

**Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
Minutes
Miner Elementary School
December 14, 2017**

Present: Commissioners Phil Toomajian (Chair), Marie Claire Brown, Sondra-Phillips-Gilbert, Amber Gove, Patrick Malone, Calvin Ward and Stephanie Zimny.

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

The minutes for the ANC November 2017 meeting and the agenda for the December 2017 meeting were accepted without changes or objection.

Community Presentations

Ms. Emily Bloomfield, CEO, Monument Academy, Mr. Kenneth Walker, Principal, Monument Academy

Ms. Bloomfield and Mr. Walker spoke to the Commissioners and concerned neighborhood residents regarding the incident of a firearm being brought to the school by two of the school's students. After a search was conducted by the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), the weapon was located and determined to be a BB gun. One of the students was taken into custody by the MPD and both students will be expelled from the school. Both Ms. Bloomfield and Mr. Walker indicated that an enhanced security protocol would be initiated on the school campus and that there would be increased staff supervision of students during outside activities on campus. Mr. Walker also advised that he would welcome hearing from community residents regarding any questions and/or concerns about the school operations.

Officer Reports

Chairman Phil Toomajian advised that there would be a Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) Sector 2 meeting at J.O. Wilson Elementary School on December 21, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. The Chairman granted time to Ms. Kelly Jeong, Ward 6 representative from Mayor Bower's Office to announce that Mayor Bowser would be appearing at the Rosedale Community Center on Friday, December 15, 2017, at 11:00 am, and that the Mayor would also be present on Monday December 18, 2017, at 3:00 pm, for a Ward 6 community walk on the H Street Corridor along with Ward 6 Councilmember Charles Allen. A primary topic of discussion at that time will be the city's rodent abatement efforts.

Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Stephanie Zimny presented the fourth (4th) Quarter Report. The Fourth Quarter Report was accepted without objection. Commissioner Zimny then delivered the Treasurer's Report. The opening balance in the checking account was \$11,740.44, with a forwarding balance of \$9,344.38. There were disbursements of \$450.00 to Irene Dworakowski (Check 1811) for agenda/web master services; \$111.50 to FedEx (Check 1812); \$200.00 to Gail John (Check 1813) for November 2017 minutes; \$1,000.00 grant to the Eastern High School Band (Check 1814) and \$845.26, to the DC Department of General Services (DGS) for ANC 6A space rental at the Miner Elementary School, leaving \$9,344.38, in the checking account and \$13,770.90, including a \$.022 interest deposit in the savings account. A Petty Cash Summary was included in the report showing a forwarding balance of \$25.00. The report was accepted without objection.

Committee Reports:

Community Outreach Committee (COC)

The November 2017 COC report was accepted without objection.

The COC meeting site has been moved to Eastern High School, 1700 East Capitol Street, NE.

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, January 22, 2018 (4th Monday).

Alcohol Beverage Licensing (ABL)

No report. The ABL Committee did not meet in November 2017.

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, December 19, 2017 (3rd Tuesday)

Transportation and Public Space Committee (TPS)

No report. The TPS Committee did not meet in November 2017.

Motion: The Committee moved and Chairman Toomajian seconded a motion that ANC 6A send a letter to the DC Department of Transportation (DDOT) to study traffic calming measures for the 400, 500, and 600 blocks of Tenth (10th) Street NE, including bump-outs, raised crosswalks and “no through trucks” signs. The motion passed (5-0).

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, December 18, (3rd Monday)

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

No report. The EDZ Committee did not meet in November 2017.

Next meeting - 7:00 pm December 20, 2017 (3rd Wednesday).

Single Member District Reports

Commissioner Calvin Ward (6A08) advised that he has been in contact with both the DC Department of Transportation (DDOT) and DC Department of Public Works (DPW) regarding the issue of abandoned cars. He also indicated that neighborhood residents remain vigilant in their efforts to take preventive measures to reduce package thefts.

Commissioner Amber Gove (6A04) mentioned that there are still a number of alleys needing improvement in her district; that community residents have concerns about rodent abatement efforts by the city, and that there have been concerns regarding the increase in the number of properties offering hospitality services and/or private accommodations through Airbnb. She stated that both matters have legislation pending before the DC City Council. She advised that Maury Elementary School is scheduled to close on December 21, 2017, due to the pending redevelopment project at the current site, and that operations will begin at the temporary site at Eliot-Hine Middle School on January 4, 2018. Parking and drop-off issues are still being worked on at this time.

Commissioner Zimny (6A06) mentioned package theft issues; that there was a recent break-in on Emerald Street; that she will be attending the scheduled community walk with Mayor Bowser during which she will bring up neighborhood concerns about rodent abatement and alley cleanup, and that corporate donations were received by the Miner Elementary School PTO.

Commissioner Marie-Claire Brown (6A01) advised that there were petitions circulating for (traffic calming?) for the 900 block of Eleventh (11th) Street NE; that petitions were in process for sidewalk repair for the 800 and 900 blocks of Tenth (10th) Street NE; and that she was

working with the developer of the AVEC project regarding ongoing concerns regarding construction noise.

Chairman Toomajian (6A01) mentioned community concerns about the security issues at the School-Within-School building, i.e., lack of doors that lock or doors with locks needing repair.

Commissioner Sondra Phillips-Gilbert (6A07) mentioned the Rosedale Hood Basketball Tournament sponsored by the DC Prevention Center which featured a performance of the Eastern High School Band; that for the third time in as many years the Amazing Love Health Center donated 70 turkeys to the community; that she will be following up with officials of the Monument Academy to further address neighborhood concerns; that she continues her contacts with the appropriate officials regarding the Seventeenth (17th) Street Redevelopment Project; and that she will be working on preparing formal submissions for traffic calming requests to the DC Department of Transportation (DDOT).

Commissioner Patrick Malone (6A05) mentioned ongoing package theft issues, and requested that all residents be watchful for the children who will be traveling to the temporary site while awaiting the completion of the Maury Elementary School Redevelopment Project.

Community Comments

Mr. Jeremiah Lowery, who is running for a DC Council At-Large seat, stopped by and spoke briefly.

Ms. Michelle Peyton from the Brown Memorial AME Church provided material regarding a voting rights town hall to be held on Sunday, January 14, 2018, at the Brown Memorial AME Church, 130 Fourteenth (14th) Street, NE, at 3:00 pm.

Ms. Emily Wagner introduced herself and advised that she would be working on community outreach for the Friends of Rosedale Library replacing the recently deceased Dana Wyckoff.

Mr. Josh Mackwell relayed to the Commissioners his desire that they, along with other ANCs send a letter to the Mayor requesting that the city divest from the Wells-Fargo & Company Corporation.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.