

#### District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Agenda for May 12, 2022



Second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Thursdays at 7:00 pm Virtual Meeting via Zoom

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Public Meeting - All Are Welcome to Attend

7:00 pm Call to order

7:01 pm Adoption of Agenda and Approval of Minutes

7:02 pm **Community Presentations** 

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• Update on 311 and 911 processes - Danielle Drumgoole, Public Affairs Specialist and Marcellus Walker, Jr., 311 Operations Chief, Office of Unified Communications (OUC)

#### 7:30 pm Consent Agenda

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#### Alcohol Beverage Licensing

**Recommendation**: ANC 6A protest the application of Hakuna Matata DC LLC, t/a Hakuna Matata Kitchen and Bar at 1128 H Street NE (ABRA-121081) for a Class C Restaurant License unless a Settlement Agreement is finalized prior to the protest deadline and that the Co-Chairs of the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee as well as ABL Committee Member Kara Hughley, and the Chair and Vice-Chair of the ANC be authorized to represent the ANC in this matter.

Recommendation: ANC 6A protest the application of Happy Choongman, Inc., t/a Choongman Chicken and Seafood at 1125 H Street NE (ABRA-108755) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant License unless an updated Settlement Agreement is finalized prior to the protest deadline and that the Co-Chairs of the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee as well as ABL Committee Member Mike Velasquez, and the Chair and Vice-Chair of the ANC be authorized to represent the ANC in this matter.

**Recommendation**: ANC 6A write a letter of support for the application of Mozzeria DC LLC t/a Mozzeria at 1300 H Street NE (ABRA-116160) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant alcohol beverage license.

**Recommendation:** ANC 6A write a letter of support for the application of Atlas Performing Arts Center, t/a Atlas Performing Arts Center at 1333 H Street NE (ABRA-085207) for renewal of its Class C Multipurpose license.

**Recommendation:** ANC 6A write a letter of support for the application of 1291 Hospitality Group, LLC, t/a Stable DC at 1234 H Street NE (ABRA-105439) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant License.

**Recommendation**: ANC 6A write a letter of support for the application of Thompson Retail Food Group, LLC, t/a Milk & Honey Cafe at 1116 H Street NE (ABRA-119672) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant License.

#### Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

**Recommendation:** ANC 6A write a letter of support to BZA for an area variance pursuant to Subtitle X § 1002 from the new alley record lot requirements of Subtitle C



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§ 306.1(a) to construct six, new, attached, two-story with cellar and roof deck, principal dwelling units in the RF-1 zone in the alley between 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Streets and C & D Streets NE (BZA Case#20716) on condition that developers continue to make a best effort to obtain letters of support from the community.

7:40 pm	Officer Reports  1. Accept Treasurer's Report	pg. 46
7:45 pm	Standing Committee Reports:  Community Outreach  1. No report. Committee did not meet in April 2021.  2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 23, 2022 (4 <sup>th</sup> Monday)	pg. 47
7:50 pm	Alcohol Beverage Licensing  1. Accept April 2022 committee report.  2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 24, 2022 (4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday)	pg. 48
7:55 pm	Transportation and Public Space  1. Accept April 2022 committee report.  2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 16, 2022 (3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday)	pg. 53
8:00 pm	Economic Development and Zoning  1. Accept April 2022 committee report.  2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 18, 2022 (3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)	pg. 73
8:05 pm	New Business Suggested Motion: ANC 6A adopt a resolution in support of Councilmember Charles Open Movie Captioning Requirement Act of 2022.	<b>pg. 77</b> rles
8:15 pm	Single Member District reports (1 minute each)	
8:25 pm	Community Comments (2 minutes each)	
8:30 pm	Adjourn	





## Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Minutes Virtual Meeting via Zoom April 14, 2022

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

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

Chair Amber Gove called the meeting to order and noted the presence of a quorum. The minutes for the ANC 6AbMarch 2022 meeting were accepted, and the agenda for the April 2022 meeting was accepted by unanimous consent.

#### **Community Presentations:**

Mayor's Proposed FY2023-24 Budget - Michael Carter, Director, Department of Public Works (DPW) DPW Director Michael Carter shared an overview of the Mayor's proposed 2023-2024 budget, which features robust additions to operations, infrastructure, health and human services, government direction and support, public safety and justice, economic development, and education. The budget includes \$30M for hiring and retaining more MPD officers, investment in violence prevention programs, shelters, rental assistance, school stability, bike lane additions and speed camera installations. Ward 6 investments in particular include the following: \$53M for continued development at Northwest One, \$5M for Fish Market repair at the Wharf, \$7.7M for Greenleaf Senior Center renovation, \$500M+ for several school, library, and rec center renovations, and \$216M to replace the H Street Bridge. Mr. Carter and DPW will be working with ANC 6A to address more permanent housing options for displaced residents, additional booting crews and walkthroughs to see abandoned vehicles, public trash receptacles, and Ward 6 DDOT-specific budget implications.

More information on the budget here:
<a href="Ward6">Ward6 (dc.gov)</a> (Ward 6 Capital Investments)
<a href="FY23-Budget-Presentation-to-Council.pdf">FY23-Budget-Presentation-to-Council.pdf</a> (dc.gov)

#### **Consent Agenda**

The following items were adopted by unanimous consent:

#### Alcohol Beverage Licensing:

ANC 6A protest the license renewal application of Granville Moore's Brickyard LLC (ABRA-072792)
unless an amended Settlement Agreement is reached prior to the protest deadline (May 2, 2022) and
that the Chair and Vice Chair of ANC 6A and the Chair and Co-Chair of the ABL Committee represent
the ANC in the negotiation of the Settlement Agreement.

#### Transportation and Public Space:

- ANC 6A send a letter to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) supporting traffic calming
  in the area of C Street NE between 11th Street NE and 15th Street NE.
- ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT reiterating the ANC's request for traffic calming in the 800 block of West Virginia Avenue NE and K Street NE, as set out previously in the ANC's June 15, 2021 comment to DDOT in response to the Notice of Intent (NOI # 21-136-PSD).
- ANC 6A send a letter of support to HSEMA in support of the permit for the Capitol Hill Classic race.





#### **Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)**

- ANC 6A send a letter of support to the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) for the construction
  of a ten foot (by right) addition on the rear of building while also adding a 3rd floor addition, and a
  second floor addition to an existing one story garage at 242 11th Street NE (HPRB Case #22-174), on
  condition that the developer make best efforts to get letters of support both adjacent neighbors, and
  the three neighbors across the alley from 242 11th Street NE. (Heard and approved by HPRB on March
  24, 2022)
- ANC 6A send a letter of support to HPRB for the construction of a rear yard addition and cellar addition which will fill in the dogleg at 1108 Constitution Avenue NE (HPRB Case #22-173), on condition that the owner make best efforts to get letters of support from 1111 Park Street NE. (Heard and approved by HPRB on March 24, 2022)

#### Officer Reports:

- 1. The April 2022 Treasurer's report by Commissioner Brian Alcorn reviewed the three expenditures accrued in March: \$765.89 for webmaster services, \$250 for notetaking, and \$58.29 for Zoom Pro/Webinar, (Checks #2014-2016, respectively). The ANC had \$215.65 in uncashed checks (Checks #2007, #2011-2013) and \$3,556.78 in cashed checks. The opening uncommitted funds available were \$27,780.01 and after these disbursements totaling \$1,074.18 and cashed and uncashed checks, the closing available checking balance is \$22,933.40. 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. The 2022 Q2 Report was approved by unanimous consent without objection with a 7-0 vote.

#### **Standing Committee Reports:**

#### **Community Outreach**

- 3. The March 2022 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent.
- 4. Next meeting 7:00 pm, April 25, 2022 (4th Monday)

#### **Alcohol Beverage Licensing**

- 1. The March 2022 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, April 26, 2022 (4th Tuesday)

#### **Transportation and Public Space**

- 1. The March 2022 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent.
- 2. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Laura Gentile seconded the motion that ANC 6A submit comment to DDOT expressing support for the installation of separated bicycle lanes on the 1300 block of North Carolina Avenue NE as set out in the DDOT Notice of Intent (NOI 22-95-PSD) with requested modifications to the proposed designs to enhance pedestrian and cyclist safety. Commissioner Gove made an amendment of continuing to make technical tweaks to the language to allow for continued community comment, though this is the eighth meeting on the subject. Several community members continue to voice their support and are looking forward to another safe bike lane. The motion passed 7-0.

#### **Old Business**

- 3. Commissioner Alcorn moved and Commissioner Gove seconded the motion that ANC6A send a letter of support for the DDOT Notice of Intent (NOI 22-97-TSED) for installation of all way stop control at 16th Street and Constitution Avenue NE. The motion passed 7-0.
- 4. Next meeting 7:00 pm, April 18, 2022 (3rd Wednesday)





#### **Economic Development and Zoning**

- 1. The March 2022 committee report was accepted by unanimous consent.
- 2. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Gentile seconded the motion that ANC 6A send a letter of support to ZC for a map amendment to change the property at 1207 H Street NE (ZC Case#22-03) from its current NC-14 zoning (Mixed Use; Medium Density Residential and Medium Density Commercial) to NC-15 (medium density mixed use) which permits a height of 70 feet and an FAR of 4.8, and will be subject to the enhanced affordability requirements under the IZ+ program. The motion passed 7-0.
- 3. Next meeting 7:00 pm, April 20, 2022 (3rd Wednesday)

#### **New Business**

Commissioner Gove moved and Commissioners Sondra Philips-Gilbert and Alcorn jointly seconded the motion that ANC 6A write a joint letter with ANC 6B to the Redistricting Task Force recommending the creation of a primarily west of the river ANC to represent the connected Ward 7 neighborhoods of Hill East, Kingman Park, Rosedale, Reservation 13/RFK developments and incarcerated neighbors in the DC Jail. The motion passed 7-0.

#### Single Member District (SMD) Reports

Commissioner Alcorn (6A08) testified on April 7, 2022 at the Subcommittee on Redistricting and the testimony has been shared with Councilmember Elissa Silverman's staff and the broader community. The Ward 7 Task Force's recommendations have been submitted but are not final and the Commissioner urges community members to continue giving input and testifying.

Commissioner Sondra Philips-Gilbert (6A07) was interviewed in March 2022 by Channel 9 about the serial killer targeting those experiencing homelessness in the community. The Commissioner was a friend of one of the victims and connected the family to resources. She attended the Mayor's Ward 7 meet and greet and testified in support of the Ward 7 Task Force minority report map to better represent minority needs and concerns; she is grateful to Commissioner Alcorn for representing the community.

Commissioner Robb Dooling (6A06) was contacted by DDOT about the installation of 1400 block of C Street NE (on the south side of Chick Fil A) and the deadline for community comments is April 19, 2022. DDOT is doing a bus priority survey including H Street and Benning Road NE.

Commissioner Gentile (6A05) is grateful to the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS) representative Jasmine Coilton for organizing a Duncan Place walkthrough so several parties could see the flooding. Neighbors have reported that the flooding has been a persistent issue since the 1980s and the neighborhood has lost seven trees. The same group including Pepco will be returning next month. DDOT will be putting in four speed tables on D Street NE and community comment is open until April 23, 2022.

Commissioner Gove (6A04) urges neighbors to mark their calendars for Tuesday May 3, 2022 at 6:00 pm for the First District Citizen's Advisory Council meeting. There are several paving projects in the Commissioner's SMD. The 1300 block of A Street NE won the Cherry Blossom contest.

Commissioner Phil Toomajian (6A02) reported that DDOT is rapidly proposing installation of many speed humps with three more in his SMD. There is a new Afro-Caribbean restaurant and bar coming to H Street NE involving Maketto alumni and the ANC should expect to see this business coming through ABL.





Commissioner Keya Chatterjee (6A01) shared an update on the Havana building, noting that the Office of the Attorney General is starting to look into the case. There was another shooting in front of the building in addition to several carjackings. There are now posters on H Street NE advertising fixing the street. Finally, there is a speed hump installation at 750 10<sup>th</sup> Street NE.

#### **Community Comments**

MOCRS representative Jasmine Coilton encourages community members to continue getting COVID tested and receive masks and PPE - more information at https://coronavirus.dc.gov/testing. The Emancipation Day Parade will take place with music, activities, and food trucks on Saturday, April 16; tickets available at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/dc-emancipation-day-celebration-2022-tickets-320998092937. The Mayor is encouraging community members to apply for Building Blocks grants, which encourage a safer DC; more information https://mayor.dc.gov/release/mayor-bowser-invites-community-members-apply-building-blocks-dc-grants.

COC Chair Roni Hollmon advised that the special exception for grants will continue until May 5, 2022 and she will be reaching out to schools to apply.

Jen DeMayo, Councilmember Charles Allen's Constituent Services Coordinator reported that the Councilmember's office is nearing the end of budget season and all hearings are over. Committees will be marking up their budgets next but community members can still raise issues with the office. In person office hours are restarting with morning coffee on April 29, 2022.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.









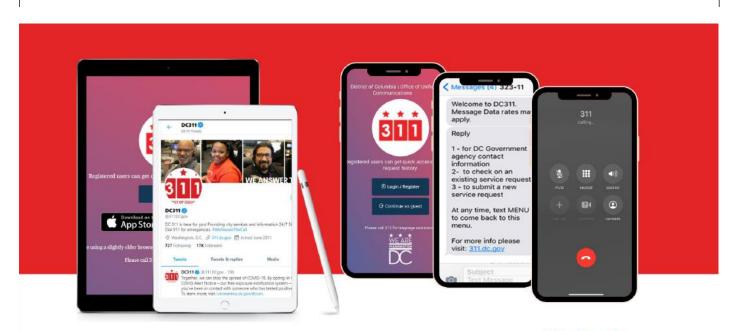
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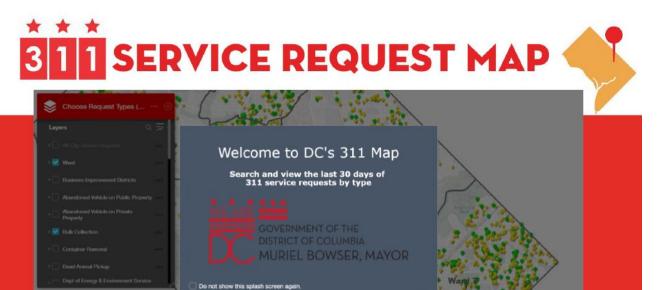
















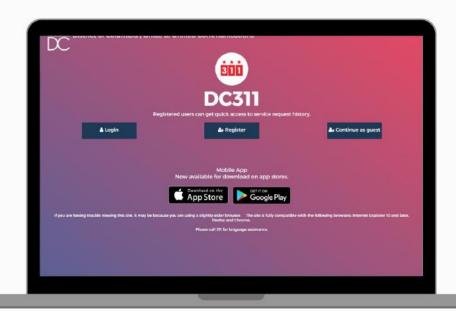






## **AFTER**





### **ONLINE PORTAL DEMO**





# CALL 311 TO REPORT POLICE NON-EMERGENCIES









Unoccupied
Vehicle Related
Incidents

Noise Complaints Vandalism, Destruction, and Property Damage

Crimes or Incidents that happened in the past, No Injury and the suspect is no longer on the scene















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District of Columbia Government Advisory Commission 6B 921 Pennsylvania Ave SE Washington, DC 20003

April 19, 2022

#### Via email to:

Chairperson Phil Mendelson Councilmember Elissa Silverman Councilmember Anita Bonds Councilmember Christina Henderson Councilmember Kenyan R. McDuffie Councilmember Robert C. White Councilmember Brianne Nadeau
Councilmember Brooke Pinto
Councilmember Mary M. Cheh
Councilmember Janeese Lewis George
Councilmember Charles Allen
Councilmember Vincent C. Gray
Councilmember Trayon White, Sr.

Re: Support for creation of a compact "West of the River" Ward 7 Advisory Neighborhood Commission

#### Dear Councilmembers:

At regularly scheduled and properly noticed meetings on April 12th, 2022, ANC6B voted 9-0-0 (with a quorum present) and on April 14th, 2022, ANC6A voted 7-0-0 (with a quorum present) to recommend the creation of a primarily west of the river ANC to represent the connected Ward 7 neighborhoods of Hill East, Kingman Park, Rosedale, Reservation 13/RFK developments and include a Single Member District for the incarcerated residents of the DC Jail.

According to the principles of redistricting set out in Federal and DC law and reiterated by the Redistricting Committee, redrawn ANCs must be "compact and contiguous", have "geographically sensible" boundaries, and keep communities of interest together. The ANC map advanced by the Ward 7 Redistricting Task Force fails to meet these criteria, specifically because the proposed ANCs 7A and 7F are not compact and do not have geographically sensible boundaries (see Exhibit A). The proposed map also divides the shared community of interest that includes Kingman Park, Rosedale, and Hill East, which share geographic proximity to the Anacostia River and community interest in the current and future developments at the RFK complex and Reservation 13/Hill East neighborhood. Options are available that would form a compact ANC commission of the community of interest of Ward 7 residents West of the

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Anacostia River, which is a clear natural boundary. The proposed map also fails to provide the prospect or certainty of continuity and stability in ANC matters relevant to those 6A and 6B residents who were redistricted from Ward 6 to Ward 7 in the District's Ward redistricting, completed in December 2021.

These principles are not merely technical terms without meaning. They are necessary principles to enable robust civic participation on hyper-local matters, and functional ANCs able to consider neighborhood business in an effective way. They are necessary for preserving residents' voices in the roads, parks, businesses, and government services within close proximity of their homes. Residents of the connected neighborhoods of Kingman Park, Rosedale, and Hill East (as well as those "Old City" portions of the eastern end of Capitol Hill with no localized neighborhood name) are united by their use of the same transit corridors including east-west and north-south arterials such as C Street NE, East Capitol Street, 15th Street, 17th Street, and 19th Street. Residents use the same parks and trails such as the Rosedale Recreation Center, the Fields at RFK, Kingman Island, and the Anacostia Riverwalk Trail. The communities are anchored by shared civic institutions such as Eastern High School, Eliot-Hine Middle School, and the Stadium-Armory Metro. As housing, retail businesses, and a new correctional facility are constructed on Reservation 13, and as DC contemplates the future of the RFK campus, it is essential that these proximate communities have representation and a meaningful voice in these matters at the ANC level.

Hill East, Kingman Park, and Rosedale are a community of interest within Ward 7. These adjacent and connected neighborhoods share administrative similarities which are central to hyper-local ANC business including zoning and transportation issues. Newly Ward 7 6A and 6B Commissioners collaborated for multiple years as 17th street NE/SE was reconstructed from Benning Rd NE to Barney Circle and continue to collaborate with ANC 7D01 on a significant DDOT project addressing traffic calming on 17th and 19th Streets and Potomac Avenue. These connected communities, like a significant portion of Capitol Hill, also have identical RF-1 (rowhouse) residential zoning with pockets of medium-density mixed-use developments. Current 7D01 residents also fall within MPD's Fifth District, while the remainder of ANC 7D falls within the MPD's Sixth District. And the Ward 7 portions of ANC 6A and 6B fall within MPD's First and/or Fifth Districts. As 7D01 Commissioner Tamara Blair testified to the Redistricting Subcommittee, the lack of shared interest in zoning, transportation, and police districts between 7D01 and the rest of ANC 7D led to the repeated marginalization of or inaction on the concerns of the residents of 7D01 in the current cross-river ANC 7D Commission.

Existing ANC divisions on the Eastern edge of Capitol Hill currently divide the connected communities of Hill East, Kingman Park, and Rosedale into 6A, 6B, 7D, and 7F. This division causes administrative challenges for DC agencies, local organizations, and Commissions as well as additional time commitments for Commissioners. The present ANC redistricting





provides an opportunity to unite these connected communities in one Commission. To bridge these existing divisions, ANCs 6A, 6B, and 7D have expended additional volunteer hours convening special joint meetings, creating special task forces, and holding joint training sessions with District agencies to collaboratively address common interests of transportation and development. Representatives from civic associations such as Friends of Kingman Park and agency representatives from DDOT, MPD, DMPED, EventsDC, Eastern High School, and other entities currently must attend multiple ANC meetings in order to deliver the same message to the community of interest at the eastern edge of Capitol Hill. As just one example of the potential additional administrative burdens of the map drafted by Ward 7 Redistricting Task Force, a meeting with MPD in the proposed ANC 7A would require inviting representatives from the First, Fifth, and Sixth Police Districts (in addition to any liaisons with Prince George's County Police) to respond to residents' concerns over such a geographically diffused area.

Ward 7's ANC map can be improved by building on and improving the Ward 7 ANC
Redistricting Task Force Map. Creating an ANC map for Ward 7 that unites the community of
interest in Kingman Park, Rosedale, and Hill East can be achieved without throwing out the Task
Force's map and starting from scratch. A tremendous amount of work by well-intentioned
volunteers went into the Task Force map, and relied on the localized knowledge of the volunteer
Task Force members and community members who participated in the process. The Council
should respect their work and retain the proposed boundaries for ANC 7B, 7E, and 7C, but
should reconfigure ANCs 7A and 7F in order to unite the connected cluster of Ward 7
neighborhoods on the West bank of the Anacostia River in a single commission. We include the
map proposed by a coalition of the minority of the Ward 7 ANC Redistricting Task Force 1 as one
possible solution (see Exhibit B). Additional options are also included in Exhibit C.

For the reasons outlined above, we urge the subcommittee to draw Ward 7's ANC boundaries in a way that unifies Rosedale, Kingman Park, Hill East, and Reservation 13 in one ANC. Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of our Commissions. Chair Holman can be contacted at 6B06@anc.dc.gov and Chair Gove can be contacted at 6A04@anc.dc.gov.

On Behalf of the Commissions.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 6A Task Force Member Brian Alcorn, 6B Task Force Member Francis Campbell and 7D Co-Chair and Task Force Member Tamara Blair, formed a minority block and provided a Minority Rationale and maps in the Ward 7 Redistricting Task Force Report with an ANC proposal that would create a west of the river ANC. These items are on pages 17-18 and 20-21 in the Ward 7 Task Force ANC Redistricting Report.

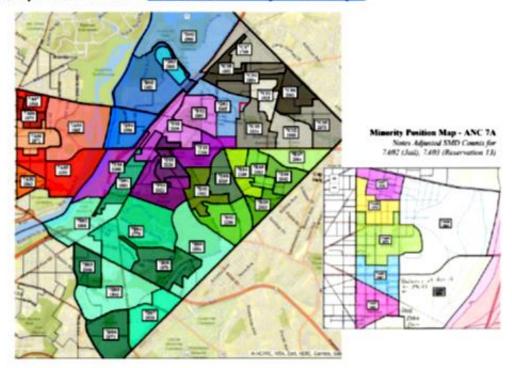




Exhibit A: Depiction of how current Ward 7 residents presently represented by ANCs 6A and 6B would fit within the proposed 7A and 7F Commissions proposed by the volunteer Ward 7 ANC Redistricting Task Force. The Task Force has not provided for geographically sensible boundaries for these proposed ANCs.



Exhibit B. Ward 7 Task Force on Advisory Neighborhood Commissions - Minority Position Map. (see p 17-18 and 20-21 of the Ward 7 ANC Redistricting Task Force Report)

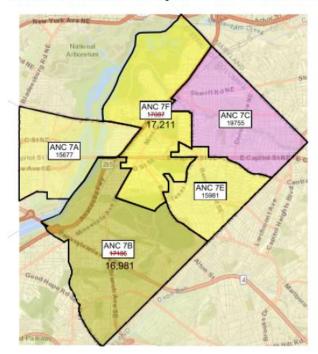


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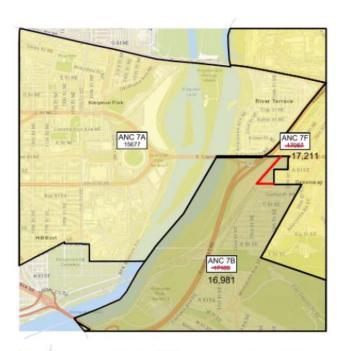


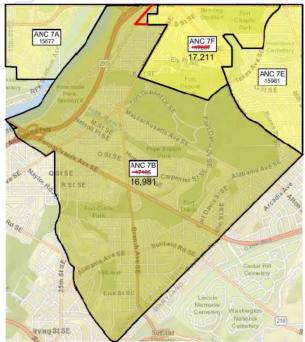
Exhibit C: Reallocation of West of the River 7A and 7F into 7A, East of the River 7A into 7F SMD maps (Available in ESRI under shared plans -> "Ward 7 Commissions")





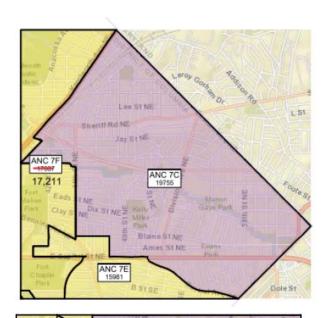








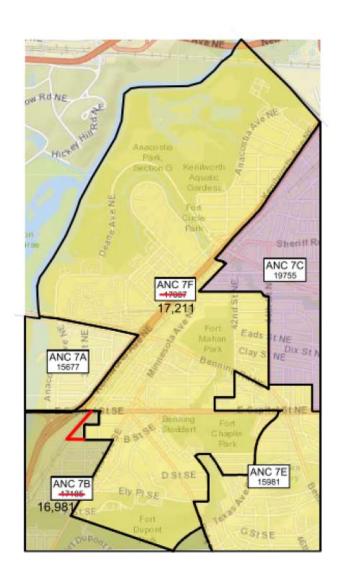


















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April 25, 2022

Mr. Chris Rodriguez, Director District of Columbia Homeland Security and Management Agency 2720 Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave. SE Washington, DC 200032

Re: ANC6A Support for the 2022 Capitol Hill Classic Races

Dear Director Rodriguez,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on April 14, 2022, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the 2022 Capitol Hill Classic 10K and 3K races and Children's Fun Run.

ANC6A supports this race because it is well-organized and supports the Capitol Hill Cluster School DC Public Schools that serve children from ANC6A and other nearby communities. Each year, the race organizers work closely with MPD to devise safe bump-cross routes to be used during the race to allow drivers to cross when runners are not approaching. We value the close collaboration between race organizers and our community.

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.

On behalf of the Commission,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.







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April 30, 2022

Director Everett Lott District Department of Transportation 250 M St. SE Washington, DC 20003

Michael A. Carter Interim Director Department of Public Works Frank D. Reeves Municipal Center 2000 14th Street, NW Washington, DC 20009

Re: Support for traffic calming and trash collection change for 800 West Virginia Ave NE and K Street NE

Dear Directors Lott and Carter.

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on April 14th, 2022, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to reiterate support for resident requests for traffic calming and a trash collection change in the above referenced block.

The 800 block of West Virginia Ave NE ends on the south side at a small pocket park at 8th and K St NE, which houses a Capital Bikeshare corral and a street mural. This is a residential block with homes on the south side of the street and driveways coming out of the rear of homes on the north side of the street. The street is characterized by high speeds, dangerous driving and illegal trash dumping, resulting in a hostile, unsafe environment for residents.

On June 15, 2021, our ANC unanimously responded to NOI # 21-136-PSD supporting a "conversion of the 800 block of West Virginia Ave NE to one-way for vehicular traffic to facilitate slower speeds and bikeways that are protected by parking on the south side of the street." Our ANC further requested "Additional traffic calming measures, such as high visibility raised crosswalks and/or speed humps." The letter can be found here: https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/ANC6A-support-for-NOI-21-136-PSD.pdf

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Since that time DDOT decided to move forward with the West Virginia Ave protected bike lane north of Florida Ave NE, but decided to install no bike lane on the 800 block of West Virginia Ave. This decision came after DDOT presented options for sharrows, unprotected bike lanes, and protected bike lanes to our ANC. This decision results in a lack of connection between the West Virginia Ave Cycle Track and K St NE, where bicyclists can continue on to Northwest DC and Chinatown. DDOT must remedy the lack of a bike lane connection on this block.

Further, DDOT has failed to install any traffic calming on this block. Service request number 22-00095184 was submitted to request a speed bump and closed on March 25, 2022 by DDOT with no action and the following comment: "Thank you for contacting DDOT, Traffic Safety Team has completed an investigation along 800 block of West Virginal Ave, NE. This service request is closed to avoid duplicate service requests. Please refer to tracking number 21-00507167. [sic]" The tracking number that DDOT references was initiated on November 8, 2021 and indicates that data will be collected within 45 days of December 29, 2021. More than 45 days have passed since December 2021 and DDOT staff have privately communicated to residents that a speed bump could not be installed because West Virginia Ave is a minor arterial, but have not shared any data. Given that West Virginia Ave is now a dead-end, thanks to the wonderful pocket park, we do believe that DDOT should revisit the classification as a minor arterial. ANC 6A reiterates our request for traffic calming.

Other requests to serve the 800 block of West Virginia Ave have also been ignored. In our letter dated July 18, 2021 we shared our unanimous vote requesting that "DPW move trash collection for the 800 block of West Virginia Avenue NE, the 1000 block of 9th Street NE, and 800 block of K Street NE to the rear alley of those blocks from its current location on West Virginia Avenue NE. If this change in trash collection location is not possible, we request that DPW present options to ANC6A for how to address the current health and safety issue related to trash collection on the 800 block of West Virginia Avenue NE."

At this point, we have neither had a change in trash collection points, nor has DPW come to present options to our ANC to address health and safety concerns of neighbors. We are writing today to request the following:

- 1- That DDOT install traffic calming in the form of speed bumps or raised crosswalks on the 800 block of West Virginia Ave NE, as we requested on June 15, 2021.
- 2- That DDOT recount the average daily car traffic on West Virginia Ave NE given changes in traffic patterns and share data with ANC6A. The last count was before the public health emergency and found traffic levels to be just above the 5,000 car threshold that DDOT has indicated is relevant to DDOT for speed bump decisions.





(https://www.arcgis.com/apps/mapviewer/index.html?layers=e22369afb7e94cf3b9c6c1b60f4bb5

- 09). We request that DDOT conduct a recount given that patterns have changed significantly. We further request that DDOT work with USDOT to recategorize the 800 block of West Virginia Ave to a collector or local road and pursue a one-way treatment and protected bike lanes for this block. This is a small residential street that ends in a dead-end on one side and it should not be classified as a minor arterial.
- 3- That DPW either move the trash collection point away from West Virginia Ave NE, to the alley, or present to our ANC health and safety options at an upcoming meeting of our Transportation and Public Space committee, as we requested on July 18, 2021.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of this Commission. I can be contacted at 6A04@anc.dc.gov and Commissioner Chatterjee can be contacted at 6A01@anc.dc.gov.

On Behalf of the Commission.

amber K. Hove

Amber Gove







District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A PO Box 15020 Washington, DC 20003



April 30, 2022

Director Everett Lott District Department of Transportation 250 M St. SE Washington, DC 20003

Re: Support for traffic calming on the 1100 to 1400 blocks of C St NE and 300 block of 15th NE

Dear Director Lott.

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on April 14th, 2022, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support resident requests for traffic calming in the above referenced blocks.

In June 2017, our Commission submitted a traffic safety assessment<sup>2</sup> for the 1200 to 1500 blocks of C St NE that was never resolved and closed with no measures taken. In April 2021, Brian Johnson was killed by a speeding driver who ran the red light at 14th and C NE.<sup>3</sup> Despite promises made at a site visit from Director, there have been no measures taken to improve safety on this corridor. Instead numerous crashes, including the one on April 24th at 15th and C NE, shown below, continue to risk the lives of our neighbors.



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https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/Letter-to-DDOT-re-traffic-calming-C-St-NE.pdf

https://ddot.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/ddot/D21-11\_1369%20C%20Street%20NE.pdf





Our Commission urgently requests traffic calming on C Street NE from 11th Street to 15th Street NE, including consideration of the following recommended measures and any others that DDOT believes will reduce driver speed and improve safety for vulnerable road users:

- Installation of raised bus bays to prevent drivers from using the bus and bike lanes as a
  passing lane
- Installation of curb extensions and bump outs at every intersection
- Conversion of intersections from traditional stop control (stop lights) to all way stop control, following the findings from a similar conversation of 53 Georgetown intersections which resulted in a 42% reduction in injury crashes<sup>4</sup>;
- · Installation of raised crosswalks at the non-stop controlled intersections of
  - o 14th Place NE
  - Warren St NE
  - o 12th Place NE

Relevant Traffic Safety Investigation Requests include:

- 21-562556
- 21-553719
- 21-562229
- 22-127067
- 22-127062
- 22-055912
- 22-129469

In addition, our Commission supports the recently submitted Traffic Safety Investigation requests for the 300 block of 15th NE:

- 22-062693
- 22-062712

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of this Commission. I can be contacted at 6A04@anc.dc.gov and Commissioner Gentile can be contacted at 6A05@anc.dc.gov.

On Behalf of the Commission,

amber K Hove

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<sup>4</sup> https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/0361198120920871







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April 30, 2022

Director Everett Lott Sahar Nabaee, Traffic Safety Manager District Department of Transportation 250 M St. SE Washington, DC 20003

Re: Support for NOI #22-97-TESD, All-way stop installation at 16th and Constitution NE

Dear Director Lott.

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on April 14th, 2022, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support DDOT's Notice of Intent #22-97-TESD for installation of an all-way stop at 16th and Constitution NE.

As indicated in the Traffic Safety Investigation request submitted for this intersection, this is located near Eliot-Hine Middle School and Eastern High School is a local-local intersection. We appreciate the additional safety the installation of an all-way stop will provide for all users and request that DDOT include a "new traffic pattern" or other notice of the change to alert road users.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of this Commission. I can be contacted at 6A04@anc.dc.gov and Commissioner Alcorn can be contacted at 6A08@anc.dc.gov.

On Behalf of the Commission.

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May 2, 2022

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

Re: HPA 22-174 (242 11th Street, NE)

Dear Ms. Heath:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on April 14, 2022, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the proposed construction of a ten foot (by right) addition on the rear of building while also adding a 3rd floor addition, and a second floor addition to an existing one story garage in the Capital Hill Historic District. 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 6A04@anc.dc.gov and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at brad greenfield@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

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May 2, 2022

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

Re: HPA 22-173 (1108 Constitution Avenue, NE)

Dear Ms. Heath:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on April 14, 2022, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the proposed construction of a rear yard addition and cellar addition which will fill in the dogleg in the Capitol Hill Historic District. 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 6A04@anc.dc.gov and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission.

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May 2, 2022

Mr. Anthony J. Hood Chairperson District of Columbia Zoning Commission 441 4th Street, NW Suite 210-S Washington, DC 20001

Re: ZC # 22-03 (1207 H Street NE)

Dear Mr. Hood,:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on April 14, 2022, our Commission voted 7-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support a map amendment to change the property from its current NC-14 zoning to NC-15, and will be subject to the enhanced affordability requirements under the IZ+ program. It is the view of ANC 6A that this development serves the public interest, and will help maintain development of the H Street area and provide additional affordable housing to the community. Our ANC enthusiastically supports the goals of the IZ+ program, and appreciate the proscribed increase in the amount of affordable housing on projects to 20 percent.

Please be advised that Commissioner Toomajian, Brad Greenfield and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at 6A04@anc.dc.gov. Commissioner Toomajian at 6A02@anc.dc.gov and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at brad.greenfield@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission.

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#### **Alcohol Beverage Licensing**

**Recommendation:** ANC 6A protest the application of Hakuna Matata DC LLC, t/a Hakuna Matata Kitchen and Bar at 1128 H Street NE (ABRA-121081) for a Class C Restaurant License unless a Settlement Agreement is finalized prior to the protest deadline and that the Co-Chairs of the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee as well as ABL Committee Member Kara Hughley, and the Chair and Vice-Chair of the ANC be authorized to represent the ANC in this matter.

Recommendation: ANC 6A protest the application of Happy Choongman, Inc., t/a Choongman Chicken and Seafood at 1125 H Street NE (ABRA-108755) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant License unless an updated Settlement Agreement is finalized prior to the protest deadline and that the Co-Chairs of the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee as well as ABL Committee Member Mike Velasquez, and the Chair and Vice-Chair of the ANC be authorized to represent the ANC in this matter.

**Recommendation**: ANC 6A write a letter of support for the application of Mozzeria DC LLC t/a Mozzeria at 1300 H Street NE (ABRA-116160) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant alcohol beverage license.

**Recommendation**: ANC 6A write a letter of support for the application of Atlas Performing Arts Center, t/a Atlas Performing Arts Center at 1333 H Street NE (ABRA-085207) for renewal of its Class C Multipurpose license.

**Recommendation**: ANC 6A write a letter of support for the application of 1291 Hospitality Group, LLC, t/a Stable DC at 1234 H Street NE (ABRA-105439) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant License.

**Recommendation:** ANC 6A write a letter of support for the application of Thompson Retail Food Group, LLC, t/a Milk & Honey Cafe at 1116 H Street NE (ABRA-119672) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant License.

#### Economic Development and Zoning (EDZ)

**Recommendation:** ANC 6A write a letter of support to BZA for an area variance pursuant to Subtitle X § 1002 from the new alley record lot requirements of Subtitle C § 306.1(a) to construct six, new, attached, two-story with cellar and roof deck, principal dwelling units in the RF-1 zone in the alley between 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Streets and C & D Streets NE (BZA Case#20716) on condition that developers continue to make a best effort to obtain letters of support from the community.

#### **Consent Agenda**



April xx, 2022

#### By Email

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

Mr. Anderson:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting 1 on May 12, 2022, our Commission voted to support the application of Mozzeria DC LLC t/a Mozzeria at 1300 H Street NE (ABRA-116160) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant license.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either Mona Hatoum at <a href="monahatoum@gmail.com">monahatoum@gmail.com</a> or Ian Stanford at <a href="mail.com">ianstanford21@gmail.com</a>.

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#### By Email

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

Mr. Anderson:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting <sup>1</sup> on May 12, 2022, our Commission voted to support the application of Atlas Performing Arts Center, t/a Atlas Performing Arts Center at 1333 H Street NE (ABRA-085207) for renewal of its Class C Multipurpose license.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either Mona Hatoum at <a href="monahatoum@gmail.com">monahatoum@gmail.com</a> or Ian Stanford at <a href="mail.com">ianstanford21@gmail.com</a>.

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

Mr. Anderson:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting <sup>1</sup> on May 12, 2022, our Commission voted to support the application of the Thompson Retail Food Group, LLC, t/a Milk & Honey Cafe at 1116 H Street NE (ABRA-119672) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant License.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either Mona Hatoum at <a href="monahatoum@gmail.com">monahatoum@gmail.com</a> or Ian Stanford at <a href="mail.com">ianstanford21@gmail.com</a>.

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April xx, 2022

#### By Email

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

Mr. Anderson:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting <sup>1</sup> on May 12, 2022, our Commission voted to support the application of 1291 Hospitality Group, LLC, t/a Stable DC at 1234 H Street NE (ABRA-105439) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant License.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either Mona Hatoum at <a href="monahatoum@gmail.com">monahatoum@gmail.com</a> or Ian Stanford at <a href="mail.com">ianstanford21@gmail.com</a>.

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May XX, 2022

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

Re: BZA Case No. 20716 (15th Street Alley, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on May 12th, 2022, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support request for an area variance pursuant to Subtitle X § 1002 from the new alley record lot requirements of Subtitle C § 306.1(a) to construct six, new, attached, two-story with cellar and roof deck, principal dwelling units in the RF-1 zone.

We believe that the relief is needed to property develop the alley lot, since if it is not subdivided, the lot is too large to economically develop. The design has taken measures to ensure the privacy, air and light of the neighbors is protected. The owner has proven that the special exception and variance criteria have been met through submission of architectural elevations and letters of support from neighbors. The ANC believes that this development will not substantially visually intrude upon the character, scale, and pattern of houses in the neighborhood.

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

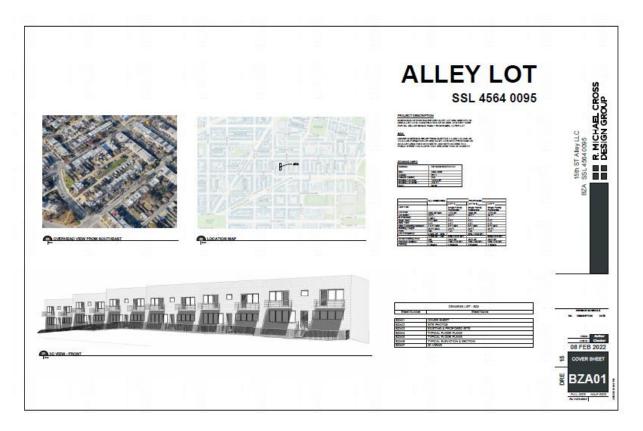
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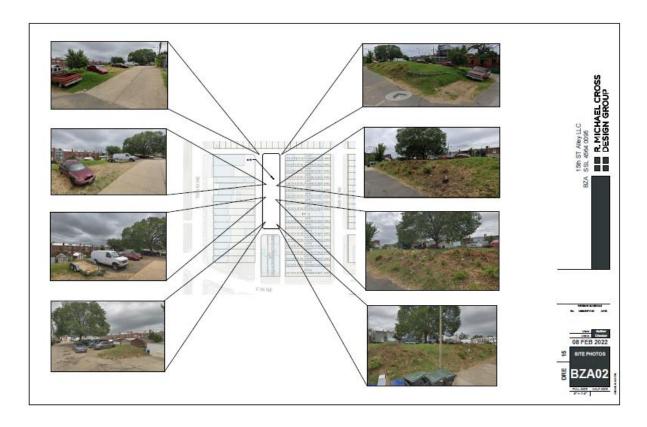
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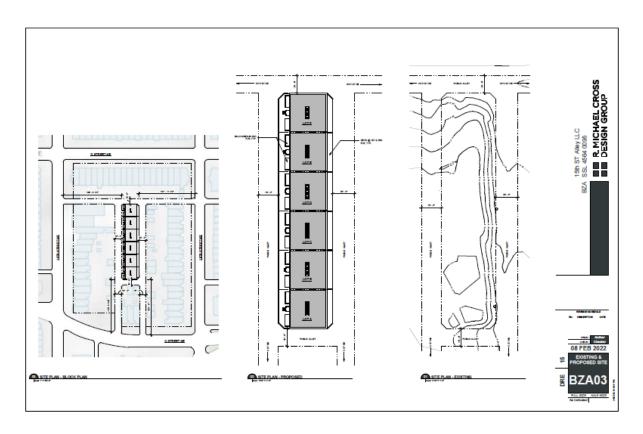


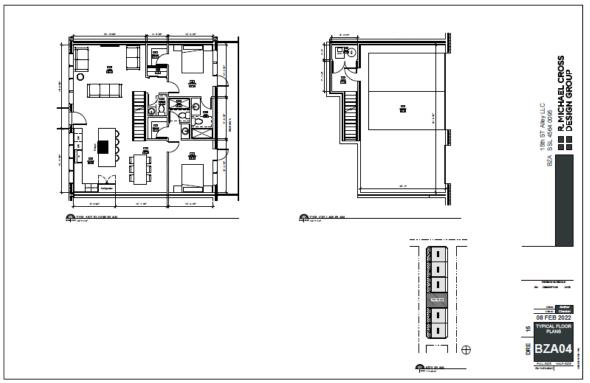








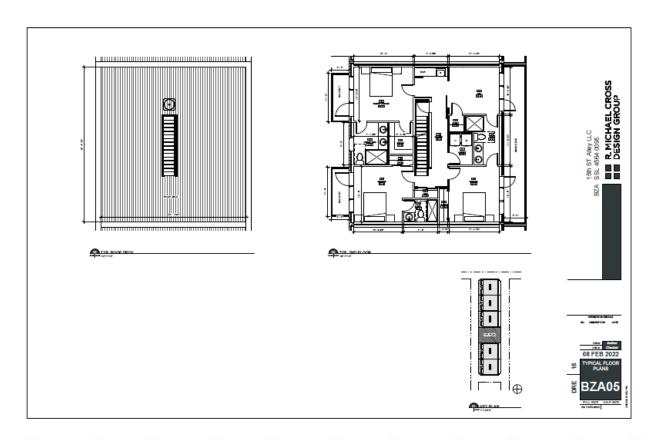


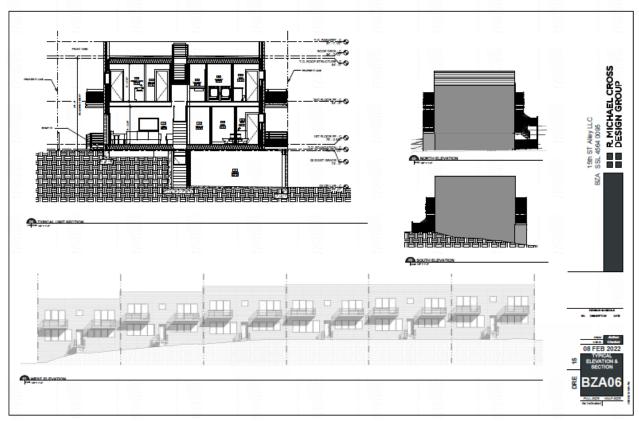








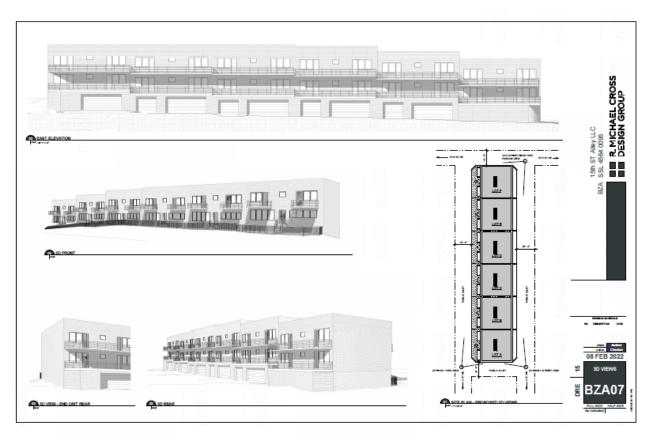














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### Officer Reports - Treasurer



#### ANC 6A Treasurer's Report May 2022

Period Covered 4/1/2022 - 5/10/2022						
Checking	Checking Account:					
Opening Account Statement \$			\$	25,755.01		
Credits	None					
New Disb	ursements: Irene Dworakowski (Webmaster/Agenda/Meetings April 2022 Services)	Check #2017	s	765.89		
	Anna Tsaur (April 2022 notetaker)	Check #2017	Š	250.00		
	Robb Dooling (Zoom Reimbursement)	Check #2019	\$	58.29		
	Total New Disbursements		\$	1,074.18		
Uncashed	1 Checks					
	#2012, #2014, #2015, #2016		\$	1,087.18		
Cashed C	Checks		s	1,617.85		
Closing Available Checking Balance			s	21,975.80		
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Balance F	Forwarded				\$	25.00
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## Committee Reports Community Outreach Committee (COC)



No report. Committee did not meet in April 2022.





#### Minutes

Alcoholic Beverage Licensing (ABL) Committee Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Tuesday, April 26, 2022, 7:00 pm Virtual Meeting—Held on Zoom

Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee ("Committee") of ANC 6A was held commencing at 7:00 pm EST on April 26, 2022, on a publicly posted Zoom event.

Committee Members Present: Mona Hatoum (Co-Chair), Ian Stanford (Co-Chair), Kara Hughley, Joe Krisch, Mike Velasquez

Commissioners Present: Robb Dooling (6A06)

Establishment Representatives Present: David Uzzell and Ryan Maliszwski (Mozzeria), Zandrique Harrold (Milk & Honey Cafe), Jarrod Bennett and Douglas Yuell (Atlas Performing Arts Center), Silvan Kraemer (Stable DC), Justine Mwebaza (Hakuna Matata Kitchen and Bar)

- I. Call to Order/Approval of Agenda/Approval of Minutes
  - Co-Chair Mona Hatoum called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Ms. Hatoum proposed that the Committee reorder the agenda as follows: Mozzeria, Milk & Honey Cafe, Atlas Performing Arts Center, Choongman Chicken and Seafood, Stable DC, Hakuna Matata Kitchen and Bar. The Committee approved without objection. Ms. Hatoum noted that representatives from Milk & Honey Cafe and Choongman Chicken and Seafood were not yet present, and that they would be moved to the end of the agenda if they were not present when called upon.
  - The minutes from the March 22, 2022 meeting of the Committee were approved without objection.

#### II. Community Comment

• A community member indicated that she joined to listen to the discussion about the establishments in the area.

#### III. New Business

- Discussion of application by Mozzeria DC LLC t/a Mozzeria at 1300 H St. NE (ABRA-116160) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant License.
  - Ms. Hatoum indicated that Mozzeria is not seeking any changes to its license and a settlement agreement was signed recently.
  - Ms. Hatoum flagged that the placard does not include any mention of a summer garden, although they currently operate a streatery, in case they need to clarify that with ABRA. Mr. Maliszwski confirmed that they have a limited patio.
    - Co-Chair Ian Stanford moved that the ABL Committee recommend that ANC 6A send a letter of support for the license renewal application for Mozzeria. Commissioner Robb Dooling seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously with a vote of 6-0.
- Discussion of application by Atlas Performing Arts Center, t/a Atlas Performing Arts Center at 1333 H St. NE (ABRA-085207) for renewal of its Class C Multipurpose License.





- Ms. Hatoum indicated that Atlas Performing Arts Center is not seeking any changes to its license; however, the Settlement Agreement (SA) with ANC 6A was signed with a predecessor.
- o Mr. Uzzell explained that there was an ownership change several years ago.
- Committee members proposed an amendment or addendum to the settlement agreement to memorialize the ownership change.
  - Mr. Stanford moved that the ABL Committee recommend that ANC 6A send a letter of support for the license renewal application for Atlas Performing Arts Center. And additionally that ANC and Atlas Performing Arts Center update the existing Settlement Agreement with an addendum related to ownership, and that the Chair and Vice Chair of the ABL Committee and the Chair and Co-Chair of the ANC represent the ANC in the negotiation of the addendum to the settlement agreement. Mr. Dooling seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously with a vote of 6-0.
- Co-Chair Hatoum indicated that she would be in contact with the applicant after the
  meeting regarding the addendum, which cannot be signed until after the upcoming
  ANC meeting. She also invited them to join the ANC meeting, noting that this item will
  be on the consent agenda.
- Discussion of application by 1291 Hospitality Group, LLC, t/a Stable DC at 1234 H St. NE (ABRA-105439) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant License.
  - Ms. Hatoum noted that Stable DC's Settlement agreement was signed in 2012 with the predecessor, so some updates may be needed, and the placard includes summer garden hours until 2:00 am all week.
  - Mr. Kraemer indicated that the summer garden hours are a continuation of the current license, but that in practice, the last seating is at 9:30 pm, and they wrap up between 11:00 pm and midnight.
  - A Committee member asked if there had been any noise complaints, and Mr. Kraemer indicated that there had not and that they do not play any loud music, just dining.
  - A Committee member asked if the Committee should try to maintain consistency across the various establishments, as the summer garden license hours typically end between 11:00 pm and midnight.
  - o Mr. Dooling indicated that during his time on the ANC he has not heard of any complaints about this business, so he would support continuing the current hours.
  - Mr. Kraemer stated that Stable has been there for five years and they want to be good neighbors.
  - A Committee member asked if the Settlement Agreement needed to be updated.
     Committee members noted that the current Settlement Agreement was signed by a predecessor and that there are some provisions that the Committee may want to change, including the loitering provision, which is no longer included in the template.
  - Mr. Dooling noted that the summer garden hours going until 2:00 am may be a hot topic at the ANC meeting, as some commissioners may have concerns about the precedent.
    - Ms. Hatoum moved that the ABL Committee recommend that ANC 6A send a letter of support for the license renewal application for Stable DC. Additionally that the ANC and Stable DC update the existing settlement agreement as necessary, and that the Chair and Vice Chair of the ABL Committee and the





### Chair and Co-Chair of the ANC represent the ANC in this matter. Mr. Krisch seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously with a vote of 6-0.

- Co-Chair Hatoum indicated that she would be in contact with the applicant after the
  meeting and would send a copy of the standard Settlement Agreement. Mr. Dooling
  also asked if Mr. Kraemer would be able to attend the next ANC meeting on May 12,
  2022. He indicated that he would. Ms. Hatoum stated that she would send the
  information regarding the meeting.
- Discussion of application by Hakuna Matata DC LLC, t/a Hakuna Matata Kitchen and Bar at 1128 H St. NE (ABRA-121081) for a Class C Restaurant License.
  - o Ms. Hatoum indicated that this is a new application for Hakuna Matata Kitchen and Bar, and that they will be in the space where Cusbah used to be.
  - Ms. Mwebaza shared that they want to bring East African cuisine, made from scratch, to H Street, and showcase their culture.
  - o A Committee member asked about the plan for opening, and Ms. Mwebaza indicated that they are ready to go, and they plan to open as soon as they have the permits.
  - A Committee member asked about the plan for live entertainment, and Ms. Mwebaza indicated that they plan to offer East African jazz and a live deejay occasionally on the weekend, with soft music. She said they may also have a small band indoors on weekends.
  - A Committee member asked about the planned occupancy for the outdoor area, and Ms. Mwebaza indicated that they originally looked at having an expanded all-weather outdoor patio, but they are going to use the space Cusbah had, and it will hold about 20-23 people.
  - A Committee member asked if they would be amenable to doing something to mitigate the noise, since the space is next to residential houses and that can be a pain point.
     Ms. Mwebaza indicated that they want to close off the space so all the noise stays in the enclosure.
  - A Committee member stated that the Committee would want to sign a Settlement Agreement between the neighborhood and the establishment to set the expectations, including with respect to hours, noise and trash, and that the Committee will send a copy of the standard Settlement Agreement.
  - Mr. Dooling asked if there would be entertainment or music outdoors, and Ms.
     Mwebaza indicated only piped dining music.
  - Ms. Mwebaza also shared that they built an enclosure for the trashcans.
  - A Committee member followed-up on the live entertainment question, and it was noted that the standard is to restrict the hours on live entertainment outside, but not inside.
  - A Committee member asked whether this location will be extension of another restaurant, and Ms. Mwebaza indicated that she is the co-owner of Hakuna Matata Grill in Wheaton, Maryland. The Committee member asked about any citations at the other location, and Ms. Mwebaza indicated that she was not aware of any.
  - A Committee member asked about a security plan, and Ms. Mwebaza indicated that they plan to have security cameras at all angles and they may have security at the door on nights when there is a live band.
  - o A Committee member asked about the placard hours for the outdoor space, which end at midnight (Sun Wednesday), 1:00 am (Thursday) and 3:00 am (Friday and Saturday),





- noting that they are latter than the other establishments. Ms. Mwebaza indicated that she would discuss a proposal for more limited hours with management.
- A Committee member suggested a trial period, in which the hours would not be limited to start, but if there are complaints during the trial period, then the hours would be revisited. The Committee member noted that no other settlement agreement has summer garden hours that go until 3:00 am, so that may be a sticking point with the ANC.
- Mr. Dooling indicated that although he does not represent this Single Member District (SMD), he personally supports the idea of a trial period with the requested hours. The Committee member who suggested the trial period noted that this hast been done for a few other businesses and it has worked out well.
- A Committee member shared that a Google search surfaced a news article stating that Hakuna Matata Grill in Montgomery County was cited by alcohol beverage control there for serving alcohol after the allocated time and dancing. Ms. Mwebaza indicated that she is a part-owner there and she has not seen that article.
- A Committee member suggested that the Committee do due diligence on this incident as part of the settlement agreement negotiations.
  - Mr. Stanford moved that the ABL Committee recommend that ANC 6A protest the license application unless a settlement agreement is finalized prior to the protest deadline, and that the Chair and Vice Chair of the ABL Committee, as well as Committee member Kara Hughley, and the Chair and Co-Chair of the ANC represent the ANC in this matter. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously with a vote of 6-0.
- o Co-Chair Hatoum explained to the applicant that the motion means that they would need to agree on terms and enter into a Settlement Agreement prior to the protest date. She indicated that she would be in contact after the meeting and will send a copy of the standard Settlement Agreement, and that the Committee would discuss with the applicant how to address the points that were raised, including the Hakuna Matata Grill incident. She also suggested that Ms. Mwebaza attend the May 2022 ANC 6A meeting in case any of the commissioners have questions.
- Discussion of application by Thompson Retail Food Group, LLC, t/a Milk & Honey Cafe at 1116 H St. NE (ABRA-119672) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant License.
  - Due to technical difficulties, Mr. Stanford moved, and the Committee approved with one abstention, that the discussion of Milk & Honey Café be tabled until the end of new business.
  - When the Committee returned to the discussion of Milk & Honey Café, the Committee Chair noted that Milk & Honey Cafe is not seeking any changes to its license and a settlement agreement was signed recently.
    - Mr. Stanford moved that the ABL Committee recommend that ANC 6A send a letter of support for the license renewal application for Milk & Honey Cafe. Mr. Dooling seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously with a vote of 6-0.
- Discussion of application by Happy Choongman, Inc., t/a Choongman Chicken and Seafood at 1125 H St. NE (ABRA-108755) for renewal of its Class C Restaurant License.





- Due to no representative from Choongman Chicken and Seafood being present when the Committee reached their agenda item, Mr. Stanford moved, and the Committee approved by unanimous consent, that the discussion of Choongman Chicken and Seafood be tabled until the end of new business.
- When the Committee returned to the discussion of Choongman Chicken and Seafood, Ms. Hatoum noted that even though no representative was present, the protest deadline will have passed by the next meeting, so the Committee should have some discussion about the application at this meeting. She also noted that one of the Committee members and one of the ANC Commissioners, in particular, have some concerns about this application.
- Mr. Dooling indicated that as he is not sure what the concerns are from the other Commissioner, so he would appreciate further discussion about this application at the May 2022 ANC 6A meeting, and that would be another opportunity for representatives of the applicant to show up.
- A Committee member noted that the invited representative did not show, so he would propose protesting the renewal application unless the settlement agreement is updated.
- A Committee member asked what the proposed updates to the Settlement Agreement would be. The Committee member indicated items relating to public safety near the establishment, adequate and working security cameras and generally getting on the record that the neighborhood has concerns about the activity there.
- Ms. Hatoum indicated that she is in favor of updating the Settlement Agreement, but she noted the need to be cautious about conflating what happens on the public street with the establishment, and the need to be mindful of holding them responsible for what they cannot control.
  - Mr. Velasquez and Ms. Hatoum moved that the ABL Committee recommend that ANC 6A send a letter of opposition against the license renewal application unless an updated settlement agreement is in place prior to the ANC's consideration of the matter, and that the Chair and Vice Chair of the ABL Committee, as well as Committee member Velasquez, and the Chair and Co-Chair of the ANC represent the ANC in the negotiation of the settlement agreement. Mr. Stanford seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously with a vote of 6-0.
- o Co-Chair Hatoum indicated that she would contact the establishment to make sure they are aware of what happened tonight.
- Commissioner Dooling thanked the Committee for their hard work and everything the Committee is doing for the community.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.





# Minutes ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting Thursday, April 18, 2022 at 7:00 pm Virtual Meeting via Zoom

- I. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm
- II. Introductions & Announcements. Committee members present: Maura Dundon (Chair), Shaun Lynch, Caitlin Rogger, Jeff Fletcher Commissioners present: Amber Gove, Keya Chatterjee, Laura Gentile, Robb Dooling, Brian Alcorn

Commissioner Chatterjee made the motion: To amend the agenda to discuss the 8<sup>th</sup> Street NE Bus Priority project following discussion of the H Street NE Bus Priority Project.

The motion passed unanimously, with all ANC Commissioners and TPS Committee Members present voting yes (9-0). The New Business agenda item was modified to include the 8<sup>th</sup> Street Bus Priority Project as Ilem B.

#### III. Old Business

- A. Discussion of H Street NE Bus Priority project, and other H Street NE traffic calming matters. Mr. Zack Gambetti-Mendez introduced himself as the District Department of Transportation's (DDOT) project manager for the H Street NE Bus Priority project and presented a preliminary introduction to the project.
  - i. Commissioner Amber Gove questioned the lack of permanent changes to the corridor. Mr. Gambetti-Mendez responded that "paint and post" has been effective in this corridor so far. If a particularly high crash intersection is identified, then more permanent changes can be made later.
  - ii. Commissioner Keya Chatterjee expressed concern about the safety of pedestrians attempting to catch buses from across the street and that the corridor is prioritizing car commuters. Mr. Gambetti-Mendez responded that, for now, the corridor is a transit-priority and bus-priority corridor.
  - iii. Commissioner Robb Dooling asked if it is possible to add crosswalks to the middle of the 600 and 1300-blocks of H Street NE, as they are double-length blocks where pedestrians often cross. Mr. Gambetti-Mendez responded that DDOT can look at such an option.
  - iv. Chair Maura Dundon asked about the possibility of raised boarding areas for wheelchair accessibility at the bus stops. Mr. Gambetti-Mendez responded that is an option that can be introduced with bulb-outs and curb extensions. The DC Streetcar platforms are just a few inches too high for the buses to use them, and any changes to the platform would require complete reengineering of the streetcar chassis itself in order to maintain its own accessibility.
  - v. Mr. Michael Havlin of Friends of the Streetcar requested that transit signaling incorporate the streetcar, and requested that user feedback on the project include an area to note whether the respondents are streetcar users. Mr. Havlin also expressed concern that painted bus-only lanes would be abused by private vehicle drivers without effective enforcement (and especially with the challenge of lack of reciprocity with Virginia and Maryland drivers). He asked if automated traffic enforcement (ATE) measures were being considered. Mr. Gambetti-Mendez responded that the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) and DDOT both have ATE in the pipeline. DDOT is looking at stationary cameras, and the DC Streetcar is looped into the conversation as well. He requested that the ANCs advocate for enforcement.





- vi. Mr. Gambetti-Mendez concluded the discussion by noting that DDOT will be coming back to a future meeting this summer (possibly a separate DDOT-led meeting) once proposed design plans are available.
- B. **Discussion of 8**<sup>th</sup> **Street Bus Priority Project.** Mr. Andrew DeFrank of DDOT provided a presentation of this bus priority project between on 8<sup>th</sup> Street NE between East Capitol Street NE and Florida Avenue NE. Mr. DeFrank and Mr. Yohannes Bennehof of DDOT answered committee guestions shout the project.
  - i. Commissioner Chatterjee questioned the effectiveness of priority signaling in in areas such as the bus stop on 8<sup>th</sup> Street and H Streets NE. At that location, the bus stop is set back from the intersection in a way where vehicles are likely to block the buses from accessing the priority signaling. Mr. Bennehof noted that the buses will have ATE, and that DDOT is open to alternative enforcement measures.
  - ii. Committee Member Caitlin Rogger asked if DDOT had heard from WMATA on potential travel time savings. Mr. Bennehof responded that DDOT does not have a specific estimate on this individual segment from WMATA. DDOT does have their own estimates, but they are not yet releasable today. The transit-only lane in this corridor may not be as effective here because of the high demand of the curbside (for parking); and the amount of enforcement required to change behavior is not feasible. Mr DeFrank added that riders are more concerned about the reliability of the bus schedule than the speed of the transit time.
  - iii. Commissioner Chatterjee inquired whether there was a way to aid the boarding process for wheelchairs at the H and 8<sup>th</sup> Street NE intersection. Mr. DeFrank responded that the bulb-outs are the same height as the sidewalk, and there needs to be level surface between the sidewalk and the bulb-out; the priority is to ensure the bus can pull parallel to sidewalk/bulb-out because otherwise bus mechanical ramp will not work.
  - iv. Commissioner Gove asked if the bulb-outs were going to be brick or made using plastic decking. Mr Bennehof responded that DDOT has not determined the material. The Historic Preservation Office (HPO) is going to see this presentation on April 19, 2022 to comment and verify any compliance. More engineering analysis is needed prior to selection.
  - v. Mr. DeFrank concluding the discussion noting that any ANC resolutions on the projects should be separate (i.e., not combining both projects into one resolution). A follow-up presentation is expected in the summer or fall of 2022.
- C. Update on Speed Hump Installation. Commissioner Gove referenced a letter received the prior weekend about paving 16 block segments in ANC 6A and has inquired about whether speed hump installation can coincide with paving on relevant blocks to minimize impact on resident parking (the 100-block of Tennessee Avenue NE is a precedent for this action). Mr. Abraham Diallo of DDOT could not say for sure. He did reach out to the pavers, but the Traffic Safety Investigation (TSI) needs to go through the DDOT safety review team first. He did ask about prioritization because of the paving schedule. Commissioner Gove added that residents would rather not see paving complete if speed humps cannot be installed at the same time because people speed over fresh pavement.
- D. Traffic calming on E and F Streets NE between 17th Street NE and 19th Street NE. (Item tabled because community member could not attend).
- IV. New Business. None.
- V. Additional Community Comment. None.

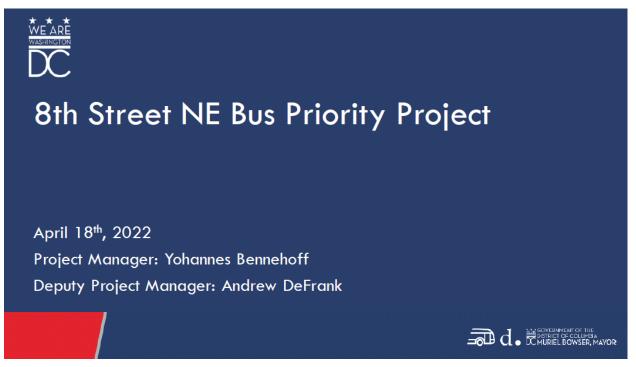




VI. Meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm.













#### **Bus Priority Vision**

- Improve bus speeds and reliability for riders across all eight wards of the District
- Faster and more reliable transit provides better access to more jobs and opportunity
  - During the COVID-19 pandemic, Metrobus ridership has consistently been two to three times higher than Metrorail ridership<sup>1</sup>
- Almost half of District Metrobus riders make under \$30,000 per year and two thirds live in zero-car households<sup>2</sup>
- Improve the entire rider experience, including:
  - · Pedestrian improvements to ensure bus stop accessibility
  - Bus lanes to reduce congestion delay
  - · Transit signal priority and queue jumps to address signal delay



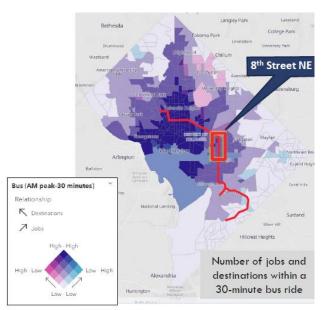


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### **Transportation Equity**

- DDOT is committed to elevating and advancing transportation equity to ensure public investments in transportation justly benefit all residents, visitors and commuters.
- Investing in transit facilities will improve equity in accessibility of where residents need to go.
- Bus priority helps to address transportation needs identified in moveDC.



oveDC 2021 Update Snapshot







#### moveDC

The District will achieve 75% of all commute trips by non-auto modes by 2032

#### BUS



DDOT is committed to improving bus speeds and reliability

#### WALK



DDOT is committed improving economic equity and accessibility through safe, efficient, integrated transit options

#### & BIKE



DDOT is committed to integrating and expanding the bicycle and pedestrian network

### d. EXPENSION OF THE STREET OF COLLINGIA MAYOR

### **Bus Priority Network**

- Reflected in the moveDC transit modal priority network
- Made up of corridors spanning 70 miles across all eight wards of the District
  - Identifies where future improvements are needed to make transit faster and more reliable along the District's busiest bus routes
  - Serves over 120 Metrobus and 5 Circulator routes for at least a portion of their route (fall 2019 routing)
- 63% of District residents and 79% of jobs are within ½ mile of a bus priority corridor







### **Bus Priority Toolbox**

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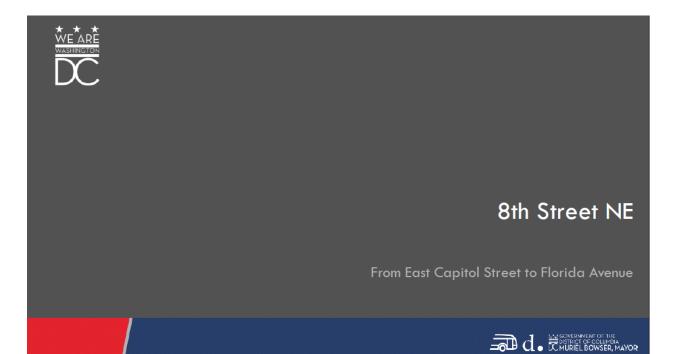


Bulb-outs to allow buses to board from the travel lane and provide more space for passengers to wait



Transit signal priority to give buses more green time









### **Background**

- Daily Traffic: 3,500 vehicles (annual average)
  - Collectors typically range from 2,300-5,6001
- Designated Freight Route
- Bus passengers per day: 1,650-2,400 (average)
- Most frequent service: Every 12 minutes
- Busiest Stops (Daily Boarding + Alighting):
  - 8th Street NE @ H Street NE (~2,200)
  - 8th Street NE @ K Street NE (~600)





<sup>1</sup>Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments



















TSI: 21-00150383 for traffic calming at I Street and 8th Street NE; ANC 6A01 (Suggestion to install "Do Not Enter" and "Stop Sign Ahead" signs)







#### **Next Steps**



- Community Feedback
  - Use this <u>form</u> to submit feedback on bus priority projects or email <u>buspriority@dc.gov</u> or call 202-671-2376.
- Final Design Fall 2022
- Construction 2023









### H Street NE Bus Priority Project

April-May 2022 Project Manager: Zack Gambetti-Mendez Deputy Project Manager: John Finnerty



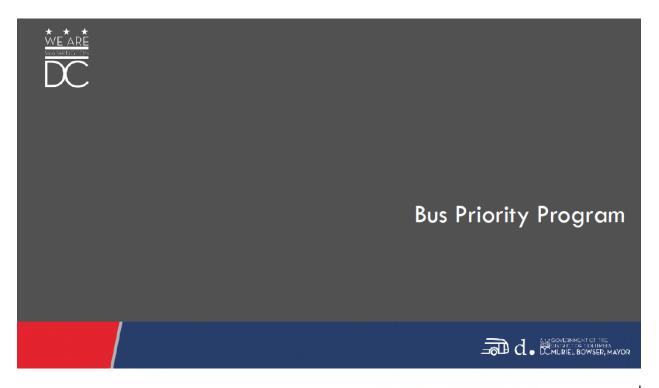
### Agenda

- Bus Priority Program
  - Bus Priority Plan & moveDC
  - Corridor segmentation
  - Bus Priority Toolbox
- H Street NE
  - Project Location
  - Potential Tools
  - Scope
  - Project Timeline
- Community Feedback



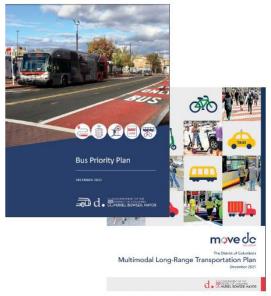






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  - Investing in the Transit Priority Network
  - Bus Priority
  - Safer Streets



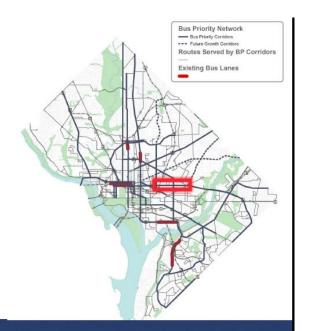






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### Segmentation of corridors

- Projects: approx. 1-2 miles in length
- Allows DDOT to make improvements more quickly, across more corridors in all 8 wards

H Street/Benning Road Corridor

- In design:
  - H St NW (N Capitol to 13th St NW)
- Current scope:
  - H St NE (N Capitol to Benning Rd)
- Future scopes (may be broken down further)
  - Benning Road









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### H Street NE

- North Capitol to Benning Rd NE (~1.5 miles)
- · Increase bus speed and reliability
- · Improve safety, especially for vulnerable roadway users



#### **NEEDS ASSESSMENT**

- H Street/Benning Rd Line (X2+X9+Streetcar) 2<sup>nd</sup> busiest line
- Route X2 2<sup>nd</sup> Busiest Metrobus Route (2018-2021)
- Streetcar
  - Existing mixed-traffic alignment
  - Expansion to Benning Rd Station
- · H Street NE is a Vision Zero high-injury corridor
- · High passenger volumes + slow travel speeds

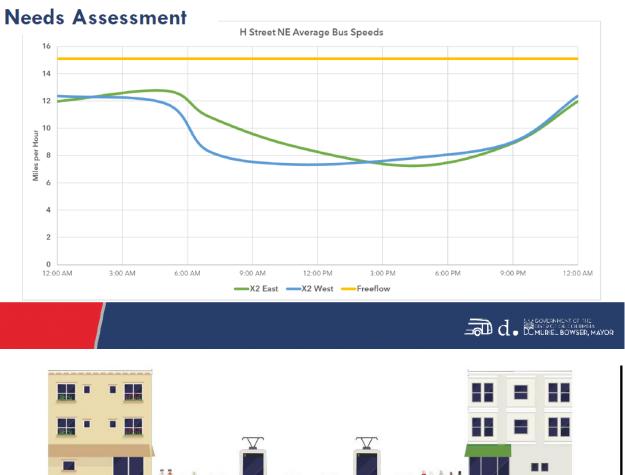










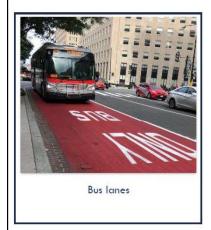


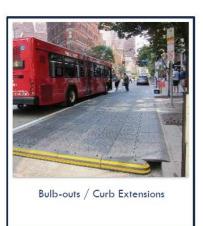


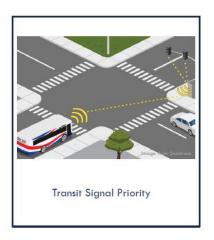




#### **Potential Tools**









### Scope Includes











#### **Projected Timeline**

- Spring 2022 (WE ARE HERE)
  - Project Kick-off & Needs Assessment
- Summer 2022
  - Concept Development
- Late Summer/Early Fall 2022
  - Preferred Alternative
- 2023
  - Design
- 2024
  - Construction/Implementation





#### **Community Feedback**



**Bus Priority Feedback Form** 

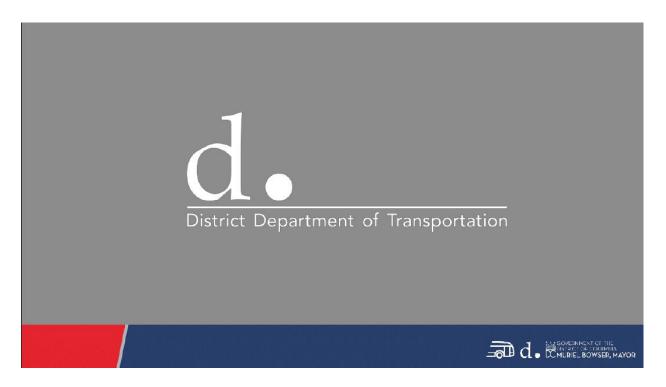
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#### **MINUTES**

ANC 6A Economic Development & Zoning Space Committee Meeting Virtual Meeting via Zoom
Wednesday, April 20, 2022 at 7:00 pm

#### Present:

Members: Brad Greenfield (Chair), Mike Cushman, Sam DeLuca, Jake Joyce, Roberta Shapiro Commissioners: Laura Gentile (6A05), Brian Alcorn (6A08)

Brad Greenfield chaired the meeting.

Introduction of Committee Members and Commissioners

### Resolution of previously-heard Bureau of Zoning Authority (BZA)/Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) cases (Brad Greenfield)

- 1. **1207 H Street, NE (ZC Case#22-03):** Request for a map amendment to change the property from its current NC-14 zoning (Mixed Use: Medium Density Residential and Medium Density Commercial) to NC-15 (medium density mixed use) which permits a height of 70 feet and an FAR of 4.8, and will be subject to the enhanced affordability requirements under the IZ+ program. In March 2022, EDZ recommended approval of this request and ANC 6A supported this approval at its April 2022 meeting.
- 2. **Historic review of 242 11<sup>th</sup> Street NE and 1108 Constitution NE.** EDZ recommended approval by ANC. Both approved unanimously on the April 2022 ANC 6A Consent Agenda.
- 3. **628 9**th **Street (Case 20651):** Variance for backyard addition and deck. Case delayed by BZA until 4/27.2022.
- 4. **905 L Street (Case 20606):** Special Exception for rear addition. EDZ supported the request. Approved by BZA 3/30/2022.

#### **Old Business**

1. **647 16th Street NE (BZA Case #20612):** Request for special exception zoning relief under Subtitle E § 5201 and Subtitle X § 902.1 from The lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, and special exception zoning relief under Subtitle E § 5201, Subtitle E § 205.5, and Subtitle X §902.1 from rear addition requirements of Subtitle E § 205.4 to construct a third story and rear addition, and convert to a flat, an existing, attached, two-story with cellar, principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 zone.

The case was previously scheduled before EDZ three times but owner did not appear. EDZ recommended opposition. Chair Greenfield offered to schedule an EDZ appearance, but requested that owner reschedule the BZA hearing to allow prior presentation before EDZ. Owner did not reschedule the BZA hearing and was not present at this meeting. Accordingly, the Chair (after calling for any objections) tabled further consideration the issue, noting that this would maintain in effect the EDZ's prior recommendation to ANC 6A for denial of the requested relief..

2. **15th Street Alley (BZA Case #20716):** Request for an area variance pursuant to Subtitle X § 1002 from the new alley record lot requirements of Subtitle C § 306.1(a) to construct six, new, attached, two-story with cellar and roof deck, principal dwelling units in the RF-1 zone.

This item was previously reviewed but tabled to allow additional time for community engagement and support. The owners (Evan Muchai and Fritz Hubig) and their architect (Michael Cross) presented that they had subsequently met with various neighbors and had participated in a well-attended block club gathering. To date, they have 10 letters of support and no letters of opposition.





Concerns expressed by neighbors regarded the possible difficulty in maneuvering in the alley. The architects indicated that there would be no changes in the space or configuration in the alley. Neighbors also expressed concerns re: water runoff that currently impacts some adjacent basements. The architects noted that the planned project should help minimize this problem. One EDZ member expressed a concern about the density of the project and a desire that it would have been planned for 4 rather than 6 units. He also expressed concern for the privacy of the neighbors' backyards. In response, the architects estimated 46-48 feet from the front of the new units to the back walls of current neighbors.

A question was also raised about visibility when cars are turning in the alleys. The developers indicated a commitment to installing mirrors at the corners but noted that the placement would require access to neighbors' properties.

The developers also noted that the zoning administrator had granted administrative approval for the small degree (less than 2%) of non-compliance with the required lot size for the two end units.

There were no community members present.

A motion was made by Mr. Greenfield to support the project on condition that developers continue to make a best effort to obtain letters of support from the community. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Alcorn. The motion passed unanimously with seven (7) votes of approval.

3. **1802-1806 D Street NE**: Informational presentation on a Map Amendment to the zoning of 1800-1806 D Street NE, from MU3 to MU4.

Jay Briley, one of the property developers, was present to explain the proposed project which is still in a somewhat conceptual state. The project would involve razing three storefronts (a grocery, a liquor store and a daycare) at 1800-1806 D Street, which the project developers currently own, along with two properties, 409 and 411 18th Street, which they are currently in negotiations to acquire and raze. The developers plan to replace the current building with a new structure that would include five businesses (the current three would be re-established following construction) plus two additional spaces (potentially a homecare business.) There would be nine (9) parking spaces and a waste management area in the rear. A previous plan for an ice manufacturer to return after development is no longer under consideration. Floors two, three and four would be dedicated to a total of 30 apartments, studios, one and two bedrooms, ranging from 436 square feet to 907 square feet. Fifteen of the units would be market rate and 15 would be subsidized workforce housing. The developers have applied for Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED) grant funding for the commercial space and Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for the residential space. The developers also have commitments (contingent on grant funding) from two different banks (City First Bank, \$3.5 million for the commercial space) and (Bright Bank, \$10 million for the residential space), contingent on grant funding.

Discussion with the EDZ members followed. Questions included:

- The "fit" of such a large structure (especially the height allowed by the sought after MU4 map amendment) in a neighborhood generally characterized by smaller buildings. (It was noted that 35 letters to adjacent neighbors had, as of yet elicited no response, but that the developers planned to go door to door and hand out flyers in the current businesses)
- Whether the current MU3 (and proposed MU4) zoning allowed light manufacturing (i.e., the ice manufacturer)





- The experience and capacity of the developer, which was responded to by citing several other projects they had/were developing in the District of Columbia, Virginia and Maryland.
- Concerns about an underground sewer line that had led to the demolition of a new house built across the street from the proposed development. (The developers responded that this proposal does not come near to the sewer line in question.)
- What the AMI level for the subsidized units would be. (The developers responded that the levels would be controlled by the terms of the grant.)
- Whether the housing units would be condominiums or rentals. (The developer responded that they would be condominiums owned by the developer and leased and managed by an affiliated property management company.)
- What would happen if both grants were not awarded (The developers might proceed in two
  phases, starting with the commercial space and adding the residential space later. Regardless,
  they would seek the map amendment in anticipation of applying for future funding
  cycles/sources.)
- Whether the DC Land Use Plan designated the area MU4. (It does not.)

Note: there were no community representatives present.

Finally, Chair Greenfield noted that, depending on when the developers return to the EDZ/ANC for a recommendation, the property could be in ANC 7 rather than ANC 6. If they return to the current committee, he asked that they have more detailed design concepts, examples of community support and information about the developers financial and project management capacity.

#### **New Business**

1. **1252 H Street NE (BZA Case #20742):** Request for Special Exception zoning relief pursuant to Subtitle H § 910, Subtitle H § 1202, and Subtitle X § 901.2 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle H § 904.1, special exception zoning relief pursuant to Subtitle H § 910, Subtitle H § 1202, and Subtitle X § 901.2 from the rear yard requirements of Subtitle H § 905.1, and an area variance pursuant to Subtitle X § 1002 from the design requirements of Subtitle H § 909.1(f)

The architects (Ron Schneck and Christine Proudfoot), the property owner (Todd Ragimov), the zoning attorney (Alex Wilson) and the community outreach consultant (Denise Martinez Daniel) were present.

Ms. Martinez Daniel stressed that the owner/developers had completed previous projects on the Hill. She also noted that they had recently sent correspondence to all neighbors within 200 feet, including a dedicated email address for questions, comments and letters of support.

The project would entail adding a third floor on the existing building which would generally match to the buildings existing footprint, which does not currently conform to the lot occupancy and rear yard requirements, thus the requested special exceptions. In addition, a penthouse would be setback from the third floor.

Because the existing, pre-1958 façade would be maintained, a FAR of 3.0 would be allowed. The proposed modified structure would house commercial space on the first floor with an interior waste management area shared by the retail and residential units, and five residential units above on floors 2 and 3 (3 2-bedroom, 21 bedroom, all market rate). There would also be penthouse space on the roof and some mechanicals and storage in the basement.

Finally, a variance is sought to allow the current residential entrance to be maintained on 13<sup>th</sup> Street NE rather than providing access from H Street NE.





Discussion followed, touching on the following issues:

- The size, boxiness and, for some members, the lack of architectural conformance of the initial design of the new structure relative to the existing base. (The architect responded with a willingness to try to address these issues)
- The concern that the residences needed to have H Street addresses in order to not be eligible for residential parking permits (RPP).
- Concerns, by a generally supportive neighbor on Wiley Street, that the addition would block sun. She suggested that perhaps the addition should be set back to conform with lot occupancy and rear yard requirements. (The architects agreed to do a shadow study and review the design.)
- Concerns about the location and visibility of the HVAC units. (The architect agreed to review)
- Concerns about the adulterated and poorly maintain façade on the East Side (which the plans propose to restore)
- Finally, it was noted that 13<sup>th</sup> Street is closed on weekends for the farmers market, which the developers would need to consider in construction planning.

Mr. Greenfield noted that since the project was scheduled for the June 2022 BZA meeting, it would be possible for the project to be reviewed again at the May 2022 EDZ meeting and the June 2022 ANC 6A meeting. At the next meeting, it was asked that the developer provide: letters of support from neighbors; updated design plans; shadow studies; and a response re: the residential address vis-à-vis the RPP issue.

Accordingly, the item was tabled until the May 2022 meeting.

Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting:
Wednesday, May 18, 2022
7:00-9:00 pm
Zoom information to be posted on ANC 6A Website



#### **New Business**



• Suggested Motion: ANC 6A adopt a resolution in support of Councilmember Charles Allen's Open Movie Captioning Requirement Act of 2022.

#### **New Business**





#### ANC 6A RESOLUTION NO. 2022-00X

Resolution regarding ANC 6A support for the Open Movie Captioning Requirement Act of 2022.

**WHEREAS,** in March 2022, an Open Movie Captioning Requirement Act for DC was re-introduced by Councilmembers Allen, Nadeau, Henderson, R. White, Cheh, Lewis George, and Silverman.

**WHEREAS**, this legislation would require open captioning in a certain percentage of showings at DC movie theaters.

**WHEREAS**, the DC Deaf Moviegoers Group led by Erik Nordlof, Reema Bogin, and Brianne Burger has advocated for this legislation since 2018 following the success of similar legislation in Hawaii.

**WHEREAS,** open captioning benefits young children, English learners, senior citizens, military veterans, and other individuals, both with and without hearing loss.

**WHEREAS**, the legislation already recognizes that not all patrons will want to watch a movie with captions and requires open captioning in only 12 percent of weekly showings.

**WHEREAS**, the legislation will have no cost for DC movie theaters because open captioning is available but deactivated in current showings.

**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.<sup>1</sup>
- ASL Trivia DC, co-founded by a Deaf ANC 6A resident in 2014, regularly brought 100-200 customers to bars and other small businesses on H Street NE on Monday evenings throughout the 2010s.
- Mozzeria at 1300 H Street NE in ANC 6A is the first Deaf-owned-and-operated restaurant in DC and a source of neighborhood pride.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** ANC 6A supports the Open Movie Captioning Requirement Act of 2022, urges DC Council Chairman Phil Mendelson to schedule a hearing for the bill, and asks the DC Council to take other steps as necessary to legalize open captioning in DC as soon as possible.

Attested by:

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A May X, 2022

This Resolution was approved by a vote of X-X-X on May 12, 2022 at a public meeting of ANC6A at which a quorum was present.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://anc6a.org/wp-content/uploads/ThankGU13.pdf







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7 8 9 0	To provide that an entity holding a basic business license with an "Entertainmen Moving picture theater" endorsement shall provide open movie captionin specified times; to provide that a violation shall be a unlawful discrimina practice; and to require notice of the requirements of this act.	g at
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	۸,
	That this act may be cited as the "Open Movie Captioning Requirement Act of 2022"	
	Sec. 2. Definitions.	
	For purposes of this act, the term:	
	(1) "Movie theater" means an entity holding a basic business license with	
	an "Entertainment: Moving picture theater" endorsement.	
	(2) "Open movie cantioning" means the written, on-screen display of a	

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40	motion picture's dialogue and non-speech information, including music, the identity of
41	the character who is speaking, and other sounds and sound effects.
42	(3) "Peak movie attendance hours" means:
43	(A) A movie that begins after 5:59 p.m. and finishes before 11:01 p.m. on
44	Friday; or
45	(B) A movie that begins after 11:59 a.m. and finishes before 11:01 p.m. on
46	Saturday or Sunday.
47	Sec. 3. Open movie captioning required.
48	(a)(1) A movie theater with more than one screen shall provide scheduled showings of
49	motion pictures with open movie captioning such that at least 12% of the weekly
50	scheduled showings of each motion picture currently showing at the movie theater have
51	open movie captioning; provided, that if a motion picture has fewer than 7 scheduled
52	showings in a week, the movie theater shall not be required to provide open movie
53	captioning for the motion picture.
54	(2)(A) At least half of the scheduled showings required pursuant to paragraph
55	(1) of this subsection shall be provided during peak movie attendance hours.
56	(B) At least half of the scheduled showings required pursuant to paragraph
57	(1) of this subsection that are scheduled outside of peak movie attendance hours shall
58	start after 5:59 p.m. and finish before 11:01 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or
59	Thursday.
60	(b) A movie theater with one screen shall provide a screening of a motion picture
61	produced with open movie captioning as follows:
62	(1) Once per month; or

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0.5	(2) Opon receipt of a request made through a process established by the
64	Mayor pursuant to the requirements of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure
65	Act, effective October 21, 1968 (82 Stat. 1206; D.C. Official Code § 2-501 et seq.).
66	(c) This section shall not prohibit the showing of a motion picture that is produced
67	and distributed without open movie captioning; provided, that a movie theater shall
68	provide notice to the public of which motion pictures shown by the movie theater are
69	produced and distributed without open movie captioning.
70	(d) A violation of this section shall be an unlawful discriminatory practice,
71	pursuant to section 231 of the Human Rights Act of 1977, effective December 13, 1977
72	(D.C. Law 2-38; D.C. Official Code § 2-1402.31).
73	Sec. 4. Notice required.
74	(a) A movie theater shall advertise the date and time of motion picture showings
75	required by section 3 in the same manner as the movie theater advertises all other motion
76	picture showings.
77	(b) A movie theater shall provide, through radio and television advertisement,
78	social media, and print media, and by posting inside in the movie theater, notice to all
79	customers of the following:
80	(1) The availability of showings of motion pictures with open movie captioning;
81	and
82	(2) The notice required by subsection 3(c).
83	(c)(1) The Mayor shall coordinate with the Office of Disability Rights and other
84	agencies the Mayor deems appropriate to create an awareness campaign publicizing the
85	requirements of this act and explaining the benefits provided by this act, including by

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86	requiring movie theaters to provide information about open movie captioning.
87	(2) All outreach information shall comply with the Language Access Act of
88	2004, effective June 19, 2005 (D.C. Law 15-167; D.C. Official Code § 2-1931 et seq.).
89	Sec. 5. Fiscal impact statement.
90	The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal
91	impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of
92	1975, approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).
93	Sec. 6. Effective date.
94	This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by
95	the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional
96	review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act,
97	approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and
98	publication in the District of Columbia Register.