



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



January 5, 2021

Dear Colleagues,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on December 9, 2020, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to put forth the attached resolution and send this letter of apology to the participants of the November 12, 2020 ANC 6A meeting.

During that meeting one of our Commission representatives made a racially charged statement. As any statements made by any ANC official, including Committee members, during an official public meeting could be reasonably attributable to the Commission, whether intended or not, our Commission wishes to extend our deepest apologies for any offense the comment may have caused to anyone at the meeting.

Our Commission seeks to serve all residents of the District who reside within its borders in a fair, respectful, transparent, manner, without regard to race; color; religion; national origin; sex; age; marital status; personal appearance, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, family responsibilities, political affiliation; disability; matriculation; familial status; source of income; genetic information; place of residence or business; status as a victim of an intrafamily offense; credit information; status as a victim or family member of a victim of domestic violence, a sexual offense, or stalking.

ANC 6A confirms its refusal to tolerate any actions by any person elected to or appointed to an official position of the Commission that violates any of the aforementioned human rights specified by the government of the District of Columbia in the course of any public meeting of the Commission.

As follow up to this event, our Commission has agreed to take the following steps:

- Require each person holding a position within ANC 6A, whether elected or appointed, participate in human rights liaison training, implicit bias and/or anti-racism training provided by the Office of Human Rights and/or the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions during the 2021 calendar year.
- Request a Community presentation from the Office of Human Rights within the first six months of the 2021 calendar year;
- Establish an ad-hoc Committee comprised of Commissioners and Committee members to review and recommend changes to ANC 6A By-Laws, with special attention to required

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<sup>1</sup> ANC 6A meetings are advertised electronically on the [anc6a-announce@yahoogroups.com](mailto:anc6a-announce@yahoogroups.com), [anc-6a@yahoogroups.com](mailto:anc-6a@yahoogroups.com), and [newhilleast@groups.io](mailto:newhilleast@groups.io), at [www.anc6a.org](http://www.anc6a.org), on Twitter (@ANC6A) and through print advertisements in the Hill Rag.



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- trainings, committee member nomination and selection processes, and mechanisms for increasing diversity and representation of ANC 6A Committees;
- Review ANC 6A mechanisms for outreach and communication, to ensure the Commission is making best efforts to reach all residents, including those that may have difficulty accessing digital content; and
  - Move forward with selecting new leadership for the Transportation and Public Space Committee during the January ANC meeting.

Thank you for your continued service to the residents of the District of Columbia and ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at [AmberANC6A@gmail.com](mailto:AmberANC6A@gmail.com).

On behalf of the Commission,

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