Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Minutes Zoom Meeting January 12, 2023

Present: Commissioners Amber Gove (Chair), Keya Chatterjee, Robb Dooling, Mike Velasquez, Roberta Shapiro, Steve Moilanen, and Laura Gentile were present.

The meeting convened virtually via Zoom at 7:00 pm.

Commissioner Amber Gove called the meeting to order. The minutes for the ANC 6A December 2022 meeting were accepted. The agenda for the January 2023 meeting was accepted by unanimous consent.

Organizational Actions

- 1. Call of the roll and announce the presence of a quorum.
- Commissioner Laura Gentile moved and Commissioner Keya Chatterjee seconded the motion to adopt the Commission Rules: <u>Bylaws (https://anc6a.org/wpcontent/uploads/ANC6A-Bylaws-01012022.pdf</u>), <u>Standard Operating Procedures</u> (<u>https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/ANC6A-SOP-updated-10162022.pdf</u>), <u>Code of</u> <u>Conduct (https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/ANC6A-Code-of-Conduct-01012022.pdf</u>) The motion passed 7-0.
- 3. Commissioner Roberta Shapiro moved and Commissioner Mike Velasquez seconded the motion to elect officers: Chair Amber Gove; Vice Chair Keya Chatterjee; Secretary Robb Dooling; Treasurer Steve Moilanen; Parliamentarian Laura Gentile). The motion passed 7-0.
- 4. Commissioner Robb Dooling moved and Commissioner Chatterjee seconded the motion to elect members and leaders of the permanent Committees for 2023. *Economic Development and Zoning Committee* Brad Greenfield (Chair 6A06), Tim Drake, Michael Cushman (6A04).

Transportation and Public Space Committee - Shaun Lynch (Co-Chair), Caitlin Rogger (Co-Chair - 6A07), Jeff Fletcher (6A07), Hassan Christian.

Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee- Erin Sullivan (Chair - 6A06), Kara Hughley (6A05), and Joe Krisch (6A01)

Community Outreach Committee - Adina Wadsworth (Chair - 6A07), Jessica Clark, Kelsey Grimes.

The motion passed 7-0.

- Commissioner Gentile moved and Commissioner Dooling seconded the motion to adopt a schedule of monthly meetings, on the second Thursday of each month, for 2023 (except August): February 9, March 9, April 13, May 11, June 8, July 13, September 14, October 12, November 9, December 14 and January 11, 2024. The motion passed 7-0.
- 6. Commissioner Chatterjee moved and Commissioner Shapiro seconded the motion to participate in and to authorize the Treasurer to write a \$50.00 check to participate in the ANC Security Fund. The motion passed 7-0.
- 7. Commissioner Gentile moved and Commissioner Dooling seconded the motion to amend the Bylaws to include the Geographic boundaries of the Commission Area, as defined in <u>DC</u> <u>Act 24-440 (https://lims.dccouncil.gov/downloads/LIMS/48953/Signed_Act/B24-0700-</u> <u>Signed_Act.pdf</u>): 7th Street along Florida Avenue NE, to its intersection with 15th Street NE, H Street NE, Maryland Avenue NE, and Benning Road NE; then south along 15th Street NE; then west along East Capitol Street to its intersection with 13th Street, NE; then west

along a projected line extending East Capitol Street from the east through Lincoln Park to the intersection of East Capitol Street and 11th Street NE; then west along East Capitol Street; then north along 8th Street NE; then west along D Street NE; then north along 7th Street NE, to the point of beginning. The motion passed 7-0.

Consent Agenda

The following items were adopted by unanimous consent:

Alcohol Beverage Licensing

ANC 6A take no action with regard to the application of Wasted Inc. t/a Cru Hemp Lounge at 816 H Street NE (ABRA-117958) for renewal of its Class C Tavern License.

Transportation and Public Space

ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT and MPD expressing grief for the loss of our neighbor Ralph Williams to a car crash on the 900 block of K Street NE in November 2022, in an area where ANC 6A has repeatedly expressed concerns about traffic safety. ANC6A requests:

- More information about the incident;
- A response on DDOT and MPD short and long-term plans to address the safety issues previously identified by ANC6A; and
- Immediate traffic calming measures

Standing Committee Reports:

Community Outreach

- 1. No report. Committee did not meet in December 2022.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, January 23, 2023 (4th Monday)

Alcohol Beverage Licensing

- 1. The December 2022 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, January 24, 2023 (4th Tuesday)

Transportation and Public Space

- 1. The December 2022 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, January 17, 2023 (3rd Monday)

Economic Development and Zoning

- 1. No report. Committee did not meet in December 2022.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, January 18, 2023 (3rd Wednesday)

Commission Business

Single Member District reports

Commissioner Velasquez (6A02) is excited to join the Commission and learn from the returning Commissioners and appreciates everyone that volunteered for Officer positions. The Commissioner met with the MOCRS Jake Stolzenberg and they are planning a neighborhood walk. The Commissioner has received some requests relating to the 90 and 92 bus lines: a trash can closer to a bus stop and real time arrival information on the east side of the intersection of 8th and H Streets. The Commissioner will be meeting with HIPS along with several other Commissioners to discuss support for workers along K Street NE. There is a request from the manager of AVEC Apartments to discuss activity on 8th and H Streets. DPW recently completed graffiti removal on Linden Place. Vibe Lounge has asked for live outdoor entertainment until 12:00midnight during the week and 1:00 am during the weekends. There is a request for zoning change at 775 H Street NE. The Commissioner will be meeting with

Councilmember Allen to discuss the installation of curb cuts at the AutoZone property. The Commission can be reached at mikevANC6A[at]gmail.com, or (202) 656-4682. Community members can make an appointment here: <u>https://calendly.com/mikevanc6a02</u>

Commissioner Moilanen (6A07) is looking forward to working with the Commission. There is continued discussion about installation of a security camera at 9th and Constitution Streets NE. The Commissioner acknowledged the passing of a great neighbor, William Outlaw, after whom Outlaw Way on 10th Street is named.

Commissioner Shapiro (6A03) is building a list of community member emails and is up to about 90. In speaking with the community, the Commissioner has heard several public safety concerns, specifically about pedestrian and traffic safety. There have also been several frozen and broken pipes and the Commissioner will be doing a neighborhood walk with the MOCRS, who has already assisted in some DPR requests around Sherwood that hopefully will be ongoing. The Commissioner will be meeting with the president of School within School @ Goding (SWS) and is trying to find community liaisons for the Sasha Bruce House.

Commissioner Gentile (6A05) is following up on a variety of constituent concerns: a large hornets' nest on the 200 block of 14th Place on the brink of dropping; speed bumps on the 1200 block of D Street; 14th and 15th C Street improved lighting; a 4-way stop sign at the corner of 14th Street and Tennessee Avenue. 322 15th Street appears to be vacant but is potentially getting developed; however, there have been several complaints that the property was not properly shut down, then reports of broken pipes and rushing water.

Commissioner Dooling (6A06) reported that two new speed humps were installed on the 600 block of 14th Street NE; speed humps are still needed near Miner Elementary School. There is a littering issue around Chick-Fil-A; the Commissioner has worked with DPW to get a trash can which was just installed. The Commissioner is grateful to the Maryland condominium board for hosting several neighborhood cleanups in the area and looks forward to continuing the work this year. The Commissioner is still volunteering to moderate the ANC 6A official and community Google groups; links to join the Google Groups are available at anc6a.org. In citywide news, the Commissioner has worked in conjunction with Commissioner Erin Palmer on a sign-on letter to promote transit equity and will share the letter with the Commission.

Commissioner Chatterjee (6A01) witnessed a hit and run at 12th and H Streets, which has been the site of several incidents. There is inadequacy in the data used to determine where to allocate MPD attention and funds, and the community needs to be aware of several unsafe areas regardless of official data. The Commissioner will keep pressure and urgency on making H Street safer.

Commissioner Gove (6A04) flagged a few things: First District police officers continue to have their monthly Citizens Advisory meetings, where they repeatedly report that most carjackings are crimes of opportunity with people leaving keys in the car. The Commissioner encourages community attendance at these meetings. The C Street project is nearing completion and if community members notice something strange in the project construction, they can notify the project manager, whose contact information can be found at www.cstne.com. DDOT should be reaching out about the Commission's chosen safety locations for investigation. The Commissioner reported a great community clean-up last weekend and hopes for more regular scheduled clean-ups in the future.

Community Comment

Jake Stolzenberg, Ward 6 Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS) representative, who can serve as a conduit between the community and various DC government departments, can be reached at (202) 341-3659.

Jen DeMayo from Councilmember Charles Allen's office reported that Councilmember Allen will be chairing the Transportation and the Environment Committee. The Councilmember's community office hours will be resuming soon. There will be another neighborhood clean-up in the spring and are hoping to make it a big community event. If anybody would like to be added to the bi-monthly email newsletter from the office, they can reach out to Ms. DeMayo at jdemayo[at]dccouncil.gov.

ANC 7D08 Commissioner Brian Alcorn spoke to offer an opportunity to get to know ANC 7D and work together on projects.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 pm.