Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
Minutes
Miner Elementary School
March 12, 2020

Present: Commissioners Amber Gove (Chair), Mike Soderman, Ruth Ann Hudson, Brian Alcorn and Stephanie Zimny. Commissioner Phil Toomajian, Marie-Claire Brown and Sondra Philips-Gilbert were absent.

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

Commissioner Gove called the roll and announced the presence of a quorum.

The minutes for the ANC February 2020 meeting were accepted, and the agenda for the March 2020 meeting was accepted without changes or objection.

Community Presentations
Andrew DeFrank, District Department of Transportation Ward 6 Community Engagement Specialist
Andrew DeFrank, presenting information via speakerphone. He shared that the Maryland Avenue NE Project is on schedule with an expected completion in 2021. The C Street NE Project is scheduled to begin during the spring of 2021. The designs for the C Street NE Project have been sent off to the Office of Contracting and Procurement. Mr. DeFrank also attended a recent Safe Streets for Hill East and Near Northeast meeting where residents expressed concerns regarding a bike traffic on C Street requesting the addition of a protected bike lane. The Commissioners asked Mr. DeFrank about a number of proposed and on-going requests such as the installation of speed humps on the unit block of 10th Street NE and 300 block of 19th Street NE. Mr. DeFrank was not able to provide any updates or specifics regarding these questions but promised to get back to the respective Commissioners with answers.

Nancee Lyons, Department of Public Works, Murals DC
Nancee Lyons of the Department of Public Works (DPW) shared that Atlas Performing Arts Center is considering having a mural painted on the east wall of their building, facing the alley. They are open to input from the local community, as their goal is that the eventual mural reflects the culture of the immediate neighborhood. More information can be found by visiting muralsdcproject.com.

Anthony Diallo, Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) Community Outreach Coordinator
Anthony Diallo introduced himself as DCRA’s new Community Outreach Coordinator for Wards 5, 6, 7 and 8. He plugged monthly informational meetings held by the DCRA on a variety of topics such as small business ownership. These meetings are held at rotating locations across DC and can be found by visiting DCRA’s website. Mr. Diallo explained that part of his new position is to educate the public about DCRA’s purpose, i.e., inspections, licensure, granting permits and enforcement.

Officer Reports
1. Disbursements totaled $2,590.06: $465.89 to Irene Dworakowski (check 1918) for agenda/webmaster services; $200.00 (check 1919) for the February 2020 Minutes; $150.00
to the DC Treasurer (check 1920) for Miner Elementary Security 3/2020; $60.00 to Brian Alcorn (check 1921) for repayment of Bank of America bank fees for wires; $400.00 to Megan Markey (check 1922) replacing checks 1867 and 1872 that were never cashed; $261.29 to FedEx (check 1923) replacing check 1889 that was never cashed, $221.01 to FedEx (check 1924) replacing check 1901 that was never cashed; $163.77 to FedEx (check 1925) replacing check 1926 for February ANC meeting printed materials; $269.24 to FedEx (check 1927) for September 2019 ANC meeting printed materials; two separate NCB bank fees each totaling $10.00 and one NCB bank fee totaling 58.21. There is a balance of $22,455.00 in the checking account. There is a balance of $13,834.00 after a transfer of $13,734.23 into the new account with National Capital Bank. The report was approved by unanimous consent.

Community Outreach Committee (COC)
1. The Community Outreach Committee February 2020 report was included in the February 2020 ANC 6A agenda package.
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, March 23, 2020 (4th Monday)

Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee (ABL)
1. The March 2020 ANC 6A Agenda erroneously stated that the Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee did not meet in February 2020. The February 2000 ABL report was included in the agenda package.
2. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded the recommendation that ANC6A approve and authorize either Co-Chair of the Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee (ABL) to send a letter to all establishments with Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) licenses in ANC 6A reminding establishments of settlement agreement requirements: 1) to take steps to address loitering in front of establishments; and 2) to post signage asking that patrons not make excessive noise when arriving or departing. The recommendation passed 5-0.
3. Commissioner Soderman moved and Commissioner Zimny seconded the motion that ANC6A send a letter to ABRA to take no action on the substantial change applications for Ocean Lounge, H Street Country Club and Mythology, Lore & Dirty Water/Beetle House DC to install three (3) Dragon’s Ascent electronic games at each establishment. The motion passed 5-0.
4. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, April 21, 2020 (3rd Tuesday)

Transportation and Public Space Committee (TPS)
1. The February 2020 Committee Report was approved by unanimous consent.
2. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Gove seconded the recommendation that ANC 6A send a letter to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) stating that the ANC has no substantial objection to the public space permit application (Tracking # 346179 Review # 641311) for fence over 42 inches at 1387 North Carolina Avenue NE, provided that the permit is corrected to list the current owner and state the correct height of the fence, and that ANC6A send a letter to the company that built the fence requesting that they do not perform unpermitted work in the future and suggesting that it compensate the current owner for her time in obtaining the retroactive permit. The recommendation passed 5-0.
3. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded the recommendation that ANC6A submit a request for Resident Only Parking (ROP) for the unit block of 10th Street. NE, the 100 block of 10th Street. NE, the 1000 block of Massachusetts Avenue NE, the 100 Block of 9th Street NE, the unit block of 9th Street NE and the 1200 block of
Linden Place NE. Commissioner Soderman offered a friendly amendment to this recommendation to include the 100 block of 11th Street and the 900 block of Massachusetts Avenue NE as well as extending the restrictions to include Saturday and Sunday until 11:00 p.m. The amended recommendation passed 5-0.

4. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, April 20, 2020 (3rd Monday)

Economic Development and Zoning Committee (EDZ)
1. The February 2020 Committee report was approved by unanimous consent.
2. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded the recommendation that ANC 6A send a letter of support to BZA for an application pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for special exceptions under Subtitle E § 5201, from the rear addition requirements of Subtitle E § 205.4, from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, and from the nonconforming structure requirements of Subtitle C § 202.2, to construct a two-story rear addition to an existing attached flat at 216 9th Street, NE (BZA #20250) in the RF-1 Zone, on the conditions that the applicant conducting a shadow study to ensure that there is no impact on the light and air of the neighbors, and best efforts to get letters of support from neighbors. The recommendation passed 5-0.
3. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Hudson seconded the recommendation that ANC 6A send a letter of support to BZA for an application pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for special exceptions under Subtitle E § 5201 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, and from the nonconforming structure requirements of Subtitle C § 202.2, to construct a two-story rear addition to an existing semi-detached principal dwelling unit at 1006 10th Street NE (BZA #20248) in the RF-1 Zone on the condition that the applicant conducting a shadow study to ensure that there is no impact on the light and air of the neighbors, and best efforts to get letters of support from neighbors. The recommendation passed 5-0.
4. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Hudson seconded the recommendation that ANC 6A send a letter of support to BZA for an application pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for a special exception under Subtitle E § 5201, from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1 and from the rear addition requirements of Subtitle E § 205.4, to construct a two story rear addition to an existing attached principal dwelling unit at 216 14th Place, NE (BZA #20245) in the RF-1 Zone on the condition that the applicant make best efforts to get letters of support from neighbors at 220 and 212 14th Place NE and from the neighbor across the alley at 223 11th Street, NE. The recommendation passed 5-0.
5. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Zimny seconded the recommendation that ANC 6A send a letter of support to HPRB for relief to build a rear addition onto an existing structure at 326 11th Street NE (HPA 20-170) in the Capitol Hill Historic District. The recommendation passed 5-0.
6. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, March 18, 2020 (3rd Wednesday)

New Business
1. Commissioner Zimny moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded the motion that ANC6A send a letter to DDOT requesting installation of speed humps on 16th Street NE between F and Kramer Streets NE. The motion passed 5-0.
2. Commissioner Soderman moved and Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion that ANC6A request an additional special exception for 906 11th Street NE (BZA 20229) allowing for a penthouse addition to have walls of differing heights that is non-compliant with C-1500.9. The motion passed 5-0.
3. Commissioner Hudson moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded the motion that ANC6A send a letter to DCRA requesting investigation of zoning issued with existing construction at 1410 C Street NE and provides updated drawings to reflect the as-built conditions of the property. The motion passed 5-0.

Commissioner Marie-Claire Brown joined the meeting at 8:40 pm.

Single Member District Reports
Commissioner Zimny (6A06) reported that MPD discovered that a local resident had been giving out parking permits to Amazing Love staff, which was promptly stopped. She also reminded the ANC that houses in the historic district have more protection from unwanted construction.

Commissioner Alcorn (6A08) is continuing to explore options to curtail unsafe driving on the unit block of 15th Street NE.

Commissioner Soderman (6A03) shared that he has been listening in on Mayor Bowser’s Covid-19 preparation calls and reminded the ANC that a high number of our neighbors are at risk so follow CDC guidelines. The Commissioner also reported an up-tick in muggings and assaults and is working with MPD to curtail this trend.

Commissioner Gove (6A04) shared about her hard-hat tour of the construction at Eliot-Hine Middle School. She mentioned the upcoming, juried art panel to decide which artists will install work within the new construction will be virtual due to the corona virus. Commissioner Gove announced that the fields at RFK Stadium will be closed until April 1, 2020. She referenced the DC government security camera rebate program encouraging all residents to install street-facing cameras on their private residences.

Commissioner Brown (6A01) strongly encouraged residents to heed CDC guidelines and to visit coronavirus.dc.gov for up-to-date information regarding the spread of the virus in Washington DC and for additional resources.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.