



District of Columbia Government
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
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Stanley Jackson, Director
Department of Housing & Community Development
Suite 8000
801 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

Re: Request to Appoint ANC 6A Representatives to Interagency RFP Process

Dear Mr. Jackson,

On November 11, 2004, ANC 6A voted unanimously to request that you invite the Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners representing the Single Member Districts (SMDs) which contain the DHCD-controlled properties at 525 9th St, NE and 1341 Maryland Avenue, NE to participate in the separate interagency processes to draft, publish, review, and select Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for the disposition of these properties.

As you are aware, Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (ANCs) are official bodies of the District of Columbia government. Each Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner represents a Single Member District of approximately 2,000 residents in an elected, unpaid capacity. In the matter of surplus property, the affected ANC should be afforded equal opportunity to participate in any interagency RFP process, just as other agencies of the DC government such as the Office of Property Management or the Office of Planning participate through employee-representatives. Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners are held to the same ethical and legal standards as other employees of the District of Columbia, and are capable of discharging the duties associated with the RFP process without affecting requirements for full and fair competition.

The old police station (525 9th St, NE) is located in SMD 6A02 represented by Commissioner Joseph Fengler. The old firehouse (1341 Maryland Avenue, NE) is located in SMD 6A06 currently represented by Commissioner Jessica Ward and to be represented by Commissioner-elect Marc Borbely as of January 2005.

Please inform us of your decision in this matter by December 9, 2004 so that we may update community residents on the extent of community participation and representation in the RFP process led by your department. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully yours,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Councilmember Sharon Ambrose
Councilmember David Catania
Councilmember Jim Graham
Gottlieb Simon, Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions