

#### District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Agenda for June 11, 2020



Second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Thursdays at 7:00 pm Call-in Conference via WebEx

Call-in Number: 202-860-2110 - Meeting number (access code): 160 020 7429

For those attending via WebEx: use this link:

https://dcnet.webex.com/dcnet/onstage/g.php?MTID=e249d02eb271b8b6cb0140b15f457ecbf Public Meeting - All are welcome.

7:00 pm Call to order

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

7:05 pm Officer Reports pg. 12

1. Approve Treasurer's Report

#### 7:10 pm **New Business** *pg.13*

- 1. **Suggested Motion:** ANC 6A approve a grant in the amount of \$3,000 to Serve Your City/Ward-6 Mutual Aid Network to purchase: 1. refrigeration unit for food storage at distribution sites, 2. disposable masks and supplies for making reusable masks, 3. electronic devices to assist students with distance learning, and 4. to print culturally-sensitive public health materials. (Gove)
- 2. **Suggested Motion:** ANC 6A send a letter of support to to Mr. Clifford Dixon, Permit Expeditor regarding permits for excavation (EX1900033), foundation (FD1900021) and building (B1905590) that would allow work by the Eliot-Hine Middle School construction team for extended work hours from 6:00 am to 2:00 am Monday through Saturday **for interior work only** in order to expedite completion of the building in time for the new school year. (Gove)
- 3. Suggested Motion: Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert requests that the Commission authorize \$500 to be placed in the budget for printing of materials related to public purposes, and if there is a need to increase this amount the Commission can do so any time between now and the end of the Fiscal year. The authorization is requested based on our Commission's by-laws which state that "No expenditure of any amount shall be made without the specific authorization of the Commission."

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

#### 7:20 pm Transportation and Public Space pg. 43

- 1. Approve May 2020 committee report.
- 2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT (now that automated traffic enforcement is in their purview) requesting that they consider a list of locations for speed and/or red-light cameras.
- 3. Next meeting 7:00 pm, June 15, 2020 (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday) via WebEx.

#### Alcohol Beverage Licensing pg. 51

- 1. Approve May 2020 committee report.
- 2. **Suggested Motion:** ANC 6A amend its settlement agreement with Callister Technology and Entertainment, LLC, t/a Duffy's Irish Pub at 1016 H Street NE (ABRA# 111076) to permit amplified sounds in the summer garden until 11:30 pm Sunday through



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Thursday evenings and 12:30 am on Friday and Saturday evenings and the evenings before federal and District of Columbia holidays.

3. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, June 16, 2020 (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday) via WebEx.

#### Economic Development and Zoning pg. 53

- 1. Approve May 2020 committee report.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, June 17, 2020 (3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday) via WebEx.

#### Community Outreach pg. 55

- 1. Approve May 2020 committee report.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, June 22, 2020 (4th Monday) via WebEx.

Any cancellations of the June 2020 ANC 6A Committee meetings will be posted under Community Calendar at anc6a.org.

#### 7:45 pm **Community Presentations**

FY 21 Budget Update - Paul Kihn, Deputy Mayor for Education Ward 6 State Board of Education Representative - Jessica Sutter Anacostia River Cleanup - Ronald L. Lester, Facilitator, Pepco Citizen Advisory Group and David Holmes, Member, Pepco Citizen Advisory Group

- 8:30 pm Single Member District reports (1 minute each)
- 8:45 pm Community Comments (2 minutes each)
- 9:00 pm Adjourn



## Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Meeting Minutes of May 14, 2020



# Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Minutes WebEx Meeting May 14, 2020

Present: Commissioners Amber Gove (Chair), Phil Toomajian, Mike Soderman, Ruth Ann Hudson, Brian Alcorn, Stephanie Zimny, Marie-Claire Brown and Sondra Philips-Gilbert.

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

Commissioner Amber Gove called the roll and announced the presence of a quorum.

The minutes for the ANC April 2020 meeting were accepted, and the agenda for the May 2020 meeting was accepted by unanimous consent without changes or objection.

#### Officer Reports

- 1. Approve Treasurer's Report: The May 2020 Treasurer's report by Commissioner Brian Alcorn reviewed the two expenses and one credit accrued in April. The expenses totaled \$665.89 and were \$465.89 (check # 1932) for webmaster services and \$200 (check 1933) for April meeting minute. The DC Government allotment in the amount of \$5,445.56 was credited. Beginning balance was \$24,728.88 and closing funds available and uncommitted are \$28.933.55 after these disbursements and credit. The savings account accrued one cent of interest bringing the balance from \$100.01 to \$100.02. The Treasurer's report was approved by unanimous consent.
- 2. The 2020 Q2 Quarterly Report was approved by unanimous consent; Commissioner Alcorn noted that he worked with the bank to have the listed fraudulent transactions reversed.

#### **Old Business**

1. Commissioner Mike Soderman moved and Commissioner Ruth Ann Hudson seconded that ANC6A send a letter requesting a stop work order from DCRA for 201 8<sup>th</sup> Street NE (800 Constitution Ave NE) - HPA 19-104. Permits obtained are contradictory to what the Historical Preservation Society had mandated in 2019 - that the entrance remain on 8<sup>th</sup> Street NE. The Commission last voted to take no action on this; the staff report was never filed at the office of preservation and the permit was issued in error for 8<sup>th</sup> Street, not Constitution Avenue NE. The motion passed 8-0.

#### **New Business**

- 1. Commissioner Gove moved and Commissioner Sondra Philips-Gilbert seconded that ANC6A send a letter to DDOT to request that DDOT pursue sidewalk extensions on blocks near essential businesses, including restaurants to allow for safe outdoor seating. Additional requests for extended sidewalks for safely distanced pedestrian activity and specific blocks need to be deliberated with DDOT, and this will be mentioned in the letter. These areas will allow residents, deliveries, and emergency vehicles to travel as they normally do and will largely consist of cones and signs that neighbors can monitor; Commissioner Gove noted that these measures are already in place across the country (Seattle) and in DC (Adams Morgan). It was requested that DDOT attend the next Transportation and Public Space and ANC 6A Meetings. The motion passed 8-0.
- 2. Commissioner Alcorn moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded that ANC6A approve the appointment of Jason Gresh to the Community Outreach Committee. Mr. Gresh has been curious about the Committee, has attended meetings and is excited to work on the committee. The motion passed 8-0.



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#### Standing Committee Reports

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

- 1. The April 2020 committee report was approved by unanimous consent.
- 2. Commissioner Marie-Claire Brown moved and Commissioner Philips-Gilbert seconded a motion to table the recommendation that ANC 6A send a letter of support to BZA for special exceptions under the residential conversion requirements of Subtitle U § 320.2, for a special exception under the penthouse height requirements of Subtitle C § 1500.1, and to permit a trellis that does not conform with the side building wall setbacks required pursuant to C-1502.1(C)(1), to construct two three-story buildings with penthouses at 909 and 911 I Street, NE (BZA Number BZA-TMP1070) in the RF-1 Zone, on condition that the applicant make best efforts to get letters of support from the neighbors at 823, 825 and 827 9th Street, NE, that the applicant remove the trellises from the roof deck, remove the side balconies, move the planned solar panels to the back of the roof, and make the back of the roof deck inaccessible. The architect noted that the trellis and solar panels were removed and drainage issues and all other comments were addressed. No negative response was received from neighbors. The applicant will resend an email with images for further review by the Commissioners. The vote to table the recommendation passed 8-0.
- 3. Next meeting 7:00 pm, May 20, 2020 (3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)

#### **Alcohol Beverage Licensing**

- 1. No report. Committee did not meet in April 2020.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, May 19, 2020 (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday) via WebEx

#### **Community Outreach**

- 1. No report. Committee did not meet in April 2020.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, May 18, 2020 ( $3^{rd}$  Monday; usually  $4^{th}$  Monday) via WebEx

#### Transportation and Public Space

- 1. No report. Committee did not meet in April 2020.
- 2. Next meeting 7:00 pm, May 18, 2020 (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday) via WebEx

#### **Community Presentations**

#### Commander Morgan Kane, First District, Metropolitan Police Department (MPD)

Commander Kane reviewed recent incidents, namely burglaries and arson, and police response on H Street NE and in the Fifth District. These crimes, as well as car theft, are proving to be the most common incidents during the pandemic and Commander Kane asked that businesses remove goods from store windows and civilians remove any valuables from vehicles and not leave cars idling with keys in the ignition. MPD is also aware of concern about traffic and speeding, and though officers had temporarily been given discretion during the pandemic about what to respond to, more officers are being assigned to traffic. Commander Kane emphasized that officers in the MPD are continuing to come to work and respond to community needs - people should not be wary of calling 911 during the pandemic if necessary. MPD has expanded their telephone reporting unit to reduce in-person contact but continue to respond to serious crimes in real-time, as well as educating people that are not practicing social distancing in public. MPD is also keeping a keen eye out for domestic violence but has not seen an increase in instances. Overall, the District is down 10% in crime and have decreased the previous increase in violent crime. There are more homicides in 2020 (8) than in 2019 with half of those occurring inside. All homicides except one in Southwest DC are either closed cases or have known suspects.



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#### Captain Jerome Merrill, Fifth District, Metropolitan Police Department (MPD)

Captain Merrill spoke to known narcotics-related problems in the Fifth District and asked to let him know if anyone notices a decrease in police presence. The Crime and Narcotics divisions have intervened and there are constant patrols and increased officer presence and complaints have decreased, though he knows that Eighteenth (18<sup>th</sup>) Place and D Street NE is still an issue. If residents see something that is not an emergency, they should call 311 as that captures data.

## Preetha Iyengar, MD, Medical Officer, Division of Epidemiology Disease Surveillance & Investigation, DC Department of Health (DOH)

Dr. lyengar gave an update on coronavirus in DC; there are 6,736 cases, increasing by 143 cases per day, and we are continuing to track confirmed positive cases by the RPTCR test. We have seen a 2 day increase in hospital bed use and ventilator use and need to look at longer trends to assess what this means. There is a 3 day decrease in reported deaths, which could mean community mitigation efforts are starting to be effective. DC's peak was around April 24, 2020. Ward 4 has the highest infection rate with Ward 3 experiencing the lowest; there is more transmission in the Columbia Heights and Brentwood Areas, where there are more essential workers and public transportation usage. Congregate housing, and Hispanic and African American communities are also disproportionately affected. At the beginning of the pandemic, 22% of cases were due to travel whereas now that number is only about 2%, showing that there is widespread local infection. DC is currently in Phase 0 of reopening, and Phase 1 will come when there is a sustained 14-day decrease in community spread and 3 day decrease in transmission rate. Phase 1 will see staggered reopening of institutions, continued social distancing and teleworking, while Phase 2 will reopen schools and nonessential businesses with more moderate social distancing protocols. Phase 3 will be a full reopening. The city capacity for testing symptomatic people will need to increase, as will aggressive contact tracing. Dr. Ivengar also reviewed alternate care sites built in the city including the Convention Center and hopes the curve will continue to trend downward.

DC Reopen - Tyler Williams, Ward 6 Liaison, Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services Ms. Williams spoke to the reopening process and noted that while the public health emergency was extended through June 8, 2020. The Mayor's office put together a Reopen committee, made up of eleven teams, to lead the city's reopening in a new, more resilient normal. Forty local retailers were selected to pilot a program through a waiver application and provide data to examine city reopening. There are 10 public testing sites maintained in DC and a hotline for residents that are homebound to request food and nonessential items (1-888-349-8323). Several grocery stores that have dedicated hours for senior shoppers and the District has received approval for use of SNAP benefits on Amazon. The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) will continue operating virtually until a close date of May 29, 2020. The DC Board of Elections is urging all citizens to request absentee ballots for primary and special elections, which can be done on dcdob.org or by downloading the Vote for DC app. Ms. Williams closed by saying that three parks are closed to vehicular traffic to allow for safe walking outside, small business recovery microgrant program recipients were notified of their awards, and masks continue to be essential in indoor public spaces.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.







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May 15, 2020

Mr. Jeffrey Marootian, Director District Department of Transportation 55 M St SE, Suite 400 Washington, DC 20003

Re: ANC6A Extended Sidewalk and Slow/Healthy Streets Requests

#### Dear Director Marootian:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on May 14, 2020, our Commission voted 8-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request that DDOT evaluate the below ANC6A locations for sidewalk extensions for safe operation of essential businesses and to allow local restaurants additional outdoor seating space once the Mayor's Stay at Home Order is lifted. In addition we request that your agency work with our Commission to select pilot routes for slow/local traffic only circuits to allow residents to engage in healthy, distanced outdoor exercise.

Sidewalk extensions have been deployed in limited locations in DC, including Giant Food at 300 H Street NE. Our Commission is requesting that DDOT evaluate the feasibility of additional locations for essential business operations now and begin permitting for extended outdoor seating areas for restaurants once takeout-only restrictions are lifted. Essential businesses, including restaurants in the H Street Corridor require additional public space now to allow for safe queueing during pick up of take-out orders. Once restaurants are permitted to serve on-site, they will require additional outdoor seating space, including conversion of parking lots and curbside spaces to dining areas; the cities of Tampa and Cincinnati have already authorized extended outdoor seating space for restaurants.<sup>2</sup> Struggling local restaurants will need the added space to safely serve patrons and generate enough revenue to stay open; curbside spaces that can accomodate one private vehicle can instead serve several patrons, increasing economic activity and tax revenue. Lastly outdoor transmission rates of COVID-19 appear to be substantially lower than indoor transmission rates<sup>3</sup>: even after restrictions are lifted, until a vaccine is widely available it is likely that patrons will be reluctant to share indoor spaces. We have identified the following corridors in ANC6A for potential conversion of on-street parking to pick-up drop-off only (PUDO) or permitted parklets for outdoor seating adjacent to restaurants. We also welcome the opportunity to discuss additional locations with DDOT.

- 800-1400 blocks of H Street NE (consider converting all curbside parking in this stretch)
- 1500-1900 block of Benning Road NE

 $\underline{https://thehill.com/policy/healthcare/494348-new-study-finds-few-cases-of-outdoor-transmission-of-coronavirus-in-china}$ 

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 $<sup>^{2} \</sup>underline{\text{https://barredindc.com/2020/05/11/how-dc-can-help-keep-its-bars-and-restaurants-aliv/}} \\$ 







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Our Commission is also interested in piloting slow/local traffic only "healthy streets" routes to help with reducing crowding in parks and allow for safe outdoor exercise. This could be piloted by placing simple barriers and signage at cross streets along the route. Resident volunteers could assist with managing and placing cones/temporary barriers and signage. As just one example, Seattle created more than 20 miles of "Stay Healthy Streets" that are closed to thru-traffic and have reduced speed limits, but allow residents, essential workers, emergency service providers, delivery providers, and garbage and recycling collectors to continue to have vehicle access.

As our April 14, 2020 letter requesting DDOT establish slow streets has not yet received a response, we are offering the following routes as possibilities for pilot testing in ANC 6A and adjacent areas (please see the attached route maps). We welcome the opportunity to discuss these and other locations with your staff through our Transportation and Public Space Committee and/or Commission meetings.

#### Route A:

- Unit-600 blocks of 12th St NE
- 1200-1600 blocks of F NE
- 100 to 600 blocks of 16th NE
- 1300-1600 blocks of A NE
- Sidewalk to get to 12th St via North Carolina and East Capitol Streets



https://sdotblog.seattle.gov/2020/05/07/2020-bike-investments-to-accelerate-including-20-miles-of-stay-healthy-streets-to-become-permanent-in-seattle/







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#### Route B:

- 1000 block of K St NE
- 600 to 900 blocks of 11th St NE
- 1000 block of F St NE
- 600 to 900 blocks of 10th St NE



Route C (includes areas outside of ANC6A):

- 200 to 1300 blocks of I St NE
- 700 to 900 blocks of 13th NE
- 200 to 1300 blocks of G St NE
- 700 to 900 blocks of 2nd NE



As we noted in our letter last month, other jurisdictions in the US, including Denver, Philadelphia, Seattle and New York have successfully opened streets to non-motorized users during this period of necessary social distancing. London<sup>5</sup>, Paris<sup>6</sup> and other global capitals have enacted even more ambitious permanent plans to ensure residents can continue to have healthy, safe options for

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transportation once restrictions are lifted. We ask that DDOT actively plan for a future that does not result in greater personal vehicle traffic, and associated increased pollution and health risks which will disportionally affect our most vulnerable residents, as commuters avoid public transportation for fear of transmission.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendation of ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at AmberANC6A@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission.

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Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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Councilmember Charles Allen

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May 18, 2020

Mr. Ernest Chrappah, Director Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs 1100 4th Street, SW Washington, DC 20024

RE: ANC6A Request re: 201 8th Street NE (800 Constitution Avenue NE) HPA 19-104

Dear Director Chrappah:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on May 14, 2020, our Commission voted 8-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request that the main functional entrance for the existing historic building located at 201 Eighth (8th) Street, NE remain on Eighth (8th) Street NE.

On January 24th, 2019, the Historic Preservation Review Board of the District's Office of Planning (OP) held a public hearing to review the design concepts for 201 Eighth (8th) Street, NE. Below you will find the excerpt from the HPRB's Actions.

Capitol Hill Historic District 201 8th Street NE, HPA 19-104, concept/subdivide lot, alter facades, and construct new multiple unit dwelling. The Board voted to find the concept for building alterations, subdivision, and new construction to be compatible with the historic district and delegated final approval to staff with the stipulation that the primary entrance at 201 Eighth (8 th) Street, NE be retained as a functional entrance. Vote: 6-0

On the video record, the Chair of the Board stipulated that any changes on the placement of the Main Functional Entrance for the existing building (lot C) and the code compliant elevator from its current location on Eighth (8 th) Street NE must come back in front of the board and would not be approved by OP Staff.

The OP Staff report for this project was never updated to reflect the Board's decision to keep the main entrance for the existing building on Eighth (8th) Street NE. HPRB records do not indicate that the OP staff or the developer has come back in front of the Board to request the approval of the Board for the relocation of the main functional entrance which, by code, requires direct access to the stretcher-compliant elevator.

Furthermore, developer Ditto Residential has obtained building permits with the original design for 201 Eighth (8th) Street NE which are now being called 800 Constitution Avenue NE. These drawings show the main entrance with the access to the elevator from the rear of the building effectively moving

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the entrance from Eighth (8th) Street to Constitution Avenue NE. These changes have not been approved by the Historic Preservation Review Board as the video archive for the January 24, 2019 hearing clearly states the decision can not be made at a staff level. Therefore, ANC 6A urges the District of Columbia to issue a cease and desist order for this project. We request that the main functional entrance for the existing building located on lot C remain on Eighth (8th) Street NE. We seek assurance that any changes or requests to relocate the entrance from Eighth (8th) Street NE to Constitution Avenue NE come back before the HPRB for their review and approval during an open review hearing.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendation of ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at AmberANC6A@gmail.com. or Commissioner Mike Soderman at 6A03@anc.dc.gov who are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

On behalf of the Commission,

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Amber Gove

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



### Officer Reports - Treasurer



#### ANC 6A June 2020 Meeting Treasurer's Report For Expenses Incurred in May 2020\* [published 6/7/2020]

Period Co	overed	5/1/2020-5	/31/2020					
Checkin	g Account:							
Opening	Account Statement						\$	27,525.71
Total Op	ening Uncommitted Funds	s Available					\$	26,484.82
Credits								
	None					\$ -		
	Total Credits						\$	-
Disburse	ements:							
	Irene Dwarakowski		Webmaster/Agenda Package	•	Chk#1934	\$ 465.89		
	Note Taking		Official Minutes Note-Taker		Chk#1935	\$ 200.00		
	Total Disbursements						\$	665.89
Closing	Funds Available/Uncommi	itted				 	\$	25,818.93
Savings	Account:							
Balance	Forward						\$	100.02
Interest				5/31/2020		\$ 0.01		
Ending E	Balance					 	\$_	100.03
PETTY	CASH SUMMARY							
Balance	Forwarded						\$	25.00
Total Fu	nds Available						\$	25.00
Ending E	Balance						\$	25.00







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

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1. Date of Application	2. Date of Project or Activity
June/ 1/ 2020	now - October 2020
3. APPLICANT ORGANIZATION NAME AND ADDRESS	4. EIN (TAX ID NUMBER)++
Serve Your City (SYC)	80-0753615
732 15th Street SE	
Washington DC 20003	
5. CONTACT NAME	6. TITLE
Maurice Cook	Executive Director
7. ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)	
8. Telephone	8. Fax
(202) 341-1732	( ) -
10. E-mail Address	
mcook.serveyourcity@gmail.com Hannah Jacobson E	
hannahjacobsonblumenfeld@gmail.com, 202.253.3330	

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

SYC is respectfully requesting funding on behalf of the Ward-6 Mutual Aid Network, a grassroots, collaborative effort that was created during the COVID-19 public health crisis. Funding will be used to purchase: 1. Refrigeration unit for food storage at distribution sites, 2. disposable masks and supplies for making reusable masks, 3. electronic devices to assist students with distance learning, and 4. to print culturally-sensitive public health materials.

<ol><li>Projected</li></ol>	d Total Cost	13. Amount Requested
\$	185,180	\$3,000

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

Capitol Hill Community Foundation, \$13,000 Individual Donations, \$15,000 In-Kind Contributions (volunteers) \$94,680 Other In-Kind Donations (devices, supplies, food) \$21,000 ANC 6C- \$3,000 Sparkplug Foundation - \$8,000

## $15. \, Statement \, of \, Benefit \, (Brief \, Description) - Detailed \, Information \, required \, on \, Separate \, Page \, (See \, Instructions)$

Through the #DCMutualAidNetwork, SYC is providing food and supplies; has created a public health campaign to educate residents about COVID-19; and is providing mentoring and electronic devices for students who are now engaging in distance learning. Improving educational and health outcomes will benefit the community as a whole. Healthy, well-nourished individuals and supported, connected students are vital to the health of the community as a whole. COVID-19 has shown us how interconnected we are—that the health of our neighbors is as important as our own. This is the foundation of #DCMutualAidNetwork: "We Keep Us





Safe." In other words, helping keep our neighbors safe makes our community and our city safer and stronger.

#### The Ward 6 Mutual Aid Network proposes to:

- 1. Build our capacity in ANC 6A by expanding our "pod" storage location at Mount Moriah Baptist Church. This pod storage location is a central distribution point for food, masks, and public health information to support the elderly, homeless, and other vulnerable populations living in ANC 6A. We will use these funds to purchase refrigeration for our food and supply storage location. Refrigeration is important for ensuring that we can provide fresh, healthy food to vulnerable populations, which is particularly crucial during this public health crisis. The refrigeration units will remain at Mount Moriah Baptist Church, indefinitely. This will benefit the community as a whole because it will provide long term storage capability for residents currently in need and those who may require assistance in future.
- 2. Purchase and distribute educational materials, hotspot devices, and Chromebooks to DC Public School students to ensure that students are able to maintain their studies during this home learning period. Not all students in DC are able to access technology and Wi-Fi to maintain their studies. Ensuring that all students can be connected to their schools is essential in order to mitigate the rising opportunity gap seen in the DC school system. Furthermore, schools are critical socio-emotional resource hubs for students and families, which will be even more essential given the trauma associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. Many Ward 6 students will be required to engage in summer school over the coming weeks. As noted, this will benefit the community as a whole by improving the educational outcomes and supporting our students' potential to thrive even in this time of social distancing. The devices will remain the property of SYC and can be redeployed if needs change.
- 3. Purchase fabric and other supplies to create reusable masks. A team of volunteers from our partner organizations, including Supply Love DC and Masks for America, have committed to creating 500 masks for distribution. Additionally, disposable masks will be provided to those unable to maintain reusable masks. It is well established that the primary benefit of mask-wearing is not to the wearer, but to the surrounding community members. In this way, the masks will provide benefit to the community as a whole.
- 4. Print an additional 1,000 culturally informed public health flyers providing important information to members of the population vulnerable to COVID-19. This will clearly benefit the community as a whole by reducing the spread of illness and keeping more of our neighbors healthy, safe, and informed.

#### About the Mutual Aid Network:

The Ward-6 Mutual Aid Network is a grassroots, collaborative effort that was created during the COVID-19 public health crisis to safely support our most vulnerable neighbors, who are disproportionately African Americans, People of Color, and those who have recently immigrated to the United States. The processes set in place ensure that only known community members distribute supplies within a community.

We know that in addition to health concerns, many of our neighbors, especially People of Color, the elderly, and people living in public housing, face additional challenges due to historic and structural oppression. Many of our neighbors have limited to no access to basic supplies such as food, water, PPE and other necessities. Students do not have the devices or internet service required for their learning, which is both an education and safety concern. The City government has offered what it can for these issues, but it is clear that a community level response is needed for as many community members as possible to be able to survive this crisis.

To help mitigate the devastating impact of the COVID-19 crisis, Serve Your City (SYC) has created Mutual Aid Network in partnership with grassroots, community organizations led by marginalized people, including Momma's Safe Haven, the TraRon Center, Brothas Huddle, and Capitol Hill Arts Workshop,.

#### Why The Mutual Aid Network is Unique:





The Mutual Aid Network model is unique in its trauma-informed approach that is responsive to the needs of communities of color. This program, created by SYC's Executive Director, Maurice Cook, is being implemented in Wards 5, 6, 7, and 8. The processes set in place ensures that only known community members distribute supplies within a community.

We believe that the Ward 6 Mutual Aid Network provides a unique service to our community because we are not driven to drop in to Ward 6 and "solve a problem" like many non-profit charities; we are driven to adapt and holistically respond to the needs of the community we work with and are a part of, and we intend to do so as long as we are needed.

#### What We Do:

Serve Your City is requesting funding for the Ward 6 Hub of the #DCMutualAidNetwork to support residents of the ANC6A Neighborhoods. Through the #DCMutualAidNetwork, SYC is providing trauma-informed community care to meet residents' most basic needs for food and supplies; has created a public health campaign to educate residents about COVID-19, with the theme of "We Keep Us Safe;" and is providing mentoring and devices for students who are now engaging with school through distance learning.

#### **Key Statistics / Metrics of Success:**

- The Ward-6 Mutual Aid Network is 100% volunteer created, led, and organized.
  - o ~ 20 volunteers are considered Ward-6 Mutual Aid Network Admin
  - $\circ$  ~ 95 volunteers have been on-boarded and are involved with the network
  - ~ 85 volunteers need to be on-boarded
- The Ward-6 Mutual Aid Network has a request/needs hotline (9:00am-7:00pm daily).
  - o W6 Mutual Aid Network is receiving over 100 calls per week
  - o 90% of hotline hours are covered by volunteers from the Ward-6 Mutual Aid Network
- The Ward-6 Mutual Aid Network has distributed food and supplies to community members throughout our Ward 6 community. To date we have:
  - o Collected and Distributed over \$15,000 in groceries and supplies
  - Provided health education to over 1,000 community members including masks and instruction on their use, and safe handling of supply instruction. We have printed and distributed over 1,000 fliers relaying crucial public health information to vulnerable populations through our We Keep Us Safe Public Health Campaign. Created by volunteer public health experts, these fliers help to keep vulnerable neighbors in Ward 6 safe by providing them with resources on how to avoid COVID-19 and what to do if they contract COVID-19. We have also spoken with media partners (podcast, radio, print) to spread awareness.
  - Established multiple "pod" locations throughout Ward-6 including one at Faith Tabernacle Church which serves as donation collection hub.
- The Ward-6 Mutual Aid Network has worked to close the digital divide by providing digital devices to students in DC.
  - Collected, refurbished and distributed 93 laptops to students.
  - Connected 50 college or recently graduated students with 25 students/families to provide academic tutoring support.

The immediate goal of the #DCMutualAidNetwork is to serve at least 80% of Ward 6's families below the poverty line through mutual aid, to provide health education to at least 60 percent of these families, and to match at least 75 middle and high school students with mentors.





#### Timeline

**June 30** - **July 15**: Purchase refrigeration to store food that will be used to support the Mount Moriah Baptist Church pod location. Purchase mask-making materials to create masks for vulnerable members of ANC 6A. Purchase disposable masks for those experiencing homelessness who may not be able to maintain a clean reusable mask. Print public health flyers.

**July 15** - **as long as needed:** Provide mutual aid to residents through food and supply drop off, community tables, public health education, and by providing support for students.

**July 15** - **August 1:** Purchase and distribute educational materials, hotspot devices, and Chromebooks to DC Public School students to ensure that students are able to maintain their studies during this home-learning period. Not all students in DC are able to access technology and Wi-Fi to maintain their studies. Many Ward 6 students will be required to engage in summer school over the coming weeks.

#### **Description of the Requesting Organization:**

Serve Your City's mission is to provide life-changing experiences and opportunities for under-resourced Washington, D.C. students. When not faced with a global pandemic, it aims to ensure Black and Brown students receive the same opportunities their White counterparts receive, addressing health and economic disparities. Now in its eighth year, SYC has served more than 600 students. The organization's programs include: 1) tutoring and college preparatory workshops; 2) the only majority Black youth rowing crew in Washington D.C.; 3) yoga developed for youth of color; 4) water sports, including swimming lessons, snorkeling, and SCUBA diving instruction; and 5) financial literacy workshops.

SYC has suspended our spring classes; instead, we are serving our city by acting as lead organizer for the #DCMutualAidNetwork and as the Ward 6 hub for #DCMutualAid.

Serve Your City's Executive Director is Maurice Cook, mcook.serveryourcity@gmail.com, 202-341-1732.

#### ANC 6A Budget (Narrative and Table)

Item (these or similar items)				
Pod Development: Commercial Refrigerator (such as Norpole 23 cu. ft. Commercial Refrigerator)				
Student Supports for Distance Learning (physical materials, hotspot devices, Chromebooks) - approximately 8 hotspot devices (such as the Coolpad Surf @ \$50/each + 2 Chromebooks, such as Lenovo N22 @ \$179/each)				
Mask Materials / Purchasing (fabric, materials, packaging + disposable mask purchases)				
Public Health Flyer/Info Printing (1000 Copies)				
Total				
#DCMUTUALAID WARD 6 BUDGET Income				
Space	Ward 6 hub space donation Valued @ 1,000 dollars per month for 6 months	\$ 6,000.00		





Volunteers	Valued at 39.45 per hour. 400 volunteer hours per month in Ward 6, for 6 months.		
Supply Donations	1,000 dollars of donations per month in Ward 6 for 6 months	\$ 6,000.00	
Donations of Educational Devices	Donations of laptops and tablets for students who do not have access to such devices. Valued at 400 dollars per device.	\$ 15,000.00	
Individual Donations	Donations collected to-date	\$ 12,500.00	
Total Income		\$ 134,180.00	
Total Project Cost		\$ 185,180.00	
Amount to Be Raised		\$ 51,000.00	
EXPENSE	DETAILS	Amount	
Executive Director	Provides oversight and management. 6 months of 60,000 salary	\$ 30,000.00	
Fringe Benefits	Health insurance and benefits, 20% of salary	\$ 6,000.00	
Student Educational Devices		\$ 15,000.00	
	Laptops and tablets for students who do not have access to such devices. 400 dollars per student will serve 37 students.		
Mentor Coordinator		\$ 3,000.00	
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Video Editor	Construction with a found to the feet this to accomp	\$ 3,000.00	
Training Coordinator	Creates tutoring videos for students/families to access		
Training Coordinator	Stipend for individual organizing volunteer training	\$ 3,000.00	
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Volunteer Development and Appreciation	Ongoing development for volunteers (books, additional training session) as well as budget for appreciation such as cards or gifts.	\$ 2,000.00	
Space			
	Ward 6 Hub space donation valued @ 1,000 dollars per month for 6 months	\$ 6,000.00	
Supplies	Food/cleaning and household supplies not covered by donations	\$ 10,000.00	
Office supplies and technology	printing, pens, paper, Zoom account	\$ 2,500.00	
Program Evaluation	Program evaluation development. Data collection and analysis.	\$ 2,500.00	





Volunteers	Valued at 39.45 per hour. 400 volunteer hours per month in Ward 6, for 6 months.	\$ 94,680.00
Donations	Donations collected to date	\$ 12,500.00
EXPENSE SUBTOTAL		\$ 177,680.00
Overhead	Insurance, website management, grant writing, communications	\$ 7,500.00
PROJECT TOTAL		\$ 185,180.00





#### What is it?

COVID-19, also called the coronavirus, is a deadly respiratory virus that spreads quickly from person to person. Even people without symptoms can carry the virus and get others sick. There is currently no known cure for the coronavirus and no vaccine to prevent infection.

## Stay informed, stay safe.

#### Who can get it?

Everyone is at risk of being infected by COVID-19. People of every age, race and gender and nationality can be severely affected or die from the coronavirus. Even perfectly healthy people are at risk.

#### How do you get it?

The virus that causes COVID-19 is mainly transmitted through droplets generated when an infected person coughs, sneezes, or speaks. These droplets are too heavy to hang in the air.

They quickly fall on floors or surfaces. You can be infected by breathing in the virus if you are within 6ft of a person who has COVID-19, or by touching a contaminated surface and then touching your eyes, nose or mouth before washing your hands.

- People who show no signs of being sick can still spread the virus.
- Due to Racism, The Black Community is at higher risk of illness and death.
- It is Absolutely Necessary to Protect Ourselves, our Families, Friends, and our Elders.





## What can I do to keep myself and my community safe?

The best protection is prevention. Follow the recommended guidelines. Stopping the spread of the virus takes cooperation from **EVERYONE**.

#### What are the guidelines for prevention?

Wash your hands often - Use soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing; going to the bathroom; and before eating or preparing food.

Minimize your impact - Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands. Clean and disinfect common surfaces frequently.

**Avoid people who are sick** - Assume everyone is a carrier of the virus and follow safety precautions. Some people carry the virus and never show any symptoms.

**Leave home only when absolutely necessary** – Examples include getting groceries and medications, providing critical support or care to an elderly person, going to an essential job.

Stay 6ft. away from anyone you don't currently live with -The virus easily spreads through coughing and sneezing and can remain viable for 3 hours. The 6 feet of distance acts as a roadblock for the virus.

Wear a mask – Wearing a mask offers some protection for you and others outside the home. It also helps protect against bringing the virus back with you when you return and potentially getting someone in your home sick. If everyone wears a mask, it is twice as effective.

## What should I do if I get sick? Symptoms include:

- · Fever, Cough, Shortness of Breath
- · Seek medical attention if you have:
- Trouble breathing, Pain or pressure in the chest, Confusion or trouble staying awake and alert, Bluish lips or face (light skinned person)/gray or whitish skin around the mouth (dark skinned person)

#### Free medical care:

- Unity Health Care 202-469-4699, No Insurance Required, Telephone Visits, Dr.'s Notes For Work
- Nurse triage line Medstar Health E-visit Virtual Visit Fee Currently waived, No Insurance Required http://www.medstarhealth.org/medstar-health-evisit









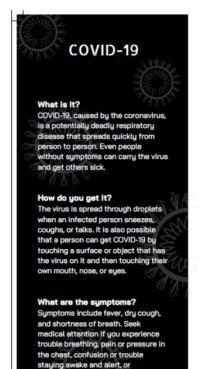
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## Local Volunteer Group Reports Calls Routed to Them From DC Gov. Hotline

By Elizabeth O'Gorek - April 15, 2020



Mayor Muriel Bowser speaks at the Monday, April 13 press conference. Screenshot: DC Granicus

## 1:08 p.m. April 16: This story has been updated to reflect comments from the Mayor and the Mayor's Office.

Some callers to the District's new hotline for District residents afflicted by COVID-19 and in need of essential items are being routed to the DC Mutual Aid Network, the groups organized by community members to support their neighbors through the health crisis, according to the activists.

Launched by Mayor Muriel Bowser on April 13, the COVID-19 Hotline was billed as a way that "residents who are homebound because of COVID-19 can request support from the District."

On social media, members of the DC Mutual Aid Network reported that Ward organizers were getting calls routed through the Mayor's hotline. Others who called the line said they were directed to the Capital Food Bank.

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**David Poms, Green New Deal for DC** @davidpoms · Apr 14, 2020 Replying to @madelbean and 3 others

i just assumed they would have some staff doing these deliveries? they just give out the ward specific numbers that the Mutual Aid network put out?



madeleine 'defund MPD to pay 4 housing' stirling @madelbean

The hotline directs you to the dept. on aging. The lovely folks there have only been given ward-specific mutual aid hotlines to give out. No other resources.

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See madeleine 'defund MPD to pay 4 housing' stirling's other Tweets

Some callers to the hotline were directed to the Office of Aging and Community Living, which rather than providing DC Government aid was referring callers to the Mutual Aid groups.

On social media, organizers were infuriated that the city might have taken these steps.

"That really is a problem if the city is referring callers but not investing resources in the volunteer effort," one organizer wrote. The city might actually be hampering volunteer efforts by causing the public to assume the government is providing support, she added.

"I was actually happy to see the city was stepping up," she continued. "It would be good to know if those were outlier incidents or if this is part of the practice."

City agencies reached out to mutual aid groups prior to the creation of the hotline. Maurice Cook, Executive Director of Serve Your City which is serving as the organizational infrastructure hub for the Ward 6 Mutual Aid Network, said that even prior to the hotline the Ward 6 group had received calls from residents referred from city agencies and representatives, including the Department of Human Services (DHS), the Office of Aging and Community, the Executive Office of the Mayor and the Office of Council Member Charles Allen (D).

"We're just a group of volunteers," Cook said in an interview Saturday. "We're not getting paid to do this. We're not getting official support to do this from the city, or really from the private side. We are being supported through individual donations and some foundational grants."





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A representative from Allen's office said they had promoted the Ward 6 Mutual Aid Network together with other organizations, such as the DC Diaper Bank and an effort out of the Table Church, mostly to support and help connect volunteers, rather than as a widespread referral, noting that they hear from many people wanting to how they can help.

A separate organization, was organized through through the Table Church DC by Hill Residents Allison McGill and Amber Seyler. That large volunteer corps has also been asked to provide assistance to the Office of Aging and Community Living and other organizations.



McGill said she had reached out to representatives at the Mayor's office via email after she heard about the hotline to see if they would be getting referrals. She said she was told that the hotline is supported by government employees and they were not using community-led groups.

"We were happy to partner, but wanted to be prepared," said McGIII, adding that she was not sure if the organization was getting referrals from the hotline, but that they noted a jump in requests Monday. She said she had been told that DC Mutual Aid and Capitol Hill Food Bank have had definite referrals.

"It's very disappointing," she said. "Not only does it make it an additional unnecessary phone call for DC residents, it's incredibly misleading."





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**UPDATE:** WAMU Reporter Martin Austermuhle asked Bowser if the hotline was referring callers to the Mutual Aid Network at her Thursday, April 16th press conference. "We'll take them off the list," Bowser quickly replied to Austermuhle's request that she respond to concerns expressed by the mutual aid groups that the government is 'off-loading responsibility'.

"If the community resources don't or can't serve them, then we won't send anybody there." She said the hotline delievers food and essential items residents quarantined medically or homebound for reasons related to COVID who can obtain these by no other means. Operators have been referring callers that don't qualify for the aid offered by the hotline to community resources such as the mutual aid network, she added.

A representative for the Mayor's Office added that in addition to those not directly affected by COVID-19, some callers were unclear on the intended purpose of the hotline. Those callers https://hillrag.com/2020/04/15/is-dc-covid-19-hotline-directing-callers-to-got-help-from-neighbors/

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were being connected with organizations that assist them, she said.

The representative was unable to immediately confirm whether the Mayor's office had reached out to the organizations or to the Mutual Aid Network before making referrals through the COVID-19 Hotline.

The Mayor had characterized the hotline as a 'new service' at her April 13th press conference, where she also announced that an associated web portal was open for residents to request assistance online. The hotline number is 1-888-349-8323. The website for requesting assistance is coronavirus.dc.gov/gethelp. It is not made clear where the online requests were being directed for response, or whether that is within or outside District Government agencies.

The *Hill Rag* is awaiting comment from the Executive Office of the Mayor. This story will be updated.







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# As D.C. students struggle to get online, schools and parents rush to fill the void

By Perry Stein

April 7, 2020 at 2:33 p.m. EDT

When D.C. public schools closed on March 13, Na'Asia Hawkins was eight courses and five months short of walking across the graduation stage this summer. But now her courses were quickly shifting online, where Hawkins had little hope of keeping up. She had no computer, no WiFi and no idea how she would watch her 2-year-old son *and* do school work using her iPhone's limited data plan.

A week later, she caught a break: Her teacher at Washington Metropolitan Opportunity Academy told her the city would permit high schoolers to bring the schools' laptops home. She picked up the computer, turned her phone on as a WiFi hotspot and got to work. But then, another hurdle: She quickly exhausted the data plan.

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Hawkins, 18, had already needed to drop out of high school once when she had her son. But she re-enrolled in an alternative high school, studied, and was determined to graduate this time — no matter the cost.

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"Searching for your work and looking up so many things on your phone [was] hard," said Hawkins, an aspiring pediatrician. "It's a big struggle for kids who don't have computers, and I wish they did."

Fourteen days into remote learning, the school closures have exposed the technology divides in the city — and how academically debilitating the divide is for students who fall on the wrong side of it.

Some, like Hawkins, have scrambled to find makeshift but costly solutions. Eventually, her boyfriend's family paid for WiFi that Hawkins can use to do schoolwork, even though the family already lost wages amid the shutdown. Others still have no access at all.

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Schools, activists and nonprofits are trying to fill the gaps, delivering computers and hotspots to children who need it. D.C. Schools Chancellor Lewis D. Ferebee has said students would not be penalized for work they miss during the school closures. And he is rushing to get students in all grades the tablets and tools they need to fully participate in remote learning, he said.

But it may not be enough. The mayor had said schools would reopen on April 27, but closures appear likely to last longer, as some states, including Virginia, have already closed campuses for the academic year. Parents, teachers and advocates say disconnected students are already falling behind. An initial study, by a private education-data firm, projected that the closure will result in thousands of additional students performing below grade level in math and English, with students from low-income families suffering the most.

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"It's unethical, it's immoral. The greatest issue is the outcomes," said Maurice Cook, who runs the nonprofit Serve Your City and is trying to secure laptops and coordinate Internet connections for low-income families. "What are the consequences for the students who don't have access?"

The lack of access can look different in every house. But many families lack even basic tools: computers and an Internet connection. The traditional D.C. public school system estimates that about 30 percent of its 52,000 students lack Internet access or computers at home. For some schools, that percentage is far higher.

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Sharon Murphy, founder of Mary House, a nonprofit that provides housing and social services to immigrant families, said a mother called her days after schools closed and asked to borrow \$200. Her children had used her cellphone to do their remote learning and had unknowingly blown through her limited data plan. Another family got online with the generosity of a neighbor who allowed the children to log on to their WiFi network.

"We have a lot of families who can't afford Internet and have antenna TV," said Murphy, who has been trying to help families navigate a Comcast Internet program aimed at low-income families.

Some families are so disconnected that schools can't even reach them. One charter school principal said when the city's restaurants closed, many of the immigrant parents at the school who worked at them shut off their pay-as-you-go phones, making it difficult for teachers to even check in on students.

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"We are certainly concerned about the students we haven't touched," D.C. Mayor Muriel E. Bowser (D) said Monday during a telephone town hall meeting with the District's education leaders.

Often the problems are more nuanced. Leigh is a mother of a fifth-grader at Cleveland Elementary School in the Shaw neighborhood; she wouldn't give her last name for privacy reasons. She thought she was prepared, with a personal computer and basic WiFi connection. But her computer crashed during the first days of remote learning.

She'd just lost her job at a property management company and couldn't afford to purchase a new computer. Her daughter has been completing paper academic packets distributed by the district and talking to her teachers on the phone. But she has been missing out on the online math and reading programs she usually completes at school. Leigh worries her daughter will be unprepared for middle school if she can't get her back online.

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"A lot of the work they are doing at school is computerized," Leigh said.

"Whatever they are purchasing, it makes no sense that it hasn't gotten to
the kids yet in this type of emergency."

Marilyn Wiggens lives with her daughter and five school-aged grandchildren in a three-bedroom apartment in the Langston Lane complex in Southeast Washington. Before schools closed, the household had no computers.

The TraRon Center, which uses art to work with families affected by gun violence, gave them two laptops to use during the shutdown. But it's not enough for five children, and Wiggens is left juggling their schedules. She gives the high schooler priority in the mornings, but sometimes the younger children miss calls or activities with their teachers.





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"I would have to wait for my sister," said Aiyden Wiggens, a third-grader at Stanton Elementary School. "It makes me feel bad and I miss my teachers and friends who I don't see. I miss doing work."

Wiggens said there are kids in her subsidized complex who, with no computers or Internet, spend much of the day playing outside. She's torn. She wants the children to complete their assignments, but she doesn't want to allow them into her apartment, potentially exposing her family to the <a href="coronavirus">coronavirus</a>. So each day, she said, at least two children in the building sit in the hallway with her to use her computer and WiFi and complete their school work.

"They are missing out on some of it because we don't have enough computers," Wiggens said. "The packets, the distance learning that [D.C. Public Schools] provided, it is not helping as much."





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So far, it has required a patchwork of nonprofits, parent-teacher organizations and city efforts to begin addressing the divide.

The city's 62 charter operators collectively placed a \$250,000 order last week for 1,600 T-Mobile hotspots for students who lack WiFi. KIPP DC, the city's largest charter network, has distributed Chromebooks to all its middle and high school students. They sent Android tablets to elementary students. The network estimates it will spend at least \$1.6 million on computers and hotspots for its 6,800 students.

Eagle Academy Public Charter School, which serves students in preschool through third grade, is handing out iPads to any student who needs them.

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For the traditional school system, a much bigger operation, it's been a struggle to deliver technology to students. Last month, before the school closures, Bowser announced a \$4.6 million investment to purchase 16,400 devices in schools across all eight wards.

Ferebee initially only allowed high school students to take devices home. Under pressure from the Washington Teachers' Union and some education advocates, he said last week that he would also distribute Microsoft tablets to middle and elementary school students. Distribution times will be staggered for safety reasons. The school system has also purchased some hotspots to deliver to students.

Donors have contributed more than \$1.7 million to the privately established DC Education Equity Fund, which hopes to purchase tablets, laptops and WiFi hotspots for students in traditional public and charter schools. The fund is in the process of distributing \$1 million to charter and traditional schools for laptops and WiFi hotspots. Fund officials said they hope to use the next batch of money to invest in more long-term solutions, including broadband networks in low-income neighborhoods.

Ferebee said that with so many school systems and workplaces purchasing devices right now, it's been difficult to find them. Still, he said the city's remote-learning efforts have been successful, with large numbers of families across the city picking up paper packets and logging onto the school system's remote-learning portal.

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"Everyone is trying to procure devices and solve for Internet access," Ferebee said. "We have made a lot of progress, and we clearly still have work to do. This is new for families and we want to build as much as support."

But activists and residents are calling on city officials to act more urgently. Parent-teacher organizations say they are having to step in to meet the large demands at their schools.

Alexandra Simbana, a mother at Cleveland Elementary, said the Parent Teacher Organization identified 57 families who do not have a single laptop or tablet at home at the school. The PTO is tapping a \$30,000 reserve fund, saved over the last few years for special events, to buy 57 laptops for students at \$200 a piece.

"We have to do something," Simbana said. "Because it is very clear that Superman is not coming to help us."

## Coronavirus: What you need to read

The Washington Post is providing some coronavirus coverage free, including: Updated May 1, 2020

Live updates: The latest in the U.S. and abroad

More stories today: What you need to know about going back to work | 'Second-week crash' is time of peril for some covid-19 patients

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## **New Business**



Serve Your City 732 15th Street South East Washington, DC 20003

June 2, 2020

Dear ANC6A Board,

I am writing as the Executive Director of Serve Your City and lead organizer of the #DCMutualAidNetwork. I am in full support of the enclosed proposal. Funding is critical to ensure as many residents of Ward 6 as possible can survive this public health crisis.

Thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to working in cooperation with you to serve all residents of Ward 6.

Sincerely,

Maurice Cook Executive Director Serve Your City

## **New Business**



### #DCMutualAidNetwork Partners

Brothas Huddle

Mommas Safe Haven

Training Ground Incorporated

Fairness Coalition

Who Speaks for Me

Empower DC

One DC

Georgetown Juvenile Justice Institute

Public Defenders Service of DC

Free Minds Book Club

Universal Healthcare Management

School of Justice Project

Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services

**CHAW** 

Johnson Middle School

Child Youth Family Services

Students in Care of DC Coordinating Committee

Capital Area Food Bank

Food for All

Pacers Running Club

Potomac Gardens Residence Council

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Salem Baptist

WaterFront Church

Mount Moriah Baptist Church

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Masks for America

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Black Coalition Against COVID

Students in the Care of D.C. Coordinating Committee





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

Date: 🚨

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SERVE YOUR CITY 312 14TH ST NE WASHINGTON, DC 20002 DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Employer Identification Number: 80-0753615 DLN: 17053188348032 Contact Person: ID# 31649 JACOB A MCDONALD Contact Telephone Number: (877) 829-5500 Accounting Period Ending: December 31 Public Charity Status: 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) Form 990 Required: Yes Effective Date of Exemption: September 9, 2011 Contribution Deductibility: Yes Addendum Applies:

#### Dear Applicant:

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

No

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

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

Letter 947 (DO/CG)





June XX, 2020

Clifford Dixon | Permit Expeditor PO Box 6091 Columbia, MD 21045 Cell: (202) 705-1453 dixonclifford@gmail.com

Re: Permits: Excavation: EX1900033, Foundation: FD1900021, Building: B1905590

Dear Mr. Dixon,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on June 11, 2020 our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to express our support for the above referenced permit requests from DGS, Turner Construction, and its subcontractors to operate at the Eliot-Hine Middle School (1830 Constitution Avenue NE) site.

Our Commission supports the construction team's requests for authorization for extended work hours from 6:00 am to 2:00 am Monday through Saturday **for interior work only** in order to expedite completion of the building in time for the new school year.

Please be advised that I am authorized on behalf of ANC6A for the purposes of this request and can be contacted at AmberANC6A@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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## **Transportation and Public Space Committee**

## **MINUTES**

ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting Meeting Call-in Conference via WebEx Monday, May 18, 2020

I. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm (with delays for establishing videoconference connections)

### II. Introductions:

Committee members in attendance: Chair Elizabeth Nelson, Marc Brumer, Maura Dundon, Jeff Fletcher, Caitlin Rogger

Commissioners in attendance: Brian Alcorn (6A08), Mike Soderman (6A03), Amber Gove (6A04)

### III. New Business

- A. The Committee discussed a pilot program for closing select streets to non-resident/non-essential traffic to create additional safe space for outdoor activities. Andrew DeFrank from DDOT was present to discuss the matter. In April, ANC 6A sent a letter in support of street closures and a list of proposed closures to DDOT (listed below). The Committee discussed the proposal, including "rules of the road" to ensure social distancing, successful closures in other cities, whether to consider long-term solutions to design a public space environment to allow for healthy choices, specific routes, and coordinating routes with other ANCs. Mr. Defrank stated that DDOT had not made any decisions, and City Council has not passed related legislation as yet, but that he would keep ANC 6A apprised of developments. Community member Casey Auch spoke in favor of open streets and expressed her willingness to volunteer as a TPS committee member.
- B. The Committee discussed adding sidewalk extensions to facilitate social distancing on blocks near essential businesses and creating additional space for safe outdoor seating near restaurants. H Street and Benning Road NE have been mentioned as possible locations. Mr. DeFrank stated that DDOT is extending sidewalks and focusing first on grocery stores and health care facilities and is also taking suggestions for other locations. Mr. Brumer asked whether there was a sense of how local businesses would react to a reduction in parking. There was also a discussion of how the sidewalk extensions might affect the services that deliver carryout from local restaurants it might not be safe/feasible to have pick up zones and sidewalk extensions on the same blocks. Ms. Nelson suggested that the pickup zones might be moved to the perpendicular streets near the ends of the blocks. Ms. Gove suggested that DDOT reach out to the H Street NE business community and follow up on the outcome of the Pickup/Drop Off (PUDO) pilot project.
- C. Committee discussed DDOT's new authority over red light cameras, including that DDOT (not MPDC) now has authority to decide on placement. The Committee noted that a list of priority red light camera placement could come from the prior list of priority locations sent to DDOT, and any new identified by Commissioners with input from constituents.
  - Mr. Soderman made the motion: TPS recommends that ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT (now that automated traffic enforcement is in their purview) requesting that they consider a list of locations for speed and/or red light cameras. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fletcher and passed unanimously (8-0), including the three Commissioners present.





V. Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

## **ANC 6A Suggested Closures**

#### Route A:

- Unit-600 blocks 12th St NE
- 1200-1600 blocks of F NE
- 100 to 600 blocks of 16th NE
- 1300-1600 blocks of A NE
- Sidewalk to East Capitol [to avoid affecting traffic flow on North Carolina Ave NE]
- 1200 block East Capitol St.

#### Route B:

- 1000 block of K St NE [Note: this is a bus route]
- 600 to 900 blocks 11th St NE
- 1000 block of F St NE
- 600 to 900 blocks 10th St NE

## Route C (includes areas outside of ANC6A):

- 200 to 1300 blocks of I St NE
- 700 to 900 blocks of 13th NE
- 200 to 1300 blocks G St NE
- 700 to 900 blocks of 2nd NE

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June xx, 2020

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

Re: ANC6A Request for Automated Enforcement Cameras in ANC 6A

## Dear Director Marootian:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting<sup>1</sup> on June 11, 2020, our Commission voted x-x (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to send a letter to DDOT requesting automated enforcement (redlight and/or speed) cameras at the following locations:

- 1. 200-300 blocks of 17<sup>th</sup> Street NE
- 2. 1300 block of H Street NE
- 3. 1300 block of North Carolina Avenue NE
- 4. 100-200 blocks of 19th Street NE
- 5. 800-1300 blocks of Maryland Avenue NE
- 6. 1500-1900 block of East Capitol Street NE
- 7. 100-300 blocks of 11<sup>th</sup> Street NE
- 8. 800-1200 blocks of C Street NE
- 9. 200 block of 10th Street NE
- 10. 800 block of Massachusetts Avenue NE
- 11. 200 block of 9th Street NE
- 12. 1500-1900 blocks of Benning Road NE
- 13. 600-700 blocks of 14th Street NE

Automated traffic enforcement, including red light and speed cameras, has been shown to reduce vehicle speeds, collisions, and injuries.<sup>23</sup> Additionally, automated enforcement frees up police time and resources to focus on other priorities and removes the potential for racial profiling related to enforcement in these locations.<sup>4</sup> To ensure that automated enforcement is effective, we also request that DC leadership work to

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Hu W, McCartt AT. Effects of automated speed enforcement in Montgomery County, Maryland, on vehicle speeds, public opinion, and crashes. *Traffic Inj Prev.* 2016;17 Suppl 1:53-58. doi:10.1080/15389588.2016.1189076

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Soole DW, Watson BC, Fleiter JJ. Effects of average speed enforcement on speed compliance and crashes: a review of the literature. *Accid Anal Prev.* 2013;54:46-56. doi:10.1016/j.aap.2013.01.018

<sup>4</sup> https://wamu.org/story/19/09/10/d-c-police-release-long-delayed-stop-and-frisk-data-showing-racial-disparities-in-stops/

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establish reciprocity with other states; recent estimates indicate that the District of Columbia is owed \$835M in fines, 85% of which are owed by Maryland and Virginia residents.<sup>1</sup>

Thank you for giving great weight to the request by ANC 6A. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at AmberANC6A@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

https://www.nbcwashington.com/news/local/dc-owed-835m-in-unpaid-parking-tickets/2190064/





Red Light Safety Camera Enforcement Sites			
S/N	Code	Location	District
1	12	14th St s/b @ U St NW	3
2	34	E Capitol St w/b @ Benning Rd NE	6
3	43	E Capitol St e/b @ Texas Ave SE	6
4	51	Pennsylvania Ave w/b @ Minnesota SE	6
5	64	NY Ave w/b @ Bladensburg Rd NE	5
6	73	NY Ave e/b @ Bladensburg Rd NE	5
7	81	Bladensburg Rd n/b @ NY Ave NE	5
8	101	N Capitol St n/b @ Harewood Rd NE	4
9	112	N Capitol St s/b @ Gallatin St NW	4
10	121	N Capitol St n/b @ Riggs Rd NE	4
11	134	K St w/b @ 25th St NW	2
12	143	S Dakota se/b @ Bladensburg Rd NE	5
13	153	Mt Olivet se/b @ W Virginia Ave NE	5
14	162	S Capitol Ramp s/b before I St SW	1
15	171	16th St n/b @ Oak St NW	4
16	182	16th St s/b @ Colorado Ave NW	4
17	192	Georgia Ave s/b @ Missouri Ave NW	4
18	201	Suitland Pkwy w/b @ Stanton Rd SE	7
19	222	16th St s/b @ Irving St NW	3
20	231	12th St n/b @ Constitution Ave NW	1
21	264	New York Ave w/b @ Florida Ave NE	5
22	274	Constitution Ave w/b @ 15th St NW	2
23	283	K St e/b @ 27th St NW	2
24	286	14th St n/b @ K St NW	1
25	303	Independence Ave e/b @ 3rd St SW	1
26	312	Connecticut Ave S/b @ Nebraska NW	2
27	314	Connecticut Ave s/b @ Porter St NW	2
28	321	14th St n/b @ C St SW	1
29	354	Rhode Island Ave sw/b @ Reed St NE	5
30	371	Branch Ave n/b @ Alabama Ave SE	6
31	381	Connecticut Ave n/b @ Military NW	2
32	394	M St w/b @ Whitehurst Frwy NW	2
33	421	Wisconsin Ave n/b @ Brandywine NW	2
34	443	Pennsylvania e/b @ Southern Ave SE	6
35	451	Connecticut Ave n/b @ Calvert St NW	2
36	464	Military Rd w/b @ 14th St NW	4
37	482	NY AVE SW/B @ N CAPITOL ST NE	5
38	492	Pennsylvania Ave se/b @ 27th St SE	6
39	531	Nebraska Ave ne/b @ Fessenden St NW	2
40	542	N Capitol St s/b @ H St NW	1





Stop Sign Safety Camera Enforcement Sites			
S/N	Code	Location	District
1	8308	11th St n/b @ Lamont St NW	3
2	8413	Kansas Ave ne/b @ Buchanan St NW	4
3	8432	Longfellow St w/b @ Missouri Ave NW	4
4	8440	Blagden Ave @ Allison St NW ne/b	4
5	8441	GALLATIN ST W/B @ 6TH PL NE	4
6	8639	27th St n/b @ R St SE	6
7	8719	Bruce Pl e/b @ 15th Pl SE	7

Oversized Safety Camera Enforcement Sites				
S/N	Code	Location	District	
1	8196	Independence Ave e/b @12th St SE	1	
2	8299	1500 blk T St NW e/b	2	

Speed Safety Camera Enforcement Sites				
S/N	Code	Location	District	
1	8209	2500 blk Porter St NW w/b	2	
2	8229	2600 blk Wisconsin Ave NW s/b	2	
3	8234	3500 blk Massachusetts Ave NW e/b	2	
4	8402	16th St s/b @ Colorado Ave NW	4	
5	8404	Military Rd w/b @ 14th St NW	4	
6	8414	Unit blk Irving St NW e/b	4	
7	8510	1200 blk Mt Olivet Rd NE nw/b	5	
8	8535	4200 blk Eastern Ave NE se/b	5	
9	8607	5500 blk E Capitol St SE e/b	6	
10	8643	3100 blk Alabama Ave SE ne/b	6	
11	8650	2800 blk Benning Rd NE e/b	6	
12	8701	Suitland PKWY w/b @ Stanton Rd SE	7	
13	8702	2300 blk Good Hope Rd SE nw/b	7	
14	9103	3rd St Tunnel NW s/b by 3rd St	1	
15	9104	3rd St Tunnel NW n/b by MA Ave	1	
16	9128	1700 blk C St NE w/b	1	
17	9204	2900 blk Military Rd NW e/b	2	
18	9209	5700 blk MacArthur Blvd NW n/b	2	
19	9213	4600 blk Nebraska Ave NW sw/b	2	
20	9225	2200 blk K St NW w/b	2	
21	9226	2200 block K St NW e/b	2	
22	9235	5100 blk Loughborough Rd NW w/b	2	
23	9295	4300 blk Reservoir Rd NW e/b	2	





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25	9298	5700 blk MacArthur Blvd NW n/b	2
26	9299	4600 blk Massachusetts Ave NW nw/b	
27	9303	2500 blk Georgia Ave NW s/b	3
28	9305	4700 blk MacArthur Blvd NW s/b	3
29	9307	1600 blk New Jersey Ave NW s/b	3
30	9407	200 blk Riggs Rd NE e/b	4
31	9408	3600 blk Park Pl NW s/b	4
32	9409	6700 blk 16th St NW n/b	4
33	9412	4600 blk Blagden Ave NW sw/b	4
34	9418	100 blk Irving St NW w/b	4
35	9492	5200 blk 14th St NW s/b	4
36	9494	300 blk N Capitol St NW sw	4
37	9495	600 blk Blair Rd NW s/b	4
38	9496	5300 blk Eastern Ave NE se/b	4
39	9497	5800 blk New Hampshire Ave NE sw/b	4
40	9498	100 blk Michigan Ave NW e/b	4
41	9499	600 blk Missouri Ave NW se/b	4
42	9510	4200 blk S Dakota Ave NE nw/b	5
43	9511	1100 blk Michigan Ave NE w/b	5
44	9512	1800 blk C St NE e/b	5
45	9513	3300 blk New York Ave NE e/b	5
46	9516	1400 blk Bladensburg Rd NE s/b	5
47	9521	Monroe St e/b 16th St NE	
48	9551	2600 blk Lincoln Rd NE n/b	5
49	9554	3100 blk 4th St NE n/b	5
50	9556	3600 blk Eastern Ave NE se/b	5
51	9557	3900 blk South Dakota Ave NE se/b	5
52	9558	4400 blk Clermont Dr. NE s/b	5
53	9559	1100 blk Bladensburg Rd NE ne/b	5
54	9561	3900 blk South Dakota Ave NE nw/b	5
55	9594	2500 blk N Capitol St NE n/b	5
56	9595	3200 blk Fort Lincoln Drive NE s/b	5
57	9597	600 blk New York Ave NE e/b	5
58	9598	2200 blk South Dakota Ave NE se/b	5
59	9599	600 blk New York Avenue NE w/b	5
60	9602	1900 blk Branch Ave SE s/b	6
61	9605	C 295 NE AT BENNING ROAD EXIT NB	6
62	9614	4000 blk East Capitol St NE w/b	6
63	9616	3900 blk E Capitol St SE e/b	6
64	9620	DC295 NE .1 mile s/o Eastern Ave n/b	6
65	9623	3700 blk Massachusetts Ave SE nw/b	6
66	9691	3000 blk Pennsylvania Ave SE nw/b	6
67	9692	800 blk Eastern Ave NE e/b	6
68	9693	3700 blk Southern Ave SE sw/b	6





69	9694	1400 blk Kenilworth Ave NE S/B	6
70	9697	1900 blk Branch Ave SE n/b	6
71	9698	600 blk Kenilworth Ave NE s/b	6
72	9699	9699 - 800 blk Ridge Rd SE nw/b	6
73	9708	DC 295 .4 mi s/o Penn Ave SE sw/b	7
74	9714	2500 blk Martin Luther King Ave SE n/b	7
75	9717	DC295 SW 0.05 Mile S/O Exit 1 n/b	7
76	9718	DC295 SE 0.4 miles s/o E/2 s/b (WZ)	7
77	9797	1400 blk Southern Ave SE sw/b	7
78	9798	1900 blk Southern Ave SE ne/b	7





## **Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee**

## Minutes Alcoholic Beverage Licensing (ABL) Committee Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A May 19, 2020

Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Alcohol Beverage Licensing Committee ("Committee") of ANC6A was held commencing at 7:00 pm EST on May 19, 2020, on a publicly posted WebEx Event.

Committee Members Present: Nicholas Alberti (Co-Chair) and Mark Samburg (Co-Chair) Committee Members Absent: Roger Caruth, Laura Gentile, Justin Rzepka, Ramin Taheri

Commissioners Present: None

Community Members Present: Casey Callister

I. Call to Order

Mr. Samburg called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm, and noted that a quorum was not present, so any recommendations to the ANC would be non-binding. Without objection, the agenda was reordered.

- II. Community Comment None
- III. Old Business None
- IV. New Business

Discussion of requests by Callister Technology and Entertainment, LLC, t/a Duffy's Irish Pub at 1016 H Street NE (ABRA# 111076) for:

- o A modification to the establishment's settlement agreement and ABRA license to allow live music in the establishment's beer garden on Friday and Saturday nights;
  - Mr. Callister indicated an interest in extending the hours of beer garden operations and in permitting amplified sound in the beer garden for longer hours. Mr. Alberti noted that Duffy's currently cannot have amplified sound in the beer garden for full beer garden operation hours, and indicated that he would support an extension to those hours. Mr. Samburg agreed, noting that Duffy's has not been the subject of any complaints—noise or otherwise—to the ABL.

**Suggested motion:** That the ANC amend its settlement agreement with Duffy's to permit amplified sounds in the summer garden until 11:30 pm Sunday through Thursday evenings and 12:30 am on Friday and Saturday evenings and the evenings before federal and District of Columbia holidays.

o A modification to the establishment's settlement agreement and ABRA license to allow the establishment to operate 24 hours per day;





- Mr. Alberti noted his view that a limited number of 24-hour days of operation would be more palatable than blanket 24-hour operations. He also noted that, regardless of the settlement agreement, ABRA approval would be required.
- The designation of two parking spaces on the north side of the 1000 block of H Street NE as No Parking for Pick-Up only; and
- The designation of a parking space on the north side of the 1000 block of H Street NE for use as outdoor seating.
  - Mr. Alberti noted that these issues would need to be considered by the ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee.
- Expansion of the summer garden into additional open space; would require settlement agreement to permit more seating.
  - Duffy's will provide a diagram of the proposed expansion and the number of proposed seats for consideration by the ABL.

### V. Adjourn

The Committee adjourned at 7:40 pm.

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## **Economic Development and Zoning Committee**

#### MINUTES

ANC 6A EDZ Committee Meeting
WebEx Meeting
Wednesday, May 15, 2020 at 7:00 pm

Present:

Members: Brad Greenfield (Chair), Missy Boyette<sup>1</sup>, Nick Alberti, Mike Cushman, Tim Drake

Commissioners: Stephanie Zimny, Brian Alcorn

Brad Greenfield chaired the meeting.

## **Community Comment**

None.

### **Previously Heard Cases**

None.

### **Old Business**

Brad Greenfield reviewed the previously heard cases.

### **New Business**

1. 229 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NE (BZA Case 20301): Application pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for a special exception under Subtitle E § 205.5 and 5201 from the rear addition requirements of Subtitle E § 205.4, to construct a two-story rear addition to an existing attached principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 Zone.

The project was presented by Joe Boyette, the architect for the project. Mr. Boyette stated that the relief sought was for the 10-foot rule - that the addition would extend more than 10 feet past neighboring buildings. This relief request would provide for an additional 200 square feet of living space. Mr. Boyette reported that all other zoning requirements were being complied with, and that the addition would take the house to 60% lot occupancy.

The addition will be 16 feet off of the existing rear wall. Mr. Boyette said that the additional 6 feet is necessary to make the interior space usable for the family room and bedroom. There is no basement in the home, so this extra space is required for the family of five.

The existing dog leg is being maintained. The addition will have high windows, supporting privacy both for the residents and the neighbors. -The windows were 4 1/2 feet high. Mr. Cushman noted that the windows were still looking down on the neighbor's yards.

The addition will have a hardy plank treatment with a 4-inch exposure. Mr. Greenfield noted that this is a significant difference from the rest of the building. Mr. Boyette replied that brick would not be viable for the addition because of width limitations. Mr. Greenfield asked if there were other houses in that block that had siding on their additions, as viewed from the alley. Mr. Boyette

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> While Missy Boyette was present, she recused herself from voting as she represented the applicant in their request for relief.

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reported that there were other buildings with additions as viewed from the alley, and that they had vinyl and hardy siding.

Mr. Cushman asked how many buildings in the neighborhood had pop-backs. Mr. Boyette clarified terminology, saying that this is a 2-story addition, not a pop-back. There is one building on the block that extends a similar distance back, but it is a church.

Mr. Boyette noted that the only relief being sought was for the 10-foot rule - this rule was implemented to prevent developers from pushing far back from neighbors, but would allow homeowners to do it. Mr. Greenfield noted that the 10-foot rule only went into effect about 18 months ago.

Nick Alberti asked to look at the shadow study for the project. Mr. Alberti noted that the shadow study showed that there would be some shadows encroaching on the neighbor's yard because of the addition. Mr. Boyette reported that a 10-foot addition (by right) would put the neighbor's house in shadow on March 15, and that the additional 6 feet would put the yard in shadow as well. Mr. Cushman noted that the yard was not shown on the shadow study, and this was confusing. Mr. Drake noted that he looked at the Google satellite view, and that there was a tree existing on this yard that would cause shadows in the yard anyway.

Mr. Drake asked if there are letters of support for the project. Mr. Wartman (the homeowner) reported that he has a letter of support from the neighbor at 227 14<sup>th</sup> Street NE. He said that he has had discussions with the neighbor at 231 14<sup>th</sup> Street NE, who has moved recently. The neighbor at 231 has not raised any objections, but has not provided a letter of support at this time. Mr. Drake asked if there had been any discussions with the neighbor at 233. Mr. Boyette said that they had not had discussions, but they could.

Mr. Greenfield made a motion that the EDZ recommend the full ANC support the relief request, on condition that the applicant make best efforts to get a letter of support from 233 and 231 14<sup>th</sup> Street NE. Mr. Drake seconded the motion.

There was an extended discussion during the roll call vote. Mr. Cushman noted his objections to the project based on this being the first house on the block to extend back this far. The motion did not pass, with two votes for the motion, two against the motion and two abstentions.

Mr. Greenfield reviewed options for the homeowner, including going directly to the ANC. The homeowner agreed to have the request tabled and considered at the next EDZ meeting and will attempt to get additional letters of support. Mr. Greenfield tabled the motion.

2. 429 18<sup>th</sup> Place, NE: Informational session about a Planned Unit Development (PUD) being considered at 429 18<sup>th</sup> Place, NE.

The applicant did not attend the meeting, so this matter was not discussed.

Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting: Wednesday, June 17, 2020, 7:00-9:00 pm WebEx information to be posted on ANC6A Website





## **Community Outreach Committee**

#### Minutes

ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC) of Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Regular Meeting - May 18, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm.

Quorum present.

COC members present: Roni Hollmon (Chair), Stefany Thangavelu, Jason Gresh

**COC** members absent: Gladys Mack

Community members present: Sigmund Cohen, Ward 6 Mutual Aid Network

The Committee welcomed its' newest member Jason Gresh. We discussed ongoing tasks for the COC. The Chair notified the Committee of the relaxation of grant rules as related to Covid-19.

Mr. Cohen explained the intention of the Ward 6 Mutual Aid Network to apply for a grant. Their partner, Serve Your City, which is a 501c3, will be applying for and administering the grant, if it is approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

The next regular meeting of the ANC 6A COC will be June 22, 2020 at 7:00 pm.



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