



**District of Columbia Government  
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A  
Agenda for June 14, 2018**



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

- 7:00 pm **Call to order**
- 7:01 pm **Approve Previous Meeting's Minutes, Adopt Agenda**
- 7:02 pm **Community Presentations**  
DDOT presentation responding to requests for All Way Stop at Eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) & D St NE and Traffic Calming on 400-600 blocks of Tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) Street NE - Derek Voight, Traffic Operations and Safety  
LimeBike dockless bikeshare presentation - Jason Starr, D.C. General Manager  
Initiative 77 presentation - Ryan Aston, Restaurant Workers of America
- 7:45 pm **Officer Reports**  
1. Approve Treasurer's Report *pg. 10*
- 7:55 pm **Standing Committee Reports:**  
**Community Outreach *pg. 11***  
1. Approve May 2018 committee report.  
2. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, June 25, 2018 (4th Monday)
- 7:56 pm **Alcohol Beverage Licensing *pg. 12***  
1. Approve May 2018 committee report.  
2. **Recommendation:** ANC6A protest the request by Dangerously Delicious Pies (1339 H Street NE) for expansion to its second floor with outdoor seating unless a signed settlement agreement is submitted prior to the protest date, which requires the roof deck to be closed at 11:00 pm on weeknights and 12:00 am on weekends, with a three-month trial period where the ANC agrees to revisit the hours after that period has expired. If such a Settlement Agreement is reached, the ANC will submit a letter in support of a stipulated license for the substantial change.  
3. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, June 19, 2018 (3rd Tuesday)
- 8:05 pm **Transportation and Public Space *pg. 15***  
1. Approve May 2018 committee report.  
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT asking them to alter their plan for the C Street NE Rehabilitation project to revert it back as much as possible to what was presented to the community in February of 2018.  
3. **Suggested Motion:** ANC6A appoint Caitlin Rogger and Marc Brumer as new members of the T&PS committee.  
4. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, June 18, 2018 (3rd Monday)
- 8:20 pm **Economic Development and Zoning *pg. 22***  
1. Approve May 2018 committee report.  
2. **Recommendation:** ANC6A send a letter of support to BZA for special exceptions under Subtitle E § 5201(a), (b), and (f), from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, and from the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, to construct a rear



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addition to an existing nonconforming structure (C § 202.2) in the RF-1 Zone at 220  
Fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) Place NE (BZA #19792) on condition that the applicant makes their  
best effort to get a letter of support from 224 Fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) Place.

3. **Recommendation:** ANC6A appoint Nick Alberti as a new member of the ED&Z  
committee.
4. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, June 20, 2018 (3rd Wednesday)

- 8:30 pm    **New Business**
- 8:30 pm    **Single Member District reports** (1 minute each)
- 8:35 pm    **Community Comments** (2 minutes each)
- 8:45 pm    **Adjourn**



## Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Meeting Minutes of May 10, 2018



### Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Minutes Miner Elementary School May 10, 2018

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

The meeting convened at 7:05 pm.

Chairman Phil Toomajian called the meeting to order and announced the presence of a quorum. The minutes for the ANC April 2018 meeting were accepted, and the agenda for the May 2018 meeting was accepted without changes or objection.

Chairman Toomajian introduced Derek Voight (Traffic Operations and Safety Division) and Lee Goodall (Community Engagement Manager) of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT), who were present to report their findings after completing traffic studies on specific blocks and intersections that the ANC had previously flagged for safety concerns, namely 400-600 blocks of Tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) Street NE and the intersection of Eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) and D Streets NE. The ANC had requested that this intersection be converted into an all-way stop. Mr. Goodall distributed the DDOT Intersection Investigation Report on Eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) and D Streets NE for reference.

#### **Community Presentations**

##### Derek Voight, Traffic Operations and Safety Division, DDOT

Mr. Voight presented the Intersection Investigation Report on Eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) and D Streets NE to the Commission. He began by presenting crash history data of the intersection between January 2015 and March 2018, which indicated a positive, downward trend in police-reported crashes. DDOT performed a site visit on March 9, 2018, to view the intersection's geometry and operations. They concluded that the sightlines approaching the intersection were adequate, with the exception of illegally parked cars and a bush on the northeast corner. Mr. Voight stated that improving parking compliance through engineering countermeasures and discouraging illegally passing of vehicles, pedestrians will be more visible to motorists. He announced that DDOT will be conducting a "step out" survey using trained observers to determine the percentage of motorists that yield to pedestrians in the crosswalks at this intersection. Mr. Voight reported that following an all-way stop investigation, that the intersection did not meet the criteria to warrant an all-way stop as a traffic control device. Specifically, the intersection did not meet the criteria for volume thresholds (inclusive of pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicle volumes) and the historical crash data did not form a pattern where an all-way stop may ameliorate the issue. He clarified that volume threshold data was collected in July 2017 over a period of six (6) hours over one day. Mr. Voight put forth several engineering countermeasures, both near-term and long-term, that could be implemented to address the safety issues at the intersection in lieu of an all-way stop. Mr. Voight responded to numerous questions from the Commissioners and residents alike, including Lindy Campbell, owner of Music on the Hill, whose business is located at the intersection. Many questioned the logic behind gathering volume data during the summer season, when nearby schools are not in session, considering a major safety concern includes children utilizing the intersection, and that a one (1) day survey was insufficient to accurately capture volume data. It was also noted that "near misses" and unreported collisions or traffic incidents are not captured in the report's crash data. Both Commissioners and residents stated that their anecdotal, first hand experiences as neighbors and residents who use the intersection are in opposition to DDOT's findings; and most still support the creation of an all-way stop at



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the intersection. A number of Commissioners asked that DDOT reconsider the all-way stop, and Chairman Toomajian asked that an additional survey be executed when school is in session. Mr. Voight agreed, and moved on to another traffic issue in the area, Tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) Street NE. Mr. Voight stated that they just got data back from studies of this street, and still must analyze it before addressing the 400 and 500 block of 10th Street. They are looking at raised crosswalks and speed humps for the 600 block of this street where they are able to take immediate action due to the presence of the school and recreation center. DDOT will return with full recommendations at the Commission's June 2018 meeting.

### Anthony Hall, Director, Pre-Arrest Diversion Program, Department of Behavioral Health

Mr. Hall presented the mission and goal of the Pre-Arrest Diversion Program, which seeks to assist vulnerable individuals, such as those experiencing substance abuse or mental health disorders, with the opportunity to get assistance who may otherwise be arrested for low level crimes. The program empowers law enforcement to divert these individuals to the services that they need, and helps to break the cycle of arrest, release, and re-arrest. Mr. Hall described the pilot program and the use of Crisis Intervention Officers, who are trained to address psychiatric crises and partner with behavioral health providers. He stated the grim fact that the three largest behavioral health providers nationwide are prisons; more pre-arrest diversion programs are being piloted across the country in response to the opioid crisis and lawsuits related to low access to services. He stated that, with this program, the city is seeking to be proactive. The remaining fiscal year will be dedicated to developing and refining their processes and gathering data from Police Service Areas (PSAs) where the program is being piloted. They are concentrating on the Starburst Plaza area. Mr. Hall expressed a desire to receive feedback and also make residents aware of the program.

### **Officer Reports**

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Commissioner Stephanie Zimny presented the Treasurer's Report for April 2018 and announced one amendment, in the amount of \$966.50 (Check 1836), for the purchase of Chromebook laptops for Ludlow-Taylor Elementary School. Including this amendment, there were disbursements totaling \$1,885.50: \$450.00 to Irene Dworakowski (Check 1831) for agenda/web master services; \$200.00 (Check 1833) for the April 2018 minutes; \$97.00 (Check 1818) for FedEx printing; \$22.00 (Check 1835) for ANC6A's post office box; and \$150.00 (Check 1834) for website update services, leaving a balance of \$8,568.88 in the checking account. There is a balance of \$13,771.79, including a \$.022 interest deposit, in the savings account. The April 2018 report was approved by unanimous consent.

Commissioner Zimny also presented the first Quarterly Report. The total funds available during the quarter amounted to \$15, 872.47, the total disbursements amounted to \$8,636.56, and the ending balance was \$7,235.91.

The Quarterly Report was accepted by unanimous consent.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Community Outreach Committee (COC)**

The April 2018 report was accepted by unanimous consent.

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 21, 2018

#### **Alcohol Beverage Licensing (ABL)**

The April 2018 report was accepted by unanimous consent.



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Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 22, 2018

### **Transportation and Public Space (TPS)**

The Committee did not meet in April 2018.

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 21, 2018.

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

The April 2018 report was accepted by unanimous consent.

1. The Committee moved and Commissioner Mike Soderman seconded the motion to send a letter of support to the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) for a special exception under Subtitle H-1109.1(a), to operate an animal boarding use in an existing building in the NC-15 District at 1371 - 1375 H Street NE (BZA #19746). The owners were present at the meeting. The motion passed 8-0 on the condition that animal waste of those on the premises will be properly disposed of at the facility.
2. The Committee moved and Commissioner Calvin Ward seconded the motion to send a letter of support to BZA for special exceptions under Subtitle E § 5201 from the nonconforming structure requirements of Subtitle C § 202.2, from the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, and from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, to construct a two-story addition to an existing one-story rear addition to an attached principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 Zone at 121 Tennessee Avenue NE (BZA #19728), on condition that the applicant make best efforts to get signed letters of support from neighbors of 121 Tennessee Avenue NE.

The applicant and owner of the property, Patrick McGeehan, was in attendance, along with the architect for the project and a neighbor who supports the application. Many other neighbors in opposition to this project were also in attendance. The architect presented photos from a light study, which showed the neighboring residences would minimally impacted (about two feet extended shadow) in the afternoon in the summer. Many neighbors spoke in opposition to the addition, citing visual changes to the historical nature of the neighborhood, and the disruption that construction, including carting construction materials in the narrow alley, would make for neighbors. One neighbor spoke in support of the project, stating that Mr. McGeehan and his family are great neighbors and members of the community looking to provide for a growing family. Mr. McGeehan answered questions from the Commissioners about what compromises could be achieved in terms of construction materials, and Mr. McGeehan stated that he is open to using different materials. However, some opposing neighbors stated this would not be acceptable and not much could be done to change their minds. Mr. McGeehan stated that he has made best efforts to secure letters of support from neighbors and spoken with many.

After robust conversation, the motion passed 4-1 with 3 Commissioners abstaining.

3. The Committee moved and Commissioner Marie-Claire Brown seconded the motion to send a letter of support to the Zoning Commission for Gallaudet University's request to amend their 2012 Campus Plan to remove the Ballard North dormitory so that it can be demolished. The motion passed 8-0.
4. The Committee moved and Chairman Toomajian seconded the motion to accept the resignation of Michael Hoenig from the EDZ committee. The motion passed by unanimous consent.



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5. The Committee moved and Chairman Toomajian seconded the motion to appoint Laura Gentile as a new member of the EDZ committee. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

Next meeting - 7:00 pm, May 16, 2018

### **New Business**

There was no new business.

### **Single Member District Reports**

In the interest of time, there were no SMD reports presented.

### **Community Comments**

A climate economist asked that the ANC consider supporting the carbon fee and rebate legislation sponsored by DC Councilmember Mary Cheh.

Elizabeth Nelson, President of the Capitol Hill Restoration Society (CHRS), announced that the 61st Annual CHRS House & Garden Tour will take place on May 12 -13, 2018.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.



# Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Community Presentations







# Commission Letters of May 10, 2018, 2017 Meeting



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



May 11, 2018

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

Re: BZA Case No. 19746 (1371 1375 H Street, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on May 10, 2018, our Commission voted 8-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for a special exception under Subtitle H-1109.1(a), to operate an animal boarding use in an existing building in the NC-15 District. The Commission voted to support the application on the condition that the applicant commit to storing the waste from the animals boarded on site in their own waste receptacles so as to minimize the community impact of their operations.

The owner of Atlas Doghouse has taken measures to ensure that the use of this building as a dog daycare and boarding facility will not disrupt the privacy, air and light of neighbors. The owner has proven that the special exception criteria have been met through a review of their procedures and procedures for care and control of the dogs. The ANC believes that this use will not substantially intrude upon the character, scale, and pattern of businesses and houses in the neighborhood.

Please be advised that Brad Greenfield and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at [philanc6a@gmail.com](mailto:philanc6a@gmail.com) and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at [brad.greenfield@gmail.com](mailto:brad.greenfield@gmail.com).

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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Re: BZA Case No. 19728 (121 Tennessee Avenue, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on May 10, 2018, our Commission voted 4-1 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for special exceptions under Subtitle E § 5201 from the nonconforming structure requirements of Subtitle C § 202.2, from the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, and from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, to construct a two-story addition to an existing one-story rear addition to an attached principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 Zone.

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

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# Officer Reports - Treasurer



ANC May 2018

Period Covered 5/1/2018-5/31/2018

**Checking Account:**

Total Funds Available			\$	8,568.88
Disbursements:				
Irene Dworakowski (Agenda/Web Master 2018)	CK#1837	\$	450.00	
FedEx	CK#1838	\$	113.00	
Note Taking	CK#1839	\$	200.00	
Total Disbursements			\$	763.00
Ending Balance			\$	7,805.88

**Savings Account:**

Balance Forwarded			\$	13,771.79
Receipt: Interest	05/13/18		\$	0.22
Deposit -				
Total Receipts			\$	0.22
Total Funds Available			\$	13,772.01
Disbursements			\$	-
Ending Balance			\$	13,772.01

**PETTY CASH SUMMARY**

Balance Forwarded		\$	25.00
Deposit to Petty Cash		\$	-
Total Funds Available		\$	25.00
Disburs:			
Total Disbursements		\$	-
Ending Balance		\$	25.00



## Committee Reports

### Community Outreach Committee (COC)



#### Minutes

ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC) of  
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A  
Regular Meeting - May 21, 2018  
Eastern Senior High School  
1700 East Capitol Street NE, Washington DC

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm.

Quorum Present

**COC members present:** Roni Hollmon (Chair), Gladys Mack

**COC members absent:** Joyce West

**ANC Commissioners present:** None

**Community members present:** Katelyn Hollmon

The Committee discussed how to handle dividing up the checking of the links on the website. The Committee decided to table the discussion until Ms. Joyce West could be in attendance at a future meeting.

Ms. Gladys Mack suggested that it would be helpful to have pictures of the chairs of the ANC 6A committees on the website, so that the community can identify them when they see them out and about in the community. Ms. Roni Hollmon had no objections and could see how that could be useful. Ms. Hollmon said she would raise the matter with the Commissioners at the June 2018 ANC 6A meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

**The next regular meeting of the ANC 6A COC**  
**Monday, June 25, 2018 at 7:00 pm**  
**Eastern Senior High School Parent Center, 1700 East Capitol Street NE**  
**(enter from East Capitol Street)**



## Committee Reports

### Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



#### Minutes

#### Alcoholic Beverage Licensing (ABL) Committee

#### Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A

#### May 15, 2018

Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee (“Committee”) of ANC 6A was held commencing at 7:00 pm on May 15, 2018 at Sherwood Recreation Center, 640 Tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) Street NE, Washington, DC 20002.

**Committee Members Present:** Jay Williams (Co-Chair), Christopher Seagle (Co-Chair), and Michael Herman.

**Committee Members Absent:** Justin Rzepka, Roger Caruth, and Mark Samburg.

**Commissioners Present:** None.

**Community Members Present:** Katie Sullivan (Dangerously Delicious Pies), Sandra Basanti (Dangerously Delicious Pies), Larry Janezich (Capitol Hill Corner), Ramsey Taylor, Leonia Carter (Naomi’s Ladder/Smokin’ Pig), Patrick McKinnis (Naomi’s Ladder/Smokin’ Pig), Alice Lugo, Megan Uzzell.

#### I. Call to Order

Mr. Jay Williams called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. The meeting proceeded with a quorum present. Mr. Williams suggested that the discussion of Dangerously Delicious Pies go first on the agenda, and there were no objections.

#### II. Community Comment

None.

#### III. Old Business

None.

#### IV. New Business

##### A. Discussion of request by Dangerously Delicious Pies (1339 H Street NE, License No. ABRA-087422) for expansion to second floor with outdoor seating, and for a stipulated license while the placard is pending.

- Ms. Sandra Basanti introduced herself as one of the owners of the establishment, which opened in 2010.
- The establishment is in the process of building out its second floor, which is something they have been working on for two years. The second floor will serve as an additional dining room for customers, along with a full bar.
- They will also add a summer garden roof deck with additional seating. The only plans for the roof deck involve extra seating, not any other amenities.
- Ms. Basanti stated that they hope to get a letter of support from the ANC so that they can operate the second floor and roof deck prior to the end of the placard period.
- Mr. Williams asked what the expected timing was for the placard. Ms. Basanti stated that they plan to submit everything tomorrow (May 16, 2018) and will know the placard date soon after that.
- Mr. Williams asked when they hoped to have the second floor opened if they had a letter of support. Ms Basanti responded that they were aiming for three weeks. Mr. Williams



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### Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



explained that the ABL Committee could not issue a letter in support; it could only make a recommendation to the full ANC, which would have to vote to approve such a letter at its June 2018 meeting.

- Mr. Christopher Seagle asked where the roof deck would be located. Ms. Basanti stated it would be on the back side of the second floor, and that it would be buffered from the rest of the alley by a “hay loft” building.
- Mr. Seagle clarified whether the establishment intended to do anything on the roof deck other than seating. Ms Basanti said that is correct, they had no plans for music of any type.
- Mr. Michael Herman asked if there were any plans for recorded music on the roof deck, and Ms. Basanti said there were not.
- Mr. Williams asked what hours the establishment was seeking for its roof deck. Ms. Basanti said they were hoping for hours similar to H Street Country Club, which could keep the front part of its deck open until 2:00 am on weekends.
- Mr. Williams asked whether the roof was enclosed. Ms. Basanti responded that there is currently a fence surrounding the roof deck that is approximately 4 feet high.
- Mr. Williams stated that he was not comfortable agreeing to hours later than the ANC’s standard roof deck hours of 11:00 pm/12:00 am without an established track record of no noise issues, which is how H Street Country Club got its extension. He noted that he was confident Dangerously Delicious would not have any problems, given the lack of music and the buffer in the alley, but he still wanted to see how the roof deck operated before considering later hours.
- Mr. Ramsey Taylor, a neighbor, stated that he would likely support later hours on the roof deck as long as they are not playing music outside, but that he generally supported the trial period first.

Mr. Williams moved, seconded by Mr. Seagle, to recommend that the ANC protest the request by Dangerously Delicious Pies (1339 H Street NE) for expansion to its second floor with outdoor seating unless a signed settlement agreement is submitted prior to the protest date, which requires the roof deck to be closed at 11:00 pm on weeknights and 12:00 am on weekends, with a three-month trial period where the ANC agrees to revisit the hours after that period has expired. If such a Settlement Agreement is reached, the ANC will submit a letter in support of a stipulated license for the substantial change. The motion passed 3-0.

#### **B. Discussion of new establishment, Smokin’ Pig (1208 H Street NE), potential transfer of license from Touché (1123 H Street NE), and request for a stipulated license while the placard is pending.**

- Ms. Leonia Carter introduced herself and Mr. Patrick McKinnis as representatives of the operations team at the new establishment and also for owner Cynthia Gibson.
- Mr. Seagle asked if there were any owners other than Ms. Gibson, and Ms. Carter said there were not; Ms. Gibson is the 100% owner.
- Ms. Carter stated that they hope to get full operating status once construction is complete, opening a casual dining establishment that also serves craft beer, whiskey, and wine. The plan is to transfer the license from Touché, and although there is an entertainment endorsement, they have no plans to use it.
- Mr. Williams asked what their anticipated timing was. Mr. McKinnis stated that the goal is to open by July 1, 2018.



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- Mr. McKinnis stated that the focus of the establishment is the barbecue, and that he has received pitmaster training in the past.
- Mr. Williams asked if there were any plans for outdoor seating. Ms. Carter said there were not and that the rear of the building is taken up by refrigerators and other appliances. She noted that there is a roll-up garage-type door in the front that they would open when the weather is nice.
- Mr. Williams asked what the status of the license transfer was. Ms. Carter said that they submitted the request to the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA) today, and the landlord audit was just completed. All outstanding issues with the prior space and the license have been resolved.
- Mr. Williams asked Ms. Carter if she knew what the plans were for the former Touché space. Ms. Carter said she did not know, as they do not own the property and did not renew their lease. She has not heard what the owner plans to do.
- Mr. Seagle inquired why they did not use the Kitty's Saloon license. Ms. Carter said she was not sure that was even an option.
- Ms. Megan Uzzell stated that it was helpful to hear the representatives acknowledge past issues at Touché, but she wanted to know what was actually done to resolve the issues with ABRA. Ms. Carter stated that she apologized for the issues on behalf of the new ownership and the team.
- Mr. Williams explained that the ANC would be very skeptical of any new establishment at the Touché space due to the history there.
- Ms. Uzzell asked what the new owners were planning to do to ensure that past issues aren't repeated. Mr. Seagle noted that similar promises were made when Touché took over from XII, and yet many of the same issues persisted.
- Mr. Seagle also noted a report from ABRA about an illegal marijuana event being hosted at Touché in December of 2017. Mr. Williams stated that Ms. Gibson, the owner of Smokin' Pig, was the owner of Touché at the time of the marijuana event, and that gives him concerns about how a new establishment would be run.
- Ms. Carter stated that Touché ended up being simply an "extension" of XII and that Bernard Gibson got away from their original "supper club" idea. She stated that Ms. Gibson wants to go in a new direction with Smokin' Pig.
- Ms. Uzzell asked if the new management was involved with Touché. Ms. Carter said that Mr. McKinnis was the kitchen manager at Touché, and that she was a bartender and assistant bar manager and will be the bar manager for Smokin' Pig.
- Mr. Seagle asked Ms. Carter if she was working the day of the marijuana event. Ms. Carter said she was not.
- Mr. Seagle asked what reasons were given for Touché's closure. Ms. Carter said "logistics."
- Mr. Seagle asked why Ms. Gibson was not present at this meeting. Ms. Carter said she was not sure, but that she would make sure Ms. Gibson attends the next meeting. Mr. Williams and Mr. Seagle both asked that Ms. Gibson attend the next ANC 6A meeting in June and the June ABL Committee meeting.
- Mr. Williams, Mr. Seagle, and Mr. Herman all agreed that at this time the ABL should not issue any recommendations until more Ms. Gibson attends meetings to describe her plans.

#### V. Adjourn

The Committee adjourned at 7:52 pm.



## Committee Reports

### Transportation and Public Space (T&PS)



#### AGENDA

ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting  
Capitol Hill Towers, 900 G Street NE  
May 21, 2018 at 7:00 pm

- I. Called meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
- II. Introductions (5 minutes)
  - A. Committee members in attendance: Chair Todd Sloves, Elizabeth Nelson, Jeff Fletcher.
  - B. Commissioners in attendance: Amber Gove (6A04), Sondra Phillips-Gilbert (6A07), Calvin Ward (6A08)
- III. Announcements
  - A. ANC 6A is seeking volunteer committee members.
  - B. Item V-C relating to On the Rocks will be postponed to next month because the applicants are not ready to present.
- IV. Community Comment (5 minutes) - None.
- V. New Business
  - A. Presentation from the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) regarding progress of Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) Street NE redesign project - 30 minutes
    - i. Mike Gales of RK&K, the construction manager for the Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) Street project for DDOT, gave a brief overview of the status of the project. The project is on track for completion the July 24, 2018 contractual end-date. The entire project is at 85%. Washington Gas must finish their work by mid-June in order to stay on schedule.
    - ii. All that is really left in ANC 6A is installation of raised crosswalk at A Street NE, traffic signal upgrades, lighting poles, and a few sections of paving.
    - iii. They will re-do an island at the E Street NE intersection to make it smaller. Drivers have trouble getting around it. They will also put up signage lowering the speed limit at the turn to 15 mph from the current 20 mph. The existing tree and planted area will not be affected.
    - iv. A neighbor on the 200 Block of Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) Street NE asked if the paving will be done all at once.
      1. Mr. Gales responded that that was unlikely, and that they will need 2-3 weeks to finish the paving. Technically, they cannot contractually require subcontractors to do anything prior to the end of the contractual date of July 24, 2018. Until then, subcontractors can set their own schedule.
    - v. A neighbor asked about the LED lighting and whether the fixtures would be similar to the ones on Benning Road.
      1. Mr. Gales said he was unsure, but probably more akin to the newer ones around Capitol Hill.
    - vi. Commissioner Amber Gove said that there were currently two sets of traffic signal poles and that in some cases they were making it hard to see the pedestrian signals. She asked when the old signals will be removed.
      1. Mr. Gales said they need Pepco to come and swap the power to the new signals, and that the old ones would be removed once that happened, likely sometime in





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June 2018. Also, if any road signs are blocked, call 311, but note that they usually do not trim trees until the fall because it is bad for the tree.

- B. Consideration of ANC 6A recommendations regarding C Street NE Rehabilitation project - 30 minutes
- i. Chair Sloves introduced Sam Zimbabwe with DDOT. He directed residents to raise their initial concerns, and then Mr. Zimbabwe will walk through the status of the C Street NE project and why certain changes were made.
  - ii. Mr. Rick Trumbull, 1500 block of C Street NE, said the new version of the C Street Rehabilitation plan was a step backward. He opposes adding a lane of traffic back, he opposes the removal of parking and the removal of curb bump-outs. DDOT should also do traffic calming at the Fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) Street and C Street NE intersection sooner.
  - iii. Commissioner Calvin Ward said the original plans were much better than the revised version. Additional traffic on Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) Street NE is a concern. Safety is the biggest issue.
  - iv. Mr. Zimbabwe gave an overview of how DDOT came to revise the plan. They said after presenting the 65% designs in February 2018, they identified problems with the original traffic modeling data. They thought at that time that removing a lane of traffic would be okay, but with the new data, they had serious concerns regarding the amount of congestion it would create. The high volume of right turn lanes creates problems for a protected bike lane; in the wake of new guidance released on this subject, they decided there needed to be a separate traffic light phase to allow for bikes to cross. All that being said, in the wake of recent public meetings, DDOT has heard very clearly that these changes went too far in the opposite direction. They will bring back a revised plan and seek to present to the community in mid-June 2018. They will let us know what the process is and provide the revised plans to ANCs ahead of the meeting so residents can review it beforehand. They will likely restore the bump-outs, reduce parking loss on the 1600 and 1900 blocks of C Street NE, and make other changes.
  - v. One neighbor said having red right-turn arrows with dedicated turn lanes would not prevent drivers from making the right turn anyway. He has seen drivers disregard it and turn through the red arrow anyway. Bikers would not actually be protected. The only way to protect bikers is through bulb-outs that force drivers to make slower turns.
  - vi. Commissioner Sondra Phillips-Gilbert asked for confirmation that the plans would be put out to the community prior to the June 2018 meeting. Mr. Zimbabwe confirmed that would be the case.
  - vii. A neighbor asked about plans to eliminate north-bound traffic on Twenty-First (21<sup>st</sup>) Street NE. Mr. Zimbabwe clarified that they were not eliminating the traffic, rather making some changes to traffic patterns to improve safety.
  - viii. Anders Pedersen with ANC 7D pointed out that the changes that were made to the plan based on these new assumptions run counter to two prior multi-corridor studies, and DDOT needs to justify those contradictions before moving forward. He also said that at the 65% meeting, everyone thought they were ready to go with the plan, so the fact that DDOT came back with something drastically different is what has provoked outrage.



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- ix. Commissioner Gove said she had concerns regarding obligations under the federal Safe Routes to School program and wants to know how this revised plan meets goals and slows down turns. She added that all of the city's assumptions for transportation projects are based on fewer car usage in the district, but this revision does not prioritize that goal. She added that the process by which this revision was carried out eroded public trust.
    1. Mr. Zimbabwe countered that because their initial assumptions about the data were flawed, DDOT had to make revisions in order to *maintain* the public trust in the process.
  - x. Ms. Elizabeth Nelson raised the need to get a system that can enforce stopping in the crosswalk and the intersection when there is congestion.
    1. Mr. Zimbabwe recalled a plan to do this a few years ago, but the technology was not quite there and the contractor had overstated its effectiveness.
  - xi. A neighbor asked when the new right-turn data was collected and over how long of a period. Mr. Zimbabwe said it was from early 2018, but did not have specifics on the process and would get more information on that.
  - xii. A neighbor asked about the possibility of widening I-295 in order to alleviate congestion. Mr. Zimbabwe said there were no plans to do that.
  - xiii. Another neighbor pointed out that it seems the bottleneck along the C Street corridor is moving farther east. Mr. Zimbabwe pointed out that two (2) through lanes will still be a challenge. The reality is that there will be congestion due to the volume of traffic.
  - xiv. A neighbor, Ms. Rogger, asked if the various teams at DDOT working on sustainability initiatives and if those working on specific redesigns are working together. Mr. Zimbabwe said he works on all of this, so, yes, they are coordinated.
  - xv. ***Recommendation: Commissioner Gove moved that the Committee recommend ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT asking them to alter their plan for the C Street NE Rehabilitation project to revert it back as much as possible to what was presented to the community in February 2018. The motion was seconded by Chair Sloves and passed 6 - 0 with the support of Commissioners Gove, Phillips-Gilbert, and Ward.***
- C. Request by On the Rocks (1242 H Street NE) to offer valet parking - 20 minutes
- i. Applicants asked to postpone to the June 2018 meeting.
- VI. Additional Community Comment (time permitting)
- A. Ms. Nelson recommended the Committee look into encouraging bikers to use available bike lanes rather than sidewalks, when available.
- VII. Adjourned meeting at 8:18 pm.



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June XX, 2018

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

Re: C Street NE 65% Revised Design

Dear Director Marootian:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on June 8, 2017, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to send this letter expressing our opposition to DDOT's updated C Street NE design proposal of April 26, 2018. This letter serves as an extension of support for the letter from Advisory Neighborhood Commission 7D of May 8, 2018.

The DDOT designs presented at the April 2018 community meeting, based on a recalibration of the volume and traffic models for the corridor: a) present greater risks to residents and students; b) focus on peak-hour conditions to the detriment of all other times; c) do not adequately improve current conditions; and d) subvert a decade-long public consensus-building process.

In response to the community opposition, DDOT posted a June 2018 revision, which reinstates many, but not all, of the safety features of prior designs. The June designs also rely on new calculations for traffic volume in 2040, which do not reflect the Mayor's long-term commitment to improved transit or the principles of VisionZero and Move DC. Furthermore, our Commission remains concerned regarding the April and June designs, for the following reasons:

### **Greater risk to Residents, including Children and Youth**

Thousands of residents live and transit through the C Street NE project area, which transects two Single Member Districts (7D and 6A) and is adjacent to another (6B). Many of those residents have long-endured the 1960s street design which prioritizes the rapid movement of vehicles over the safety and well-being of residents, pedestrians and cyclists. In addition, there are five schools (Apple Tree Early Childhood Center, Eliot-Hine Middle School, Eastern High School, Monument Academy and Friendship Public Charter School) in the vicinity that are impacted. The revised designs, when compared to prior versions, represent a substantial reduction in safety for residents as well as the more than 2,000 school children and their teachers, staff and families who regularly transit through the area. Children and elderly pedestrians are the most vulnerable to severe injury or death; according to the CDC, pedestrians ages 65 and older accounted for nineteen percent (19%) of all pedestrian deaths and an estimated thirteen percent (13%) of all pedestrians injured in 2015, while one in every five children under the age of 15 who were killed in traffic crashes were

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pedestrians.<sup>1</sup> Slowing speeds saves lives, particularly for the elderly: a 70 year old hit by a car going 35 miles per hour (mph) has a 50/50 chance of survival.<sup>2</sup>

#### **Focus on Peak Hour conditions to the detriment of all other times**

In DDOT's plans and justification for the changes, a recurring focus is the impact to peak hour conditions, which are primarily the 7:00–9:00 am period during weekdays, a total of ten (10) hours per week. Reducing delays during this period will lead to increased speeding at all other times, which are typically not congested. Specific choices like moving the bus bulb at Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) Street NE are related to this focus on peak hours. In all instances, we favor the decision which will slow traffic the most, create the shortest crossing distances for pedestrians, and the fastest boarding and alighting for transit riders, as opposed to catering to rush hour flows into and through this corridor. It is important to remember that rush hour commuters have many choices of routes and decide their route based on what is fastest and poses the least friction for their trip. For our neighborhood, we choose to not be the fastest route or the one with the least friction, and are comfortable with the consequences DDOT has described, including the "F" level of service during some peak hour times. We expect that such slowing would result in changed behavior and would encourage drivers to select another route (most likely Route 295) or another method of transit.

#### **Inadequate response to current unsafe conditions**

As a community that already bears the burden of traffic congestion, noise, vibrations, and crashes, our ANC objects to the continued prioritization of traffic flows over the health and safety of our residents. Recent incidents include: crash of a vehicle into the yard of the ANC Commissioner for 6A08, a fatal accident adjacent at Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) and E Streets NE, a crash at Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) and C Streets NE, four (4) high speed crashes in as many years at 258 Fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) Street NE as well as the chronic problem of speeding as documented by MPD's recent enforcement activities in which more than thirty (30) drivers were ticketed for speeds in excess of 25 mph above the speed limit. Drivers speed on both Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) and Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) Streets NE to catch the lights, resulting in crashes and numerous near-misses. Even with the recent changes to Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) Street NE, the absence of a signalized left turn cycle from Westbound C Street to Southbound Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) Street NE and signage permitting dual turning lanes generates aggressive driving and threats to pedestrians crossing Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) Street NE (south side of C Street). The February designs represent a much safer approach to remedy these challenges and we ask that DDOT continue to make efforts to revert to those designs.

#### **Subversion of a ten (10) year public process**

Two separate designs from trusted engineering firms, as well as considerable community input over the course of a decade, led to the proposal as presented in February 2018. The April 2018 version represented a step backward as it proposed to: eliminate nearly all of the curb extensions on the north side of C Street NE, increase the number of westbound traffic lanes, permanently eliminate on-street parking on the 1600 and 1900 blocks of C Street NE, introduce an additional lane of traffic in the form of a right-turn signal to direct traffic from C Street to Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) Street NE, and eliminate numerous other safety features. If the changes as proposed in the April 2018 designs were to be put into place, the Mayor's initiatives of MoveDC and VisionZero would be threatened in the area. Furthermore, undermining ten (10) years of research and data with no credible rationale (the April design was presented without sufficient explanation), subverts the

<sup>1</sup> [https://www.cdc.gov/motorvehiclesafety/pedestrian\\_safety/index.html](https://www.cdc.gov/motorvehiclesafety/pedestrian_safety/index.html)

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.propublica.org/article/unsafe-at-many-speeds>



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public process and erodes DDOT's ability to act as a trusted public service agency. Instead, DDOT should be a model for good public policy which relies on evidence to generate the greatest amount of benefit for the most number of people at the least cost.

#### June 2018 65% Design Comments

The following are specific comments related to the June Design:

1. Correct Speed Calculations to Reflect School Zone Limits. The posted speed limit on C between Eighteenth (18<sup>th</sup>) and Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) Streets NE is 15 mph during school hours; Table 1 states that the posted limit is 25 mph. Please amend analysis on page 7 to reflect speeding during times when the posted speed is 15 mph.
2. Sidewalks at Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) Street NE. Sidewalks should not zig-zag through intersections. The June 2018 design dictates that C Street pedestrians will zig-zag when crossing Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) Street NE.
3. No Turn on Red. Safe Routes to School guidance suggests that school zones ensure there is No Turn on Red posted throughout the corridor. Please amend.
4. Signalized Left Turns. Left turn signals for Eastbound at Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) Street NE and Westbound at Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) Street NE would improve safety for drivers, pedestrians and cyclists. Please consider a left turn signal at these intersections.
5. Lane Width: Lane width has been shown to directly correlate with speeding vehicles. The wider the lane, the more a vehicle is likely to travel at high speeds. Because this is a school zone with a high volume of pedestrians and cyclists, we request that each vehicle lane be no more than ten (10) feet wide. The June 2018 plan shows an inner WB lane to be eleven (11) feet wide, while the other through-traffic lanes and right-turn lanes are ten (10) feet wide. Once Westbound vehicles get down to Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>)/Sixteenth (16<sup>th</sup>) Streets NE, the two lanes widen to eleven (11) feet. Please keep ten (10) foot lanes throughout the entire corridor to reduce speeding.
6. Reallocation of Westbound Lane Width (1900 block of C Street NE). On the 1900 block of C Street NE, the right turn and center through-traffic lane are ten (10) feet wide, while the left-most through traffic lane is eleven (11) feet wide. After reducing the inner Westbound lane from eleven (11) feet to ten (10) feet, we request that the "leftover" foot be applied to the protected bike lane. On the Westbound 1900 block of C Street NE, the protected bike lane is currently five (5) feet wide, which is one (1) foot less than other parts of the corridor. Please reduce the left-most through-traffic lane by one (1) foot and increase the bicycle lane by one (1) foot. This reallocation will also give turning vehicles a slightly longer sight line when crossing pedestrian/cyclist lanes.
7. Raised Bicycle Lane and Permanent Barrier between Parking and Bicycle Lane (1900 block of C Street NE). On the 1900 block of C Street NE, DDOT has proposed a row of flex-posts to separate the bicycle lane from the parking lane. To increase safety for cyclists, we request that the bicycle lane be raised above the parking lane, creating a permanent barrier between cyclists and parking/traffic. This will also help make the cyclists more visible to vehicles that are moving through the corridor.
8. Raised Crosswalks. The new design does not indicate any intention of raising crosswalks, despite being recommended in the *C Street Multimodal Corridor Study*. Please consider raised crosswalks in the school zone as well as throughout the corridor.
9. Textured Crosswalks. In locations where raised crosswalks were not recommended in the *C Street Multimodal Corridor Study* (Seventeenth (17<sup>th</sup>) and Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) Street NE intersections), we recommend bumpy textured crosswalks be implemented as a traffic calming measure.
10. Eastbound Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>)/C Street NE Bus Stop: Align with School Entrances. Please keep the bus stop in its current (2018) location at the southwest corner of the intersection. This will improve safety





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because children who use the bus to get to school will not need to cross the street to enter Eliot Hine and Eastern High. The location of the current (2018) bus stop was due to be moved from the southwest corner to the southeast corner to accommodate the elimination of the Twenty-First (21<sup>st</sup>) Street NE bus stop. Now that the Twenty-First (21<sup>st</sup>) Street NE bus stop has been reintroduced, there is no need to move the Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) Street NE bus stop across the street from the schools.

11. Bike Box at Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) and C Streets NE. The southern part of the C/Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) Street NE intersection, facing north, needs to have a bike box placed on the left side of the street rather than the right side because the bicycle lane on the northern side of Nineteenth (19<sup>th</sup>) Street NE is located on the left.
12. Bus Stops Throughout the corridor, we believe the bus stops in the westbound direction should load in the travel lane, rather than pulling-in to a bus stop. This will have the slight positive effect of slowing traffic through the corridor, and speeding bus service as compared to pulling into a lay-by stop.

In summary, we ask that DDOT build for the future that our public leaders proclaim they want to see: a safer, greener, healthier C Street corridor that can be used by residents, students and commuters, whatever their form of travel. Such a future must de-prioritize single occupancy vehicle traffic in favor of transit, pedestrian and bicycle-friendly infrastructure. In addition to the well-known societal and environmental benefits, there are direct health benefits to changing behavior: one recent study showed that more active patterns of commuting (defined as transit, walking or bicycling) compared with exclusive car use were associated with an eleven percent (11%) lower relative risk of developing heart disease or stroke and a thirty percent (30%) lower relative risk of death from heart disease or stroke.<sup>1</sup>

Transit-rich cities are also more equitable and most benefit residents on the lower end of the income distribution; in areas where cars are the only transportation option, low-income households bear a disproportionately high burden of the costs of owning and maintaining a vehicle. The design proposed in February 2018 is a step forward in meeting DC's vision for the future. Accordingly, we ask that DDOT reject all of the changes proposed in the April 2018 design and consider the above comments regarding the June 2018 design.

Thank you for giving great weight to the concerns of ANC 6A as you work to finalize the next iterations of designs for the C Street Rehabilitation project. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at [philanc6a@gmail.com](mailto:philanc6a@gmail.com), to ANC6A04 Commissioner Amber Gove at [amberanc6a@gmail.com](mailto:amberanc6a@gmail.com) and to ANC6A08 Commissioner Calvin Ward at [cward6a08@gmail.com](mailto:cward6a08@gmail.com).

On behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian,  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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<sup>1</sup>[https://theconversation.com/ditching-the-car-may-reduce-your-risk-of-dying-from-heart-disease-and-stroke-by-almost-a-third-96817?utm\\_campaign=Echobox&utm\\_medium=Social&utm\\_source=Twitter#link\\_time=1526981475](https://theconversation.com/ditching-the-car-may-reduce-your-risk-of-dying-from-heart-disease-and-stroke-by-almost-a-third-96817?utm_campaign=Echobox&utm_medium=Social&utm_source=Twitter#link_time=1526981475)



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### Report of the Economic Development and Zoning (ED&Z) Committee of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A

Sherwood Recreation Center, 640 Tenth (10th) Street NE

May 16, 2018

#### **Present:**

Members: Missy Boyette, Laura Gentile, Brad Greenfield, Ruth Ann Hudson

Commissioners: None

Brad Greenfield chaired the meeting.

#### **Community Comment**

None.

#### **Old Business**

121 Tennessee Avenue - The ANC voted 4:1 to support the EDZ recommendation that the property owner be granted the requested relief from zoning requirements necessary to allow construct of a two-story addition to an existing one-story rear addition to an attached principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 Zone.

Gallaudet University - The ANC voted to support the EDZ recommendation to grant the request for relief necessary to modify their 2012 Campus Plan to remove the Ballard North dormitory.

Emerald Street Historic Guidelines - Mr. Greenfield reported that a request had been made to add an educational session tonight with the Office of Planning to discuss proposed Emerald Street Historic Guidelines. Unfortunately, due to a scheduling mishap, the Office of Planning was not present. The Committee agreed that consideration of the Emerald Street Historic Guidelines would take place in the June 2018 meeting.

#### **New Business**

1. 220 Fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) Place, NE (BZA Case No. 19792): The applicant is requesting a special exception from the lot occupancy, the rear yard, and nonconforming structure requirements to construct a rear addition to an existing principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 District. Ms. Laura Furr, one of the owners, presented the case to the EDZ. The Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) has not scheduled a hearing for this project yet.

The building is a single family attached home constructed circa 1916. The applicant is proposing to replace the existing one-story rear ell of their house with a two-story addition; increase lot occupancy to 68% (where only 60% is permitted); and maintain the rear yard (which is already nonconforming) depth of 18.9 feet (where 20 feet is required). The applicant is requesting lot occupancy relief to fill in the rear-dogleg.

In response to questions by Missy Boyette, the applicant provided the following information: 1) the outdoor mechanical equipment will remain in its current location on the roof, and 2) there is no change planned to the slope of the roof. Roof drainage flows into permeable pavers in the backyard.

The addition will not be visible from the street but will be visible from the alley. The applicant provided letters of support from two neighbors whose homes are immediately adjacent. The applicant has not been successful in reaching the neighbors who live across the alley. Mr. Greenfield suggested that the applicant reach out to all neighbors who will be able to see the addition from their homes. Ms. Furr also noted that she has been unsuccessful in getting a letter of support from their neighbor to the north at 224 Fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) Place because the building has been vacant for





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approximately eight years. Mr. Greenfield suggested that the applicant conduct more neighborhood outreach before the case will be heard at the June 2018 ANC meeting.

Mr. Greenfield made a motion that the EDZ support the project on the condition that the applicant makes their best effort to get a letter of support from 224 Fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) Place. Ms. Boyette seconded the motion, which passed 4-0.

The applicant agreed to mail the letter to Mr. Greenfield and to bring the letter to the upcoming ANC meeting.

2. Nomination of Mr. Nick Alberti to EDZ - Mr. Greenfield reported that Mr. Alberti, who was in attendance at the meeting, was interested in joining the Committee. Mr. Greenfield made a motion that the Committee nominate Mr. Alberti to the Committee. Laura Gentile seconded the motion, which passed 4-0.

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

### **Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting:**

**June 20, 2018**

**7:00 -9:00 pm**

**640 Tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) Street NE Sherwood Recreation Center, Second (2nd) Floor**



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June XX, 2018

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

Re: BZA Case No. 19792 (220 14<sup>th</sup> Place, NE)

Dear Mr. Moy,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on June 14, 2018<sup>1</sup>, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for special exceptions under Subtitle E § 5201(a), (b), and (f), from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, and from the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, to construct a rear addition to an existing nonconforming structure (C § 202.2) in the RF-1 Zone.

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

Please be advised that Brad Greenfield and I are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at [philanc6a@gmail.com](mailto:philanc6a@gmail.com) and Mr. Greenfield can be contacted at [brad.greenfield@gmail.com](mailto:brad.greenfield@gmail.com).

On Behalf of the Commission,

Phil Toomajian  
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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