

Minutes
ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC) of
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
Regular Meeting - February 25, 2019
Eastern Senior High School
1700 East Capitol Street NE, Washington DC

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm.

Quorum present.

COC members present: Roni Hollmon (Chair), Stefany Thangavelu, Alan Chargin

COC members absent: Gladys Mack

ANC Commissioners present: none

Community members present: none

The Committee had a robust discussion about the grant application and its requirements. The Committee requires clarification on a number of issues:

There has been mention of a recent omnibus which explains “public purpose” and the Committee would like to be provided that information and any other written guidelines from the Office of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission because the code on which it is based is too vague to garner any real understanding. The Committee feels this is imperative to do our job more efficiently and to increase the knowledge of the Committee as a whole.

In regards to the ANC Chair’s request that the “public purpose” benefit language be included in the grant application, the Committee feels this could be incorporated into box 15 (Statement of Benefit box); however, the instructions will need to be clarified in this regard and without clear guidance of what the “public purpose” definition is, the ANC would run the risk of grants being returned and the Committee seeks to avoid this at all costs.

In regard to the testimony of ANC3/4G before the Committee on Facilities and Procurement Oversight Hearing on the Office of the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions of February 20, 2019, the Committee feels that there is not enough information available to compile a letter at this time but thinks it would be prudent to do one in the future.

In regard to the Acknowledgment Letter, the first is clear cut, when an organization has the funds to purchase and are seeking reimbursement; however, in the second case of organizations that do not have the funds to expend, we require clarification as to what the process will be, in order that the Committee can include that in the instructions. Will the ANC6A Treasurer be ordering the items for the organization?

In regard to the grant spreadsheets, the Committee seeks to upload them to google docs. It is the COC Chair’s understanding, as explained by Committee Member Chargin, that this would not impact the fact that the spreadsheets are in Excel and any of the Committee could update them. Would this be acceptable?

In looking to the future, the Committee will compile a database of organizations across the ANC that would meet the eligibility to apply for grants and do outreach. As of now, the Committee is not aware of any shelters within the ANC; however, if this is incorrect or one does appear, are shelters eligible for grants?

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

**The next regular meeting of the ANC 6A COC
Monday, March 25, 2019 at 7:00 pm
Eastern Senior High School Parent Center, 1700 East Capitol Street NE
(enter from East Capitol Street)**