

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



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Commander Diane Groomes, First District Commander Metropolitan Police Department 415 4th Street, SW Washington, DC 20024

Commander Diane Groomes:

At our regularly scheduled meeting on March 8, 2007 with a quorum present, our Commission voted to request that the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) assist with setting up a Multiple Agency Plan (MAP) for dealing with crime and drugs at the Pentacles Apartments. The purpose of a MAP is to focus the collective energy of the city's agencies on one location to immediately improve the conditions for the residents.

Our Commission is willing to work with you by finding citizens to participate in this plan. However, given the challenge of the current situation, we request that MPD can take the lead in the MAP as it will be important to protect, and even keep confidential, the citizens who assist this project. Many of the community members willing to work with these agencies would fear retaliation if they participated in creating such a plan at public meetings.

Based on participation in the Patrol Service Area (PSA) 103 meetings, we are aware that MPD has been working closely with the owners on these concerns. However, we need a comprehensive approach involving District agencies to restore peace, order, and quiet.

Accordingly, we would recommend the following agencies to participate in the MAP: District of Columbia Housing Authority, Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, Department of Public Works, Department of Health, Department of Youth and Rehabilitative Services, Fire and Emergency Management Services, Metro Transit Authority Police, Child and Family Services Agency, U.S. Attorney's Office, Office of the Attorney General, Court and Social Services, and the DC Superior Courts.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to working with you.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

CC: Councilmember Tommy Wells, Ward 6
Councilmember Phil Mendelson, At-large
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