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DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities Public Art Program Coordinator

Via email

Re: ANC 6A Letter of Support for Duilio Passariello application to Public Art Building
Communities Grant for Lovejoy Park

Dear Kerry Kennedy:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed¹ meeting on May 14, 2026, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A voted 5-0-0 (with four (4) Commissioners required for a quorum) to send this letter in support of Duilio Passariello's grant application from DC's Commission on the Arts and Humanities (CAH). Mr. Passariello is applying for a grant to enhance the lighting fixtures at Lovejoy Park similarly to the lighting fixtures he designed and installed at Cole Park in Ward 5.

The grant would be used to design and install a public art project intended to transform Lovejoy Park with colorful lighting accents as sculptures in the form of "flowers" installed to the tops of park lighting posts. This park is a DPR facility located at the corner of 12th and E Streets NE and serves the nearby community as a playground and gathering place. This project is a sculpture that uses the illumination system of the park as support. The work has two elements, a stainless-steel crown which serves to grip to the post-top and four acrylic ovals in different colors arranged like the "petals." This design creates colorful accents during the day as sunlight illuminates the ovals. During the night, white light emanating from LED lighting is tinted to create a tapestry of hues scattered around the grass, paths, and trees. By permanently attaching these sculptures to the park light posts, this project provides a new view of the park using public art and creates a renewed vibrancy to the neighborhood and surrounding streets. These sculptures require no maintenance and will not interfere with the current operations performed by public lighting devices in the confines of the park. These installations would make Lovejoy Park a better part of our community.

¹ ANC 6A meetings are advertised electronically on anc-6a@googlegroups.com, and in newhilleast@groups.io, at www.anc6a.org, and through print advertisements in the *Hill Rag*.

For the above reasons, ANC 6A supports the grant application with the caveats that:

1. That the grant application does not conflict with the application from HSMS;
2. The art installation be coordinated with DPR's planned renovation of Lovejoy Park;
and
3. That there are not other bids to do similar work at Lovejoy that the TPS committee has not yet considered.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of this Commission. I can be contacted at 6A04@anc.dc.gov, and Transportation and Public Space Committee Chair Patrick Bloomstine can be contacted at 6ATPSChair@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,



Amber Gove

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A