



District of Columbia Government
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
Agenda for May 14, 2009



- 7:00 pm Call to order, Adopt Agenda and Approve previous meeting's minutes.
- 7:05 Community Comments (2 minutes each)
- 7:05 Community Presentation - Urban Forestry Administration mission and how it works in the city (15 minutes). Simoun Banua (Lead Arborist) and Amber Kenny (CityWide Outreach Coordinator).
- 7:20 Community Presentation - Office of the People's Council (10 minutes)
- 7:30 Officer Reports:
- Chair (2 minutes)
 - Vice-Chair (2 minutes)
 - Secretary (2 minutes)
 - Treasurer (2 minutes) *Starts on page 20.*
 1. Approve treasurer's report and previous month's disbursements.
 2. Report for the 2nd Quarter of FY09
 3. Approve monthly photocopying expenses.
- 7:0 Single Member District reports (2 minutes each)
- Standing Committee Reports:
- 7:50 Alcohol Beverage Licensing *Starts on page 24.*
1. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A add a statement regarding valet parking on H Street to our standard Voluntary Agreement.
 2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A not support a Ward 6 singles ban exemption request from DC Express (1500 block of East Capitol Street).
 3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A to recommend that the ANC not protest Viggys (409 15th Street, NE) license renewal.
 4. Approve committee report.
 5. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., May 19, 2009 (3rd Tuesday)
- 8:00 Economic Development and Zoning *Starts on page 30.*
1. **Recommendation:** ANC6A oppose current plans for 1400 MD. Ave NE, BZA Case #17825 with respect to public space and traffic flow unless the applicant addresses concerns before the ANC 6A meeting.
 2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A propose a emergency text amendment to the Zoning Commission to rezoning properties between Florida, Maryland and 12th St that don't front on H Street as a R4 zone, and properties that do front on H Street as a C-2-A zone.
 3. Approve committee report.
 4. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., May 20, 2009 (3rd Wednesday)



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8:10 Community Outreach *Starts on page 30.*

1. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter of support for the joint proposal of Rosedale Youth Institute (RYI) and Rosedale Citizens Alliance (RCA) to become “park partners” to the Rosedale Recreation Center.
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter of support for the City Arts H Street mural project.
3. **Recommendation:** Approve Jean Kohanek as a member of the Community Outreach Committee
4. Approve committee report.
5. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., May 18, 2009 (3rd Monday)

8:15 Transportation and Public Space Committee *Starts on page 38.*

1. Approve committee report (joint committee meeting with ED&Z).
2. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., May 18, 2009 (3rd Monday)

8:20 Public Safety Committee *Starts on page 39.*

1. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to the Director of the Roving Leaders Program to request an explanation of how staff resource allocation decisions are made, as well as to request a re-examination of need for the ANC 6A neighborhood.
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to the Mayor and Council in support of increased appropriations for the Roving Leaders Program.
3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to the Library Board in support of the added construction of library space on the center site.
4. Approve committee report.
5. Next meeting - 7:00 p.m., May 21, 2009 (3rd Thursday)

8:25 **Unfinished Business**

8:30 **New Business**

8:45 **Community Comments Round II, time permitting (2 minutes each)**



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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
Miner Elementary School
April 9, 2009
Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. In the absence of Chairman Joe Fengler, the meeting was chaired by Vice Chair David Holmes.

Present: Commissioners Alberti, Beatty, Holmes, Mack, Marshall, and Robinson
Absent: Commissioners Fengler, Schultheiss

1. Approval of agenda

Mr. Alberti asked to add a motion on an allocation of \$240 for a post office box. The agenda, as amended, was approved without objection.

2. Minutes

Ms. Beatty asked that under the discussion of Capitol Liquors, the phrase "for this store," be added, considering that there had not been problems with loitering and littering. Mr. Robinson asked that on page 6, the last motion was seconded by Mr. Robinson, and on page 8, under Public Safety Committee, the name of Ms. Sibilina was spelled incorrectly, and the motion was made by Mr. Robinson and seconded by Mr. Alberti to approve the following committee members: Brandon Lumm, Sharon Cochran, Joe Bellino, and Dan Wolff. The minutes for the March meeting were approved, as amended, without objection.

3. Community Comments

Elizabeth Nelson announced the Capitol Hill Restoration Society Preservation Café for Earth Day, on April 22 at Ebenezer Café.

A member of the Rosedale community spoke in support of renaming the Rosedale Recreation field in honor of Mamie "Peanut" Johnson, 76, an early woman baseball player who played at the field. HE said that while institutions are not supposed to be named for living people, there is now precedent in the fact that the Banneker field was named for Maury Wills. Another member of the community pointed out that it was an opportunity to present a role model for young girls in the community. Mr. Holmes suggested they meet with the Community Outreach Committee.

Melissa McBride, from DPR, spoke about the Park Partnership program.

Sondra Phillips Gilbert had questions about the program and will be in touch with Ms. McBride

4. Community Presentation - ANC 6A Participation in 2010 Census

Lori L. Anderson, Partnership Specialist, Partnership and Data Services Program, U.S. Census Bureau, gave a presentation about the 2010 Census, which will begin in February, and asked for the ANC to work in partnership with the Census Bureau in getting the word out and maximizing the mail in response to



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the form. MR. Alberti said he will make certain that information and links about jobs will be put up on the ANC website. Mr. Robinson asked about employment opportunities and was told about a Census office on E astern Avenue and the fact that there were numerous applicants. She said she would supply the ANC with a phone number and information. She said they were doing address canvassing in our neighborhoods right now.

Officer Reports

Chair

The Chair was not present.

Vice Chair

Mr. Holmes reported that he had testified before Councilmember Alexander's committee, with Mr. Alberti, on the ANC. He reported that three of the ANC's recommendations for ANC enhancements had already been voted on by the City Council or adopted by the Mayor. He said that he and Mr. Fengler would be meeting with Councilmember Alexander about the rest of the proposals. He said that the Councilmember said that Ward 7 start s on Benning Rd. and has no procedure for exceptions to the single sales ban, and she asked that no exceptions be granted to any of the liquor stores on Benning Road. Mr. Alberti commended Mr. Holmes for his representation at the Council and said he did a great job.

Secretary

The Secretary had no report.

Treasurer

Motion: Mr. Robinson moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to allocate \$240 for the renewal of the ANC's post office box for one year. The motion passed without objection.

Commissioner Alberti presented the Treasurer's Report. The report shows that the opening checking account balance was \$ 21,179.08 and that the savings account balance was \$4,191.43. There was an allotment from the District of Columbia of \$6,019, and an interest payment to the savings account of \$.96, leaving an opening balance of \$27,198.58 in the checking account and \$4,192.39 in the savings account. There were disbursements of \$127.50 to Roberta Weiner for transcription of minutes (Check #1409); and \$182.80 to FedEx Office for photocopying (Check #1410), leaving a balance of \$2,888.28 in the checking account, and \$4,192.39 in the savings account.

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved/ a motion to approve the expenditures. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved /Mr. Holmes seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. It was approved without objection.

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Holmes seconded a motion that \$600 be approved for copying for ANC materials, and that up to \$60 be approved for copying for each Committee's materials and each SMD's materials for the next month. The motion was accepted without objection.



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5. SMD Reports

Mr. Robinson reported that had attended a meeting of the Eastern HS SIT Team on March 18th, and they were told that the sole responsibility of the SIT group will be to look at the physical structure of the building and any other buildings on the campus. They're going to build a trailer park campus for the students, and they'll have to look at that and see how it will operate. He said he the scheduled meeting time of this group conflicts with time scheduled for the Public Safety Committee and that he and Ms. Nelson, who also is on the Team will attempt to coordinate alternating schedules.

He reported that he attended a meeting of the Juvenile Justice Task Force, and its recommendations will be discussed at the Public Safety Committee. He said there were concerns about confidentiality for juveniles , and about the recommendations.

He also attended a meeting of the Rosedale Citizens Alliance, and they had several concerns that should be referred to the Transportation Committee: bus traffic on C Street, particularly when there are baseball and/or soccer games; DDOT is looking at turning 15th and 17th Streets back into two-way streets; and, finally, the current status of the 11th Street Bridge, which impacts on C Street, should be looked at. The development team will be chosen within a week or so and its impact should be assessed.

He attended the PSA 103, which has developed a Focus Improvement Team for part of the area. He called the Commission's attention to the crime statistics included in the packet.

He also reported that people are still upset by the Marathon, and want to see something done to improve MPD coordination..

Finally, he noted that he has received some concerns about 17th Place not currently designated for residential parking.

Ms. Mack reported that the people who are working on designating the ball field for Ms. Johnson have been meeting with community organizations and taking all the right steps to get the designation.

Ms. Beatty reported that there had been a shooting on 15th and D Streets NE and an uptick in theft from and of cars within the last couple of weeks. There was also a car theft on her block. She said she has spoken with Lt. Caldwell and they're going to increase patrols.

Mr. Alberti reported that he has been getting requests for city services that they can request themselves, and he's been directing people to 311 or to the on-line request area at dc.gov, where you can get a tracking number to check the status. ANC Commissioners can't do anything unless the city knows about the problem and has had an opportunity to correct address it.

Mr. Holmes reported that DDOT has agreed to redesign and rebuild an alley in an area bounded by 9th, C and Constitution, and repair an alley bounded by 10th, Mass and Constitution, and make a number of sidewalk repairs along 9th Street. Councilmember Wells has requested stimulus funds for lights at 10th and 12th Streets and Constitution Ave., where there are frequent accidents.

He reported that on the morning of the marathon, at 7:20 a.m. there were no runners on East Capitol Street, but he looked up and down the street and there were no cars being allowed through. At 8:30 a.m. there were a few of the lead runners on East Capitol, but still no cars, and at 9:30 the mass of



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runners were coming through and they were letting a few cars through. He deplored the fact that ANC 6A, 6B and 6C support the marathon, and there needs to be some change. Very few could cross East Capitol

Mr. Marshall reported that the after many requests, DDOT had installed stop signs at 8th and L Streets., He reported that the hole at the construction site at Capitol Oasis on 12th Street, filled with water again, but it is finally going to go away. He reported that there mosquitoes are starting to come and it is becoming a health hazard. He reported that Mayor Fenty will be at the May 14th ANC meeting.

6. Committee Reports

Community Outreach

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved/ Mr. Robinson seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation to approve a grant of \$300 to Joy of Motion at the Atlas Theatre for the purchase of drums to be used in the Step Ahead program (and other future activities at the H Street location.) Polly Thibodeau, Director of Development for Joy of Motion was present. The ten-week program provides teens with the chance to explore dance training and performing arts career opportunities during the summer, and also provides training in conflict resolution, nutrition, fitness, theatre operations, resume writing and college preparation. Participants will be recruited from schools and neighborhoods in 6A. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved/Mr. Robinson seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation to approve a grant for \$650 to the Capitol Hill Garden Club for the purchase of bulbs to be planted in public space and/or common areas within the boundaries of ANC 6A. Garden Club President Vera Sisolak was present. Ms. Nelson said that a difference from last year's successful project is that she had been asked by the Garden Club to help administer the project and screen the applicants for their eligibility (location in 6A), as this had proved difficult last year because of the number of applicants and unfamiliarity with 6A locations. She will also help with the distribution of bulbs. August 15th is the closing date for applications, and Mr. Alberti said it would give adequate time for advertising, and last year it was on the website and all local listservs. Ms. Beatty objected to the process of using anyone but the Garden Club doing the selection of eligible applicants. Mr. Alberti clarified that the only criterion is that the applicant be in the ANC 6A area. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved that the ANC give its support to the group to be a "park partner". The motion did not receive a second.

Ms. Nelson explained that the RYI and RCA came to the Committee to request a letter of support from the ANC in support of their proposal to DPR to be the official community representatives of the Rosedale Recreation Center, but members of the Committee felt they did not have enough information to make an informed recommendation and agreed to do further research. Subsequent to the meeting Ms. Nelson spoke with Melissa McKnight of DPR, who provided the information that:

A group seeking to be either "park partner" or a "friends" group must be incorporated and, preferably, a 501 (c)(3). DPR will approve only one such request for a park, although a joint proposal eligible.



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The approved organization is the only one that may engage in fund-raising activities on the premises. In most cases, the organization serving as community representative also serves as the contact point for any rec center renovations.

However, the ANC can support the organization as a “park partner with permission to do the fund-raising, but keeping itself as the contact point on any renovations.

She said the reason for asking for permission for the Committee to send the letter is that the Rosedale Citizens Alliance is finding programs that will have to stop until the joint application is approved and there are programs that need funding.

The motion did not receive a second.

Motion: Mr. Alberti moved that the ANC authorize the Community Outreach Committee to send a letter of support for the joint proposal by the Rosedale Youth Initiative (RYI)/Rosedale Citizens Alliance (RCA) to become a “park partner” to the Rosedale Recreation Center—if such support is found to be warranted. The motion did not receive a second.

Ms. Mack said that she wanted to table the motion, because there are still lots of questions outstanding, and that Commissioner Robinson should have been informed as well as herself. Mr. Robinson said there is value in the committee taking another look at the issue and that there might not have been enough discussion by the committee. Mr. Alberti pointed out that there was limited, but adequate, notice to the committee meeting, but that this is the only application and the reason for asking for a delay is so the ANC will feel comfortable with the group, and meanwhile their fundraising is at a standstill... Ms. Mack said that DPR has an activities budget to provide needed programs at Rosedale, so there’s no problem with tabling the issue for another month.

The motion did not receive a second.

Motion: Ms. Beatty moved/Ms. Mack seconded a motion to recommit the issue to the Community Outreach Committee for further research and discussion. The motion passed without objection.

The Committee’s report was accepted without objection.

Alcoholic Beverage and Licensing

Ms. Beatty asked that the discussion of an exemption to the Single Sales Moratorium for Capitol Liquors and the draft voluntary agreement that had been drawn up be withdrawn because amendments were made to the VA that the store owner had not yet had time to discuss with his attorney. **Motion:** Ms. Beatty moved/Ms. Mack seconded a motion to table the discussion of the exemption for Capitol Liquors until the May meeting. It passed without objection.

The Committee’s report was accepted without objection

Economic Development and Zoning

1452 D Street NE



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This is a request for support of a BZA application seeking a variance from the use provisions under subsection 330.5, allowing office, service and retail uses (as permitted in the C-1 District) in an existing building.

This is a building, owned by the same person since 1932, which has always had a grocery store/deli, but the owner, unable to find a suitable tenant, is seeking to broaden the potential uses for the space. Feedback from the community has indicated that residents would like a coffee shop or similar use, and are opposed to a bar, liquor store, or Laundromat.

Motion: Mr. Holmes moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation that the ANC support the application for a BZA variance from the use provisions under subsection 330.5, allowing office, service and retail uses (as permitted in the C-1 District) in an existing building, with specific opposition to the following retail uses: bar or cocktail lounge; self-service laundry; bank/financial institution (check cashing); parking lot; gas station; rooming house; off-premises alcoholic beverage sale; and under these conditions: a maximum of three employees on-site at any time; trash pickup at least weekly; trash receptacles stored on private property; outdoor lighting confined to the site; metal works on windows should be of residential character (replace metal mesh on the windows). The motion passed 5-1 with Commissioner Alberti objecting.

Removal from Committee

Motion: Mr. Holmes moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation to remove Jabriel Ballentine from the Committee for lack of attendance. The motion passed without objection.

The Committee's report was accepted without objection

Transportation

Motion: Mr. Holmes moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to accept the Committee's recommendation to send a letter of support to the Emergency Management Task Force for the Capitol Hill Classic 10K race to take place on May 17th. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mr. Holmes moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion to support the Committee's recommendation to send a letter to DDOT Administrator Gabe Klein regarding the removal of curb cuts at 1414 Maryland Avenue NE. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mr. Robinson moved/Mr. Alberti seconded a motion that the ANC support the Committee's recommendation to send a letter to DDOT asking for an update on public space enforcement at 1125 G Street NE. The motion passed without objection.

The Committee's report was accepted without objection.

Public Safety

Motion: Mr. Robinson moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion that the ANC accept the Committee's recommendation that the ANC create a Youth Crime Prevention mini-grant of \$500 in support of youth crime prevention activities, and that the grant be named in honor of Ms. Lorree Harris Murray, Ward 6



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community activist. The Committee further recommends that applicants for the grant be given strong encouragement to interface with the MPD CYP Unit in their youth engagement efforts. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Ms. Mack moved/Mr. Robinson seconded a motion that the ANC support the Committee's recommendation to write a letter to MPD in support of installing a surveillance camera at 17th and Gales Streets NE. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Mr. Robinson moved/Ms. Beatty seconded a motion to approve the appointment of Patrice Ford (SMD 6A07) and Todd Harris (SMD 6A08) as members of the Public Safety Committee. The motion passed without objection.

Committee's report was accepted without objection.

7. New Business

Formal Response to DC Teachers Credit Union

The item was withdrawn because needed materials were not received from the Credit Union.

Proposed ABRA Rulemaking

Ms. Beatty presented information on a new rulemaking that will enable ABRA to issue citations for violations of the ABC regulations and voluntary agreements when they occur. **Motion:** Mr. Alberti moved/Ms. Mack seconded a motion that the ABL Committee review the new rulemaking and that we authorize Commissioner Beatty to provide comments to the ABC Board on behalf of the ANC. The motion passed without objection.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.



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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
Box 75115
Washington, DC 20013



April 22, 2009

Peter Feather, Chair
Alcohol Beverage Control Board
941 North Capitol Street, NE, Suite 7200
Washington DC 20002

ATTN: Fred Moosally, Acting Director, Alcohol Beverage Regulation Administration

Chairman Feather,

On April 9, at our regularly scheduled meeting with a quorum present, our Commission unanimously voted to submit the following comments regarding Section 25-823 (6) of ABRA's proposed rulemaking regarding civil penalties. We are sending the below comments for inclusion into the hearing record scheduled for May 6, 2009, at 1:00 PM:

ANC 6A Comments:

Our Commission strongly supports applying civil penalties for "Failure to follow voluntary agreement" as a Secondary tier violation. As explained to ANC 6A, the change would "allow ABRA investigators to issue citations for voluntary agreement violations". Our ANC believes this change will help enforce provisions of voluntary agreements that now require a full hearing by the Board. The current process is burdensome and time consuming for Commissioners who are unable to attend this type of hearing. In addition, the onsite ABRA investigator can respond immediately to observed violations.

In close, we believe this is a beneficial amendment to current regulations and we offer our strong support for its consideration.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Councilmember Tommy Wells



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Box 75115
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April 28, 2009

Mr. Gabe Klein
District Department of Transportation
2000 14th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20009

Re: 14 Outstanding DDOT requests for ANC6A

Mr. Klein:

We write to ask for updates on a number of outstanding requests made by our ANC for transportation audits and improvements to your agency. We have requests that extend over one year. We understand that your agency has many requests and demands, but we find it troubling that such a large number of requests have been sent into DDOT with either no feedback or promises of action that have not materialized. We are losing credibility with our constituents as we relay to them information of improvements that we are told are imminent only to have no action taken. Accordingly, we formally request that you look into the following open items:

1. Request for improvements to traffic signal at 9th, E Street, and Maryland Avenue, NE submitted March 2008; DDOT advised ANC improvements would be imminent in letter dated April 22, 2008 – improvements have not occurred.
2. Transportation audit to implement traffic calming measures for 1300 block of G Street, NE submitted November 2008.
3. Transportation audit to implement traffic calming measures between the 800 and 1000 blocks of G Street, NE submitted November 2008.
4. Transportation audit to implement traffic calming measures between the 600 block of 9th Street, NE submitted November 2008.
5. Transportation audit for 500, 600, 700, 800, and 900 blocks of 13th Street, NE submitted March 2008.
6. Transportation audit for 800 and 900 blocks of 12th Street, NE submitted March 2008.
7. Speed hump request for the 1300 block of Emerald Street, NE submitted June 2008.
8. Speed hump request for the 1200, 1300, and 1400 blocks of E Street, NE submitted August 2008.
9. Request for analysis of angle parking on the 500 block of Tennessee Avenue, NE submitted August 2008.
10. Request for transportation audit of 1600 Rosedale Street, NE submitted October 2007 and resubmitted May 2008.
11. Request for review of paving in public space at 901-903 D Street, NE submitted January 2009.
12. ANC request for pedestrian safety improvements at uncontrolled pedestrian crosswalks across Maryland Avenue at 10th Street, NE submitted March 2008.
13. Request to expand the residential parking pilot program to include the Arts and Entertainment section of H Street, NE (generally 12th to 15th and H to F streets, NE) to just RPP residents from 7:00am to 8:30pm -- with no two hour exception submitted November 2008.



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Copies of each petition were given to Mr. Damon Harvey at our January 8, 2009 ANC meeting. Moreover, after that meeting, several e-mail requests were sent to follow-up on these issues to your department.

In addition, the following request to have a stop sign study performed at for 13th Street, NE at F Street, NE has dragged on for almost four years with promises of action but no follow up. The residents within this area have grown extremely frustrated by the lack of action on this issue.

1. Resident Mr. Michael Moncibaiz discussed issue with Mr. Derrick Hardy in person in October 2005.
2. Discussed via email by Commissioner Schultheiss via email correspondence with Mr. Derrick Hardy on August 31, 2006.
3. Follow up email and DC.Gov service request submitted March 2008.
4. Informed in August 2008 the sign was warranted and would be installed.
5. Service request shows the issue as resolved as of January 2009 (?!).

In general, the Commission is disappointed with the lack of communication on these requests. We are anxiously awaiting your response and we are looking forward to working with you to improve our neighborhood.

In close, our Commission requests that action plans be developed for each of the 14 items listed above that includes a DDOT point of contact and an estimated time of completion. We further request that your department e-mail Mr Omar Mahmud, ANC 6A Transportation and Public Space Committee Chair (familymahmud@yahoo.com), a monthly update by the fifth working day of each month, starting June 8, 2009, on the status of these open items until they are completed. Please contact me or Commissioner Schultheiss (202-543-5003 or schlthss@yahoo.com) with any questions.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joe Fengler
Chair Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Cc: Omar Mahmud, Chair ANC 6A Transportation Committee
Commissioner Bill Schultheiss, ANC6A06
Council Member Wells, Ward 6



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April 10, 2009

Commander David Kamperin
Metropolitan Police Department First District
415 4th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20024

Sent via email

Dear Commander Kamperin:

At our regularly scheduled public meeting on April 9, 2009, and with a quorum present, our Commission voted to request that consideration of the installation of a closed-circuit camera on the corner of 17th and Gales Streets NE.

The Advisory Neighborhood Commission has grown increasingly concerned about rising crime within 500 feet of this location, especially considering its close proximity to the Rosedale Recreation Center. This request is supported by Lieutenant Renato Caldwell of the Public Service Area (PSA) 103, who also has expressed concerns about the lack of ability of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) to monitor and combat crime in that vicinity.

Over the past year, there has been a 200% increase in robberies with guns, 150% increase in assaults with a deadly weapon (gun), and 50% increase in robberies excluding guns. In addition, there has been a 40% increase in non-violent burglaries, all within 500 feet of this location.

We urge the First District prioritize this corner for the installation of a closed-circuit camera, and we hope that in doing so the instances of crime in this area can be reduced, creating a safer and more supportive use of the Rosedale Recreation Center for our community. Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Lt. Renato Caldwell, PSA 103
Councilmember Tommy Wells



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April 21, 2009

Mr. Gary Rappaport
8405 Greensboro Drive
Suite 830
McLean, VA 22102-5121

Re: Traffic Impact Study Request for H Street Connection Redevelopment Site

Mr. Rappaport:

At our Commission's regularly scheduled meeting on February 12, 2009, the Commission voted to request Rappaport Companies provide our Commission with a study analyzing the traffic impacts associated with redevelopment of the H Street Connection site.

A traffic impact study will help our community properly evaluate the current site design proposal and gain an appreciation for the project's impact on the mobility and safety of the nearby road and sidewalk network. Your most recent proposal includes vehicular access points on 8th and 10th Streets NE. We would also be interested in hearing about possible alternatives to this configuration, including any providing vehicular access along H Street as is the case currently at H Street Connection. To the extent such a study has already been conducted, we would be interested in reviewing it and learning the rationale behind the current proposal's traffic system configuration.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Omar Mahmud of our ANC's Transportation and Public Space Committee at (202) 546-1520 or familymahmud@yahoo.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler, Chair
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Cc: Tommy Wells, Ward 6 Councilmember



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Box 75115
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April 20, 2009

Joshua Raymond
Race Director
Capitol Hill Classic 10K
231 8th Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

Re: 30th Annual Capitol Hill Classic 10K Race – May 17, 2009

Dear Joshua,

At ANC 6A's regularly scheduled meeting on April 9, 2009, the Commission voted unanimously to support the 30th Annual Capitol Hill Classic 10K Race scheduled for May 17, 2009.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler, Chair
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Cc: Tommy Wells, Ward 6 Councilmember



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April 15, 2009

Via fax

Government of the District of Columbia
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th St NW, Suite 210
Washington, DC 20001

Re: BZA 17917 (1452 D Street, NE)

Dear Board Members,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on April 9, 2009, our Commission voted 6-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the above referenced application for a variance from the use provisions under subsection 330.5, allowing office, service and retail uses (as permitted in the C-1 District) in an existing building in the R-4 District.

With specific opposition to the following uses:

Bar; Cocktail lounge; Self service laundry; Bank/financial institution; Parking lot; Gas station; Rooming house; Off premises alcoholic beverage sale;

And under these conditions:

Maximum of three employees on site at any time; trash pickup at least weekly; trash receptacles stored on private property; outdoor lighting confined to the site; metal works on windows should be of residential character (replace metal mesh on the windows).

The applicant and his representative met with our Economic Development and Zoning Committee on March 18, 2009 to discuss the potential impact of the requested variance on the surrounding residential neighborhood. The specific incompatible uses were identified based on the input of the Commissioner representing the area and discussion at the committee meeting. The specific conditions were identified based on previous zoning relief granted to this same property and discussion at the committee meeting. The lack of a specific proposed use associated with the variance is unusual and made it difficult for the committee to evaluate of the potential impact on the residential neighborhood.

Please be advised that Commissioner Mary Beatty or any officer of the Commission is authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Arthur Jackson, Office of Planning



Officer Reports



ANC 6A Treasurer's Report April 2009

Period Covered:	04/01/09	-	04/30/09		
Checking Account:					
Balance Forwarded				\$	26,888.28
Receipts:					
District Allotments (1st Quarter FY09)				\$	-
Transfers from Saving Account				\$	-
Total Receipts				\$	-
Total Funds Available				\$	26,888.28
Disbursements:					
Postmaster (Annual PO Box rental)	Ck #1411		\$	240.00	
FedEx Office (Mar. '09 Statement)	Ck #1412		\$	122.43	
EHT Traceries (CHRS Grant)	Ck #1413		\$	4,000.00	
Total Disbursements			\$	4,362.43	
Ending Balance				\$	22,525.85
Savings Account:					
Balance Forwarded				\$	4,192.39
Receipts:					
Interest (03/31/09)			\$	1.07	
Transfers from Checking Account			\$	-	
Total Receipts				\$	1.07
Total Funds Available				\$	4,193.46
Disbursements				\$	-
Ending Balance				\$	4,193.46



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Quarterly Report Period Covered 01/01/08 -03/31/08

ANC 6A

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements: Checking Account

Balance Forwarded		\$ 24,171.29
Receipts:		
District Allotments	\$ 6,019.50	
Interest Income	\$ -	
Other Deposits	\$ -	
Transfers from Saving Accounts	\$ -	
Total Receipts		\$ 6,019.50
Total Funds Available		\$ 30,190.79
Disbursements:		
1. Net Salary and Wages	\$ -	
2. Workers Compensation	\$ -	
3. Insurance:		
4. A. Health	\$ -	
5. B. Casualty/Property	\$ -	
6. Total Federal Wages Taxes	\$ -	
7. Tax Penalties	\$ -	
8. Local Transportation	\$ -	
9. Office Rent	\$ -	
10. Telephone Services	\$ -	
11. Postage and Delivery	\$ 240.00	
12. Utilities	\$ -	
13. Printing and Copying	\$ 711.20	
14. Flyer Distribution	\$ -	
15. Purchase of Service	\$ 2,556.00	
16. Office Supplies	\$ -	
17. Office Equipment	\$ -	
A. Rental	\$ -	
B. Purchase	\$ -	
18. Grants	\$ -	
19. Training	\$ -	
20. Petty Cash Reimbursement	\$ 10.31	
21. Transfers to Saving Account	\$ -	
22. Bank Charges	\$ -	
23. Other	\$ 25.00	
Total Disbursements		\$ 3,542.51
Ending Balance:		\$ 26,648.28

Approval by Commission: _____

Treasurer

Chairperson

Secretary

Secretary Certification _____

Date _____

I hereby certify that the above noted quarterly financial report has been approved by a majority of Commissioners during a public meeting in which there existed a quorum.



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2nd Quarter FY09

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements: Savings Account

Balance Forwarded		\$ 4,190.36
Receipts:		
Transfers From Checking Account	\$ -	
Other (Interest Earnings, etc.)	\$ 3.10	
Total Receipts		\$ 3.10
Total Funds Available		\$ 4,193.46
Disbursements:		
Transfers to Checking Account	\$ -	
Other	\$ -	
Total Disbursements		\$ -
Ending Balance:		\$ 4,193.46

CHECKING AND SAVINGS ACCOUNT DEPOSITS		
Deposits to Checking Account (Including transfers from savings account)		
Date	Amount	Source
02/02/09	\$ 6,019.50	District Allotment 1st Q FY09
Total	\$ 6,019.50	
Deposits to Savings Account (Including transfers from checking account)		
Date	Amount	Source
01/30/09	\$ 1.07	Interest
02/27/09	\$ 0.98	Interest
03/31/09	\$ 1.07	Interest
Total	\$ 3.10	



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ANC 6A QUARTERLY REPORT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY Listing of Checks Issued 2nd Quarter FY09

Check #	Date	Payee	Amount	Expense Category	Purpose of Expenditure	Date Approved (1)
1402	01/08/09	Petty Cash	\$ 10.31	20	Petty Cash	01/08/09
1403	01/08/09	Roberta Weiner	\$ 127.50	15	Minutes - Dec. '08	11/13/08
1404	01/08/09	ANC Security Fund	\$ 25.00	23	ANC Security Fund 2009	01/08/09
1405	01/19/09	FedEx Kinko's	\$ 345.80	13	Photocopying -Dec. '08 Statement	10/09/08 & 11/13/08
1406	01/26/09	Voice of the Hill Newspapers	\$ 2,168.00	15	Ads VOH Jan. -Dec. 2009	11/13/09
1407	02/12/09	Roberta Weiner	\$ 135.00	15	Minutes - Jan. '09	11/13/08
1408	02/23/09	FedEx Kinko's	\$ 182.80	13	Photocopying - Jan. '09 Statement	12/12/08 & 01/08/09
1409	03/12/09	Roberta Weiner	\$ 127.50	15	Minutes - Feb. '09	11/13/08
1410	03/12/09	FedEx Kinko's	\$ 182.80	13	Photocopying - Feb. '09 Statement	01/08/09 & 02/12/09
1411	03/31/09	Postmaster	\$ 240.00	11	PO Box Annual Rental Fee	04/09/09
Total			\$ 3,542.51			



Committee Reports

Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



Alcohol Beverage License Committee
ANC 6A
Agenda
April 21, 2009 7-9 PM
Sherwood Recreation Center

Meeting called to order at 7:07 pm.

Committee members present: Mary Beatty (Chair and ANC6A05 Commissioner), Michael Herman, Tish Olshefski; Richard Sundberg

Committee members absent: Derrick Figures; Mary Kosinski; Jeremy Marcus;

Commissioners Present: Gladys Mack (ANC6A07); Raphael Marshal (ANC6A01); Nick Alberti (ANC6A04)

Community: Coralie Farlee (ANC6D ABC Chair); Wes Grooms; James (Viggy's owner); Bruce (Viggy's); Wes Grooms; Mack Williams; Sam Menivon; David Pinchott

I. Housekeeping

- 1) **Agenda** – Motion to accept agenda. No objections. Motion to accept minutes of last meeting as amended. No objections.

II. Community Comment

- a. Is the ANC doing anything about the Tommy Wells Bag Bill? Answer- No
- b. Wes Grooms – lives at the car barn (Nick's district). A general comment about the idea of exemptions to the singles ban and thinks that the policy should always be "no" -- no matter what or who it is. Worked long and hard to get the ban and it opens up Pandora's box.

III. Discussion/Updates

a. ANC Recommendations

- i. **Capitol Liquors Exemption Recommendation/VA** – the committee recommendation was for support with a signed VA. Owner of Capitol Liquors did not have enough time to have lawyer review prior to the last ANC meeting so he asked for a postponement. Mary asked the ANC to table the item. The store owner will be able to have the VA reviewed and will talk about any modifications before the next meeting. The committee had further discussion about the general subject of exemptions. Our committee is charged with trying to modify in any way the negative impact of liquor stores on the community.

IV. New Business

- a. **Valet Parking-H Street liquor license locations.** Mary recognizes Commissioner Marshall. Has been brought to the Commissioners attention that Martini Lounge and Club 12 have valet parkers who are parking on residential streets in his SMD. Following discussion:
Mary Beatty moves that as the committee reviews its current VA that it consider adding a clause which would require a licensee to follow DCRA regulations regarding valet parking. Seconded by Michael Herman. Unanimous.



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- b. **Abebe Bekele DC Express (1500 block of East Capitol Street)-Request for Exemption from Ward 6 Singles Ban.**
- Owner Comments:**
No one is present from DC Express.
- Committee Comments:**
Richard – since the merchant isn't here, sends a message it isn't important.
- Community Comments:**
Neighbor has four emails are opposed to the exemption.
Mary has one email from Arthur Delaney in the neighborhood and he says it is one of the better establishments in his neighborhood and he hopes it is mentioned in the committee.
Wes Groom frequents the Chinese restaurant and has to deal with people hanging out in front of the store. Customers buy beer at DC Express, go to Chinese restaurant, consume their food, leave the trash. Worried that if we give it to DC Express we'll be hard pressed to deny it to the others in the area. Very close to a school. He has witnessed under age selling also.
- Mary Beatty moves that the committee not approve the exemption request of DC Express. Seconded by Richard Sundberg. Unanimous.**
- c. **James Keo-Viggy's Liquor (409 15th Street, NE)-Class A License Renewal.** Viggy's has had a change of ownership in the last two years. The ANC had opposed license renewal three years ago. The new owner is Mr. James Keo who signed the VA we had negotiated with the prior owner. The VA included a partial single sales ban, a full two years before the ward ban was passed.
- Owner Comments:**
Mr. Keo keeps area clean but now there is a new business next door that causes problems. He believes customers feel better about coming into the store now. The owner doesn't let kids in until school is out.
- Committee Comments:**
It sounds as though Mr. Keo is making a good faith effort.
- Community Comments:**
Bruce has been a part of Viggy's since he was 6/7, his Dad used to work there. It was a little rough around in that area. It's totally changed and he would recommend anyone come around and observe what is going on around there. Mr. Keo has done a good job with that store.
David Chapman, retired policeman, worked this area for 25 years. Has seen the improvements in this area. He is here on behalf of Mr. Keo. The community is safe and he hasn't seen any kind of problems. Store is clean, surroundings are clean. Customers coming in there have signed a petition to keep the store open and they want the store to stay open. 600 signatures on a petition. Mary has heard from several constituents that they feel Viggy's is part of the crime problem in the area.
- Mary Beatty moves that the committee not protest the renewal of this license. Seconded by Michael Herman. Unanimous.**
- V. **Adjourn.** Move to adjourn 7:50 pm. Next meeting: May 19, 2009



Committee Reports

Economic Development and Zoning (ED&Z)



REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING
COMMITTEE OF ANC 6A
Wednesday, April 15, 2009, 7:00-9:00pm
Sherwood Recreation Center (640 10th St., NE)
2nd Floor Community Room

Resident Members:

ED&Z Committee: Drew Ronneberg (chair), Jeff Fletcher, Rich Luna, Barbara Halleck,

T&PS Committee: Omar Mahmud,

Commissioners: Nick Alberti (6A04), David Holmes (6A03), Raphael Marshall (6A01), Kelvin Robinson (6A08)

Drew Ronneberg chaired the meeting.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Community Comments - None

Status Reports

1. 1400 Maryland Ave. NE, BZA Case #17825
 - a. The public space hearing will take place on May 28th and the BZA hearing will take place in June 16th.
2. H Street Historic Survey
 - a. SPNA has signed the contract with Traceries.
3. Zoning Code Re-write
 - a. Drew Ronneberg reported that he presented the idea of maximum lot sizes the Commercial District Working Group.
4. Vacant Properties
 - a. Nothing new to report.
5. 1305-1311 H St NE Nomination for Historic Landmark
 - a. The HPRB hearing will take place on May 28th.

New business

1. 1400 MD. Ave NE, BZA Case #17825. BZA and Public space Application of 1400 MD Ave Ltd Empire Leasing to construct a gas station at 1400 Maryland Ave. NE..
 - a. Public space hearing on this case will beheld on May 28, 2009
 - b. BZA hearing is scheduled for June 16, 2009

Mr. Monty Berhane (owner) and Mr. Richard Aguila (attorney) presented new plans for the gas station/convenience store proposed at the 1400 Maryland Avenue, N.E. location. Mr. Berhane and Mr. Aguila feel that the issues raised by these two committees have been addressed by the new plan.

The changes to the design include:

- Reduced dispensers from 4 to 2; from 8 pumps to 4.
- No public space is incorporated into the design.
- Curbs will be installed along pedestrian walkway to protect pedestrians and at the northwest corner



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of 14th St.

- Driveway is moved up 14th Street away from the corner.
- Only one curb cut on Maryland Ave. and one on 14th St. The previous design incorporated two cuts on each street.
- Plantings include shrubbery, knockout roses, blackeyed susans, etc. - drought resistant and easy to maintain.
- Much less impervious surface
- No access to public space by automobiles
- Trench drains have been moved to private property.

Comments from committee members indicated that the new design was much better than the earlier design. Questions/concerns raised by the committees and responses from Mr. Berhane and Mr. Aguila:

- Omar Mahmud raised a concern that parking along 14th Street will be restricted in order to allow access to the site by fuel and delivery trucks.
 - o Trucks will come in from Maryland Ave. and exit on 14th St. and will be coming at low traffic time. Usually it takes 15-20 minutes to drop off fuel.
- More detail regarding truck traffic through the site
 - o Underground storage tanks have been moved to make ingress and egress more smooth
- Left turns onto the site from Maryland Avenue would impact traffic (backups). Median could possibly be closed (city's responsibility) but this would impact Checker's, across Maryland Ave. Without barriers, a sign telling drivers not to turn left would likely be insufficient.
 - o Would not protest closing the median
- Is there enough room for 8 cars (as shown on the plans) around the pumps so that they can circulate? Without queuing into the street? General concern regarding whether there is enough space for cars to circulate adequately.
 - o Cars will pull up on the concrete pad (different surface to indicate where to fuel, this will keep cars separated.
 - o Other vehicles can circulate around.
- Both committees expressed concern that the plans are inadequate to allow for proper circulation/ingress/egress. If the plans are approved as is, the concern is that the owner will build the station and then discover that the space is insufficient for the traffic flowing through the station and then be forced to request additional—public—space in order to make the station work adequately. Cars will end up queuing on public space and into the street. Air pump on the side of the building will also contribute to bad flow/congestion. The space available for cars to move past each other around the pumps is very narrow and will likely not be sufficient for cars to move through. The committees are not comfortable supporting the plan as is.
 - o 12' of space for cars to pass; will see if it is feasible to move the pumps to make more room
- Describe lighting, hours, etc.
 - o Bullet proof glass
 - o 24-hour operation, attendant (minimum) on site 24 hours, adds a level of security to the premises
 - o Lights on the canopy will shine downward
 - o Convenience mart - 1300 sq. feet.
 - o No beer sales.
 - o Food prep area is for coffee only, not for making food.
- Attendant window is positioned so there is no view to the east side of the lot. Area on the east side of the lot is not visible, which would could it a natural gathering space for vagrants
 - o Will look into putting in windows



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- Parking
 - o Only 4 spaces are required based on the square feet of the building. Trying to maximize free space on the lot for circulation.
 - o Owner included the square feet of the store + canopy to determine number of required parking spaces
- Design is stucco building. Most buildings in the area are brick. We stress that we are looking for a design that blends into the neighborhood.
 - o Architect suggested that stucco was more like neighboring buildings, but owner will consider brick.
 - o Wrought iron fencing is already incorporated.
- Outdoor speakers?
 - o 2 way communication must be available, but they are not so loud as to be disruptive.
- Surveillance cameras
 - o Outside, where the pumps are
 - o Will install cameras around strategic areas, blind spots.
- Sign is 16'.
 - o Will look at installing a shorter sign.

Motion—unanimously passed

The Transportation and Public Space Committee and the Economic Development and Zoning Committee move that the ANC6A oppose current plans for 1400 MD. Ave NE, BZA Case #17825 with respect to public space and traffic flow unless the applicant addresses the following concerns before the ANC 6A meeting scheduled for May 14, 2009:

- o Encroachment on public space and loss of parking needed for fuel truck exit on 14th Street N.E.
- o Insufficient space to accommodate flow of traffic past the pumps
- o Insufficient space for queuing while waiting will lead to queuing on public space
- o If built as planned, mitigation of our concerns will require annexing public space to the station to ameliorate the problems
- o Traffic exiting at Maryland Ave. will have to turn left across the median.

If the applicant can address these concerns without incorporating public space we will ask the ANC to reconsider our recommendation.

2. 722 12th St. NE. The property owner would like to discuss conceptual plans to build a two-story garage at the rear of his property. A two-story garage requires the BZA to grant a special exception.

This issue was not discussed as the property owner was not present.

3. BZA 17842 (901-903 D St. NE). Commissioner Holmes has asked ED&Z committee to look over the final plans for this case. DC Teacher's Federal Credit Union is seeking a variance to allow the continued use of the former Edmonds public school for general office use under section 220.5, in the R-4 District at premises 901-903 D Street N.E., (Square 938, Lot 809)

The committee concurred with Mr. Holmes recommendations to the BZA to make changes to the fencing, replacement of the air-conditioning units on the north side of the building, changes to the gratings over the windows and reduction of the impervious surfaces on the lot.



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4. Map Amendment for Commercial lots outside of the H Street Overlay.

Mr. Rich Luna reported that he had discussed ANC 6A's proposed map amendment to extend the H Street Overlay to commercial properties on the Eastern end of the corridor that were not currently in the overlay with the office of planning. The Office of Planning felt that the boundaries of the H Street overlay should not be extended with the Zoning Code Rewrite in progress. However, OP suggested that they would support a map amendment that changed the current zoning to the land uses and densities shown in the Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan shows that all lots on Maryland Ave, 14th St, and Florida Ave which do not front H Street should be zoned residential (R4) and that properties which front on H Street should be zoning low to moderate density commercial (C-2-A). Such a rezoning would make current commercial uses on MD Ave, 14th and Florida Ave nonconforming in a residential zone. This means that the owners could continue using the property for the current commercial use, but that if there were a change of use, the new use would have to be residential.

Motion passed—3-0-1

The ED&Z Committee recommends that the ANC propose a emergency text amendment to the Zoning Commission to rezoning properties between Florida, Maryland and 12th St which don't front on H Street as a R4 zone, and properties that do front on H Street as a C-2-A zone.

Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting:
Wednesday, May 20, 2009
7:00-9:00 PM
Sherwood Recreation Center (640 10th St., NE)
2nd Floor Community Room



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Community Outreach Committee (COC)



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6A
Community Outreach Committee (COC)
Church of the Lord Jesus Christ of the Apostolic Faith
Annex, 1235 C St., NE
Report for April 20, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Committee members present: Elizabeth Nelson (Chair), Rose Williams, Louis Barbash, Jacqueline Aamot

Committee members absent: Mark Roy

Commissioners present: Nicholas Alberti (ANC6A04), Gladys Mack (ANC6A07)

Community members present: Clinton Sharp, John Cotten (Rosedale Youth Institute), Necothia Bowens (Rosedale Citizen's Alliance), John Hill (Kramer St. Association), Mary Spencer, Sondra Phillips-Gilbert (Rosedale Grass Roots Organization), Melissa McKnight, (DPR), Byron Peck (City Arts), Jean Kohanek (prospective committee member), Hannah Lewis, Gloria Beville, Debra Stewart, Darrin Roach

- I. Agenda
 1. Updates to agenda. Motion to adopt agenda. No objections.
- II. Report from March ANC meeting:
 1. Grants to Joy of Motion Step Ahead and Capitol Hill Garden Club approved.
 2. COC asked to arrange public meetings for H Street Mural project. (Done; see IV below)
- III. Request from the Rosedale Youth Institute (RYI) and Rosedale Citizens Alliance (RCA) for a letter from ANC 6A in support of their proposal to DPR to be "park partners" to the Rosedale Recreation Center.
 1. Introduction of Melissa McKnight
 - a. Ms. McKnight explained the purpose and functioning of DPR's Park Partners programs.
 - b. A Park Partners organization will not have any more input into future development of the Rosedale Recreation Center than will any other community group - especially the ANC.
 2. Introduction of representatives of Rosedale Citizens Alliance (RCA) & Rosedale Youth Institute (RYI) and presentation of proposal (attached)
 - a. Necothia Bowens spoke for the RCA. She described the organizations purpose and activities, which are geared toward a wide range of ages and interests. She also detailed outreach efforts to other community groups.
 - b. John Cotton spoke for the RYI, explaining their history and support for youth activities at Rosedale. He also addressed the need for the park partnership, to be able to fundraise to supplement the City funding for these activities. This was also covered at the March COC meeting.
 3. Recap of information from March COC meeting and subsequent research



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- a. Any group seeking to be the official community representative must provide articles of incorporation. It is preferred but not required that they be a 501 (c) (3) organization (more likely to receive donations if tax deductible). They must submit this documentation as part of their request package and must include a letter from the ANC in support of their application. Once a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is fully executed, they must file monthly financial statements.
 - b. DPR will approve only one such request, although a joint proposal, such as that made by RYI/ RCA is eligible. The approved organization is the only one that may engage in fund-raising activities on the premises. In the case of a joint proposal, both of the organizations may fundraise.
4. Ms. McKnight took questions from both committee and community members.
- a. Commissioner Mack asked if the RYI/RCA would be allowed to operate a store within the recreation center and was told "no".
 - b. Ms. McKnight clarified that groups with a park partnership agreement with DPR must have open membership, that is accept as members anyone who wished to join. However, individuals working directly with the youth must be registered volunteers.
 - c. Ms. Phillips-Gilbert and Ms. Spencer noted that the Rosedale Grassroots Organization (RGO) had been very active in lobbying for redevelopment of the Rosedale Recreation Center.
5. Committee consideration of proposal
- a. The COC has been given only one proposal to consider - that of the RYI/RCA.
 - b. Both groups meet the qualification requirements of the DPR, have been active in the community and have a history of success in their operations. They are a good example of groups coming together for a shared purpose. Together, they cover a broad range of community interests, with the RYI focused on youth and the RCA on more diverse groups within the community. Their proposal includes a "welcome" to other groups and individuals who would like to join their efforts.
 - c. Fundraising on premises is restricted to only one "park partners" group. However, other groups may offer assistance to the recreation center either through this group or directly. While DPR does supply some funding for youth activities, this funding does not cover the entire cost of the RYI sports activities. In fact, they have sought significant sums of grant money from the ANC in the past -- for football uniforms. Without the ability to conduct fundraising activities on premises it will be difficult for RYI and RCA to raise the funds for these and other activities. For example, the ANC would have been prohibited, by statute, from providing funding to the Recreation Center (which is a government agency) for those uniforms - but was not prohibited from making grants to the RYI.
 - d. Everyone agrees that they support the activities of these groups, especially the youth sports programs - which are necessary to reduce crime and improve the quality of life for all community members.
 - e. The Committee took comments from each citizen in attendance with respect to his or her views on the RYI/RCA request for a letter of support. Some expressed concerns about adequacy of community notification. Others countered that representatives of multiple community groups had been present at the meetings and/or had been contacted by the RYI/RCA. Some members of the RGO objected that RYI/RCA would have official standing but other active community groups would



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not. Ms. McKnight offered reassurance that any park-partners organization would be required to maintain an “open membership” policy and that other groups who meet the requirements could apply to be park partners in future.

- f. **Motion: Elizabeth Nelson moves that ANC6A send a letter of support for the RYI/RCA park partners proposal. Seconded by Louis Barbash. Vote 4 in favor, none opposed.**

IV. Presentation of plans for H Street mural

1. Presentation of plans for H Street mural

- a. Byron Peck of City Arts gave overview of project
- b. A report of a community input meeting (held April 14) was made by Mr. Peck and Ms. Nelson who were both in attendance at this meeting.
- c. Community asked questions, about the design (painted mural), location (1010 H St. NE), theme (history of transportation, entertainment and retail on H Street) and who will do the work (Mr. Peck and a team of youth recruited from local schools and hired to do the work as part of a summer jobs program)
- d. Public are invited to follow-up meeting April 23 at the Atlas Theater. Subsequent to the COC meeting, arrangements were made for an additional community meeting for Commissioner Marshall’s SMD.

2. Committee consideration of proposal

- a. Committee members agreed that the concept of a community-based mural at this location was a good idea and had no objections to the proposal. City Arts has made sufficient effort to involve the community by holding public meetings and having advertised the meetings in flyers on H St., community listservs and the ANC website.
- b. **Motion: Elizabeth Nelson moves that ANC6A send a letter of support for the City Arts H Street Mural project. Seconded by Rose Williams. Vote 4 in favor, none opposed.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Next meeting: May 18, 2009



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Ms. Ximena Harstock
Acting Director
DC Department of Parks and Recreation
3149 16th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20010

Ms. Harstock,
The commissioners of Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A support the joint application of the Rosedale Youth Institute (RYI) and Rosedale Citizens Alliance (RCA) to become Park Partners to the Rosedale Recreation Center.

Best Regards,
Joseph Fengler

Cc: Melissa McKnight, Director, Office of Partnerships and Development
Melissa.McKnight@dc.gov



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ROSEDALE YOUTH INSTITUTE AND ROSEDALE CITIZENS' ALLIANCE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA PARKS AND RECREATION PARK PARTNERS (FRIENDS OF PROGRAM) PROPOSAL 2009

HISTORY AND MISSION STATEMENTS

The Rosedale Youth Institute (RYI) has been a part of North East Washington, DC Ward 6 and Rosedale community for 18 years. Its mission is to instill pride in the community and provide the children of the Rosedale community with academic, mentoring, and athletic programs. The RYI has partnered with the Rosedale Recreation Center to promote and support the programs that are supported by, but not fully funded by, the District of Columbia Parks and Recreation Department. Over the past 18 years, the RYI has provided the Rosedale Recreation Center with thousands of man-hours of volunteering and numerous fundraising dollars in support and development of their programs.

The RYI does not discriminate based on race, color or creed and routinely provides programming to over 250 children between the ages of 5 and 15, in which 99% of the participants live in the Ward 6 community. Some of the award winning programs that the RYI provides to the children is Tutoring and Mentoring, Football, Cheerleading, Pom-Pom, Basketball, Baseball, T-Ball and Teen Club. The Football Program has long been known as the flagship youth football program, not only in the Rosedale Community, but also in the Washington DC area. With six different weight and age groups, the program has won over 30 City Wide Championships including the 2007 DC Pop Warner Mighty Mite (6-9 year old) division First Place team and the 2007 Capital Beltway Youth Football League Tiny Mite (5-7 year old) Tournament Runner-Up. The Capital Beltway Tournament featured teams from DC, Montgomery, and Prince Georges Counties. This is not to take away from the numerous City Championships that the Cheerleading, Pom-Pom and other teams have won. The Rosedale Youth Institute has also hosted a number of free community day events to promote the strength and pride that togetherness in a neighbor can bring.

Always looking to evolve, in 2008, the RYI has partnered with the Rosedale Citizens' Alliance (RCA). Established in 2005, RCA is a 501(c) 3 non-profit, volunteer organization made up of Rosedale neighborhood and adjacent neighborhood residents in Northeast Washington, D.C. It was founded to help residents collaborate on Rosedale related health, safety and quality-of-life issues and foster a vibrant, safe neighborhood while honoring and maintaining its rich history and diversity.

RCA has continuously supported the Rosedale Recreation Center (RRC) by successfully creating a book-lending library for adults and children, holding monthly meetings at RRC with special guests, such as, Mayor Fenty (2007 & 2009) and Ward 6 Council Member Tommy Wells and sponsoring neighborhood clean-ups around the RRC site. Most importantly, over the last three years, RCA members, collaborating with other Rosedale community groups including RYI, have actively and successfully petitioned the Mayor, DC Council and DPR to construct a new Rosedale Community Center, which is scheduled to begin construction summer 2009.

The Friends of Rosedale is the combination of the RYI and RCA coming together, to not only support each other's organizations, but to support in the mission of the DPR in general and programs and wellbeing of the Rosedale Recreation Center in particular.



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DESCRIPTION OF THE PARTNERSHIP

The proposed partnership between the District of Columbia Parks and Recreation (DPR) and the Friends Of Rosedale (FOR) shall fall under the following guidelines.

- The location of the FOR group will be the Rosedale Recreation Center, 17th and Gales Street NE Washington, DC 20002
- The use of the full facility will be for the development, support, promotion and implementation of the programs and special events at the Rosedale Recreation Center. These programs will include, but are not being limited to, Tutoring, Mentoring, Sports, Community Awareness, Meetings and Safety programs.
- The FOR will consist of the members of the RYI and RCA and any resident of the Ward 6 community who agree to the guidelines of the FOR as volunteers for the programs listed above. The FOR will not discriminate against anyone based on race, color, creed or religious background for membership. The FOR will require that all members be certified as Volunteers In Action (VIA) through the DPR as the majority of our programming will be base at the Rosedale Recreation Center.
- The end users of any program supported by the FOR will follow the same guidelines for users that are established by the DPR for facility usage.

PARK IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE PLAN

The FOR park improvement and maintenance plan is as follows:

- The FOR will use its volunteers to cleanup any part of the facility they used for programming as well as any general picking up of trash and cleaning as needed.
- The FOR will sponsor at the minimum, two annual community cleanup days. The community cleanup day will be a major cleaning of the Rosedale Recreation Center. This will included the picking up of trash and other debris inside and outside of the center, cleaning the bathrooms, floors, storage rooms and walls of the facility.
- The FOR will take on other beautification projects such as planting flowers and minor maintenance projects and painting, but will not do so without the prior approval of the DPR.

FUNDRAISING PLAN

The FOR will try to provide additional financial support to the Rosedale Recreation Center for programs that are insufficiently or under funded by the DPR and any other community event the FOR host or are a part of. The FOR will be a not for profit group and will have an appointed Treasurer to insure that the accounting of funds are properly accounted for and distributed according to guidelines that are set for those transactions. Sources of these funds are listed below.

- Community fundraisers such as, bake sales, concessions at games, and the use of community fundraising companies.
- The acceptance of donations from local business leaders and establishments.
- By applying for grants from organizations that are designed to help communities.



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POINT OF CONTACT (COMMUNITY LIAISON)

The appointed Community Liaison and point of contact for any communication between the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Friends of Rosedale is John F. Cotten. His information is listed below.

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Community Outreach Committee (COC)



G. Byron Peck
Founder/Artistic Director
City Arts
1857 Lamont Street, NW
Washington, DC 20010

Mr. Peck,

On May 14, 2009, ANC 6A Commissioners voted to support City Arts' proposal for the H Street, NE Community Mural at 1010 H Street, NE. The City Arts staff has worked with ANC 6A Commissioners, committees, and residents over the past month to determine themes for the mural that are reflective of the H Street, NE community. We look forward to that work being reflected in the completed mural later this summer.



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Transportation & Public Space



ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting Minutes Capitol Hill Towers (900 G Street NE)

NOTE: ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting was held jointly with the Economic Development & Zoning Committee of ANC 6A. Please see ED&Z minutes on page 26 of this agenda package.



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ANC6A Public Safety Committee
April 30, 2009 Minutes, 7-8:30 PM
Options Public Charter School
1375 E Street, NE

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Committee members present: Commissioner Kelvin Robinson (Co-Chair), Rebecca Sibilias (Co-chair), Sharon Cochran, Todd Hames, Brandon Lumm

Committee members absent: Patrice Ford

Commissioners present: Raphael Marshall (ANC6A01), Gladys Mack (ANC6A07)

Community members present: Bridget Stesney (DPR Recreation Facilities Development), Alonzo Holloway (DPR Roving Leaders), Antoin Green (DPR), Brian Williams (DPR), Evelyn Lightfoot (DPR Program Services) Sergeant Anthony K Guice (MPD 1-D) Sondra Gilbert, Hannah Lewis, Scott Hunt, Victor Brown, Dana Wyckoff, Brit Wyckoff, Brenda Artis

I. Agenda and Minutes

1. Motion to adopt agenda. No objections.
2. Motion to accept minutes of last meeting. No objections.

II. Administrative, Ongoing and Old Business

1. Update from MPD:
 - a. Sergeant Anthony K. Guice attended the meeting for Lieutenant Caldwell of PSA 103.
 - b. The Sergeant provided a brief overview of crime and activity for the past month, and stressed the need for increased vigilance related to theft from auto activity. He encouraged the ANC to assist in "spreading the word" about the need for neighbors to be vigilant about protecting their valuables and securing their cars.
 - c. When asked about potential variances in crime statistics identified by the Committee, he encouraged the Committee to interface with the MPD Tactical Crime Analysis and Intelligence Bureau (Kelly Branthover) for more reflective crime statistics that may not yet be posted to the MPD website.
2. Fire Statistics and EMS Response Items:
 - a. Committee Member Dan Wolff has been working with the Engine 10 Captain and Battalion Chief regarding the Committee's interest in working more closely with Fire/EMS.
 - b. He has invited the Engine 10 Company to attend the May 21 meeting of the Committee, where the Committee may better engage Fire/EMS on programs, statistics and trends related to their purview.
 - c. The Committee discussed the need to further investigate the 911/311 call issue that continues to be an issue of concern on community listservs as a potential deterrent to placing non-emergency calls, and certain complication related to how emergency and non-emergency calls are routed.
3. Update on the Lorree Murray Juvenile Crime Prevention Grant:



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- a. The ANC voted unanimously to approve the earmarking of \$500 in grant funding for juvenile crime prevention and outreach activities
 - b. The Public Safety Committee agreed to assist the Community Outreach Committee in identifying and encouraging neighborhood organizations to apply for these funds
 - c. Although the Community Outreach Committee is planning to administer this grant application process in the same way in which it handles all ANC grants, The Public Safety Committee agreed to request that the Community Outreach Committee work with the Public Safety Committee to announce the grant availability and outline the criteria for application in time for grant applications to be received before summer begins. The Committee is also requesting that they be involved with grant planning to ensure a public safety emphasis is strongly supported in the final grant awardees.
4. Pedestrian Safety Concerns:
- a. Committee members identified that the ANC Transportation Committee, and ANC Chair Joe Fengler, have actively been pursuing action from the Department of Transportation related to many of the pedestrian safety issues that the Committee has been receiving from neighbors and stakeholders
 - b. The Committee will continue to interface with the Transportation Committee, but believes that it will be best served to not duplicate the work of the Transportation Committee.
 - c. Community members expressed concerns over the 17th Street corridor, and requested that the Committee refer this issue to the Transportation Committee, specifically requesting that the Transportation Committee examine the potential request of a traffic light study, which, according to community members, may be creating speeding and other pedestrian safety issues.
 - d. In addition, community members requested that the Committee speak with Lieutenant Caldwell about increasing speed enforcement along this corridor.
5. Proposed Juvenile Crime Prevention Policies:
- a. The Committee affirmed its support of the creation of Juvenile Crime Prevention Policies to be created, and under which the Committee would guide much of its activities.
 - b. The Committee will work over the course of the next month to create these policies for potential approval of the ANC during the June meeting

III. New Business

1. Discussion of Roving Leaders Program
 - a. Mr. Alonzo Holloway of the Roving Leaders Program presented a general overview of the program, noting that the Roving Leaders Program of the Department of Parks and Recreation was created to prevent and reduce negative juvenile behavior and delinquency rates by fostering critical one-on-one, positive relationships between youth aged 9-21. They make home visits, school visits, and often engage youth in positive community activities.
 - b. There are two Roving Leaders that service our area, Bridget Miller and Darby Clark, both of whom are working with young gang members in the ANC 6A area, including the "E Street Bangers" and young female gangs in the Rosedale area.
 - c. There are 30 city-wide Roving Leaders, 6 of whom are appointed to Ward 6.
 - d. Committee members expressed support for the program, which appears to be a successful and unique program aimed at juvenile crime prevention, particularly for youth most "at-risk". The



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Committee further indicated their concern that there were only two Roving Leaders in our area, particularly given general youth crime activity in the area and increases in concerning trends.

- e. Mr. Holloway indicated that resource allocation of the Roving Leaders was a decision made at the management level of the Department of Parks and Recreation. He indicated that the program was bound by these decisions, and there was no internal authority to reallocate resources.

Motion: Rebecca Sibilgia moved, and Brandon Lumm seconded, The recommendation that the ANC send a letter to the Director of the Roving Leaders Program to request an explanation of how staff resource allocation decisions are made, as well as to request a re-examination of need for the ANC 6A neighborhood. The motion passed without objection.

Motion: Commissioner Robinson moved, and Todd Hames seconded, the recommendation that the ANC send a letter to the Mayor and Council in support of increased appropriations for the program. The motion passed without objection.

2. Rosedale Recreation Center Redevelopment

- a. Bridget Stesney of the Department of Parks and Recreation presented an overview of the planned redevelopment of the Rosedale Recreation Center, noting that there is currently \$14 million allocated for the redevelopment of the recreation center. (Later Committee research indicates that there is currently \$16 million requested for the project in the 2010 Capital budget)
- b. Ms. Stesney loosely described the redevelopment timeline, indicating that general programming will be shifted from the site over the course of the summer and early fall to Gibbs Elementary, where DPR will host all of its current programs. Transportation needed for baseball and football activities during the “swing” period also will be provided in order to ensure 100% continuance of all programming. The pool will remain open through the summer months as well.
- c. Demolition on the site will begin in late fall. The total construction period is expected to be upwards of two years.
- d. Community members expressed their concern that additional space be provided within the overall construction plan for the site to include a library. This would allow the Rosedale Center to become more community focused, and provide critically needed library resources to the community, given the planned closure of two kiosks in the area.
- e. DPR has been working with community members in ANC 6A and the Rosedale community to solicit input on the site design and future programming. They state that their plan incorporates all community input. The Committee asked if that plan had been presented to the ANC for their review, and were told that it had not. Commissioner Robinson requested that the Department forward this plan to him as soon as possible for inclusion in the May ANC meeting packet.
- f. DPR further states that they have been in contact with the DC Public Libraries, who have thus far been non-committal on the issue of an expanded co-located library for the site. DPL indicates that the Library Board is reviewing a number of proposals and citywide plans.

Motion: Rebecca Sibilgia moves, and Todd Hames seconded, the recommendation that the ANC send a letter to the Library Board in support of the added construction of library space on the center site. The motion passed without objection.

3. Programming at the Rosedale Recreation Center



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- a. Evelyn Lightfoot and Brian Williams, the Rosedale Recreation site manager provided an overview of current and proposed programming at the recreation center.
- b. They provided a basic overview of current programming offered, and indicated that they had recently placed a large order of supplies for summer activities, and expect them to arrive soon.
- c. When asked by Committee members how the center advertises its program offerings and recruits, particularly among youth and families, program representatives indicated that they post notices on bulletin boards and general use areas within the center. Mr. Hames offered assistance in developing some electronic media outlets to assist the center in broader distribution of information and activities.
- d. In addition, Commissioner Robinson requested information related to the need for both volunteers and donated supplies to more robustly complete offerings at the center. Though DPR did not have any immediate specifics, they indicated that the need for both was great.
- e. Commissioner Robinson requested that the site managers for both the Sherwood and Rosedale Recreation Centers forward to the Committee a “wish list” of needed volunteers and supplies. The Committee committed to support a volunteer drive for both centers in order to ensure that the appropriate and needed resources for robust programming were on hand for the summer.
- f. It was further suggested and the Committee agreed to work with DPR to host a Volunteer sign-up and donation event at both Sherwood and Rosedale.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, May 21, 2009, 7:00 p.m. at Options Public Charter School



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May 15, 2008

Mr. John W. Hill
President
District of Columbia Board of Library Trustees
901 G Street NW
Washington DC 20001

Sent via email

Dear Mr. Hill:

At our regularly scheduled, public meeting on April 9, 2009, and with a quorum present, our Commission voted to request that the Board of Library Trustees support the construction of a library and library services as an integral part of the new Rosedale Community Center.

As you may know, the Rosedale Recreation Center is slated for a comprehensive modernization, which will raze the existing structure and build a state-of-the-art community center for residents within Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A. The inclusion of a public library on the grounds of the new social center will unify positive community engagement for our neighbors and serve to further unite the Rosedale community.

Our neighborhood is being disproportionately affected by the potential closure of two neighborhood kiosks: R.L. Christian and Langston. In December, 2008, when responding to neighborhood concerns about these closures, the DC Public Library announced that they were considering the replacement of services through a possible co-location on the site of the Rosedale Recreation Center.

It is our understanding that the DC Public Library has not yet committed to exploring this option with officials from the Department of Parks and Recreation, who are swiftly moving toward final site design of the Recreation Center. We further understand from Library staff that there is a requirement of only approximately 3,000 square feet of additional space beyond that planned for the Recreation Center in order to accommodate a robust library offering for our citizens. We believe that there is ample room on the Rosedale grounds, and urge the Public Library to commit to joint planning with the Department of Parks and Recreation as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please let me know if there is any information or action by the ANC that may assist your agency in fulfilling its commitment to include library services at this important community site.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Mayor Adrian Fenty
Ms. Ginnie Cooper, Chief Librarian
Councilmember Tommy Wells



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May 15, 2008

Dr. Ximena Hartsock
3149 16th Street NW
Washington DC 20010

Sent via email

Dear Dr. Hartsock:

Congratulations on your recent appointment as Acting Director for the DC Department of Recreation (DPR). The Advisory Neighborhood Commission looks forward to working closely with you as DPR continues to provide services for residents of all ages within our community.

We recognize that, as part of your new leadership, you will begin to examine programs within the Department of Parks and Recreation to determine internal resource reallocation, program expansions, and the like. We hope that as part of your examination, you consider with great weight expanding the Roving Leaders program.

The ANC recently spoke with program leadership about the opportunities associated with this program, particularly within our ANC. At the current time, we have two Roving Leaders who are providing juvenile outreach and crime prevention activities aimed at the most “at-risk” children and young adults in our neighborhood. The ANC would like to commend these individuals for the work that they are doing with our youth, but feel as if additional resources would assist in the overall reach of the program.

As you may be aware, our ANC, like other neighborhoods in Ward 6, is still plagued by juvenile crime, and has a high rate of gang activity. There are at least two active gangs in our ANC, and the neighborhood, despite vigilant policing strategy, still feels the effect of youth violence. We strongly believe that programs like the Roving Leaders can assist our community in turning the tide of juvenile crime by providing alternative and productive activities for our youth and identifying and working with young adults at risk and exposed to criminal activity.

We hope that, in considering reallocation of resources, the agency consider doubling the number of Roving Leaders working in our ANC.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please let me know if there is any information or action by the ANC that may assist your agency in fulfilling this promise.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Mayor Adrian Fenty
Councilmember Tommy Wells