

District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Agenda for March 14, 2024



Second (2nd) Thursdays at 7:00 pm Virtual Meeting via Zoom

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7:00 pm Call to order

7:01 pm Adoption of Agenda and Approval of Minutes

7:02 pm Community Presentations

Ward 6 Councilmember Charles Allen

7:50 pm Consent Agenda

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Community Outreach (COC)

Recommendation: ANC 6A approve a grant to Celebrate Capitol Hill, Inc. in the amount of \$1,370.00 for the purpose of engaging neighborhood youth in beautifying activities/public art.

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

Recommendation: ANC 6A send a letter of support to BZA for: Request for a Special Exception pursuant to Subtitle E § 5201.1 and Subtitle X § 901.2 from the rear yard and lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 207.1 and Subtitle E § 210.1 to construct a two-story rear addition to an existing, attached, two-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit at 1432 F Street NE (BZA #21071) in the RF-1 zone.

Recommendation: ANC 6A send a letter of support to BZA for: Request for a Special

Exception pursuant to Subtitle E § 207.5, 5201 and Subtitle X § 901.2 from the rear addition requirements of Subtitle E § 207.4, and pursuant to Subtitle E § 5201 and Subtitle X § 901.2 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 210.1 to construct a third story and rear addition to an existing, attached, two-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit at 808 I Street NE (BZA #21084) in the RF-1 zone.

7:55 pm Officer Reports

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- 1. Accept Treasurer's Report
- 2. Approve Fiscal Year 2024 1st Quarter Report
- 3. Approve amended Fiscal Year 2023 4th Quarter Report

Standing Committee Reports:

8:05 pm Community Outreach (COC)

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- 1. Accept February 2024 committee report.
- 2. Next meeting: March 25, 2024 (4th Monday)

8:10 pm Alcohol Beverage and Cannabis (ABC)

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- 1. No report. ABC did not meet in February 2024.
- 2. Approve January 2024 committee report.
- 3. Next meeting 7:00 pm, March 26, 2024 (4th Tuesday)

8:15 pm Transportation and Public Space (TPS)

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- 1. Accept February 2024 committee report.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, March 18, 2024 (3rd Monday)

8:20 pm Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

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- 1. Accept February 2024 committee report.
- 2. Recommendation: ANC 6A send a letter of support to BZA for: Request an Area Variance pursuant to Subtitle X § 1002 from the lot dimension requirements of Subtitle E § 202.1 to construct two new, attached, three-story with basements, principal dwelling units at 257 Warren Street NE (BZA #21085) in the RF-1 zone, with the caveat that the developers make best efforts to get letters of support from neighbors.
- 3. Next meeting 7:00 pm, March 20, 2024 (3rd Wednesday)

8:25 pm New Business

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- 1. Suggested Motion: ANC 6A approve Becca Beuthe (6A03) as a member of the Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ) Committee. (Shapiro)
- 2. Suggested Motion: ANC 6A approve Patrick Bloomstine (6A01) as a member of the Transportation and Public Space Committee. (Chatterjee)
- 8:30 pm Single Member District reports (2 minute each)
- 8:40 pm Community Comments (2 minutes each)
- 8:50 pm Adjourn





Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Minutes Virtual Meeting via Zoom February 8, 2024

Present: Commissioners Amber Gove, Keya Chatterjee, Roberta Shapiro, Dave Wethington, Steve Moilanen, and Mike Velasquez were present. Commissioner Robb Dooling was absent.

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

Commissioner Amber Gove called the meeting to order and noted the presence of a quorum. The minutes for the ANC January 2023 meeting were accepted and the agenda for the February 2024 meeting was accepted by unanimous consent.

Community Presentations
Social Housing
John Qua and Fatoumata Keita, DC for Democracy and Metro DC DSA
Will Merrifield, Center for Social Housing

ANC 6A had sent a letter of support for social housing and this presentation served as a follow up and update to that letter. Mr. Will Merrifield from the Center for Social Housing presented on the Green New Deal for Social Housing, reviewing that social housing is publicly owned housing that rationally and efficiently meets the needs of the population, unlike what is currently happening in DC, where most new housing is luxury apartments. In social housing, there is no private developer and the landlord is the city/state and any proceeds are returned to the maintenance of the building or creation of more social housing. Units are rented at affordable rates to a range of income levels. Montgomery County has a few social housing complexes, one of which is being built at net-zero emissions. The net cost to the county for two of these complexes is \$600K/year. DC currently attempts to address issues of affordable housing in many ways, such as low-income tax credit housing, inclusionary zoning, voucher-based programs, and public housing, all of which have their own issues. The Green New Deal for Social Housing would build housing within thriving transit-connected neighborhoods so working-class DC residents can stay within the city, close to their jobs and communities. It would ensure that the largest percentage of the housing is deeply affordable so residents would pay a reasonable rate to live there; the affordability breakdown is as follows: 30% affordable for families at 0-30% area median income (AMI); 30% at 31-80% AMI; 40% at market rate. The buildings would be electrified, an integral step to moving off fossil fuels and improving public health and are retrofitted with solar panels. The bill would create a new agency, the Office of Social Housing, which would buy property and build and manage properties. Social housing coordinating councils would be formed composed of tenants and public officials and their role would be to advance the creation and maintenance of social housing. The Center would like the ANC to pass a resolution and sign the ANC Commissioner sign on letter to promote the cause. The ANC expressed concerns about creating a new government agency given their inefficiencies, but Ms. Keita and Mr. Merrifield noted that in a social housing model, the tenants would play a much larger role in the new agency.

More information here: https://www.socialhousingcenter.org/
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSexGogQswtIz6MkxJeoeTjvxyaI4v0xx1Nc3IAWRvXz8JQ2tA/viewform

 $\underline{https://www.bloomberg.com/news/audio/2023-12-15/odd-lots-maryland-is-building-new-affordable-homes-podcast}$





Consent Agenda:

The following items were adopted by unanimous consent: Community Outreach (COC)

• ANC 6A approve a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Maury Elementary School PTA for the establishment of an outdoor garden.

Transportation and Public Space (TPS)

- ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT in support of the Bus Priority lanes on H Street NE, along with comments including more parking enforcement and protection of the bus lanes, additional landscaping, DDOT engagement with businesses regarding parking needs, and additional signage and painting.
- ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT requesting prioritization of longstanding TSIs at the intersections of 13th and I Streets NE, 14th and A Streets NE, 15th NE and A Streets NE, 15th Street NE and Constitution Avenue NE, 14th Street NE and Tennessee Avenue NE and E Street NE and Tennessee Avenue NE at the next quarterly prioritization assessment.
- ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT requesting Automated Traffic Enforcement and reconsideration of speed tables and raised crosswalks on the 800 block of West Virginia Avenue NE, supporting the signal study at the intersection of 8th Street NE and West Virginia Avenue NE, and further requesting any form of traffic calming measures to this area.

Officer Reports:

- 1. The February 2024 Treasurer's report by Commissioner Steve Moilanen reviewed the three expenditures accrued in January: \$771.19 for webmaster services, \$250.00 for notetaking, and \$58.29 for Zoom Premium meeting (checks #2092, 2091, and 2090, respectively). The opening uncommitted funds available were \$32,339.55. After accounts payable totaling \$2,447.55 the closing available checking balance is \$29,892. The savings account opened at \$100.05, gained no interest, and closed at \$100.05, and petty cash remained at \$25.00. The Treasurer's report was approved by unanimous consent.
- 2. Chair Gove moved and Commissioner Roberta Shapiro seconded the motion that ANC6A authorize an approximate \$200.00 for the upcoming in-person COC meeting at Miner Elementary to cover the security guard cost, printing, stationery and printing supplies. The motion passed 6-0.

Standing Committee Reports:

Community Outreach (COC)

- 3. The January 2024 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent.
- 4. Next meeting: February 26, 2024 (4th Monday) In Person Meeting at Miner Elementary School, 6:00 pm. The meeting will be focused on implementation considerations regarding the potential Maury-Miner merger.

Alcohol Beverage and Cannabis (ABC)

- 1. Commissioner Mike Velasquez, interim ABC Chair, gave an oral report of the 2024 committee meeting. The written committee report was not accepted and will be enhanced for the next meeting.
- 2. Commissioner Keya Chatterjee moved and Commissioner Shapiro seconded the motion that ANC 6A send a letter to ABCA in support of a limited term stipulated license for Smoking Pig until the ANC can consider a properly and timely submitted application for a liquor license. The owner of the Smoking Pig noted that his mother is on their liquor license and they will be changing that; he is seeking a letter of support from the ANC for a stipulated license. The motion passed 6-0.
- 3. Next meeting 7:00 pm, February 27, 2024 (4th Tuesday)





Transportation and Public Space (TPS)

- 1. The January 2024 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, March 18, 2024 (3rd Monday)

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

- 1. No report. Committee did not meet in January 2024.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, February 21, 2024 (3rd Wednesday)

New Business

1. Commissioner Gove moved and Commissioner Chatterjee seconded the motion that ANC 6A approve Ziad Demian (6A04) as a member of the Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ) Committee. The motion passed 6-0.

Commission Business

Single Member District reports

Commissioner Velasquez (6A02) had a great, solution-oriented public safety call with residents and Lieutenant Boyd and Captain Williams from MPD. A large pothole on G Street was fixed. The Commissioner was contacted by the new pastor's wife from Pilgrim Baptist Church who would like to plan something to observe Easter.

Commissioner Moilanen (6A07) called attention to the fact that the lottery for DCPR summer camp opens on February 12, 2024; the camp fair is happening on February 10, 2024. There has been substantial progress on 1000 C Street. There is new ownership at 7 River Mart and the Commissioner welcomes the two new owners, Dawit and Nahom.

Commissioner Dave Wethington (6A05) shared that DPR and DPS will be contributing funds towards the improvements at Kingsman Dog Park; the next steps are community meetings. Kingsman Bark has also expressed interest in fundraising. There continue to be concerns about the lack of a stop sign at 14th Street and Tennessee Avenue. The Commissioner reminds everyone that the upcoming COC meeting on February 26, 2024 will be in-person and center on the Miner-Maury merger and encourages residents to participate.

Commissioner Shapiro (6A03) reported that on January 17, 2024 there was a meeting about the \$1.4M allocated to improvements at Sherwood Recreation Center, but DPR and DPS have not communicated since then. The basketball and tennis courts will be updated; \$4M is allocated in the future towards a splash park and community garden. There was a neighborhood safety walk with Commander Hall (MPD1) and other officers. The Commissioner is among those testifying tomorrow at the DDOT performance oversight hearings on sidewalk safety. There are over 30 trip and fall claims against the city totaling millions of dollars. Finally, the Commissioner is hoping School-within-Schools @Goding (SWS) comes in with a grant request.

Commissioner Gove (6A04) recognized a great listening session at the former Argonaut space in preparation for the H Street Alliance meeting, which will take place on 7:00 pm on February 12, 2034 at the Atlas Performing Arts Center. The Commissioner encourages everyone to continue submitting 311 tickets and noted that transportation bingo is coming up.

Commissioner Chatterjee (6A01) reported a four-block gas outage during the year's coldest weekend, which led to a lot of water maintenance bursting. The Commissioner knocked on all neighborhood doors





and provided hot water bottles and hot tea. Washington Gas then left all of the meters open and needed a separate ticket opened for each meter. The Commissioner encourages community members to buy tickets to the Atlas Performing Arts Center INTERSECTIONS festival.

Community Comment

Ms. Jen DeMayo reported a productive first H Street Alliance meeting and the next one will be at the Atlas Performing Arts Center on Monday. There is a free family day at Atlas and Ms. DeMayo encourages residents to attend and see the INTERSECTIONS show. The STEER Act was passed. The Council passed on the first vote the Security See bill. To get on the H Street Alliance newsletter, email: jdemayo@dccouncil.gov

More on the STEER act:

https://www.charlesallenward6.com/final_vote_dc_council_approves_traffic_safety_bill_adding_teeth_t o_automated_cameras_getting_dangerous_drivers_off_the_street

MOCR Jake Stolzenberg announced that the mayor signed an order of DC's AI strategic plan to redo all the websites and making them more user friendly. Yesterday DC Health and the mayor highlighted resources for Black HIV Awareness Day. Lastly, the Lunar New Year parade is on Sunday before the Superbowl in Chinatown. Mr. Stolzenberg will be assessing 311 needs throughout 6A. https://mayor.dc.gov/release/mayor-bowser-signs-order-defining-dc%E2%80%99s-ai-values-and-ai-strategic-plan

https://mayor.dc.gov/release/mayor-bowser-and-dc-health-highlight-resources-residents-black-hivaids-awareness-day-0-aa

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Community Presentations









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February 10, 2024

Interim Director Sharon Kershbaum
Ms. Kelly Jeong-Olson
Strategic Communications Manager, Traffic Safety Branch
District Department of Transportation
Via email and the ANC Resolutions Website

Re: ANC 6A Support for Traffic Calming on West Virginia Avenue NE

Dear Interim Director Kershbaum and Ms. Jeong-Olson:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on February 8, 2024 our Commission voted 6-0-0 (with 4 Commissioners required for a quorum) to reaffirm long-standing requests for traffic calming on the 800-900 blocks of West Virginia Avenue NE, and a policy waiver from federal guidelines on traffic calming, if necessary, that have thus far prevented DDOT from considering the installation of any such safety measures on this unique block of District roadway. Our Commission is requesting any of the following measures be taken:

- Automated Traffic Enforcement, also known as speed cameras. We understand the volume of speeding vehicles has not been sufficient in the past to warrant this intervention, but we request this nonetheless given the high speed we and our neighbors have experienced.
- 2. Vertical Traffic Calming, also known as speed tables, speed humps, and raised crosswalks. We would like calming to occur at 9th Street NE and West Virginia Avenue NE and/or at mid-block on the 800 block of West Virginia Avenue NE, in coordination with homes that have created curb cutouts for driveways on the northwest side of the street. Additionally, DDOT should consider the installation of a raised crosswalk mid-block connecting DDOT's Low Impact Development/Multipurpose Green Infrastructure Project (planned for installation in summer 2024) on the northwest side of the intersection of 9th and L Streets NE to the angled sidewalk on the southwest side.

We understand that federal guidelines do not support vertical traffic calming measures, such as speed tables and speed humps, within 150 feet of an intersection (250 feet if it is signalized) or adjacent to curb cutouts such as those that exist on the northwest side of the street for over half the length of this block.

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We are respectfully requesting relief from the guidelines and are asking DDOT to consider an exception to policy in the case of this very unique and historically neglected block of roadway that was constructed well before such guidelines were ever put in place.

The Commission would also like to express support for DDOT's signal study at the intersection of 8th Street NE and West Virginia Avenue NE as an additional measure of traffic calming. If none of those interventions can be made, we wish to reiterate our support for any traffic calming we can get. If the above options for traffic calming cannot be implemented, we support a northeast one-way conversion that would bring traffic calming through the narrowing of the lane and the addition of a protected bicycle lane. We note that this block continues to be a gap in the bicycle lane network between protected lanes on West Virginia Avenue north of this location and K Street NE all the way to 8th Street NE. We support a connected bicycle lane network, and therefore a connection on this street if feasible.

Related letters of support for traffic calming on this block dating back to September 2016 can be found on our website:

https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/ANC6A-re -Support-for-traffic-calming-800-block-WV-N E-and-K-Street-NE.pdf

https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/ANC6A-support-for-NOI-21-136-PSD.pdf
https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/ANC6A-DDOT-Traffic-Calming-9th WV L-NE.pdf
https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/Letter-to-DDOT-re-traffic-calming-req-for-8th-and-WV-Av e-NE.pdf

We hope you will consider this letter and our previous letters and take urgent action. Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of this Commission. I can be contacted at 6A04@anc.dc.gov, Commissioner Chatterjee at 6A01@anc.dc.gov, and Transportation and Public Space Committee Chair Lynch can be contacted at 6ATPSChair@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

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February 11, 2024

Interim Director Sharon Kershbaum

Zack Gambetti-Mendez, Transportation Planner, Bus Priority Program

District Department of Transportation

Via email and the ANC Resolutions Website

Re: ANC 6A Support for H Street NE Bus/Streetcar-Only Lanes (NOI 24-07-TDD)

Dear Interim Director Kershbaun and Mr. Gambetti-Mendez.

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on Feburary 8, 2024 our Commission voted 6-0-0 (with 4 Commissioners required for a quorum) to reaffirm our enthusiastic support for bus/streetcar-only lanes on H Street NE in response to DDOT's Notice of Intent 24-07-TDD to install full-time (24/7) bus/streetcar-only lanes on H Street NE between 3rd Street NE and Benning Road NE. We are very excited that this project is moving forward this year.

We are glad to see that our input has been reflected in many design elements, including the mid-block crossings on the 1300, 1200, and 600 blocks, the raised bus platforms, and the automatic traffic enforcement cameras on WMATA buses. In addition, we request the following safety improvements to the bus priority and travel lanes:

- Automatic camera enforcement of the bus/streetcar lanes on the streetcar in addition to on WMATA buses
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- Raised mid-block crossings for the middle vehicular travel lanes for vertical traffic calming in the travel lanes.
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- Painted turn radiuses at each intersection to make it more likely that drivers will swing wide outside of the bus priority lane when turning, and also to slow driver speeds while turning. We would like on-street painted art in these turn areas.
- 6. Signage along the corridor indicating that left turns are not allowed.

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Regarding pedestrian safety along the corridor, we request:

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 tree box expansion and potentially from shade sails where tree canopy cannot be added. We
 would like to add Mulberry, Serviceberry, and other edible fruit trees to the corridor. The addition
 of trees with ameliorate the urban heat island effect, reduce air pollution, and support mental and
 physical health for pedestrians and bus riders, especially in the spring and summer months.
- Diagonal pedestrian crossing/exclusive pedestrian interval, also known as a 'barnes dance' crossing at 8th Street NE, where bus riders are frequently switching between the X9/X2/Streetcar to the 90/92 lines.
- Leading Pedestrian Intervals throughout the corridor, but especially for pedestrians crossing H Street.
- 4. Removal of unused newspaper bins
- Removal of cobblestone, which has been hard to navigate for pedestrians and wheelchair users, and also has been used to break glass storefronts.

Regarding parking and loading, we request:

- That parking revenue from the corridor be invested in local improvements to the H Street NE
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- 2. We would appreciate further study of the optimal parking mix for each block given current business configurations. This should include DDOT engagement with businesses to determine if their request for shorter-term parking for pick up and drop off is still relevant, and if so, to add 10-minute parking to the mix on every block, including on the east side of the corridor.
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- 4. Additional ADA parking spots on each block.
- Additional parking enforcement on the corridor, including the side streets in the early weeks of implementation.
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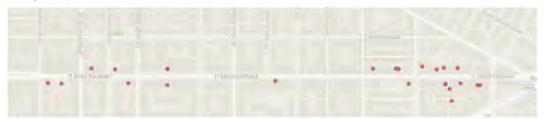
For reference, our 2022 letter requesting transit lanes on H Street NE can be found here: https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/ANC6A-re-Support-for-interim-bus-priority-and-traffic-calming-on-H-Street-NE-.pdf

The joint letter with ANC 6A from 2021 can be found here:

 $\underline{https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/ANC6A-and-6C-Request-for-partnership-to-develop-solutions-for-\underline{H-Street-NE.pdf}}$

The 2021 letter calling for a safer H Street, signed by 24 businesses can be found here: https://docs.google.com/document/d/14CrnsJgi-soxWaJykwFZz1ZW5YHhpuLrD9KshkV7p5A/edit

A map of the business locations is below:



We hope you will consider this letter and our previous letters and take urgent action. Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of this Commission. I can be contacted at 6A04@anc.dc.gov, Commissioner Chatterjee at 6A01@anc.dc.gov, and Transportation and Public Space Committee Chair Lynch can be contacted at 6ATPSChair@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

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Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A







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February 11, 2024

Interim Director Sharon Kershbaum District Department of Transportation Via email and the ANC Resolutions Website

Re: ANC 6A Request for Prioritization of All-Way Stop Installations

Dear Interim Director Kershbaum:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on February 8, 2024 our Commission voted 6-0-0 (with 4 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request that DDOT prioritize longstanding Traffic Safety Investigations (TSIs) requesting all-way stops and other safety improvements at the intersections of:

- 1. 14th Street NE and A Streets NE (TSIs 22-00503979, 22-00599820, and 23-00197961)
- 2. 15th Street NE and A Streets NE (TSI 22-00374880)
- 15th Street NE and Constitution Avenue NE (TSIs 22-0044115622, 24-00018055, 23-00595236, 23-00112259)
- 4. 14th Street NE and Tennessee Avenue NE (TSIs 23-00526259, 23-00530148, and 23-00530246)
- E Street NE and Tennessee Avenue NE (TSIs 23-00021567, 23-00346834, 23-00530158, 23-00530242, and 23-00530255)
- 6. 13th Street NE and I Streets NE (TSI 24-00071671)

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of this Commission. I can be contacted at 6A04@anc.dc.gov.

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Testimony for the DDOT Performance Oversight Hearing

Members of the Council and representatives of DDOT, my name is Roberta Shapiro. I represent Single Member District 6A03. Today I am testifying on behalf of ANC 6A, which extends from Florida Avenue to East Capitol Street between 7th and 15th Streets Northeast.

We thank you for this opportunity. Also, we would like to acknowledge a positive shift in DDOT's culture, including responding to ANC commissioners in a more timely and collaborative fashion.

Today, I am going to focus on the issue of sidewalk safety.

In order for a community to be successfully walkable, the sidewalks themselves must be safe.

At the June 2023 6A Transportation and Public Space Committee, our ANC reviewed the 473 responses to a resident survey about sidewalk conditions and maintenance in our community. https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/TPSA0623.pdf

- 305 respondents said they or a household member had fallen on DC sidewalks, some multiple times, over the last 2 years.
- One-third of those falling were under age 40.
- The preponderance of people fell on brick sidewalks.
- 263 people reported injuries.
- 114 needed medical care including surgeries and hospitalizations.
- There were 77 periods of disability, 6 were permanent.
- In more than 400 free narrative comments, 184 cited brick-related issues.

In addition, a recent Washington Post article on this topic generated more than 300 written comments, several letters to the editor and a number of emails and phone calls to me, and, I am told, to DDOT. https://www.washingtonpost.com/dc-md-va/2024/01/13/dc-sidewalk-pedestrian-safety/

Laudably, over the last few years DDOT has reduced, by two-thirds, the number of open requests for sidewalk repairs. Still, approximately 6,500 remain open.





This failure to maintain sidewalks is not only costly in terms of human injury and disability but recently cost DC approximately \$1.9 million in annual payouts for sidewalk injuries. And DDOT's most recent report shows more than thirty "trip and fall" claims pending worth tens of millions of dollars. (See Appendix 1 of DDOT's Feb. 2024 prehearing response to the questions p. 251-259, https://lims.dccouncil.gov/Hearings/hearings/248

These payouts and pending claims are in spite of the fact, DC Office of Risk Management (ORM) requires a claimant to prove that the City had **prior notice** of the sidewalk defect and failed to repair it in a "reasonable timeframe." However, DDOT has up to 270 **business** days to repair the defect, contrasted with 3 days for a pothole. Remarkably, this ORM policy relieves DDOT of responsibility for proactive monitoring of

sidewalk hazards, putting the burden on residents instead. Is this "reasonable"?

We believe that the City Council and DDOT should rethink sidewalk construction requirements. Capitol Hill is one of a few neighborhoods required by a 1983 statute (DC MUNICIPAL Regulations, http://dcrules.elaws.us/dcmr/24-1200/24-12) to have brick sidewalks installed despite fact that:

- According to Federal Highway Administration "...brick or pavers... are often
 tripping hazards" and "These bricks or pavers need to be set in concrete pad for
 maximum life and stability." Notably, however, DC requires brick residential
 sidewalks to be set in sand.
 https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/publications/research/safety/pedbike/05085/chapt9.cfm
- The material costs for brick is 61% to 81% higher than for Portland Concrete, and, with installation added, presumably even more costly. (Cost information provided by Brian Holub, DDOT)
- Finally, brick generally IS NOT historic in ANC 6A, having been mandated only in 1983 Portland Concrete was the primary sidewalk material used when the majority of area residences were built. Furthermore, even if brick were historic, DDOT Is using this material well outside the officially designated "historic districts" in 6A.
 - https://www.washingtonpost.com/archive/local/1983/10/27/dc-to-use-bricks-to-fix-old-sidewalks/b9f8ccde-c10c-4694-83fe-2ec4d2c6dbe7/

George Bernard Shaw stated, "Only fools repeat the same things over and over, expecting to obtain different results." Therefore, we ask DDOT and the Council to rethink the procedures and standards for sidewalks in various DC neighborhoods, and to allow DDOT and communities greater flexibility in sidewalk construction methods. Absent a large, and probably very unrealistic increase in DDOT's budget, DDOT faces a Sisyphean task in maintaining ANC 6A's brick sidewalks in a safe and timely manner.





We believe that transition away from brick to alternative materials would free up, perhaps double, the financial and labor resources available to DDOT for more systematic monitoring and more timely and durable maintenance of currently dangerous sidewalks. In the interim, we ask DDOT to redouble its efforts to address sidewalk safety in a more timely manner, prioritizing the most dangerous areas.

There will be some who protest any replacement of brick with other material based on aesthetic preferences. However, it is hard to justify aesthetics when the cost in human suffering and limited City financial resources is so high.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of this Commission.

This testimony was reviewed and voted upon at a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on January 11, 2024, our Commission voted 6-0-0 (with 4 Commissioners required for quorum) to authorize Commissioners Shapiro and Gove to draft the above testimony.

If you wish to discuss this testimony with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at 6A04@anc.dc.gov, Commissioner Shapiro at 6A03@anc.dc.gov, and Shaun Lynch, ANC 6A Transportation and Public Space Chair at 6ATPSChair@gmail.com.

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Testimony for the DDOT Performance Oversight Hearing February 9, 2024

Members of the Council and representatives of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT), my name is Amber Gove and I represent Single Member District 6A04. Today I am testifying on behalf of ANC 6A, whose area extends from Florida Avenue Northeast to East Capitol Street between 7th and 15th Streets Northeast.

We thank you for this opportunity. We are grateful for several recent or ongoing safety improvements, including the:

- C Street and North Carolina Avenue NE projects
- 8th Street NE Bus Priority Project
- Various raised crosswalks and speed tables
- · Lowered speed limits on several neighborhood streets, and
- An all-way stop at 11th and F Street NE.

Our testimony today consists of three requests. In your oversight of DDOT, we ask that you seek: 1) improved preventive and corrective responses to rising traffic violence, 2) increased transparency in the traffic safety input (TSI) process, 3) more rapid and innovative responses to sidewalk safety, 4) and effective and timely implementation of the provisions of the STEER, the No Right Turn on Red and Safe Routes to School laws.

Finally we look forward to periodic public reports from DDOT on progress toward or achievement of these goals.

1. Traffic Violence

Despite the much-publicized Vision Zero initiative, traffic fatalities remain a tragic problem in DC. Since 2017, traffic fatality rates in the District have almost doubled, from a rate of 4 per 100,000 to almost 8 per 100,000. Remarkably, almost half (46%) of the victims were not in a motor vehicle, but rather were pedestrians, bicyclists, and scooter riders ("non-drivers").

Zeroing in on our ANC 6A community:

- H Street NE and Florida Ave NE remain extremely dangerous parts of DC's high-injury network.
- For automobile drivers and passengers, there has been a general, if somewhat erratic downward trend in major injuries and fatalities.
- However, major injuries and fatalities for pedestrians and bikers have not decreased and represent from one-third to one-half of all serious outcomes in ANC6A.





DC residents should enjoy all the individual and communal health, economic, public safety, and environmental benefits of walkability. DC's executive, legislative, and administrative leadership must shift their priorities and resource allocations to support safe mobility for people other than just drivers and passengers in private vehicles. This is particularly relevant in communities such as ANC6A where much of our population (e.g. seniors, young professionals, children, people with disabilities) depend on walking, biking, scooting, and public transportation.

Accordingly, we request improved attention to and resources, for the following strategies as a routine part of:

- Planning major new projects
- Pre-implementation review of previously approved but pending DDOT projects (e.g. Florida Ave, 8th and H St bus priority projects)
- Implementing focused site-specific improvement or corrective projects (e.g. 11th and East Capitol).

These strategies should include:

- Automated Traffic Enforcement, including red-light and speed cameras, specifically at the locations requested by our Commission on two prior occasions (August 2020 and February 2023¹)
- Structural elements designed to protect non-drivers including:
 - Adequate crosswalks (e.g. Florida Avenue near Gallaudet and at M St., near the Metro)
 - Elimination of other hazard points (such as the triangle at 12th and Florida Ave where bicyclist Dave Salovesh was killed.)
 - Additional traffic calming devices such as raised crosswalks and speed humps, especially
 at sites of prior traffic fatalities or serious injuries, and near schools and parks, including
 Lincoln Park
 - Hardening of additional locations beyond the two pilot locations identified for ANC 6A
 (11th and East Capitol Street)
- Lowering speed limits to 20 mph on all collector streets, as requested by our Commission in November 2021 (to date only three of the eight requested have been notified for installation);
- Installation of more Leading Pedestrian Interval (LPI) traffic signals even where it requires
 installation of additional signal controllers, for example all along Florida Ave NE and at 7th and
 Independence SE (Note: While not located in 6A, many 6A residents use this intersection to reach
 Eastern Market and Barracks Row areas).
- Installation of all-way stop signs at all local-local intersections, including those previously requested at 13th and I Street, A Street at 14th Street² and 15th Street³ NE⁴ (the practice route for

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² https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/ANC6A-to-DDOT-Local-Local-All-Way-Stops.pdf

³ https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/TSA-15th-St-and-Constitution-Ave-NE.pdf

⁴ https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/Letter-to-DDOT-re-traffic-calming-at-15th-and-A-St-NE.pdf





Eastern High School's Blue and White Marching Machine) and Constitution Avenue at 15th Street NE, Tennessee Avenue NE at 14th, 15th, E and F Streets⁵ and Corbin at 13th Street NE.

- More protected bike lanes, such as along Maryland Ave NE and the 800 block of West Virginia Ave NE.
- Completion and expansion of bus priority lanes on 8th and H Streets and consideration of bus bulb-outs on other key routes including 14th and 15th Streets.

When these traffic calming and control strategies are not employed, tragedies such as the pedestrian death on the 900 block of K St NE will continue to occur. We urge DDOT to redouble their efforts on Vision Zero and, in the interim, again request that the crash response team intervene on the 900 block of K St NE.

2. Improved Systems for Reporting, Remediating and Tracking Traffic Safety Issues

One year after implementing the revised TSI program, the mechanics of the program continue to lack accuracy and sufficient transparency. Residents filing a TSI via 311 receive an immediate notice that their request has been "completed." In fact, no action has been taken other than transferring the request from 311 to DDOT. Understandably, this communication is confusing for residents.

Furthermore, beyond this point, the TSI dashboard is difficult to use and often inaccurate or missing data.

- Completed requests are sometimes listed as "pending." Non-remediated requests are sometimes listed as "completed."
- The specific nature of the request is unclear beyond a broad category.
- No rationale for the scoring, prioritization or denial of a TSI is provided to the resident filing the TSI, or on the dashboard.
- There is no clarity on how TSIs that represent imminent danger are flagged.
- Data are not available in a form that would allow residents, commissioners, etc. to tell how many
 TSIs have been filed at a location, how they have been scored and why, how long it took to
 respond to a TSI, and if a work order was approved, how long it took to complete.
- There is no field to indicate if the ANC, Commissioner or other City representative is submitting the TSI

In summary, as we testified last year,⁶ the TSI process remains a frustrating and off-putting "black box" for residents and commissioners alike. Accordingly, we strongly urge DDOT to improve the transparency and responsiveness of this process, and the data related to it, during 2024.

3. STEER Act Provisions, Safe Routes to School and No Right on Red Laws

We applaud the Council for addressing the issues of traffic violence through the provisions of the STEER Act and support timely final approval by Mayor. Thereafter, we ask DDOT, as well as MPD, DMV, the courts, and other appropriate entities to ensure timely and effective implementation of the Act to reduce the traffic violence caused by dangerous and impaired drivers.

https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/Letter-to-DDOT-re-Tennessee-Ave-NE-and-14th-15th-F-and-E.pdf

⁶ https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/6A-DDOT-Performance-Oversight-Testimony.docx.pdf





Finally, we look forward to the implementation of no right on red across DC starting in 2025 and the implementation of the Safe Routes to School laws that were passed last year, and hope that DDOT will engage with ANCs for the local implementation of those laws.

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting⁷ on January 11, 2024 our Commission voted 6-0-0 (with 4 Commissioners required for quorum) to authorize Commissioners Shapiro and Gove to draft the above testimony.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of this Commission. Should you wish to discuss this testimony with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at 6A04@anc.dc.gov, Commissioner Shapiro at 6A03@anc.dc.gov, and our Transportation and Public Space Co-Chairs at 6ATPSChair@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

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February 14, 2024

Mr. Donovan Anderson, Chairperson Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration 2000 14th Street, NW, Suite 400S Washington, DC 20009 Via email

Re: Smokin' Pig, 1208 H Street NE (ABRA-I04866)

Dear Chairperson Anderson,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on February 8, 2024 our Commission voted 6-0-0 (with 4 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support a limited term stipulated Class C restaurant license application by Mr. Bernard Gibson for the restaurant Smokin' Pig at 1208 H Street NE (ABRAI04866).

On February 6, 2024 Mr. Gibson made this Commission aware of a pending transfer of the license. In November 2019, the Board issued order 2019-879 approving and incorporating a settlement agreement between the owners and the Commission. We communicated with Mr. Gibson that the Commission expects him to continue to abide by the provisions of this agreement while he makes timely application for a new license or license transfer. Accordingly, we support a stipulated license for 120 days to provide Mr. Gibson an opportunity to continue to serve alcohol while he timely completes the transfer or new application process and associated placarding.

Thank you for giving great weight to the views of ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at 6A04@anc.dc.gov or Commissioner Velasquez, 6A02@anc.dc.gov as Interim Chair of ANC 6A's Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Committee.

On Behalf of the Commission.

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ANC 6A meetings are advertised electronically on, anc-6a@googlegroups.com, and newhilleast@groups.io, at www.anc6a.org, on Twitter (@ANC6A) and through print advertisements in the Hill Rag.



Consent Agenda



Community Outreach (COC)

Recommendation: ANC 6A approve a grant to Celebrate Capitol Hill, Inc. in the amount of \$1,370.00 for the purpose of engaging neighborhood youth in beautifying activities/public art.

Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

Recommendation: ANC 6A send a letter of support to BZA for: Request for a Special Exception pursuant to Subtitle E § 5201.1 and Subtitle X § 901.2 from the rear yard and lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 207.1 and Subtitle E § 210.1 to construct a two-story rear addition to an existing, attached, two-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit at 1432 F Street NE (BZA #21071) in the RF-1 zone.

Recommendation: ANC 6A send a letter of support to BZA for: Request for a Special Exception pursuant to Subtitle E § 207.5, 5201 and Subtitle X § 901.2 from the rear addition requirements of Subtitle E § 207.4, and pursuant to Subtitle E § 5201 and Subtitle X § 901.2 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 210.1 to construct a third story and rear addition to an existing, attached, two-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit at 808 I Street NE (BZA #21084) in the RF-1 zone.





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

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15. STATEMENT OF BENEFIT (BRIEF DESCRIPTION) - DETAILED INFORMATION REQUIRED ON SEPARATE PAGE (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)							
To build community and engage neighborhood youth in beautifying and activating public spaces in							
the H Street NE neighborhood through youth-made street art							

++ Organizations exempt under 501(c)(3) but not required to request a ruling from the IRS ruling (see excerpt from tax code below) may provide documentation (including a financial statement) demonstrating that they meet the criteria in lieu of providing an EIN.

Organizations Not Required to File Form 1023

Churches and organizations (other than private foundations) with annual gross receipts normally \$5,000 or less are not required to file Form 1023 and obtain recognition of tax exemption for contributors' contributions to them to be tax deductible. Although there is no requirement to do so, many churches and small organizations seek IRS recognition because recognition assures contributors that contributions are deductible. For more



information, see <u>Publication 1828</u>, *Tax Guide for Churches and Religious Organizations*, and <u>Public Charity - Exemption Application</u>. To apply http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f1023.pdf 09 15

Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Grant Application and Requirements

The ANC 6A grant program is administered by the Community Outreach Committee (COC) to fund programs, projects or initiatives of a public nature that directly benefit the residents of ANC 6A. "Small" grants (\$300 and below) and "large" grants (over \$300) are available.

Applications and instructions/requirements are available on the ANC 6A website (www.anc6a.org) in the Grants section of the "Other Documents" page. Interested organizations are encouraged to review the applications and reports of previous grant recipients; and to contact the COC Co-Chair, Roni Hollmon, with questions prior to submitting an application (roni2865@aol.com/202-607-9106).

The required elements of the application are outlined below, as are the eligibility guidelines and rules. Applications must be received <u>at least</u> 7 days before a COC meeting. Only complete applications will be accepted.

Email the complete application package to roni2865@aol.com with "ANC 6A Grant Application" in the subject line. Emails without that subject line will not be opened. Organizations without internet access must make prior arrangements to deliver the application to: ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee c/o RoniHollmon, 1541 North Carolina Ave. NE, Washington, DC 20002.

Requests for "small" grants are reviewed at the regular COC meeting, held on the 4th Monday of each month at Maury E.S. (1250 Constitution Avenue, NE). "Large" grants are reviewed at the January and August COC meetings. Applications approved by the COC are forwarded for a vote at the next ANC meeting (2nd Thursday of each month) at Miner E.S. (601 15th Street NE).

An organization representative must attend both the COC meeting at which the grant application is evaluated, and the ANC meeting when it is reviewed and voted upon. Twelve (12) copies of the application are required for the COC meeting, and ten (10) copies of the final grant proposal for the ANC meeting. If the applicant twice fails to appear at the ANC meeting, they will be required to reapply.

Required Materials/Information

- 1) Grant Application Form (1 page ANC 6A form online at www.anc6a.org)
- 2) Proposal (Word Document) Minimum 1 page for "small grants" 2 pages for "large grants" to include:
 - a. Project Description and Goals: Describe the proposed project/activity, what the organization wants to accomplish, and the intended beneficiaries of the project (i.e. seniors, students, community). Include a summary of the purpose and goals; a description of the location(s), and the process/activities, materials and volunteers required to complete the project. These should be specific, measurable, attainable and relevant to ANC 6A. Show that the services/benefits do not duplicate those already performed by the District Government.
 - b. **Statement of Benefit:** Describe the expected/desired short- and long-term objective of the project, and the anticipated benefit of the project to the target audience (i.e. seniors, public space, the environment, students). Explain how the project will be deemed 'successful' (i.e. by the number of participants; by collecting public comments, enrollment figures, etc). Outline how this benefit will be documented in the required Final Project Report i.e. survey, photos/videos, artwork, letters/testimonials, news clippings, participant or beneficiary interviews, etc.
 - c. Timeline: Include the expected start and completion dates and significant milestones.





d. **Description of the requesting organization**: Describe the purpose of the organization, how it currently serves ANC 6A residents, and any prior experience with similar projects. Describe the leadership/membership and how they will participate. If partnering with another group, include contact information and a description of the organization and any pertinent experience.

Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A <u>Grant Application and Requirements</u>

 Other Materials: Provide examples of similar projects, photos of project site, newspaper clippings, architectural drawings, descriptions of products/materials, screen grabs etc. Scan the items in PDF format and email with the application package.

3) Budget (Narrative and Table)

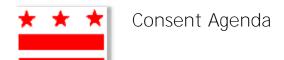
a. Provide a brief narrative – and an itemized table – of the <u>total</u> budget for the project. Explain what percentage of the project funding will be provided by ANC 6A and for what element(s) of the project. Include all other funding sources and the amounts they will provide. Funding from other sources, especially for larger grants, is encouraged.

4) Supporting Documents (Submit as PDFs in Application Package)

- a. **Required:** A copy of the IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit status letter and identification number in PDF format, labelled "Proof of 501(c)(3) Status"; OR documentation of non-profit status in lieu of a 501(c)3 for eligible organizations (see "Eligibility and Rules").
- b. Required: Letters of support from the head of your organization and any partnering organization.
- c. Recommended: Letters of support from stakeholders, beneficiaries, community members.
- d. Recommended: Photographs, news clippings, architectural drawings, or documentation of other projects your organization has completed, to demonstrate the organization's ability to complete the project and fulfill your grant obligation.

Other Grant Requirements

- 5) <u>Grant Agreement</u>: Successful applicants must sign the ANC 6A Grant Agreement, committing the applicant to all requirements, including:
- 6) <u>Expenditure deadlines</u>: All grant money must be spent within 60 days of disbursement, unless there are extenuating circumstances or provisions are agreed to in the grant agreement. The applicant must also provide all receipts and a closeout report within the same 60 days.
- 7) <u>Final Project Report</u>: Grant recipients are required to submit a Final Project Report within sixty (60) days from the time the grant money is disbursed, or as outlined in the Grant Agreement. Failure to submit a Final Project Report will jeopardize your organization's ability to receive additional grants from this ANC going forward. It must include:
 - a. Project Outcome: A brief narrative (250 to 750 words) evaluating the outcome of the project. Analyze how well the goals and objective were met; obstacles encountered during the project and how they were overcome; and the lasting impact of the project for the intended beneficiaries and participants. Include letters and testimonials from volunteers and end-users. Not all final reports will record complete success. Reports that evaluate aspects of the project that did not work out as planned/expected are useful to both the grantee and the COC.
 - b. **Visual Documentation:** Provide photos and/or videos of the project. Include additional materials such as flyers, letters, emails, posters, etc. that document the process.
 - c. Expenditure and Budget Report: Brief narrative of the expenditures for the overall project and the portion funded by the ANC 6A grant, including any changes to the items purchased, with the cause for





the change. (Note: Deviations from the original budget must be pre-approved by the COC). Include a copy of the original budget.

d. Receipts and Itemized List: Submit the original receipts (and one copy) of all items purchased with ANC 6A grant funds. Provide an Itemized list of all expenditures/purchases, marked to correlate to the receipts and to the original budget.

Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Grant Program Eligibility and Rules

ANC 6A grant recipients must be either:

- a) A documented non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. A copy of the 501(c)(3) determination from the IRS and the EIN must be included with the application.
- b) An eligible church or other non-profit organization that is exempt under 501(c) (3) but not required to request a ruling from the IRS (see excerpt from tax code, below). Such an organization may provide documentation (including a financial statement) demonstrating that they meet the criteria in lieu of providing an EIN.

From the IRS Tax Code: Organizations Not Required to File Form 1023. Churches and organizations (other than private foundations) with annual gross receipts normally \$5,000 or less are not required to file Form 1023 and obtain recognition of tax exemption for contributors' contributions to them to be tax deductible. For more information, see Publication 1828, Tax Guide for Churches and Religious Organizations, and Public Charity - Exemption Application. To apply http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f1023.pdf

Statutory Guidelines for Grant Awards (as Determined by the District of Columbia)

The D.C. Code, Section 1-309.13(m), authorizes ANCs to award grants to organizations for public purposes. The rules provided in the law are as follows:

- Grant requests must be presented at and voted on at a public meeting of the ANC.
- Grant awards shall provide a benefit that is public in nature and benefits persons who reside or work in the Commission area.

The D.C. Auditor prohibits the following activities or purposes from being funded with ANC grants:

- Grants for non-public purposes or where services are provided for personal gain (i.e. for uniforms with individual names, not numbers; or that are kept by players).
- Grants to an individual, in that they are deemed a "non-public purpose" expenditure.
- An award conditional on a grantee's political support, or support of a position taken by the ANC.
- Grants to a District agency or program funded by the District Government.
- To purchase food and/or entertainment; to support festivals; or for long-distance travel.
- Where the purpose will duplicate a service already provided by the District government.
- Grants may not be requested retroactively for projects already completed.

ANC 6A Guidelines for Grant Awards

The ANC 6A grant program funds projects, events and initiatives that are public in nature and directly benefit the residents of ANC 6A or a group comprised of a majority of ANC 6A residents.

- Within 60 days after the grant award is disbursed, the grant recipient shall forward to the ANC a Final Project Report, including the use of funds, consistent with the grant application approved by the ANC.
- Expenditures for grant awards must be supported by documentation (e.g. vouchers, grant request, and minutes of the meeting in which the Commission approved the grant).
- Grant disbursements and supporting documentation must be included in quarterly financial reports submitted to the Office of the District of Columbia Auditor.

Examples of Allowable Grants Including, But Not Limited To:

- Parent-Teacher Associations: To fund activities such as computer literacy or music instruction programs; or for materials/goods not normally supplied by DC Public Schools.
- Locally-based organizations or neighborhood Civic Associations: Projects or activities of a public nature that provide a long-term benefit to the Commission area (ANC 6A).



Consent Agenda



Examples of Prohibited Grants

- ANC 6A does not generally provide funds to compensate organizations for services usually performed by adult volunteers or officers of the organization.
- ANC 6A grants may not be used to support religious or sexual advocacy activities.

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Celebrate Capitol Hill's H Street Neighborhood Youth Art Days Proposal

Celebrate Capitol Hill, Inc. seeks to support a youth art project led by community member, Lauren Mendonsa, to engage youth and residents in ANC 6A to create painted artwork on public and public-facing surfaces along the north side of the H Street Corridor.

The H Street Corridor has seen an increase in crime, and, in particular pockets of the neighborhood, an increase in vandalism, property damage, and street harassment by neighborhood youth. This grassroots, community-led project seeks to provide youth with fun and constructive alternatives during times they might otherwise engage in activities detrimental to themselves and their community. Ms. Mendonsa is a 12-year resident of the neighborhood who has existing, positive relationships with many neighborhood youth. She will work with families and youth ages 6-17 to coordinate four to five community art days between March and August 2024 at which she and other volunteers will supervise and lead youth in creating street art on select walls, fences, garages, and decommissioned emergency call boxes (one project for each day).

Ms. Mendonsa will work with business and property owners in the neighborhood to identify the surfaces to be painted. Ms. Mendonsa has already led one such day wherein she engaged five children, ages 3-11, in painting the wall of her own garage (photos attached to application). Older neighborhood children were excited to participate, but a last-minute date change due to weather prevented them from participating. They are looking forward to future opportunities. The supplies and materials requested will allow the youth involved to create more detailed, professional, and cohesive works of art. Ms. Mendonsa has already discussed with likely participants that the street art may not include offensive or incendiary language or symbols.

Dates and times of the community art days will be weather dependent but will target periods during which older youth are typically idle and already outdoors, such as Friday, Saturday, and Sunday evenings in warmer weather. The project will prioritize spaces neighboring the north side of H Street NE between 9th and 13th Streets, NE, such as alleys, that attract illicit and problematic behavior in an effort to bring positive energy and activity into these spaces.





At the beginning of each art day, participants, including property owners, will be encouraged to share what they love about our community and their hopes for it. Property owners will also be encouraged to participate in creating the art.

We anticipate needing at least three adult volunteers to assist in preparing the various surfaces for community art days. This will involve using a pressure sprayer and scrapers to clean the surfaces and a paint sprayer to provide a base coat of paint. This work will be done prior to the community art days. Ideally, a local artist could assist in designing murals. Ms. Mendonsa will work to identify such a collaboration, but this is not a necessary component of the project.

Ms. Mendonsa anticipates that four to eight youth will participate in each project. At least two adults will participate in supervision. Each participating youth and adult will be provided with a painter's suit (or other appropriate attire), hat, gloves, and safety glasses. The primary medium for creating art on vertical surfaces will be spray paint. Acrylic paint and plywood will also be used on the call boxes.

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4) Build positive relationships between neighbors of different ages, races, and socioeconomic backgrounds.

The completion of four to five community artworks with the engagement of neighborhood youth will be the most immediate metric of success for this project. Metrics for achieving the other objectives are more subjective, but the hope is that this project will make our neighborhood, particularly its youth, feel more connected to each other and our shared spaces, and inspire other, adjacent neighborhoods to engage in similar activities, contributing to the overall betterment and beautification of our immediate community.

Ms. Mendonsa will gather statements from art day participants reflecting their sentiments about the art and their participation in its creation. The community art days will be documented through photos and videos and shared via social media and community networks.

Timeline

The goal is to hold the first art day in late March and to hold one every four to six weeks through July.

Description of requesting organization

Celebrate Capitol Hill was established by CHAMPS, Capitol Hill's Chamber of Commerce, "to improve and preserve the quality of life on Capitol Hill in the District of Columbia by assisting, delivering and celebrating economic development, tourism and the historic nature of Capitol Hill." Celebrate Capitol Hill's board reflects its close ties to CHAMPS and includes current and past CHAMPS presidents. It has worked with CHAMPS, DC agencies and others to conduct several community safety fairs for Capitol Hill residents, and to facilitate community contributions to victims of street crime. It has worked to help beautify the Capitol Hill community by working with local developers, businesspeople and residents to promote the redevelopment of the Eastern Market Metro Plaza, particularly the new playground and bandstand.





Proof of Concept

Attached to this application are:

- 1) Photos from the art created by neighborhood children on Ms. Mendonsa's garage in December 2023.
- 2) Examples of possible locations for the street art;
- 3) Call boxes located at 13th and I street NE and 12th and H street NE;
- 4) Examples of custom mural stencils.

Budget Narrative

Below is the proposed budget for the project. The costs we are requesting ANC funds for are listed in the "Requested" column. Personal funds from volunteers and contributions from other community members will be sought and used to cover the remainder of the costs. If the ANC grants less than the requested amount, funds will be sought from other community resources.

Property owners will be asked to contribute food/snacks/beverages for the youth participating in painting their property. The project will reuse supplies where appropriate, for instance hats, gloves, painters suits (to the extent possible), and goggles.

We envision allowing participating youth to create at least one custom stencil (two if funding permits) for a project. We also anticipate purchasing off-the-shelf stencils for use in projects.

Supplies	Total cost	Description	Requested
Exterior paint	\$200	6 gallons of primer/base coat @ \$30/gallon	\$170
Spray Paint	\$400	48 cans of spray paint @ \$100/dozen	\$300



Consent Agenda



Adjustable paint caps	\$30	4 mixed packs	\$30
Paint cleaner	\$10		-
Brushes	\$10	1 pack of 5 exterior brushes	-
plastic drop cloths	\$30	10 @ approx \$3/each	\$30
painters tape	\$40		\$20
Urban art stencils	\$400	includes 3-4 "off the shelf" stencils and 1-2 large custom stencils	\$370
Paint sprayer for medium exterior jobs (purchase)	\$120		-
Pressure washer rental	\$200	\$50/day x 4	\$200
Plywood for 2 call boxes	\$60		-
Acrylic paint	\$20		2
25 disposable painters suits	\$175	5 packages of 5 at approx \$35/package	\$140
12 adult safety glasse	\$15		\$15
6 pair adult utility gloves	\$15		\$15
12 youth utility gloves	\$40		\$40



Consent Agenda



12 pairs of Kids safety glasses	\$25	\$25
12 ball caps	\$30	\$15
Pizza/snacks/refreshments	\$200	-
Total	\$2,020	\$1,370

Additional Attachments

- 1) IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit status letter for Celebrate Capitol Hill
- 2) Letter of support from organizational head
- 3) Neighbor letter of support





Photos from the art neighborhood kids created on Ms. Mendonsa's garage in December 2023













Illustrative examples of possible mural locations (1200 block of H Street NE, alley behind 1200 block of H Street NE, alley behind 1100 block of I Street NE, 1100 block of H Street

NE)



















Decommissioned call boxes at 13th and I Street NE and 12th and H Street NE; example of rehabilitated boxes







Examples of custom and off-the-shelf stencils for murals











January 31, 2024

Dear Leadership of ANC6A,

My name is Maggie Gonzalez, I've lived near I (eye) and 12th street NE for nearly five years and am reaching out to express my enthusiasm and full support for Lauren's proposal to work with the youth in our neighborhood on mural paintings and clean-ups.

H-street is facing a difficult time, as are many other neighborhoods in DC, with deeply rooted socioeconomic challenges, income inequality, and a need for improved social services that enable all families to thrive. Fortunately, our neighborhood has a unique community-building nature and over the years, many of us have gotten to know each other and have truly shown up in a beautiful way (anywhere from cooking meals for families with newborns to picking up packages or watering each other's gardens). We've also created initiatives to beautify our surroundings. For example, we've built tree-boxes, created a temporary community garden, hosted happy hours on the sidewalk during the pandemic, and now, Lauren and others organize weekly street cleanings that include delicious coffee and donuts (i.e., the social aspect is always a priority).

Through those activities, we've built a strong community and have had the opportunity to engage and get to know many of the kids and teenagers on the block, including several who are at-risk and in need of opportunities to channel their energy towards more positive activities. Lauren's proposal is not one that she is developing in isolation, it builds on the momentum of the last few years and is a fantastic way to continue working with the youth and giving them the space to creatively express themselves and leave their mark in the neighborhood through mural painting that adds character and beautifies our streets and/or alleys.

Lauren has my full support and confidence, and that of many neighbors, to make this happen. Also, I am optimistic that it will only be a first step to additional artistic projects along the corridor, perhaps even in collaboration with local street artists (e.g., <u>Murals DC</u> or others).

Thanks for your consideration.

Warmest,

Maggie Gonzalez

(509) 312-2053

Maggieglez7@gmail.com





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

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CELEBRATE CAPITOL HILL INC C/O BRADFORD JOHNSON 1321 PENNSYLVANIA AVE SE WASHINGTON, DC 20003 DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Employer Identification Number: 27-2986805 DLN: 17053077330001 Contact Person: ID# 50103 JORGE CUADROS-RIERA Contact Telephone Number: (877) 829-5500 Accounting Period Ending: June 30 Public Charity Status: 170 (b) (1) (A) (vi) Form 990 Required: Effective Date of Exemption: July 20, 2010 Contribution Deductibility: Addendum Applies: No

Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined that you are a public charity under the Code section(s) listed in the heading of this letter.

Please see enclosed Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

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CELEBRATE CAPITOL HILL INC

We have sent a copy of this letter to your representative as indicated in your power of attorney.

Sincerely,

Lois G. Lerner

Director, Exempt Organizations

Enclosure: Publication 4221-PC

Letter 947 (DO/CG)





March XX, 2024

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

Re: BZA Case No. 21071 (1432 F Street NE)

Dear Mr. Moy:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on March 14, 2024, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the request for Special Exception pursuant to Subtitle E § 5201.1 and Subtitle X § 901.2 from the rear yard and lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 207.1 and Subtitle E § 210.1 to construct a two-story rear addition to an existing, attached, two-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit at 1432 F Street NE (BZA #21071) 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 drawings and discussions with 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 Joal Mendonsa, Michael Cushman, 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, Mr. Cushman at michael.cushman@gmail.com, and Joal Mendonsa at joal.mendonsa@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



FORM 120 - APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE AND/OR SPECIAL EXCEPTION

GIS INFORMATION

Square	Lot(s)	Zone	ANC
1051	0140	RF-1	6A06

Address of Property: 1432 F Street NE

ZONING INFORMATION

Relief from section(s): E § 210.1, E § 207.1

Brief description of proposed project: Application of David and Amy Copeland, pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for special exceptions under Subtitle E § 5201 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 210.1 and rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 207.1, to construct a two-story porch addition to an existing attached principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 Zone at premises 1432 F Street NE (Square 1051, Lot 0140).

Present use of Property: Single family dwelling
Proposed use of Property: Single family dwelling

CONTACT INFORMATION

Owner Information

Name: David and Amy Copeland E-mail: jennifer@fowler-architects.com

Address: 1432 F Street NE Washington, DC 20002

Phone No.s: (571)236-3263 Phone No. Alternate:

Authorized Agent Information

Name: Jennifer Fowler

E-mail: jennifer@fowler-architects.com **Address:** 1819 D Street SEWashington

Phone No.s: (202)546-0896 Phone No. Alternate:

FEE CALCULATOR

Fee Type	Fee	Unit	Total
Owner-occupied dwelling - single dwelling unit or flat, regardless of the number of variances and/or special exceptions	\$325	1	\$325
Grand Total			325

SIGNATURE Date

Jennifer Fowler 12/6/2023

District of Columbia Office of Zoning 441 4th Street, N.W., Ste. 200-S, Washington, D.C. 20001 (202) 727-6311 * (202) 727-6072 fax * www.dcoz.dc.gov * dcoz@dc.gov

Board of Zoning Adjustment District of Columbia CASE NO.21071 EXHIBIT NO.1





October 5, 2023

1432 F Street NE - PORCH ADDITION

Washington, DC 20002

OWNER: DAVID AND AMY COPELAND 1432 F STREET NE WASHINGTON, DC 20002

ARCHITECT: FOWLER ARCHITECTS 1819 D STREET SE WASHINGTON, DC 20003 (202)546-0896

PROPERTY INFORMATION:

LOT: 0140

SQUARE: 1051

LOT AREA: 1088 SF

ZONE: RF-1

USE GROUP: R-3

EXISTING: TWO STORY + CELLAR ROW DWELLING, SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING PROPOSED: NO CHANGE

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: NEW PORCH AT REAR

ZONING INFORMATION: RELIEF NEEDED: SUBTITLE E \S 207.1 & SUBTITLE E \S 210.1

	Existing	Proposed	Allowable
Lot Coverage	797.4SF	761.1 SF	652.85F
(Percentage)	73.3%	70%	60%
Rear Yard	14.7	14.42	20 FT MIN
Side Yard	N/A	N/A	N/A
Open Court	N/A	N/A	N/A
Height	25.0	NO CHANGE	35.0
Stories	2+C	NO CHANGE	3+CELAR
Parking	N/A	NO CHANGE	1 PER PRINCIPLE DU
Square Footage			
Cellar	733 SF	NO CHANGE	N/A
First Floor	733 SF	NO CHANGE	N/A
Second Floor	733 SF	NO CHANGE	N/A
Total	2199 SF	NO CHANGE	N/A





BZA Concept Plans

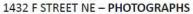
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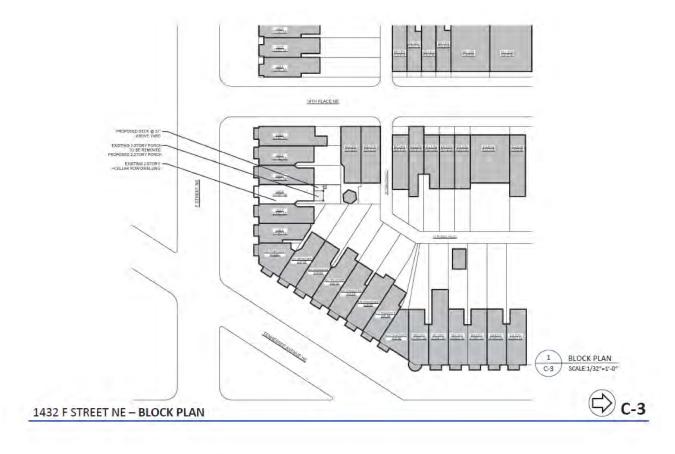


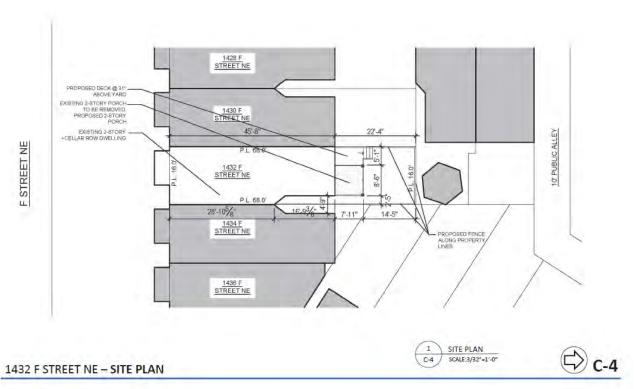


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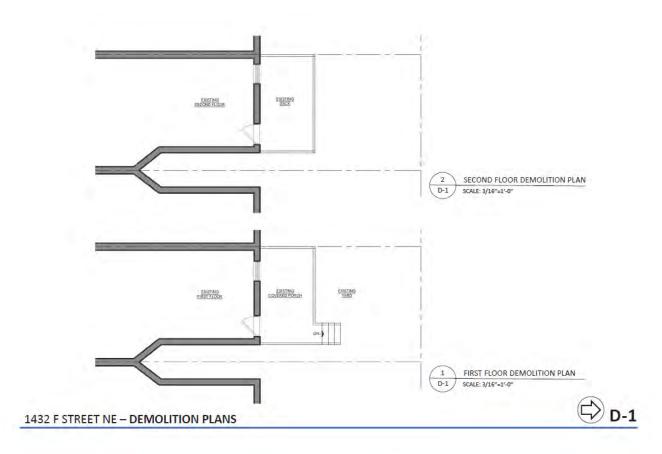


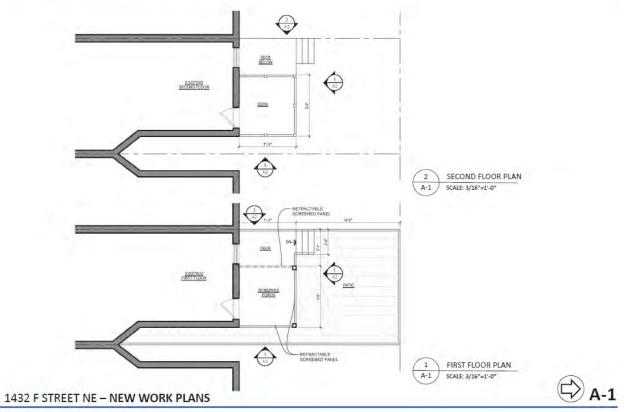


















EXISTING FRONT FAÇADE, F STREET NE



EXISTING REAR FACADE









EXISTING COVERED PORCH



EXISTING REAR YARD







NEIGHBORS TO WEST



NEIGHBORS TO EAST





March XX, 2024

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

Re: BZA Case No. 21084 (808 I Street NE)

Dear Mr. Moy:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on March 14, 2024, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the request for Special Exception pursuant to Subtitle E § 207.5, 5201 and Subtitle X § 901.2 from the rear addition requirements of Subtitle E § 207.4, and pursuant to Subtitle E § 5201 and Subtitle X § 901.2 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 210.1 to construct a third story and rear addition to an existing, attached, two-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit at 808 I Street NE (BZA #21084) 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 drawings and discussions with neighbors. The ANC believes that this development will not substantially visually intrude upon the character, scale, and pattern of houses in the neighborhood.

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BEFORE THE BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



FORM 120 - APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE AND/OR SPECIAL EXCEPTION

GIS INFORMATION

Square	Lot(s)	Zone	ANC
910	35	RF-1	6A02

Address of Property: 808 | Street, NE

ZONING INFORMATION

Relief from section(s): E § 210.1, E § 207.5.

Type of Relief: Special Exception

Brief description of proposed project: Expansion to existing single family row dwelling.

Present use of Property: Single family row dwelling. Proposed use of Property: Single family row dwelling.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Owner Information

Name: Kenneth Jefferson E-mail: john.oliver@hklaw.com

Address: 808 | Street, NE Washington, DC 20002

Phone No.s: (202)469-5531 Phone No. Alternate:

Authorized Agent Information

Name: Holland & Knight LLP **E-mail:** john.oliver@hklaw.com

Address: 800 17th Street N.W., Suite 1100Washington, DC

20006

Phone No.s: (202)469-5531 Phone No. Alternate:

WAIVERS

- An addition to a dwelling or flat or new or enlarged accessory structures pursuant to Subtitle D § 5201 or Subtitle E § 5201
- I hereby certify my application is not subject to Subtitle D § 208.1 or Subtitle E § 206.3
- Pursuant to Subtitle D § 208.1/E § 206.3, I hereby certify there is no solar energy system on an abutting property
- · Waive my right to hearing
- · Agree to the terms in Form 128 Waiver of Hearing for Expedited Review
- Request that this case be placed on the Expedited Review Calendar

FEE CALCULATOR

Fee Type	Fee	Unit	Total
Owner-occupied dwelling - single dwelling unit or flat, regardless of the number of variances and/or special exceptions	\$325	1	\$325
Grand Total			325

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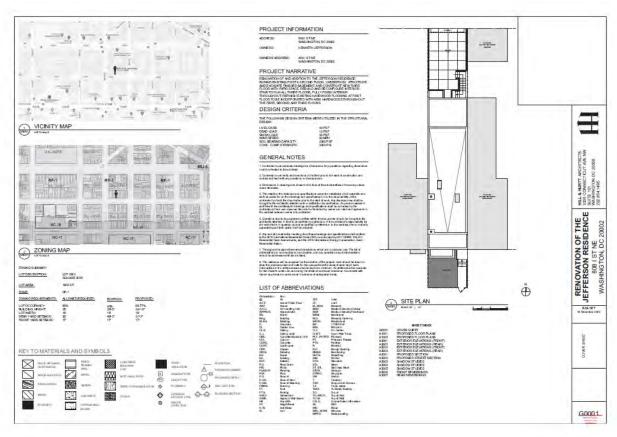
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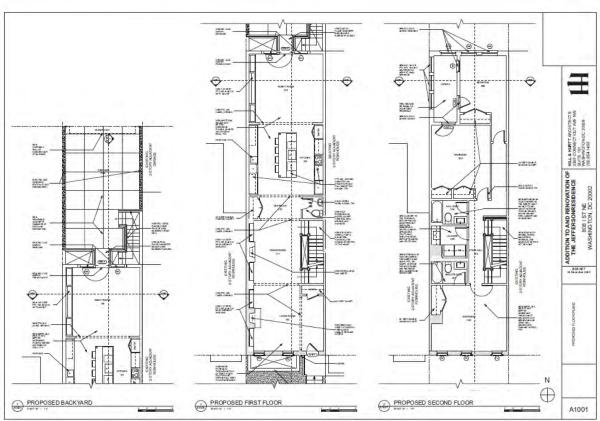
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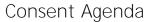
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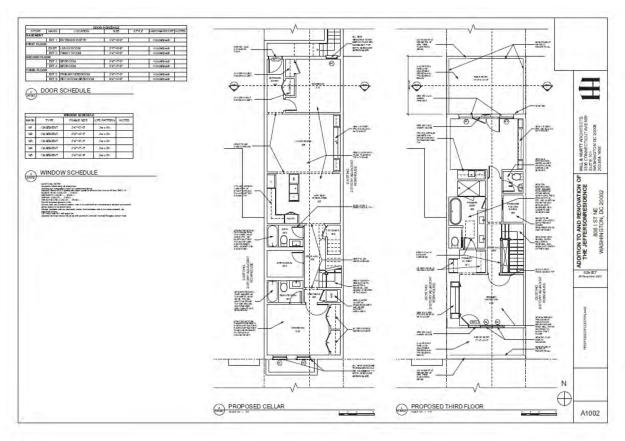








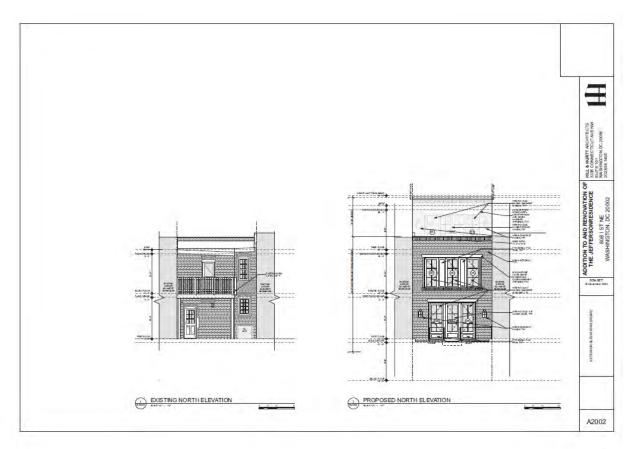












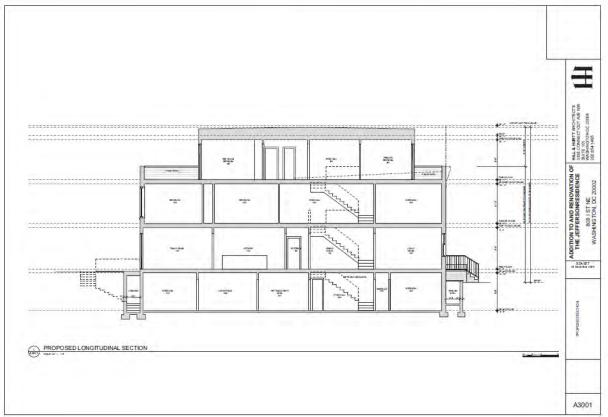






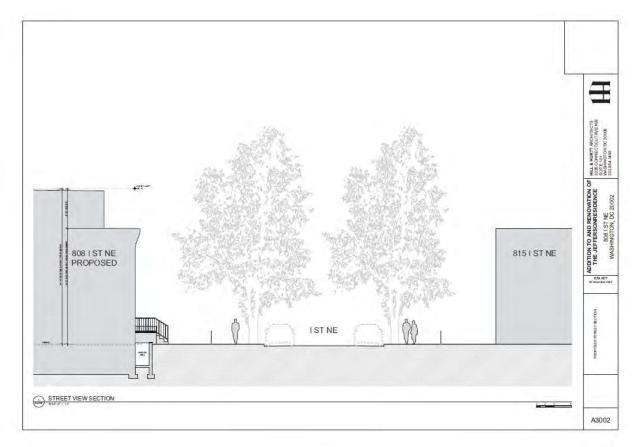








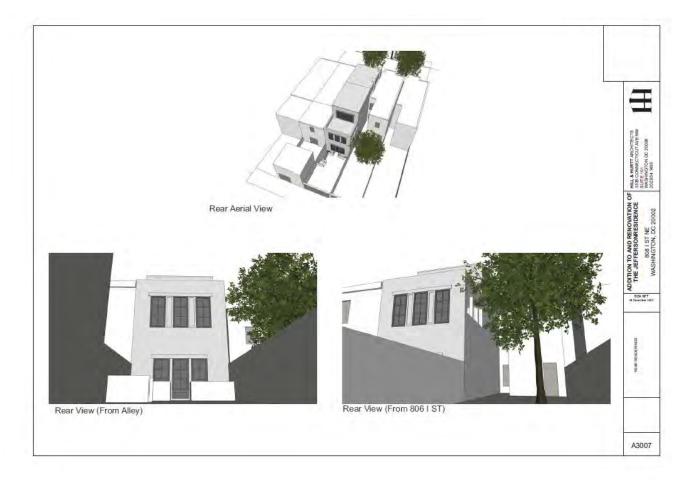
















808 I Street, NE Square 910, Lot 35

Existing Photos of the Property















Treasurer's Report March 2024

		Ma	rch 1, 2024	Fe	bruary 1, 2024	Ja	nuary 1, 2024
Ass	sets					1. 11	
Туре	Description						
Cash	Checking Account	\$	32,339.55	\$	32,339.55	\$	39,201.50
Cash	Savings Account	\$	100.05	\$	100.05	\$	100.05
Cash	Petty cash	\$	25.00	\$	25.00	\$	25.00
Liab	ilities						
Туре	Description						
Current Liabilities	Accounts Payable	\$	3,615.81				
	ance	\$	28,848.79				

Individual/Organization	Expense	Amount	Check No.	Status
Robb Dooling	Zoom Premium Sep '23	\$ 58.29	2074	Unpaid
Robb Dooling	Zoom Premium Dec '23	\$ 58.29	2083	Unpaid
Anna Tsaur	Administrative services Dec '23	\$ 250.00	2084	Unpaid
Irene Dworakowski	Administrative services Dec '23	\$ 771.19	2085	Unpaid
Anna Tsaur	Special Meeting #1	\$ 50.00	2086	Unpaid
Anna Tsaur	Special Meeting #1	\$ 125.00	2087	Unpaid
Irene Dworakowski	Reconciliation	\$ 5.30	2088	Unpaid
Office of the DC Auditor	Security fund payment	\$ 50.00	2089	Unpaid
Robb Dooling	Zoom Premium Jan '24	\$ 58.29	2090	Unpaid
Anna Tsaur	Administrative services Jan '24	\$ 250.00	2091	Unpaid
Irene Dworakowski	Administrative services Jan '24	\$ 771.19	2092	Unpaid
Amber Gove	Supplies	\$ 88.78	2093	Unpaid
Robb Dooling	Zoom Premium Feb '24	\$ 58.29	2094	Unpaid
Anna Tsaur	Administrative services Feb '24	\$ 250.00	2095	Unpaid
Irene Dworakowski	Administrative services Feb '24	\$ 771.19	2096	Unpaid
		\$ 3,615.81		

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ANC 6A Quarterly Financial Report FY24 Q1

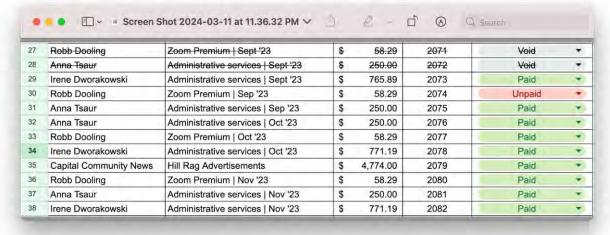
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Receipts	
District Allotment	\$9,305.20
Interest	\$0,00
Other	\$0.00
Transfer from Savings	\$0.00
Total Receipts	\$9,305,20
Total Funds Available During Quarter	\$40,217.39
Disbursements	
1. Personnel	\$0.00
2, Direct Office Cost	\$0.00
3, Communication	\$0,00
4, Office Supplies, Equipment, Printing	\$4948.87
5. Grants	\$0.00
6. Local Transportation	\$0.00
7, Purchase of Service	\$3058.27
8, Bank Charges	\$0,00
9, Other	\$0,00
Total Disbursements	\$8007_14
Ending Balances: Checking	\$32210.2
Savings	\$100.05
Approval Date by Commission:	
Treasurer:Chairperson:	
Secretary Certification: Date:	
I hereby certify that the above noted quarterly financial report has been approved by a majority of	of Commissioners during a nublic meeting when there existed a guorum



Officer Reports - Treasurer



	ANC 6A Checking Account							
С	Check	Date	Payee/Payor	Cat	Receipts	Disbursements	Date Approved	
C		10/5/2023	DC Government	D-A	\$392.02			
C		10/18/2023	DC Government	D-A	\$4,456.59			
C		10/18/2023	DC Government	D-A	\$4,456.59			



Officer Reports - Treasurer



REVISED

ANC 6A Quarterly Financial Report FY23 Q4

Balance Forward (Checking)		\$33,559.
Receipts		_
District Allotment	\$0.00	
Interest	\$0,00	
Other	\$0.00	
Transfer from Savings	\$0.00	
Total Receipts	\$0,00	
Total Funds Available During Quarter		\$33,559.0
Disbursements		
1, Personnel	\$0.00	
2. Direct Office Cost	\$0.00	
3. Communication	\$308.29	\$638.58
4. Office Supplies, Equipment, Printing	\$0.00	
5. Grants	\$0.00	
6. Local Transportation	\$0.00	
7. Purchase of Service	\$765.89	\$2,008
8. Bank Charges	\$0.00	- Con-
9. Other	\$0.00	
Total Disbursements	\$1,074.18	\$2,646
Ending Balances: Checking		\$32,484.8
Savings		\$30,912. \$100.0
Approval Date by Commission:		
Treasurer:	Chairperson:	
Secretary Certification:	Date:	
hereby certify that the above noted quarterly	financial report has been approved by a majority of Commissioners during a public meeting when there existed	a quorum
**CORRECTIONS		
The corrections are acknowle	daed and authorized by	
THE CONTECTIONS are acknowled	Steve Moilanen, Treasurer	
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	ANC 6A Checking Account						
С	Check	Date	Payee/Payor	Cat	Receipts	Disbursements	Date Approved
С	2064	7/31/2023	Steve Moilanen	3		\$58.29	
С	2065	7/31/2023	Anna Tsaur	3		\$250.00	
С	2066	7/31/2023	Irene Dworakowski	7		\$765.89	
С	2067	9/18/2023	Irene Dworakowski	7		\$1,242.38	
С	2068	9/18/2023	Anna Tsaur	3		\$250.00	
С	2069	9/18/2023	Steve Moilanen	3		\$58.29	
С	2070	9/18/2023	Steve Moilanen	3		\$22.00	





Minutes

ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC) of Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A In-Person Meeting at Miner Elementary School Regular Meeting - February 26, 2024

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm.

COC members present: Paul Spires (Chair), Adina Wadsworth, Elizabeth Corinth, Angelique Dorazio Sanders, Clare Dougherty, Gail Sullivan

ANC 6A Commissioners present: Amber Gove, Dave Wethington, Steve Moilanen ANC 7D Commissioners present: Marc Friend, Brett Astmann, Ebony Payne

First Item: Discussion of the proposed Miner-Maury Elementary Schools pairing
Jenn Comey, Director of Planning and Analysis, Office of the Deputy Mayor for Education, Paired
School Model Implementation presented slides to describe the current school boundary lines findings.

The community members in attendance broke into smaller groups to identify specific challenges of the Paired School Model and how to meet them. Each of the groups reported out their findings, listed below, which will be submitted to ANC 6A and the office of the DME.

Working Group Considerations

- Regarding the two-year timeframe:
 - o This has been a conversation for at least a decade, but to the knowledge of the people in the group, it was the first time that the recommendation had been formalized anywhere. We agreed it was a mistake to just let the process drop for another two years, and there needed to be some mechanism to keep the conversation going in the interim.
 - o What happens to the timeline if there is not stable leadership at both schools in two years?
 - o There should be a mechanism to assess the impact of the at-risk set asides to determine if a paired model is still needed when the working group begins its work
- We do not want to restart this conversation in two years from where we are today Should there be some kind of pre-working group working group? How can more parents be engaged in these discussions? Who facilitates these processes? Clearly DCPS will be involved, but there should be a role for our elected representatives (ANCs).
- How do we operationalize the Working Group?
 - The role of the working group, its composition and its mandate need to be clarified. Who ultimately decides what is "feasible?" The community needs to be engaged in a more substantive way than we were during the boundary study, but people are going to differ on what is "feasible." There also needs to be some kind of technical expertise on the question of "feasibility."
 - o An initial list of stakeholders who should be included in some part of this process is: teachers, other school staff, parents, ANC's, people who live in boundaries but do not send their children to either school, educational experts and those who can bring in learning from other paired schools models
 - o It seems like the best role for the working group should be to lead research and community engagement that feeds into a feasibility assessment





o Who ultimately decides if the schools will be paired? Is that the Mayor? Should the assessment of feasibility be continued to be housed in the Mayor's office, or does it move somewhere else? Who makes the final decision and who needs to lead the interim process?

Staffing

- For retention of teachers, staff, and principals—possibility to offer extended contracts.
- How would hiring be approached by both schools- One principal for two schools? Two for both?
 Would positions like specials, library, school psychologist, nurse, social workers be shared between two buildings or would there be separated positions for both schools?
- Maury PTO has \$120,000 spread across all paid aides- would school aides become salaried employees and would they be offered positions first?
- What would professional development look like?
- What would community building between the teachers, staff, and principals look like?
- Would they be budgeted as one school or two?

Transportation and Logistics

Our goal was to discuss/brainstorm safe passage between Miner and Maury, with a focus on minimizing the impact of those facing a dual drop-off scenario. Thoughts included:

- Crossing Guards: May need more; perhaps create a crossing guard "safety corridor" where kids could be handed off between guards (i.e. guards at every intersection between the two schools.)
- Parking: Availability and lot size are concerns; Miner may have enough, but not Maury; traffic flow and traffic patterns will need to be considered since there may be a new volumes of traffic to consider; perhaps consider new signage, stoplights, streetlights, and crosswalks to accommodate more foot/vehicle traffic coming down Tennessee Avenue
- Bicycles: There are no protected bike lands between the two schools; how would bike traffic interface with the new parking patterns; is there enough bike parking at Miner and Maury?
- Buses: Consider a shuttle bus between Miner and Maury to help dual drop offs. Parents with 2x kids could drop both kids at Miner, and the shuttle would take the older kids to Maury.
- Other ideas: Get imaginative with transportation options between schools -- walking/bike bus; shuttles decorated w/themes, etc.

School Drop Off and Pickup // Safe Routes to School Ideas:

- Collaboration needed on:
 - Sibling pickup between schools
 - Awareness of sibling pickup dynamics
- Walking or other "shuttle" between schools.
 - o Could be volunteer-run or staff run.
 - o Throughout the day or beginning/end of day only
- "Carpool" -- common drop off points at each school, with a volunteer shuttle in between...that way if you have kids at both schools, you can drop your children off at only one school and the other child will be shuttled to their school somehow.
- Consult Peabody/Watkins Cluster School on their best practices on the above and below (and other issues)
- Coordinate with Eliot-Hine on these logistical questions too.
- Consult with DDOT on Tennessee Avenue safety
- Crossing guards at Tennessee Ave intersections





- Consider staggering start/end times of school and after- / before-care to help parents with kids in both schools
- Develop emergency / contingency closure and pickup plans that take into account the paired school -- is it possible for students to move to the other school?

Capital Improvements

- Minor renovations needed to existing classrooms in both schools to account for ed-spec
- Several Miner-specific improvements needed / wanted in order to update the facility: updated bathrooms, updated playground equipment and an improved surface for the field, updated electrical. Consider outdoor classrooms.
- Improved security staffing and fixing the gate at Miner so that it latches correctly. There was a lockdown recently because of a shooter on the loose and the outer gate wasn't closing and so it couldn't be ruled out that the shooter was on campus.
- Might need changes to the administrative spaces depending on cluster staffing
- More bike racks on campus at Miner
- Ensure the car drop off areas / curb cuts at both schools are able to accommodate parents doing double pick up in a car

Community building

Lots of opportunities to build community between the two schools - these were the most popular:

- Parent socials with babysitting provided
- Library Days for Maury/Miner storytime at Rosedale Library jointly
- Park Meets Ups for Popsicle Day
- Affinity Groups Across Both Schools

It was recommended that the process for community building start early and grow it gradually - so now is a good time to get going.

There is strong need for buy-in from the Principals and Teachers to grow a sense of community

- Organized Bike Rides for students at both schools
- Joint movie nights at the park
- Establish a roundtable for student input from both schools

Community Engagement

Recommend that someone needs to communicate to the families who are not showing up at these meetings and find out how they feel. We need communication from the principals or other DCPS officials to the community (the parents should not be the ones spreading the word). And we need the DME and DCPS to work together to answer questions that we really don't yet know, including desired outcomes, Title 1 status, staffing concerns, early action PreK status, and more.

Considerations for early childhood center

- 1. Incorporating separate spaces into special education/early intervention spaces.
 - Since 0-3 childcare cannot live in the new building, the current prek space could serve childcare and special education services
 - This could include Strong Start for those in daycare allowing dedicated spaces for practitioners, children, and families, as needed; additional rooms for special education services when children reach K-5.





- This can continue **Miner's** support for all children and incorporate early intervention.
- 2. 0-3 could be a feeder for PreK
 - As DME discusses how to prioritize the needs of at-risk students, this, too, can apply to the daycare setting.
 - As a needs-based care structure, those most in need will be provided the opportunity to access the Miner 0-3 services.
 - Inclusion in the 0-3 care will then provide a seat in prek, creating the Feeder flow from birth through Miner and Maury.
- If combined with the intervention services above, the paired model can create a support system from birth for children in need of that support.
- 3. Consideration could the 0-3 have a location preference as well? Assuming the center is needs-based, and similar to the in-bound at-risk set asides for prek, could similar preferences be made to ensure families nearby who could benefit from 0-3 have access to it?
- 4. Consideration 8 PreK classrooms is a lot, but is it enough?
 - Given the current Maury overflow to other PreK and anticipated increase in in-bound participation, will guaranteed spots for in-bound remain? Consideration for **Miner's** current approach for PreK and how that may change is needed.
 - Does 0-3 have to be in the Miner building itself? It supports the broader feeder system, but it being elsewhere could open more seats to the combined model.

Second Item: Grant Application, Celebrate Capitol Hill, Inc. an H Street Youth Art Project. Lauren Mendonsa presented an application for art supplies to aid in her efforts to keep neighborhood youth engaged and beautify the surrounding public spaces. The COC voted unanimously to support the grant request in the amount of \$1,370.00.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.









Minutes ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting Monday, February 5, 2024 at 7:00 pm Virtual Meeting via Zoom

- I. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.
- II. Introductions & Announcements.

Committee members present: Shaun Lynch (Chair), Caitlin Rogger (Secretary), Jeff Fletcher, Mark Sussman, and Paul Angelone Commissioners present: Keya Chatterjee (6A01), Roberta Shapiro (6A03), Amber Gove (6A04), Dave Wethington (6A05), Robb Dooling (6A06)

III. Old Business.

- A. DDOT update on the Florida Avenue NE Streetscape Project. Mr. Nandlal Gevaria (Project Manager) updated the committee and community on progress on the Florida Avenue NE Streetscape Project. Commissioner Chatterjee asked Mr. Gevaria to speak to incidents of basement flooding along the project corridor and to the proposed removal of the crosswalk at M Street NE. Mr. Gevaria responded that the project team heard from a coffee shop owner and that the project team is making various improvements, including adjusting the slope of the sidewalk. As for the crosswalk, Mr. Gevaria had no further update and recommended the committee follow up with DDOT. [In a subsequent letter to ANC 5D, DDOT stated that the crosswalk at M Street NE will remain for a period of time following the completion of the Florida Avenue NE Streetscape Project to analyze continued usage.] Community member, Pam Hill, raised concerns that the double yellow line in the middle of Florida Avenue had been removed, yielding chaos and confusion as to traffic direction. Mr. Gevaria explained the process for milling the street followed by asphalt markings. Ms. Hill also noted also asked if the water line replacement along the project corridor includes lines to individual homes. When Mr. Gevaria indicated that the lines to individual homes are included, Ms. Hill responded that she had received no information indicating that her water line would be replaced. Mr. Gevaria acknowledged that normally residents would be notified about water line replacement with 48 hours notice, but that this is a DC Water process. Ms. Hill requested that residents be given more than 48 hours notice. The Florida Avenue NE Streetscape Project is on schedule for completion in October 2024.
- B. DDOT update on the <u>H Street NE Bus Priority Project</u>. Mr. <u>Zack Gambetti-Mendez</u> presented the 65% design of the H Street NE Bus Priority Project, <u>NOI-24-07-TDD</u>. The NOI was issued in January 2024 with comments due by March 5, 2024. The project starts at 3rd Street NE (the Hopscotch bridge project prevents extension of the bus project any further west). Bus bulb outs will be added, and some bus stops will be moved. New concrete platforms will allow people to board the bus instead of navigating a curb lane. Daylighting will be added at 9th Street, 10th Street and other streets. Regarding parking, Mr. Gambetti referenced feedback that people wanted quick pickup/drop-off parking areas. Several blocks have 10-minute parking areas.
 - i. Commissioner Chatterjee thanked Mr. Gambetti for the presentation and for being so responsive to community concerns and requests. She asked why raised bus platforms seem to disappear by 11th Street because many people who use the bus stop at 11th Street often lean out into the street to look for the oncoming buses. She asked if it was possible for the DC Streetcar, in addition to the plans for MetroBus, to be used to enforce parking. She



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asked if intracity buses will be able to use the bus lanes. She also noted the people want tree boxes and shade and asked about parklets and public bathrooms along the corridor. Finally, businesses want to know if there will be any loading zones on H Street. Mr. Gambetti responded that DDOT has not observed issues with vehicles parking in the 11th Street bus stop. He is not aware of enforcement cameras being installed on the DC Streetcar. He stated that intracity buses would be permitted in the bus lanes, but that they often choose not to use them because they want to keep flowing with traffic and not stop at bus stops. He stated that currently there are no loading zones on H Street, as all loading zones are along the side streets, and there are no plans to change that.

- ii. Commissioner Shapiro had concerns about the removal of two-hour parking zones. Mr. Gambetti responded that the corridor is a mix of different businesses and needs, some which value two-hour parking and some that want ten-minute parking. Dozens of businesses signed a letter to that effect, and the ANCs supported it as well.
- iii. Committee Member Paul Angelone asked if it is possible to prioritize the bus on 14th Street NE (B2) along with H Street. Mr. Gambetti responded that he would look into that.

Commissioner Chatterjee made the motion recommending: That ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT in support of the Bus Priority lanes on H Street, along with comments including more parking enforcement and protection of the bus lanes, additional landscaping, DDOT engagement with businesses regarding parking needs, and additional signage and painting. Committee Member Sussman seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously with all Commissioners and Committee Members present voting in favor.

IV. New Business.

A. West Virginia Avenue NE Traffic Safety. ANC 6A TPS Committee Chair Shaun Lynch led a discussion regarding persistent traffic safety issues on the 800-block of West Virginia Avenue NE. Chair Lynch reviewed seven active TSIs at the intersection of 8th Street NE and West Virginia Avenue NE. DDOT has an ongoing signal evaluation at that intersection to determine if one is justified, and is considering a one-way conversion of West Virginia Avenue NE between 8th Street NE and Florida Avenue NE as part of the study. The study is expected to take 120 days. DDOT's traffic signal engineer, Rahul Jair, stated that a traffic signal at 8th Street and West Virginia Avenue would only be considered with a southwest-bound one-way. Mr. Jair also presented traffic data for each direction in AM and PM rush hours that indicated a more balanced impact to surrounding streets with a northeast-bound one-way conversion than with a southwest-bound one-way, and he stated that DDOT could only recommend a northeastbound one-way as a result. Chair Lynch presented secondary impacts of a one-way conversion on approaches to and egress from the 800-block of West Virginia Avenue and four adjacent streets. The 900-block of L Street NE (itself a one-way, only accessible from West Virginia Avenue NE) would be the most impacted by a southwest-bound one-way, requiring approaches from the east, west, or south, to come only via southeast-bound Florida Avenue NE. The 800block of West Virginia Avenue NE would be the most impacted by a northeast-bound one-way, but to a lesser degree. Chair Lynch expressed concern that DDOT has ignored traffic calming requests from neighbors on the 800-block of West Virginia Avenue for nearly a decade due to incompatibility with federal guidelines, but that traffic calming is required here regardless, and wanted to ensure the community was aware of secondary impacts of a one-way if other traffic calming measures are not applied. Kelly Jeong-Olson, DDOT Traffic Safety Branch Communications Manager, acknowledged the concerns of some neighbors regarding the secondary impacts of a one-way conversion. Commissioner Shapiro expressed concern with a





one-way causing extra circumnavigation through the neighborhood. Commissioner Chatterjee provided some background on why this block is being considered for one-way conversion, including the decades-long requests for calming, a limited window of opportunity here to narrow the traffic lane, and it being the last remaining gap in the protected bike lanes between K Street NE and those on West Virginia Avenue NE north of Florida Avenue NE. Commissioner Chatteriee also noted that the traffic data provided by Mr. Jair suggested minimal overall impact of overflow to surrounding streets. Community member, Pam Hill, raised concern that DDOT is skipping intermediate steps of fresh asphalt, signage, and road markings that would indicate DDOT cares about this block at all. Ms. Jeong-Olson then reviewed federal guideline reasoning behind DDOT's prior decisions to deny speed humps/tables or raised crosswalks on this block. Chair Lynch noted an impending hardening of curbs at the intersection of L and 9th Streets NE (scheduled for summer 2024) that would be a prime opportunity to add a raised crosswalk on West Virginia Avenue. Several members of the community raised concerns about a one-way conversion and a preference for speed humps and Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) cameras, but Ms. Jeong-Olson reiterated that speed humps are not an option and that ATE cameras are expensive and mobile/temporary.

Commissioner Chatterjee made the motion recommending: That ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT requesting Automated Traffic Enforcement and reconsideration of speed tables and raised crosswalks on the 800-block of West Virginia Ave NE, supporting the signal study at the intersection of 8th Street NE and West Virginia Avenue NE, and further requesting any form of traffic calming measures to this area.

Chair Lynch seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously with all Commissioners and Committee Members present voting in favor.

B. TSIs for Future Consideration. Commissioner Gove discussed languishing all-way stop requests at the following intersections: 14th and A Streets NE; 15th and A Streets NE; 15th Street NE and Constitution Avenue NE; 14th Street NE and Tennessee Avenue NE; and E Street NE and Tennessee Avenue NE. She asked if any other commissioners have missing all-way stops in their neighborhood, and Commissioner Chatterjee added 13th and I Streets NE.

Chair Lynch made the motion recommending: That ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT requesting prioritization of longstanding TSIs at the intersections of 14th and A Streets NE; 15th and A Streets NE; 15th Street NE and Constitution Avenue NE; 14th Street NE and Tennessee Avenue NE; and E Street NE and Tennessee Avenue NE and 13th and I Streets NE at the next quarterly prioritization assessment.

Committee Member Sussman seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously with all Commissioners and Committee Members present voting in favor.

- V. Community Comment.
 - A. Commissioner Gove asked Ms. Jeong-Olson if there was any other way in which the ANC could prioritize the TSIs. Ms. Jeong-Olson replied that the TSI process is the only process, and that the community should provide their input via the 311 system.
- VI. The meeting adjourned at 9:16 pm.





ANC 6A Economic Development & Zoning Committee 7:00-9:00 pm, Wednesday, February 21, 2024 Virtual Meeting via Zoom Public Meeting - All are welcome

In Attendance:

- Commissioners: Gove and Wethington
- Committee Members: Mendonsa, Cushman and Demian

7:01 pm Community Comments - None

1. Resolution of previously heard BZA/HPRB cases (Michael Cushman) There were no previously heard cases with results to report.

Old Business

2. None

New Business

3. 1432 F Street, NE (BZA #21071): To construct a two-story rear addition to an existing, attached, two-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 zone.

Jennifer Fowler, architect for the applicant

The proposal is to reconstruct a rear porch. Currently they have a 2-story deck that they wish to rebuild. A permit search was undertaken, which did not find previous permits for the porch.

The lot is non-conforming with lot occupancy at 73.3% (above matter of right 60% and "special exception" limit of 70%.)

Plans call for reducing the size of the deck to 70% lot coverage in order to avoid seeking a variance. The request includes rear yard relief. The current rear yard is 14.7 feet and the proposal will be 14.4 2.

There are letters of support from neighbors on either side and the neighbor right behind across an alley. A committee member asked about a letter of support from the corner house on Tennessee Ave on a "best efforts" basis.

Co-Chair Joal Mendonsa made the motion to recommend approval for the special exception to ANC6A commissioner. Seconded by Cushman, Gove also votes to approve.

Motion passes unanimously and will be put on the consent agenda.

4. 257 Warren Street, NE (BZA #21085): To construct two new, attached, three-story with basements, principal dwelling units in the RF-1 zone. The relief requested is to subdivide three 10-foot wide (non-conforming) lots into two new 15-foot wide (non-conforming) lots with permission to build on the resulting non-conforming lots.





The applicant was represented by architect Joel Heisy. The applicant also was on the call from Madrid, Spain where he currently resides.

The question before the Committee is whether the subdivision should be supported. However, the ANC can stipulate conditional support in a motion to support which motivated commissioners to ask about plans of what will be constructed.

If given approval for the subdivision the applicant proposes to construct two, two-unit townhomes with conformance to all by-right zoning features. Plans were presented to the committee showing two row-attached buildings each consisting of basement plus first floor and second floor plus third floor. These plans called for a total of 4 units with three parking places and total lot area coverage of 56%.*

The plans shown to the Committee had been revised prior to the meeting with changes not on the drawings presented (the third floor was shown in the plans with a setback from the front façade, the bay windows had 45-degree bays; the changes were to have a full third story and bays with right angles).

The applicant had received the requested relief in two prior cases taken to the BZA. The first time in 1989, a second time in 2010 (and in a 2012 BZA hearing was granted a one-year extension to 2013).

Questions from the Committee members concerned the outreach to neighbors, scale and integration with Warren Street architecture and why the property had not been developed following prior BZA approvals.

Outreach to neighbors: The only outreach by the applicant had been to the adjoining lot owner (and was given in relation to a need to underpin the foundation when constructing a basement). The BZA process mandates mailings to neighbors within a 200-foot radius, notifying them of the subdivision plans (but not detailing any further changes to the property). These letters were sent by the BZA on or before January 17th.

Architecture: Questions were about scale of building - the plans shown were 3 story plus basement. Almost all the houses on Warren Street are two stories. The houses fronting C St are 1 story.

The other houses on the block are predominantly single-family homes, not multi-unit structures. The standard Capitol Hill townhome is two story plus English basement (where the basement is often a one-story rental unit. These would be three story plus basement each of which has two two-story units which seemed "out of scale". Because this is not in the Historic District these questions are not applicable to a "by right" construction. However, they could be considered in the context of a conditional approval from the ANC.

The Owner answered the following questions:

• The owner stated that there was one multi-unit condominium building ANC 6A Agenda Package | March 2024 | For more information go to www.anc6a.org.





on the block but he was unsure whether that was a 4 unit or a 2-unit building. He could not build smaller houses (12 feet wide like the other houses on the block because the minimum width must be greater than 12 feet. 18 feet is the minimum for a conforming lot.

- The owner stated that a death in the architecture firm derailed the 2010 plans and a job transfer had derailed the extension granted in 2012. No reason was given for the failure to proceed in 1989.
- The owner is proceeding now because he will be returning to Washington and "wants to build and live in my house."

One neighbor spoke in opposition because new construction to the lot boundary would make it difficult to enter her garage from the alley. This neighbor also spoke to the light, air, and enjoyment that would be impaired by the new buildings. The architect responded that construction cannot be closer than 7.5 feet from the centerline of the alley and that her garage is on the lot line, and that the applicant could not expect to use the empty lot to access her garage.

The architect stated that concerns about light, air and enjoyment of the neighboring property are properly considered in a special exception for a building but are not applicable to a subdivision request. Furthermore, the buildings would be **constructed to "by right" zoning and not be subject to** a special exception where these concerns would apply.

Demian noted that the Committee members "are using historic district standards and that is not the standard that this new development is subject to. This is not a historic district and the proposed development is entirely by right. The question before you is do you want to allow the subdivision to 2 lots that really become buildable lots? Or are you going to deny and leave it that they are really basically unbuildable lots? That is really the question that is before you here."

Mendonsa: In basically every case that I have seen on this committee in the last year so we have set a precedent of delaying a vote If there if there was not outreach and letters of support. Not necessarily not approving a project without letters of support, but at least insisting that an attempt be made to get feedback from adjoining neighbors. And I think in this case that has not **been done."**

Commissioner Weatherington noted that there are standard notifications from the BZA and this meeting was properly noticed and he had not heard from neighbors in opposition.

Motion was made to recommend approval with additional outreach to the neighbors.

Motion passed 4-1 (Cushman opposed so that the project would not be on the consent agenda but would instead be taken up by the full commission and neighbors could have a chance to weigh in.)





Following the vote Commissioner Gove volunteered to assist in getting information out to the neighbors via constituent email addresses.

5. 808 I Street, NE (BZA #21084): To construct a third story and rear addition to an existing, attached, two-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 zone. John Oliver, attorney and Josh Hill, architect presenting on behalf of the property owner, Mr. Kenneth Jefferson.

The project includes expanding the footprint of the first and second floor and constructing new third floor deck space.

The applicant is seeking a special exception to lot occupancy: The structure as currently built has the lot occupancy of 43%, project will take it to 68.7% (Lot occupancy of 60% is permitted as a matter of right, up to 70% is permitted as a special exception.)

The second special exception requested is relief from the rear wall restrictions of Subtitle E § 207.4 to allow the extension of the properties rear wall by 20 feet and 10 inches. (This exceeds the by right of "10 feet past a neighboring property's conditioned space"/beyond the furthest rear wall.) After project construction the property's rear wall will be flush with the rear wall of the property to the east (810 I Street NE) but will extend beyond 10 feet past the property to the west (806 I Street NE).

The application enjoys letters of support of both property owners abutting the project property at 806 I Street and 810 I Street.

The project is a bump-up and bump-back. The new third story is stepped back in both front (7 feet) and back (13 feet) to reduce the perceived mass of the building from the street. The project architect said, "We are basically matching the house on the left. We have a deeper terrace here on the side about 13 feet back from that façade... the idea being that it really helps the addition to be in scale with what is happening on the back of the alley."

The architect then showed the shadow study.

One question from the committee on whether there were windows overlooking the neighbor's property on the property line. The architect clarified that the rendering showed the side deck opening along the property line, not windows.

Reiterated letters of support from both neighbors.

Motion to approve the project made by Mendonsa, seconded by Gove. Passed unanimously to be put on consent agenda.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.





March XX, 2024

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

Re: BZA Case No. 21085 (257 Warren Street NE)

Dear Mr. Moy:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on March 14, 2024, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the request for Area Variance pursuant to Subtitle X § 1002 from the lot dimension requirements of Subtitle E § 202.1 to construct two new, attached, three-story with basements, principal dwelling units at 257 Warren Street NE (BZA #21085) in the RF-1 zone on the condition that the developers make best efforts to get letters of support from neighbors.

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 area variance criteria have been met through submission of architectural drawings and discussions with 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 Joal Mendonsa, Michael Cushman, 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, Mr. Cushman at michael.cushman@gmail.com, and Joal Mendonsa at joal.mendonsa@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission.

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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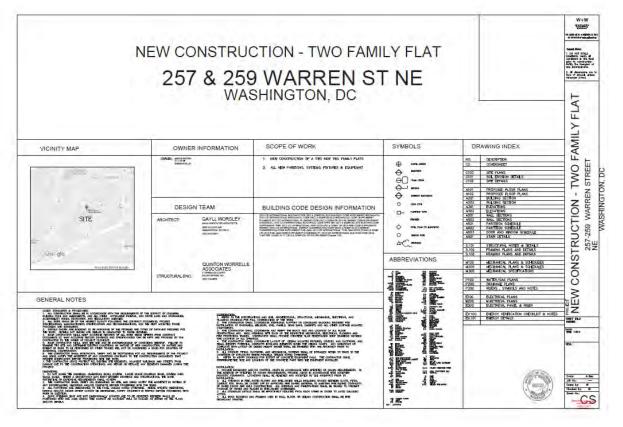


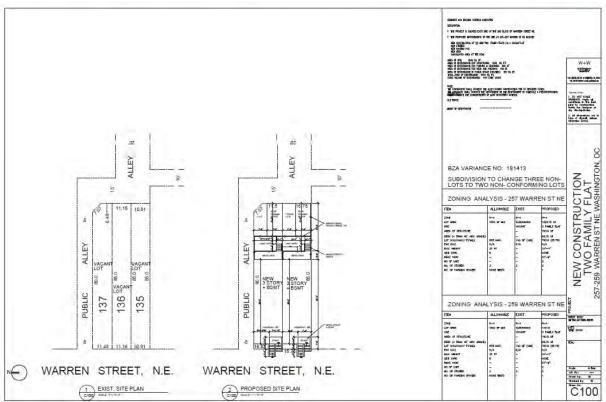


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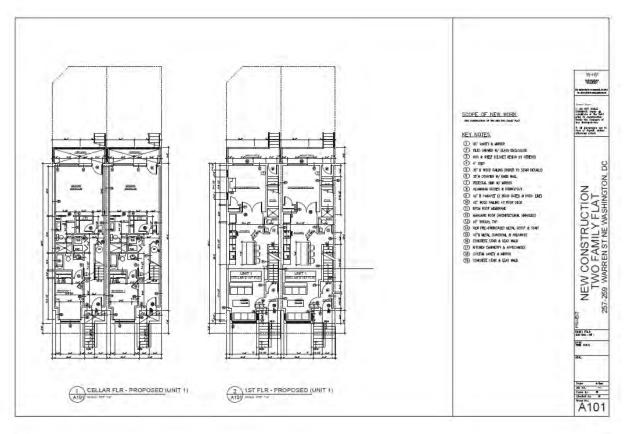


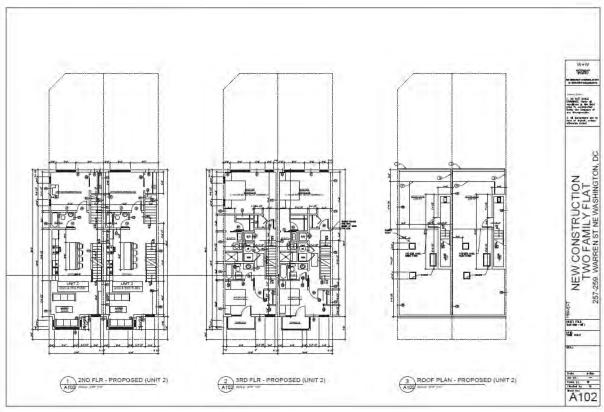






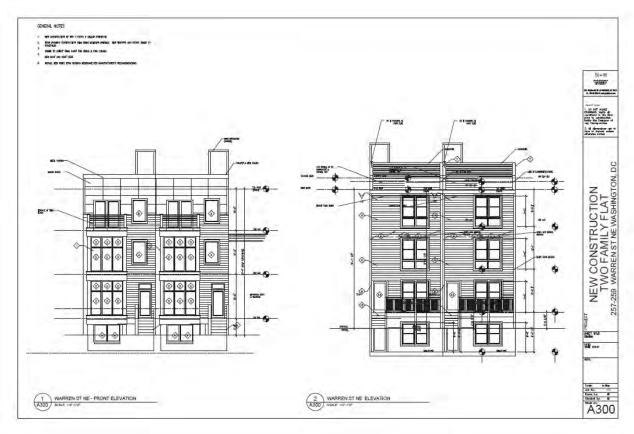


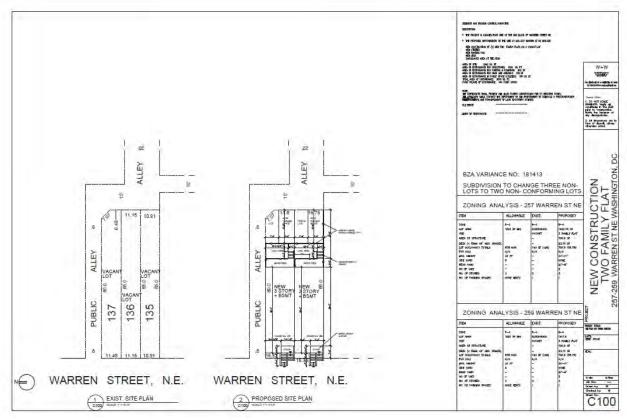














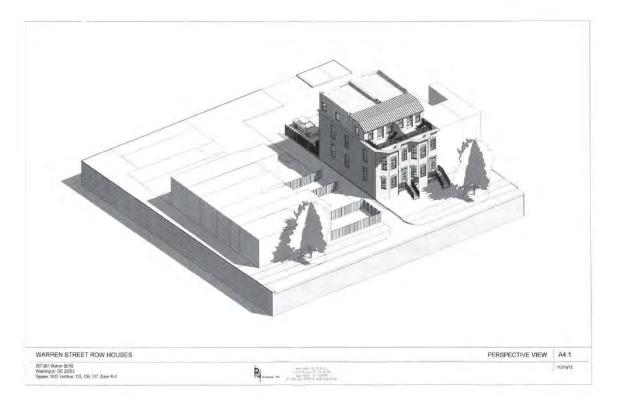


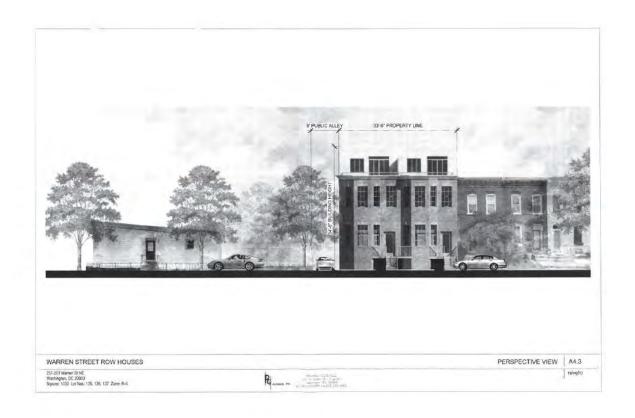












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New Business



- 1. Suggested Motion: ANC 6A approve Becca Beuthe (6A03) as a member of the Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ) Committee. (Shapiro)
- 2. Suggested Motion: ANC 6A approve Patrick Bloomstine (6A01) as a member of the Transportation and Public Space Committee. (Chatterjee)