

District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Agenda for November 10, 2016



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

Call to order 7:00 pm

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

7:02 pm **Community Presentations**

Joe Weedon, Ward 6 State Board of Education Member Nikki D'Angelo Petty, Office of Family and Public Engagement, DC Public Schools Marcus Lucas, Department of General Service, DC Public Schools liaison

Officer Reports pg. 19 7:40 pm

- 1. Approve Treasurer's Report
- 2. Approve FY16 Fourth (4th) Quarter Financial Report

Standing Committee Reports:

Community Outreach pg. 21 7:45 pm

- 1. Approve October 2016 committee report.
- 2. Recommendation: The COC recommends that ANC 6A approve \$587.77 in support of the Ludlow-Taylor PTO request for books for two school kindergarten classroom libraries.
- 3. Next meeting 7:00 pm, November 28, 2016 (4th Monday)

7:50 pm Alcohol Beverage Licensing pg. 35

- 1. Approve October 2016 committee report.
- 2. Suggested Motion: ANC6A approve a protest of the CT license renewal of Nomad Hookah Bar (1200 H Street NE) if the ABL Committee recommends a protest at its November meeting, and authorize the ANC Chair and ABL Co-Chairs to represent the ANC in the matter.
- 3. Next meeting 7:00 pm, November 22, 2016 (3rd Tuesday)

7:55 pm Transportation and Public Space pg. 37

- 1. No report. Committee did not meet in October 2016.
- 2. Suggested Motion: ANC6A write a letter in opposition to Proposed Video Signage at Nationals Park - The Nationals Park Graphics and Entertainment Regulatory Amendment Act of 2016.
- 3. Next meeting 7:00 pm, November 21, 2016 (3rd Monday)

Economic Development and Zoning pg. 39 8:00 pm

Old Business

1. Recommendation: ANC6A write a letter to BZA in support of the application by the owners of 1341 H Street NE (BZA Case #19358) for a special exception under the enlargement and design requirements of Subtitle H § 910.1 and § 1202.1, to construct a mixed-use building in the NC-14 Zone, on condition that the design to be updated to bring it into conformance with the H Street Overlay, best effort are made to get letters of support from neighbors, restrictions be included in sales documents



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prohibiting placing anything on the H Street balconies, including hanging or displaying anything, residential permit parking (RPP) restrictions written into the sales documents, and restrictions on amplified music on the roof deck to be included in sales documents.

2. Suggested Motion: The ANC authorize former ANC6A Chair David Holmes to join the existing authorized representatives on behalf of ANC6A in H St NE Overlay Amendment, Facade Preservation Density Bonus Zoning Regulation (ZC Case 16-19). New Business

1. Approve October 2016 committee report.

- 2. Recommendation: ANC6A write a letter to BZA in support of the application of the owners of 600 9th Street NE (BZA #19355) for variances from the non-conforming structure requirements of Subtitle C § 202.2, the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, and the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, to permit the location of multiple decks over an existing rear-attached garage, on the condition that owners supply letters of support from neighbors.
- 3. **Recommendation:** ANC6A write a letter to BZA to oppose the application of the owners of 1336 H Street NE (BZA #19344) for lot occupancy relief for the residential levels, as well as court width relief for the residential levels, and rear yard relief.
- 4. Next meeting 7:00 pm, November 23, 2016 (3rd Wednesday)
- 8:40 pm Single Member District reports (1 minute each)
- 8:50 pm **Community Comments** (1 minute each)
- 9:00 pm Adjourn



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Meeting Minutes of October 13, 2016



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Minutes Miner Elementary School October 13, 2016

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

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

The minutes for the ANC September 2016 meeting and the agenda for the October 2016 meeting were accepted without changes or objection.

Community Presentations

Melinda Bolling, Director, Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA)

Director Bolling informed the ANC that DCRA has upgraded its IT system for home improvement permits. Beginning in November 2016, homeowners will be able to request inspection appointments via a webbased system. The new system also gives the inspectors the ability to enter information from the field. Monies have also been allocated to allow DCRA to provide weekend inspection services to cite individuals for illegal construction. In the second quarter of FY 17, the ability to query the status of vacant properties will be available. The DC Business Portal has been introduced to allow businesses to link business licenses and corporate registration for a company. The system will allow the District to notify businesses when licenses are due for renewal. Some functions of the Alchoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA), the Department of Housing (DOH) and the Department of Public Works (DPW) will be gradually added to the portal in the future.

Director Bolling responded to questions which were submitted to her by the Commission regarding zoning rulings and status of properties of concern in ANC 6A and engaged in dialogue with Commissioners and the audience to clarify DCRA activity on a variety of additional issues.

Mayor Bowser's Office on Community Relations and Services

Edward Doxen, Ward 6 Liaison for the Mayor's Office on Community Relations and Services (MOCRS) updated the Commission on activities taking place in ANC 6A. He also highlighted programs available to DC residents including the private security camera program, free CPR classes and DC Career Connections. Contact: 202-341-3659; edward.doxen[at]dc.gov.

Officer Reports

Chairman Toomajian shared that almost all of the CT licenses in ANC 6A are up for renewal and will be considered at the October 2016 ABL meeting. The Ward 6 District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) outreach representative will be a speaker at the November 2016 ANC 6A meeting. He announced two upcoming events: Halloween at Rosedale on October 29, 2016 and Octoberfest at Miner Elementary School on October 26, 2016.

Vice Chair Mahmud advised that the next H St Connection redevelopment community meeting will take place on October 20, 2016 at 6:30 pm at the Capitol Hill Towers, 900 G Street NE. He also informed the Commission that the Apollo Project (600 H Street NE) monthly meeting has been changed from the second (2nd) Thursday to the second (2nd) Tuesday of the month. He will be attending the meeting beginning in November 2016.





Treasurer's Report. Commissioner Stephanie Zimny offered an amendment to the October 2016 Treasurer's Report to add a payment of \$178.20 (Check 1763) to WebHSP for web hosting services for the next three (3) years. The opening balance in the checking account was \$15,848.44, with a forwarding balance of \$5,642.40. There were disbursements of \$450.00 to Irene Dworakowski (Check 1760) for September 2016 agenda/web master services; \$193.00 to FedEx; (Check 1761) \$200.00 for September 2016 minutes; (Check 1762) leaving a balance of \$18,579.24, in the checking account and \$13,722.56, including a \$.024 interest deposit in the savings account. A Petty Cash Summary was included in the report showing a forwarding balance of \$25.00. The report as amended was adopted by unanimous consent (8-0).

Mr. Toomajian referred the Commissioners to the proposed FY 17 ANC 6A budget on page 20 of the agenda package for their review. The budget was adopted by unanimous consent (8-0)

Committee Reports:

Community Outreach Committee (COC)

The September 2016 COC was approved without objection.

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, October 24, 2016 (4th Monday).

Alcohol Beverage Licensing (ABL)

The September 2016 ABL Committee Report was approved without objection.

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Toomajian seconded a motion that ANC6A agree to amend the Little Miss Whiskey's Golden Dollar Settlement Agreement by adding the following language: (1) "Any reference to existing DC laws and/or regulations in this Settlement Agreement is meant for informational purposes only ANC 6A does not intend for a violation of any DC law or regulation to also be considered a violation of this Settlement Agreement."; and (2) Replace Section 4(c)(2) with the following language: "Applicant shall not offer any type of live music on the patio. Applicant may provide pre-recorded music on the patio in the form of portable, non-professional grade speakers used to play music from iPods, iPhones, and the like. Such music must cease no later than 8:00 pm. The motion passed (8-0).

Suggested Motion: Commissioner Mahmud moved and Commissioner Toomajian seconded a motion that ANC6A protest NOMAD Hookah bar's request to terminate their settlement agreement with the ANC and authorize the ANC Chair and the ABL Committee co-chairs to represent the ANC. The motion passed (8-0).

Suggested Motion: Commissioner Mahmud moved and Commissioner Toomajian seconded a motion that ANC6A protest the CT license renewal of Atlas Arcade/Church & State (1236 H Street NE), should the ABL Committee recommend such a protest at its October 2016 meeting, and authorize the ANC Chair and ABL Co-Chairs to represent the ANC in such matter. The motion passed by unanimous consent (8-0).

Suggested Motion: Commissioner Mahmud moved and Commissioner Toomajian seconded a motion that ANC6A protest the CT license renewal of Rock N Roll Hotel (1353 H Street NE), should the ABL Committee recommend such a protest at its October 2016 meeting, and authorize the ANC Chair and ABL Co-Chairs to represent the ANC in such matter. The motion passed by unanimous consent (8-0).





Next meeting - 7:00 pm, October 18, 2016 (3rd Tuesday)

Transportation and Public Space Committee (TPS)

The September 2016 TPS Committee report was approved without objection.

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Mike Soderman seconded a motion that ANC6A write a letter to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) in support for a proposal for a rear curb cut onto Constitution Avenue NE from 808 Massachusetts Avenue NE on the condition that the owner assume any expenses required by DDOT, including moving the light post and installing the curb cut. The motion passed (8-0).

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC6A write a letter of support for the retaining wall and fence project at 1400 C Street NE. The motion passed by unanimous consent (8-0).

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC6A write a letter to DDOT asking that Eleventh (11th) Street NE (from Maryland Avenue NE to Massachusetts Avenue NE) be designated as a local street and not a collector street, and that DDOT develop a traffic management plan for ANC 6A that routes trucks on all appropriate streets, not including local streets.

Commissioner Soderman commented that Eleventh (11th) Street NE is not wide enough to be a collector street per DDOT regulations.

The motion passed (8-0).

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Zimny seconded a motion that ANC6A write a letter of support to DDOT concerning a use of public space at 543 Tennessee Avenue NE as proposed in the plans presented to the Transportation and Public Space Committee provided that the owner continue best efforts to get letters of support from the neighbors next door and across the street, and on the condition that the door adjacent to public space swing inward, and not out onto public space.

Commissioner Zimny informed the Commission that four (4) letters of support have been received.

The motion passed by unanimous consent (8-0).

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC6A write a letter to DDOT expressing the desire for DDOT to develop a traffic management plan for the Apollo project on the 600 block of H Street NE that removes fewer residential parking spaces to accommodate the entrance and exit of trucks from the property and that otherwise limits the prohibition on parking to the hours for commercial loading. The motion passed by unanimous consent (8-0).

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC6A write a letter to DDOT indicating it would only support a public space permit for a new fence at 1663 Kramer Street NE if the fence complies with all applicable District regulations.

Commissioner Sondra Phillips-Gilbert commented that the new fence was the same height and design as the old fence. Commissioner Soderman commented that the contractor should know DC regulations; the replacement did not fall under the guidelines for height, replacement or construction.



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The motion passed (7-1).

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, October 17, 2016 (3rd Monday)

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

The September 2016 EDZ Committee report was accepted without objection.

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Calvin Ward seconded a motion that ANC6A sponsor the appeal of permits issued for 1511 A Street NE, as requested by the neighbors of the 1500 block of A Street NE and unit blocks of Fifteenth (15th) and Sixteenth (16th) Streets NE. Mr. Toomajian offered a friendly amendment to add former Commission Chair Nick Alberti, Brian Alcorn and Commissioner Calvin Ward as designated ANC representatives in this case. The motion passed by unanimous consent (8-0).

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC6A write a letter to the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) in support of the application by the owners of 313 Eleventh (11th) Street NE (BZA Case #19339) for a special exception under Subtitle E § 5201, from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, to construct a two-story garage with accessory apartment in the RF-1 Zone. The motion passed by unanimous consent (8-0).

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Mahmud seconded a motion that ANC6A write a letter to BZA in support of the application by the owners of 543 Tennessee Avenue NE (BZA Case #19338) for a special exception from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, to construct a two-story rear addition to an existing one-family dwelling in the RF-1 Zone, on condition that best efforts be made to get support from neighbors of the property. The motion passed by unanimous consent (8-0).

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC6A write a letter to BZA in support of the application by the owners of 1341 H Street NE (BZA Case #19358) for a special exception under the enlargement and design requirements of Subtitle H § 910.1 and § 1202.1, to construct a mixed-use building in the NC-14 Zone, on condition that the design to be updated to bring it into conformance with the H Street Overlay, best effort are made to get letters of support from neighbors, restrictions be included in sales documents prohibiting placing anything on the H Street balconies, including hanging or displaying anything, residential permit parking (RPP) restrictions written into the sales documents, and restrictions on amplified music on the roof deck to be included in sales documents. The motion was tabled until the ANC6A November 2016 meeting.

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Toomajian seconded a motion that ANC6A write a letter of support for ANC6C's petition for rulemaking to clarify and strengthen the façade preservation density bonus zoning regulations for H Street NE. The motion passed by unanimous consent (8-0).

Recommendation: The Committee moved and Commissioner Mahmud seconded a motion that ANC6A sponsor an application to the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) for historic designation of Emerald Street NE.

Comments in support and in opposition from the community about this issue were heard by the Commission.



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Commissioner Matt Levy offered an amendment seconded by Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert to table consideration of the recommendation until the ANC6A November 2016 Meeting. The motion failed (3-3).

The motion to sponsor an application to HPRB did not pass by a vote of (3-3).

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, October 19, 2016 (3rd Wednesday)

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Community Presentations









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



October 14, 2016

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

Re: Public space application for 543 Tennessee Avenue NE

Dear Mr. Marcou,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 13, 2016, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to express our conditional support for the above-referenced public space application according to the plans presented to the ANC 6A Transportation and Public Space Committee, which seeks to install a rear addition to the property that will partially encroach on public space at the rear of the property.

Our support is based on the condition that the plans reflect that the door at the rear of the property swing inward and not outward onto public space. Although our ANC has general concerns about any private exclusive use of public space, we note that this proposed use is minimal, it would not otherwise infringe on public space currently utilized by other residents and it only seeks to create a rear addition that is in line with other properties on the block. This condition has been negotiated with and agreed to by the ANC and the applicant.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this public space proposal. We respectfully request that you include the above-described condition with any approved public space application for this applicant. 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.

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

Re: Curb cut public space application for 808 Massachusetts Avenue NE

Dear Mr. Marcou,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 13, 2016, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to express our conditional support for the above-referenced curb cut application according to the plans presented to the ANC 6A Transportation and Public Space Committee, which seeks to create a curb cut at the rear of the property onto Constitution Avenue NE.

Our support is based on the condition that the owner of the property (and applicant) assume any expenses required by DDOT to approve this curb cut installation, including moving the light post currently placed where the proposed curb cut will be installed and installation of the curb cut itself. These conditions have been negotiated with and agreed to by the ANC and the applicant.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this public space proposal. We respectfully request that you include the above-described conditions with any approved public space application for this applicant. 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.

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

Re: Fence installation public space application for 1400 C Street NE

Dear Mr. Marcou,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 13, 2016, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to express our support for the above-referenced fence installation public space application according to the plans presented to the ANC 6A Transportation and Public Space Committee, which seeks to install a fence surrounding the public space around the property.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this public space proposal. 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.

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

Re: Proposed fence installation public space application for 1663 Kramer Street NE

Dear Mr. Marcou,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on October 13, 2016¹, our Commission voted 7-1 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to express our conditional support for the above-referenced fence installation public space application, provided that the owner of the property and applicant build a fence around public space that complies with all applicable District regulations.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this public space proposal. 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.

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

Re: Development of a traffic management plan concerning the Apollo project on the 600 block of H Street NE that minimizes the removal of available residential parking on 7th Street NE

Dear Director Dormsjo,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 13, 2016, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to seek DDOT review of the traffic management plan for the above referenced project and make revisions that will minimize the loss of residential parking on 7th Street NE. More specifically, the current plans under review remove all residential parking spots and leave only two metered parking spots along 7th Street NE from H Street NE to the alley entrance for the property.

We believe a further review of this plan is necessary because 1) the assumptions built into the current model are based on a narrower street than the one that exists today, post widening of the street by the developer, and 2) the developer has indicated a willingness to create a sharper turning radius for truck traffic and a wider curb apron in an effort to preserve parking spots while still accommodating truck traffic. We also ask that the no parking restrictions in place on 7th Street NE to accommodate trucks entering and exiting the property only be during the normal hours of loading and unloading currently designated for businesses along H Street NE.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this matter. We are very concerned about any proposals to remove street parking in our ANC, but particularly in areas adjacent to the H Street NE commercial corridor, where parking is already at a premium. Should you wish to discuss this matter 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.

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

Re: Truck traffic on 11th Street NE in ANC 6A

Dear Director Dormsjo,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 13, 2016, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to seek DDOT review of traffic conditions on 11th Street NE within ANC 6A, which we believe currently encourage a high volume of truck traffic, including that DDOT designate this street as a "local street" rather than a "collector street." Our ANC has heard a good deal of concern from neighbors who cite safety concerns and property damage stemming from a high volume of truck traffic on this street, particularly in the portion of the street south of Maryland Avenue NE. We also request that DDOT develop a traffic management plan that routes trucks onto streets that are appropriate for truck traffic, which would necessarily not include any "local streets" within our ANC.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this matter. Should you wish to discuss this matter 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.

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Mr. Anthony J. Hood, Chair Ms. Sharon Schellin, Secretary Zoning Commission, D.C. Office of Zoning One Judiciary Square 441 4th St. NW, Suite 210S Washington, DC 20001

Re: Zoning Commission Case No. 16-19 (H Street Overlay Amendment)

Dear Mr. Hood and Ms. Schellin,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on October 13, 2016,¹ our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the proposed amendment to the H Street Overlay regulations. The amendments seek to provide needed clarification to preservation requirements and remove other ambiguities. The goal of the amendment is to protect buildings from being razed while still claiming preservation and to result in more consistent application of regulations.

ANC 6A's experience with development on H Street has shown us that these proposed changes and clarifications are absolutely necessary. Current application of the facade preservation guidelines contravene the intent of the facade preservation FAR bonus, and have led to inconsistent designs and damage to the historic nature of the H Street corridor. The proposed changes will provide clarity and be of great assistance to both developers and the local community.

Please be advised that Brad Greenfield 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. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

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cc: ANC6C, DCRA, Councilmember Ward 6

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October 14, 2016

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

Re: Appeal Concerning Building Permits B1307755 for Construction at 1511 A Street. NE

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on October 13th, 2016¹, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to sponsor an appeal of the following DCRA actions:

- The issuance of permit B1307755 which authorizes the construction of a C-2-A zoned apartment building at 1511 A Street NE despite the fact that the applicable zoning was R-4 at the time of permit issuance;
- The refusal of the Zoning Administrator and the Code Official at DCRA, despite prompt and repeated notice and abundant evidence the permit's incorrect zoning designation, to revoke permit B1307755.

Please be advised that Brad Greenfield, Nick Alberti, Brian Alcorn, ANC6A Commissioner Calvin Ward and ANC 6A Chair Phil Toomajian 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. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

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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. 19338 (543 Tennessee Avenue, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on October 13, 2016¹, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the design of the proposed two story carriage house with a roof deck to be constructed at 543 Tennessee Avenue, NE. The design has taken measures to ensure that the addition is not visible from the street, and it will not disrupt the privacy, air and light of neighbors. The owner has proven that the special exception criteria have been met through submission of architectural elevations. The ANC believes that this development will not substantially visually intrude upon the character, scale, and pattern of houses in the neighborhood.

Please be advised that Brad Greenfield 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. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.



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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. 19339 (313 11th Street, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on October 13, 2016¹, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the design of the proposed two story carriage house with an accessory apartment to be constructed at 313 Thirteenth (13th) Street, NE. The design has taken measures to ensure that the addition is not visible from the street, and it will not disrupt the privacy, air and light of neighbors. The owner has proven that the special exception criteria have been met through submission of architectural elevations and letters of support from neighbors. The ANC believes that this development will not substantially visually intrude upon the character, scale, and pattern of houses in the neighborhood.

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ANC 6A Treasurer's Report October 2016

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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.





<u>Minutes</u> ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC) of Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Regular Meeting - October 24, 2016 Maury Elementary School 1250 Constitution Avenue NE, Washington, DC

Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm. Quorum.

COC members present: Roni Hollmon, Joyce West, Dana Wyckoff (Chair) COC members absent: Gladys Mack, Raphael Marshall ANC Commissioners present: None Community members present: Madeleine Wells (Ludlow-Taylor PTO); Mulikat Surami

<u>Agenda</u>

The Eliot-Hine PTO grant request was withdrawn for consideration and will be re-submitted at a future meeting. The Committee moved and adopted the revised agenda unanimously.

Old Business

1. ANC6A Website Pages - Review/Update

Committee Member Roni Hollmon asked about the status of a task undertaken by the Committee, to check the viability of links/information on two specific ANC 6A website public pages - "Organizations" and "Publications." After noting that the ANC 6A Webmaster had updated several of the links already, Chair Wyckoff added that former COC members had assessed the pages/links but they had not submitted replacement information to the Committee. The Committee agreed to review the notes, check pertinent links, and compile a revised list of ANC 6A organizations and publications, including brief descriptions, contact information and links, for submission to the ANC6A Chair for review and submission to the ANC6A Webmaster.

New Business

1. <u>Ludlow-Taylor Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) Grant Request</u> Madeleine Wells, representing the Ludlow-Taylor PTO, presented a grant proposal to the Committee, requesting funds to purchase books for two Kindergarten classroom libraries.

The school, located at 659 G Street NE, is in both ANC 6A and ANC 6C. It serves nearly 340 students from Pre-K3 & 4 through 5th grade, a majority of whom are ANC 6A residents. It is a Title I school, with more than 40 percent of the students from families designated as low income.

The cost of purchasing the books is \$1,173.77, with \$1,025.00 for one Scholastic "Ready to Go Library" of 300 books to be split between the two kindergarten classrooms, and \$148.77 for about 30 additional popular titles, also to be divided between the two classrooms. The PTO consulted with both teachers and the school's reading specialist to select the books. Funds for books for individual classrooms are not provided by the District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) and are not budgeted for by the school administration. The application included photos of several of the books currently in use, which are damaged and torn. The PTO plans to offer any of the used but





viable books that are removed from the classrooms to Ludlow-Taylor parents, and/or to ANC 6A-based childcare or community centers.

The PTO is requesting \$587.77 from ANC 6A; they have submitted a request to ANC 6C for \$586.00, which is under review. The PTO has committed to raising \$250.00, with \$200.00 for additional funds for the books, and \$50.00 for snacks for a 'book day party' for the students.

Committee Member Joyce West praised the thoroughness of the application; and she, Ms. Hollmon and Ms. Wyckoff endorsed the short- and long-term goals of the project. Ms. West moved and Ms. Hollmon seconded the motion to approve the application. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Wells was reminded that a representative of the PTO must attend the November 10, 2016 ANC 6A meeting.

Confirmation of Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be held Monday, November 28, 2016 at Maury ES, 1250 Constitution Ave NE (enter from 200 block of Thirteenth (13th) Street NE).

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

For more information about the ANC6A Community Outreach Committee or the ANC 6A grant process, please contact Dana Wyckoff at wyckoffdana@gmail.com







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

1. DATE OF APPLICATION	2. DATE OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY
10/17/2016	1/2017 to 4/2017
3. APPLICANT ORGANIZATION NAME AND ADDRESS	4. EIN (TAX ID NUMBER)++
Ludlow Taylor Elementary School (LTES) PTA	47-5568358
5. Contact Name	6. TITLE
Madeleine Wells	LTES PTA Grants Committee Member
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723 10 th St NE Washington, D.C. 20002	
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Project Description and Goals

The LTES PTA is writing to request a \$587.77 grant from ANC6A to be used toward purchasing new books for kindergarten classrooms. Principal Smith, the Kindergarten teachers, and the school reading specialist Ms. Kristen Anderson have noted that LTES kindergarten students urgently require better books across both genres and reading levels. LTES students have one designated visit to the library a week, however they have ample time throughout the day to enjoy books from their classroom libraries. District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) is responsible for funding school-wide libraries however it does not fund individual classrooms to buy or update book collections, which is why we are requesting funding from the two ANCs for which LTES is an in-boundary school. The solution is not simply about putting *more* books in front of students, but rather offering them the newest and best quality books in order to inspire and draw children to use them as a resource in their own classrooms.

After doing research on site and speaking with a representative for the K-2 classrooms and the 3rd through 5th grade classrooms, as well as the LTES reading specialist Ms. Kristen Anderson and Librarian Rebecca Burton, the PTA identified two out of three kindergarten classes that are desperately in need of new classroom books. Due to high enrollment, LTES added a third kindergarten class for the 2016-2017 school year. Thankfully, the teachers pooled resources to share books, however that has rendered two classes short on decent books. Specifically, LTES Kindergarten teacher Ms. Bell and new teacher Ms. Quash are seeking funds to remedy the following:

- Limited Genres: Teachers have expressed that there are currently very limited genres available to students in these classrooms (photos attached). We propose ordering an entire reading set, which is constructed by experts to provide a diversity of genres appropriate to the grade level.
- Outdated Collections: Teachers have requested the school fund them to purchase of several specific, popular novels for classrooms, examples include "Elephant and Piggie" and "Bad Kitty" graphic novels.

In order to fix these problems, the teachers and staff would like to order one Scholastic Ready-to-Go Kindergarten Set to split among the two kindergarten classes. These can be rotated by the teachers every two to three months to continue to peak student interest and ensure both classrooms have access to the best titles. The set we are requesting offers 300 titles, which is essentially a way to build a complete classroom library and cater to various student's individual needs and interests.

In addition to the reading set, Ms. Bell and Ms. Quash have worked alongside Ms. Anderson to create a specific list of current popular titles geared toward peaking kindergartener interests.

Statement of Benefit

LTES, located at 659 G Street NE, is in both ANC 6A and ANC 6C. It serves nearly 340 students from Pre-K3 & 4 through 5th grade, a majority of whom are ANC 6A residents. It is a Title I school, with more than 40 percent of the students from families designated as low income. The project has multiple benefits for to students who are the residents of ANC 6A, and LTES students more broadly, by giving them easier access to reading materials that they might not have at home. LTES is home to in-boundary students from both ANC 6A and 6C; thus the ANCs are being asked to contribute, proportionally. The project will first and foremost benefit kindergarten students in both neighborhoods (and students-to-be), making sure they uniformly have the same opportunities to engage with quality literature across the grade. The project will benefit these students going forward as developing a healthy love for reading is an important skill that reading experts say is best inculcated at a young age -- right when children are learning to read. Encouraging children to read is a pivotal part of elementary education. According to a 2014 Scholastic survey, both parents of children ages 6-17 (71%) and kids (54%) rank strong reading skills as the most important skill a child should have. Yet while 86% of parents say reading books for fun is extremely or very important, only 46% of kids say the same. Additionally, three-quarters of parents with children ages 6-17 (75%) agree "I wish my child would read more books for fun," and 71% wish children would "do more things that did not





involve screen time." In addition, Scholastic has found that the most successful way to improve reading achievement is to increase a student's access to printed materials.

By the end of the grant period we project that each student in the kindergarten class would have read a minimum of six new books during the three months period and a minimum of four new books during the read-a-thon. A successful outcome of the project will include instilling a love of reading in the neighborhoods' kindergarteners and encouraging them to explore the newer titles and be more engaged in class reading not only for this year's class but for all of the kindergarten classes to come. Encouraging parents to actively read to and engage with their children will be an ancillary benefit.

As stated above, we plan to request responses from Ms. Bell and Ms. Quash about how the new materials are being used, and encourage the school reading specialist and/or librarian to come to each classroom to present a special session for the students in which she introduces the new books and encourages the students to use their new resources. We will document the receipt of the new books, switching out with the old, and the children using the new resources with photos to be submitted to the neighborhood commission. Pending their condition and viability, the older books will either be discarded, or cleaned and prepped for donation to a local Library Friends group. Upon receiving the grant, we plan to contact the Rosedale Library Friends group as well as the Northeast Library Friends Group.

Project Timeline

January 2017: order new classroom kindergarten sets from Scholastic and Amazon using ANC funding.

February 17, 2017: during this professional development day when students are out of school, Ms. Bell and Ms. Quash will replace older books with the new books and photograph the results. We will contact local Library Friends groups to inquire about their interest in the older titles in the best condition.

February 2017: The school reading specialist and/or librarian will visit each classroom to introduce the new books and encourage students to read books in the classroom library.

March 2, 2017: In celebration of Read across America day, LTES will host a read-a-thon where students will wear their pajamas, and bring their favorite toy or stuffed animal. Parents will provide snacks and may sign-up for a 15 minute session to come into their child's classroom and read a book from the classroom library.

April 2017: Ms. Bell and Ms. Quash will write a short narrative on the impact the new books have had in the classroom. Each narrative report will include photos of the read-a-thon and photos of students reading the new and improved books. If possible, each narrative will include short testimonials from students on their favorite books in the new collection.

Description of Requesting Organization

The LTES PTO is a tax-exempt nonprofit organization under Internal Revenue Code § 501(c)(3) that supports LTES. The PTO raises funds to meet needs of the school that are not fully met by DCPS, such as supplies, classroom equipment, school-wide events, and field trips. PTO leadership is elected by its members, who are LTES parents and teachers. The PTO works closely with LTES Principal Andrew Smith to identify and prioritize funding needs.

Project Budget

To our knowledge, LTES received a \$1,000 grant from ANC6A for library equipment/technology almost 10 years ago in 2007, but not for purchasing new books. For this proposal, the total project cost is \$1,424. The budget includes \$1,025 for a Ready-To-Go-Classroom Library collection. As we stated in the Project Description and Goals, this collection will help to build a complete classroom library and cater to various student's individual needs and interests and will also develop vocabulary, comprehension and fluency. LTES will only need to request \$1,174 for this project as parents will donate snacks and their time in-kind to complete

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Supporting Documents

ANC6A Grant Application

Documents Included:

- IRS 501 C3 Non-Profit Status Letter
- Letter of Support: Principal and Librarian
- Letter of Support: LTES PTA Vice-President
- Exhibit 1: Classroom Libraries, Outdated Books
- Exhibit 2: Classroom Libraries, Books in Poor Condition
- Exhibit 3: Ready-to-Go Classroom Library





Proof of 501 C3 Status

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Employer Identification Number: 47-5568358 DLN: 17053327320005 Contact Person: JACOB A MCDONALD ID# 31649 Contact Telephone Number: (877) 829-5500 Accounting Period Ending: June 30 Public Charity Status: 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) Form 990/990-EZ/990-N Required: Yes Effective Date of Exemption: November 13, 2015 Contribution Deductibility: Yes Addendum Applies: No

Dear Applicant:

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

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P. O. BOX 2508 CINCINNATI, OH 45201

LUDLOW-TAYLOR PTO

C/O PTO PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, DC 20002

659 G STREET NE

Date:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Letter 947





LUDLOW-TAYLOR PTO

Sincerely,

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Jeffrey I. Cooper Director, Exempt Organizations Rulings and Agreements

Letter 947





Letter of Support 1

October 14, 2016

RE: Letter of Support

ANC 6A P.O. Box 75115 Washington, DC, 20013

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter of support for the grant application that the Ludlow-Taylor PTO has submitted. This grant would provide updated classroom library books for two kindergarten classes that have demonstrated need.

Ludlow-Taylor is a 2016 Blue Ribbon award-winning elementary school that has excelled in providing educational resources to an underserved community. While DCPS funds the provision of books to school libraries, they are not required to provide any funding to classrooms for the provision of new or updated books in their individual libraries. As a Title 1 school, it is not easy for us to budget for or internally raise funds for these critical resources.

All teachers use classroom libraries on a daily basis to expose their students to the fundamental skill of reading. In addition to thinking of books as a vehicle for academic success, however, we also believe classroom libraries are important for their own sake. Unfortunately, because there is no standardized way of receiving funding for a classroom library, we do not always get an equality of classroom library resources uniformly across each grade. Making sure that all students have access to the newest and best titles, even as our community and our classrooms expand, is essential to keeping Ludlow-Taylor a high achiever, and to offering students from a variety of socio-economic backgrounds the educational building blocks they deserve.

Thank you for considering our proposal to help ensure all of the children in our diverse student body can benefit from opportunities to enjoy reading.

Sincerely

Andrew Smith, Principal

Rebecca Burton, Librarian





Letter of Support 2

October 14, 2016

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to declare my support for the Ludlow Taylor Elementary School (LTES) PTO's request for funding to ensure all LTES kindergarteners have access to the quality and diversity of literary titles relevant for their age group.

The PTO and our school community is working hard to raise additional funds to provide support beyond our DCPS budget but it is not enough. As a Title 1 elementary school with a significant percentage of students living at or below the poverty line, we have to fight even harder for extra resources. Many of our students do not have access to age appropriate learning resources beyond what is provided at school.

These efforts, along with support from community organizations such as yours, helps ensure all LTES students have access to quality education so that they can meet the appropriate academic standards. Our efforts are paying off but there is more that can be done. LTES was designated a Blue Ribbon award from the Department of Education this year for academic excellence and progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups.

As Ward 6 resident, local business leader, and a 2nd year LTES parent, I fully give my support to this much-needed resource and appropriate request for funding from the Ward 6 ANC.

Sincerely,

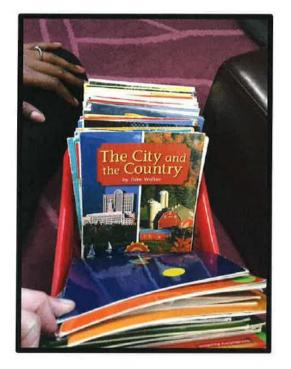
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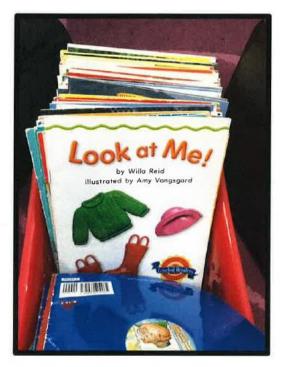
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Exhibit 1: Classroom Libraries (Outdated Books)







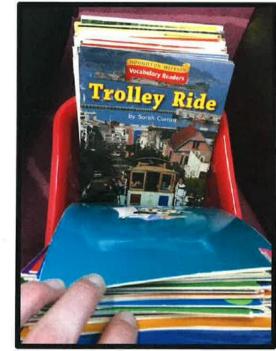




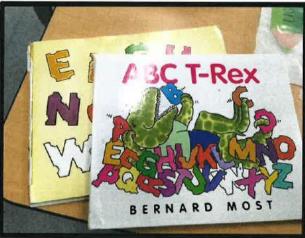


Exhibit 2: Classroom Libraries (Books in Poor Condition)













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Ready-To-Go Classroom Library, Kindergarten

300 Books



List Price: \$1,678.32	
Our Price:	
\$1,025.00	

Quantity:	1]+

ADD TO CART

Item #:	NTS969936				
ISBN13:	9780439699365				
Format:	Paperback Book Collection				
Grades:	К				
Lexile® Measure:	20L - 890L				
Guided Reading Level: A - P					
DRA Level: A -					
Funding Type:Title I-A, Title I, Race To The Top (RTTT), IDEA/Special Education/RTI, Title III, 21st CCLC, Title V					





DESCRIPTION

A convenient, cost-effective way to build a complete classroom library from the ground up.

Increase reading achievement with trade books that meet your students' individual needs and interests!

Each 100-book collection offers 85 individual titles, plus three award-winning titles (5 copies each). Perfect for shared reading and small groups. FREE activity sheets included for each of the five-book sets.

These teacher recommended collections of fiction and nonfiction develops vocabulary, comprehension, and fluency.

Challenging student activities help to provide essential practice in careful reading of awardwinning books. Free book bins included!

For more information and to see a complete list of titles visit the **Ready-To-Go** product information page!

Set Includes:

970432 Ready-To-Go: Favorites, Kindergarten (100 Books) 970433 Ready-To-Go: Independent Reading, Kindergarten (100 Books) 970434 Ready-To-Go: Nonfiction, Kindergarten (100 Books)





Minutes Alcoholic Beverage Licensing (ABL) Committee Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A October 18, 2016

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 18, 2016 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 Mark Samburg.

Committee Members Absent: Justin Rzepka and David Oberting.

Commissioners Present: Mike Soderman (6A03)

Community Members Present: Avery Leake (Avery's Bar and Lounge), Ryan Gordon (Queen Vic), Brittany Urse and Devin Gong (Copycat Co.), Mark Menard (Star & Shamrock), Blair Zervos (H Street Country Club), Pleurat Hundoz (neighbor), other neighbors.

I. Call to Order

Mr. Williams called the meeting to order at 7:05 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

- A. Discussion of Renewals of Class CT Liquor Licenses.
 - Mr. Williams explained that for every renewal period, all licenses up for renewal are placed on the agenda for discussion, regardless of whether there have been concerns raised. This way, the ANC has the opportunity to hear from neighbors who may have concerns, but had not yet raised them.
 - Mr. Williams thanked all the representatives for establishments who were present, noting that even if there was no discussion, he was glad they were in attendance and willing to hear from their neighbors.
 - i. Atlas Arcade (1236 H Street NE) There was no discussion, and no action was taken.
 - Rock N Roll Hotel (1353 H Street NE)
 A neighbor was present who wanted to discuss an alley issue with management, but
 he did not believe the issue was bad enough for ANC action. The neighbor was put in
 touch with management, who he met with after the meeting. No action was taken.
 - iii. Da Luft Restaurant and Lounge (1242 H Street NE) There was no discussion, and no action was taken.
 - iv. Langston Bar & Grille (1831 Benning Rd NE)

Committee Reports



Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



There was no discussion, and no action was taken.

- v. The Queen Vic (1206 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. vi. The Elroy (1423 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. vii. Star & Shamrock (1341 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. viii. Mythology & Lore (816 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. ix. Biergarten Haus (1355 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. x. Copycat Co. (1110 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. xi. Little Miss Whiskey's (1104 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. xii. Impala Cantina y Taqueria (1358 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. xiii. H Street Country Club (1335 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. xiv. The Pursuit Wine Bar (1421 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. xv. Sol Mexican Grill (1251 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. xvi. Rose's DejaVu (1378 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. xvii. Liberty Tree (1016 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. xviii. Vendetta (1212 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. xix. Avery's Bar and Lounge (1370 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. xx. Halftime Sports Bar (1427 H Street NE)
- There was no discussion, and no action was taken. xxi. The Pug / Toki Underground (1234 H Street NE)
 - There was no discussion, and no action was taken.

V. Adjourn

The Committee adjourned at 7:30 pm.





No report. Committee did not meet in October 2016.





November xx, 2016

The Honorable Muriel Bowser, Mayor Executive Office of the Mayor, Sixth Floor 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20004

Re: Proposed Video Signage at Nationals Park

Dear Mayor Bowser,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on November 10, 2016^1 , ANC 6A voted x-x) (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the Washington Nationals' plan to install video signage in, on, and around Nationals Park.

Although Nationals Park is not within the boundaries of ANC 6A, the Commission is very concerned that allowing such signage at this location will set a precedent that could lead to similar signage in other parts of the District, including ANC 6A.

The Washington Nationals have proposed installing 12 digital displays on the exterior of their stadium, on the concourse leading into the stadium, and on adjacent parking garages.

- These displays can use LED technology to play video, rotate through still images, or display other graphics.
- The displays are as tall as 38 feet and as wide as 45 feet, with a total of 7,785 square feet of video display area.
- The planned digital displays will face South Capitol Street and other roads, as well as the Anacostia River and will be directly across the street from several existing or planned residential buildings.
- The displays would cause light pollution into the windows of hundreds of residential units.
- Video, scrolling text, static images that rotate in sequence, and other graphical displays will be distracting and dangerous to drivers, pedestrians, cyclists, and other users of nearby roads and rivers.
- Viewsheds to the Capitol are important community assets and would be disturbed by the proposed digital displays. The Zoning Commission order for the ballpark (ZC 06-22) discusses the importance of Capitol viewsheds along South Capitol Street and from the ballpark in paragraphs 35-37 and 42.

ANC 6A has long opposed digital displays of the type proposed by the Nationals, having submitted testimony in opposition to digital signs in Designated Entertainment Areas on May 13, 2015 (http://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/Letter-to-DDOT-requsting-changes-to-proposed-sign-regulations.pdf). ANC 6A opposes the Nationals' plan to install video signage in, on, and around Nationals Park and requests that the District not allow the Nationals to proceed with their proposal.

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 October 19, 2016

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

Members: Brad Greenfield (Chair), Michael Hoenig, Matt Turkstra; Missy Boyette; Jake Joyce Commissioners: Mike Soderman; Stephanie Zimny.

Stephanie Zimny chaired the meeting for the first hour, after which Brad Greenfield arrived and continued the meeting as Chair.

Community Comment: There were no community comments at the beginning of the meeting.

Update: Commissioner Zimny provided an update on items from the September 2016 meeting.

Old Business:

1341 H Street NE (BZA #19358): Application pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for a special exception under the enlargement and design requirements of Subtitle H § 910.1 and § 1202.1, to construct a mixed-use building in the NC-14 Zone. The applicant gave some background of when they purchased the building and its uses since and a brief description of the Company. The developer previously appeared before the Committee to discuss the re-design of the façade and provided five (5) letters of support for the project.

Since last appearing before the Committee, the developer has reconfigured the cornice line and adjusted colors to match the brick and other changes in response to Committee comments. The developer has also added green walls to the roof for privacy and changed the color of clutching walls to darken them.

Committee Member Missy Boyette commented that the organization seems better; the vertical alignments are an improvement. She noted her opinion that the cornice line is too heavy and asked if there is a way to break up the cornice so that it is not one big heavy line. Ms. Boyette also inquired about the organization of the doors and windows on the fifth (5th) floor.

The developer responded that the windows are not double hung due to regulation; the lower part of window must be fixed. The developer also noted that they changed the balcony to a glass-fronted balcony so that it blends in.

The developer noted that the balcony will be very shallow and will not project beyond the cornice line. They are not in favor of the windows stepping up. The building architect agreed to drop the line of the windows, but reiterated that the bottom must be fixed. They also agreed to make balconies the same width as windows.

Ms. Boyette suggested that the developer look to the existing building to guide the design.

The addition to the existing structure will use aluminum composite. The front will have a smooth texture, not shiny. The penthouse will be set back 25 -30 feet, and will also be behind the green walls. The material used on side walls will be determined later, depending on cost and budget. The cornice and steel lintels around the glass doors will be the same color.





Commissioner Zimny requested to see the updated design before the ANC meeting.

The developer had letters of support from a few businesses and residences surrounding the project. The immediately adjacent neighbors, Dangerously Delicious Pies and Maketto, object to the project. Dangerously Delicious Pies appeared before the Committee and noted that they are also doing construction for a new bar and roof-deck and questions have arisen as to the status of the party wall with the proposed project.

Commissioner Zimny noted that she received an e-mail from the owners of Maketto, who are objecting to the project. Commissioner Zimny read the letter into the record. It noted that the owner of Maketto have not received the plans for the new building.

Based on the objection from the adjacent business owners, the matter was tabled until Maketto, Dangerously Delicious Pies, and the developer at 1341 H Street NE can talk further and see if the issues can be resolved.

New Business

600 Ninth (9th) Street (BZA #19355): Application pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 10, for variances from the non-conforming structure requirements of Subtitle C § 202.2, the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, and the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, to permit the location of multiple decks over an existing rear-attached garage in the RF-1 Zone.

The attorney representing the owners appeared before the Committee and explained that the home had been purchased from a bank after foreclosure and the bank failed to disclose that the decks had never been approved. While renovating the interior, the city inspector informed the owners that the deck was not permitted and the owners needed to seek a variance from the BZA.

The Committee inquired as the current lot occupancy. After discussion, it was determined to be roughly 68%. The Committee asked if a variance is granted, will future owners be able to change the deck. The answer is that it is unlikely they would be able to do so.

The applicant affirmed that he has spoken to the property's neighbors and none have objected to the relief. Although he did not have any at the meeting, the owner will obtain letters of support.

There was discussion as to why there is a need for variances rather than permission for an existing nonconforming structure. The applicant did not know the answer to that. He just noted that the city is requiring the requested relief.

Committee Member Jake Joyce asked if there is any proof that the decks were there before. There is not, but the owner can look to see if any photos exist.

Commissioner Zimny made a motion to support the request for relief on the condition that owner receives letters of support before next ANC meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Greenfield and unanimously approved.

Kingman Park Historic District: Request by residents to make Kingman Park NE a historic district.





The Kingman Park Civic Association appeared before the Committee. Although they did not bring the application packet with them to the meeting, the Civic Association noted that all of the documents are with the Office of Planning (OP) and can be viewed on OP's website.

The presenter noted at the outset that, due to a procedural problem and after discussion with OP, the applicants drew back on the boundary line to Nineteenth (19th) Street NE, so the proposed district is no longer in Ward 6. Commissioner Soderman noted that with that boundary, there would still be a few blocks within ANC 6A that fall within the proposed new historic district. It was determined that this falls within the Single Member District (SMD) of ANC 6A Commissioner Calvin Ward. The Committee recommended that there be outreach between the Kingman Park Civic Association and Commissioner Ward.

The President of the Civic Association gave history of the Kingman Park area and the need for the historic district. He noted that the purpose of the district is to protect the architecture, culture, and people of Kingman Park. He stated that this is not a new project, and that the Civic Association has been conducting community outreach for ten (10) years and the application is well known in the community.

He noted that there are 55 historic districts in DC, and not one is an African American Historic District.

The Civic Association is seeking ANC 6A's support for the project.

The Committee asked the reason for moving the line and was told that there was a risk the application would meet commercial opposition from Hechinger mall and other developments that are coming.

In response to a question as to whether the Civic Association would consider adding a section of the residential portion of ANC 6A to the application, the presenter stated that they would love to.

Committee Member Matt Turkstra asked if there is any organized opposition to this. The presenter stated that there is none that he knows of, but there probably is some out there. As of now, they have 242 signatures in favor, including signatures from Maryland residents and others from the area.

Bob Cumber, a Commissioner from ANC 7D, addressed the Committee and stated that the ANC 7D is working to set up a meeting, but has not been able to do that. When he stated that the ANC 7D would love for the Association to come and address the Commission, the Civic Association noted that they would like for the ANC to join them at a Civic Association meeting.

Two homeowners from the proposed Historic District addressed the Committee and noted that most homeowners are unaware of the plan and have concerns.

Due to the last-minute notice that the historic district would appear before the Committee, and so that Committee Members would have ample time to review the application, a decision on whether to support the Historic District was tabled until the November 2016 meeting.

1336 H Street NE (BZA #19344): Applicant is requesting lot occupancy relief for the residential levels, as well as court width relief for the residential levels. The Applicant is also requesting rear yard relief to provide for an external stairway that will extend into the otherwise open rear yard. This request for special exception relief from these development standards is provided pursuant to Subtitle H § 1200.1 of the 2016 Zoning Regulations.





The developer gave a brief presentation on the design changes since last appearing before the Committee.

Chairman Greenfield noted that, aside from the design changes, there are two outstanding questions that have not been addressed: the FAR Bonus for maintain the façade and trash storage.

As to the FAR bonus for preserving the façade, the developer noted that they are planning to continue with their application for the bonus. Although they do not have a determination letter, Zoning Administrator Matt LeGrant is inclined to believe the developer qualifies for the FAR bonus. Although the original façade fell apart before the developer purchased the building, they believe the failure is due to earthquake damage and fulfills the spirit and intent of the Bonus.

Although the Committee raised concerns about trash storage being located on the roof, the developer informed the Committee that the plans have not changed in that regard. The Committee reiterated its concerns noting that this is a problem and will likely lead to a trash management issue. The developer disagreed, stating his belief that the Committee's concerns are unfounded.

Chairman Greenfield reiterated his concern that the project should not qualify for the FAR bonus. The bonus applied to pre-1958 facades. The façade the developer will be preserving was constructed in 2013 after the previously existing façade collapsed. By the standard the developer is seeking to set here, anything short of a full building raze will qualify for FAR bonus.

Even if the FAR issue was not there, the trash issue remains. When asked why a trash chute cannot be added, no answer was given.

Mr. Greenfield made a motion to recommend that ANC 6A oppose the relief requested. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Soderman and passed by unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.





November XX, 2016

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. 19355 (600 9th Street, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on November 10th, 2016^1 , our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the request for variances from the non-conforming structure requirements of Subtitle C § 202.2, the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, and the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, to permit the location of multiple decks over an existing rear-attached garage in the RF-1 Zone.

Since the work to be undertaken is to replace and repair existing decks, the ANC feels that variances from the standards are warranted. To not allow the variances would require the home owner to allow the decks to fall into disrepair, which would not be in the community's best interests.

Please be advised that Brad Greenfield 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. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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Re: BZA Case No. 19344 (1336 H Street, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on November 10th, 2016¹, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the request for the owners of 1336 H Street, NE. Specifically, the applicant seeks lot occupancy relief for the residential levels, as well as court width relief for the residential levels. The Applicant is also requesting rear yard relief in order to provide for an external stairway that will extend into the otherwise open rear yard. This request for special exception relief from these development standards is provided pursuant to Subtitle H § 1200.1 of the 2016 Zoning Regulations.

The ANC strenuously objects to the granting of FAR relief for this property for facade preservation. The facade of this building collapsed in 2013 due to long-term negligence of the building. The H Street Design Requirements specify that the FAR bonus is only available for the preservation of a facade that existed before 1958. Since the pre-1958 facade collapsed, the ANC believes that it is inappropriate to apply this bonus. Any claims that the collapse was an "act of God" are unwarranted since the root cause was negligence. The fact that a permit was issued just before the collapse does not overcome the fact that long-term abandonment and neglect resulted in the destruction of the original facade and replacement with a newer one. The precedent set by allowing the FAR bonus in this case will result in a dismantling of the intention of the facade preservation bonus, with H Street developers being allowed to claim the bonus under almost any circumstances short of a full raze of a building.

In addition, the ANC objects to the design including placing the trash roof for the building on the roof. This would force residents on all lower floors to walk up the stairs to empty their trash. The likely outcome for most residents (particularly residents on the second and third floors) will be that they will use the public trash bin that is located on H Street directly in front of their building. Since there will be no building management on duty, any restrictions placed in sales or rental documents would be unenforceable.

Please be advised that Brad Greenfield, Commissioner Stephanie Zimny, former ANC6A Chair David Holmes, 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. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

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