7:00 pm Call to order

7:02 pm Approve Previous Meeting’s Minutes, Adopt Agenda

7:05 pm Community Presentations
   MPD Summer Crime Initiative - Captain Paul Hrebenak, Metropolitan Police Department (10 minutes)
   Anthony Diallo, Ward 6 Account Manager, Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (15 minutes)
   Celeste Duffie, Community Relations Specialist, Department of Public Works (10 minutes)
   Rank the Vote DC - Casey Watts (5 minutes)

7:50 pm Officer Reports
   1. Approve Treasurer’s Report................................................................. pg. 22

7:55 pm Community Outreach (COC)............................................................... pg. 23
   1. Approve April 2021 committee report.
   2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 24, 2021 (4th Monday)

8:00 pm Alcoholic Beverage Licensing (ABL).................................................. pg. 24
   1. Approve April 2021 committee report.
   2. Recommendation: ANC 6A protest the application of 18th & D Liquors, Inc., t/a Master Liquors at 1806 D Street NE (ABRA #074594) for renewal of its Class A Retail License on the grounds of negative effect on peace, order, quiet, and property values, and that the ANC authorize the chair and vice-chair of the ANC and the co-chairs of the ABL to represent the ANC in this matter.
   3. Recommendation: ANC 6A protest the application of Capitol Square Bar and Grill LLC, t/a C Capitol Square Bar & Grill at 1500 East Capitol Street NE (ABRA #118000) for a Class C Restaurant License on the grounds of negative effect on peace, order, and quiet, and on vehicular and pedestrian safety, unless a satisfactory settlement agreement is finalized before the protest deadline, and that the ANC authorize the chair and vice-chair of the ANC, the commissioner in whose SMD the establishment is located, and the co-chairs of the ABL to represent the ANC in this matter.
   4. Recommendation: ANC 6A take no action on the applications of Andy Lee Liquor, t/a New H Wine & Spirits at 914 H Street NE (ABRA #093440); Jumbo Liquors, Inc., t/a Jumbo Liquors at 1122 H Street NE (ABRA #000420); Sky Globe, Inc., t/a Grand Liquors at 409A 15th Street NE (ABRA #10850) for renewal of their Class A Retail Licenses.
5. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter of support for the application of 7 River, LLC, t/a 7 River Mart at 250 11th Street NE (ABRA #074594) for renewal of its Class A Retail License.

6. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 25, 2021 (4th Tuesday)

8:25 pm **Transportation and Public Space (TPS).**

1. Approve April 2021 committee report.
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A approve a Resolution on the Negative Impact of Fencing Around the U.S. Capitol on Local Transportation.
3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT in support of a dedicated parking spot for HIPS in front of their location at 906 H St NE from 11:00 pm - 6:00 am, seven days a week, with the option of a PUDO (pick up/drop off space) during other hours.

4. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 17, 2021 (3rd Monday)

8:35 pm **Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ).**

1. No report. EDZ did not meet in April 2021.
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 19, 2021 (3rd Wednesday)

8:36 pm **Ad Hoc By Laws Committee (BLC).**

1. Approve April 2021 committee report.
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 26, 2021 (4th Wednesday)

8:40 pm **New Business.**

1. **Suggested Motion:** ANC 6A approve a letter to in opposition to the proposed siting of a public restroom pilot at 17th Street and Benning Road NE. (Phillips-Gilbert)
2. **Suggested Motion:** ANC 6A approve a resolution to support the adoption of Ranked Choice Voting in District of Columbia. (Gove)

8:45 pm **Single Member District reports** (1 minute each)

8:55 pm **Community Comments** (2 minutes each)

9:10 pm **Adjourn**
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
Minutes
Virtual Meeting via Zoom
April 8, 2021

Present: Commissioners Amber Gove (Chair), Brian Alcorn, Mike Soderman, Robb Dooling, Keya Chatterjee, Sondra Philips-Gilbert and Laura Gentile. Commissioner Phil Toomajian was absent.

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

Commissioner Amber Gove called the meeting to order and announced the presence of a quorum. The minutes for the ANC March 2021 meeting were accepted, and the agenda for the March 2021 meeting was accepted by unanimous consent.

Community Presentations:
Solar Programs for DC Residents - Katya Botwinick, Energy Program Specialist, DC Department of Energy & Environment (DOEE); Jennifer Finegan, Outreach Coordinator, Grid Alternatives
Katya Botwinick from the Department of Energy and Environment presented on the Solar for All program, a program established in 2016 aimed at bringing the benefits of solar energy to 100,000 low to moderate income DC families by 2032. Solar for All encompasses two programs, Single Family Solar and Community Solar; the Community Solar model allows residents to take advantage of solar energy and save on their electricity bills without needing access to a roof to install solar panels. DOE installs the solar offsite, which it has been doing on schools, hospitals, churches, office buildings, and apartment complexes. The offsite location means individuals do not need any installations on their personal properties and can benefit regardless of proximity to a solar installation. All individuals need to participate is a Pepco bill and can join independently without landlords and neighbors; there are no changes to service, only a cheaper electricity bill. This service will appear as a credit on electric bills and participants can save an estimated $500 annually. The service is capped at 80% median income. There are three ways to apply: pre-approval letters, paper application, and online application, which can be found at www.doee.dc.gov/solarforall. Interested individuals can also call (202) 299-5271 or email solarforall[at]dc.gov or Ms. Botwinick directly at katya.botwinick[at]dc.gov.

Jessica Finegan, Outreach Coordinator for GRID Alternatives, made a presentation about the non-profit installer working in partnership with DOEE. Ms. Finegan spoke about Solar Works DC, a program in conjunction with Solar for All, that is an income qualified no-cost solar installation and paid job training program. The 12-week training program includes virtual training, hands-on installation, and a $10/hour stipend. There are three program cohorts a year; currently, the program is in the spring cohort and recruiting for fall. Interested individuals can email solarworksdc[at]gridalternatives.org. Ms. Finegan also listed requirements for Single Family Solar, including owning a home, meeting a qualifying income, and having good roof condition, space, and limited shade. Similarly to Community Solar, participants will see an estimated $500 annual savings; the program does not require information about credit scores, payments, liens, or have hidden costs. Individuals can apply online at www.gridsolar.org/sfa or contact the outreach team at dcoutreach[at]gridalternatives.org or call (866)921-4696 or (202) 602-0191. Ms. Finegan can be reached directly at jfinegan[at]gridalternatives.com or (202) 602-0198.

Julie Patton Lawson, Director, Mayor’s Office of the Clean City (MOCC)
Julie Patton Lawson, Director, Mayor’s Office of the Clean City, spoke about the role of the Office, which is to coordinate work across agencies in DC on trash specifically and also broader public realm issues. Ms. Lawson highlighted the “Adopt a Block” program which gives residents an opportunity to work together to
clean up their neighborhoods. MOCC has listed COVID-19 safe cleanup protocols and provided community webinars on a wide range of topics. MOCC has several resources on rodent prevention and how rodents are related to trash. They have done inspections on alleys on H Street NE and Barracks Row SE, getting both DPW and DC Health to simultaneously enforce and abate trash and rodent-related issues. MOCC is also working on minimizing illegal dumping and pet waste and encourages residents to put in a 311 request if they see animal waste so MOCC can know where to do more outreach. They are also conducting a study on littering for the Cleaner Communities and Waterways project and are now in the analysis phase. Ms. Lawson will be following up with Commissioner Mike Soderman about repeated garbage truck collisions into a home on the 200 block of 9th Street NE.

Officer Reports:
1. The April 2021 Treasurer’s report by Commissioner Brian Alcorn reviewed the four expenditures accrued in March: $15.89 for Zoom Pro Trial (check #1966), $200.00 for meeting minutes (check #1967), $765.89 for webmaster services (check #1968), and $58.29 for Zoom Pro & Meetings Trial (check #1969). Existing obligations include $550.00 in checks issued not deposited (checks #1920, #1922) and $4,015.07 in checks deposited (checks #1957, #1959, #1961, #1962-1966). The opening uncommitted funds available were $29,336.14 and after these disbursements totaling $1,040.07 and existing obligations of $4,565.07, the closing uncommitted funds are $23,731. The savings account opened at $100.05, gained no interest, and closed at $100.05. The Treasurer’s report was approved by unanimous consent without objection.

2. Commissioner Alcorn made the following adjustments to the 2021 Q2 report due to bugs in a new spreadsheet sent by the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (OANC): “Balance Forward Checking” should read $34,641.95; “Total Funds Available During Quarter” should read $34,641.95; “Error, Check Ledger” should read $29,845.10. The 2021 Q2 report was adopted as adjusted by unanimous consent.

3. OANC would like ANC 6A to re-approve the FY 2021 Q1 report due to the new spreadsheets. There are the following adjustments: “Forward Checking” should read $34,243.80; “Total Funds Available During Quarter” should read $45,214.92; line #4 should read $2,077.19; line #7 should read $1,631.78; “Error, Check Ledger” should read $34,641.95; total disbursements remain $10,572.97. The FY 2021 Q1 report was re-adopted as adjusted by unanimous consent.

4. OANC stated the following technical note: “ANC 6A’s 2020 Q3 and Q4 reports were revised because a software error. The new opening balance for the fiscal year 2020 Q3 report will be changed to $17,110.97 and the ending balance will be changed to $36,138.52. Similarly the new opening balance for the fiscal year 2020 Q4 report will be changed to $38,138.52 and the ending balance will be changed to $34,323.80. We are not asking you to vote on these.”

Standing Committee Reports:
Community Outreach
1. No report. COC did not meet in March 2021.
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, April 26, 2021 (4th Monday)

Alcohol Beverage Licensing
1. The March 2021 committee report was approved by unanimous consent.
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, April 27, 2021 (4th Tuesday).

Transportation and Public Space
1. The March 2021 committee report was approved by unanimous consent.
2. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Sondra Philips-Gilbert seconded the motion that ANC 6A send a letter to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) opposing the issuance of permits for the installation of the small cells in Rosedale until more information is received about the process for selecting locations and the safety of 5G small cell infrastructure and requesting that DDOT contact ANCs prior to issuing permits. The motion passed 7-0.

3. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Laura Gentile seconded the motion that ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT in support of Public Space Permit Application #361713 for the replacement of a retaining wall at 424 11th Street NE. The retaining wall in question is 46” high and not fully safe and secure. The motion passed 6-0-1; Commissioner Robb Dooling abstained.

4. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded the motion that ANC 6A pass a resolution in support of extending the DC Streetcar to Benning Road NE and for requisite funding in the FY 2022 budget. Commissioner Alcorn added a friendly amendment noting that the exact extended location will be the Benning Road Metro station. The motion passed 7-0.

5. Committee Chair Marc Brumer announced that he will be moving out of ANC 6A after the May 2021 TPS meeting and will ensure a smooth transition to a new Chair.

6. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, April 19, 2021 (3rd Monday).

Economic Development and Zoning

1. The March 2021 committee report was approved by unanimous consent.

2. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Philips-Gilbert seconded the motion that ANC 6A send a letter of conditional support to the Zoning Commission (ZC) for a requested modification of consequence (modify number of balconies on eastern façade) for 1701 H Street, NE (ZC 15-31A) on condition that the additional units that are going to be proffered with the 7th floor addition be made 30% AMI, or substituted with the same number of units at 30% AMI. The proposed modification would elevate the building wall along Benning Road by 9 ft, allowing for 10 extra additional units and increasing the IZ commitment accordingly by four units, including two two-bedroom units, all at 50% AMI. This increases the total set aside for IZ units from 8% to 10%, 65% of which are at 50% AMI. Though the EDZ request were to set aside these units at 30% AMI, this is not economically viable for the developer. There are administrative challenges of offering 30% AMI units as they are not a part of the IZ program through DCDHC. The Committee amended the motion to read: ANC 6A support is conditional on the new units that are to be added as part of this modification be made available at 30% median family income through the affordable dwelling unit (ADU) program, or that an equal number of units elsewhere in the building be made available at 30% MFI (median family income). The motion passed as amended passed 7-0.

3. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Keya Chatterjee seconded the motion that ANC 6A send a letter of conditional support to BZA for a special exception from the lot occupancy restrictions of Subtitle E § 304.1, the rear addition requirements of Subtitle E § 205.4, and the rooftop and upper floor restrictions of Subtitle E § 206.1 to construct a new three-story with cellar and roof deck, rear addition to an existing, two-story with cellar, semi-detached, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 Zone at 211 13th Street, NE (BZA #20450), on condition that the applicant make best efforts to get letters of support from 209 C Street, 230 Tennessee Avenue and 1305 C Street, NE. The requested letters of support have been received. The motion passed 7-0.

4. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded the motion that ANC 6A send a letter of conditional support to HPO for the renovation of an existing single family row home with a rear and second floor addition in the Capitol Hill Historic District relief at 17 9th Street, NE (HPO #21-254), on condition that the applicant make best efforts to get letters of support from 15 and 19 9th Street, NE. One letter of support has been received. The motion passed 7-0.
5. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded the motion that ANC 6A send a letter of support to BZA for a special exception from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1; and the alley centerline setback requirements of Subtitle E § 5004.1 to construct a third story addition and roof deck, to an existing two-story flat, and a second story addition to an accessory detached garage in the RF-1 Zone at 308 11th Street, NE (BZA Case #20382).

Several neighbors are opposed and raised concerns over privacy issues - neighbors being able to see into their bedroom and bathroom windows. Commissioner Soderman noted that the Hawthorne apartment building on 10th Street NE is a large apartment building with balconies and windows that also face neighboring bedroom and bathroom windows in question. Committee Chair Brad Greenfield offered additional language to be added to the letter to include the removal of the Juliette balcony, changing to casement windows, and frosting on the windows on the alley side and consideration of additional electronic frosting on other windows. The motion passed 7-0.

6. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, April 21, 2021 (3rd Wednesday)

Ad Hoc By Laws Committee
1. No report. BLC did not meet in March 2021.
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, April 22, 2021 (4th Monday).

New Business
1. Commissioner Dooling moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded the motion that ANC 6A approve a Resolution regarding ANC 6A support for funding the DC Office for the Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard of Hearing in DC’s FY2022 budget. The purpose of the new office is to advance the civil rights of these communities and it is key to note that this was already unanimously passed by DC Council and signed into law by Mayor Bowser in October 2020, so now it just needs funding. The funding would be up to $800,000 for the first year; 36 other states already have a similar Office. The motion passed 7-0.
2. Commissioner Dooling moved and Commissioner Gentile seconded the motion that ANC 6A approve the amendment of the ANC 6A FY21 budget to reallocate unused resources from the FedEx and DCPS security line items in the amount of $2,255.00 to grants ($1,870.00) and ZoomPro ($385.00). The motion passed 7-0.
3. Commissioner Gentile moved and Commissioner Chatterjee seconded the motion that ANC 6A approve a letter to DDOT requesting installation of speed humps in the 1400 block of Duncan Street NE (TSA #20-00287735). There is a serious, ongoing problem of vehicles going more than twice the limit; DDOT posted 20 mph signs that have been ignored. The motion passed 7-0.

Single Member District reports
Commissioner Alcorn (6A08) noted the tragic murder of Julius Hayes on the 300 block of 18th Street and has been in touch with Councilmember Allen and MPD who say the case is under investigation. He has also been in touch with neighbors at 18th and D Streets, planning engagement with Councilmember Allen and staff on several resident concerns. There was an accident at the intersection of Constitution Avenue and 15th Street recently between a vehicle and a motorcycle and neighbors remain concerned about traffic safety at this intersection. They are working with DDOT on a traffic safety assessment and hopefully a stop sign installation. Contractors are working on 15th Street from East Capitol Street to North Carolina Avenue NE to narrow down to one travel lane. Neighbors at the intersection of 15th Street and North Carolina Avenue NE have expressed concerns about parking contraction and this issue has been raised to DDOT. Capital Square Bar and Grill at 1500 East Capitol Street has posted its ABRA placard.

Commissioner Philips-Gilbert (6A07) thanked Charles Allen and Naomi Mitchell for reaching out last month to help get a group of people vaccinated and is looking to get more neighbors registered and vaccinated.
She wants to get one or two days dedicated just for Rosedale community to get vaccinated since the 20002 zip code is designated as “under-vaccinated”. She is looking to meet with the Mayor’s core team about 16th and E Streets and 17th Street and Benning Road NE, which are locations of chronic problems and need several organizations’ attention and assistance.

Commissioner Dooling (6A06) is hosting outdoor office hours on 4/10 at the Northeast Corner of H Street Farmer’s Market between 10:00 am - 12:00 pm and encourages residents to come by with concerns. 14th and G Street NE just received highly visible, newly painted crosswalks and he has requested similar crosswalks in other neighborhood crosswalks. Miner Elementary School Principal Jackson is leaving at the end of the school year; DCPS will host a virtual meeting on May 6, 2021 with details forth coming.

Commissioner Gentile (6A05) participated in very nice neighborhood-wide cleanup on March 20, 2021 and would like to do an ANC-wide event.

Commissioner Soderman (6A03) mentioned constituents’ home that has been run into by garbage trucks multiple times and is continuing to work with the Department of Public Works (DPW) to get this resolved. There are currently three small cell deployments on Constitution Avenue between 8th - 9th Streets, C Street between 8th - 9th Streets, and on C Street between 11th - 12th Streets NE. He noted a continued uptick in crime and has been working with the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) on increased patrols. There are traffic calming measures coming for the 100, 200, and 300 blocks of 10th Street; he thanked the Ward 6 DDOT liaison for helping this to happen.

Commissioner Chatterjee (6A01) enjoyed her participation in the March 20, 2021 cleanup. On the same day there was a large explosion on 13th and I Streets NE which turned out to be a Pepco gas switch that took out most of the sidewalk. The DC Public Service Commission (PSC) feel confident there will not be further explosions. There is chronic illegal dumping on between 8th and 9th Streets on West Virginia Avenue NE; DPW wants to do a trial of a new point of collection. She urged residents to call 311 if you see trash lids with holes in them to prevent further vermin problems - replacement lids are free as they constitute a repair. She has submitted traffic safety assessments (TSA) for I Street and West Virginia Avenue, Wiley Street, and 11th Street NE. She thanked Marc Brumer for his efforts with HIPS in an effort to get a dedicated spot in front of the building.

Commissioner Gove (6A04) mentioned the deadly crash on the corner of 14th and C Streets NE, which resulted in the death of Bryan Johnson, and the murder of Julius Hayes and urged the ANC to continue addressing traffic and gun violence to minimize further tragedy. The DDOT C Street project has a new website (www.cstne.com); she encouraged residents to visit the website and share their opinions. She reminded constituents that, as DCPS expands in-person school and more children walk on the streets and sidewalks, they should be careful around crosswalks and corners, ensure that hedges are trimmed, and make any other effort to maximize visibility. The 1300 block of A Street NE was selected for the Petal Porch Parade route and the Commissioner encouraged residents to come see the decorations.

Community Comments
Naomi Mitchell from Councilmember Allen’s office noted that the DC Council is on recess during the week of April 13, 2021. Councilmember Allen introduced legislation to create affordable, reliable, high-speed internet access across all of DC, noticing that internet is just as essential as electricity and clean water and many residents are struggling to afford it. The DC Police Reform Commission has issued its report; it can be viewed at www.dcpolicereform.com. Budget hearings will be considerably delayed this year, as will the census data and redistricting. All residents should pre-register for vaccinations as everyone will be eligible soon and mass vaccination centers will be opening soon.
Steven Ruder, a constituent that lives on the 200 block of 15th Street NE, expressed concern on the restriping of the street in front of their house; while they appreciate the safety concerns of the corner, DDOT’s plan would remove more than half of the parking spaces on the street and, in their opinion, not resolve any safety issues. Neighbor Sunny Petzinger echoed the same concerns. Commissioners Gove and Alcorn explained the long-running interactions with DDOT that ANC 6A has had about this intersection, and that the ANC will continue pushing for an all-way stop at this location. Commissioner Chatterjee noted a similar problem with an intersection in SMD01 and learned that the reason DDOT can avoid putting in all-way stop signs has to do with how certain streets are classified - as “local” or “collectors” streets.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm.
April 10, 2021

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

Re: Public Space Permit application #361713 424 11th Street NE

Dear Mr. Marcou:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting1 on April 8, 2021 our Commission voted 6-0-1 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to give support to public space permit application #361713 for replacement of a retaining wall at 424 11th Street NE.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC’s feedback on this public space issue. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at AmberANC6A@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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April 10, 2021

Interim Director Everett Lott
District Department of Transportation
55 M Street SE, Suite 400
Washington, DC 20003

Re: Traffic Safety Assessment Request for the installation of speed humps in the 1400 block of Duncan Street NE as indicated in TSA# 20-00287735

Dear Director Lott:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on April 8, 2021 our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support a Traffic Safety Assessment Request for the 1400 block of Duncan Street NE for the installation of speed humps and/or raised crosswalks as indicated in TSA# 20-00287735.

The original request was submitted on June 28, 2020 and a DDOT Customer Service Clearinghouse Acknowledgement of Receipt, with the assignment of TSA # 20-00287735, was sent on August 19, 2020.

Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at amberanc6a@gmail.com or Commissioner Gentile at 6A05@anc.dc.gov.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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April 10, 2021

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

Re: ANC6A Opposition to issuance of permits for the installation of small cell infrastructure in Rosedale

Dear Mr. Marcou:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting\(^1\) on April 8, 2021 our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the issuance of permits for the installation of small cell infrastructure in Rosedale until more information is received about the process for selecting locations and the safety of 5G small cell infrastructure. Furthermore, we request that DDOT contact ANCs prior to using permits.

For reference, ANC6A expressed detailed concerns in a February 2020 letter and requested scheduled deployments of small cell wireless within ANC6A be temporarily halted until those concerns were addressed and DDOT provided additional information. ANC6A also requested proposed deployment locations be vetted through the Transportation and Public Space (TPS) Committee and the full Commission.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC’s feedback on this public space issue. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at AmberANC6A@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
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April 10, 2021

Ms. Mamique Heath, AIA Chair
Historic Preservation Review Board
Office of Planning
1100 Fourth Street, SW, Suite E650
Washington, DC 20024

Re: HPA 21-294 (179th Street, NE)

Dear Ms. Heath:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting\(^1\) on April 8, 2021, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the design of the proposed renovation of an existing single family row home with a rear and second floor addition in the Capitol Hill Historic District at 179th Street, NE. The design has taken measures to ensure that the addition is not visible from the street, and it will not disrupt the historic character of the neighborhood.

Please be advised that Brad Greenfield and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at [amberanc6a@gmail.com](mailto:amberanc6a@gmail.com). Commissioner Soderman can be contacted at [Mike6A03@gmail.com](mailto:Mike6A03@gmail.com) and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at [brad.greenfield@gmail.com](mailto:brad.greenfield@gmail.com).

On Behalf of the Commission,

[Signature]

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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April 11, 2021

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

Re: BZA Case No. 20382 (308 11th Street, NE)  

Dear Mr. Moy:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on April 8, 2021, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the request pursuant to Subtitle E § 5201 and Subtitle X § 901.2 for a Special Exception from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1; and the alley centerline setback requirements of Subtitle E § 5004.1 to construct a third story addition and roof deck, to an existing two-story flat, and a second story addition to an accessory detached garage 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. Further, to address privacy concerns raised by the neighbors, the applicant has agreed to remove the Juliet balcony, frost the alley-facing windows, and investigate the possibility of electronic frosting for the yard-facing windows on the accessory building. The owner has proven that the special exception criteria have been met through submission of architectural elevations. The ANC believes that this development will not substantially visually intrude upon the character, scale, and pattern of houses in the neighborhood.

Please be advised that Brad Greenfield and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at amberanc6a@gmail.com. Commissioner Gentile can be contacted at 6A05@anc.dc.gov, and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

[Signature]

Amber Gove  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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April 10, 2021

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

Re: BZA Case No. 20450 (211 13th Street, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting\(^1\) on April 8, 2021 our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the request pursuant to Subtitle E § 205.5, Subtitle E § 206.4, Subtitle E § 5201, and Subtitle X § 901.2 for a Special Exception from the lot occupancy restrictions of Subtitle E § 304.1; the rear addition requirements of Subtitle E § 205.4; and the rooftop and upper floor restrictions of Subtitle E § 206.1 to construct a new three-story with cellar and roof deck, rear addition to an existing, two-story with cellar, semi-detached, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 Zone.

The design has taken measures to ensure that the addition is in the character of the neighborhood and it will not disrupt the privacy, air and light of neighbors. The owner has proven that the special exception criteria have been met through submission of architectural elevations and letters of support from neighbors. The ANC believes that this development will not substantially visually intrude upon the character, scale, and pattern of houses in the neighborhood. Please be advised that Brad Greenfield and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at amberanc6a@gmail.com and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

On Behalf of the Commission,

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April 10, 2021

Chairman Anthony Hood
D.C. Zoning Commission
441 Fourth Street NW, Suite 210S
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Zoning Commission Case No. 15-31B (1701 H Street NE)

Dear Mr. Hood:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on April 8, 2021 our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the proposed modification to include a partial seventh floor to the PUD at 1701 H Street, NE. Our support is conditional on the new units that are to be added as part of this modification be made available at 30% Median Family Income (MFI), or that an equal number of affordable dwelling units elsewhere in the building be made available at 30% MFI.

On the whole, ANC6A believes that the design of the building is well done, and that this PUD will benefit the community and the neighborhood. We believe that the additional housing, and the benefits included in the Community Benefits package will substantively improve the area, including ANC6A and ANC5D. However, we believe that the current MFI levels make affordable housing in the District very difficult for working families, and would like to see this project designed to include units at a more reasonable MFI to address this.

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

On Behalf of the Commission,

[Signature]

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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ANC 6A RESOLUTION NO. 2021-001

Resolution regarding ANC 6A support for funding the DC Office for the Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard of Hearing in DC’s FY2022 budget.

WHEREAS, in October 2020, the DC Council unanimously passed and Mayor Muriel Bowser signed into law B23-0147, the Office on Deaf and Hard of Hearing Establishment Amendment Act of 2019.¹

WHEREAS, this law establishes a DC Office for the Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard of Hearing (ODBH) to “advance the civil rights of the deaf, deafblind, and hard of hearing communities by ensuring and overseeing District-wide compliance with laws that affect the deaf, deafblind, and hard of hearing communities.”

WHEREAS, ODBH does not yet exist as an office because it is subject to appropriations.

WHEREAS, in July 2020, the DC Chief Financial Officer estimated a first-year budget of $836,000 to implement the ODBH, including staff salaries and office space.²

WHEREAS, state-level offices for the Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard of Hearing already exist in 36 U.S. states³ but DC currently has no such office despite having one of the largest deaf populations in the United States.

WHEREAS, the National Deaf Center (NDC) ranked DC 52nd out of 52 U.S. states and territories for bachelor’s degree completion by deaf individuals—the single worst outcome in the country.⁴ NDC also ranked DC 45th in high school completion and 50th in employment for deaf individuals—among the worst outcomes in the country.

WHEREAS, Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard of Hearing citizens have made invaluable contributions to the ANC 6A community, including:

- Gallaudet University hosted the ANC 6A website, www.anc6a.org, and provided technical support to ANC 6A for 10 years from 2003 to 2013.⁵
- ASL Trivia DC, founded by Deaf ANC 6A residents in 2014, regularly brought 100-200 customers to bars and other small businesses in ANC 6A on Monday evenings throughout the 2010s.

¹ https://lims.dccouncil.us/Legislation/B23-0147
³ http://naccdhh.org/usa-roster/
• Mozzarella at 1300 H Street NE in ANC 6A is the first Deaf-owned-and-operated restaurant in DC and a source of neighborhood pride.

WHEREAS, ODBH would operate at the same level as and complement both the DC Office on Disability Rights and cultural offices such as the mayor’s offices on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs, LGBTQ Affairs, and Women’s Policy and Initiatives, to name a few.

WHEREAS, ODBH would significantly improve the efficiency of ANC 6A and other DC government agencies in coordinating qualified sign language interpreters, captioners, and other accessibility measures.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ANC 6A strongly supports funding the Office for the Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing (ODBH) in DC’s FY2022 budget, urges Mayor Muriel Bowser to fulfill her role to appoint a director of the ODBH, and asks the DC Council and Executive Office of the Mayor to take other steps as necessary to establish ODBH as soon as possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ANC 6A recognizes the following individuals and organizations for years of advocacy and support for the ODBH bill dating back to 2014:

• Ward 6 Councilmember Charles Allen
• ANC 2B
• Association of Late Deafened Adults
• DC Area Black Deaf Advocates
• DC Association of the Deaf
• Deaf Access Solutions
• Deaf DAWN (formerly Deaf Abused Women’s Network)
• Deaf In Government
• Gallaudet University
• Greater Washington Asian Deaf Association (GWADA)
• Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) - DC Chapter
• Helping Educate to Advance the Rights of the Deaf (HEARD)
• Latino Deaf and Hard of Hearing Association of the Metropolitan DC Area
• Maryland Governor’s Office for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
• Metropolitan Washington Association of the DeafBlind
• National Association of the Deaf
• Virginia Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
• Deaf DC residents Brianne Burger, Graham Forsey, and Sean Maiwald
Attested by:

Amber Gove

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

April 10, 2021

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ANC 6A RESOLUTION NO. 2021-002

Resolution regarding ANC 6A support for completing the DC Streetcar from Benning Road Metro Station to Georgetown as Planned and Promised

WHEREAS, Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (ANCs) were created to “advise the Council of the District of Columbia, the Mayor, and each executive agency with respect to all proposed matters of District government policy,” including transportation and economic development;

WHEREAS, public transportation is a shared public benefit and can only function as such when it’s shared with all neighborhoods;

WHEREAS, ANC 7E recently passed a resolution of support for the streetcar extension to Benning Road Metro station;

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) recently published its Final Environmental Assessment where it found the extension to Benning Metro Station is the preferred alternative and only feasible alternative from an engineering perspective;

WHEREAS, the eastward extension to Benning Road Metro is the only feasible alternative that provides a multi-modal connection to Metro;

WHEREAS, the eventual westward extension to Georgetown would establish the only east-west rail-transit option for travel all the way to Georgetown;

WHEREAS, the eventual westward extension to Georgetown would be the first and only fully unified transit system from eastern portions of the District to Georgetown;

WHEREAS, the full streetcar route from Benning Road Metro to Georgetown would provide an enjoyable and robust east-west transportation option for residents in ward 6 and many other wards across the city;

WHEREAS, ANC 6A contains, and abuts, a number of great assets such as Gallaudet University, many grocery stores, and job centers that can be shared with neighbors in ward 7 if the DC Streetcar is extended;

WHEREAS, Extending the DC Streetcar provides more ridership capacity than adding another Metrobus or DC Circulator route—regardless of bus vehicle type—and has already increased overall transit ridership along the H Street corridor;

WHEREAS, extending the DC Streetcar along Benning Road NE requires less public right-of-way than building a bus rapid transit (BRT) route and doesn’t require the use of eminent domain or property takings;
WHEREAS, The DC Streetcar extension would have more accessible and accommodative stops than existing bus stops by including “level boarding”—where the transit vehicle’s floor is level with the station platform or sidewalk;

WHEREAS, Benning Road NE is notoriously fatal for pedestrians and bicyclists, and the DC Streetcar project incorporates critical bridge, roadway, streetscape, and intersection improvements to improve safety;

WHEREAS, streetcar routes, similar to Metrorail lines, are more reliable transit infrastructure for prospective business and residents because streetcar routes are more permanent and less prone to re-routing;

WHEREAS, The DC Streetcar extension would support the proposed Comprehensive Plan’s recommendations for increased density along the Benning Road NE corridor in Wards 6 and 7.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ANC 6A notes the following:

I: We strongly support the District’s planned and promised DC Streetcar extension to the Benning Road Metro Station.

II: We request that in the 2022 budget, DDOT request and receive the full amount of funding necessary to break ground on construction as soon as possible.

III: We request that DDOT revisit and continue to explore additional options for the westward streetcar extension in the direction of Georgetown.

IV: We implore DDOT to find a feasible, workable streetcar route for the westward extension to Georgetown and implement transit-only lanes for as much of the existing and future routes as possible.

V: We request that the Executive Office of the Mayor, the Office of the City Administrator, the Office of Budget and Performance Management, and all other agencies involved include sufficient funding for the Streetcar extension in the Mayor’s 2022 Proposed Budget and Financial Plan that it sends to the DC Council this spring.

VI: We request that the DC Council approve funding in the 2022 capital budget for the full streetcar extension to the Benning Road Metro.

Attested by:

Amber K. Gove  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A  
April 10, 2021

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Officer Reports - Treasurer

ANC 6A Treasurer's Report  
April 1 - May 13, 2021

Period Covered:  
4/1/2021 - 5/13/2021

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Ending Balance:  
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Minutes
ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC) of
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
Virtual Regular Meeting via WebEx
April 26, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm.

Quorum present.

COC members present: Roni Hollmon (Chair), Gladys Mack, Sarah Bell and Marc Friend

COC members absent: Jason Gresh, Stephanie Thangavelu

Commissioners present: Keya Chatterjee

Community members present: Stephanie DeLuca, Kris Garrity, Christine Healey, David McIntosh-Peters, MB.

Presenters: AUSA Douglas Klein, 1D Community Prosecutor; Christopher Wade, Community Outreach Specialist 1D (covering 5D as well); Danny Rico, Director of Development & External Relations, Sasha Bruce Youth; Christopher Deutsch, Organizer, Minor Mutual Aid; Corinne Cannon, Executive Director, Greater DC Diaper Bank; Meredith Holmgren, Rosedale Library Friends; Daniel del Pielago, Organizing Director, Empower DC; Amy Moore, Executive Director, Capitol Hill Arts Workshop (CHAW); and Baraq Stein, HIPS

AUSA Klein gave an update on prosecutions occurring as a result of the Insurrection in January at the Capitol. He also explained that those arrested for nonviolent crimes are not being held in jail due to the pandemic, but are being released with restrictions.

The 501(c)3 non-profit organizations gave informative presentations. Many of the organizations are seeking volunteers and donations of goods.

The COC has committed to highlighting the 501(c)3s on the ANC 6A Facebook page.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm.

The next regular meeting of the ANC 6A COC will be May 24, 2021 at 7:00 pm
Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee ("Committee") of ANC 6A was held commencing at 7:00 pm EDT on April 27, 2021, on a publicly posted WebEx event.

Committee Members Present: Nick Alberti (Co-Chair), Mark Samburg (Co-Chair), Mona Hatoum
Committee Members Absent: Kate Robinson
Commissioners Present: Amber Gove, Mike Soderman, Brian Alcorn
Establishment Representatives Present: Chander Jayaraman, Mo Soliman, Matt Minora

I. Call to Order/Approval of Agenda
   • Mr. Samburg called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm, noted the presence of a quorum, and reminded attendees that the meeting was being recorded. Mr. Samburg moved that the agenda be reordered, Commissioner Gove seconded, and the motion carried 6-0.

II. New Business
   • Discussion of application by 18th & D Liquors, Inc., t/a Master Liquors at 1806 D Street NE (ABRA #074594) for renewal of its Class A Retail License.
     o Mr. Samburg discussed the history of community concerns with loitering and disruptive activity centered on the establishment.
     o Commissioner Alcorn indicated his concern with the establishment, and indicated that community members were present to share their concerns.
     o Mr. Alberti asked whether the licensee was in attendance, and Mr. Samburg indicated he was not.
     o Commissioner Soderman indicated his disappointment that the licensee was not in attendance, and noted that the establishment has posed the same problems for years.
     o Commissioner Gove asked whether the establishment owns the parking lot across D Street. After discussion, it was agreed that the establishment and the parking lot likely have the same owner.
     o Community member expressed concerns regarding the establishment: issues have been ongoing since at least 2012, individuals drink inside and outside the establishment while the owner is present, use drugs while the owner is present, enter the store with red Solo cups to drink in or immediately outside the store, get into physical altercations outside the store, and litter excessively (including broken glass). Community members also noted that the establishment sells singles.
     o Mr. Alberti noted that the owner is aware of the community's concerns and noted that he would recommend protesting the renewal. Commissioners Soderman and Alcorn agreed, and Commissioner Alcorn noted that the area has other problems that could be improved by addressing this situation.
     o Mr. Alberti moved that the ABL recommend that the ANC protest the renewal on the grounds of negative effect on peace, order, quiet, and property values. Mr. Samburg seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.
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- Commissioner Gove asked that the ABL make particular effort to alert the establishment owner that the recommendation to protest would be considered at the May 2021 ANC 6A meeting.

- Discussion of application by Capitol Square Bar and Grill LLC, t/a Capitol Square Bar & Grill at 1500 East Capitol Street NE (ABRA #118000) for a Class C Restaurant License.
  - Mr. Jayaraman presented information about the concept of the establishment.
  - Commissioner Gove asked for clarification of the proposed hours of operation and service. Mr. Jayaraman reviewed the proposed hours.
  - Commissioner Alcorn noted his support for the establishment, and his concern about the proposed hours, potential parking issues, and the size of the sidewalk café. Commissioner Alcorn asked why Box 405.1 was checked on the establishment’s application, and Mr. Minora explained that the box meant that the application was made prior to obtaining a certificate of occupancy.
  - Mr. Alberti asked where the kitchen would be located. Mr. Soliman indicated that the kitchen will be on the first floor close to the bus stop.
  - Mr. Alberti asked how the establishment would use the basement. Mr. Soliman indicated the basement would be used for prep and storage.
  - Mr. Alberti expressed concerns about trash collection in a residential alley. Mr. Soliman indicated that Tenley Trash would make pickups during appropriate hours.
  - Mr. Alberti expressed concerns about recycling dumping. Mr. Jayaraman agreed with his concerns.
  - Mr. Alberti indicated that he believed that the settlement agreement should not be finalized until DDOT finalized its review of the sidewalk café application, and indicated that sidewalk cafes in 6A generally close at 11:00 pm on weeknights. Mr. Jayaraman requested that the ABL and ANC work to finalize the settlement agreement before that point. Commissioner Soderman agreed with Mr. Alberti.
  - Commissioner Soderman asked what the plan is for sidewalk café furniture at night. Mr. Soliman indicated that it would be chained up.
  - Commissioner Alcorn and Mr. Samburg indicated their agreement that the settlement agreement should not be finalized until DDOT finalized its review.
  - Commissioner Gove asked what the expected drop in sidewalk capacity would be, and Mr. Soliman indicated a drop to approximately 40.
  - Commissioner Gove asked whether the sidewalk café would have a perimeter and whether there was a comparable sidewalk café elsewhere on the Hill. Mr. Soliman indicated that there would be a 42-inch fence with one entrance. There was discussion about other Hill sidewalk cafes that might be similar in size.
  - Mr. Samburg indicated concern that the establishment’s estimate on sidewalk café capacity during COVID might be high relative to its estimate on normal sidewalk café capacity.
  - Mr. Alberti underscored the importance of a complete DDOT assessment.
  - A community member asked about the relation between the establishment and the Motir non-profit organization. Mr. Jayaraman and Mr. Soliman indicated that they did not know; Commissioner Alcorn noted that Motir is the applicant for the sidewalk café.
  - A community member asked when updated drawings for the sidewalk café would be available; Mr. Jayaraman indicated they would be available by May 12, 2021.
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- A community member asked whether Mr. Jayaraman had any monetary interest in the establishment; Mr. Jayaraman indicated he did not.
- A community member asked whether trash would remain on the block each night. Mr. Soliman indicated that it would, but that it would be in a sealed container behind the Motir building.
- Community members raised concerns about the loss of public space for the sidewalk café.
- A community member asked for clarification about entertainment endorsements. Mr. Alberti described entertainment endorsements.
- A community member asked whether the issues being discussed were limited to COVID. Mr. Alberti, Mr. Samburg, and Mr. Jayaraman clarified that they were not.
- A community member asked whether valet parking would use residential parking spots. Mr. Minora indicated it would not. Commissioner Alcorn, Mr. Alberti, and Mr. Minora discussed which spaces are treated as residential for this purpose.
- A community member asked how the establishment would avoid spilling food and oil while moving it to the trash. Mr. Soliman clarified that oil would not be moved, and trash would be emptied after each shift.
- In response to community questions, Mr. Samburg and Mr. Alberti clarified that the establishment was not proposing to be open until 3:00 am, and that establishments routinely seek permission to operate for hours longer than they intend to be open. Mr. Soliman mentioned that the establishment would like the ability to host special events.
- Commissioner Gove asked for additional information about deliveries, including a commitment that vehicles would not obstruct the bus stop or bike lane. Mr. Soliman indicated that he would commit to those conditions.
- Mr. Samburg read additional community comments.
- A community member indicated that the establishment sounded like a bar. Mr. Jayaraman indicated that the emphasis would be food.
- Multiple community members expressed concerns: hours of operation/service, the size and hours of the sidewalk café, parking, and trash.
- Mr. Jayaraman indicated that the establishment would shorten sidewalk café hours to 11:00 pm on weeknights and 12:00 am on weekends.
- Mr. Samburg and Commissioner Alcorn thanked the representatives of the establishment but indicated that additional concerns still remained.
- Mr. Alberti indicated that they would welcome feedback and guidance from the ANC.
- Commissioner Alcorn asked for an explanation of the settlement agreement and protest process. Mr. Samburg and Mr. Alberti explained that process and indicated their optimism that the ABL would reach a successful settlement agreement.
- Mr. Jayaraman asked about the process for support for a stipulated license. Mr. Alberti reviewed the process and noted that stipulated licenses are not available to establishments under protest.
- Commissioner Gove indicated her hope that the ABL would make a motion absent ANC feedback. Mr. Alberti moved that the ABL recommend that the ANC protest the application unless a signed settlement agreement had been filed, and that the ANC authorize the co-chairs of the ABL, the chair and vice-chair of the ANC, and the ANC commissioner for the establishment’s SMD to represent the ANC in this matter. Mr. Samburg seconded. The motion carried 6-0.
• Discussion of applications for renewal of Class A Retail Licenses by Andy Lee Liquor, t/a New H Wine & Spirits at 914 H Street NE (ABRA #093440); Jumbo Liquors, Inc., t/a Jumbo Liquors at 1122 H Street NE (ABRA #000420); Sky Globe, Inc., t/a Grand Liquors at 409A 15th Street NE (ABRA #10850); and 7 River, LLC, t/a 7 River Mart at 250 11th Street NE (ABRA #074594).
  o Mr. Samburg moved that the ABL recommend that the ANC take no action on these applications. Commissioner Soderman seconded, and the motion passed 6-0.
  o Commissioner Soderman moved that the ABL recommend that the ANC send a letter of support for the application for renewal of 7 River Mart. Commissioner Alberti seconded. The motion passed 5-0-1, Mr. Samburg abstaining.

III. Adjourn
• The Committee adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Next meeting date: May 25, 2021, 7:00 pm.
MINUTES
ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting
Virtual Public Meeting Held Via Zoom
Monday, April 19, 2021

I. Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm.

II. Introductions & Announcements
Present: TPS Committee members Mark Brumer (Chair), Hassan Christian, Maura Dundon, Jeff Fletcher, Matthew Frutig and Shaun Lynch.
ANC 6A Commissioners Amber Gove, Brian Alcorn, Keya Chatterjee, and Robb Dooling

III. Community Comment: none

IV. Old Business: none

V. New Business
A. Presentation from DDOT bike planner Greg Matlesky on potential bike lanes on segment of West Virginia Avenue NE in ANC 6A.
Mr. Matlesky discussed the history of the project, which is designed to make W. Virginia Ave. safer for users. The 6a stretch goes from 9th Street to Florida Avenue NE. This portion is too wide and increases travel speed. He described the options for the one block where there is street parking: 1) 2 travel lanes and 2 protected bike lanes, 30 feet wide travel lane. This removes 11 RPP parking spaces; 2) Sharrows without protected bike lanes, retain parking spaces.

A Notice of Intent (NOI) will be issued this spring with a comment period. Implementation in summer/early fall 2021 which will coincide with repaving of West Virginia Avenue NE.

After some discussion by Committee members and Commissioners, DDOT agreed to return to the May 2021 TPS meeting with additional options.

B. Public Space Permit Application #10852880 for new un-enclosed sidewalk cafe at 1500 East Capitol Street NE.
Representatives and supporters of the permit applicant were present to discuss the application. Commissioner Alcorn expressed concern about the size of the patio and the hours. He also noted that he hoped there would be an extension of time because the ANC had not received the permit in time. Chander Jayaraman, representing the permit applicant, stated that there would be no music on the patio and that the hours on the patio would be shorter than stated. Mr. Jayaraman said that during the COVID pandemic, the patio needs to be bigger and the hours later to be economically sustainable. Seating will be under 50 during the COVID public health emergency.

Commissioner Alcorn asked about parking, restrooms, and trash. Joe Spinelli, representing the applicant, stated that the three (3) planned bathrooms were sufficient. Mr. Jayaraman stated that he believed most patrons would walk and not need parking. Another representative of the permit applicant stated that there will be a trash bin behind 1508 East Capitol Street and two smaller bins that will be frequently emptied. There will be no overnight trash. Grease will be stored inside the establishment so it does not attract rodents. No trash would be stored on public space.
Ms. Dundon reviewed the list of conditions that the TPS Committee generally includes in recommendations to approve a public space permit. These include that the sidewalk café is only open during the hours agreed to the Settlement Agreement; that noise be contained to the extent possible; no music on the patio (live or otherwise); conditions on any fencing installed around the patio; furniture stored inside; no trash on public space; and all adjacent areas kept free of trash (tree boxes, sidewalk, gutters). Representatives for the applicant stated that they would agree to these conditions.

Community members expressed concern about noise from the trash trucks in the alley at night. Mr. Jayaraman stated they would stipulate to reduced trash collection hours. Other community members raised concerns about noise and late opening hours. A community member expressed concern about the displacement of the black business previously on the site (a barbershop). Additional community members spoke in favor of the restaurant and patio.

Commissioner Dooling moved that the matter be tabled until the May 2021 TPS meeting in light of the pending Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee meeting. Committee member Mr. Frutig seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Discussion of potential resolution or letter to DDOT and interested parties supporting dedicated parking for HIPS on H Street NE.
Chelsea Ricker represented HIPS, a nonprofit organization on H Street NE, to request parking for the HIPS outreach van. HIPS provides overnight harm reduction services to DC’s vulnerable populations. HIPS operates a van to conduct the outreach, which includes providing water, naloxone, and syringe exchange. HIPS is one of the few service providers to continue to register new clients during the COVID pandemic. Mobile visits using the van are especially important during this period. They have been using the alley for pick-up/drop-off of volunteers and supplies during the evening and morning, generally between 11:00 pm and 6:00 am. This location is becoming more problematic because alley is narrow and the van blocks it. Accordingly, HIPS requests a dedicated parking spot in front of their office. Ms. Ricker clarified that a pick-up/drop-off spot would not be sufficient because they would need to have exclusive access to the space at specific times.

After discussion, Commissioner Chatterjee moved that the TPS recommend that ANC send a letter to DDOT that express support for a dedicated parking part for HIPS from 11:00 pm – 6:00 am 7 days/week. Commissioner Dooling seconded the motion. Commissioner Gove offered a friendly amendment to add consideration of the space being a pick-up/drop-off zone during the day. Ms. Dundon seconded the amendment. The motion as amended passed unanimously.

D. Discussion of Vision Zero budget decisions coming up at DC Council.
Commissioner Chatterjee discussed the Vision Zero budget at the DC Council. She stated that the ANC has until June to weigh in. A group of ANCs will be coming up with language that 6A may want to use. She did not have further updates.

E. Review of outstanding ANC 6A requests to DDOT.
Commissioner Gove suggested following up every quarter on Traffic Safety Assessments (TSAs).

VI. Community Comment: None
VII. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm
ANC 6A RESOLUTION NO. 2021-00X

Resolution on The Negative Impact of Fencing Around the U.S. Capitol on Local Transportation

WHEREAS, the U.S. Capitol Police, in coordination with the District of Columbia, the DC National Guard, the U.S. Secret Service, and other federal and state agencies have retreated the perimeter around the U.S. Capitol Building to around the Capitol Grounds with fencing that continues to block sidewalk access;

WHEREAS, the bike/pedestrian paths on U.S. Capitol Grounds currently within the secure perimeter serve as a critical corridor to connect across quadrants of the city for cyclists and pedestrians;

WHEREAS, the bike racks that allow visitors to park bicycles on the Capitol grounds are currently not accessible;

WHEREAS, the bike/pedestrian paths and bike racks have not been shown to represent a security threat;

WHEREAS, the U.S. Capitol Grounds serve as important green and civic spaces for the residents of the District of Columbia;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ANC6A requests that the DC Office of the Mayor and the DC Council strongly oppose permanent fencing, and work with the U.S. Capitol Police to ensure that bicycle and pedestrian access through the Capitol Grounds is eventually restored.

While the fencing remains, immediate changes are needed for public safety. Specifically, protected bike lanes and extended ADA-compliant sidewalk space on Constitution Avenue and Independence Avenue must be implemented to facilitate free movement around the Capitol Square.

When access is restored, sufficient space must be provided to allow both pedestrians and cyclists to move safely.

If new permanent security measures are put into place, ANC 6A requests that the DC Office of the Mayor and the DC Council work with federal authorities to ensure these new security measures are integrated with the landscape as much as possible and do not restrict access to public parks, green space, and walking paths that were accessible prior to January 6, 2021.

Attested by:

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
May XX, 2021

This Resolution was approved by a vote of x-x-x on May xx, 2021 at a public meeting1 of ANC6A at which a quorum was present.

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May xx, 2021

Everett Lott
Interim Director
D.C. Department of Transportation
250 M Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003

Re: ANC 6A Support for Reserved Parking for HIPS in front of 906 H Street NE

Dear Director Lott:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on May 13, 2021, our Commission voted x-x-x (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to send a letter to your agency in support of creating a dedicated parking spot for HIPS in front of their location at 906 H Street NE from 11:00 pm – 6:00 am, seven days a week, with the option of a PUDO (pick up/drop off space) during the other hours.

HIPS provides a vital public health service to vulnerable people in Washington D.C. by conducting overnight outreach to distribute information, water, Naloxone, and syringe exchange. During the pandemic, HIPS has not ceased their work and has continued to enroll clients. As a HIPS representative explained to the ANC’s Transportation and Public Space Committee on April 19, 2021, HIPS conducts this work overnight using a van to transport volunteers and staff to outreach sites in the city. In order to facilitate these activities, HIPS needs a dedicated parking space in front of its office on 906 H Street NE for the outreach van, as the alley is too narrow.

ANC 6A supports HIPS’ vital public health work. Dedicated overnight parking for the HIPS outreach van would be an appropriate and beneficial allocation of public space. The space could be set aside as a pickup/drop off zone (PUDO) during the daytime hours.

Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at AmberANC6A@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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No report. EDZ did not meet in April 2021.
Committee Members Present: Commissioner Laura Gentile (Chair), Marc Friend, Kris Garrity, Madeline Gitomer, Katie Griffith, Veronica Hollmon, Mark Samburg, and Commissioner Mike Soderman.
Committee Members Absent: Nick Alberti, Marie Claire Brown, David Holmes

Other Commissioners Present: Amber Gove
Others: Renee Dworakowski, ANC 6A Administrator

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm.

The Committee reviewed and voted on language proposed in the operating documents: ANC 6A By Laws, Standard Operation Procedures (SOP) and Code of Conduct (CoC). Any language that received a “yea” vote from a majority of the members present at the meeting will remain in the document. Members also proposed friendly amendments to draft and new language. Members also agreed that the Committee would not duplicate any language from the DC Code or Robert’s Rules of Order

Discussion & Votes on Proposed Edits to Bylaws Document
Article I - Opening language proposal
Proposed amendments: Remove “on the organization of” to the first sentence and confirm the source of the language and data from the paragraph. Majority voted “yea.”

Article IV - Officers - Proposal for a parliamentarian
Proposed amendment: Proposed that either the Vice Chair or Secretary have responsibility of Parliamentarian for their elected term. Majority voted “yea.”

Article V - Section 5
Proposed amendment: Need to add language back in regarding nondiscrimination and access, and a description of how the Bylaws, SOP, and CoC work together. Majority voted “yea.”

Article V Section 6a - Providing sufficient time during public meetings.
Note: “sufficient” allows flexibility but is vague. Request to add a sentence about the purpose of the Committees before introducing the Committees as well as the public comment language from DC Code. Commissioner Gentile will revise.

Article V Section 6b - Proposed amendment - strike and incorporate in edits of previous section. Majority voted “yea”

Article V - Section 7
Proposed amendment - strike. Majority voted “yea.”

Article V - Section 8
Proposed amendments: add “to the extent possible”. For agenda items added less than 8 days but no less than 24 hours, they may be added but must be voted on to amend the agenda at the opening of an ANC 6A meeting. Majority voted “yea.”
Article V Section 9
Proposed amendment - Post full package within 24 hours of the meeting. Majority voted “yea.”

Article V Section 10
Proposed: Add specifics on how to define conflict of interest. Majority voted “yea.”

Discussion/Vote on Standards of Practice (SOP) document
Section II - Meetings
Item A: Commissioner Gove stated that the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (OANC) has not indicated that they will allow for hybrid meetings (virtual and in-person attendance options) in the future. Add language about “when feasible and financially viable.” Items 2 and 5 are redundant - only need one. ADA is required, not “when feasible.” Commissioner Gentile will revise.

Item E. Scheduling
Proposed - revise to include “participation for commissioners and members of the community.” No objections.

Item F. Community Views and Input
Sub-item 1. Proposal to revise language to be less prescriptive. It is general good practice to manage expectations for opening meetings. May move this language to Committee meetings, as in “the (person) should declare the extent possible, clarify and share amount of time per agenda item. Feedback collection (when and how) should be explained upfront. Commissioner Gentile will revise.

Sub-item 2: Agendas
This language is in both the Bylaws and the SOP. Proposal to keep in Bylaws and cut from SOP. No objections.

Section IV - Public Procedures
Item A - Need to add language about how it needs to be voted on at beginning of agenda per the By Laws edit earlier.
Item B - 30 days is unrealistic. Eight days was proposed for formal presentations. "Present" could refer to anything from announcements to presentations. The Committee might need to define what agenda items should be included under Community Comments, Community Presentations, Announcements or Agenda Items.

Next Steps: The Committee will make the final draft documents available to the ANC 6A community for their awareness, review and comment before providing it to the ANC Commissioners for approval at an ANC 6A meeting.

Next Meeting: May 26, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 pm.
Re: Public Restroom at 17th Street NE and Benning Road NE

Dear Mayor Bowser and Chairman Mendelson:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on May XX, 2021, our Commission voted x-x-x (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the proposed siting of a public restroom pilot at 17th Street and Benning Road NE.

This letter from ANC-6A Commissioners is in response to Mayor Muriel Bowser’s ‘Public Restroom Facilities and Promotion Act of 2018: Report on the Sites with Frequent Incidents of Public Defecation and Urination,’ issued on April 23, 2021. This report states that 17th Street NE and Benning Road NE is a location under consideration for a public restroom.

ANC-6A Commissioners agree and recognize the need for public restrooms to support disadvantaged residents that allows them to use the restroom in a private manner. The report indicates the methodology used to determine the proposed locations for public restroom facilities; however, there are problems with the chosen location of 17th Street NE and Benning Road NE. On November 12, 2020, ANC-6A voted unanimously on two locations (8th and H Streets NE and 12th and H Streets NE) for placement of the proposed public restrooms and facilities, neither of which was at the aforementioned location of 17th Street NE and Benning Road NE.

The full ANC-6A vote was counted only as one suggestion in the location of the public restrooms and facilities. According to the report, consideration and input were weighed more heavily from anecdotal, non-data-driven recommendations provided by MPD’s 5th District. ANC-6A members have reached out to the captain of MPD’s 5th District, who indicated that he was not aware of such a recommendation from the 5th District. In addition, the report gave an equal number of proposals to individual community members as the ANC-6A vote total. Our vote and recommended locations for public bathrooms and facilities should have counted more.
The proposed location of 17th Street NE and Benning Road NE is very problematic because it is at a very busy intersection. Crime and drug use are issues at this location, as neighboring businesses and health care providers have had to purchase and install fencing to protect their patients and customers from entering and exiting adjacent buildings. A public restroom at this location would further contribute to loitering problems at this intersection and drive out much needed health care providers from this area. The restroom could also be used to conceal criminal activities.

ANC-6A would like to propose questions to the Public Restrooms Working Groups it convenes for its first meeting:

- What specific data, if any, was presented by MPD’s 5th District that led to the decision to overrule ANC-6A’s recommendation and place a proposed public restroom and facility at the location of 17th Street NE and Benning Road NE? Furthermore, why was ANC-6A’s recommendation only counted as one recommendation for the report when 6A has multiple commissioners?

- The proposed location of 17th Street NE and Benning Road NE on the ANC-6A07/Ward 6 side of Benning Road is private property and consists of a laundromat and apartments. Would the City use tax dollars from citizens to purchase private property for the installation of a public restroom and facility at this location?

- Has MPD’s 5th District submitted crime data to the City Council taken from the location at 17th Street NE and Benning Road NE? If so, will the Public Restroom Working Group have a benchmark of crime data at a proposed location that will disqualify that particular location from moving forward as a public restroom and facility site? How will MPD prevent the bathroom from being used to conceal criminal activities?

Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at AmberANC6A@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
Government of the District of Columbia
Advisory Neighborhood Commission XX

RESOLUTION #
Supporting Adopting Ranked Choice Voting in District of Columbia

Advisory Neighborhood Commission XX (Commission) takes note of the following:

- **Ranked choice voting** (RCV) is an electoral system that allows voters to: 1) to vote for one candidate or 2) to rank their preferred candidates. In races where voters select one winner, when votes are counted, if one candidate has over 50% of first-choice votes, that candidate wins the election. However, if there is no majority winner after counting first-choice votes, the election is decided by an “instant runoff.” The candidate with the fewest votes is eliminated, and voters who picked that candidate as their top choice will have their votes count for their next choice. This process continues until a candidate with more than half of the votes is deemed a majority winner. The process for determining the outcome of a multi-winner race, where there is more than one seat to vote for, includes an additional step in the calculation process to determine the winner of the second seat: when one candidate reaches a majority (33% for a 2-seat race), this candidate is elected to the first seat, and their surplus votes beyond the majority are transferred to their voters’ second choices. The process continues until another candidate reaches a majority and wins the second seat. RCV is currently used in more than 15 cities and the state of Maine. As of November 2020, over 9.2 million voting-age American citizens live in jurisdictions that currently use ranked RCV or have adopted RCV and plan to implement it for their next round of elections.

- RCV offers a number of advantages, including:
  - Ensuring that winners represent a real majority, as well as increasing voter engagement;
  - Creating an electoral system that allows voters to vote their values and independently assess candidates based on who they think is best for the job, as opposed to voting strategically for their candidates based on their electability;
  - Mitigating negative attacks and political toxicity in elections, while encouraging coalition building among candidates and incentivizing candidates to highlight their shared beliefs and common ground;
  - Addressing crowded primaries producing non-majority candidates;
  - Allowing multiple candidates of similar backgrounds to run without splitting the vote; and
  - Boosting diversity among elected officials, including increasing the share of candidates of color and women running for office and the probability of them winning their race.

- At-Large Councilmember Christina Henderson intends to introduce a new RCV bill in 2021. The new bill updates the [Ranked Choice Voting Act Of 2019](https://www.anc6a.org) to include federal races and to include multi-winner tabulation. As of January 2021, an additional five D.C. Councilmembers (At-Large Councilmember Elissa Silverman, Ward 1 Councilmember Brianne K. Nadeau, Ward 3 Councilmember Mary M. Cheh, Ward 4 Councilmember Janeese Lewis George, and Ward 6 Councilmember Charles Allen) have [publicly supported](https://www.anc6a.org) adopting RCV in all D.C. elections. To pass
the D.C. Council, three out of five votes in the Judiciary Committee (Chaired by Ward 6 Councilmember Charles Allen) and seven out of the 13 Councilmembers are needed.

RESOLVED:

➢ That Advisory Neighborhood Commission (XX) calls on the DC Council to introduce a new RCV bill, hold a public hearing, and pass the bill in the D.C. Council.

➢ That Advisory Neighborhood Commission (XX) calls on Mayor Muriel Bowser to sign RCV legislation into law (when approved by the DC Council) and work with the DC Board of Elections to inform and educate the public regarding RCV.

FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Commission designates Commissioner(s) XX to represent the Commission in all matters relating to this Resolution.

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That, in the event the designated representative Commissioners cannot carry out their representative duties for any reason, the Commission authorizes the Chair to designate another Commissioner to represent the Commission in all matter relating to this Resolution.

FURTHER RESOLVED:

That, consistent with DC Code § 1-309, only actions of the full Commission voting in a properly noticed public meeting have standing and carry great weight. The actions, positions, and opinions of individual commissioners, insofar as they may be contradictory to or otherwise inconsistent with the expressed position of the full Commission in a properly adopted resolution or letter, have no standing and cannot be considered as in any way associated with the Commission.

ADOPTED by voice vote at a regular public meeting (notice of which was properly given, and at which a quorum of ___ of nine members was present) on November 23, 2020, by a vote of ___ yes, ___ no, ___ abstentions.