

**Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
Minutes
Zoom Meeting
July 9, 2026**

Present: Commissioners Amber Gove, Roberta Shapiro, Stephen Kolb, Ben Hammer, Morgan Conley, and Scott Burger were present. Commissioner Kimberley Butler-Spires was absent.

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

Commissioner Amber Gove called the meeting to order and noted the presence of a quorum. The minutes of the June ANC 6A meeting were accepted by unanimous consent subject to any minor or technical corrections approved by the Secretary. The agenda for the July 2026 meeting as amended was accepted by unanimous consent.

The community received meeting notice via listservs, the Hill Rag, ANC website, X, and Facebook.

Community Presentation

H Street Business Improvement District (BID): Phil Coppage, Owner of Cynthia Bar and Bistro

Mr. Phil Coppage is trying to organize an H Street Business Improvement District (BID), noting that H Street does not yet have one; a BID is a property tax classification for commercial businesses that serves to promote a certain area. BIDs are financed through slight additional property taxes - around 14 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. BIDs can do street cleaning and public space improvements, marketing and event sponsorship, apply for grants, and get involved in public safety, but mostly BIDs are great at liaising between businesses and government. This H Street BID is unique in that it was started by small businesses who are now attracting larger, commercial businesses. Currently, the H Street BID territory would be between 3rd and 15th Streets, which is compact and leaves the BID opportunity to expand. There is a formal 501(c)(6) and a founding board of directors made up of H Street business owners. The H Street BID is adding members and working with an urban planner to build the BID foundation; they are hoping to make use of grant money in the budget on pilot studies that will direct where to spend the BID budget, which will likely be between \$600K-\$1M. BIDs generally have broader missions and fixed budgets as compared to Main Streets, but the two organizations tend to work together and align efforts. Anybody with questions can reach Mr. Coppage at [Phil\[at\]openlinedata.com](mailto:Phil[at]openlinedata.com) and find information at www.hstreetbid.com.

Capitol Hill Village: Mary Bloodworth, Director of Operations

Ms. Mary Bloodworth stated that the aim of Capitol Hill Village is to help seniors stay in their homes as long as they wish to, and the organization is always looking for volunteers to assist in this mission. On October 15, 2026 in the North Hall of Eastern Market, Capitol Hill Village is partnering with Grubb Pharmacy to vaccinate anyone

that brings an ID and insurance card. There will also be 'Get Your Move On' at the same time and place, which is a celebration of movement of any kind. Ms. Bloodworth emphasized the organization's sidewalk safety work; the organization found 22,013 submissions for sidewalk repair requests between 2021-2025 and encourages residents to always submit sidewalk repair requests to 311. High schoolers can apply to volunteer on the Capitol Hill Village website, the way anyone else would; more information here: <https://dcvillages.org/>.

Consent Agenda:

The following items were adopted by unanimous consent:

Transportation and Public Space (TPS)

- ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT requesting safety treatments in the 1400 block of G Street NE including a one-way conversion along with an accompanying brick over of the slip lane in the 1300 block of G Street NE (between Maryland Avenue and 14th Street NE.)

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

- ANC 6A send a letter of support to HPRB in support of the applicant at 1331 North Carolina NE (Square 1035, Lot 065) (HP 26-294) The applicant proposes to build a rear two-story addition with cellar and partially renovate the existing house, including adding two full baths. (No special exception or variance is requested. Notice of Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ) and ANC meetings were posted at the property on March 30, 2026. The EDZ Committee reviewed and discussed the project at its regularly scheduled public meeting on June 17, 2026 and noted six (6) letters of support from adjoining neighbors.)

Officer Reports:

1. Commissioner Gove moved and Commissioner Stephen Kolb seconded the motion that ANC 6A approve the June 2026 Treasurer's report. The June 2026 Treasurer's report presented by Commissioner Roberta Shapiro and reviewed the June opening and closing balances reported by OANC, which were \$30,255.27 and \$29,409.08, respectively. The decrease is due to a monthly payment of \$846.19 for administrative services. The Q4 allotment will remain as scheduled. The motion passed 6-0.
2. Commissioner Gove moved and Commissioner Ben Hammer seconded the motion that ANC 6A approve the Q3 FY 26 QFR Quarterly Report. The motion passed 6-0.
3. Commissioner Gove moved and Commissioner Scott Burger seconded the motion that ANC 6A delegate development of the FY27 budget to the Treasurer with a vote planned for the September ANC 6A meeting. The budget is due to OANC on October 1, 2026; there will be no increase to the allotment next year and the budget will likely look much the same as this year's budget. The motion passed 6-0.

Standing Committee Reports: Community Outreach (COC)

1. The June 2026 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent subject to any minor or technical corrections approved by the Secretary.
2. Next meeting: 7:00 pm, July 27, 2026 (4th Monday).

Alcohol Beverage and Cannabis (ABC)

1. No report. ABC did not have a quorum in June 2026.
2. Commissioner Shapiro moved and Commissioner Hammer seconded the motion that ANC 6A write a letter of support for a stipulated license for a New Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license for AC608, LLC, 1301 H Street NE, 1st Floor (ABRA-136162), subject to a settlement agreement being reached. The establishment has signed the settlement agreement. The motion passed 6-0.
3. Commissioner Kolb moved and Commissioner Morgan Conley seconded the motion that ABCA-requested modification to settlement agreement with The Hall on H Street (ABCA-135899): change clause "2.2.5. Maintain and make available to the ANC, upon request, a comprehensive security plan." to "2.2.5. Maintain and make available a comprehensive security plan. Applicant is encouraged to share the security plan with the ANC upon request." The motion passed 6-0.
4. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, July 28, 2026 (4th Tuesday)

Transportation and Public Space (TPS)

1. The June 2026 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent subject to any minor or technical corrections approved by the Secretary.
2. Commissioner Shapiro moved and Commissioner Kolb seconded the motion that ANC 6A send a letter encouraging the Council of the District of Columbia's Committee on Transportation and the Environment to host hearings on the management and use of micromobility devices and requesting that these hearings take place sufficiently in advance of the issuance of the next round of RFPs and contracts for micromobility device management to inform that process. Commissioner Gove offered a friendly amendment to authorize herself and Chair Bloomstine to make final revisions to the letter and aim to send it by mid-August. The motion as amended passed 6-0.
3. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, July 20, 2026 (3rd Monday)

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

1. The June 2026 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent subject to any minor or technical corrections approved by the Secretary.
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, July 15, 2026 (3rd Wednesday)

New Business:

- Commissioner Gove moved and Commissioner Kolb seconded the motion that ANC 6A authorize the Chair and Commissioners Shapiro, Burger, Hammer and Butler to finalize a letter to Office of Planning with copies to the Council and the Mayor setting forth the perceived inadequacies with the draft H Street Office of Planning

(OP) report and offering alternative or additional recommendations for inclusion in the report. The motion passed 6-0.

- Commissioner Conley moved and Commissioner Shapiro seconded the motion that ANC 6A authorize the Chair and Commissioner Shapiro to finalize a comment letter to submit in response to the RFK Campus Draft Master Plan, which is currently open for a 45-day public comment period that will last through August 14, 2026. <https://ourrfk.dc.gov/page/rfk-campus-master-plan>
- Commissioner Gove offered a friendly amendment by including Commissioner Conley in those authorized to finalize the letter. The motion passed 6-0.

Single Member District reports

Commissioner Burger (6A01) is happy to report that construction started at 1000 H Street which has been a vacant eyesore for some time.

Commissioner Shapiro (6A03) is also excited about the activity at 1000-1013 H Street and by DOB's several inspections and changes to the building's tax rate. There is a back-to-school bike ride sponsored by Hill Family Biking on August 29, 2026, and there will be a block party from 4-6PM following with food trucks, face painting, and other fun activities. There will also be a neighborhood cleanup. At Sherwood on July 25⁵, 2026 at 1PM DGS and DPR will be holding a community forum about the \$3.6m allocated for Sherwood repairs. The Commissioner is happy to report that new H Street restaurant Indochine on H Street was very good and is grateful to outgoing Commissioner Kolb for his service.

Commissioner Conley (6A05) is hoping to announce a launch party for Kingman Dog Park when it is finally ready in the fall.

Commissioner Hammer (6A06) has had good conversations about noise concerns at Transmissions, who are cooperating with neighbors. There was a shooting on Monday and police arrested three suspects that were allegedly robbing a clothing store on the 1400 block of H Street and an employee was shot in the chest and is recovering in the hospital. One of the suspects was shot in the back. Commander Hall shared updates, noting that six arrests were made in the days following the shooting.

Commissioner Kolb (6A07) reported that Proper Exotic is now True Nature and is still operating. He attended an OANC meeting. The Commissioner will be moving just outside of 6A and has tendered his resignation as ANC 6A07 Commissioner effective Monday. Commissioner Kolb is particularly grateful to Commissioners Shapiro and Gove for their help and leadership throughout his service on the Commission and to all committee chairs for their commitment.

Commissioner Gove (6A04) encourages neighbors to go to Della Barba, who have outdoor dining and great food. This Saturday there is a street sweeper open house in

the triangle park near 13th Street from 10:00 am -12:00 pm. The Commissioner does not plan to run again in November.

Community Comment

Ms. Jen DeMayo from Councilmember Allen's office thinks the last piece for Kingman Dog Park is DC Water. The Council finished the budget and secured funding for the pay equity fund and the childcare subsidy, as well as restored most of the cuts to paid family leave and WMATA. There are anticipated pay increases for firefighters and other unions, expanded hours for DPR recreation centers, and funding for open primaries and rank choice voting. Last week the Council also unanimously passed Councilmember Allen's Resale Act and the Bottle Bill Roundtable happened today the goal of which is to create a bottle bill in DC and reduce litter in outdoor spaces. There was a hearing on bills on medical cannabis businesses and Councilmember Allen has a bill that would close a loophole allowing medical cannabis dispensaries to operate near some childcare facilities. Those wanting to submit testimony on the subject can do so here until July 16, 2026:

<https://lims.dccouncil.gov/Hearings/testimony/2357>

Ward 6 Week is coming starting on July 26, 2026 and will once again feature free events.

Daniel Aboagye noted that he will be running for ANC A06 Commissioner again in November and reminds all neighbors that if they are interested, they can pick up packets and learn more about the process. <https://dcboe.org/candidates/anc-advisory-neighborhood-commissioners>
<https://dcboe.org/elections/2026-elections>

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.