeth Nelson, Andrea Adelman.
 - B. Commissioners in attendance: Matt Levy, ANC6A04.
- III. Announcements None.

IV. Community Comment

- A. Vanessa Cieslak raised a concern about truck traffic on Eleventh (11th) Street SE. Twenty years ago, the street had "no trucks" signs. Now, there is heavy truck traffic, including tractor-trailers, going toward the Eleventh (11th) Street ramp to I-695. There are twenty-five (25) children and a laundromat on her block. Eleventh (11th) Street NE, north of Lincoln Park, is too narrow for trucks. Ms. Cieslak thinks Eighth (8th) and Fourteenth (14th) Streets are designated for trucks. She sent a letter to Ward 6 Councilmember Charles Allen.
 - i. Co-chair Sloves: There is an application process for "no trucks" signs. We will facilitate and perhaps you can come back to the Committee to seek our input.
- B. Commissioner Levy: We sent a petition for a stop sign at Eighth (8th) and D Streets NE. Has there been a response yet? Sloves/Mahmud: We will follow up.

V. New Business

- A. Public space request related to Rappaport Company redevelopment of H Street Connection.
 - i. Nick Fanelli presented on behalf of W.C. Smith, a DC-based development company that also has a construction subsidiary. Rappaport Company manages shopping centers. The T&PS committee received a presentation on this retail and housing project in August 2015 (see http://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/TPS0815.pdf for details). The building will be on H Street NE between Eighth (8th) and Tenth (10th) Streets NE.
 - ii. Still outstanding is the use of public space. The current requests are to do the following:
 - 1. Change curb cuts: Close the curb cut at Ninth (9th) Street (currently the entrance to the parking lot for H Street Connection) and replace it with residential drop off and pick up. Move and widen the curb cut for the alley on Eighth (8th) and Tenth (10th) Streets NE. The alley is private. The plan is to move the curb cut north a few feet and widen it to handle all loading as well as parking for customers and residents. The alley will be one (1) way from west to east, except it will be two (2) ways at the Tenth (10th) Street end for residents to enter and exit the residential parking garage.
 - 2. Place special pavers at the corner of Eighth (8th) and H Streets NE. The Planned Unit Development (PUD) requires the company to revitalize that corner.
 - 3. Place awnings at the residential entrances on H Street and on Eighth (8th) Street NE. Ms. Nelson asked that they be cantilevered so there are no poles in the sidewalk. Mr.



Committee Reports

Transportation and Public Space (T&PS)



- Fanelli said that is what they plan to do. The Eighth (8th) Street NE entrance will be the entrance for retail parking as well as a secondary entrance for residents.
- 4. For the possible café area at the corner of Eighth (8th) and H Streets NE, they will ask for six (6) feet between the seating area and the bus shelter. That said, any future tenant will still have to go through the normal public space request process in order to operate a sidewalk café at that location.
- 5. Create a valet parking zone on H Street NE from 5:00 to 11:00 pm. Although the tenant would have get approval to have valet parking, this is part of the public space request. It would replace two to three (2-3) metered parking places. Valeted cars will be parked in the garage.
- 6. Move three (3) parking spaces from the east side of Tenth (10th) Street to the west side to allow for truck turning. These are currently one (1) metered space and two (2) residential spaces. The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) proposes three (3) metered spaces instead. Co-chair Mahmud said he will recommend that the ANC push DDOT to maintain the current 2 and 1 breakdown so there is no reduction in residential parking spaces.
- iii. Discussion included the following:
 - 1. The closest neighbor on Eighth (8th) Street asked how they will protect the wall of her house, which runs along the alley serving the site. She also expressed concern about construction and the effect of vibrations over time. Mr. Fanelli said they have a retaining wall planned, with a green screen on top of the wall.
 - 2. Co-chair Mahmud noted that these new developments should aid in improving security in the area, such as by monitoring the perimeter of the building. He brought it up with Emily Struck at the ANC meeting. Mr. Fanelli: The front desk for the apartments will be manned 24/7 and will monitor the interior and exterior. Mahmud said he would like Ms. Struck to have preliminary thoughts on this security plan when this item is taken up at the full ANC 6A meeting in November 2015.
- iv. Co-chair Sloves offered a motion, seconded by Jeff Fletcher, that the committee recommend to the full ANC that they support the following elements of the Rappaport Company's application to the DDOT Public Space Committee, with the condition that the Rappaport Company present a security plan for the perimeter of the building:
 - 1. Close a the curb cut at Ninth (9th) St NE and replace it with residential drop off and pick up zone;
 - 2. Widen the curb cuts for the alley behind the property to conform with the alley's increased width;
 - 3. Use special pavers at the corner of Eighth (8th) St NE and H St NE;
 - 4. Place cantilevered awnings at the two residential entrances that will not obstruct pedestrian traffic;
 - 5. Include a café zone on the Eighth (8th) Street NE side of the property that will provide six feet of space between the existing bus shelter and the café zone, [AMENDED: and that will provide buffer space between neighboring property to the south on Eighth (8th) Street NE.]; and
 - 6. Create a valet parking zone on the H Street side of the property.
- v. Discussion of the motion: This motion should not be interpreted as support for any specific application for a café. Neighbor Gretchen, who has lived near the site for fourteen (14) years, noted that it is already very congested, and an information kiosk or public restroom would be preferred. Co-chair Mahmud said this is a transformative approach for this corner; it takes away loitering space.



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- vi. Co-chair Mahmud offered a motion, seconded by Jeff Fletcher, to amend the motion, to shorten the area for café seating, so that it would not go as far down Eighth (8th) Street. The motion as amended passed unanimously.
- vii. Co-chair Mahmud offered a motion, seconded by Elizabeth Nelson, that the ANC should support the plan to move parking spaces to accommodate truck turning, and that the spaces should remain as currently designated: two for residents and one metered. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. Request for support of traffic calming assessment for 1200 and 1300 blocks of Constitution Avenue NE.
 - i. Amber Gove, neighbor in the 1200 block of Constitution, presented the topic. They have enough signatures (seventy percent (70%) of households) from the 1200 block, but not yet from the 1300 block, for their petition for a traffic calming assessment and are seeking a letter of support from the ANC. Stop signs have improved the situation, but accidents continue at each corner, including a recent, fatal hit-and-run of a dog in a crosswalk. Maury Elementary School is at Thirteenth (13th) Street and Constitution Avenue NE, and the Appletree School is nearby.
 - ii. Discussion of the hazards of the intersection of Constitution Avenue, Thirteenth Street (13th), and Kentucky Avenue NE led to the suggestion that we ask DDOT to study how to improve the intersection. Commissioner Matt Levy will draft the letter for support and request to study the intersection. He will also provide the application and petition for submission with the letter.
 - iii. Co-Chair Sloves offered a motion, seconded by Elizabeth Nelson, that the committee recommend that ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT supporting a request for a traffic calming study on the 1200 and 1300 blocks of Constitution Avenue NE and ask DDOT to assess the intersection at Thirteenth (13th) Street NE, Tennessee Avenue NE and Constitution Avenue NE. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. DDOT presentation on bike lane project for Eleventh (11th) Street NE and Thirteenth (13th) Street NE
 - i. Mike Goodno from DDOT presented the project. It will be similar to the recent improvements around Stanton Park and will complete the network of bike lanes around Lincoln Park, plus add a contraflow bike lane on Eleventh (11th) Street between Massachusetts Ave and Constitution Ave NE.
 - ii. Discussion included the proposal to add a "sharrow" for the 100 block of Thirteenth (13th) Street approaching Constitution Avenue NE. This is the same confusing intersection discussed in the agenda item above. The Committee also discussed and disagreed on the contraflow proposal for Eleventh (11th) Street NE, a narrow section of the road where vehicles drive quickly to catch the short light. Four committee members opposed the contraflow proposal for that block, and four were undecided.
 - iii. Co-chair Sloves offered a motion that the Committee recommend that ANC 6A send a letter of to DDOT in support the bike lane plan with the exception of the contraflow lane on 100 block of Eleventh (11th) Street Seconded by Jeff Fletcher.
 - iv. Co-chair Sloves offered an amendment to his previous motion, specifying that in its letter of support ANC 6A ask DDOT to examine, for that block, which would be safer: a dedicated southbound lane or a contraflow lane. The amendment was seconded by Lara Levison and passed 5-3. The motion as amended then passed unanimously (8-0).





- v. Co-chair Sloves will write the letter. Mike Goodno said that DDOT would probably pull that block out of the project and reconsider it later, since DDOT wants to get this project done before Thanksgiving 2015.
- VI. Additional Community Comment None.
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.





November xx, 2015

Mr. Matthew Marcou Deputy Director for Public Space Regulation District Department of Transportation 55 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

Re: Public Space Application No. 116048

Dear Deputy Director Marcou,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on November 12, 2015, our Commission voted X-X (with X Commissioners required for a quorum) to support Rappaport Company's various public space requests that constitute a portion of their plan to redevelop the current H Street Connection site located on the 800 and 900 blocks of H Street NE. We extend our conditional support upon receiving from Rappaport Company. a set of plans to implement security measures for the public space surrounding their property.

The development plans for this property include a number of components impacting public space that the Commission supports. Specifically, Rappaport plans to close a curb cut at Ninth (9th) Street NE (which currently provides access to a parking lot that will cease to exist) and replace it with residential drop off and pick up zone. This will assist steady traffic flow on H Street NE as residents and patrons come and go from the property. The company is also requesting a few metered parking spaces on H Street NE for use as an evening valet zone in order to further accommodate patrons visiting the ground-level retail businesses that will be located on site. Rappaport also plans to slightly widen the private alley behind the property, and is requesting to widen the corresponding curb cuts on Eighth (8th) Street NE and Tenth (10th) Street NE to conform to the new width; provided, however, our support of this measure is contingent on Rappaport receiving assurances from the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) that on street parking spaces will not be lost to accommodate large truck turning radius necessary to exit the alley on Tenth (10th) Street (i.e., moving these parking spots to the other side of the street without a loss of non-metered residential parking spots).

Additionally, at the pedestrian entrances to the building on H Street NE and on Eighth (8th) Street NE, Rappaport is requesting permission to install an awning. They have assured the commission that these awnings will be cantilevered and will not contain any structure that obstructs pedestrian traffic on the sidewalk. With that assurance, we support this request.

We understand that a prior agreement between Rappaport Company and DDOT requires that the company invest in aesthetic improvements to the corner of Eighth (8th) Street NE and H Street NE. Rappaport Company plans to use specialty pavers at that corner consistent in style with other street corners in the District, and we support this proposal.

Finally, we support Rappaport's request to include a sidewalk café zone on the Eighth (8th) Street NE side of their property that would leave six feet of space between it and the existing bus shelter on the east

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side of Eighth (8th) Street NE just south of H Street NE. The commission grants this support on the condition that Rappaport ensure the southern boundary of this café zone has the buffer space between it and the neighboring residences to the south presented to our Commission in current plans, which is seventy-two (72) feet. The Commission further specifies that support for the café zone shall in no way be construed as indication of support for any future, specific request for operation of a sidewalk café at this location. Any such application by a tenant occupying the retail space adjacent to each café zone will be considered separately and on its own merits independent of this particular request via the DDOT public space application process, which will necessarily include a separate opportunity for the surrounding community and ANC to weigh in.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendation of ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at philanc6a@gmail.com or the ANC 6A Vice-Chair, J. Omar Mahmud, at mahmud6a01@gmail.com, who is also the co-chair of our Transportation and Public Space Committee and in whose Single Member District this property is located.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian, Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A





November xx, 2015

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

Re: Relocation of parking spaces on the 700 block of Tenth (10th) Street NE related to the Rappaport Co. transportation demand management plan for the H Street Connection redevelopment

Dear Director Dormsjo,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting ¹ on November 12, 2015, our Commission voted X-X (with X Commissioners required for a quorum) to require that Rappaport Company's transportation demand management plan for the 700 block of Tenth (10th) Street NE (the "TDM Plan"), which is related to its proposed redevelopment of the H Street Connection site located on the 800 and 900 blocks of H Street NE, only be approved on the condition that the TDM Plan will not result in the loss of non-metered residential parking spaces on Tenth (10th) Street NE.

The TDM Plan for this property includes a proposal to slightly widen the private alley behind the property, which includes a widening of the corresponding curb cuts on Eighth (8th) Street NE and Tenth (10th) Street NE to conform to the new width and to accommodate large truck traffic. Our Commission has separately agreed to support this proposal, which is before the DDOT Public Space Committee for approval, but only on the condition that on street parking spaces will not be lost to accommodate large truck turning radius necessary to exit the alley on Tenth (10th) Street NE, i.e., moving these parking spots from the east side of the street to the west side of the street in a manner that does not result in the loss of non-metered residential parking spots.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendation of ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at philanc6a@gmail.com or the ANC 6A Vice-Chair, J. Omar Mahmud, at mahmud6a01@gmail.com, who is also the co-chair of our Transportation and Public Space Committee and in whose Single Member District this property is located.

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November xx, 2015

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

Re: Traffic calming assessment for 1200 and 1300 block of Constitution Avenue NE and the intersection of Thirteenth (13th) and Tennessee Avenue NE

Dear Director Dormsjo:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on November 12, 2015, our Commission voted X-X (with X Commissioners required for a quorum) to request that the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) examine the 1200 and 1300 blocks of Constitution Avenue NE and the intersection of Thirteenth (13th) and Tennessee Avenue NE for improvements designed to enhance pedestrian, bicyclist and driver safety.

This street is very unsafe with its current traffic patterns. As a major artery into and out of the District, we are concerned that cars drive considerably above the posted speeds. With the proximity of Maury Elementary School at the corner of Thirteenth (13th) and Constitution Avenue NE, the need to improve safety is even more pressing. Based on the testimony of ANC6A residents , the accompanying petition signed by the residents on the 1200 and 1300 blocks of Constitution Avenue NE, and the unanimous support of our Transportation and Public Space Committee, the Commission requests DDOT conduct an examination of this are area and implement solutions to resolve safety concerns.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendation of ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at philanc6a@gmail.com or the ANC 6A Vice-Chair, J. Omar Mahmud, at mahmud6a01@gmail.com, or ANC 6A Commissioner Matt Levy at Levyfor6A04@gmail.com, in whose Single Member District (SMD) this area resides.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian, Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Attachment: Petition for Traffic Calming

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November xx, 2015

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

Re: Proposed installation of bicycle lanes on Eleventh (11th) Street NE and Thirteenth (13th) Street NE around Lincoln Park

Dear Director Dormsjo:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on November 12, 2015, our Commission voted X-X (with X Commissioners required for a quorum) to support a plan put forward by the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to install bicycle lanes on Eleventh (11th) Street NE and Thirteenth (13th) Street NE around Lincoln Park.

The Commission and residents alike have appreciated the Department's efforts to make Capitol Hill more bike-friendly. However, there are still few options for bikers wishing to travel north-south through our neighborhood. We believe the creation of these dedicated lanes around the park will go a long way toward improving safety and reducing confusion on what are now highly-trafficked streets. The commission also appreciates DDOT's acknowledgment of concerns regarding its plan for the 100 block of Eleventh (11th) Street and is supportive of changes made to its plan that would create a dedicated bicycle lane on this block. We encourage the Department to continue looking for ways to make Capitol Hill more bike-friendly so as to promote a broader array of safe transportation options for the residents of our community.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendation of ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at philanc6a@gmail.com or the ANC 6A Vice-Chair, J. Omar Mahmud, at mahmud6a01@gmail.com, who is also the co-chair of our Transportation and Public Space Committee.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian, Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Charles Allen, Ward 6 Councilmember, DC Council Kirsten Oldenburg, Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B

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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 October 21, 2015

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

Present

Members: Missy Boyette, Dan Golden (Co-Chair), Michael Hoenig, Justin Thornton. Commissioners: Stephanie Zimny.
Dan Golden chaired the meeting.

Community Comment

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

Update

Chairman Golden provided an update on items from the previous month's meeting.

Old Business

There was no old business to discuss

New Business

Committee Membership/Chair

Chairman Dan Golden announced that the October 2015 ED&Z meeting would be his last as Co-Chairman. The Committee Members thanked Chairman Golden for his service as Co-Chair of the Committee, as did several community members present at the meeting. Chairman Golden moved to recommend that the ANC accept his resignation as Co-Chair of the Board. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Chairman Golden moved to recommend that the ANC appoint Brad Greenfield as a member of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Chairman Golden moved to recommend that the ANC appoint Brad Greenfield as the Chairman of the ED&Z Committee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

1140 Florida Avenue NE (BZA 19061): Chairman Golden clarified that the project to be discussed is located in ANC 5D, but a community member from ANC 6A had requested that the developer come to the ANC 6A ED&Z Committee meeting to discuss the project with the Committee and interested community members. The developer is not seeking action by the Committee or the ANC. The developer, Thornton Development, represented by Committee Member Justin Thornton, gave a brief description of the project, a mixed-use development with retail to be located on the ground floor, with living space above. The developer informed the committee that it will be seeking relief from the lot occupancy requirements, the FAR requirements, and the on-site parking requirements. The Board of Zoning Authority (BZA) hearing on the developer's application was to occur the week following the ED&Z meeting. The developer also noted that there is a bus stop located directly in front of the building, and that the company hopes to work with DDOT to improve and maintain the stop. The developer left contact information for the community should there be further questions: Justin Thornton, Thornton Development: (301) 943-4501; Justin.thornton@gmail.com.





134 11th Street NE (BZA 19108)/(HPA 15-633): Applicant seeks a special exception under § 223, not meeting the lot occupancy requirements under § 403, and the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) design approval, to construct a garage with a rooftop deck in the R-4 District. The homeowner plans to demolish the existing deck in the home's back yard and construct a garage with a roof top deck. The Capitol Hill Restoration Society (CHRS) and several neighbors have written letters opposing the roof deck, but otherwise supporting the project. The homeowners have obtained letters of support from the adjacent neighbor, and another neighbor on the street.

The homeowner's architect gave a thorough description of the project. The new garage structure will include a roof deck with lounge seating surrounded by a parapet wall. The architect stated that the majority of objections have been concerned with privacy and that the homeowners would agree to raise the parapet wall if that would alleviate the concerns. He also noted that when originally designing the project, they had considered having part of the garage roof include a green roof, which would set the deck space back from the alley.

Upon conclusion of the homeowner's presentation, Chairman Golden noted that this case is similar to a case the ED&Z previously heard regarding a project at 1102 Park Street NE. The Committee resolved that matter by recommending the ANC object to the requested relief unless the requestor and the objecting homeowners could reach an agreeable compromise. Chairman Golden suggested that the outcome in that matter should guide the Committee's action in this matter.

The community members present at the meeting were next offered the opportunity to speak. Jeff Fletcher, of 113 Tenth (10th) Street NE spoke in objection to the project. Mr. Fletcher stated that he and several other neighbors had submitted letters in opposition. He noted that there are no rooftop decks on any other structures in the alley and that this would set a precedent in the alley and the Capitol Hill Historic District. He noted there is a carriage house in the alley that has a second story, but that story cannot be used as a residence. He stated that garages in historic districts are designed to serve as functional spaces, not extensions of recreational space. He also noted that the design would contrast the adjacent garages in the alley. He stated that privacy and noise were the primary concerns with the project. The project will give anyone on the roof deck a clear site line into the backyards and bedrooms of neighbors. He also said that while he does not believe it would be an issue with the current owners, the potential for noise is serious and that other neighborhoods with roof top decks have had problems with noise and this project could pose a similar problem. He also stated that the height of the parapet wall and the possibility of a green space would not alleviate the concerns.

In response, the homeowner's architect noted that there are precedents within the historic district, identifying at least two (2) existing roof decks on alley structures. He also stated that the potential ability to see into backyards is not a problem because of the nature of the Capitol Hill area, because of the proximity of homes to one another, houses can see into one another's yards. He also noted that the homeowners had not seen the letters in opposition to the project.

Mr. Fletcher clarified that the objection is not to a garage, but to the roof top deck.

Committee Member Missy Boyette asked if the removal of the rear deck was a trade-off for the lot occupancy. She was informed that with the garage, the deck is no longer feasible. She also inquired as to the materials that will be used in the construction and noted that the extension of the solid brick was a hard sell and that the design of the parapet wall would set a bad precedent.





Chairman Golden stated that this project could be approved by HPRB, but that there likely would be a strong preference not to include a rooftop deck.

The Committee further explored the possibility of having a green roof. The designer clarified that the green space would set the roof deck back seven (7) feet from the front of the garage and would be impassable.

Mr. Fletcher stated that the green roof would help with the privacy concern, but would do nothing to alleviate noise.

The Committee briefly discussed whether to move to object unless the neighbors can reach a compromise, but the majority of the Committee felt that it would be preferable to vote on whether to support the project with certain conditions placed on the design.

Committee Member Boyette moved that the Committee recommend the ANC write a letter to BZA in support of the requested relief on the condition that the parapet wall height is raised to fifteen (15) feet and that a green roof is included in the design that sets the roof deck back seven (7) feet from the alley and is impassable. The motion was seconded and passed (3-2).

Committee Member Boyette next moved the ANC write a letter to HPRB in support of the project design on the condition that the brick façade have some additional detail above the garage door. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

1313 to 1323 Linden Court NE (BZA 19145): Applicant seeks variances from the FAR requirements under § 771, the lot occupancy requirements under § 772, the rear yard requirements under § 774, the nonconforming structure requirements under § 2003, and the height requirements under § 2507.4, to allow the construction of five one-family dwellings and a neighborhood-servicing retail establishment in the C-2-A District.

This project had been preliminarily discussed at the September 2015 ED&Z Committee meeting. Meredith Moldenhauer presented on behalf of the project developer and noted that after the previous meeting, the project team and members of the ED&Z Committee met to discuss some potential changes to the project. The Committee had requested that developer consider removing garages from the design to create a more pedestrian-friendly space. Ms. Moldenhauer stated that the developer had decided against doing that, citing an analysis from a real estate professional who had conducted an analysis of the property. The developer is concerned about the use of the alley for traffic, especially with the Marylander bringing forty-three (43) new parking spaces accessible only through the alley.

To address the concerns of the Committee regarding the presence of the garages running counter to a design that activated the alley, the project architect proposed that, rather than removing the garages from the project, planters would be placed on the public space in front of the entrances to the structures and that District Department of Transportation (DDOT) approval would be sought to change the brick pattern in front of the structure. However, because these remedies will encroach on public space, DDOT will need to be consulted before they can be implemented. The developer already has reached out to DDOT to arrange a meeting.





Committee Member Thornton noted that due to the two-way traffic that must traverse the alley, he would prefer the planters not be placed to limit the amount of drivable space. The project architect stated that they would not interfere with traffic.

Committee Nominee Brad Greenfield asked about the addition above the existing structure and whether it could be designed to better match the existing structure. The project architect stated that there are two ways to look at additions to existing structures, try to make it blend in, or try to make it stand out so that you know what is the historic structure and what is new. The project architect preferred the latter approach.

The Committee noted that the structures are not Resident Parking Permit (RPP) eligible, but asked if the developer had considered including RPP restrictions. Ms. Moldenhauer stated that they would have to give particular consideration to whether to limit the studio apartment's access to parking, since it would not have a built-in garage like the other units. Ms. Moldenhauer also noted that the project has received letters of support from the adjacent property owners. Chairman Golden requested that the applicant be prepared to address restricting RPP availability at the November 2015 ED&Z Committee meeting.

A member of the community stated concerns about the project making the alley impassible. The Committee and Ms. Moldenhauer corrected her misunderstanding and clarified that the project will not block alley access. Ms. Moldenhauer explained the scope of the project for the concerned member of the community and offered to speak at greater length with her following the meeting.

The Committee also asked to see a plan for deliveries and trash pick-up at November 2015 meeting.

Committee Nominee Greenfield asked if there will be windows at the back of the homes, to which Ms. Moldenhauer answered yes, but that line of site studies show there will be no impact on privacy.

The Committee closed discussion by requesting the project development team to be prepared to discuss RPP restrictions, trash pickup and delivery plans, and possible restrictions on the specific type of commercial use of the property.

1114 F Street NE (HLA 15-19): Applicant seeks historic landmark designation for the Lexington Apartments building. After brief discussion clarifying that the owner of the building is requesting the designation, there was a motion to recommend the ANC write a letter in support of designating the building a landmark. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting
Wednesday, November 18, 2015
7:00 - 9:00 pm
640 Tenth (10th) Street, N.E.
Sherwood Recreation Center, Second (2nd) Floor





November 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. 19108 (134 11th Street, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on November 12, 2015, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request for a special exception pursuant to § 223 from the lot occupancy requirements set forth at § 403. The applicant seeks the requested relief in conjunction with the construction of a garage with a rooftop deck in the R-4 District.

The Commission supports granting the requested special exception 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, provided that certain conditions are met. Specifically, the height of the garage's parapet wall must be raised to 15 feet and a green roof must be included atop the garage that sets the roof deck back 7 feet from the alley and is impassable.

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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November XX, 2015

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

Re: HPA # 15-633 (134 11th Street, NE)

Dear Ms. Pfaehler,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on November 12, 2015, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the design of the proposed garage with a rooftop deck to be constructed at 134 11th Street, NE, provided that certain conditions are met. Specifically, some additional detail must be incorporated into the design of the façade above the garage door.

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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November XX, 2015

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

Re: HLA # 15-19 (1114 F Street, NE)

Dear Ms. Pfaehler,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on November 12, 2015, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the application for historic landmark status submitted by Capitol East Partners LLC II for the Lexington Apartments building at 1114 F Street, NE. The Commission agrees with the applicant that the building in question possesses architectural and historical significance based on its association with events that have made a significant contribution to broad patters of our history and its embodiment of distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction. As noted by the applicant, it illustrates the integration of multi-family housing into the District's residential streetcar suburbs in the early twentieth century and is an illustrative example of Classical Revival style apartment building construction in the District.

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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