

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



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Ms. Linda Argo, Director
Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs
941 North Capitol Street NE, Room 9500
Washington, DC 20002

RE: Distribution of Electric Copies of Building Permits

Ms. Argo:

At our June 11, 2009 meeting, our Commission voted unanimously to request that DCRA revive its former practice of distributing electronic copies of issued and pending building permits for ANCs which request this service.

When the responsibility for distributing copies of building permits was transferred from Mr. Eric Rogers to the office that handles Freedom of Information requests, the electronic distribution of records for issued and pending building permits ceased despite several requests by our ANC to receive these files electronically.

Our ANC finds the paper distribution of these files:

- Inefficient because of it is time consuming to locate properties only in our ANC
- Leads to long delays in review because of the need to retrieve the paper copies from the post office and distribute them to the correct people.
- A tremendous waste of paper.

Our ANC respectfully requests that the bi-weekly electronic distribution (excel format) of issued and pending building permits be reinstated for ANCs that request this service. ANC 6A would like to discontinue receiving the paper copies of these files and only receive them electronically.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Drew Ronneberg, Chair of our Economic Development and Zoning Committee at <a href="mailto:ronneberg6a02@gmail.com">ronneberg6a02@gmail.com</a> or (202) 431-4305.

On behalf of the Commission,

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