



**District of Columbia Government
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
Agenda for March 8, 2018**



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**
- 7:01 pm **Approve Previous Meeting's Minutes, Adopt Agenda**
- 7:02 pm **Community Presentations**
Ward 6 Councilmember Charles Allen
DC Office of Victims Services and Justice Grants - Michelle M. Garcia, Director
- 7:45 pm **Officer Reports**
1. Approve Treasurer's Report *pg. 17*
- 7:55 pm **Standing Committee Reports:**
Community Outreach *pg. 18*
1. Approve February 2018 committee report.
2. **Recommendation:** ANC6A approve the Ludlow-Taylor Parent Teacher Organization (LTES PTO) grant application for \$966.50 to the for the purchase of sixteen (16) Chromebooks and a charging cart for its third (3rd) grade classrooms.
3. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, March 19, 2018 (3rd Monday; usually 4th Monday)
- 8:04 pm **Alcohol Beverage Licensing *pg. 27***
1. No report. The Committee did not meet in February 2018.
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, March 20, 2018 (3rd Tuesday)
- 8:05 pm **Transportation and Public Space *pg. 35***
1. Approve February 2018 committee report.
2. **Motion:** ANC6A send a a letter to Councilmember Charles Allen in support of naming an alley in the 600 block of 11th Street NE as "Bruce Robey Way."
3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to Councilmember Charles Allen in support of a ceremonial renaming of the 200 block of 10th Street NE as "Outlaw Way" in honor of Pocahontas Outlaw.
4. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT Public Space Committee in opposition to an application for a street fixture on public space at 809 12th Street NE.
5. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, March 19, 2018 (3rd Monday)
- 8:20 pm **Economic Development and Zoning *pg. 41***
1. Approve February 2018 committee report.
2. **Recommendation:** ANC6A send a letter of support to BZA for a special exception under Subtitle E § 5201 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1 and from the nonconforming structure requirements of Subtitle C § 202.2, to enclose a rear, third floor deck in an existing one-family dwelling in the RF-1 Zone at 1226 North Carolina Ave NE (BZA #19593), on the condition that the applicant make best efforts to provide the underlying information from their shadow study to their immediate neighbor who is currently opposed to the request.



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3. **Recommendation:** ANC6A send a letter to DC Council Chair Phil Mendelson to oppose the current draft of the proposed Framework Element of the DC Comprehensive Plan.
4. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, March 21, 2018 (3rd Wednesday)

8:30 pm

New Business

1. Letter to DC Council requesting reinstatement of ANC sign language interpreter fund

8:30 pm

Single Member District reports (1 minute each)

8:40 pm

Community Comments (2 minutes each)

8:45 pm

Adjourn



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Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Minutes Miner Elementary School February 8, 2018

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

The meeting convened at 7:05 pm.

Chairman Phil Toomajian called the roll and announced the presence of a quorum. The minutes for the ANC January 2018 meeting and the agenda for the February 2018 meeting were accepted without changes or objection. Mr. Toomajian introduced the new director of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT).

Community Presentations

Jeff Marootian, Director, District Department of Transportation

Mr. Marootian provided an overview to the Commission about DDOT's mission and ongoing projects, including urban forestry, safety initiatives, transportation issues affecting the area, planning for the future of mobility, and information on the extension of the DC Streetcar and the Vision Zero Initiative, whose goal is to achieve zero fatalities and serious injuries to users of the transportation systems by 2024. He answered questions from the Commission regarding how to make requesting improvements less cumbersome, safety improvements around Maury Elementary School, issues regarding commercial trucks at Linden Court and along H Street businesses, and about his participation in a Public Safety Walk. He also introduced members of his team, including Jim Sebastian (Planning and Sustainability), Lee Goodall (Community Engagement), and Tyon Jones (Community Engagement).

Officer Reports

Chairman Toomajian stated that there were flyers available with information on free tax preparation clinic offered by Catholic Charities and that information is provided through the Catholic University School of Law. Mr. Toomajian announced that the meeting regarding planned improvements to C Street NE will occur on Thursday, February 15, 2018 at 6:00 pm at Rosedale Recreation Center. He went on to announce that Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) held a hearing on the Kingman Park Historic Designation application. The HRPB staff recommended designation of a smaller area that did not include the portion of 6A that was included in the application. Many residents testified in both support and opposition of their recommendation. Another hearing will be held, possibly on March 22, 2018, but at this time a date has not been set.

Mr. Toomajian announced that Ward 6 Councilmember Charles Allen will be attending next month's meeting, along with the Grants Director of the Mayor's Office of Victim Services, Michelle Garcia. Ms. Garcia will speak about the private home security rebate and vouchers programs.

Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Stephanie Zimny presented the Treasurer's Report. There were disbursements of \$751.50 for webmaster, agenda, notetaking and FedEx expenses, leaving a balance of \$7,821.38. There is a balance of \$13,770.91 in the savings account. The report was accepted without objection.

Committee Reports



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Community Outreach Committee (COC)

The January 2018 report was accepted without objection.

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, February 26, 2018.

Alcohol Beverage Licensing (ABL)

The January 2018 report was accepted without objection.

Motion: Commissioner Marie-Claire Brown moved and Commissioner Mike Soderman seconded the motion to approve the submitted Settlement Agreement with Truth Hookah/Cigar (1220 H Street NE) (ABRA # 108602) and not protest its request for a CT license. The motion passed by unanimously (7-0).

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, February 19, 2018

Transportation and Public Space (TPS)

The January 2018 report was accepted without objection.

Old Business:

Chris Laskowski of Councilmember Charles Allen's office provided background and comments regarding B22-0351, legislation authored by Councilmember Allen to create a School Parking Zone Program and answered questions from Commissioners.

Motion: The Committee had already moved and Mr. Toomajian seconded this motion at the January 2018 meeting, supporting the concept proposed in B22-0351, legislation to create a School Parking Program. The motion passed 5-1.

New Business:

Diane Romo-Thomas, director of Community Relations for The Greater Washington Sports Alliance, spoke on the 2018 Rock and Roll Marathon and announced that they have appealed to the Mayor's Office to be granted an exception to the "Clean Route" requirement.

Motion: The Committee moved and Mr. Toomajian seconded the motion to provide a letter of conditional consent for the 2018 Rock and Roll Marathon on the condition that the organizers commit to meeting with the ANC prior to their meetings with DDOT and HSEMA in order to discuss the possibility of alternate routes that do not repeatedly impact ANC 6A and the streetcar for the 2019 race, and that the ANC 6A oppose the "Clean Route" requirement that no cars be permitted to park along the route far in advance of the race. The motion passed by unanimously (7-0).

Motion: The Committee moved and Mr. Toomajian seconded the motion to send a letter of support to the Mayor's Task Force on Special Events for the 2018 Capitol Hill Classic race and oppose the "Clean Route" requirement that no cars be permitted to park along the route far in advance of the race. The motion passed by unanimously (7-0).

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, February 26, 2018 (4th Monday)

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

The January 2018 report was accepted without objection.



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Commissioner Amber Gove presented recommendations and Mr. Toomajian combined three recommendations into one motion:

Motion: The Committee moved and Mr. Toomajian seconded the motion to send a letter to DCPS and DGS encouraging them to request a variance and seek other ways of increasing play space at Maury Elementary School; to send a letter to DDOT requesting they engage with DCPS to come up with a solution to the challenges regarding parking and space restrictions at Maury Elementary School; and to authorize a letter, when the time is appropriate, to the Zoning Administrator encouraging flexibility in the interpretation of parking requirements at Maury Elementary School. The motion passed (6-0).

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, February 21, 2018 (3rd Wednesday)

New Business

Mr. Toomajian announced that there is an alley on the 600 block of Eleventh (11th) Street that has been sold and approved to be converted into housing. In order to add housing, the alley needs to have a name. Mr. Toomajian and Councilmember Allen are recommending that the alley be named after Bruce Robey, recently deceased, who was the founder of The Voice on the Hill newspaper and also the founder of the H Street Playhouse, which played a significant role in the revitalization of the H Street Corridor. The Commission will vote to honor Mr. Robey and request designation of the alley at its March 2018 meeting.

Single Member District (SMD) Reports

Commissioner Soderman (6A03) spoke of his constituents' desire to name the 200 block of Tenth (10th) Street for longtime resident Mr. William Outlaw, a pillar of the community. Mr. Toomajian advised that normally, before renaming, an individual must be deceased for a certain number of years, but that exceptions have existed.

Commissioner Zimny (6A06) spoke about the increase in the amount of trash around Fourteenth (14th) Street and Maryland Avenue NE and stated that she is working with nearby businesses to reduce it. She also warned that there are nightly attempted break-ins of vehicles on her block and in the area, and that camera footage have caught two break-ins on her street and have been sent to the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), noting the effectiveness of the camera program.

Commissioner Sondra Phillips-Gilbert (6A07) announced that she was interviewed for an article and voiced concerns about lower-income individuals in the Rosedale community being priced out of the neighborhood. She also spoke of issues regarding Monument Academy, a public charter school that also functions as a boarding school. She plans to hold community meetings and will be testifying before the Committee on Education as well. She is working with the Deputy City Administrator/Deputy Mayor of Organizing Public Safety and Justice to organize a Public Safety Walk in Rosedale for February or March 2018. Ms. Gilbert also spoke about the Homeless Children's Playtime Project.

Commissioner Toomajian (6A02) announced that there was a recent search warrant where a firearm was confiscated. There were three burglaries in the past month, and that apparently an individual was targeting Shaw and areas of H Street NE. MPD made an arrest and closed that case, but burglaries seem to be on the rise. However, the private security cameras program is where MPD is getting many of their leads which underscore its effectiveness.



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Commissioner Brown (6A01) announced that they had burglaries in her SMD and commended MPD for its apprehension of the individual.

Commissioner Gove (6A04) announces that they are working on an additional speed camera eastbound on C Street next to Eliot-Hine. MPD has implemented a speed enforcement team with mini radar guns at Eighteenth (18th) and C Streets NE to address afternoon outbound commuters while schools are being let out. She is working on a joint litter clean-up and is in conversations with Eliot-Hine and Maury Elementary Schools and Eastern Senior High School to turn it into a joint service project, since their students all have service requirements. She also announced the next meeting of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) C Street NE project, on Thursday, February 15 at 7:00 pm at Rosedale Recreational Center.

Commissioner Patrick Malone (6A05) spoke about the transition to Maury Village and stated that the only complaint is that the outside is a bit drab and announced the intention to organize an outdoor decoration event when the weather turns nicer. He emphasized what Ms. Zimny stated regarding car break-ins and advised residents to call MPD even if there were no witnesses. He is also circulating information regarding alley clean-ups.

Community Comments

Two community residents raised concerns about the lack of transparency in the implementation of the Neighborhood Engagement Achieves Results (NEAR) Act and requested that ANC 6A support it. Mr. Toomajian advised that these efforts are better directed to the Mayor's Office and Councilmembers.

Ms. Tynisha Owens, Ward 6 Liaison for Mayor Bowser's office left copies of the Mayor's weekly newsletter, as well as copies of budget engagement forms for 2018. She announced that a meeting on the 2018 budget will take place at Watkins Elementary School on February 22, 2018 at 6:30 pm, where residents can engage with the Bowser administration on items they would like to see prioritized or included in the budget. She additionally left a one-pager about the NEAR Act.

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Community Presentations





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Box 75115 Washington, DC 20013



February 9, 2018

The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 504
Washington, DC 20004

Re: ANC6A Supports Daytime School Parking Zone Amendment Act of 2017 (B22-0351)

Dear Chairman Mendelson and members of the Council:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on February 8, 2018,¹ our Commission voted 5-1 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the concept set forth in legislation authored by Councilmember Charles Allen for a daytime school parking zone and pass program.

Through the reconstruction process of a school in our ANC, it has come to our attention that DC Public Schools are under extreme pressure to meet zoning requirements for providing on-site parking for school staff. In the case of this and many other schools throughout the district, this has often meant the creation of parking spaces, often at the expense of recreational space set aside for students and the larger community, which lack similar zoning protections. While we are sympathetic to the transportation needs of the hardworking staff at our public and charter schools, we believe the current system creates a perverse incentive to convert recreational play space into parking.

The bill proposed by Councilmember Allen puts forward a creative approach to balancing the needs of school staff, students, and the broader community, while disincentivizing single-occupancy auto commuting. It would allow school staff to avail themselves of on-street parking reserved for area residents at a time of day when many of those residents are at work and not using it. We believe that this concept strikes the right balance between meeting the commuting needs of DCPS staff, while not sacrificing precious recreational space available to students and the public. It also provides an opportunity for residents to voice their concerns prior to establishment of the school parking zone, through both a public hearing and consideration of input from the impacted ANC.

The Commission applauds Councilmember Allen and the bill's cosponsors for their ingenuity and dedication to resolving this pressing issue. We also recommend the Council consider adding language stating that when schools possess adequate space to meet parking, instructional and recreational needs that the school not seek to utilize curbside parking. We encourage the Council to swiftly give this proposal consideration and, in consultation with the executive, make the necessary changes to move it closer to passage and implementation.

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 contact me at philanc6a@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

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Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



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February 9, 2018

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: 2018 Rock and Roll Marathon

Dear Director Rodriguez:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on February 8, 2018, our Commission voted 7-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to conditionally support the 2018 Rock and Roll Marathon.

ANC 6A supports this race in 2018 on the condition of a commitment from race organizers to meet with members of ANC 6A's Transportation and Public Space Committee this summer in advance of its meeting with your agency to plan its 2019 race. While we appreciate the efforts of race organizers to respond to input from ANC 6A and complaints from community members, we believe it is time for the Rock and Roll Marathon to assess alternate routes that do not impact or significantly reduce the impact on ANC 6A, particularly now that the DC Streetcar operations need to be halted to allow the race to access H Street NE. We do not and will not support running the race along the adjacent residential streets, such as G Street NE or F Street NE. We look forward to that discussion and will assess our ability to provide continued support based on its outcome.

Additionally, it has come to our attention that MPD and your agency will seek to strictly enforce the "Clear Route Initiative," which would require the complete removal of parked vehicles from the entire race route. While we understand the need to ensure the safety of event participants and area residents, particularly in the wake of heinous attacks using vehicles, we believe this approach is not only unnecessary, but also unfeasible. The race will impact many streets in our community, and there is simply not enough available parking to accommodate the removal of so many cars from the route. We encourage your agency to work with impacted Advisory Neighborhood Commissions to determine a more workable solution that both ensures safety and spares residents from unnecessary inconveniences.

We are encouraged that that no amplified music or performances will occur in Lincoln Park. However, we remain concerned about the volume level of performances at a stage located in the Auto Zone parking lot on the 1200 Block of H Street NE and we have strongly encouraged the race organizers to consider ways to mitigate the level of volume at this location.

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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,

Phil Toomajian,
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Councilmember Charles Allen
DDOT Associate Director for Public Space Matthew Marcou
ANC6C Chair Karen Wirt
Ms. Diane Romo Thomas, Rock and Roll Marathon



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February 9, 2018

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: 2018 Capitol Hill Classic Races

Dear Director Rodriguez:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on February 8, 2018, our Commission voted 7-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to strongly support the 2018 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 and local houses of worship to devise safe bump-cross routes to be used during the race to allow vehicles to cross when runners are not approaching and allow worshippers to cross on their way to and from services.

However, it has come to our attention that MPD and your agency will seek to strictly enforce the "Clear Route Initiative," which would require the complete removal of parked vehicles from the entire race route. While we understand the need to ensure the safety of event participants, particularly in the wake of heinous attacks using vehicles, we believe this approach is unnecessary and unfeasible. The race will impact many streets in our community, and there is simply not enough available parking to accommodate the removal of so many cars from the route. We encourage your agency to work with impacted ANCs to determine a more workable solution that both ensures safety and spares residents from unnecessary inconveniences.

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,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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February 9, 2018

Mr. Donovan Anderson, Chairperson
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board
2000 14th Street, NW, Suite 400S
Washington, DC 20009

Re: ABRA-108602 (Truth Hookah/Cigar, LLC), 1220 H Street NE

Dear Mr. Anderson,

Please be advised that at the February 8, 2017 meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A, with a quorum present, the Commission voted (7-0) to approve the enclosed Settlement Agreement with Truth Hookah/Cigar, LLC, ABRA # 108602, in lieu of a protest of its license. This vote took place at the ANC's regular and publicly announced meeting.¹

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at 202-906-0657 or WilliamsANC6A05@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Jay Williams
Co-Chair, ANC 6A ABL Committee

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February 23, 2018

Andrea Swiatocha
Manager, Facilities Planning and Design
District of Columbia Public Schools
1200 First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

Re: Maury Elementary School Renovation

Dear Ms. Swiatocha,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on February 8, 2018, our Commission voted 6-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to encourage D.C. Public Schools (DCPS) and the Department of General Services (DGS) to seek a design for the modernization of Maury Elementary school that maximizes play and green space. The current design (as of January 16, 2018) could be improved by 1) reducing the size of the parking lot and 2) optimizing the building design for the small lot (72,023 square feet). These changes would help to increase play and green space for a projected enrollment of 539 students.

Adequate outdoor play time and space is key to child development. Nationally, 56% of children spend less time outdoors than maximum security prisoners. In Virginia, the recommended play space per student for an elementary school with enrollment between 400 and 599 students, based on guidance from the National Program for Playground Safety, is 122 to 183 square feet per student, three to four times the amount of play space for Maury students under current proposals. Failure to provide adequate play and green space will likely harm the socio-emotional development and educational success of students and possibly endanger their safety.

We recommend that DCPS/DGS consider the following options for maximizing play and green space:

1. **Reduce the size of the parking lot.** There are a number of options available to provide needed parking for teachers and staff, which if pursued would facilitate approval of a variance for a smaller parking lot, including:
 - a. Adequate on-street parking if the Daytime School Parking Zone Amendment Act of 2017 (B22-0351) passes, which will allow teachers to park on the street without adversely impacting local residents;
 - b. Availability of daytime staff-only parking on 12th Place and 13th Street, as was done on the adjacent streets at Stuart-Hobson Middle School; or
 - c. Availability of above-ground parking at a nearby church where approximately ten (10) spaces could be leased without impacting the church's normal activities. This church is less than a block away from the Maury Elementary site.

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2. **Optimize the building design.** Additionally, we recommend that all due consideration be given to community feedback regarding optimizing the building design. Currently half of the new building will be less than three stories in height, and a significant portion is only one story. The new design also eliminates a 6,000 square foot outdoor classroom and garden space, with no plans for replacement. Echoing the comments made by the Maury Community, we ask that DCPS/DGS consider:

- a. Reducing the footprint of the building while increasing the height of the one and two-story portions;
- b. Seeking a variance to allow for limited portions of the building to have a set-back, fourth floor; and
- c. Designing a portion of the green roofs to also serve as rooftop gardens and outdoor classroom space.

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 philanc6a@gmail.com and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Councilmember Charles Allen
Mr. Nathan Morris, DCPS
Mr. Dan Nebhut, DGS



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February 23, 2018

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

Re: Maury Elementary School Renovation

Dear Director Marootian:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on February 8, 2018, our Commission voted 6-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to encourage D.C. Public Schools (DCPS) and the Department of General Services (DGS) to seek a better solution to the amount of play space planned for the renovation of Maury Elementary school. In Virginia, the recommended play space per student for an elementary school with enrollment between 400 and 599 students, based on guidance from the National Program for Playground Safety, is 122 to 183 square feet per student, 3 to 4 times the amount of play space for Maury students under current proposals. The new design also eliminates a 6,000 square foot outdoor classroom and garden space, with no plans for replacement. Failure to provide adequate play space will harm the educational success of students and possibly endanger their safety. Current DGS plans sacrifice play and green space in favor of a large parking lot and a building whose footprint is twenty percent (20%) larger than current conditions

The Commission encourages DDOT to work with DGS, DCPS and the Maury Community to develop innovative approaches to alleviate parking needs at Maury so that the amount of play space can be maximized. In the past, DDOT has successfully developed innovative parking solutions for schools, such as allowing teachers to park on the street during non-peak usage hours. The Commission asks DDOT to exercise this same approach in seeking a solution that addresses teacher and staff parking needs without sacrificing the needs of the children.

Brad Greenfield and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this matter.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Ms. Andrea Swiatocha and Mr. Nathan Morris, DCPS

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Officer Reports - Treasurer



ANC 6A Treasurer's Report February 2018

Period Covered 2/1/2018-2/28/2018

Checking Account:

Total Funds Available \$ 7,733.38

Disbursements:

Irene Dworakowski (Agenda/Web Master 2018)	CK#1823	\$ 450.00
FedEx	CK#1824	\$ 199.50
Note Taking	CK#1825	\$ 200.00

Total Disbursements \$ 849.50

Ending Balance \$ 6,883.88

Savings Account:

Balance Forwarded \$ 13,771.13

Receipt: Interest 02/13/18 \$ 0.22
Deposit -

Total Receipts \$ 0.22

Total Funds Available \$ 13,771.35

Disbursements \$ -

Ending Balance \$ 13,771.35

PETTY CASH SUMMARY

Balance Forwarded \$ 25.00

Deposit to Petty Cash \$ -

Total Funds Available \$ 25.00

Disburs: Total Disbursements \$ -

Ending Balance \$ 25.00



Committee Reports

Community Outreach Committee (COC)



Minutes

ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC) of
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
Regular Meeting - February 26, 2018
Eastern Senior High School
1700 East Capitol Street NE, Washington DC

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.
Quorum present.

COC members present: Roni Hollmon (Chair), Gladys Mack
COC members absent: Joyce West
ANC Commissioners present: none
Community members present: none

The Committee discussed the ANC6A Education Forum. The Committee suggests that the ANC6A Education Forum be scheduled no sooner than Autumn 2018 in the hopes that a Deputy Mayor for Education and a DCPS Chancellor will have been appointed by that time.

Erik Gustafson from the Ludlow Taylor Parent-Teacher Organization (LTES PTO) Grants Committee came to present the grant request for sixteen (16) Chromebooks and a charging cart for the third (3rd) grade. The total grant request is \$1,933.00. ANC6C has authorized a grant in the amount of \$966.50; LTES PTO is requesting \$966.50 from ANC6A. Ludlow Taylor is actually one of the few schools that sits inside the boundaries of two ANCs. Ms. Hollmon made a motion to recommend that ANC6A approve the Ludlow Taylor Parent-Teacher Organization (LTES PTO) grant application for \$966.50 to the for the purchase of sixteen (16) Chromebooks and a charging cart for the third (3rd) grade. The motion passed 2-0.

Finally, the Committee discussed the DC Tuition Assistance Grant (DCTAG) program. With the release on February 12, 2018 of the Trump Administration's budget proposal, funding for this program is eliminated. The program provides grants of up to \$10,000.00 toward DC residents college-bound tuition. COC member Gladys Mack's son is a recipient of this program. The Committee strongly urges that everyone who has not done so, sign the petition at savedctag.dc.gov and spread the word. Erik Gustafson will post to LTES list serve.

Meeting adjourned 7:35 pm.

The next regular meeting of the ANC 6A COC
Monday, March 19, 2018 at 7:00 pm
Eastern Senior High School Parent Center, 1700 East Capitol Street NE
(enter from East Capitol Street)



Committee Reports
Community Outreach Committee (COC)



Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Grant Request Application Form

1. DATE OF APPLICATION

02/20 /2018

2. DATE OF PROJECT OR ACTIVITY

March through June 15, 2018

3. APPLICANT ORGANIZATION NAME AND ADDRESS

Ludlow Taylor Elementary School (LTES) PTO
659 G Street Northeast, Washington DC 20002

4. EIN (TAX ID NUMBER)++

47-5568358

5. CONTACT NAME

Madeleine Wells

6. TITLE

LTES PTO Grants Committee Member

7. ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)

723 10th St NE Washington DC 20002

8. TELEPHONE

(732) 986 - 8396

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10. E-MAIL ADDRESS

madeleinehayden@gmail.com

11. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT/ACTIVITY – DETAILED INFORMATION ON SEPARATE PAGE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

LTES PTO is requesting \$966.50 from the Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A to provide the LTES third grade class with computer technology in the form of 16 Chromebooks and a charging cart.

12. PROJECTED TOTAL COST

\$ 1,933.00

13. AMOUNT REQUESTED

\$ 966.50

14. OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING (BRIEF) – DETAILED INFORMATION REQUIRED ON SEPARATE PAGE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

Same amount of funding matched from ANC 6C. LTES is located on the border of both ANCs 6A and 6C and serves families from both neighborhood commission areas.

15. STATEMENT OF BENEFIT (BRIEF DESCRIPTION) – DETAILED INFORMATION REQUIRED ON SEPARATE PAGE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

The project will benefit LTES the third grade students to become more computer literate and familiar with cloud-based computing, apps, and coding. This will, in turn, facilitate learning and increase student engagement and efficiency in the classroom. It will also benefit adult community members, since one computer will be designated for parents to engage in DCPS school related internet needs



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Project Scope

The LTES PTO is writing to request a \$966.50 grant from ANC6A to be used toward the purchase of 16 new Chromebook laptops and the charging cart needed to keep them powered-up (ANC 6C has committed to half the cost). Principal Andrew Smith and the PTO grants committee have noted that LTES students urgently require new computers that are fast and durable, as well as compatible with cloud-based apps and leading educational programs.

LTES is engaged in “blended learning,” which aims to fully integrate technology into traditional instruction to provide a personalized learning experience for children. An [American Enterprise Institute case study](#) of several DCPS schools implementing this model in 2014 advocated increasing this strategy in urban districts as it “can make learning more affordable, available, reliable, customizable and data rich” (AEI, 2014). District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) has indicated that they will not provide funding for the needed computers. As noted in a [June 2017 white paper](#) by International Data Corporation, classroom deployment of Chromebooks has significant economic advantages for schools in saving huge amounts of teacher time that is often wasted managing obsolete or poorly functioning technology. Specifically, “once deployed, Chromebooks require much less time to manage, troubleshoot, and secure than replaced devices... organizations now spend 67.9% less time managing Chromebooks than previous devices and 74.6% less time managing security. Meanwhile, the strong reliability of Chromebooks has reduced the amount of time these school systems must devote to troubleshooting by an average of 91.9%.”

In consultation with Principal Smith and LTES teachers, the PTO has identified the third grade class as particularly well-positioned to take advantage of this technology. Other classes may be added as funding permits.

Chromebooks are inexpensive and durable Google-powered laptops (the average cost is \$180 per computer, but we believe the price can be discounted to \$99 per machine when purchased in bulk). They include free, cloud-based classroom apps which facilitate collaboration, and allow for unlimited users, each with personalized profiles.

The project will first and foremost benefit the third grade students, all of whom will be able to take advantage of the chrome cart because it is so easily portable and the chrome books can be individualized through cloud-based log-ins. The project will also benefit future students going forward to become more computer literate and familiar with cloud-based computing, apps, and coding. This will, in turn, facilitate learning and increase student engagement and efficiency in the classroom.

Additionally, since LTES is a Title 1 school, not all parents of our students have access to the internet at home. This makes it very difficult to fill out forms, and register for certain DCPS programs (such as after care or the lottery). To address this situation, upon request, LTES parents can come in to use the Chromebooks to meet their school-related internet needs.

Finally, LTES has many community-facing events that would be further enhanced by the chromebooks: our pancakes and literacy night would feature more multimedia presentations and online engagement; we would be able to webcast our winter concerts and festivals; and the Chromebooks will be integral to planning Ludlow Taylor’s upcoming community STEM festival.

Project Timeline

As Soon as Possible, 2018: Purchase new Chrome cart utilizing ANC funding.

March 2, 2018: during the next professional development day when students are out of school, the new



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technology will be installed.

April, 2018: The class will hold a Chromebook day, and the school computer specialist will visit the classroom to introduce the new technology to Ms. Gordon (third grade teacher) and her students.

June, 2018: Ms. Gordon will write a short narrative on the impact the new Chromebooks have had in the classroom by the end of the semester. The narrative report will include photos of the students using the technology and, to the extent possible, demonstrating their progress in educationally recommended programs such as Science & Technology Math. Students will also display a class-wide, interactive research project done utilizing the Chromebooks.

Project Outcome

By the end of the 2018 school year, we project that each student in Ms. Gordon's class will have used the computer on a daily basis for math, social studies, reading, and science. A successful outcome of the project will include instilling a love of educational technology and encouraging students to explore computers for learning (rather than simply consuming media, as is the norm these days). Another ancillary benefit to the community already mentioned above is enhanced parental access to the internet-enabled Chromebooks for enrollment, research, and other DCPS necessities.

We will document the receipt of the new computers, and the children using the new resources with photos to be submitted to the neighborhood commission.

We will use the computers to enhance community-facing events, such as our annual Pancakes and Literacy Night event, which is open to the entire community. For example, at Pancakes and Literacy, Chromebooks would be used to access literacy-related apps to encourage reading outside the classroom.

Project Budget

For this proposal, the total project cost is \$1933. LTES will only need to request \$966.50 in this application, as ANC 6C would contribute the other \$966.50. A detailed budget can be found below.

Sample budget:

Item	Cost	Units	Total
Chrome Cart	\$349	1	\$349
Chrome Book	\$99	16	\$1584
Total			\$1933
Total for ANC 6A			\$966.50
Total for ANC 6C			\$966.50



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Proof of 501 C3 Status

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

DEC 15 2015

Date:

LUDLOW-TAYLOR PTO
C/O PTO PRESIDENT
659 G STREET NE
WASHINGTON, DC 20002

Employer Identification Number:

47-5568358

DLN:

17053327320005

Contact Person:

JACOB A MCDONALD

ID# 31649

Contact Telephone Number:

(877) 829-5500

Accounting Period Ending:

June 30

Public Charity Status:

170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

Form 990/990-EZ/990-N Required:

Yes

Effective Date of Exemption:

November 13, 2015

Contribution Deductibility:

Yes

Addendum Applies:

No

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

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LUDLOW-TAYLOR PTO

Sincerely,

Jeffrey I. Cooper
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

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Ludlow-Taylor Elementary School

Love, Explore, Inspire

659 G Street, NE Washington, DC 20002



RE: Letter of Support

ANC 6C
POBox 75115
Washington, DC, 200013

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter of support for the grant application that the Ludlow-Taylor PTO has submitted to buy new computers for Ms. Gordon's third grade class. We are looking to modernize all of the computers at Ludlow-Taylor, but we recognize that Ms. Gordon's computers are the most out-of-date, and this provides a significant impediment to integrating technology into her third grade classroom.

Ludlow-Taylor is a 2016 Blue Ribbon award-winning elementary school that has excelled in providing education resources to an underserved community. Some members of this community do not have access to technology at home, including internet-enabled laptops or desktops. As such, school is a critical place to provide them with experience in today's technology. While DCPS funds the provision of new computers, they have not provided updated technology in five years and do not plan to do so for the foreseeable future. As a Title 1 school, it is not easy for us to budget for or internally raise critical resources for technology in addition to our other non-discretionary needs.

Our teachers use classroom computers on a daily basis to expose their students to educational programs such as ST Math, Lexia and i-Ready are increasingly becoming the norm for preparing students for a tech-savvy world, along with current assessments such as PARCC. Unfortunately, because there is no standardized way of receiving funding for a classroom computer lab, we do not always get equal quality resources in each classroom or even across each grade. Making sure that all students have access to the newest and best technology is a personal priority. While we are requesting approximately \$2000 total from ANCs 6A and 6C for Ms. Gordon's class – which has demonstrated the most acute need, we are trying to meet a much larger estimated goal of approximately \$45,000 to modernize the entire school's computers.

Keeping Ludlow-Taylor students technologically equipped is essential to maintaining their status as high achievers, and to offering students from a variety of socio-economic backgrounds the educational building blocks they deserve.

Thank you for considering our proposal to help ensure all of the children in our diverse student body can benefit from opportunities to engage in cutting edge educational technologies.

Sincerely,

Andrew Smith, Principal

Student-Centered Learning

Family Engagement



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February 1, 2018

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to declare my support for the Ludlow-Taylor Elementary School (LTES) PTO's request for funding of 20 new Chromebooks for Ms. Gordon's third grade classroom. The Chromebooks will help ensure all third graders have access to quality technology and educational programs they need to be positioned to succeed.

The PTO and our school community are working hard to raise additional funds to provide support beyond our DCPS budget, but it is not enough. As a Title 1 elementary school with a significant percentage of students living at or below the poverty line, we have to fight even harder for extra resources. Many of our students do not have access to age appropriate learning resources – including new educational technologies – beyond what is provided as school.

This effort to fundraise for computers, along with support from community organizations such as yours, helps ensure that all LTES students have access to quality education so that they can meet the appropriate academic standards and be competitive among DCPS students. As a 2016 Department of Education Blue Ribbon award recipient, our efforts at LTES in closing the achievement gap among student subgroups are paying off, but there is more that can be done.

At the 3rd grade level, it's especially critical for our students to have every day access to this type of technology throughout the entire school year. Having a classroom set of Chromebooks supports 3rd grade students as they prepare for their initial year of Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) computer-based testing.

As a Ward 6 resident, local business leader, and the parent of Kindergarten and Pre-K 3 students at LTES, I fully give my support to this much-needed upgrade and appropriate request for funding from the Ward 6 ANC.

Sincerely,

Amy Rzepka

612 11 St NE, DC 20002

Vice President, Ludlow-Taylor PTO

Director, Old City CrossFit/Swim School/Gymnastics



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No report. Committee did not meet in February 2018.



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THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

In the Matter of:)	
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Truth Hookah/Cigar, LLC)	
t/a Truth Hookah/Cigar)	
)	
Applicant for a New)	License No.: ABRA-108602
Retailer's Class CT License)	Order No.: 2018-067
)	
at premises)	
1220 H Street, NE)	
Washington, D.C. 20002)	
)	

Truth Hookah/Cigar, LLC, t/a Truth Hookah/Cigar (Applicant)

Jay Williams, Co-Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A

BEFORE: Donovan Anderson, Chairperson
Nick Alberti, Member
Mike Silverstein, Member
James Short, Member
Donald Isaac, Sr., Member
Bobby Cato, Member
Rema Wahabzadah, Member

ORDER ON SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The official records of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) reflect that Truth Hookah/Cigar, LLC, t/a Truth Hookah/Cigar, Applicant for a new Retailer's Class CT License, located at 1220 H Street, NE, Washington, D.C., and ANC 6A have entered into a Settlement Agreement (Agreement), dated February 8, 2018, that governs the operation of the Applicant's establishment.

The Agreement has been reduced to writing and has been properly executed and filed with the Board. The Applicant and Co-Chair Jay Williams, on behalf of ANC 6A, are signatories to the Agreement.



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Accordingly, it is this 14th day of February, 2018, **ORDERED** that:

1. The above-referenced Settlement Agreement submitted by the parties to govern the operations of the Applicant's establishment is **APPROVED** and **INCORPORATED** as part of this Order, except for the following modifications:

Subsection 3(d) (Music/Dancing/Entertainment) – This Subsection shall be removed.

Subsection 3(g) (Music/Dancing/Entertainment) – This Subsection shall be removed.

The parties have agreed to these modifications.

2. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Applicant and ANC 6A.



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District of Columbia
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

Donovan Anderson, Chairperson

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Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-433(d)(1), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14th Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, DC 20009.

Also, pursuant to section 11 of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, Pub. L. 90-614, 82 Stat. 1209, D.C. Official Code §2-510 (2001), and Rule 15 of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, any party adversely affected has the right to appeal this Order by filing a petition for review, within thirty (30) days of the date of service of this Order, with the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, 430 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001; (202/879-1010). However, the timely filing of a Motion for Reconsideration pursuant to 23 DCMR §1719.1 (2008) stays the time for filing a petition for review in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals until the Board rules on the motion. See D.C. App. Rule 15(b) (2004).



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Made this 8th day of February, 2018

by and between

Truth Hookah/Cigar, LLC t/a Truth Hookah/Cigar
1220 H Street, NE
Washington DC 20002

and

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Preamble

Through this Agreement, both parties aim to create an environment whereby Applicant may operate as a viable contributing business in the ANC 6A community, while concurrently curtailing any adverse effects a business such as Applicant's could have on the surrounding neighborhood.

Applicant agrees to work regularly with ANC 6A, neighborhood associations, and residents to ensure the business operations do not adversely affect the surrounding neighborhood. All parties believe the statements and provisions contained in this Agreement are reasonable and must become wholly integrated into the day-to-day operation of the business establishment.

The community and Applicant understand and agree that the changes imposed upon the operations of licensees within the ANC as set forth herein are important measures to protect the safety, peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood, its residents, and businesses.

Witnesseth

Whereas, Applicant's premises is within the boundaries of ANC 6A; and,

Whereas, the parties desire to enter into an agreement governing certain requirements and understandings regarding the issuance of a Retailer's Class CT Liquor License at the subject premises; and,

The Parties Agree As Follows:

1. **Public Space Cleanliness and Maintenance.** Applicant will maintain the public space (minimally the front sidewalk up to and including the gutter in front of the subject premises, and the alleyway behind the subject premises) adjacent to the establishment in a clean and litter-free condition by:
 - a. Picking up trash, including beverage bottles and cans, and all other trash a minimum of twice daily (once immediately before business hours and again between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.).
 - b. Maintaining regular trash and garbage removal service, regularly removing trash from the trash and dumpster area, and seeing that the trash and dumpster area remain clean.
 - c. Depositing trash and garbage only in rodent-proof dumpsters, and seeing that dumpster covers fit

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- properly and remain fully closed except when trash or garbage is being added or removed.
- d. Exercising due diligence to prevent and/or rid vermin infestation in and around the establishment, including following, minimally, the recommendations and guidelines of the Vector Control Division of the Department of Public Works.
- e. Assisting in maintenance of the curbs in front of the establishment to keep them free of trash, removing snow and ice from the sidewalk, and complying with all applicable D.C. laws and regulation in these respects.
- f. Planting, watering, and generally tending to tree boxes directly in front of the subject premises, if any.
- g. Promptly removing or painting over any graffiti written on the exterior walls of the property. This section does not apply to murals, graffiti, or other artwork placed on the exterior of the property with the permission of the building owner/Applicant, provided that the artwork complies with all applicable DC laws and regulations.
- h. Requiring the owner and employees not to park on public space between the building and the curb.
- i. Not locating trash bins, chairs, tables, or other equipment on public space without a valid space permit.

2. Business Operations and Practices.

- a. Applicant will not, directly or indirectly, sell or deliver alcohol to any intoxicated person or to any person who appears to be intoxicated.
- b. Applicant agrees to take all necessary steps to prevent patron rowdiness, including refusing admission/service to rowdy and/or unruly persons.
- c. Applicant agrees to ensure that no patron brings an open container of an alcoholic beverage into the establishment from outside sources, and at no time exits the establishment with an open container of an alcoholic beverage.
- d. Applicant will not provide or sell alcoholic beverages "to go."
- e. Applicant agrees not to promote or participate in bar or pub "crawls" or any other event of this nature unless the event has been reviewed and approved by the ABC Board.
- f. The licensed establishment will be managed in person by Applicant or a board-licensed manager.
- g. Applicant, and all employees that are designated to serve alcoholic beverages, shall attend and complete an alcoholic beverage server training course/seminar.
- h. Applicant shall post a notice kept in good repair and visible from point of entry a sign that states:
 - i. Proper ID is required to be served and that the establishment will check IDs at all times prior to serving alcoholic beverages to patrons;
 - ii. It is illegal to sell alcohol to anyone under age 21;
 - iii. Patrons are requested not to litter, loiter, or make excessive noise in the neighborhood as they arrive or depart;
 - iv. Warning: Drinking alcoholic beverages during pregnancy can cause birth defects; and
 - v. The establishment requests that customers do not contribute to panhandlers.
- i. Applicant shall make every effort to prohibit and prevent loitering and criminal activity on or in front of the establishment premises, to include:
 - i. Asking loiterers to move on whenever they are observed outside the establishment;
 - ii. Calling the Metropolitan Police Department if illegal activity is observed;
 - iii. Keeping a written record of dates and times (a "call log") when the MPD is called for assistance; and
 - iv. Applicant will maintain a detailed incident log. An incident is defined as any activity by patrons of the establishment inside or immediately outside the establishment that could lead to an ABRA investigation. Each incident will contain the date, time, and location of each incident with a concise summary. Guests and staff involved or witnesses of the incident will be identified and listed. If there is a medical or police response, that information will also be noted.

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- j. Upon request of the Board, Applicant's call log and incident log shall be provided to the Board during meetings or hearings involving future renewals or contested proceedings involving Applicant's license.
 - k. Applicant will utilize and maintain high-intensity floodlights on the exterior of its premises so as to fully light any abutting alleyway from dusk until dawn.
 - l. Applicant shall provide valet parking services only with valet parking companies as defined, licensed, and in compliance with D.C. Municipal Regulations Title 24 Chapter 16. Applicant will not engage in valet parking that results in vehicles parked in residential parking spaces.
3. **Music / Dancing / Entertainment.**
- a. Applicant agrees to ensure that sounds originating from within the establishment are mitigated by installing adequate soundproofing.
 - b. No sound, noise, music, or voices emanating from the licensed establishment shall be of such intensity that it may be heard in any premises other than the licensed establishment. This restriction does not apply to: (1) sound, noise, music, or voices heard in any premises which are located within a C-1, C-2, C-3, C-4, C-M, or M zone, as defined in the zoning regulations for the District, and (2) sound, noise, music, or voices occasioned by the normal opening of entrance and exit doors for the purpose of ingress and egress.
 - c. In order to mitigate noise on a sidewalk café or summer garden the following steps will be taken:
 - i. Applicant shall not offer any type of entertainment or pre-recorded music on the summer garden and/or sidewalk café;
 - ii. A fence or other barrier will enclose the entire perimeter;
 - iii. No fewer than two signs will be clearly posted to remind guests to keep their voices at normal speaking volume;
 - iv. Staff will monitor the outdoor area to make sure guests do not raise their voices above normal speaking tones; and
 - v. Potted plants, trees, fountains, or other types of noise mitigation techniques will be incorporated into the decor.
 - d. The hours of operation for a sidewalk café and/or summer garden are limited until 11:00 pm Sunday through Thursday evenings and 12:00 am on Friday and Saturday evenings. The sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages must end at that time and the patio must be cleared of all patrons and staff. [Note to applicants: Section 3.d. may be modified depending on a number of factors, including proximity to residential homes, applicant's history with other establishments in 6A, the nature of the business, etc.]
 - e. Applicant may offer facilities for dancing for patrons only with an entertainment endorsement and may have recorded and background music without an entertainment endorsement. "Entertainment" means live music or any other live performance by an actual person, including live bands, karaoke, comedy shows, poetry readings, and disc jockeys. The term "entertainment" shall not include the operation of a jukebox, a television, a radio, or other prerecorded music.
 - f. All CT license holders with an entertainment endorsement must have an ABRA-accepted security plan in place.
 - g. The kitchens for all CR license holders shall remain open and operational up until at least one hour prior to closing.
4. **Cooperation with ANC 6A.** Applicant agrees to work on resolving issues preventing Applicant from fulfilling its obligations under this Agreement with all of the following: the Single Member District (SMD) ANC Commissioner within whose boundaries the establishment is located, the Chair of the ABL Committee, and other Commissioners whose SMDs are adjacent to the location of the establishment.
5. **Modifications.** This Agreement may be modified and such modification implemented by Applicant only by mutual agreement of the parties and the subsequent approval of the modification by the ABC Board pursuant

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to DC Official Code Code § 25-446 or as required by District law.

6. Miscellaneous.

- a. Applicant shall post a copy of this Settlement Agreement in the establishment in conjunction with the posting of its alcoholic beverage license.
- b. Applicant will operate in compliance with all applicable DC laws and regulations. Any reference to specific laws and regulations in this Settlement Agreement is meant for informational purposes only. ANC 6A does not intend for a violation of any DC law or regulation to also be considered a violation of this Settlement Agreement.

7. Enforcement.

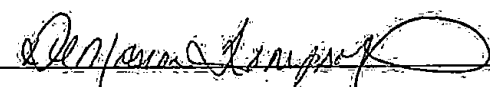
- a. Applicant and ANC 6A agree to enter into this Agreement. If Applicant should breach the conditions of this Agreement, it is understood by all parties that ANC 6A and/or its committees may immediately notify the Applicant and/or file a complaint with the ABC Board, which will be investigated by ABRA's Enforcement Division, and may subject Applicant to a Show Cause proceeding or any other penalty available to the Board under the law.
- b. This Settlement Agreement is binding on Applicant and will continue in force for any and all subsequent license holders at this location.

In Witness Whereof

The parties have affixed hereto their hands and seals.

Applicant:

By: Demasia Thompson Date: 1/24/18

Signature: 

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Representative:

By: Jay Williams Co-Chair ABL Committee Date: 2/8/18

Signature: 



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Transportation and Public Space (T&PS)



AGENDA

ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting
Capitol Hill Towers, 900 G Street NE
February 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

- I. Called meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.
- II. Introductions
 - A. Committee members in attendance: Chair Todd Sloves, Jeff Fletcher, Elizabeth Nelson.
 - B. Commissioner Mike Soderman was also in attendance.
- III. Announcements
 - A. The committee will resume regular meetings on the third Monday of the month beginning in March 2018.
 - B. ANC 6A is seeking volunteer committee members.
- IV. Community Comment
 - A. Ian Talley, a resident of the 300 block of Seventeenth (17th) Street NE, raised an issue regarding the redesign project taking place on the street. He said a part of his block has been left unpaved and he has raised the issue numerous times with the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to no avail. He also said there is continued speeding, honking during rush hour, and WMATA buses do not stay in lane because the lanes are not wide enough. He said it is a serious safety issue that needs to be addressed. Chair Todd Sloves suggested he get in touch with his Single Member District ANC Commissioner to help resolve the specific issue on his block and recommended asking DDOT to attend one of our next meetings to provide an update on the project. Mr. Talley also stated that he planned to file a FOIA request for documents relating to the planning of the project.
- V. New Business
 - A. Presentation from the owners of Loaf Coffee, 101 Fifteenth (15th) Street NE
 - i. Chris Pitorri and Keagon Foster, owners of Loaf Coffee, presented their plans for public space usage, but did not have full application materials on hand. They informed the Committee the person at DDOT handling their application had said they would need further documentation and a better mock-up of their plans.
 - ii. Mr. Sloves discussed the process through which businesses typically garner ANC support and the terms ANC6A usually asks businesses to agree to in order to get support for public space applications for sidewalk cafes.
 - iii. There was some discussion about how to handle trash bins, which are currently located on “public parking.” A neighbor suggested using an area in an alley behind their block as a solution.
 - iv. Since the application may change and the hearing date is not until April 26, 2018, it was determined that the owners should come back before the Committee in March 2018 with more information about their plans. In the interim, Mr. Sloves will send info about the terms we normally ask businesses to agree to.
 - B. Request for support of petition to rename the 200 Block of Tenth (10th) Street in honor of William Outlaw



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- i. Commissioner Mike Soderman introduced some of his constituents to explain why they want the street renamed and described their admiration for both William Outlaw and his late wife, Pocahontas.
 - ii. Committee member Jeff Fletcher said that in a similar case, he was told the DC Council would not take up legislation to rename a street for a living person, and that an individual has to be deceased for at least two (2) years before the Council Chairman will consider it.
 - iii. Discussion ensued over other ways to honor Mr. Outlaw, and it was suggested that it might be better to rename the street in honor of his wife, Pocahontas, who was just as important to the community. It was suggested that the street could be renamed “Outlaw” Way in honor of Pocahontas. At a future time, Mr. Outlaw’s name could be added once it would be able to move through the council, but the name “Outlaw Way” should not run into any issues if it is named for Pocahontas.
 - iv. ***Recommendation: Commissioner Soderman moved that the Committee recommend ANC 6A send a letter of support to Councilmember Charles Allen in support of renaming the 200 block of Tenth (10th) Street NE as “Outlaw Way” in honor of Pocahontas Outlaw and her dedication to the community. Mr. Sloves seconded the motion and it passed 4-0 with the support of Mr. Soderman.***
- C. Review of Public Space Application for 809 Twelfth (12th) Street NE (Horace and Dickie’s)
- i. Mr. Sloves explained that this application seems to be an attempt to keep an ATM out in front of the business on public space. Mr. Sloves also informed the Committee that he had reached out to the primary contact for the application multiple times to request their attendance or at least information about the application but received no response. Given this, it was suggested that the Committee and ANC6A oppose the application.
 - ii. ***Recommendation: Mr. Sloves moved that the committee recommend ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT’s Public Space Committee in opposition to the public space application for 809 Twelfth (12th) Street NE. The motion was seconded by Elizabeth Nelson and passed 4-0 with Mr. Soderman’s support.***
- VI. Additional Community Comment (time permitting) - none.
- VII. Adjourned meeting at 8:30 p.m.



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March XX, 2018

Councilmember Charles Allen
Council of the District of Columbia
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Councilmember Allen:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on March 8, 2018, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request the naming of an alley lot in our district.

The thirty (30) foot alley intersects Eleventh (11th) Street NE mid-way between G Street NE and F Street NE.

A by-right proposed plan, previously reviewed by ANC 6A for Square 983, Lots 853 and 854 includes homes that will front to the above-referenced alley, which currently is unnamed in the District of Columbia records.

There are presently several garages on the lots which will be removed and replaced with two homes on each lot.

Following discussion with neighbors and the members of the ANC 6A, we request that the alley be designated as Bruce Robey Way.

Mr. Robey was the founder of the District's *Voice of the Hill* newspaper and was instrumental to the revival of the H Street NE corridor. He and his wife were active in the arts community and invested their time, labor and money to build the H Street Playhouse.

We believe the naming of the alley a fitting tribute to Mr. Robey's contribution to the neighborhood and to the District. We ask that you carry this formal request for an alley naming forward through the appropriate channels.

Thank you for giving great weight to the request of ANC 6A in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at philanc6a@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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Transportation and Public Space (T&PS)



March XX, 2018

The Honorable Charles Allen
Council of the District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 110
Washington DC 20004
VIA EMAIL: callen@dccouncil.us

RE: ANC6A requests ceremonial naming for 200 block of 10th St NE

Dear Councilmember Allen:

At its regularly scheduled, properly noticed meeting on March 8, 2018¹, with a quorum present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A voted X-X to send this letter of support for the ceremonial naming of the 200 block of Tenth (10th)^t Street NE “Outlaw Way.”

The 200 block of 10 NE is bounded by C Street and Constitution Avenue NE. The proposed ceremonial naming includes the entirety of the block and would be reflected in one street sign at the north end and one at the south end of the block, both beneath the official signs bearing the name “Tenth (10th)^t Street NE” and of an appropriately smaller size. The name of the street for official purposes will remain Tenth (10th)^t Street NE.

The proposed ceremonial naming Outlaw Way pays homage to the long-term contributions of Mrs. Pocahontas Outlaw (and her family). Pocahontas Outlaw played a strong role in supporting her community and inspiring service among others: she volunteered for decades at our local polling station, volunteered for the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN) to help improve the lives of low-income families, and did daily kindnesses for the neighborhood such as making dishes for those in need. In the words of one neighbor (of several who responded to the query to the listserv about her), she “was the epitome of good neighborliness”.

Even those who did not have the opportunity to meet Ms. Outlaw have been inspired by reading about her in the book about the Outlaw family. Mrs. Outlaw was born and had lived in DC for her whole life. She played a unique role in promoting social capital and community spirit in Capitol Hill, with a book and a Washington Post article published about her family’s efforts. Residents’ connection with the Outlaws, now enjoyed by multiple generations as many children grow up knowing and respecting them, also fosters a much-needed connection between different social groups, fostering an environment in which residents recognize the value of civic participation and volunteerism. Strong support of block residents is reflected in the more than twenty (20) household responses to the proposal to ceremonially name the block Outlaw Way (circulated electronically and by hand), all of which are resoundingly positive. This was also discussed verbally at a recent birthday party for Mrs. Outlaw’s husband, attended by at least forty (40) residents, with consistently supportive feedback.

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The ANC supports ceremonially naming the block in honor of Mrs. Pocahontas Outlaw, both to recognize her outstanding contributions to the Capitol Hill and wider DC communities, and to serve as lasting inspiration for the civic-minded actions that strengthen our social, cultural and civic links as a city.

If you need more information on this request, please contact me at philanc6a@gmail.com or Commissioner Michael Soderman, mikesoderman@gmail.com and 202-297-6777.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



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Transportation and Public Space (T&PS)



March XX, 2018

Mr. Matthew Marcou
Associate Director for the Public Space Regulations Division (PSRD)
District Department of Transportation
55 M Street SE, Suite 400
Washington, DC 20003

Re: Public Space Application for 809 12th Street NE, Tracking #222618

Dear Associate Director Marcou:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on March 8, 2018, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the above-referenced application for a public space permit.

It is our understanding that the owner of the current property has been cited twice for keeping an automated teller machine (ATM) on public space in front of their business. We believe the application for public space submitted to DDOT is an attempt to continue to keep the ATM in this location. ANC 6A does not believe this is an acceptable use of public space, therefore, we urge DDOT to reject this application.

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 philanc6a@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian,
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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Report of the Economic Development and Zoning (ED&Z) Committee of the Advisory Neighborhood
Commission (ANC) 6A
Sherwood Recreation Center, 640 Tenth (10th) Street NE
February 21, 2018

Present:

Members: Brad Greenfield, Jake Joyce, Tim Drake

Commissioners: None

Brad Greenfield chaired the meeting.

Community Comment

None.

Previously Heard Cases

Chair Brad Greenfield reported that the ANC supported the EDZ's recommended concerns about the redesign of Maury Elementary.

Old Business

1226 North Carolina Avenue, NE (BZA #19593): Applicant seeks a special exception under Subtitle E § 5201 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1 and from the nonconforming structure requirements of Subtitle C § 202.2, to enclose a rear, third floor deck in an existing one-family dwelling in the RF-1 Zone. This is a continuation of a matter considered several months ago for a rear addition and enclosure of a porch. At that time, the EDZ had requested the applicant develop a shade study to show the light and air impact on neighbors. There is one neighbor who is in opposition to the request, Ms. Patton.

The applicant had submitted their shade study prior to the meeting. Ms. Patton's attorney cited several deficiencies that they found in the shade study; the shade study shows one window, there are actually four (4) windows affected on her property with two more windows on another side. In addition, the study shows that 1228 is flush with 1230, but there is an eight (8) foot space between the two. The shade study also shows that 1228 is the same width as 1226, when in fact 1228 is wider. Ms. Patton's attorney (Ms. Pitts) requested the data used to develop the shade study be provided, so that an independent assessment can be made.

The applicant, Mr. Griffin, replied that the study was produced by a registered architect using a Google sketch product. The interface for that product has users enter the address for the study and uses Google maps and Street View information to produce the shade study. That makes it very difficult to produce the core data that was used. He also reported that both 1226 and 1228 are both seventeen (17) feet wide.

The shade study shows that maximum shading impact is between 2:30 pm and 7:30 pm in winter, with little impact at other times of the year. Ms. Patton is also reportedly concerned about the potential impact on future solar panels on her roof; however, at this time she does not have a permit for a solar system to be installed. Ms. Pitts asserted that 1226 is 12' 2" and 1228 is 11' 10", and that there is an 8' 8" gap between the two buildings which is used for a garden. She believes that this could affect the massing, which would have an impact on the shade study.

Mr. Greenfield stated that zoning regulations require that the applicant produce a shade study, which they have done. Mr. Greenfield stated that the EDZ and ANC are not equipped to judge the accuracy of



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the shade study, and that we rely on architectural standards and professional ethics in the production of shade studies. He stated that if Ms. Patton was concerned about the accuracy of the shade study, she could produce her own.

Mr. Greenfield stated that the shade study did show a very modest impact of the proposed addition on neighboring buildings, with the primary impact in the middle of winter.

Ms. Pitts also raised concerns about the accuracy of Mr. Griffin's assertions. She stated that Mr. Griffin has represented the home as a one-family dwelling, when in fact there are two electric meters and there is a renter. Ms. Patton reported that there is no Certificate of Occupancy for the home. Mr. Greenfield stated that the ANC and the EDZ are not there to consider Certificates of Occupancy and that unfortunately, there is a tremendous amount of Capitol Hill housing stock that is rented out without Certificates of Occupancy.

Mr. Greenfield made a motion that ANC6A support the applicant's request for relief, with the caveat that he make best efforts to obtain the core data for the shade study and provide it to Ms. Patton. Mr. Jake Joyce seconded the motion and it passed 3-0.

New Business

Loaf Coffee: Loaf Coffee is a new coffee shop that has moved into the old Mia's Coffee at 101 15th Street, NE. Mr. Greenfield reported that there had been several complaints from neighbors who were concerned about the marketing material for the coffee shop, that it seemed to indicate that it potentially would be selling marijuana-related products. The owners of Loaf Coffee were present and reported that they have never sold or been engaged in the buying or selling of marijuana or its products and do not plan to; they are not a dispensary and we have no plans to become one.

Mr. Greenfield asked if patrons would be allowed to consume marijuana on the premises, and the owners responded that no consumption on the premises would be allowed. Mr. Greenfield asked about the tone of the marketing material, and its apparent references to marijuana. The owners replied that the marketing was a satirical tongue-in-cheek reference to coffee being a drug and following a similar life cycle between coffee beans and drugs; the slogan "let us take you higher" is also satirical in nature.

A member of the public expressed concerns about the entrances and exits to the building, and the use of outdoor space without licensing. Mia Coffee initially asked for a public space permit but found out that it likely was not going to receive approval because the trash was being stored in public space. They withdrew their permit application but still used the outside space.

The Loaf owners reported that they have submitted an application for a sidewalk café; until that is approved they do not plan on having people sit out and eat in that space. They did have an incident where a barista allowed three people to sit outside, but the situation was inadvertent and quickly corrected. All employees have been informed that no one is allowed to sit outside.

Mr. Greenfield asked if Loaf was planning on serving hot food. Loaf replied that they do intend to serve hot food and pre-packaged pastries. There will be a hot breakfast service, limited to weekends. If there is support for this, it could be expanded into other times. Mr. Greenfield asked if there were any plans to have live entertainment. The Loaf owners reported that entertainment was something they were feeling out with the community, and that if there were to be live music it would be acoustic. The Loaf



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ownership reported that they would have discussions with neighbors to ensure that any entertainment was not opposed.

Mr. Joyce asked if there were any plans for metal silverware. The Loaf owners reported that all silverware would be plastic.

Mr. Greenfield noted that some individuals had taken offense at the marketing material that Loaf had used. The Loaf ownership replied that the material in question was from a podcast that they had done in the past, and that there was no plan to resume that in the future. The owners apologized if anyone was offended, that the podcast was based in humor and it was never their intention to offend anyone.

Mr. Greenfield stated that the public space request would be considered by ANC6A's Transportation and Public Space Committee. Since the owners of Loaf Coffee were not requesting any relief, and they had addressed all concerns, no further action was required.

Comprehensive Plan: The Mayor, through the Office of Planning, has submitted changes to the DC Comprehensive Plan. The changes are voluminous. Several community members and groups have voiced concerns. The gist of one of the big issues is the changes include several instances where a different zoning standard could be used.

Ms. Elizabeth Nelson, of the Capitol Hill Restoration Society (CHRS) reported that CHRS is concerned that loosening of the proposed Framework Element language (the "definitions" section) is being used to create intentional ambiguity in the Comprehensive Plan. This is designed to protect the Zoning Commission (ZC) from appeals in the future based on claims that the ZC is not following the Comprehensive Plan, by making the Comprehensive Plan so vague that appeals will be impossible.

Ms. Nelson complained that the Office of Planning had committed to produce the entire Comprehensive Plan and submit it, in its entirety, for public comment for sixty (60) days, but instead they removed the framework element and submitted it directly to the DC City Council. ANCs have just recently been given the opportunity to review this portion of the plan but are not being provided with any mechanism to comment on the draft.

Mr. Greenfield reported that, in his reading of the Comprehensive Plan language, the zoning standards would remain the same, but applicants could argue that other zoning standards may apply. Mr. Greenfield stated that the ambiguity of the language would appear to be problematic for all concerned, since it would cause tremendous ambiguity in determining which zoning standards would apply and would put the Bureau of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) and the ZC in a difficult position of making arbitrary decisions.

Mr. Tim Drake and Mr. Greenfield reported that they would like to get more information about the proposed changes to determine the exact nature of their concerns. A member of the audience (Mr. Alcorn) asked if the Office of ANCs was active on this issue. Ms. Nelson replied that she did not believe so; the Office of ANCs was more concerned with operational aspects of ANC activities.

Mr. Greenfield made a motion that ANC6A oppose the current draft of the proposed Framework Element of the DC Comprehensive Plan and that the members of the EDZ confer offline in honing the exact nature of those concerns. Mr. Drake seconded the motion and it carried 3-0



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Closing

As no other issues were brought forward for discussion, Mr. Greenfield closed the meeting.

Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting:

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

7:00 -9:00 pm

640 10th Street NE Sherwood Recreation Center, Second (2nd) Floor



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March XX, 2018

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. 19593 (1226 North Carolina Avenue, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on March 8, 2018¹, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request for a special exception under Subtitle E § 5201 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1 and from the nonconforming structure requirements of Subtitle C § 202.2, to enclose a rear, third floor deck in an existing one-family dwelling in the RF-1 Zone.

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 a shade study. 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 philanc6a@gmail.com and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

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March XX, 2018

The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 402
Washington, D.C. 20004

Re: Proposed Revisions to the D.C. Comprehensive Plan

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on March 8, 2018¹, our Commission voted X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the current draft of the revised Framework Element of the D.C. Comprehensive Plan. The opposition of ANC 6A to the proposed plan is based on the lack of proper process in developing and reviewing the revised comprehensive plan, and our fear that the language currently in use will weaken D.C.'s zoning regulations and lead to potential chaos in development activities.

The D.C. Office of Planning failed to provide ANCs a thirty (30)-day comment period on the Comprehensive Plan Framework Element as required by law. While there were many public meetings and the opportunity for the public to submit amendments to the Comprehensive Plan - and a commitment to provide the required review of the Plan in its entirety – the Framework Element, alone, has been submitted directly to the Council with almost no public review of the proposed changes. The result of this lack of proper process is that there has not been adequate time for ANC's to consider and respond to specific changes to the Comprehensive Plan that will affect them prior to its consideration for adoption.

Compounding the lack of transparent and open process is the proposed language being proposed in the comprehensive plan. The current draft states that zones for each land use category are “broad guidelines” and are “not intended to be strictly followed.” This language, combined with other similar changes, will likely result in a softening of zoning guidance, allowing developers or other parties to argue that different zoning standards may be used for development projects, based on potentially arbitrary or idiosyncratic criteria. These changes are likely to place a substantial burden on the Zoning Commission and Board of Zoning Administration, which will lack clarity in the Comprehensive Plan. The net result is likely to be zoning decisions that will be more arbitrary and capricious and provide less predictability and support from local communities.

While ANC 6A does believe that the current zoning appeal process is problematic and should be addressed, the current approach of softening the Comprehensive Plan language to make appeals more difficult is likely to result in more problems than it will resolve. Therefore, the Commission requests the Council return the Comprehensive Plan to the Office of Planning for lawfully required comment from affected ANCs and the public.

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cc: Members of the D.C. Council
Eric Shaw, Director of the Office of Planning
Brian Kenner, Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development



New Business



1. Letter to DC Council requesting reinstatement of ANC sign language interpreter fund