

**Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
Minutes
Zoom Meeting
November 13, 2025**

Present: Commissioners Dave Wethington, Jeff Giertz, Stephen Kolb, Amber Gove and Roberta Shapiro were present. Commissioner Paul Spires joined during the Treasurer's report and voted only on the first of the three Treasurer's report agenda items.

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

Commissioner Dave Wethington called the meeting to order and noted the presence of a quorum. Commissioner Wethington moved and Commissioner Stephen Kolb seconded the motion that the agenda be amended to move the ABC report to after the consent agenda. The motion passed 5-0. The minutes for the ANC October 2025 meeting were accepted subject to any minor or technical corrections approved by the Secretary. The agenda for the November 2025 meeting as amended was accepted by unanimous consent.

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

Consent Agenda:

The following items were adopted by unanimous consent:

Alcohol Beverage and Cannabis (ABC)

- ANC 6A take no action on the renewal of the Class C Tavern license with for Brewpub, Entertainment and Summer Garden endorsements for Henceforth DC, 1335 H Street NE (ABRA-129163).
- ANC 6A take no action on the renewal of the Class C Tavern license for Providencia, 1321 Linden Court NE (ABRA-125122).
- ANC 6A take no action on the renewal of the Class C Tavern license with Dancing, Entertainment and Summer Garden endorsements for Sushi Sato, 1245 H Street NE, (ABRA-131883).
- ANC 6A take no action on the renewal of the Class C Tavern license with an Entertainment endorsement for Solid State Books, 600 H Street NE (ABRA-108894).
- ANC 6A take no action on the renewal of the Class C Tavern license with an Entertainment endorsement for The Little Grand, 808 7th Street NE (ABRA-110495).
- ANC 6A take no action on the renewal of the Class C Tavern license with Entertainment and Summer Garden endorsements for Copycat Co., 1110 H Street NE (ABRA-096474).
- ANC 6A take no action on the renewal of the Class C Tavern license with Cover Charge, Dancing and Entertainment endorsements for District Alley on H, 1378 H Street NE, (ABRA-127675).

- ANC 6A take no action on the renewal of the Class C Tavern license with Dancing and Summer Garden endorsements for Pie Shop, 1339 H Street NE (ABRA-087422).
- ANC 6A take no action on the renewal of the Class C Tavern license with Entertainment and Summer Garden endorsements for Sol Mexican Grill, 1251 H Street NE (ABRA-092192).
- ANC 6A take no action on the renewal of the Class C Tavern license with an Entertainment endorsement for Allure Lounge, 711 H Street NE, (ABRA-108303).
- ANC 6A take no action on the renewal of the Class C Tavern license with Cover Charge, Dancing and Entertainment endorsements for Ethio Vegan, 1362 H Street NE, (ABRA-130713)
- ANC 6A take no action on the renewal of the Class C Tavern license with Cover Charge, Entertainment and Summer Garden endorsements for Little Miss Whiskey's Golden Dollar, 1104 H Street NE (ABRA-079090).
- ANC 6A revise its letter protesting Proper Exotic's application for a medical cannabis license (ABRA-128697) to include newly revised ABCA appropriateness standards.

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

- ANC 6A send a letter to BZA in support of a special exception for rear yard and lot occupancy requirements at 1332 Corbin Place NE; Square 1031, Lot 170; (BZA 21386); submitted by AMW Associates, LLC, to construct a third story and a three-story with basement rear addition, to an existing, attached, two-story with basement, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 zone.
- ANC 6A send a letter to BZA in support of a time extension for 1371-1375 H Street NE; Square 1027, Lot 166; (BZA 20967); submitted by Salvation Arts, LLC, to extend for an additional year, the Board of Zoning Adjustment Order Number 20967, to construct a new, attached, six-story with roof deck, 30-unit, mixed use building in the NMU-7B/H-A (formerly NC-15) zone.

Transportation and Public Space (TPS)

- ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT and WMATA asking that they coordinate to fill the gap in transit service that will be left by the early end of Streetcar service.
- ANC 6A Send a letter to DDOT outlining ANC 6A's requests for their update to the Strategic Bikeways Plan.

Standing Committee Report:

Alcohol Beverage and Cannabis (ABC)

1. The October committee report has not been submitted.
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, November 18, 2025 (3rd Tuesday; usually 4th Tuesday)

Officer Reports:

1. The November 2025 Treasurer's report submitted by Commissioner Roberta Shapiro reviewed the expenditures accrued in October: \$275 for notetaking and \$88.72 for web hosting services. After these distributions totaling \$363.72, the closing uncommitted funds available at the end of October as reported by OANC

were \$30,403.39. The discrepancy between NCB and OANC balances are for an uncashed reimbursement check for \$102.06 and \$516.19 August admin payment. OANC finally resolved the perpetual \$1 discrepancy between the accounts. The savings account has a balance of \$100.05. The Treasurer's report was approved by unanimous consent.

2. Commissioner Shapiro moved and Commissioner Wethington seconded the motion that ANC approve the modified FY25 Q4 report. The modification is needed due to two checks that were submitted into the payment system but not sent, therefore throwing off future check numbers by two. This issue has been identified and resolved. The motion passed 5-0.
3. Commissioner Shapiro moved and Commissioner Wethington seconded the motion that ANC 6A approve changes to the previously approved FY 26 Budget as follows:
 - a. Category 3b will be increased to include a total budgeted FY 26 expenditure of \$125.00 to account for payments for website hosting and domain name registration (QFR Budget Category 3b);
 - b. \$200.00 will be added to the new Local Transportation category (Category 6).The motion passed 5-0.

Standing Committee Reports: Community Outreach (COC)

1. The October 2025 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent subject to any minor or technical corrections approved by the Secretary.
2. Next meeting: 7:00 pm, November 24, 2025 (4th Monday)

Transportation and Public Space (TPS)

1. The October 2025 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent subject to any minor or technical corrections approved by the Secretary.
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, November 17, 2025 (3rd Monday)

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

1. The October 2025 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent subject to any minor or technical corrections approved by the Secretary.
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, November 19, 2025 (3rd Wednesday)

New Business:

- Commissioner Wethington moved and Commissioner Paul Spires seconded the motion that ANC 6A approve Lorena Gil as a member of Community Outreach (COC). Commissioner Spires is getting to know Lorena Gil and her husband as they have recently moved to the neighborhood and are looking for ways to get involved. She has attended a COC meeting. The motion passed 6-0.
- Commissioner Shapiro presented results of the survey about Sherwood Recreation Center, which received 289 household responses representing 988 people. Most respondents lived within a mile of the center but about two thirds did not use the inside facilities because of lack of awareness, lack of cleanliness and maintenance, concerns about safety, and generally feeling

unwelcome. The outdoor facilities such as the track and tennis court were more widely used. More than half of respondents reported receiving no communication about programming. Only 14% of respondents said programming was 'good'; equipment was rated 'good' by 23%; maintenance and cleanliness was rated 'good' by 25%. While sentiment was low, when asked if respondents would be interested in expanded programming, there was very strong interest in activities for young children such as a splash park and for adult exercise programs, school-aged sports teams, and a community garden. In the open comment section, respondents mainly mentioned the need for extended hours and programming and concern about gambling, drugs, and loitering on the north side of the building. Commissioner Shapiro has shared these results with the new Sherwood director as well as with Councilmember Allen, DPR, and DGS.

Single Member District reports

Commissioner Spires (6A01) is addressing a trash issue on K Street; a constituent has reached out to Councilmember Allen's office and the Commissioner is looking to expand cleanups in the area. Several new restaurants are opening along H Street and the Commissioner encourages neighbors to join the People's Front of H Street WhatsApp group.

Commissioner Shapiro (6A03) encourages neighbors to join a cleanup at SWS at 9:30 am on Saturday - there will be coffee and donuts.

Commissioner Amber Gove (6A04) celebrates how amazing Halloween was and congratulates Eastern Hight School who were the halftime performance for the quarterfinals of the Washington Spirit. Eastern High will play in the semifinals this Saturday. The Commissioner is grateful to neighbors who continue trying to wrangle leaves into tree boxes and try to get leaf bags picked up.

Commissioner Wethington (6A05) recognized Commissioner Shapiro who has been working to recruit the vacancy in 6A02 - if neighbors are interested, they should reach out and get more information. A few special exceptions were approved at 259 Warren Street NE, which was a vacant property subdivided into three lots then two lots a little taller than other row houses on the street. It turns out the owner owns about a foot and a half of the already narrow alleyway and would like to decrease it by about a foot to increase space for the building. The Commissioner is trying to get DDOT and DOB to do a site visit. It seems there has been some site work and demolition done at Kingsman dog park.

Commissioner Jeff Giertz (6A06) reported some trash and recycling collection issues - DPW has cited staffing issues as a driving factor. It is particularly bad along Emerald Street and Councilmember Allen has been very engaged in this issue. DDOT completed the restriping of bike lanes along 14th Street NE including the block between E Street and Tennessee Avenue NE.

Commissioner Kolb (6A07) is pleased that his SMD is quiet and appreciates his communicative and supportive neighbors.

Community Comment

Mr. Erik Salmi from Councilmember Allen's office noted that a study is budgeted for Streetcar replacement and said that there are two upcoming Council meetings regarding extending recreation center hours. Council had a legislative meeting last week and decoupled from local taxes, making sure that local taxes do not mirror federal taxes and resulting in several hundred million dollars in savings. That money will be spent on expanding DC's match of the Earned Income Tax Credit and will go towards funding a local child tax credit beginning in 2027. The Committee on Transportation held a roundtable on the future of 'streateries' and Council is aware of the trash and recycling collection issues. Hypothermia season is coming up and DC offers transportation and additional shelters; the shelter hotline is (202) 399-7093 and they will send a van out to check on people and offer them blankets and a ride to a shelter. Finally, it is time for the 19th annual Ward 6 Brickie Awards, which are open and free to all Ward 6 residents. This year the celebration will be at Skyline 609 and nominations are being accepted.

MOCR Noah Glasgow provided an update from the mayor's office, noting that Marcus Manning has transitioned to Deputy Director of the Mayor's Office of Community Affairs. Because of the government shutdown, the District allocated money to fund SNAP and WIC for the month of November and the federal government is expected to start paying again in December. DPW indicated that 74% of leaf collection is complete in zone A (which includes all of ANC 6A) and should be totally complete by Saturday. More information here: www.Dpw.dc.gov/leaf. The missed trash and recycling pickups are frustrating and neighbors should continue to reach out to their local representatives. Hypothermia season is November 1st through March 31st and DC provides free outreach and assistance, warming items, and transportation to shelters.

Community member Ashley raised concerns about law enforcement agent presence inside residential buildings in Ward 6 and hopes that MPD and the mayor's office will continue to be held accountable for coordination between MPD and ICE.

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm.