

District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Agenda for February 13, 2020



Second (2nd) Thursdays at 7:00 pm, Miner Elementary, 601 Fifteenth (15th) Street NE Public Meeting - All Are Welcome to Attend

- 7:00 pm Call to order
- 7:10 pm Approve Previous Meeting's Minutes, Adopt Agenda

7:11 pm Community Presentations

Lewis Ferebee, Chancellor, District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) Oversight of the Office of ANC - Shawn J. Hilgendorf, Director, Committee on Facilities and Procurement H Street Fresh Farms Market - Meredith Daniel. Market Manager

7:40 pm Officer Reports 1. Approve Treasurer's Report pg. 24

Standing Committee Reports:

- 7:45 pm Community Outreach pg. 25
 - 1. No report for January 2020 Committee did not meet.
 - 2. Approve February 2020 committee report
 - 3. Next meeting 7:00 pm, March 23 , 2020 (4th Monday)

7:47 pm Alcohol Beverage Licensing pg. 27

- 1. No report. Committee did not meet in January 2020.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, February 18, 2020 (3rd Tuesday)

7:50 pm Transportation and Public Space pg. 28

- 1. Approve January 2020 committee report.
- 2. <u>Suggested Motion</u>: ANC 6A send a letter to District of Columbia Homeland Security and Management Agency in support of the 2020 Capitol Hill Classic.
- 3. <u>Suggested Motion</u>: ANC 6A add the comments of the TPS to those of EDZ regarding the DC Comprehensive Plan and submit the comments.
- <u>Suggested Motion</u>: ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT in opposition to the application (#343819) for a driveway through public space at the rear of 1518 North Carolina Avenue NE.
- <u>Suggested Motion</u>: ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT asking for enforcement of DCMR 24-102 with respect to overgrown hedge at 100 14th Street NE for safety reasons and also request the online 311 be modified to facilitate reporting of public space violations.
- 6. Next meeting 7:00 pm, February 24, 2020 (4th Monday, usually 3rd Monday)

8:15 pm Economic Development and Zoning pg. 50

1. Approve January 2020 committee report.

Old Business

2. Recommendation: ANC 6A consider whether to alter or amend a letter of opposition to DDOT for an application, pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, for special exceptions under the residential conversion requirements of Subtitle U § 320.2, under Subtitle C §



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3. <u>Recommendation</u>: ANC6A submit changes to the DC Comprehensive Plan to create a development zone around the Arboretum, to update the Comprehensive Plan to address all micro-mobility technologies, including scooters, and the Comprehensive Plan be updated to maximize the use of the RFK stadium site to benefit the community as a whole which include changes which were submitted by Capitol Hill Village.

New Business

- 4. <u>Recommendation</u>: ANC 6A send a letter to real estate agents active on Capitol Hill informing them of the Residential Parking Permit restrictions in place for any address on H Street NE.
- 5. Next meeting 7:00 pm, February 19, 2020 (3rd Wednesday)

8:30 pm New Business pg. 78

- 1. **Suggested Motion:** ANC 6A send a letter of support to Mr. Clifford Dixon, Permit Expeditor regarding permits for excavation (EX1900033), foundation (FD1900021) and building (B1905590)(not issued yet) for:
 - a. an after-hours permit application that would allow work by the Eliot-Hine Middle School construction team to start at 6:00 am Monday through Saturday; and
 - b. authorization to work on the following holidays in 2020 to ensure the ability to meet the construction schedule:
 - Washington's Birthday, 02/17/2020
 - DC Emancipation Day, 04/16/2020
 - Memorial Day, 5/25/2020
 - Independence Day, 7/3/2020
 - Labor Day, 9/7/2020
 - Indigenous Peoples' Day, 10/12/2020
 - Veterans Day, 11/11/2020
- 2. Suggested Motion: ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT re: Small Cell Design Guidelines.
- 3. Suggested Motion: ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT objecting to insufficient notice with respect to Permit Tracking# 346179 Review# 641311, 1387 North Carolina Ave NE and asking that the due date be extended to March 16, 2020 so that the ANC can discuss with applicant and present an informed opinion at a publicly noticed ANC meeting, March 12, 2020.

8:40 pm Single Member District reports (1 minute each)

8:50 pm Community Comments (2 minutes each)



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9:00 pm Adjourn



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2020



Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Minutes Miner Elementary School January 9, 2020

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

The meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

Chairwoman Amber Gove called the roll and announced the presence of a quorum.

Organizational Actions

- 1. Commissioner Gove motioned to adopt the Commission Rules. The motion passed 7-0.
- 2. Commissioner Gove motioned and Commissioner Toomajian seconded the motion to elect officers; Amber Gove as Chair, Phil Toomajian as Vice Chair, Mike Soderman as Secretary and Brian Alcorn as Treasurer. The motion passed 7-0.
- 3. Commissioner Gove motioned and Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion to elect members and leaders of the permanent Committees for 2020:
 - Economic Development and Zoning Committee Brad Greenfield (Chair), Jake Joyce, Missy Boyette, Nick Alberti, Michael Cushman
 - Transportation and Public Safety Committee Elizabeth Nelson (Co-Chair), Todd Sloves (Co-Chair), Jeff Fletcher, Marc Brumer, Caitlin Rogger, Maura Dundon, Amanda Morgan, Hassan Christian.
 - Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee- Mark Samburg (Co-Chair), Nick Alberti (Co-Chair), Roger Caruth, Michael Herman, Justin Rzepka.
 - Community Outreach Committee- Roni Hollmon (Chair), Gladys Mack, Stephany Thangavelu, Alan Chargin.

The motion passed 7-0.

- 4. Commissioner Gove motioned and Commissioner Soderman seconded the motion to adopt a schedule of monthly meetings, on the second Thursday of each month, for 2020 (except August): February 13, March 12, April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9, September 10, October 8, November 12, and December 10. The motion passed 7-0.
- 5. Commissioner Gove motioned and Commissioner Alcorn seconded the motion to participate in and to authorize the Treasurer to write a \$25.00 check to participate in the ANC Security Fund. The motion passed 7-0.

The minutes for the ANC December 2019 meeting were accepted, and the agenda for the December 2019 meeting was adopted by unanimous consent.

Community Presentations

MPD Update

Captain Pulliam of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) First District (1D) asked for any information regarding a recent shooting between two vehicles on H Street NE. Those with information can call 202-727-9099. He also reminded the ANC about the DC government Crime Camera rebate program offering up to \$500 for a private residence and up to \$750 for a business toward the purchase and installation of a street-facing security camera. These cameras are helpful for solving a variety of crimes but in particular are useful when tracking down package thieves. Captain Pulliam's number is 202-731-0431.





Captain Pulliam told Commissioner Alcorn that he would follow up regarding a robbery on the 1500 block of East Capitol Street NE.

Sergeant Rice of MPD Fifth District (5D) covers 15th to 19th Streets between C Street and Benning Road NE within ANC6A. He shared 5D's most recent pressing concern has been gun violence. On New Year's Eve, his units recovered 6 illegal firearms as well as an additional 2 guns within the past week. Sgt. Rice mentioned the security camera rebate program as well emphasizing how useful the footage from these cameras can be in solving crimes.

Commissioner Sondra Phillips-Gilbert requested that a foot-patrol until be stationed near the corner of 17th Street and Benning Road NE. Sgt. Rice explained that that area is an overlap between 1 and 5D and can sometimes be challenging to staff and patrol. He shared that there are regular patrols in police cars and that MPD receives approximately 3-5 calls to that area a night meaning there is regular police presence. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert also pointed out repeated and obvious marijuana use around 16th Street and Benning Road NE. Sgt. Rice responded that drug enforcement is difficult in mark cars and that MPD tends to target dealers instead of users. MPD does have agents patrolling in unmarked vehicles specifically targeting the distribution of illegal drugs.

Commissioner Stephanie Zimny asked Sgt. Rice to comment on the recent increase in gun violence in DC. He explained that MPD has a crime suppression team looking for suspicious activity and that MPD is tracking the sound of gunshots to more accurately record data on gun activity. They also keep tabs on neighborhood and gang related feuds.

Commissioner Gove asked if MPD has a standard action plan for notifying schools and recreation centers of nearby gun violence. Sgt. Rice was not aware of any standard plan other than communication through each school's resource officer. Commissioner Gove also inquired about traffic enforcement stating she has not seen as much enforcement as she feels is necessary. Sgt. Rice explained that around 10% of the officers on each shift are typically assigned just to traffic enforcement.

Washington Gas Repairs along Maryland Avenue NE - Apera Nwora, Washington Gas Project Pipes Apera Nwora, the Public Affairs Manager of ProjectPipes, spoke to questions and concerns from the community regarding the massive construction project currently taking place along Maryland Avenue NE. This project, which includes simultaneous work done by DDOT, Pepco and Washington Gas, will add new lighting, new bike lanes, improved pedestrian crossing as well as updated infrastructure below street level to Maryland Avenue NE. Washington Gas is taking the opportunity, while other construction is underway, to install new and more reliable piping along the corridor. Ms. Nwora explained that, due to the logistics and timing of three large-scale, overlapping projects, some of the asphalt patches recently laid by Washington Gas are considered temporary as they will be replaced when one of the other phases of construction passes through. She asked that anyone with concerns contact her via the e-mail address project_pipes@washgas.com with a detailed description of the situation and photos if possible. She shared that her goal is to respond to these concerns and questions within 24 hours and to have the problem resolved within 3 days if she is able. General information about the Maryland Avenue NE Project can be found by visiting marylandavesafety.org.

Officer Reports

1. Disbursements totaled \$2,622.81: \$465.89 to Irene Dworakowski (check 1899) for agenda/webmaster services; \$200.00 (check 1900) for the December 2019 Minutes; \$163.77 (check 1901) for FedEx;





\$150.00 to the DC Treasurer (check 1902) for Miner Elementary Security 1/2020, \$518.00 (check 1903) to Capitol Community News, \$1,000.00 (check 1904) to Miner Elementary School PTO, \$25.00 (check 1905) for the ANC Security Fund and two checks for ACH Payments totaling \$100.00 and \$0.15 respectively. There is a balance of \$14,637.42 in the checking account. There is a balance of \$13,734.00 after an interest payment of \$.23 in the savings account. The report was approved by unanimous consent.

- The Quarterly Financial Report for FY20 Q1 showed the checking account with an ending balance of \$10,879.07 after a receipt of \$18,431.28 for the District Allotment and disbursements totaling \$8,427.70; \$3,496.00 for communication, \$482.30 for office supplies, equipment and printing, \$1000.00 for grants, \$2,193.69 for the purchase of services and \$1,265.71 for other. The savings account has a balance of \$13,734.00. The report was approved by unanimous consent.
- 3. Commissioner Alcorn motioned and Commissioner Zimny seconded the motion to close ANC6A's existing accounts with Bank of America and transfer all ANC6A to National Capital Bank (316 Pennsylvania Ave SE). Commissioner Alcorn explained that Bank of America is no longer offering cost advantageous banking services. He also shared support for this change from the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions. The motion passed 7-0.

Community Outreach

- 1. The December 2019 Committee report was approved by unanimous consent.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, January 27, 2020 (4th Monday)

Roni Hollman announced that the February Community Outreach Committee meeting will be held on the second Monday on the month, February 10, 2020, to accommodate the attendance of Gottlieb Simon, the Executive Director of the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions to answer questions and offer advice regarding community grants.

Alcohol Beverage Licensing (ABL)

- 1. No Report. Committee did not meet in December 2019.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, January 21, 2020 (3rd Tuesday)

Transportation and Public Space (TPS)

- 1. The December 2019 Committee Report was approved by unanimous consent.
- 2. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Ruth Ann Hudson seconded the recommendation that ANC 6A send a letter to the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) in support of the 2020 Rock N' Roll Marathon assuming the course route and times remain unchanged from last year. Diane Romo-Thomas, Director of Community Relations for The Greater Washington Sports Alliance, confirmed the route is unchanged for the 2020 race. The recommendation passed 7-0.
- 3. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded the recommendation that ANC 6A send a letter to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) requesting attention to the eleven items on the priority list. The recommendation passed 7-0.
- 4. Next meeting 7:00 pm, January 27, 2020 (4th Monday, usually 3rd Monday)

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

- 1. The December 2019 Committee report was approved by unanimous consent.
- 2. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Toomajian seconded the recommendation that ANC 6A send a letter of opposition to BZA for an application, pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, for special exceptions under the residential conversion requirements of Subtitle U § 320.2, under Subtitle C §





1504 from the penthouse setback requirements of Subtitle C § 1502.1, and under Subtitle C § 703.2 from the minimum parking requirements of Subtitle C § 701.5, to permit the construction of a fourth apartment and the installation of new rooftop mechanical equipment, in an existing three-unit apartment house at 653 8th Street NE/ 807 G Street NE (BZA #20190) in the RF-1 Zone, based on the fact that there would be fewer than 9000 square feet on the lot per unit.

EDZ Committee Member Nick Alberti, speaking on behalf of the Committee, explained that when the BZA is deciding on an application for special exception, they consider whether the project is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the zoning code. This building is in a RF1 zone, which is intended to maintain moderate density such as that in a residential neighborhood. The Committee felt the building would therefore fall below standards set for the RF1 zone given that the addition would lower the lot area per unit to approximately 280 sq. ft., well below the 900 sq. ft. per lot unit required by the zoning code.

The architect for this project, countered that the zoning code, 3012H that the EDZ Committee was referring to was incorrectly listed online and that the standard of 900 sq. ft. per unit does not apply to this location. Instead this property falls under 11U301.2H which allows for a special exception. Commissioner Toomajian asked why the architect felt this property was already conforming to the zoning code; the architect explained that the structure was built before 2015 predating this section of zoning code.

Commissioner Toomajian then asked if the owner had collected letters of support from adjacent neighbors. The owner had support from some but not all; most notably absent was a letter of support from the neighbor immediately adjacent. Based on the plans shared by the architect, some Commissioners were concerned that this new construction may dramatically decrease the neighbor's access to sunlight. The project architect assured the Commissioners that the neighbor's windows are set too far back to be shaded by the proposed renovation. Commissioner Toomajian asked if the owner could undergo a more thorough shade study and provide data at the next ANC meeting.

The project architect explained that, due to a delay with the Board of Zoning Authority (BZA), the project hearing will likely be postponed until early March 2020. Due to this extended timeline, Commissioner Toomajian offered a friendly amendment stating ANC6A does not object to the new rooftop mechanical equipment and installation of a railing and that it will reconsider the case at the February 2020 ANC 6A meeting if the BZA case is postponed. The amendment also allowed for the Chair to hold back the letter if necessary. The amended recommendation passed 7-0.

- 3. 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 a special exception to permit a penthouse not permitted pursuant to C-1500.4 (X-901.2), to permit a penthouse that does not conform with the side building wall and open court setbacks required pursuant to C-1`502.1(c)(1)(A) and C-1502.1(c)(5)(X-901.2) and to permit a guardrail that does not conform with the side building wall setbacks required pursuant to C1502.1(C)(1)(A)(C-1504.1 and X-901.2) at 906 11th Street, N.E. (BZA #20229). The recommendation passed 7/0.
- 4. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded the recommendation that ANC6A submit changes to the DC Comprehensive Plan to create a development zone around the Arboretum, to update the Comprehensive Plan to address all micro-mobility technologies, including scooters, and the Comprehensive Plan be updated to maximize the use of the RFK stadium site to benefit the community as a whole.





Commissioner Gove shared a recent e-mail from the Capitol Hill Village (CHV) with a number of suggested edits to the Comprehensive Plan. Since ANC submissions are not due until February 14, 2020 and another ANC meeting is scheduled for February 13, 2020, Commissioner Gove recommended tabling this recommendation to give more time for the TPS and EDZ Committees to review the CHV comments and to submit suggested changes to ANC6A. The recommendation was tabled.

5. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, January 15, 2020 (3rd Wednesday)

New Business

- 1. Commissioner Hudson moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded the motion that ANC6A send a letter of support for pedestrian safety measures enacted by MPD Special Operations Division and Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) in the 800-1000 blocks of East Capitol Street on October 31, 2019 (Halloween). The motion passed 7-0.
- Commissioner Soderman moved and Commissioned Phillips-Gilbert seconded the motion requesting ANC approval of a Public Space Construction Permit application #335468 at 800-814 Block of 13th Street NE through the 1200-1299 block of Wylie Street NE. The motion passed 7-0.
- 3. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert motioned and Commissioner Soderman seconded the motion that ANC send a letter requesting DDOT install a speed hump on the 1600 block of F Street NE. The motion passed 7-0.

Single Member District Reports

Commissioner Toomajian (6A02) noted that DCRA has been identifying illegal construction around his SMD and hanging notices on residents' houses alerting them that they have 60 days to remove said construction.

Commissioner Soderman (6A03) shared that DDOT has been responsive in removing and relocating a utility pole that was installed in an egress on 9th and C Streets NE.

Commissioner Gove (6A04) is still working to have crosswalks and streets properly striped and painted by DDOT.

Commissioner Zimny (6A06) reminded residents to look into the camera rebate program through the DC government.

Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert (6A07) reported that sidewalks on Rosedale Street NE between 16-17th Streets are being redone. The Commissioner also invited her fellow commissioners to join her for Monument Academy's celebration of their charter renewal. She also shared that she will be attending the release of Mayor Bowser's 2020 Accountability Report.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.





2/11/2020

Mail - ANC6A PackagePrep - Outlook

Re: Letter from ANC6A re: DCPS's handling of SWS at Goding modernization process

Phil Toomajian <philanc6a@gmail.com>

Thu 1/23/2020 8:03 PM

To: Ferebee, Lewis (DCPS) <Lewis.Ferebee@k12.dc.gov>

Cc: Chancellor (DCPS) <chancellor@k12.dc.gov>; Kihn, Paul (EOM) <Paul.Kihn@dc.gov>; dme@dc.gov <dme@dc.gov>; Maisterra, Amy (DCPS) <Amy.Maisterra@k12.dc.gov>; Mourtos, Aiyana (DCPS) <aiyana.mourtos@k12.dc.gov>; Burney, Shanita (DCPS) <shanita.burney@k12.dc.gov>; Parker, Sarah (DCPS) <sarah.parker@k12.dc.gov>; White, Robert (Council) <rwhite@dccouncil.us>; Fowlkes, Angela (Council) <afowlkes@dccouncil.us>; Davis, Patrick (DCPS) <patrick.davis@k12.dc.gov>; PMENDELSON@dccouncil.us>; CAllen@dccouncil.us>; David Grosso <dgrosso@dccouncil.us>; CAllen@dccouncil.us <CAllen@dccouncil.us>; esilverman@dccouncil.us <esilverman@dccouncil.us>; Amber Gove <amberanc6a@gmail.com>; Renee Dworakowski <anc6apackage@outlook.com>; Williams, Tyler (EOM) <Tyler.Williams2@dc.gov>

1 attachments (799 KB)

SWS Modernization Swing Space Site Specific Survey.pdf;

Chancellor,

Thank you for your email.

I am following up as there has been no further community engagement by DCPS nor has a community meeting at which DCPS might solicit community engagement or discuss where SWS will be located when its modernization begins this summer been scheduled. Given the ongoing lottery process and the need for the school community to plan, this is unfortunate and unacceptable.

Respectfully, it's not a good process to leave this unsettled nor is it a good for DCPS to walk away from its preexisting promises to engage with the community to try to find somewhere in the school's general vicinity for it to swing to during two years of construction. That's not community engagement and it's not the right way to achieve the best results for our children.

I'm also attaching a recent survey at the school in which 87% of the 91 participants said that they would prefer that the school swing to the nearby vacant Springarm location where there is room for modular trailers.

I know you have been busy handling a difficult situation, but I would appreciate a substantive update on when DCPS will engage with the community to discuss the potential locations under consideration and how they might work and how we can get them into good shape in time for the school to move there in the coming months.

I look forward to meeting you at the ANC6A meeting on Thursday, February 13 and to your update on this situation as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Phil Toomajian

On Jan 9, 2020, at 12:48 PM, Ferebee, Lewis (DCPS) < Lewis.Ferebee@k12.dc.gov > wrote:

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2/11/2020

Mail - ANC6A PackagePrep - Outlook

Dear Commissioner Toomajian,

DCPS is pleased to launch a transformative modernization that will ultimately improve the already thriving learning environment of School Within School at Goding (Goding). We are grateful that yc and the Commission are deeply engaged in this process, and I want to provide an update to the items addressed in your recent letter.

While we work hard to locate swing spaces close to the original school during modernization projects, we are not able to guarantee the most convenient location will be available for families. What we do prioritize is that the swing space allows for the most conducive learning environment and provides students with the resources they expect at their school. For Goding, this includes ensuring its swing space can support the portion of the student population who require physical accommodation, its Reggio Emilia curriculum, and the Food Prints program during the two years that modernization will take place.

These factors mean that we are still evaluating swing spaces beyond the Northeast quadrant and share a decision with the Goding community this winter and will discuss the swing space at an upcoming community meeting we are currently working to schedule. We can confirm that the swi space will not be located in Capitol Hill. Due to the number of school modernization projects in recent years, there simply is not a space in the neighborhood that can purposefully accommodate the requirements of the Goding student body.

I apologize for any confusion DCPS' ongoing engagement with Goding community may have cause We did not intend to have information shared seen as misleading and are sympathetic to your concerns with the delay in our decision making.

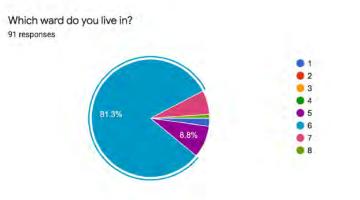
Should the selected swing space require bus transportation for students, we work directly with th Safe Routes to School Team at DDOT to identify the best location for bus pickup and drop-off. We also engage DDOT and DPW in tandem to determine if any street parking signage changes are necessary to improve student safety. It is our protocol to communicate the plans broadly in order minimize disruption to the school community and to the neighboring residents.

We are excited about what a full modernization will mean for School Within School at Goding but also aware the stress it places on the school community. I look forward to joining your meeting or February 12 with my COO, Patrick Davis to speak with you and the ANC meeting participants. That you for your patience and partnership.

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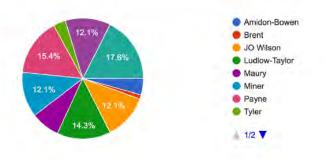




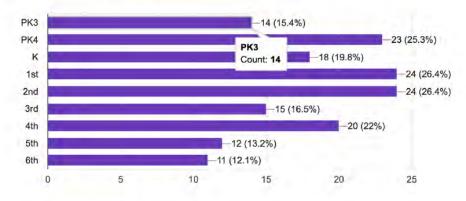


SWS Modernization Swing Space Site Specific Survey

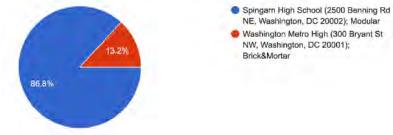
If Ward 6, which school would your children be inbound for if you were not attending SWS? 91 responses



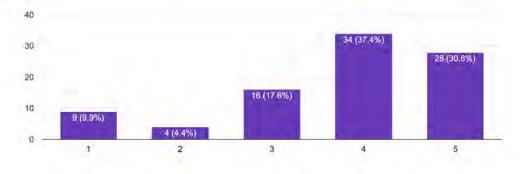
What grade(s) will your children be in school next year? (check all that apply) 91 responses



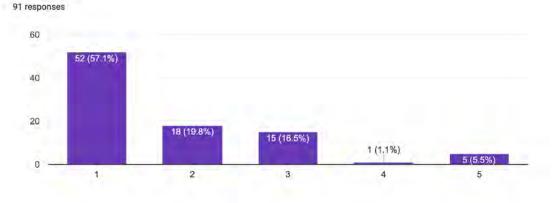




If a modular location at Spingarn is chosen, how satisfied would you be with that choice? 91 responses



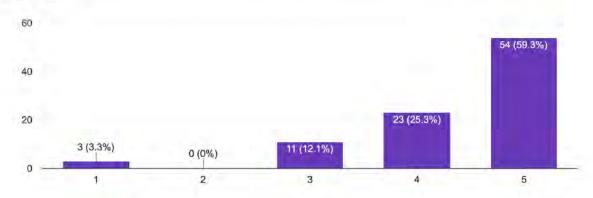
If a brick/mortar location at Washington Metro High is chosen, how satisfied would you be with that choice?





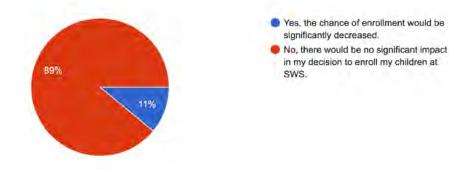


Strictly as a baseline (this is not an option), what would your satisfaction level have been with a modular swing space at the Eliot-Hine location (i.e. a continuation of the Maury Village). 91 responses

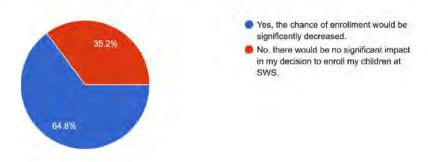


If the Spingarn location is chosen, would that significantly decrease the likelihood of enrolling your child(ren) in SWS next year?

91 responses



If the Washington Metro High location is chosen, would that significantly decrease the likelihood of enrolling your child(ren) in SWS next year? 91 responses







February XX, 2020

Matthew Marcou Associate Director District Department of Transportation 1717 Massachusetts Ave NW Room 500 Washington, D.C. 20036

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on February 13, 2020, our Commission voted X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the continuation of the FRESHFARM H Street NE farmers market in 2020.

The H Street Market well serves our community by providing wonderful and healthy local products to a wide range of residents. ANC 6A strongly supports the continuation of the market at the same site as last year – on Thirteenth (13th) Street NE, north of H Street NE and south of Wylie Street NE. The permit should be granted for every Saturday from April through December 2020 from 8:00 am until 1:00 pm as agreed to by the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) and FreshFarm Markets.

Please also ensure that the very popular H Street Festival does not prevent the market from opening on the date that it is scheduled this year. Last year, the market continued until its normal closing time on the day of the festival and the market vendor vehicles exited north on Thirteenth (13th) Street without disrupting the festival activities. This arrangement appeared to work well for both the market and the festival.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendation of ANC 6A.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: PublicSpace.Committee@dc.gov

ANC 6A meetings are advertised electronically on the anc6a-announce@yahoogroups.com, anc-6a@yahoogroups.com, and newhilleast@groups.io, at www.anc6a.org, and through print advertisements in the Hill Rag.





District of Columbia Government
 Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
 Box 75115
 Washington, DC 20013



December 18, 2019

Chancellor Lewis Ferebee D.C. Public Schools 1200 First Street NE Washington, DC 20002 Deputy Mayor Paul Kihn, Deputy Mayor for Education 1350 Pennsylvania Ave NW Washington, DC 20002

Dear Chancellor Ferebee and Deputy Mayor Kihn,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on December 12, 2019, our Commission voted 6-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to convey our concerns regarding DCPS's handling of the modernization planning process for School Within School (SWS) at Goding (920 F Street).

SWS is located within ANC6A and serves a large number of ANC6A residents. SWS is slated for modernization to commence this summer. Last year, DCPS representatives informed the SWS community that DCPS planned to locate a new swing space within NE DC, which would be used as the swing space for local elementary schools SWS, J.O. Wilson, and Browne as each is modernized over the course of the next six years. DCPS conveyed that message to the school community at a public meeting in May 2019 and continued to discuss potential sites for the swing space into the summer. At that meeting, DCPS committed to return to the community to discuss potential swing space locations and how to appropriately retrofit or build the potential locations to the needs of the school at a meeting early in the 2019-2020 school year. No such meeting occurred. Instead, on November 25, 2019, DCPS officials informed the SWS community that DCPS was abandoning its earlier commitment to locate the swing space in close proximity. DCPS did not offer any explanation for abandoning its earlier commitments and did not share its newly-desired swing space location. DCPS officials also stated that DCPS did not anticipate engaging the community regarding where the swing space would be located and did not have a plan to accommodate the school's significant student population who require physical accommodation. Likewise, DCPS stated that it was not prepared to provide space for SWS's award-winning FoodPrints program, despite the fact that the program is planned to be a featured component of the modernization of SWS at Goding.

The Commission received public comment from several members of the SWS community at our December 12 meeting. Although the Commission invited you and members of your staff to join us at that meeting, no member of DCPS was able to attend the meeting. The Commission joins the SWS community in its concern that these decisions were ill-informed and have been inade-

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quately communicated to the community. Accordingly, the Commission requests your attention to remedy these issues in a manner that reflects the importance of a community engagement and transparent decision-making process.

Specifically, the Commission voted unanimously to request that: 1) DCPS return to the community within 30 days to engage with community members regarding DCPS's proposal for swing space to house the SWS students; 2) DCPS honor its prior commitment to locate a swing space in NE DC that would serve the SWS, J.O. Wilson, and Browne school communities during their modernizations over the next six years; 3) DCPS facilities staff prepare to accommodate SWS's children's needs and other unique attributes of the school, to include its award winning Regio Emilia curriculum and FoodPrints program during the two years that the school will be located in a swing space, and 4) DCPS communicate with the Commission regarding any plans to bus children from the SWS at Goding site to a swing space location, so that any required bus planning can be well-informed to minimize disruption to the school community and to the neighboring residents.

Should DCPS, after hearing community input, determine that it is necessary to bus students from the Goding location, the Commission requests a proposed plan for the busing to be provided for discussion with the ANC, the school community, and DDOT, and further requests that DCPS share what lessons it is learned from the problems experienced with inadequate planning for the busing of Capitol Hill Montessori children from their school location earlier this year. The Commission specifically shares the community's concerns regarding whether the 920 F Street location has sufficient room to accommodate school buses, family drop-off, construction staging, and commuter traffic and requests that any plans to bus children be communicated for public comment well in advance of the new school year.

SWS at Goding is a thriving school that serves many neighborhood children who live in ANC6A and in other adjacent communities. Our Commission looks forward to working with you and with the school community to ensure its continued success and a productive engagement process for the school's modernization and swing space planning. We appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to meeting with you and members of your team at your first availability.

On Behalf of the Commission,

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Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Mayor Muriel Bowser Council Chair Phil Mendelson Council Education Chair David Grosso DC Councilmember Charles Allen, Ward 6 At-large Councilmembers Robert C. White, Jr., Anita Bonds and Elissa Silverman







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January 14, 2020

Mr. Chris Rodriguez, Director District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) 2720 Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue SE Washington, DC 20032

Re: ANC6A Supports 2020 Rock and Roll Marathon

Dear Director Rodriguez:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on January 9, 2020, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to express our support for the 2020 Rock and Roll Marathon.

Our support is given in recognition that Events DC is using the same route and timings as in 2019, which greatly reduced the negative impacts on residents on Capitol Hill, including those within ANC 6A. This route requires fewer street closings making it easier for residents to go about their lives on race day. And, if vehicles must be removed from the race route, there are far fewer residential blocks that will be affected.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendation of ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at AmberANC6A@gmail.com.

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January 14, 2020

Mr. Jeffrey Marootian, Director District Department of Transportation 55 M Street, SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

Re: ANC6A Request for Traffic Safety Assessments January 2020

Dear Director Marootian:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on January 9, 2020, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to send a letter to request that DDOT conduct traffic safety assessments in the following areas identified by our Commission as dangerous for all users, including drivers, cyclists and pedestrians. The items below include the location, issue(s) of concern and suggested remedies, where appropriate. The order of appearance is not significant.

- 100-200 blocks of 11th Street NE; speeding and drivers failing to yield to oncoming traffic; possible solutions include speed tables and painting center line to indicate two-way traffic.
- 10th Street NE, intersections with G Street and F Street, also 9th Street NE, intersections with G Street and F Street; speeding drivers and near misses in crosswalks; requesting raised crosswalks.
- 3. 200 block of 13th Street NE; issue is pedestrian/driver conflicts in crosswalk adjacent to school; request relocation of pedestrian crossing signal at school entrance to align with crosswalk, addition of no turn on red at C Street and speed tables across 13th Street.
- 1300-1900 blocks of East Capitol Street; issue is cyclist and pedestrian safety; possible solution protected protected bike lanes, including protected intersections, either between cars and curb or in the middle of the street.
- 5. 13th Street at North Carolina Avenue NE; inadequate crosswalks (none on the south side of the intersection) and inadequate/poor timing of pedestrian crossing; drivers run red lights and block crosswalk on left turn from 13th to East Capitol and across 13th from North Carolina; possible solutions repainting lines and distancing stop bar from crosswalk, adding high-visibility crosswalks at all sides of the intersection, changing light timing, reconstructing the turn radius for vehicles turning from 13th to North Carolina NE (eastbound), clarifying no parking areas adjacent to intersection to increase visibility.
- 6. 600 Block 9th Street NE; issue is speeding near school; possible solution speed tables and raised crosswalks.

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- 800-1200 blocks of C Street NE; issue is drivers speeding through crosswalks; requesting raised/high visibility crosswalks and speed tables.
- 100 block of 11th Street NE; tree roots are causing tripping hazards on sidewalks; requesting flexible paving.
- 9. Intersection at 16th Street, C Street and North Carolina Ave NE; crosswalk is easy to overlook; requesting high visibility treatment in advance of C St Project completion.
- 10. 1100 and 1200 blocks of East Capitol Street NE on north side of Lincoln Park; drivers speed on East Capitol Street to catch lights; right-turning drivers from Tennessee and 12th onto East Capitol do not look right for pedestrians. Requesting raised and high-visibility crosswalks across East Capitol Street at 12th Street and Tennessee Avenue and also raised and high-visibility crosswalks across 12th Street and Tennessee Avenue just north of their intersections with East Capitol Street, as well as any other changes to increase pedestrian visibility and slow drivers.
- 11. Requesting restriping, with high visibility paint and ladder-style markings, of all crosswalks within ANC 6A.

Thank you for giving great weight to the request by ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at AmberANC6A@gmail.com.

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Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A







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January 14, 2020

Mr. Clifford Moy, Secretary of the Board of Zoning Adjustment Board of Zoning Adjustment 441 4 th St. NW, Suite 210 Washington, DC 20001

Re: Re: BZA Case No. 20229 (906 11th St NE)

Dear Mr. Moy:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on January 9, 2020, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Application, pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for a special exception to permit a penthouse not permitted pursuant to C-1500.4 (X-901.2), to permit a penthouse that does not conform with the side building wall and open court setbacks required pursuant to C-1⁵02.1(c)(1)(A) and C-1502.1(c)(5)(X-901.2) and to permit a guardrail that does not conform with the side building wall setbacks required pursuant to C-1502.1(C)(1)(A)(C-1504.1 and X-901.2) at 906 11th Street, N.E.

The design has taken measures to ensure that the addition is in the character of the neighborhood and it will not disrupt the privacy, air and light of neighbors. The owner has proven that the special exception criteria have been met through submission of architectural elevations and letters of support from neighbors. The ANC believes that this development will not substantially visually intrude upon the character, scale, and pattern of houses in the neighborhood.

Please be advised that Brad Greenfield and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at amberanc6a@gmail.com and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

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January 14, 2020

Mr. Jeffrey Marootian, Director District Department of Transportation 55 M Street, SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

Re: Traffic calming measures 1600 block of F St NE

Dear Director Marootian,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on January 9, 2020, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request that DDOT install one or more speed humps on the 1600 block of F Street NE.

Drivers speeding down the 1600 Block of F Street NE present a risk to all users due to the lack of speed control measures on the street. At least 10 children under the age of 5 live and play on the block, parents from surrounding blocks regularly pass through to bring their children to nearby Miner Elementary School, and elderly residents who need extended time to get in and out of their cars also reside on this street. If one or more speed humps were installed along the block, drivers would be more likely to slow down. The Commissioner, in collaboration with residents, has previously submitted a Traffic Safety Assessment request for this area and DDOT is now requesting this additional letter of support for the installation of speed humps.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendation of ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at AmberANC6A@gmail.com.

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January 14, 2020

The Honorable Mayor Muriel Bowser John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004

Re: Support for Halloween pedestrian safety measures on East Capitol Street

Dear Mayor Bowser,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on January 9, 2020, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to send a letter to District leadership expressing our gratitude for and support of the measures taken by MPD's Special Operations Division and DC's Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency to improve pedestrian safety on October 31, 2019 (Halloween).

For the last several years, ANC6A has received numerous resident requests for additional pedestrian safety measures on East Capitol Street (west of Lincoln Park). This area of Capitol Hill, including the 800 to 1000 blocks that fall within the boundaries of ANC6A, is a popular spot for trick-or-treaters, due to the wide avenue and extensive efforts of residents of the area to provide an entertaining and safe Halloween experience for Capitol Hill's many children. Nationally, Halloween is the most dangerous day of the year for children, representing a tenfold increase in pedestrian deaths among children 4 to 8 years old relative to other days of the year.² This year our ANC embarked on a collaborative effort with Advisory Neighborhood Commissions 6B and 6C to engage with MPD and other agencies to identify and deploy additional safety measures.

In response, MPD's Special Operations Division, with support from DC's Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency, closed vehicle traffic in the 800 to 1000 blocks of East Capitol heading east and west and carefully managed the intersections at 9th and 10th streets for north/southbound traffic. The result was a much safer and more pleasant Halloween experience for residents and visitors alike. ANC6A is grateful to MPD Special Operations and HSEMA for proactively seeking to improve the safety of our residents on Halloween. We look forward to further collaborative efforts in this regard and would welcome opportunities to engage in advance planning and discussions regarding additional procedures and safety measures.

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² https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/article-abstract/2711459







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Here is a selection of comments from residents:

"My wife and I appreciated that East Capitol Street was closed to traffic on Halloween. There are a lot of people and it overcrowds the sidewalks. Not having cars around allows parents like me to feel more comfortable with walking on the road. While we were not out for the floodlights to be turned on - we thought it was a good idea to have them as it helps increase visibility. In future years, if the cross streets - 10th, 9th Streets - could also be closed to traffic, it would make the experience better. Many commuters probably were unaware of the road closures ahead of time - would it be possible to put a traffic sign up warning them of the road closure?"

"Overall, it was a much better and safer experience with the streets closed. Thanks for organizing!"

"I just wanted to write to thank everyone involved in closing East Capitol Street to car traffic tonight. It made such a positive difference in our trick-or-treating experience to not have to worry about cars buzzing past. I hope closing the street on Halloween night becomes an annual tradition on Capitol Hill -- it adds so much to the spirit of community in our neighborhood. Thank you!"

"We thought it was great Amber. Thanks for pushing for that. Ideally they would close the whole road but hopefully this is a start."

"Thank you for organizing the partial street closure and MPD presence in E. Capitol Halloween night. I thought it made a huge difference for the safety of the trick or treaters and parents. East Cap was still crowded, but more manageable because the sidewalk overflow could step into the street without fear of being run over, and having traffic control on the cross streets was a big improvement. The flood lights also helped parents keep track of kids and kept the whole situation more in check. It was a great idea and I would love to see it carried forward in future years."

"East Capitol closure was amazing, and I fully support a continuation with both more organized DDOT/MPD closure, and advance notice to the public so drivers can choose to stay away, and people on foot can come. In-street programming could be part of it too."

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendation of ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at AmberANC6A@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

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Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

CC: Charles Allen, Ward 6 Councilmember Chris Rodriguez, Director, HSEMA Jason Bagshaw, Lieutenant, MPD Special Operations Planning Division







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January 15, 2020

Mr. Matthew Marcou Associate Director for Public Space Regulation District Department of Transportation 55 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003, 2020

Re: Public Space Application #335468 - 808-812 13th St. NE, steps and meters removed from Wylie Street elevation

Dear Associate Director Marcou and Public Space Committee Members:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on January 9, 2020, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support a public space construction application #335468 from Thomas Kadida, with the understanding that there will be neither steps nor utility meters on the Wylie Street NE elevation of 808-812 13th St. NE.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this public space issue. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at amberanc6a@gmail.com.

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ANC 6A Treasurer's Report For Expenses incurred in January 2020* [published 2/11/2020]

Period Covered 1/1/2		/1/2020 - 1/31/2020					
Checkin	g Account:						
Opening	Account Statement				s	13,700.60	
Total Funds Available					\$	11,745.53	
Credits				 			
	ACH Credit ACH Credit	(Corrects bank error reported in 1 (Corrects bank error reported in 1		\$ 100.00 0.15			
	Total Credits				\$	100.15	
Disburse	ements						
	Irene Dworakowski (Agenda	a/Web Master)	Chk#1909	\$ 465.89			
	Note Taking		Chk#1910	\$ 200.00			
	FedEx		Chk#1911	\$ 173.31			
	DC Treasurer	(Miner Security Prepayment for 2)	2020				
	DO Treasurer	Mtg)	Chk#1912	\$ 150.00			
	DC Treasurer	(Miner Security for 1/2020 Mtg;					
	De medderer	replacement check for #1902)	Chk#1913	\$ 150.00			
	DC Treasurer	(Miner Security for 12/2019 Mtg;					
	Do Treader	replacement check for #1896)	Chl#1914	\$ 150.00			
	DC Treasurer	(Miner Security for 10/2018-6/201					
		Mtgs; replacement check for #189		\$ 1,015.56			
	The ANC Security Fund	(Replacement check for #1905)	Chk#1916	\$ 25.00			
	Bank Fee			\$ 30.00			
	Bank Fee			\$ 30.00			
	ANC 6A/Transfer to						
	Savings		Chk#1908	\$ 100.00			
	Total Disbursements				\$	2,489.76	
Closing	Funds Available/Uncommittee	<u>d</u>		 	\$	9,355.92	
Savings	Account:						
Balance	Forward					\$13,733.77	
Transfer	from Checking	1/30	0/2020	\$ 100.00			
	: Interest	1/31	/2020	\$ 0.23			
	THEFT			 1.00			
	Total Receipts			\$ 100.23			
Ending E	Balance			 		\$13,834.00	2
PETTY	CASH SUMMARY						
Balance	Forwarded				\$	25.00	
Total Fu	nds Available				\$	25.00	
					2		
Ending E	Balance				\$	25.00	

Note: Totals are reflective of cumulative activity at both Bank of America and National Capital Bank (NCB).

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No report for January 2020 - Committee did not meet.



Committee Reports Community Outreach Committee (COC)



<u>Minutes</u> ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC) of Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Regular Meeting - February 10, 2020 Eastern Senior High School 1700 East Capitol Street NE, Washington DC

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm.

Quorum present.

COC members present: Roni Hollmon (Chair), Stefany Thangavelu COC members absent: Gladys Mack ANC Commissioners present: Brian Alcorn Community members present: Sarah Bell, Elizabeth Nelson

We waited for Mr. Gottlieb to arrive. After 10 minutes we started the meeting and discussed what should guide grant approvals. The Committee decided that we would write a list of questions for Mr. Gottlieb's guidance and submit them to him via email.

Commissioner Alcorn shared with the Committee some of the guidance he received at a training provided by the Office of the Advisory Neighborhood Council (OANC). He made clear that he did not have the answers we were seeking.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The next regular meeting of the ANC 6A COC will be March 23rd at 7:00 pm Eastern Senior High School Parent Center, 1700 East Capitol Street NE (enter from East Capitol Street)



Committee Reports Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



No report. Committee did not meet in January 2020.





MINUTES ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting Capitol Hill Towers, 900 G Street NE Monday, January 27, 2020 at 7:00 pm

- I. Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm.
- II. Introductions:
 - A. Committee members in attendance: Chair Elizabeth Nelson, Caitlin Rogger, Hassan Christian
 - B. Commissioners in attendance: Brian Alcorn (6A08), Mike Soderman (6A03)

IV. New Business

A. Request for letter of support for Capitol Hill Classic, Sunday, May 17, 2020 Roberta Stewart, Event Outreach Chair, Capitol Hill Cluster School (a DCPS public school), made the presentation. There are no changes to the course or timing of road closures from what they were in 2019. There will be no parking allowed on the race route. The event raises approximately \$100,000 each year, which is split among the three campuses in the Cluster. Committee members noted that the race is well regarded by residents and that the schools it supports are important community institutions. Race organizers will post no-parking signs 72 hours in advance, will advertise on listservs and in the Hill Rag, have coordinated with affected churches and will request that ANC commissioners help get the word out.

Ms. Rogger made the motion: *TPS recommends that ANC 6A send a letter to District of Columbia Homeland Security and Management Agency in support of the 2020 Capitol Hill Classic.* The motion was seconded by Mr. Christian and passed unanimously (5-0), including the two Commissioners present.

B. DC Comprehensive Plan Comments

The Committee evaluated the transportation and public space-related portions of the DC Comprehensive Plan comments from Capitol Hill Village. After considerable discussion, the Committee members agreed on a list of comments (that appear at the end of the minutes) to be forwarded together with those from the Economic Development and Zoning (ED&Z) Committee.

Ms. Rogger made the motion: *TPS recommends that Ms. Nelson consolidate TPS comments on the DC Comprehensive Plan, as discussed at the meeting, and will circulate to the Committee by e-mail to verify the list and submit said list to the Commissioners for their concurrence with the recommendation that the comments be added to those of the ED&Z Committee and put forward by ANC 6A.* The motion was seconded by Mr. Christian and passed unanimously (5-0), including the two Commissioners present.

C. Public Space Construction Permit application #343819 at 1518 North Carolina Avenue NE - driveway through public space. The applicant, Melissa Wilson of Octopus Properties, purchased a property without alley access and now wishes to create parking in the rear of the property which backs up to public space on a very steep hill along the 1500 block of C Street NE. She proposes that a short driveway be constructed through a public green space to connect the alley to her rear yard. The site is very steep and could erode from being driven over, so she is proposing to use an engineered and pervious material to line the driveway. Committee members appreciated the applicant's concern





for the environmental impact but believe that it would set an unacceptable precedent if the applicant is allowed to compromise public use of the land to benefit an individual. Others in the same row of houses might request the same, which would further subtract from the public space. And, if permission is given for this encroachment, it will be more difficult to oppose similar requests - or other claims for individual use of public space - in future. Once the driveway is installed, it will be impracticable for the public to reclaim that right of way should another public-serving use or need arise.

Ms. Rogger made the motion: *TPS recommends that ANC 6A send a letter to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) in opposition to the application (#343819) for a driveway through public space at the rear of 1518 North Carolina Avenue NE.* The motion was seconded by Mr. Christian and passed unanimously (3-0), with the two Commissioners abstaining.

III. Old Business

Ms. Nelson reported on DDOT's response to ANC 6A's request for 4-way stops at all local-local intersections. The blanket request was denied; each location will have to be requested individually. This can be done through the recurring "top ten" lists. With respect to the intersection at 14th and A Streets. NE, a four-way stop has been denied, at least in part of the basis of a traffic study conducted on Thanksgiving Day. Instead, DDOT is offering other measures including the removal of parking near the intersection.

Ms. Nelson noted that there is a hedge at this location that is blocking site lines to a far greater extent than parked cars. The hedge is clearly in violation of public space guidelines: http://dcrules.elaws.us/dcmr/24-102: 102.4 Hedges on parking shall not exceed three feet (3 ft.) in height, nor project more than six inches (6 in.) over the sidewalk. On corner properties, if hedges are placed at the back of the sidewalk, they must be planted not more than ten inches (10 in.) above the sidewalk grade.

Ms. Nelson has made complaints regarding this location (100 14th Street NE) and another in ANC 6B (The street address of the house is 29 7th Street SE but it is a corner lot and the offending shrubbery is on the 600 block of A Street SE) through 311, 311.dc.gov and the public space inspector, to no avail.

Mr. Soderman made the motion: *TPS recommends that ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT asking for enforcement with respect to overgrown hedge at 100 14th Street NE, also noting the one at 29* 7th *Street SE. (DCMR24-102). Further, the letter should request that on-line 311 be updated to facilitate the reporting of public space violations.* The motion was seconded by Mr. Alcorn and passed unanimously (5-0), including the three commissioners present. [Subsequent to the meeting, the hedge at 29 7th Street SE was pruned so this part of the recommendation was not placed on the ANC agenda.]

IV. Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.





Note: The text of the current 2006 Comprehensive Plan is shown in black; OP's new proposed text is in underlined bold black font; OP's strike throughs are in red. TPS Committee proposed revisions and comments are in blue.

Comprehensive Plan Introduction Element Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Comments

Land Use Element

309.6 ANC 6A supports these aspects of the discussion of what makes a good neighborhood and proposes changes as they appear in blue font. Current 2006 Comprehensive Plan is shown in black; OP's new proposed text is in underlined bold; OP's strikethroughs are in red.

309.6 What Makes a Great Neighborhood?

A successful neighborhood should create a sense of belonging, civic pride, and a collective sense of stewardship and responsibility for the community's present and future among all residents. Indeed, a neighborhood's success must be measured by more than the income of its residents or the size of its homes. Building upon the In 2004, "A Vision for Growing an Inclusive City" identified essential physical qualities that all neighborhoods should share. These included:

• Transportation options for those without a car, including convenient bus service, <u>car sharing</u>, <u>bicycle</u> <u>facilities</u>, and safe access for pedestrians;

• Easy access to shops and services meeting day-to-day needs, such as child care, groceries, and sit-down restaurants.

• Safe, clean public gathering places, such as parks and plazas—places to meet neighbors, places for children to play, and places to exercise or connect with nature;

• Quality public services, including police and fire protection, <u>high-quality</u>, safe and modernized schools, <u>health services</u>, and libraries and recreation centers that can be conveniently accessed (though not necessarily located within the neighborhood itself);

• Distinctive character and a "sense of place", defined by neighborhood architecture, visual landmarks and vistas, streets, public spaces, and historic places;

• Evidence of visible public maintenance and investment—proof that the city "cares" about the neighborhood and is responsive to its needs; and

• A healthy natural environment, with street trees and greenery, and easy access to the city's open space system.

Transportation Element

1. 411.15. Action T-2.5.A: Maintenance Funds. ANC 6A urges the city to improve sidewalk lighting in neighborhoods and to maintain sidewalks to reduce tripping hazards. This would make walking safer both from helping prevent injuries and increasing personal security. Specifically, we recommend revision of 411.15 as follows:

411.15. Action T-2.5.A: Maintenance Funds.

Provide sufficient funding sources to maintain, and repair the District's system of <u>sidewalks</u>, streets and alleys, including its street lights and traffic control systems, bridges, street trees <u>and their roots</u>, and other streetscape improvements. 411.15

2. After 410.14,ANC 6A proposes a new action item as follows:

NEW. Action T-2.4 G Pedestrian oriented street lighting.





Develop a program to prioritize improving pedestrian oriented lighting of sidewalks, while reducing light pollution. This would increase ease of communication for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Element

4. 810. 7 Policy PROS-2.2.3: Program Diversity. ANC 6A endorses the policy **on program** diversity. We believe this section would be strengthened by referring to "community based organizations".

810. 7 Policy PROS-2.2.3: Program Diversity . Provide diverse recreation activities <u>to promote</u> <u>healthy living</u> for persons of all ages and cultural backgrounds, distributed equitably in all parts of the city. Coordinate <u>activities and offerings</u> with other service providers, including DC Public Schools, and <u>community-based organizations</u>, to maximize the effectiveness of service delivery and minimize redundancy. 810.7

6. 810.9 Policy PROS-2.2.56 Special Needs. ANC 6A endorses the following with minor comments in blue font:

810.9. Policy PROS-2.2.56: Special Needs

Increase efforts to meet the needs of special <u>underserved</u> population groups, <u>including older</u> <u>residents and</u> persons with disabilities. Provide "barrier free" access by modifying existing facilities to accommodate the needs of the disabled <u>and modifying existing indoor and outdoor facilities</u> <u>and parks to accommodate the needs of people with disabilities. Explore the use of</u> <u>alternative participation styles and formats in the program curriculum so that activities can</u> <u>be easily adjusted to allow people with disabilities and other special needs to participate.</u> 810.9

Urban Design Element

1. ANC 6A endorses, with minor changes, the following new proposed Action:

<u>NEW Action UD-2.1.B: Standards for Street Furniture</u>

Produce standards for street furniture in public space, such as benches, trash cans, and bike racks, that designate spacing, layout, and other characteristics that promote socialization and interaction, as well as public health and wellbeing. These should be equitably distributed throughout the City

2. ANC 6A endorses, with a proposed addition, the following new policy on neighborhood streetscapes:

NEW Policy at UD-2.1.2: on Neighborhood Streetscapes Neighborhood streetscapes should be designed to visually reflect the character and level of intensity of the adjacent land uses. For instance, narrow sidewalks may be appropriate for narrow streets with low-scale buildings, while sidewalks with more trees and vegetation-My may be appropriate for large-scale developments. Pedestrian oriented lighting should be designed to enhance walking thoroughfares to public transportation hubs and promote communication for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing as well as visually reflect the character of neighborhood. Light sources should be shielded to eliminate or reduce light pollution. CAPITOL HILL PLANNING AREA ELEMENT

1. 5. 1508.13 Policy CH-1.1.12 RFK Stadium Area.





ANC 6A believes that development of the RFK and Reservation 13 sites offers excellent opportunities for coordinated planning for recreation, parkland, and mitigation of negative effects of heavy traffic in the area. While we support environmentally appropriate development of the waterfront and adjacent open space in a manner that provides access to the neighbors, we also believe that the shoreline and parklands should be equally available to DC residents of all ages and physical condition and from all city neighborhoods. We also recommend that OP add an additional sentence to 1508.13 which would give preference to maintaining more natural landscapes along the River, over highly developed landscapes. Our proposed revisions to this section follow:

1508.13 Policy CH-1.1.12 RFK Stadium Area. RFK Stadium and the surrounding area are currently leased by the DC Government from the National Park Service, with the restriction that development be limited to sports, recreation and entertainment. Restricting the use of the land to sports and recreation is consistent with preferences of adjacent neighbors and residents of the wider Planning Area. Provide improved buffering and landscaping landscape screening along 19th Street and elsewhere in the vicinity of RFK Stadium in order to reduce the effects of noise, dust, vibration, and air pollution on the adjacent Hill East community. Work collaboratively with the National Park Service, District agencies, Events DC, and National Capital Planning Commission on long-range plans for the stadium and adjacent parkland and parking lots. The highly successful project, the Fields at RFK Campus, offers a model for how Events DC can collaborate with the neighborhood and other stakeholders. Waterfront open space in this area should be retained and improved for the benefit of all DC residents as well as adjacent Hill East, Kingman Park, and Rosedale residents. Improvements should include the creation, and maintenance, of a pedestrian and cyclist shoreline access path, and well-designed public spaces. Recreational and green spaces should include features for people with disabilities or for aging adults. Reduce the amount of land occupied by surface parking and maximize activity along the waterfront. Facilities for swimming should be included.

Give preference to retaining the natural character of the landscape along the shoreline while allowing access to enjoy the river and its shoreline. See also 1514.8 Reservation 13 Parkland and -<u>See the Urban Design Element for additional policies related to parks and open space</u>. 1508.13





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d. Transportation Operations Administration

December 20th, 2019

Chair Amber Gove Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A P.O. Box 75115 Washington, DC 20013 Via Email: 6a@anc.dc.gov

RE: Request for All-Way Stops at all ANC6A Area Local/Local Intersections

Dear Chair Gove and ANC 6A,

Thank you for your June 17th, 2019 resolution requesting: (1) that DDOT examine and convert all remaining local/local intersections in 6A not currently configured as such to an all-way stop configuration, (2) that DDOT examine and report back to the commission any other intersections not designated as local/local that would be good candidates for conversion to all-way stops, in particular, (3) that 14th and A Streets NE and (4) 13th and I Streets NE both be converted to all-way stops. Below is a response to each of these requests.

- 1. The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) is adopted by reference in accordance with title 23, United States Code and Code of Federal Regulations as the national standard for designing, applying, and planning traffic control devices. As such, the District of Columbia adopted the MUTCD as the official standard for traffic signs, traffic signals, pavement markings, and traffic control devices in the District of Columbia. The MUTCD provides that the decision to install a traffic control device, including all-way stops, must be based on the findings of an engineering study. To this end, DDOT will continue to examine intersections for potential traffic safety improvements, including all-way stop configuration, on a case by case basis when we receive traffic safety assessments for those intersections specifically. These Safety Investigation Forms allow constituents to provide details on the issues at the intersections, rather than request a safety measure, such as a traffic control device. Our program analyst for community engagement in Ward 6 will follow up with you to assist with the submission of Traffic Safety Investigation forms that will start the process of conducting engineering studies to remedy the issues at problematic intersections in Ward 6.
- 2. DDOT will not proactively examine and report back to the commission intersections not designated as local/local that would be good candidates for conversion to all-way stops. As discussed in Response 1 above, each intersection would require a separate engineering study which is infeasible at this time. We will continue to examine intersections for potential traffic safety improvements, including all-way stop configuration, when we receive traffic safety assessments for those intersections specifically.



Committee Reports Transportation and Public Space (T&PS)



- Attached on pages 3-5 of this document is a response to the request for all-way stop configuration at the intersection of 14th Street and A Street NE.
- Attached on pages 6-7 of this document is a response to the request for all-way stop configuration at the intersection of 13th Street and I Street NE.

We have included all-way Stop control pamphlet from the Federal Highway Administration that provided more information on all-way stop controls.

Thank you, and please let me know if you have any other questions.

Sincerel

Leon Anderson, Transportation Safety Manager

CC: Jennifer DeMayo, Constituent Services – Councilmember Charles Allen Mikaela Ferrill – Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS) Tyler Williams – Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS)





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Thank you for your request for an All Way STOP Control (AWSC) at the intersection of 14th Street and A Street, NE. This letter summarizes the results of a traffic engineering study conducted by the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to determine the eligibility of installing this type of traffic control at the subject intersection. The study findings are presented below, along with steps DDOT will be taking to improve safety at the intersection.

Basis of Study

The federal standard on traffic control devices, the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD, 2009), provides that Multi-Way (All-Way) STOP Control can be useful as a safety measure at intersections if certain traffic conditions exists. However, it should not be used indiscriminately. The 2009 MUTCD guidelines require that a traffic engineering study be performed before an All-Way STOP Control is installed at an intersection. DDOT's traffic engineering evaluation of the intersection was conducted utilizing criteria outlined in the MUTCD, as well as other nationally-recognized standards, including guidance from the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and engineering judgment.

Factors considered in this evaluation include traffic volumes at the intersection, speeding characteristics, crash statistics, roadway geometry, location of pedestrian generators (including schools), and general traffic control conditions at the intersection. Field investigations and observations were conducted at different times on typical weekdays.

Study Findings

The investigation of current intersections conditions, as well as a thorough review of all the data collected and gathered, resulted in the following findings:

• Per the District of Columbia's 2016 Functional Classification System, 14th street, NE is classified as **collector road** while A Street, NE is classified as a **local road** at the study intersection.





- Fourteenth Street, NE is a one-way street which runs in the southbound direction, approximately 30 feet wide (curb to curb) with dedicated on-street parking on both sides and a dedicated bicycle lane.
- A Street, NE is a bi-directional street which runs from east to west, approximately 28 feet wide (curb to curb) with on-street parking on both sides.
- Traffic on 14th Street, NE is uncontrolled; however, traffic volume traveling eastbound and westbound on A Street, NE are controlled by STOP signs.
- The results from peak-hour turning movement counts, conducted on November 28th, 2018 show the following:
 - Fourteenth Street, NE had peak-hour traffic volume of approximately 308 units of traffic per hour (uph) during the AM and 319 uph during the PM. These volume units include 32 and 15 pedestrians crossing 14th Street, NE in the AM and PM peak hours, respectively.
 - A Street, NE had peak-hour traffic volumes of 88 uph during the AM and 69 uph during the PM peaks. These volume units include 36 and 24 pedestrians crossing A Street, NE in the AM and PM peak hours, respectively.
- One (1) crash was reported at the study intersection over the past 12 months.
- The available Stopping Sight Distance (SSD) for the available SD for the eastbound approach right-turn and westbound approach left-turn maneuvers met the minimum AASHTO criteria of 150 feet.
- There are four (4) existing crosswalk pavement markings at the study intersection. The pavement surface on the southbound approach of the intersection is in good condition and the pavement surface and markings on the eastbound and westbound approaches are also in good condition.

Based on these findings, the operating conditions at the intersection of 14th Street and A Street, NE **do not** meet the criteria stipulated by federal standards for the installation of a Multi-Way STOP Control for the following reason:

- Based on peak hour observations, the study intersection does not meet the minimum required volume threshold levels of at least 300 units per hour for eight (8) hours on one roadway, and conflicting traffic of 200 per hour for the same hours on the other roadway.
- Multi-Way STOP control is used where the volumes of traffic on the intersecting roads are approximately equal. At this intersection, the volume on 14th Street (a collector road) is approximately four times more than the volume on A Street (a local street).

Numerous ITE and FHWA studies have shown that stop compliance and safety decreases with the installation of All-Way STOP Control when the federal guidelines are not

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followed, and the warrants are not met. For this reason, DDOT will not install this type of control at the intersection.

However, DDOT recommends installation of additional traffic safety improvement signs shown below:

- Install four missing signs "DC LAW STOP FOR PEDESTRIAN IN CORSSWALK" with arrow at NE and SE corner of the intersection.
- Install one speed limit "25MPH" sign along 110 blocks of 14th Street, NE.

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Thank you for your request for an All Way STOP Control (AWSC) **at the intersection of 13th Street and I Street, NE**. This letter summarizes the results of a traffic engineering study conducted by the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to determine the eligibility of installing this type of traffic control at the subject intersection. The study findings are presented below, along with steps DDOT will be taking to improve safety at the intersection.

Basis of Study

The federal standard on traffic control devices, the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices* (MUTCD, 2009), provides that Multi-Way (All-Way) STOP Control can be useful as a safety measure at intersections if certain traffic conditions exists. However, it should not be used indiscriminately. The 2009 MUTCD guidelines require that a traffic engineering study be performed before an All-Way STOP Control is installed at an intersection. DDOT's traffic engineering evaluation of the intersection was conducted utilizing criteria outlined in the MUTCD, as well as other nationally-recognized standards, including guidance from the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and engineering judgement.

Factors considered in this evaluation include traffic volumes at the intersection, speeding characteristics, crash statistics, roadway geometry, location of pedestrian generators (including schools), and general traffic control conditions at the intersection. Field investigations and observations were conducted at different times on typical weekdays.

Study Findings

The investigation of current intersections conditions, as well as a thorough review of all the data collected and gathered, resulted in the following findings:

- Per the District of Columbia's 2016 Functional Classification System, 13th Street is classified as a collector road while I Street, NE is classified as a local road at the study intersection.
- Thirteenth Street, NE is a bi-directional street which runs in the north-south direction, approximately 33 feet wide (curb to curb) with on-street parking on both sides.
- I Street, NE is a one-way street running in the eastbound direction, approximately 28 feet wide (curb to curb) with on-street parking on both sides.
- Traffic on 13th Street, NE is uncontrolled; however, traffic volume traveling eastbound on I Street, NE is controlled by a STOP sign.

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- The results from peak-hour turning movement counts, conducted on July 30th, 2019 show the following:
 - Thirteenth Street, NE had peak-hour traffic volume of approximately 209 units of traffic per hour (uph) during the AM and 276 uph during the PM. These volume units include 35 and 32 pedestrians crossing 13th Street, NE in the AM and PM peak hours, respectively.
 - I Street, NE had peak-hour traffic volumes of 87 uph during the AM and 209 uph during the PM peaks. These volume units include 35 and 64 pedestrians crossing I Street, NE in the AM and PM peak hours, respectively.
- No crash was reported at the study intersection over the past 12 months.
- The available Sight Distance (SD) for the eastbound approach right and left-turn maneuvers did not meet the minimum AASHTO criteria of 150 feet.
- There are four (4) existing crosswalk pavement markings at the study intersection which are in good condition. The STOP bar located on the eastbound approach of I Street, NE is also in good condition.

Based on these findings, the operating conditions at the intersection of 13th Street and I Street, NE **do not** meet the criteria stipulated by federal standards for the installation of a Multi-Way STOP Control for the following reason:

- Multi-Way STOP control is used where the volumes of traffic on the intersecting roads are approximately equal. At this intersection, the volume on 13th Street, NE (a collector) is approximately two times more than the volume on I Street, NE (a local street).
- Based on peak hour observations, the study intersection does not meet the minimum required volume threshold levels of at least 300 units per hour for eight (8) hours on the major roadway and the conflicting traffic of 200 per hour for the same hours on the minor roadway.

Numerous ITE and FHWA studies have shown that **stop compliance and safety decreases with the installation of All-Way STOP Control when the federal guidelines are not followed and the warrants are not met.** For this reason, DDOT will not install this type of control at the intersection. However, DDOT will perform following improvement to enhance traffic safety for all roadway users at the study intersection:

- Move the existing parking restriction signs located on both sides of the northbound approach, 45 feet south from their current position.
- Install a "STOP AHEAD" (W3-1) sign on the eastbound approach of I Street, NE.
- Install high visible crosswalk at this intersection.

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d. Office of the Director

January 24th, 2020

Chair Amber Gove Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Box 75115 Washington, DC 20013 Via email: 6a@anc.dc.gov

RE: Traffic calming measures 1600 block of F St NE

Dear Chair Gove and ANC 6A,

Thank you for your resolution requesting that DDOT install one or more speed humps on the 1600 block of F Street NE. DDOT has investigated this block and determined that a speed hump can be installed. A work order has been created to do this. The speed hump should be installed in the spring of 2020.

Thank you, and please let me know if you have any other questions.

Sincerely,

Andrew DeFrank, Program Analyst

CC:

Jeff Marootian, Director (DDOT) Commissioner Sondra Phillips-Gilbert, 6A07 Jennifer DeMayo, Constituent Services – Councilmember Charles Allen Mikaela Ferrill – Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS) Tyler Williams – Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS)

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February xx, 2020

Mr. Chris Rodriguez, Director District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) 2720 Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue SE Washington, DC 20032 Re: 2020 Capitol Hill Classic Races

Dear Director Rodriguez:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting^{1^1} on February xx, 2020, our Commission voted x-x (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the 2020 Capitol Hill Classic 10K and 3K races and Children's Fun Run.

ANC 6A supports this race because it is well-organized and supports the Capitol Hill Cluster School DC Public Schools that serve children from ANC 6A and other nearby communities. Each year, the race organizers work closely with MPD to devise safe bump-cross routes to be used during the race to allow vehicles to cross when runners are not approaching.

We thank you for giving great weight to the views of the Commission and look forward to working with you to ensure safety during community events.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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February xx, 2020

Mr. Matthew Marcou Associate Director for Public Space Regulation District Department of Transportation 55 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

Re: Request for enforcement of public space violation at 100 14th Street NE

Dear Associate Director Marcou and Public Space Committee Members:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on February 13. 2020, our Commission voted x-x-x (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request enforcement of at 100 14th Street NE.

There is a hedge at this location that is blocking site lines to a far greater extent than parked cars. The hedge is clearly in violation of public space guidelines:

http://dcrules.elaws.us/dcmr/24-102: 102.4 Hedges on parking shall not exceed three feet (3 ft.) in height, nor project more than six inches (6 in.) over the sidewalk. On corner properties, if hedges are placed at the back of the sidewalk, they must be planted not more than ten inches (10 in.) above the sidewalk grade.

The Chair of our Transportation and Public Space Committee has made multiple attempts to report this location but, in so doing realized that online 311 does not allow the registration of public space violations. We request that the website be updated to facilitate such reporting.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this public space issue. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at amberanc6a@gmail.com. On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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February xx, 2020

Mr. Matthew Marcou Associate Director for Public Space Regulation District Department of Transportation 55 M Street SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

Re: Public Space Application # 343819 - 1518 North Carolina Avenue NE, driveway through public property at rear of address

Dear Associate Director Marcou and Public Space Committee Members:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on February 13. 2020, our Commission voted x-x-x (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose a public space construction application #343819 from Octopus Properties, to install a driveway through public space at the rear of 1518 North Carolina Avenue NE.

The applicant, Melissa Wilson of Octopus Properties, purchased a property without alley access and now wishes to create parking in the rear of the property, which backs up to public space on a very steep hill along the 1500 block of C Street NE. She proposes that a short driveway be constructed through a public green space to connect the alley to her rear yard. The site is very steep and could erode from being driven over, so she is proposing to use an engineered and pervious material to line the driveway. The ANC appreciates the applicant's concern for the environmental impact but believes that it would set an unacceptable precedent if the applicant is allowed to compromise public use of the land to benefit an individual. Others in the same row of houses might request the same, which would further subtract from the public space. And, if permission is given for this encroachment, it will be more difficult to oppose similar requests – or other claims for individual use of public space – in future. Once the driveway is installed, it will be impracticable for the public to reclaim that right of way, should another public-serving use or need arise.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this public space issue. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at amberanc6a@gmail.com.

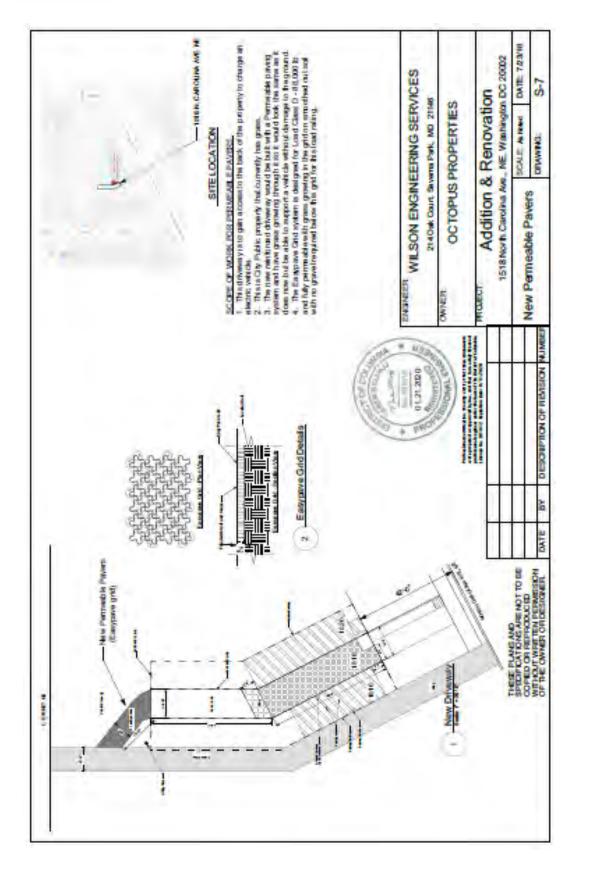
On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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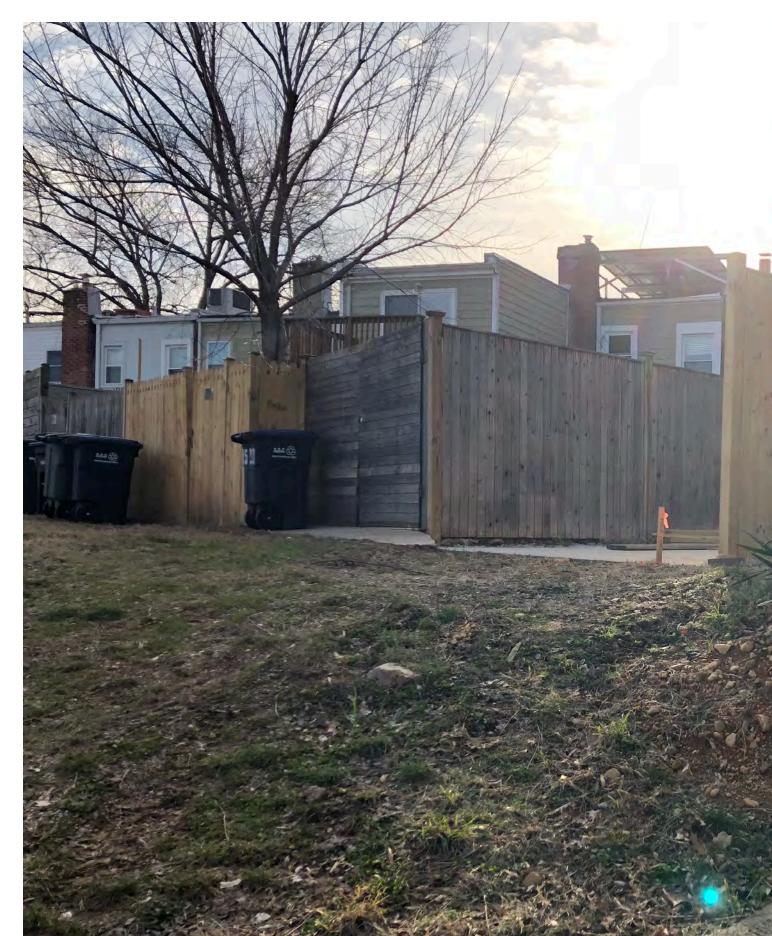
















MINUTES ANC 6A EDZ Committee Meeting Sherwood Recreation Center, (640 10th ST NE) Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at 7:00 pm

Present:

Members: Brad Greenfield (Chair), Missy Boyette, Jake Joyce, Nick Alberti, Mike Cushman Commissioners: Mike Soderman

Brad Greenfield chaired the meeting.

<u>Community Comment</u> None.

Previously Heard Cases None.

Old Business

Chairman Brad Greenfield reviewed the previously heard cases.

New Business

1. 1301 H Street, NE: Request for relief of Residential Parking Permit restrictions from a resident at 1301 H Street, NE.

The Committee heard from residents of 1301 H Street NE. This project was previously considered and given support by the Committee and the ANC. As a condition of this support, the developer agreed that restrictions on Residential Parking Permits (RPP) would be placed into the sales documents and condominium by-laws. This is a standard practice for ANC6A. Additionally, the H Street Overlay also has restrictions on RPPs for any address on H Street.

A resident of 1301 H described the building as 9 units, with 2 parking spots available to residents on a first come first served basis. There is no parking (unzoned) without a 15/20-minute walk from the building. Residents described the lack of parking and RPP restrictions as a hardship, particularly for residents with children.

Mr. Greenfield noted that RPP is restricted for the building as it has an H street address. By law, there is a DDOT restriction.

Mr. Greenfield noted that the parking in the H Street area is hardest on Friday and Saturday nights. Through the past 5 years, developers always say they are targeting people who do not want cars. Developers say they do not need all the zoning required spaces and promise to support that claim by giving up RPP; residents without cars do not need RPP stickers.

Another person from the building stated that may have been the deal for the developers but the current resident owners have purchased their units at considerable price and have helped improve H street. The residents of 1301 H are asking for ANC support to build their case with DDOT to lift the RPP restrictions.





A resident of 1301 H said there will continue to be significant and continued development. H Street will have more units in the future, with increased density. The area will be completely different and, if the RPP restrictions continue, it will cause problems.

Residents of the building noted they are owners, rather than renters, and they represent long term residents. They feel that RPP restrictions are an unjustified restriction on residents, and make them feel as though they are second class citizens.

Committee member Nick Alberti stated that the RPP restrictions should have been included in the sales materials and should have been reviewed with the owners when they purchased their units. The residents said they were not explicitly told that H Street addresses were not allowed RPP.

Mr. Greenfield stated that this reminded him of the case at 1111 H, where balconies were installed at-risk and blocked by a new development. Residents there were not informed that their balconies could be blocked by future development.

The building residents said the builder told them the addresses were on 13th street and they were not aware of the restriction until they were registering at the DMV. The closest non-zoned parking is Florida Avenue. Walking home is dark and unsafe; many residents in the building have families. The builder did not tell them the RPP was restricted in the design of the building.

Mr. Greenfield noted that when this building came before the EDZ, the Committee would have demanded that the address on the H Street side as a condition of getting ANC support. Mr. Alberti noted that the RPP restrictions are in the zoning code, and enforced by DDOT, so the restrictions would be in place even without the ANC.

Mr. Greenfield noted that the RPP restriction is a common restriction placed on large developments. In practice it is very difficult to have the RPP restriction enforced, as the DDOT system has many holes and may not enforce the restriction. The Policy is to mitigate parking; to do so in the DDOT system an H street address is necessary.

Mr. Greenfield stated that the Committee was sympathetic to residents, but it is a slippery slope to relax RPP restrictions. If it was done for this building, other buildings and developers would also demand a loosening of RPP restrictions. A resident of 1301 H asked if there could be a threshold established, that buildings over 9 units would still require RPP restrictions while smaller buildings would not. Mr. Greenfield noted that this would be an arbitrary standard and would result in a worsening of the parking situation in the area.

Committee member Jake Joyce noted that the number of spaces is a zoning requirement, and this developer sought a special exception to allow them fewer spaces. The only reason the ANC supported this request was because of the acceptance of RPP restrictions.

Residents of the building noted that they are frustrated. They understand where the EDZ is coming from, however residents hope to be considered as more than just a building. Committee member Mike Cushman said the Committee understands that and knows many constituents get no parking, not those affected by the H Street covenant. We view the residents as neighbors and members of the community.





Mr. Greenfield made a motion that the ANC oppose any relief of RPP restrictions on 1301 H Street NE. Mr. Cushman seconded the motion. Mr. Greenfield noted that residents would be able to argue their case before the full ANC. Residents asked that their request for RPP relief be withdrawn, rather than have the ANC formally oppose the request. Mr. Greenfield noted that if the EDZ takes no action, the RPP restrictions and the ANC6A policy would stay in place. Mr. Greenfield agreed to table the motion. Residents of 1301 H asked if they could come back before the Committee if DDOT shows some willingness to change its policy on RPP restriction on H Street addresses. Mr. Greenfield said that the Committee would be willing to hear another request only if there was new information to be presented.

Mr. Greenfield made a motion that ANC6A send a letter to local real estate agents reminding them that H Street addresses are subject to RPP restrictions, and it is their duty to inform prospective purchasers of this restriction prior to purchase. Mr. Joyce seconded this motion. It passed 6-0.

2. DC Draft Comprehensive Plan Updates

In opening comments, Mr. Greenfield noted that Capitol Hill Village (CHV) did a really good job with comments, and they were very thorough and well thought out. Representatives of Capital Hill Village were present and noted that their organization is composed of senior citizens and they are focused on aging in place on Capitol Hill

Mr. Greenfield noted that the high-level changes that were approved last month could be integrated into the changes proposed by CHV.

CHV gave a quick introduction that the front page has 5 main actions. The comprehensive plan has very little non-independent health services, which are expensive and demanding. There are 13,000 disabled residents in our area as of 2017, with most local support facilities in upper Northwest. Northeast has no adult day care and no memory care. CHV noted that middle income residents are forgotten; costs can be over \$30k a year; long term care is even more. There is nowhere for the people who would work in these assistive communities to live nearby.

Commissioner Mike Soderman raised the point that it is important to age the way we all want, and he had no objections to their main points. He stated that the city incentivized a ballpark; DC should incentivize cradle-to-grave planning.

Mr. Alberti stated that all of CHV's objectives were on-point, and recommended raising these with the DC City Council as well as seeking to include them in the comprehensive plan. CHV noted they want to make a cover letter for their cover letter to raise the main points for the Council.

Mr. Greenfield proposed create a document in a shared space, like Dropbox, and share edit rights, with track comments, with a deadline of Feb 5, 2020. There will then be an e-mail vote on the entire package.

Mr. Greenfield made a motion that the ANC incorporate the proposed CHV changes into The Committee's proposed changes, with edits being reviewed by the entire Committee. Mr. Joyce seconded, and the motion passed 6 – 0.



Committee Reports Economic Development and Zoning Committee



Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting: Wednesday, February 19, 2020 7:00-9:00 pm 640 10th Street NE Sherwood Recreation Center, 2nd Floor





February XX, 2020

Mr. Clifford Moy Secretary of the Board of Zoning Adjustment Board of Zoning Adjustment 441 4th St. NW, Suite 210 Washington, DC 20001

Re: BZA Case No. 20190 (653 8th Street NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on February `3, 2020, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the Applicant's request under Subtitle U § 320.2 to add a fourth unit to a three-unit apartment building in a RF-1 zone as described in the December 13, 2019 Referral Memorandum to ANC 6A. The addition of a fourth unit to this apartment building at 653 8th Street, N.E. (Square 913, Lot 175) would reduce the lot area per unit to far below the standards articulated by Title 11 of the DCMR.

The zoning regulations that apply to this case, as included the Referral Memorandum to the ANC 6A and other government bodies, differs from those referenced in the Case Report that appears on the Office of Zoning's website. While the Referral Memorandum specifies that Subtitle U § 320.2 applies to this case, the Case Report on the Office of Zoning's website does not mention U § 320.2 but instead specifies that the applicable code is U § 301.1(h). Notwithstanding the omission of a mention of Subtitle U § 320.2 in the Case Report on Office of Zoning's website, ANC 6A believes that that Subtitle U § 320.2 does apply to this case and must be considered when determining if a special exception is to be granted.

The subject lot sits in a RF-1 zone. The total land area of the lot is 1140 sq. ft. The existing building currently has three (3) residential units with 380 sq. ft. of lot area per unit. The addition of a fourth unit would result in a twenty-five percent (25%) reduction of lot area per unit, down to 285 sq. ft. per unit. That is well below the standards as articulated in Subtitle U § 320.2 and E § 201.4. In determining whether to grant a special exception in this case the BZA must consider whether the relief sought meets the conditions and intent of those sections of the zoning code.

The Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) may grant a special exception pursuant to Subtitle X § 901.2 where the special exception will (1) 'be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps' and (2) 'meet such special conditions as may be specified in this title'. The intent of the Zoning Regulations and the special conditions that must be met in this case are set forth in Subtitles E § 201.4:

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An apartment house in an RF-1, RF-2, or RF-3 zone, whether existing before May 12, 1958, or converted pursuant to the 1958 Regulations, or pursuant to Subtitle U §§ 301.2 or 320.2, may not be renovated or expanded so as to increase the number of dwelling units unless there are nine hundred square feet (900 sq. ft.) of lot area for each dwelling unit, both existing and new.

This application does not meet the condition that there be 900 sq. ft. of lot area per unit nor does it meet the intent of Subtitle § 201.4 which is to prohibit expansion of a multiunit dwelling in an RF-1 zone which does not have 900 sq. ft. per unit.

As correctly stated in the Referral Memorandum to ANC 6A and others, Subtitle U § 320.2 is a section of the zoning code that applies to this case. A special exception is permitted by Subtitle U § 320.2(m):

An apartment house in an RF-1, RF-2 or RF-3 zone, converted from a residential building prior to June 26, 2015, or converted pursuant to Subtitle A §§ 301.9, 301.10, or 301.11 shall be considered a conforming use and structure, but shall not be permitted to expand either structurally or through increasing the number of units, unless approved by the Board of Zoning Adjustment pursuant to Subtitle X, Chapter 9, and this section (emphasis added).

The phrase 'this section' refers to Subtitle U 320.2 in its entirety. Thus, the increase in the number of units is prohibited since the application does not meet the requirements of U 320.2(d):

There shall be a minimum of nine hundred square feet (900 sq. ft.) of land area per dwelling unit;

For the reasons stated above that ANC 6A recommends denial of special exception for the application in BZA Case No. 20190.

Please be advised that Brad Greenfield, Nick Alberti and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at amberanc6a@gmail.com and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A





Comprehensive Plan Introduction Element ANC6A Comments

1. 100.5 Planning for an Inclusive City needs to recognize the special needs of the growing number of older adults, especially as they become frail. To this end, ANC6A recommends the following addition to 100.5:

100.5 As we think about our future, other issues arise. How will people get around the city in 20 years? Where will our children go to school? How will the needs of our growing aging population be met as they move from being active older adults to becoming less capable to take care of themselves? Will police and fire services be adequate? Will our rivers be clean? Will our air be healthy? How will we resolve the affordable housing crisis and ensure that housing choices are available for all residents? How do we address housing affordability and ensure that current and longtime residents have a place in the future of the city? How can we ensure that residents have access to the thousands of new jobs we are expecting? How can we ensure the District continues to produce jobs and that District residents have the supports they need to take these jobs and find pathways to success? How will the best parts of will the character of our neighborhoods be conserved preserved and the challenging parts improved? How will federal and local interests be balanced? 100.5

2. 103.4 Figure 1.1 <u>1.2</u>: The Family of Plans 103.4 ANC6A notes that several important plans are not included in this figure.

(1) <u>Add DC City Council mandated "10-year Senior Strategic Plan.</u> The Department of Aging and Community Living is the lead agency in developing this comprehensive city-wide plan.
(2) <u>Add "Reservation 13 Master Plan" to this figure</u>. We suggest it might fit under "Area Elements - Related Studies and Plans."

Land Use Element ANC6A Comments

309.6 ANC6A suggests several revisions to the discussion of what makes a good neighborhood and proposes recognition of a broader range of diversity.

309.6 What Makes a Great Neighborhood?

A successful neighborhood should create a sense of belonging, civic pride, and a collective sense of stewardship and responsibility for the community's present and future among all residents. Indeed, a neighborhood's success must be measured by more than the income of its residents or the size of its homes. Building upon the In 2004, "A Vision for Growing an Inclusive City" identified essential physical qualities that all neighborhoods should share. These included:

• Transportation options for those without a car, including convenient bus service, <u>car sharing, bicycle</u> <u>facilities</u>, and safe access for pedestrians;

• Easy access to shops and services meeting day-to-day needs, such as child care, groceries, and sit-down restaurants;

• Housing choices, including homes for renters and for owners, and a range of units that meet different needs of the community;

• Safe, clean public gathering places, such as parks and plazas—places to meet neighbors, places for children to play, and places to exercise or connect with nature;





• Quality public services, including police and fire protection, <u>high-quality</u>, safe and modernized schools, <u>health services</u>, and libraries and recreation centers that can be conveniently accessed (though not necessarily located within the neighborhood itself);

• Distinctive character and a "sense of place", defined by neighborhood architecture, visual landmarks and vistas, streets, public spaces, and historic places;

• Evidence of visible public maintenance and investment—proof that the city "cares" about the neighborhood and is responsive to its needs; and

• A healthy natural environment, with street trees and greenery, and easy access to the city's open space system.

The understanding of what makes a great neighborhood has evolved, particularly in terms of addressing social equity, advancing sustainability, and building community resilience to everyday challenges as well as environmental and manmade disasters. Where a resident lives - their neighborhood - remains one of the greatest predictors of individual health and economic outcomes. To achieve inclusive growth, neighborhood success must not only include achieving the desired physical characteristics but also ensuring that every community plays a part in supporting investment and development that advances neighborhood vitality, growth, and economic mobility, and increases access, equity, and where appropriate, jobs. A neighborhood's success must be measured by more than the income of its residents or the size of its homes. A successful neighborhood should create a sense of belonging and civic pride, and a collective sense of stewardship and responsibility for the community's future among all residents.

Today, we recognize that great neighborhoods include racially, socially, and physically diverse residents and offer access to support services for those who have special needs, such as seniors who are becoming frail and others with disabilities. The positive elements that create the identity and character of each neighborhood should be preserved and enhanced. enhanced in the future. 309.6

Transportation Element ANC6A Comments

- **3.** Nomenclature. Capitol Hill Village, a neighborhood-based "senior village" with over 500 older adult members, endorses the substitution of "older adult" for "elderly" throughout the Element.
- 4. 403.5. ANC6A believes that planning and policy new transportation technology should also include addressing the increasing availability and use of micromobility options such as escooters. The District must address how these micromobility systems interact with traffic and pedestrians, what are the rules of behavior, and how they use public space.
- **5.** 410.6 Policy T-2.4.2: Pedestrian Safety. ANC6A supports the policy that addresses pedestrian safety and endorses the proposed additions of additional types of pedestrian safety devices and approaches to 410.6 Policy T-2.4.2.
- **6.** 410.8 Policy T-2.4.4: Sidewalk Obstructions. ANC6A endorses this policy with the proposed change in nomenclature.
- **7.** 411.15. Action T-2.5.A: Maintenance Funds. ANC6A urges the city to improve sidewalk lighting in neighborhoods and to maintain sidewalks to reduce tripping hazards. This would make walking safer





both from helping prevent injuries and increasing personal security. Specifically, we recommend revision of 411.15 as follows:

411.15. Action T-2.5.A: Maintenance Funds.

Provide sufficient funding sources to maintain, and repair the District's system of <u>sidewalks</u>, streets and alleys, including its street lights and traffic control systems, bridges, street trees <u>and their roots</u>, and other streetscape improvements. 411.15

8. After 410.14,ANC6A proposes a new action item as follows:

<u>NEW. Action T-2.4 G Pedestrian oriented street lighting.</u> Develop a program in coordination with the Metropolitan Police to prioritize improving pedestrian oriented lighting of sidewalks.

9. After 420.11, NEW. Policy T-4.1.4: Accommodating Evacuation Needs. ANC6A very much endorses the addition of this new policy to ensure consideration of residents who have access and functional needs in emergency evacuation planning.

Housing Element ANC6A Comments

ANC6A endorses the Age Friendly DC Initiative's contribution to the Comprehensive Plan. We are pleased to see that the changing older adult housing needs are recognized.

1. *500.2.* ANC6A proposes that Section 500.2 recognize the special housing challenges facing our older adult population faces as they become frail as follows:

500.2. The critical housing issues facing the District of Columbia are addressed in this section. These include:

- Ensuring housing affordability across all incomes
- Furthering fair housing opportunities especially in high cost areas
- Fostering housing production <u>to improve affordability</u>
- Preserving existing affordable housing
- Promoting more housing proximate to transit and linking new housing to
 transit
- <u>Restoration or demolition of vacant blighted properties</u>
 - Conserving existing housing stock
- Maintaining healthy homes for residents
- Promoting appropriate housing alternatives for older adults and other vulnerable populations, that include social and health services
 - Promoting home ownership
 - Ending Homelessness

• Providing housing integrated with supportive services for residents with special needs. integrated with supportive services. 500.2

2. 503.8 Policy H-1.1.7: Large Sites. The omission of senior services is a serious omission and can be rectified by the following revision:

503.8 Policy H-1.1.7: New Neighborhoods. Large Sites.





Accommodate a significant share of the District's projected housing demand in "new neighborhoods" developed on large sites formerly used for government functions. In addition to giving priority to market rate and affordable housing, these neighborhoods must should include or have access to well-planned retail, public schools, attractive parks, open space and recreation, enable resilient, innovative neighborhood level energy systems, as well as needed supportive services for seniors and other residents with special needs. The new neighborhoods should include a variety of housing types, serving a diverse population and a variety of income levels. 503.8

3. 505.5 ANC6A recommends important changes to this paragraph about the need for diverse housing stock:

505.5 An important part of growing <u>"inclusively" inclusively</u> is to <u>develop and</u> maintain, <u>across</u> <u>neighborhoods and throughout the city</u>, a <u>diverse</u> housing stock <u>of all sizes and types</u> that can fit the needs of <u>the all variety</u> of these households <u>including growing families as well as singles</u>, <u>couples</u>, and aging residents who hope to stay in their homes or choose to <u>as they transition</u> <u>from independence</u> to <u>skilled nursing care alternative housing</u>. At its most extreme, market pressures may result in displacement as affordable large rental units are converted to <u>"luxury"</u> upscale condos or upscale apartments. More often, these pressures <u>simply</u> mean that families are having a harder time finding suitable housing in the city. The vacancy rate provides a good barometer of this dilemma. In <u>2004</u> <u>2017</u>, the vacancy rate was <u>8.8</u> <u>13</u> percent for studios and one bedroom units, but it was just <u>4.4</u> <u>8</u> percent for units that were two three bedrooms or larger.

4. 505.8 Policy H-1.3.3: Assisted Living and Skilled Nursing. ANC6A fully supports the Policy H-1.3.3 with the addition of adult day service to facilities. Such facilities, which would also provide services to families caring for family members with dementia, are greatly needed in the Capitol Hill Planning Area. ANC6A recommends the following

with dementia, are greatly needed in the Capitol Hill Planning Area. ANC6A recommends the following revision to this policy:

505.8 Policy H-1.3.3: Assisted Living, <u>Adult Day Services</u>, and Skilled Nursing. Promote the development of <u>neighborhood based</u> assisted living, <u>adult day services with dementia</u> <u>care</u>, and skilled nursing facilities. Zoning and health regulations should be designed to promote an increase in supply, security, and affordability of housing for the elderly older adults. 505.8

5. 506.12 Policy H-1.4.6: Whole Neighborhood Approach. The omission of senior services is serious and can be rectified by the following revision:

506.12 Policy H-1.4.6: Whole Neighborhood Approach. Ensure that the planning for, and new construction of housing is accompanied by concurrent planning and programs to improve neighborhood services, schools, job training, child care, <u>senior services</u>, food access, parks, community gardens and open spaces,

health care facilities, police and fire facilities, transportation, and emergency response capacity. 506.12

6. <u>NEW H-4.3 Meeting the needs of Specific Groups.</u> (page. 73)

ANC6A recommends that the Office of Planning check the forecasted demographics provided under "Older Adults" on page 74. In studying the obvious error in the number of 85+ year olds projected for 2030, ANC6A found the 2030 projection of 60+ year olds is different than that given in the Community Services and Facilities (CSF) Element (1108).





Capitol Hill Village suggests OP correct the number by using the 2030 projection used in the CSF element, Chapter 11, which is141,000. As we do not know OP's methodology for projecting the number of residents over 85, we suggest a reasonable forecast might be to use the projected number of residents over 85 at the same percentage level experienced in 2017. Using our analysis, ANC6A proposes the following update:

Pasted Seniors Older Adults

In <u>2000-2017</u>, there were <u>70,000</u> <u>118,275</u> District residents <u>age 60 and</u> over-<u>65</u>, including <u>8,500</u> <u>12,133</u> residents-over 85 <u>and over</u>. As the baby boom generation matures and as average lifespan increases, the population of <u>seniors</u> residents age <u>60 and over</u> in the District is expected to increase dramatically. At the national level, the Census projects the number of senior citizens will increase by 104 percent between 2000 and 2030-almost four times the rate of the population at large. <u>By 2030, there</u> <u>will be 133,000141,000</u> residents 60 and over, of which <u>12,00014,500 will be 85 and older</u>. There will be a need for a broad range of senior living environments, serving residents across the income spectrum.

7. Policy H-4.2.2 4.3.2: Housing Choice for Seniors Older Adults . (page 76)

ANC6A is pleased the Comprehensive Plan recognizes the role of "senior village" organizations, of which there are now over a dozen in the District of Columbia alone. We recommend the concept be defined for the readers of the Comprehensive Plan as set out below.

Pasted Policy H-4.2.2 4.3.2: Housing Choice for Seniors <u>Older Adults</u> Provide a wide variety of affordable housing choices for the District's seniors <u>older adults that enable</u> them to age in their neighborhoods either by supporting their ability to remain in their home, or by providing <u>new-opportunities for one-level living within multi-unit buildings that include</u> <u>universal design elements and intergenerational options</u>. taking Take into account the income range and health-care needs of this population. Recognize the <u>coming forecasted</u> growth in the <u>senior</u> <u>older adult</u> population so that the production and rehabilitation of publicly-assisted senior housing that meets universal design standards becomes a major governmental priority. Acknowledge and support the establishment of Senior Villages* throughout the city that <u>help</u> seniors to remain in their homes and <u>communities</u>. <u>age in-place</u>. 516.8

* <u>A Senior Village is a neighborhood-based organization that relies largely on volunteers to</u> design and conduct social, wellness, and educational programs and to provide volunteer services such as transportation, errand running, and light household maintenance with the purpose of helping older adults remain in their own homes as long as possible. More information about this nationwide movement is available at the Village to Village Network website: https://www.vtvnetwork.org/

Economic Development Element ANC6A Comments

ANC6A is **very** concerned about the projected shortfall of Home Healthcare Aides (HHA), the workforce that will care for the frail elderly, especially those seeking to age in place. ANC6A has conducted extensive research in this area that we can share with Office of Planning and other governmental agencies. In general, other than a suggested revision in the data presented in Table 7.2, we endorse the several updates to the Comprehensive Plan that would be of particular benefit to this workforce. We look forward to seeing what action the city might take to effect these aspirations.

1. NEW Figure 7.2 Cross-Cutting Industry Clusters Identified by the 2016 DC's Economic Strategy (certified as the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy or CEDS by the U.S. Economic Development Administration in August 2017).





The Office of Planning should clarify implications of Table 7.2 for occupational as well as sector projections or supplement the table with occupation-specific projections.

Table 7-2 reports growth projections by industry sector; some of the reported sector categories are very broad (Professional, Scientific and Technical), others more narrowly focused (Home Health Care Services), making assessments of training programs and other growth-supporting initiatives difficult. In addition, categories overlap – in NAICS classifications, Ambulatory Healthcare Services, for example, includes home health services, yet in the D.C. data, Home Health Care Services are separately listed. While perhaps useful as an illustration of core sectors in the D.C. economy, data by occupation would be more useful for planning purposes.

ANC6A has conducted extensive research into the projected shortfall in Home Healthcare Aides and Personal Care Aides (who help with basic activities of daily living for persons unable to live independently without support) which require the attention of the D.C. government. All of the by-occupation projections we have found place Home Healthcare workers in the top three (and usually the first) both nationally and in D.C. of projected needs occupations over the next decade. Capitol Hill Village analysts are very willing to share these data with the Office of Planning and other entities.

For example, District of Columbia projected job openings for Home Healthcare Aides and Personal Care Aides are as follows (DOES OLMRI data):

	2016	2026 (projected)	# change	%change
Home Health Care Aides	4,996	7,627	2631	52%
Personal Care Aides	6,012	8,563	2551	42%
TOTAL	11,008	16,190	5182	47%

2. 716.8 ANC6A Endorses the retention of this policy with one OP proposed revision:

716.8 Existing Policy ED-4.1.3 Certification and Associate Programs Support the continued contributions of colleges and universities in providing career-building opportunities for District-adults **residents**, including literacy and job training programs as well as professional certificate and two-year degree programs. The District will strongly support the University of the District of Columbia (UDC) as a public institution of higher learning, a place of continuing education, and a ladder to career advancement for District residents. 716.8

3. 716.9. ANC6A endorses the proposed revision to the policy on adult education as set forth below:

716.9 Policy ED-4.1.4: Adult Education

Support adult education and workforce development, career and technical training for unskilled adult workers of all ages. Continue to innovate with programs that blend adult education and basic skills remediation with occupational skills and work <u>- Increase and more effectively target</u> resources for adult education and workforce development, vocational training, and technical training for unskilled adult workers.716.9

4. ANC6A endorses the following proposed new policy.

NEW Policy ED-4.1.7 Interjurisdictional Professional Licensing Agreements Encourage and support professional licensing boards/commissions to adopt interjurisdictional agreements that enable workers licensed in domestic jurisdictions other than the District of Columbia to reasonably obtain licensure to work in the District.

5. ANC6A proposes a new Action Item as follows:

Action ED-4.1.H Interjurisdictional Professional Licensing Agreement for Home Healthcare Aides.





The Department of Health licensing board for Home Healthcare Aides should pursue interjurisdictional agreements that would enable such workers licensed in other jurisdictions to reasonably obtain licensure to work in the District.

6. 717.16 ANC6A endorses the proposed revision of the policy on Limited English Proficiency and Literacy.

717.16 Policy ED-4.2.8: Limited English Proficiency and Literacy

Promote collaboration between the District's education, human services, juvenile justice, and workforce development agencies to better serve the city's English Language Learners (ELL) and Limited English Proficiency (LEP) populations, reduce barriers to employment, and connect residents with education and training opportunities, that lead to successful employment. Encourage English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) programs and literacy training for residents in need of such services in order to overcome barriers to employment. English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) programs and literacy training for residents in need of such services in order to overcome barriers to employment. 717.16

10. ANC6A endorses the proposed new paragraph after 718.3 with the clarification that it is transitaccessible affordable housing that is imperative.

NEW Transit-accessible affordable housing matching the needs of the workforce is imperative.

As Washington, DC continues growing, its housing market is becoming more complex, characterized by increased segmentation of the market rate and affordable housing stock. As a consequence, this increased complexity necessitates closer alignment between economic development planning, housing planning and transportation planning to ensure that growth is equitable and sustainable.) Planners should also recognize that housing needs to be transitaccessible for workers coming to the work location, as well as for the residents living there. For example, many homecare workers face transportation and parking challenges in accessing client homes. Older adults confront similar challenges in accessing health services. The creative design of large site developments, that are attentive to access issues for both workers and residents, and that include a mix of housing types and services, will help promote workforce development and quality of life.

8. Information derived from the following ANC6A proposed new action will help those who plan programs for developing the home healthcare aide workforce and providing these services.

Action ED-4.3.E : Determine the number of homecare workers who travel to their work site via public transportation and by private vehicle. In addition, determine their average commute time.

9. Homecare Cooperatives offer a potentially viable business model for the Home Healthcare Aide workforce, one that has been shown to reduce turnover, improve wages and benefits, provide enhanced training and on-the-job supports, and develop leadership and career advancement opportunities. In this context, several of the proposed policies would facilitate the development of homecare cooperatives. ANC6A endorses the following:

<u>New Policy ED-3.2.8: Employee Owned and Controlled Businesses</u>
 <u>Support the creation and advancement of employee owned and controlled businesses.</u>
 <u>Consider techniques such as public funding to support the formation of cooperatives;</u>
 prioritizing worker cooperatives in contracting and procurement opportunities; aligning





preferences for cooperatives with workforce and economic development initiatives; training partnerships with workforce development programs; and providing technical assistance including financial and legal services.

- <u>New Policy ED 1.1.4: Promote Local Entrepreneurship</u>
 <u>Support District residents seeking entrepreneurship opportunities through layered programs</u>
 <u>including technical assistance, promotion of District products and services, and market</u>
 <u>development.</u>
- 703.16 Action ED-1.1.C Business Support Structures.
 Streamline processes and create a more centralized system <u>that assists</u> to assist <u>businesses in</u> <u>meeting to meet</u> regulatory requirements quickly and efficiently, with a particular focus on serving small businesses, <u>businesses that show the promise to create many jobs</u>, and <u>businesses that help the District meet goals such as its commitments to reduce greenhouse gases. Continue Centralize centralizing</u> information and assistance to small and local businesses on starting a new business, the business permitting processes, zoning, fees and regulations, incentives, financing, unique programs, and opportunities. Create <u>and</u> maintain <u>a</u> fast-track permits and approvals system for businesses interested in opening or expanding in priority, under-served neighborhoods. 703.16
- Endorse: Action ED-1.1.D Improve Access to Capital and Financing Opportunities
 Support collaboration between District agencies and private organizations that facilitate
 increased access to capital for District entrepreneurs. This includes strategic grantmaking,
 facilitating small business access to capital, and facilitating new forms of investment, such
 as social impact investing and Opportunity Funds.

10. <u>Note</u>: For the sake of completeness, we include below our comments on Workforce Development that ANC6A is submitting to the Educational Facilities Element. The <u>text in bold underlined blue</u> represents ANC6A's proposed additions.

NEW Policy EDU-3.2.3 Workforce Development

Strengthen connections among educational programs, skills training, and workforce development initiatives to support development of career pathways and prosperity for all. Current Home Healthcare Aide (HHA) training opportunities for HHA certification are limited and often expensive in D.C. There is significant growth potential in the public school/community college sector for certification programs that train HHAs and facilitate bridging Certified Nursing Assistance (CNA) and HHA certifications.

Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Element ANC6A Comments

ANC6A is pleased that the Draft Comprehensive Plan recognizes the value and need for city parks and recreational programs for older citizens. Such programs are important for seniors who without recreation and leisure activities can become socially isolated which is detrimental to their overall health.

1. 805.4 NEW. Need for improved data collection. *ANC6A endorses this new section on data driven programming as recommended by OP.*

2. 809.12 NEW Action PROS 2.1.C: Parks Restroom Inventory. ANC6A strongly_endorses this proposed new inventory.





3. <u>809.12 NEW. Action PROS-2.1F: Action PROS-2.2L.</u> ANC6A believes that despite good steps forward, the Parks and Recreation Element should be strengthened with regard to addressing the recreational and leisure needs of DC's older residents. Accordingly, ANC6A recommends the following two new action items that we believe are appropriate to the Comprehensive Plan and necessary to meet the needs of aging residents.

- a. 809.12 NEW Action PROS-2.1F: Integrating Needs of Seniors into Plans. The Parks Master Plan and Master Plans for Individual Parks, as appropriate, should include the following for older adult
 - Recreation Center programming for older adults during the summer months.
 - Indoor facilities to include walking tracks so older adults can continue their walking programs in rainy and cold weather.
 - Benches be placed along side pedestrian paths every 1/8 of a mile.

b. 809.12 NEW Action PROS-2.2L Enhancing effectiveness of programming for Older Adults. Work with Senior Villages and other non-governmental organizations to determine how community-based organizations can enhance the effectiveness of older adult recreational programs.

4. 810. 7 Policy PROS-2.2.3: Program Diversity. ANC6A endorses the policy **on program** diversity and the recognition of Senior Villages. As we have in our review of other elements, we recommend a footnote that explains what senior villages are and where to get more information. We also believe this section would be strengthened by referring to "community based organizations" of which Senior Villages are one.

810. 7 Policy PROS-2.2.3: Program Diversity . Provide diverse recreation activities <u>to promote</u> <u>healthy living</u> for persons of all ages and cultural backgrounds, distributed equitably in all parts of the city. Coordinate <u>activities and offerings</u> with

other service providers, including DC Public Schools, **and <u>community-based organizations, such as</u>** <u>"Senior Villages*,"</u> to maximize the effectiveness of service delivery and minimize redundancy. 810.7

* <u>A Senior Village is a neighborhood-based organization that relies largely on volunteers to</u> design and conduct social, wellness, and educational programs and to provide volunteer services such as transportation, errand running, and light household maintenance with the purpose of helping older adults remain in their own homes as long as possible. More information about this nationwide movement can be found at the Village to Village Network website: https://www.vtvnetwork.org/.

5. 810.8. Policy PROS-2.2.4 Data-Driven Programming. ANC6A endorses this new proposal.

6. **810.9 Policy PROS-2.2.56 Special Needs.** ANC6A endorses the following which includes significant and welcome new policy, but we urge recognition of the special needs of older residents, many of whom remain active and do not have disabilities:

810.9. Policy PROS-2.2.56: Special Needs

Increase efforts to meet the needs of special <u>underserved</u> population groups, particularly <u>older</u> <u>residents and</u> persons with disabilities. Provide "barrier free" access by modifying existing facilities to accommodate the needs of the disabled <u>and modifying existing indoor and outdoor facilities</u> <u>and parks to accommodate the needs of people with disabilities. Explore the use of</u> <u>alternative participation styles and formats in the program curriculum so that activities can</u>





be easily adjusted to allow people with disabilities and other special needs to participate. 810.9

Urban Design Element ANC6A Comments

More than perhaps other segments of society, older adults need to have safe sidewalks and walking trails with places to sit and rest. They also need access to safe and clean public restrooms. The effects of the Urban Design Element not only address the needs of DC's older citizens but also the needs and comfort of the hundreds of thousands of older tourists who come here each year.

3. ANC6A endorses without change the following new proposed Actions:

• NEW Action UD-2.1.B: Standards for Street Furniture

Produce standards for street furniture in public space, such as benches, trash cans, and bike racks, that designate spacing, layout, and other characteristics that promote socialization and interaction, as well as public health and wellbeing.

• <u>New Action UD-2.1D Public Restrooms in Streetscapes</u>

When designing and upgrading streets and sidewalks in commercial areas, investigate opportunities to install attractive, clean, safe standalone public restrooms that are accessible at all hours.

4. ANC6A endorses, with a proposed addition, the following new policy on neighborhood streetscapes:

NEW Policy at UD-2.1.2: on Neighborhood Streetscapes Neighborhood streetscapes should be designed to visually reflect the character and level of intensity of the adjacent land uses. For instance, narrow sidewalks may be appropriate for narrow streets with low-scale buildings, while sidewalks with more trees and vegetation My may be appropriate for large-scale developments. Pedestrian oriented lighting should be designed to enhance walking thoroughfares to public transportation hubs as well as visually reflect the character of neighborhood.

Community Services and Facilities Element ANC6A Comments

1. ANC6A supports the following new policy and revised action if amended to include the addition of senior services and to recognize the needs of our growing older adult population.

<u>NEW Policy CSF-1.1.10: Agency Coordination for Co-Location Strategies</u> <u>Ensure that the Civic Facilities Plan includes inter-agency coordination for co-location of public</u> <u>uses early in planning and project initiation processes to ensure that critical input is captured</u> <u>and incorporated. Joint planning of District-operated facilities with other community facilities</u> <u>such as schools, senior services, health clinics, community kitchens, healthy food growing or</u> <u>retail spaces, and non-profit service centers should also be supported through ongoing</u> <u>communication and collaboration among relevant District agencies and outside agencies and</u> <u>partners.</u>

1103.15 Action CSF-1.1.A: Civic Master Public Facilities Plan





Continue to dDevelop and refine the District's multi-layered approach to a Master Public Ffacilities master pPlanning (MPFP) to ensure adequate community facilities and infrastructure are provided for existing residents and can be provided for new neighborhoods in Washington, DC, and to including by providinge guidance for the long-term (six-year) Capital Improvements Program (CIP) and the 6-year annual capital budget. The approach MPFP should include an assessment of all Districtowned or maintained community facilities and property and should identify what improvements are needed to correct deficiencies and address planned growth and change in the District. The facilities plan should be continuously maintained and updated regularly with new priorities and timelines. As needed. the Comprehensive Plan should be amended to incorporate the MPFP master facilities planning findings and to add newly developed benchmarks and standards, acreage and locational requirements for various public uses, and identification of sites for new or refurbished facilities. As part of this work the MPFP and for each planning cluster, the appropriate planning agency shall continue to annually collect and publish data on public school capacity and enrollments, senior services, recreational facilities, libraries, emergency medical service response time, sewers, green space, public transit capacity including bus routes and ridership statistics for Metrorail stations and lines as well as parking availability, and traffic volumes on roads and at key intersections. Thisese data should be used as appropriate when evaluating the need for facility and infrastructure improvements, and for evaluating appropriate densities for development in various neighborhoods both in the rezoning process and for planned unit developments. 1103.15

2. ANC6A agrees with the proposed NEW Policy CSF-2.1.1: Enhance Health Systems and Equity if it is amended to include age as follows:

NEW Policy CSF-2.1.1: Enhance Health Systems and Equity. <u>Support the Strategic Framework for Improving Community Health, which seeks to improve</u> public health outcomes while promoting equity across a range of social determinants that include health, race, income, age, and geography.

- **3.** ANC6A recommends <u>that the Plan include</u> the number of residents that Assisted Living Residences (ALRs) can serve, and their locations by quadrant in the District. We also recommend identifying those ALRs that accept subsidized fees. This is critical for identifying big gaps in the distribution of assisted living units across the city and especially for **identifying gaps in assisted living units available to** lower income older people.
 - a. **NEW** Follows 1106.10. ANC6A notes that a new citation is needed for these new paragraphs.

In addition to hospitals, the District counts on a broad array for facilities that provide a wide range of healthcare and health services. Many of these facilities provide services that enable Washington, DC residents to age in their communities. As of 2017, the District has twelve Assisted Living Residences (ALRs) which provide long-term care in the form of housing, health and personalized assistance. Some Washington, DC residents who are not eligible to receive Medicaid benefits find it challenging to pay for ALR care. Out of a total of 731 ALR living units as of summer 2018, there are none in Wards 5, 6, 7, and 8. Of two currently operating ALR facilities providing any subsidies, there are less than 100 subsidized units. Two ALR buildings in Wards 7 and 8 are planned for 300 units to open in 2021 and 2022 for those with Medicaid waivers. The eight facilities with full-priced ALR units charge basic fees that range from \$45,000 to \$100,000 per year, fees that are beyond the household budgets of DC residents with incomes between 30% and 100% of Median Family Income (MFI). Many of the smaller, private-pay ALR providers closed their doors in recent years due to inability to meet regulatory requirements or attain financial support.





b. NEW Table 11.3. Health Services Facilities in the District (p.35)

To provide meaningful data or the amount of service provided by facilities, ANC6A recommends:

- Insertion of a new column, called "Number of living units/or beds," after the column "Number in the District".
- Enter the Summer 2019 number of assisted living units in DC, "731", into the data element cell for ALRs and the new column.
- Add similar data for the service numbers (or "beds") available for Hospices and other facilities listed.
- Add to the Notes in the last column that no ALRs were located in Wards 5, 6, 7, or 8.
- 4. 1106.14 (p. 36) ANC6A recommends that "housing" be added to Policy 1106.14 as follows:

Policy CSF 2.3.3 Coordination of to better Serve Special Needs Residents.

Design and coordinate health, <u>housing</u>, and human services to ensure the maximum degree of independence for senior citizens, the disabled, and mentally handicapped. <u>Locate health services</u> within multi-unit senior housing to ensure best and least expensive management of chronic illnesses in these vulnerable groups. <u>These services are particularly important for households</u> with incomes between 30% and 100% of MFI, and the senior citizens who are not eligible for Medicaid and who cannot pay the fees for private ALRs.

5. 1106.18 (p. 37) ANC6A believes hospice facilities are very important for families who cannot manage the needs of dying family members in their homes. Note: A doctor's order stating the patient is in their last 6 months of life is necessary for qualifying for hospice care. The need is great the eastern sections of the District. ANC6A recommends the following revisions:

Policy CSF-2.3.7 Hospices and Long-Term Care Facilities.

Support the development of hospices and other long-term care facilities for persons with advanced HIV/AIDS, cancer and other disabling illnesses.such as dementias, including alzheimers. in all neighborhoods for those who qualify and are unable to receive hospice services in their homes

6. Increasing Supply of Facilities that Support Assisted Living. (NEW Policy CSF-2.3.8)

ANC6A encourages increasing the supply of Assisted Living Residential Facilities but also urges that Adult Day Services with dementia care be added to this policy as the needs are great, especially in the eastern half of the city. The new IONA adult day services scheduled to open in Ward 8 in 2020 and the newly approved Medicare and Medicaid-funded PACE (Program of All-encompassing Care of the Elderly) to be located in Ward 7 are a start to meeting the growing demand for adult day programs. The two large affordable ALR projects in development in Wards 7 and 8 are the only ones designed for large numbers of residents with Medicaid waivers.

NEW Policy CSF-2.3.8: Increasing Supply of Facilities that Support Assisted Living, <u>Adult Day</u> <u>Services and Dementia Care.</u>

Promote expansion of the supply of neighborhood-based facilities that provide assisted living services in Washington, DC. These include Assisted Living Residential facilities (ALRs) and Community Residential Facilities (CRFs) as well as adult daycare facilities.





7. <u>New Policy CSF-2.3.9: Improving Access to Long-term Supports and Services for Vulnerable</u> <u>Populations.</u>

<u>Continue to improve access to Long-term Supports and Services (LTSS) for vulnerable</u> populations, including people with disabilities and older adults and their families. Enhance the network of government and non-profit organizations that provide LTSS to these individuals and seek to improve their experience. Encourage the development and expanding roles of aging-inplace "senior villages" who enlist and train volunteers to provide services to other village members, especially those that are more vulnerable.

*A Senior Village is a neighborhood-based organization that relies largely on volunteers to design and conduct social, wellness, and educational programs and to provide volunteer services such as transportation, errand running, and light household maintenance with the purpose of helping older adults remain in their own homes as long as possible. Learn more about this nationwide movement at the Village to Village Network website: https://www.vtvnetwork.org/

8. ANC6A endorses the following new Action. The idea of smaller ALR/CRG facilities available in more neighborhoods may provide residents the ability to more easily retain friendships and ties to family. Neighborhood based adult day services can be a boon to family members who care for their disabled loved one and who must transport them to such a service.

NEW Action CSF-2.3.B. Increase in Supply of Assisted Living Residential Facilities (ALRs), and of Community Residential Facilities (CRFs), and Adult Day Care Facilities. Explore a variety of approaches for increasing the number of CRGFs as well as small and midsize ALR facilities in underrepresented areas, such as all of Wards 5, 6, 7, and 8, and areas of high need in the District. Promote the construction of affordable ALRs for the elderly and disabled eligible for Medicaid waivers. Promote the construction and launching of ALRs and adult day care that are designed for those older and disabled people with dementias, including Alzheimer's. These approaches can include financial strategies and partnerships as well as regulatory reform. Work to increase community awareness of these needs so that neighborhoods will be ready for the increase in the population of older and disabled residents.

9. **1108 Senior/Older Adult Care (p. 40)** Capitol Hill Village analysts suggest the use of rounded numbers when presenting projections or forecasted data to avoid misleading precision. We recommend that OP add the results of our analysis of American Community Survey data which provides insight into the realities of many aging District residents as follows:

1108<u>.1 The population of older adults or</u> Seniors (persons 60 years of age and older) is expected to continue to grow at a steady rate are expected and to be the fastest growing segment of the District's population during the next <u>15 to</u> 20 years. Although the District's Office on Aging Department of Aging and Community Living (DACL) and several affiliated non-profit organizations already provide a comprehensive system of health care, education, employment, and social services for <u>Washington</u>, DC's the District's elderly population, these entities may be hard pressed to keep up with demand as the number of <u>older adults seniors</u> in the city rises. <u>The 2017 older adult population of 118,275 (17 percent of the total population) is forecasted to rise to <u>132,648</u> 133,000 in 2025 and to <u>141,381</u> <u>141,000 by 2030</u>. As of 2017, Currently, about 45 <u>36</u> percent of the city's <u>older adults seniors 65</u> years and older live alone. Some 43-<u>37.4</u> percent of <u>older adult households</u> have no personal vehicle and 42 <u>36.5</u> percent have some type of a physical disability. <u>One group of older adults is especially</u> vulnerable. In an analysis of a 2017 sample from the U.S. census, of 76,000 District adults 65 or</u>





older living in households, 13,000 had a difficulty (or disability) living independently. Of these 13,000 older adults, 6,200 also had a difficulty with self-care (such as bathing or dressing) and 5,500 had a cognitive difficulty. These are the older people that already need long-term care and long-term support and facilities for these people are already insufficient.

The largest percentages of older adults seniors are in Upper Northwest Rock Creek West and Far Northeast Rock Creek East. Many are homeowners, caring for their properties with diminished on fixed incomes and physical mobility. Others are primary caregivers for their grandchildren, facing the challenge of raising a family in their advancing years. 1108.1

However, a large majority of these households with adults 65 and over, would have extreme difficulty paying for any long-term care. Of 59,000 households with an adult 65 and over, 11,500 have someone who has difficulty living independently. Of these 11,500 households, 4,500 have incomes that are 30% or less of the Median Family Income (MFI), and 5,500 have incomes that are 31% to 100% of MFI.

Those households below 30% of MFI that have Medicaid would qualify for home health aides and a few other services through the Medicaid waiver program. Until 2021, there is no assisted living in wards 5, 6, 7, and 8 that will take Medicaid waivers and very few in Wards 1-4. Those households between 31% and 100% of MFI, sometimes called "the forgotten middle" could not begin to pay for market rate assisted living that ranges from \$45,360 to \$126,000 a year. At the low end of the middle, they could not pay for unsubsidized home aides at \$20 per hour. At the high end they could afford only limited hours of home health aides (for example, home aides at \$20 an hour for 4 hours a day for 5 days a week, would cost \$20,800.) With no paid long-term care, many of these households struggle to manage the disabled older member. 13% percent of these middle income households have only one member, who manages self-care with difficulty. 21% percent of these households are married couple households where a spouse carries the burden of care for the older adult who cannot live independently. (1808.1)

10. ANC6A recommends adding the following action:

Action CSF-2.3.A Develop the Demographics of Residents over 65 who have disabilities to compare with available facilities that can support them. Demographics of DC residents 65 and over with disabilities should be presented by broad location and compared to the availability of the facilities and services for older adults with chronic illnesses, or with certain disabilities. The facilities should include assisted living residences, community residential facilities, and adult day care. The categories of older adult disabilities to be examined should include those with: cognitive difficulty, self-help difficulty and other conditions that create difficulty with living independently.

11. ANC6A recommends the following action item be included to address a looming issue among DC middle income seniors:

CSF-2.3.B "Middle Income" Older Adults—"The Missing Middle"

Conduct a study of those households with older residents over 60 with incomes in the "forgotten middle" range, those with incomes between 30% of Median Family Income and 100% of Median Family Income. (Note: These residents of these households are not eligible for Medicaid nor eligible for public housing but cannot afford much service funded privately. Innovations, such as





providing minimum health care in buildings with large numbers of older adults, can postpone the need for expensive long term care or bankruptcy by these households.)

Overview 1300 Element ANC6A Comment

<u>1317.1</u> One of the basic purposes of the Comprehensive Plan is to improve the linkage **and coordination** between **the city's** development and capital improvement decisions. When well-coordinated, a state of good repair for existing infrastructure can be maintained and infrastructure sufficiency for Washington, DC's growth can be ensured. The District anticipates potential development and/or redevelopment of various large sites in the city,

including at Buzzard Point, Hill East, the Florida Avenue Market, Walter Reed, the Armed Forces Retirement Home, St. Elizabeths, Poplar Point, McMillan, Union Station/Burnham Place, Brentwood, and Bladensburg Road at New York Avenue, NE, <u>around the National Arboretum</u>, and possibly at RFK Stadium. The goal for these efforts is to create vibrant new communities that are effectively integrated with surrounding neighborhoods, and that offer a high-quality experience for residents, workers and visitors. Ensuring infrastructure sufficiency with growth will be critical in coming years, given that existing infrastructure systems may require modernization or expansion to meet the needs of these new areas. However, as this Element highlights, any of the infrastructure improvements required to serve development are funded by entities other than the District of Columbia.

Educational Facilities Element ANC6A Comments

ANC6A supports three of the new policies proposed by the Office of Planning and proposes a new "Action" needed for addressing critical workforce shortfalls.

1. ANC6A endorses the new policy on University Offerings for Older persons but strongly recommends that the policy be amended to include "free" as well as "low cost access. We also suggest revising the "zip code" reference.

NEW Policy EDU-3.2.6: University Offerings for Older Persons <u>Encourage universities to expand free and low-cost access to course and other university</u> <u>offerings to older persons who reside in Washington, DC.</u>, beyond zip codes that directly surround <u>the university</u>.

2. ANC6A endorses without further revision OP's proposed:

NEW Policy EDU-3.3.11: Access to Recreational, Educational, and Cultural Opportunities Support continued access by local neighborhoods to university offerings, such as concerts and lectures, campus green space, continuing education, and low-cost programming for older persons.

3. ANC6A endorses without further revision OP's proposed:

NEW Policy EDU-3.2.3: Workforce Development





Strengthen connections among educational programs, skills training, and workforce development initiatives to support development of career pathways and prosperity for all.

4. ANC6A proposes the addition of a new action that is critically needed to ensure adequately trained home healthcare aids in DC.

NEW Action: EDU-3.2.3A: Addressing Home Healthcare Aide Workforce Development needs. Current Home Healthcare Aide (HHA) training opportunities for HHA certification are limited and often expensive in District. There is significant growth potential in the public school/community college sector for certification programs that train HHAs and facilitate bridging Certified Nursing Assistance (CNA) and HHA certifications. The HHA workforce draws significantly from immigrant populations with the corresponding need for cultural competency and language training.

Using DC Office of Labor Market Research and Information (DC OLMRI) workforce projections, forecast the size of new or additional public school or community college training programs for Home Healthcare Aides.

CAPITOL HILL PLANNING AREA ELEMENT ANC6A Comments

2. 1503.2 Demographics. Based on the numbers in the new Table 15.1, OP's characterization of the growth in the number of seniors in the Planning Area is not correct. ANC6A proposes revision as follows:

1503.2 Since 2000, a majority of the population within the Capitol hill Planning Area (73%) is between the ages of 18 and 65. This is slightly higher than the citywide total of 70 percent. While the *number* of seniors is higher now than in 2010, the *percentage* of seniors within the Planning Area is slightly lower.

- 3. **NEW** Table 15.1. The proposed title should be corrected to read 15.1 Capitol Hill <u>Planning Area</u> at a Glance.
- 4. **1507.** <u>See Introduction for Summary of Community Engagement.</u> ANC6A has not been able to find this summary. Queries to OP on this have not been answered. As a result, ANC6A is uncertain of how our 2017 recommendations were treated in this Draft Amendment..

5. 1508.11. Policy CH-1.1.10: Public Housing.

(a) Please note that the redline draft incorrectly identifies this section as 1509.11, rather than 1508.11.

(b) In ANC6A's participation on the ANC6B Comprehensive Plan Working Group, some community members have reported a high level of anxiety and doubt among residents of public housing in the Planning Area that rehabilitation of public housing projects will be replaced in kind by new public housing units within the community.(2006 Comprehensive Plan 1508.11, see page 19 of Draft Amendments Chapter 15) These residents fear that, to the contrary, this policy will actually result in displacement of residents.



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Existing public housing units provide much needed housing for low income older adults, including grandparents who care for their grandchildren. In fact, we understand that many residents in the Potomac Gardens complex are seniors—either living alone or with extended family. Many of these older residents have called Potomac Gardens Public Housing their home for decades. Some residents do not want to be relocated to new units elsewhere in the community; to relocate means changes in children's and grandchildren's schools, loss of well-known neighbors, and, potentially, less convenient access to public transportation. ANC6A urges OP to consider how the Comprehensive Plan's public housing policy can address and mitigate the impacts on older residents associated with rehabilitation of public housing units.

5. 1508.13 Policy CH-1.1.12 RFK Stadium Area. The lands and resources around RFK stadium and the Reservation 13 site provide an unprecedented opportunity to build an innovative, multigenerational neighborhood that serves families and older adults with a full range of incomes, including those needing long-term care services. Reservation 13 is a large site that de facto will become a major new neighborhood. It will need coordinated public services, housing, retail, and space for recreation. The Comprehensive Plan should recommend a creative mixture of housing for a range of income levels, and long-term care facilities for a range of income levels and intergenerational inter-action. Implementing the Reservation 13 Master Plan offers the District an unparalleled opportunity to innovate and to become a model for the integration of older persons and long-term care into a thriving multi-generational and multi-income neighborhood. ANC6A also believes that development of the RFK and Reservation 13 sites offers excellent opportunities for coordinated planning for recreation, parkland, and mitigation of negative effects of heavy traffic in the area. While we support environmentally appropriate development of the waterfront and adjacent open space in a manner that provides access to the neighbors, we also believe that the shoreline and parklands should be equally available to DC residents of all ages and physical condition and from all city neighborhoods. We also recommend that OP add an additional sentence to 1508.13 which would give preference to maintaining more natural landscapes along the River, over highly developed landscapes. We recommend that OP and the DC government ensure that no professional football stadium is allowed in the RFK Stadium Area, as it would negatively effect the traffic and parking in the area, and detract from the lifestyle of Capitol Hill. Our proposed revisions to this section follow:

1508.13 Policy CH-1.1.12 RFK Stadium Area. <u>RFK Stadium and the surrounding area are</u> <u>currently leased by the DC Government from the National Park Service, with the restriction</u> <u>that development be limited to sports, recreation and entertainment. The lease expires in</u> <u>2026, but the District has initiated a process to transfer the land from the Park Service to the</u> <u>District. Restricting the use of the land to sports and recreation, if not entertainment uses, is</u> <u>consistent with preferences of adjacent neighbors and residents of the wider Planning Area.</u> Provide improved buffering and <u>landscaping landscape</u> screening along 19th Street and elsewhere in the vicinity of RFK Stadium in order to reduce the effects of noise, dust, vibration, and air pollution on the adjacent Hill East community. Work collaboratively with the

National Park Service, <u>District agencies, Events DC</u>, and National Capital Planning Commission on long-range plans for the stadium and adjacent parkland and parking lots. <u>The highly successful</u> <u>project, the Fields at RFK Campus, offers a model for how Events DC can collaborate with the</u> <u>neighborhood and other stakeholders.</u> Waterfront open space in this area should be retained and improved for the benefit of <u>all DC residents as well as adjacent Hill</u> East, Kingman Park, and Rosedale residents. <u>Improvements should include the creation, and maintenance, of a</u> <u>pedestrian and cyclist shoreline access path, and well-designed public spaces. Recreational</u>





and green spaces should include features for people with disabilities or for aging adults. Reduce the amount of land occupied by surface parking and maximize activity along the waterfront.

Give preference to retaining the natural character of the landscape along the shoreline while allowing access to enjoy the river and its shoreline. See also 1514.8 Reservation 13 Parkland and <u>See the Urban Design Element for additional policies related to parks and open space</u>. 1508.13

6. 1509.6 Policy CH-1.2.6: Improved Park and Recreation Services. ANC6A is very pleased that OP has endorsed our proposal for triangle park improvements throughout the Capitol Hill Planning Area, as these little parks are very popular with older residents.

1509.11 Action CH-1.2.C: RFK Stadium Area. Actively participate in the current efforts by the National **Capital Capitol** Planning Commission, the National Park Service, the Anacostia Waterfront Corporation **District agencies, Events DC**, local Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners, residents, and neighborhood groups to develop a long-range plan for the RFK Stadium complex, extending from the DC Armory north to Benning Road. The plan should include provisions for a substantial amount of waterfront open space, as well as measures to enhance and restore the natural environment in this area. **Improve shoreline access where possible, reduce land occupied by surface parking, and encourage new land uses that maximize access and activity to the waterfront. Ensure that recreational spaces and pedestrian and cycling paths accommodate a wide range of users and abilities. <u>Ensure that the RFK Stadium Area does not include a professional football stadium.</u>**

6. 1514.13 and 1514.4 Narrative. The Draft Amendments refer to the Master Plan for Reservation 13 in inconsistent ways—as (1)the Hill East/Reservation 13 master plan,(2) the Hill East Development Plan or (3) the Hill East/Reservation 13. ANC6A recommends that OP choose one title for consistency.

Also, the narrative description of the Master Plan (hereafter Reservation 13 Master Plan) needs to be updated to reflect the Mayor's recent decision to convert one of the first phase buildings to provide housing for homeless individuals. To this end, we offer the following proposed addition:

1514.4 The adopted Reservation 13 Master Plan retains **the** <u>historic Anne Archbold Hall</u>, DC Jail, and other institutional uses and identifies approximately 40 acres for redevelopment. New facilities for health care and recreation are envisioned, along with new housing, offices, retail, and institutional uses. Key urban design features include extension of the Capitol Hill street grid into the site, new parks, and new access to the waterfront, including a great meadow over-looking the shoreline. Other notable elements of the plan include extension of Massachusetts Avenue to the Anacostia River and a village square at the

Stadium-Armory Metrorail station. The preliminary development program identifies the potential for 800 new housing units and over 3 million square feet of non-residential space, roughly doubling the total square footage of buildings on the site. In May 2016, Phase 1 of the Hill East development received Design Review Approval, and the District selected a development partner. The buildings are under construction and near completion. Originally, this first phase will was to include over 350 residential units, with 30 percent designated for affordable housing, and





additional retail and green spaces. In fall 2019, the Mayor announced that one of the residential buildings will be converted to Permanent Supportive Housing for individuals who are now homeless and require supportive services. Residents will have access to social workers and other support services.

7. 1514.6 Policy CH-2.4.1 Redevelopment of Public Reservation 13. OP's proposed new text to "recognize this site as an ideal location for an anchor employer or institution" raises concerns about whether this Mayor or future Mayors might continue to use Reservation 13 to entice big anchors such as the recent identification of Reservation 13 as available to Amazon Corporation for locating its East Coast headquarters. We believe the Plan should address the importance of moving ahead with implementation of the Master Plan which was approved in 2006. ANC6A proposes the following revision:

1514.6 Policy CH-2.4.1: Redevelopment of Public Reservation 13. Redevelop Reservation 13 as a mixed-use neighborhood that combines <u>an array of</u> housing, <u>retail</u>, office space, health care, civic, <u>education</u>, <u>educational</u>, <u>institutional</u>, and recreational uses and <u>amenities</u>. There is sufficient space for Reservation 13 to meet affordable housing and <u>other goals</u>, <u>particularly services and amenities that meet the special needs of aging</u> <u>residents</u>. To the extent consistent with the Master Plan, <u>recognize this site as an ideal</u> <u>attractive location for an anchor employer or institution</u>. Retention of Established uses, such as the DC Correctional Facility, should be <u>re-assessed retained</u>. Health care and institutional uses on the site should be reorganized to accommodate infill uses, improve the site's vitality and efficiency, and create an environment more conducive to pedestrian travel. 1514.6

8. 1514.8 Reservation 13 Parkland. ANC6A is concerned that this section calls for a "grand" waterfront park, albeit one designed for resilience to flooding, etc. Such a goal connotes a highly built out park which is inconsistent with the desires of neighbors and other residents of the Planning Area to maintain a more natural approach to accessing and enjoying the waterfront. ANC6A recommends this the word "grand" be removed and a cross reference to 1508.13 be added as follows:

<u>1514.8 Reservation 13 Parkland.</u> Create new waterfront parklands and green spaces at Reservation 13, including a grand waterfront park that is designed both for recreation and **designed for resilience to flooding**, and that includes recreational trails along the waterfront, smaller neighborhood parks

and open spaces within the site, and tree-lined pedestrian streets. See also 1508.13, Policy CH-1.1.12 RFK Stadium. 1514.8

9. NEW 1514.12 Action CH-2.4.A: The Reservation 13 development will create a major new neighborhood. Accordingly, the city must devise a community-based land-use plan to determine the public services, facilities, and infrastructure needed to serve this new neighborhood. ANC6A believes this can be done within the context of implementing the Master Plan; however, if the Comprehensive Plan fails to specifically require consideration of land uses and services, facilities, and infrastructure, the Village wants to ensure that this level of community engagement is not overlooked in the process. Accordingly, ANC6A proposes that OP revise this action item by adding the following to the proposed text as follows:

1514.12, <u>Action CH-2.4A:Hill East/ Reservation 13 Master Plan.</u> Implement the Hill East/Reservation13 Master Plan, including the Massachusetts Avenue extension and the creation

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of new waterfront parks. Upon transfer of the land from federal to District control, the site should be rezoned to achieve the Master Plan objectievs. Explore the need for building a recreation/senior center/library in Reservation 13. Explore creating senior recreation spaces that include indoor walking opportunities. Coordinate this study with Events DC to determine if any of these recreational needs can be met through development of the RFK Stadium site. Specifically consider developing an adult day care facility on Reservation 13 that can serve at least 50 people per day (approximately 9000 square feet) Study the feasibility of repurposing the historically significant Anne Archbold Hall for seniororiented health services to include hospice, rehabilitation, adult day care, and memory care services . 1514.2

Comprehensive Plan Upper Northeast Area Element ANC6A Comments

2408 UNE-1.1 GUIDING GROWTH AND NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION

NEW: Encourage the development and revitalization of the area around the National Arboretum. The National Arboretum is a natural anchor to development, and to date has been underutilized for development. The District should encourage the development and revitalization of this area as a mechanism for driving economic development on the Eastern portion of the Area Element. Additionally, development of the Arboretum would prove to be a catalyst for further development along the Benning and New York corridors, and help move development towards Anacostia. The District should create a development plan for this area, including transportation and infrastructure improvements.





February XX, 2020

(ENTER REAL ESTATE AGENTS NAME HERE)

Re: Residential Parking Permit Restrictions

To Whom It May Concern:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on February 13. 2020, our Commission voted x-x-x (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to send a letter to real estate agents active on Capitol Hill informing them of the Residential Parking Permit restrictions in place for any address on H Street NE.

ANC 6A has recently had concerns raised by some residents along the H Street NE corridor that they were unaware that they were unable to get Residential Parking Permits (RPPs) because their address is on H Street. These were residents of a mid-sized development on H Street NE.

When this development was seeking zoning relief, the developer came before ANC 6A seeking support. As is our policy with mid to large developments, we asked that RPP restrictions be included in any sales documents for the building going forward. We do this as a means to ensure that the RPP restrictions are reinforced and to make sure the restrictions are accurately conveyed to potential buyers of properties. It was very dismaying to find a number of residents claim that they were unaware of the RPP restrictions until well after the sale.

We want to make sure that all realtors who work on Capitol Hill are aware of the restriction of RPPs for H Street NE addresses and make sure that these restrictions are conveyed to potential buyers for any property with an H Street NE address. Specific locations that are restricted from getting RPPs can be found at the DDOT website (http://arcg.is/2eyvPwB).

Please be advised that Brad Greenfield, Nick Alberti and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this issue. I can be contacted at amberanc6a@gmail.com, Mr. Alberti at alberti6a04@yahoo.com and Mr. Greenfield at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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February XX, 2020

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Re: Permits: Excavation: EX1900033, Foundation: FD1900021, Building: B1905590

Dear Mr. Dixon:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on February 13, 2020 our Commission voted 0-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to express our support for the above referenced permit requests from DGS, Turner Construction, and its subcontractors to operate at the Eliot-Hine Middle School (1830 Constitution Avenue NE) site. Our Commission supports the construction team's requests for:

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- Authorization for extended work hours from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday through Saturday in order to reduce conflicts and minimize risks to students in transit to school; and
- Authorization to work on the following holidays in 2020 to ensure the ability to meet the construction schedule:
 - Washington's Birthday, 02/17/2020
 - DC Emancipation Day, 04/16/2020
 - Memorial Day, 5/25/2020
 - Independence Day, 7/3/2020
 - Labor Day, 9/7/2020
 - Indigenous Peoples' Day, 10/12/2020
 - Veterans Day, 11/11/2020

Please be advised that I am authorized on behalf of ANC6A for the purposes of this request and can be contacted at AmberANC6A@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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February XX, 2020

Mr. Matthew Marcou Chair, Public Space Committee District Department of Transportation 1100 4th Street SW, Third Floor Washington, DC 20004 <u>PublicSpace.Committee@dc.gov</u>

RE: Recent Decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit on Small Cell Facilities

Dear Mr. Marcou:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on February 13. 2020, our Commission voted x-x-x (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to adopt the following resolution :

On August 24, 2018 the Public Space Committee of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) promulgated Small Cell Design Guidelines that were premised on an order issued by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) that exempted the deployment of small cell facilities from review under, among other things, the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (the "Small Cell Exemption").

On October 8, 2019, the FCC issued an order deleting the Small Cell Exemption from the relevant FCC regulations. Therefore, as of October 8, 2019, all proposed small cell deployment in ANC 6A located on Capitol Hill must undergo the traditional historic review process. Before October 8th, there was a very unique exemption for small cells that no other telecommunications infrastructure has ever experienced. This reversal is a significant and positive change for Capitol Hill. The reversal occurred given the recent FCC order to recognize the relevance of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 in relation to small cell deployment.

Therefore, ANC 6A urges the Public Space Committee to carefully review and revise the Small Cell Design Guidelines to ensure that the guidelines are consistent with all relevant federal statutes and regulations. We urge that all currently scheduled deployments of Small Cell wireless within 6A be temporarily halted until the following steps are taken:

• DDOT and the carriers provide a detailed Method of Procedures to the community that clearly outlines the carriers' initial and annual testing and validation plans.

We seek assurance that signal levels are both safe in public space but more importantly within our residencies. We are looking for the carriers to ensure that EMT exposure levels meet or fall below the manufactures recommended offset.

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We request that ANC 6A be allotted adequate time for these procedures and proposed deployment locations to be vetted through the Transportation and Public Space (TPS) and the full Commission.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this issue. please feel free to reach out to me at amberanc6a@gmail.com or our Vice Chair Mike Soderman at MikeANC6A03@Gmail.com both whom are authorized to represent the Commission in this matter.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A









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