



**District of Columbia Government
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
Agenda for November 12, 2020**



Second (2nd) Thursdays at 7:00 pm

Call-in Conference via WebEx

Call-in Number: 202-860-2110 - Meeting number (access code): 172 825 5216

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Public Meeting - All are welcome

- 7:00 pm **Call to order**
- 7:02 pm **Approve Previous Meeting's Minutes, Adopt Agenda**
- 7:05 pm **Community Presentations**
- Phelps Architecture, Construction and Engineering High School - Olatundun Teyibo, Director and Dr. Kanika Richardson, Coordinator, NAF Academy of Engineering
- 7:25 pm **Officer Reportspg. 37**
1. Approve November 2020 Treasurer's Report
- Standing Committee Reports:**
- 7:30 pm **Community Outreach.....pg. 38**
1. Approve October 2020 committee report.
 2. **Recommendation:** ANC6A approve a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Ludlow Taylor Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) for the continual use of IXL for virtual education.
 3. **Recommendation:** That ANC6A approve a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Ludlow Taylor Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) for the continual use of City Year to support best educational practices in the classroom.
 4. **Recommendation:** That ANC6A approve a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Ludlow Taylor Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) for school supplies.
 5. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, November 16, 2020 (3rd Monday; usually 4th Monday)
- 7:45 pm **Alcohol Beverage Licensing.....pg. 52**
1. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, November 24, 2020 (4th Tuesday)
- 7:50 pm **Transportation and Public Space.....pg. 53**
1. Approve October 2020 committee report.
 2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter of conditional support to DDOT for a fence in public parking at 205 15th Street NE [Public Space Application #358240], provided that it be placed on the line in the site drawing that the applicant provided to the ANC (attached), that it not exceed 4 feet in height and that it be lattice (as specified in the application) or other open construction (at least 40% open).
 3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT of opposition to DDOT for a shed in public parking at 205 15th Street NE [Public Space Application #358240], as the use is incompatible with public parking. (This is the same address and permit application as the previous recommendation - the letters will be combined.)



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4. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A complete the public restroom pilot survey indicating a first choice of locations at 8th and H Street NE and a second choice at 12th and H Street NE plus a note in the comments section in support of other locations on H Street NE.
5. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT in support of Traffic Safety Assessment Service Request 20-00355070 for a red-light camera at the intersection of 9th and C Street NE.
6. **Suggested motion:** ANC 6A request a postponement of DDOT Public Space application #343819, for Paving: Driveway(s) at 1518 North Carolina Ave. NE. Due date is currently 12/3/2020, insufficient notice for a meaningful review.
7. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, November 16, 2020 (3rd Monday)

8:10 pm **Economic Development and Zoning.....pg. 102**

1. Approve October 2020 committee report.
2. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A submit comments to the full Zoning Commission making recommendations that facade preservation be included in any IZ FAR bonus, that the FAR bonus for IZ be subject to special exception relief, that guidance for FAR bonuses for PUD developments be included, and that the FAR bonus be capped at 2.0 for buildings under 85 feet.
3. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter of support to BZA for special exceptions under Subtitle E § 5201, from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, and from the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, to construct a second-story rear deck addition to an existing semi-detached principal dwelling unit at 722 19th Street, NE (BZA Case #20295) in the RF-1 Zone.
4. **Recommendation:** ANC 6A send a letter of support to BZA for a special exception under the off-site parking spaces requirements of Subtitle C § 701.8 (f), applied for by District of Columbia Department of General Services, to relocate 8 of the required parking spaces to the adjacent street to enlarge the outdoor play area at Maury Elementary School, 1250 Constitution Avenue, NE (BZA Case #20323) in the RF-1 Zone. The Economic Development and Zoning Committee recommends the ANC support the request on condition that the parking implications of this action be considered at the November 2020 Transportation and Public Space Committee meeting.
5. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, November 18, 2020 (3rd Wednesday)

8:30 pm **New Business.....pg. 110**

1. **Suggested motion:** Letter to DDOT in support of the Traffic Safety Assessment Questionnaire submitted by Mr. Burnett, including ANC6A support for the request for installation of speed humps on 18th Street NE, at Gales Place NE and Rosedale Street NE. (Phillips-Gilbert)
2. **Suggested motion:** ANC6A approve the appointments of Andrew Burnett to the Transportation and Public Space Committee and Samuel Deluca to the Economic Development and Zoning Committee. (Phillips-Gilbert)
3. **Suggested motion:** ANC6A approve the appointments of Daniel McPheeters and Kristin Garrity to the Economic Development and Zoning Committee. (Brown)
4. **Suggested motion:** ANC 6A approve an updated pricing schedule for agenda package and website services. (Alcorn)



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5. **Suggested motion:** ANC6A send a letter to DCPS Chancellor Ferebee reflecting community concerns regarding the firing of School Without Walls Principal Trogisch. (Gove)
6. **Suggested motion:** ANC6A send a letter supporting apartment style housing and additional funding to support the unhoused during hypothermia season and opposing the proposed increased capacity and 24/7 use of Recreation Centers to house more than 50 people during this hypothermia in light of the serious health concerns posed by mass gatherings during the pandemic. (Toomajian)
7. **Suggested motion:** ANC6A send a letter to BZA for special exceptions under Subtitle C § 1500.4 from the penthouse requirements of Subtitle C § 1500, and under Subtitle E §§ 205.5 and 5201, from the rear addition requirements of Subtitle C § 205.4, to construct two new, attached, three-story flats with a penthouse. (Brown)

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

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

9:00 pm **Adjourn**



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Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Minutes WebEx Meeting October 8th, 2020

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

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 September 2020 meeting were accepted, and the agenda for the October 2020 meeting was accepted by unanimous consent with the following change:
Commissioner Sondra Philips-Gilbert moved and Commissioner Brian Alcorn seconded to add Andre Jackson's appointment to the Transportation and Public Space Committee to the New Business portion of the agenda. The motion passed 5-0-1 with Commissioner Gove abstaining.

Community Presentations

- Officer Anthony Walsh was unable to join the meeting to make a presentation on MPD Services for the Deaf and LGBTQ Communities.
- **Streateries and Arts in the Right-of-Way Program - Emma Blondin, District Department of Transportation (DDOT) Transportation Planner, Neighborhood Planning Branch**
Ms. Emma Blondin made a presentation on DDOT's Streatery and Arts in the Right-of-Way (AROW) Programs. DDOT's Streatery program will extend until the end of the Mayor's State of Emergency, currently through December 31, 2020, with a 5-day turnaround period for permits. The Mayor's office has a small grant program and is providing restaurants with \$6,000 to "winterize" their outdoor spaces (heaters, tents, barriers, etc.). DDOT is providing jersey barriers on a first-come, first-serve basis for these new outdoor eating spaces, though these specific barriers are not mandatory; they can be painted. There are 5 types of outdoor dining service opportunities: Sidewalk Cafes and Parklets (both of which individual businesses can apply for) and Streateries, Alley Extensions, and Plazas (all three of which community organizations can apply for). Streateries are beneficial to more than one restaurant (several on a block) while Parklets are defined as one establishment taking over adjacent parking spaces with the minimal social distancing standards of 6 feet between tables and a 6-foot clear sidewalk width. There are 6 approved parklets on H Street NE. Temporary Pick Up/Drop Off sites are also available. More information can be found on <https://coronavirus.dc.gov/recovery-business>. Ms. Blondin also presented on DDOT's Arts in the Right-of-Way (AROW) Program, outlining traffic control box beautification (a new program to put vinyl wraps on these boxes) and Micromobility Corral Art (stencils for sidewalk art). The AROW Program does not yet have funding, so interested community members must find funding elsewhere. Ideas for beautification can be submitted on the DDOT website or to Ms. Blondin directly: emma.blondin@dc.gov.

Officer Reports Officer Reports

1. The October 2020 Treasurer's report by Commissioner Brian Alcorn reviewed the 4 expenditures accrued in September: \$151.05 to FedEx for printing (Check 1942), \$465.89 for webmaster services (Check 1943), \$200.00 for meeting minutes (Check 1944), and \$366.00 to USPS for annual mailbox rental (Check 1945). There are \$550.00 in outstanding checks not yet deposited. The opening



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uncommitted funds available were \$30,682.60 and after the afore-listed disbursements totaling \$1,182.94 and the \$550.00 in existing obligations, the closing uncommitted funds are \$28,949.66. The savings account opened at \$100.05, gained no interest, and closed at \$100.05. The Treasurer's report was approved by unanimous consent.

2. The FY20 Fourth (4th) Quarter Report was approved by unanimous consent.
3. The 2021 Fiscal Year started on October 1, 2020; ANC 6A will receive an allotment of \$21,782.24, the same allotment as in 2020. The pandemic has reduced the need for some budget items such as agenda package printing and increased the need for technology and communication expenses, and total proposed disbursements for 2021 are \$23,941.00, resulting in a deficit of \$2,159. There is a "rainy day fund" of about \$29,000.00 from previously unused allotments and this will serve to cover the proposed 2021 deficit. The budget can be changed by a vote at any time. Commissioner Marie-Claire Brown moved and Commissioner Mike Soderman seconded to accept the 2021 Budget Plan. The motion to adopt and approve the 2021 Budget Plan passed 6-0.

Standing Committee Reports:

Community Outreach

1. The September 2020 committee report was approved by unanimous consent.

Old Business

2. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC 6A send letters to Commander Morgan C. Kane, Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) First District, and Commander William Fitzgerald, MPD Fifth District, to raise concerns about reports from constituents that MPD is not in compliance with current health and safety guidelines and other regulations pertaining to ensuring reasonable accommodations for all community members, including sign language interpretation. The recommendation passed 6-0.
3. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC 6A send a letter to the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) inquiring how they plan to ensure access to recreation centers and facilities for the community going forward. Commissioner Brown proposed an amendment to the letter which would recognize recent DPR announcements. The recommendation as amended passed 6-0.

New Business

4. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Brown seconded a motion that ANC 6A approve the updated Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Grant Request Application Form (revised September 2020) for posting on the ANC 6A website. The recommendation passed 6-0.
5. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC 6A approve a grant in the amount of \$3,000.00 to the Eliot-Hine (EHS) Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) for the establishment and operation of a community emergency relief pantry. Elizabeth Campbell of the Eliot-Hine Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) stated that the emergency relief package is intended to serve both immediate and long-term relief, through gift cards, toiletries, and the purchase of a refrigerator, freezer, and shelving. The recommendation passed 6-0.
6. Commissioner Sondra Philips-Gilbert moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC 6A approve the appointments of Sarah Bell and Marc Friend to the Community Outreach Committee (COC). Both attended the most recent COC meeting. The motion passed 6-0.
7. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, October 26, 2020 (4th Monday)

Alcohol Beverage Licensing

1. The October 2020 committee report was approved by unanimous consent
2. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Brown seconded a motion that ANC 6A take no action for the renewal application for Wen De Zhang & Yang You Feng, t/a China House, 1601 Benning



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Road NE (ABRA-025169). Commissioner Philips-Gilbert has been in contact with China House owners regarding trash pick-up and the ABL Co-Chairs will follow up on the issue. The recommendation passed 6-0.

3. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Brown seconded a motion that ANC 6A take no action for the renewal application for Mochi, Inc. t/a DC Supermarket, 539 8 Street NE (ABRA-074927). The recommendation passed 6-0.
4. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, TBA (likely moving to 4th Tuesday of the month, so November 24th)

Transportation and Public Space

1. The September 2020 committee report was approved by unanimous consent.
2. Commissioner Gove moved and Commissioner Soderman seconded that ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT in support of NOI #20-79-PSD for the proposed Advisory Bike Lane Project on Tennessee Avenue NE to include the following comments and recommendations:
 - Requesting raised crosswalks at the intersections of Tennessee Avenue NE with special attention to those at C Street, E Street and 14th Street NE, if determined to be feasible;
 - Additional traffic calming measures on the 200 block of 13th Street NE, potentially including raised crosswalks and/or speed humps and a clear connection for the southbound bike route from the 200 block of Tennessee Avenue NE;
 - Additional traffic calming measures in the 200-500 blocks of Tennessee Avenue NE, including speed humps, if feasible;
 - Installation of yield control and one way or do not enter signs at the intersection at south end of triangle park at north end of 100 block of Tennessee Avenue NE;
 - Installation of traffic calming measures, including speed humps, in the 100 block of 13th Street NE to prevent conflicts with the bike lane path;
 - Minimize, to the extent possible, any loss in linear feet of parking other than sightline setbacks required to protect vulnerable users;
 - Removal of proposed diagonal painted lines on the 100 block of Tennessee Avenue NE; and
 - Additional opportunity to review and comment (another NOI) for the intersection at 13th Street and Constitution Avenue NE.

Several of the above bullet points are Commissioner Gove's amendments to the original recommendation brought forward at the October 2020 TPS meeting and are direct requests from community members. There are concerns about parking signage, or lack thereof, regarding the 5 feet no-parking rules at alleys and 15 feet no-parking rules at crosswalks; DDOT has a plan to improve and add signage. The motion as amended passed 5-0-1 with Commissioner Brown abstaining.

Commissioner Ruth-Ann Hudson left the meeting at 9:00 pm.

3. Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert recommended and Commissioner Brown seconded a motion that ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT in support of public space application 353808 at 1660 Gales Street NE, conditional on the applicant resolving any potential issues regarding the property line to DDOT's satisfaction and the Commissioners approving the fence design and materials. The motion passed as amended 5-0.
4. Commissioner Brown recommended Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT requesting a postponement of the hearing for Public Space Permit application #358240 to install an 8x10 foot garden shed on public space in a corner lot at 205 15th Street NE due to insufficient notice and Incomplete information. A review of the application will be placed on the



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October 2020 TPS meeting agenda. The recommendation passed 4-0-1 with Commissioner Phillips-Gilbert abstaining.

5. Commissioner Soderman moved and Commissioner Brown seconded a motion that ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT expressing objection to insufficient notice and the [apparent] approval prior to the stated response date for Public Space Permit application #355976 at 618 14th Street NE. The motion passed 5-0.
6. Commissioner Alcorn moved and Commissioner Brown seconded a motion that ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT calling attention to a pattern of insufficient notice for consideration of public space applications, specifically DDOT PSRA Permit Tracking# 359474, Review# 685885 for window wells at 331 15th Street NE. The motion passed 5-0.
7. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, October 19, 2020 (3rd Monday)

Economic Development and Zoning

1. The September 2020 committee report was approved by unanimous consent.
2. The Committee recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC 6A send a letter of support to the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) for a special exception under Subtitle E § 5201 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, to construct a one-story rear addition to an existing attached flat at 128 12th Street NE (BZA Case #20310) in the RF-1 Zone. The recommendation passed 5-0.
3. The Commission recommended and Commissioner Soderman seconded a motion that ANC 6A send a letter of support to Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) for the raze permit request to demolish a single-bay accessory garage at 1511 A Street, NE, a four-bay accessory garage at 1513 A Street NE, and a six-bay accessory garage at 1515 A Street, NE, on the condition that the owner's intent and plans conform to the plans previously provided and approved by the BZA, and on the condition that the raze permit only covers the accessory structures. The recommendation passed 5-0.
4. Next meeting - 7:00 pm, October 21st, 2020 (3rd Wednesday)

New Business

Commissioner Philips-Gilbert moved and Commissioner Alcorn seconded a motion to add Andre Jackson to the TPS Committee beginning with the November 2020 meeting, conditional on Mr. Jackson attending the October 2020 TPS meeting. The motion passed 5-0.

Single Member District Reports

Commissioner Alcorn (6A08) acknowledged that neighbors at 18th and D Streets NE continue to have issues with fireworks, public urination, speeding, and other destruction to the neighborhood. Neighbors are proactively looking for creative solutions. There have also been two recent disruptions at 15th and A Streets leading to property damage and conflict de-escalation and he is working with residents to address these concerns.

Commissioner Brown (6A01) is compiling a list for rodent control which has been a prominent issue on 9th Street NE.

Commissioner Philips-Gilbert (6A07) passed out COVID-19 flyers in her SMD and the community was appreciative; she will send the electronic flyer to post it on the Facebook page.

The meeting adjourned at 10:06 pm.



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Community Presentations





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October 23, 2020

Commander Morgan C. Kane
First District, Metropolitan Police Department
101 M Street SW
Washington, DC 20024

Re: Police Interaction with the Public during the Covid-19 Epidemic

Dear Commander Kane,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 8, 2020, our Commission voted 6-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to express our concerns regarding testimony received during the ANC 6A Community Listening Session of August 24, 2020. At that meeting, community member Mr. Rico Dancy, who self identified as being deaf/hard of hearing, said that MPD officers that responded to him on a call were not inclined to contact an interpreter for him.

In addition, Mr. Dancy and others have said officers have not been wearing face masks when interacting with the public. The ANC requests that all MPD officers remain in compliance with present health and safety guidelines and regulations pertaining to ensuring reasonable accommodations for all community members, including sign language interpretation.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this issue. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at amberanc6a@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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October 23, 2020

Commander William FitzGerald
Fifth District, Metropolitan Police Department
1805 Bladensburg Road NE
Washington, DC 20002

Re: Police Interaction with the Public during the Covid-19 Epidemic

Dear Commander FitzGerald,

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October 23, 2020

Mr. Delano Hunter, Director
Department of Parks and Recreation
1275 First Street NE
Washington, DC 20002

Re: ANC6A Statement – Reopening public spaces during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Dear Director Hunter,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 8, 2020, our Commission voted 6-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request that specified District of Columbia parks and recreational facilities reopen, in accordance with DC Health Phase 2 reopening guidelines.

This letter strongly recommends that the city allocate investments to ensure these facilities stay open to support community health and well-being. Our Commission area includes Rosedale Recreation Facility and Sherwood Recreation Center. The dangers of Covid-19 are well known; however, it is equally important that communities maintain their social fabric during tough times.

This Halloween will mark the 5th Anniversary of the Halloween celebration sponsored by Commissioner Sondra Phillips-Gilbert at the Rosedale Recreation Center. We request that DPR make sufficient investments, centered on existing guidance concerning sanitation, spacing, crowd limitations (no more than 50 people), safeguards for employees, facility considerations (i.e., improving ventilation), etc., to ensure this event can be held safely on October 31, 2020. The steps required to reopen these facilities will require work, but this is very possible to do safely with the necessary planning and resources to support our community in ANC 6A.

As other nearby communities have already proven, we encourage DPR to look for more innovative solutions to keep these facilities open throughout Phase 2. Currently, the lack of access to recreational facilities acutely affects kids in vulnerable communities who are experiencing a disproportionate number of stressors. We believe that having strict health protocols in place at these facilities - as mentioned in existing guidance - could safely mitigate the spread of the Coronavirus while allowing much needed social relief and positive health benefits to our community. Furthermore, ANC 6A is a diverse community where these services are acutely needed - many of our residents cannot afford private and individual solutions. This disparity has already been felt when we have private facilities, such as pools at the YMCA (<https://www.ymcadc.org/reserve-your-y-time/>) and nearby public pools, such as Prince George's County (<http://www.pgpc.org/1006/Aquatics>) open while District facilities

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have been closed. Outdoor activities are some of the safest options for children during COVID with direct benefits both physically and mentally.²

These facilities and the enrichment programs they offer are not just nice to have but are necessary to help those most directly impacted by these difficult times to ensure safe and healthy places to play and get essential services to support wellbeing in DC. It is urgent that DPR reopen and expand the offerings at Deanwood & Sherwood facilities to support the ANC 6A community, just the same as other private operations. District decisions must incorporate ALL residents in our community who depend on the social safety services provided by the city. Shutting down the public spaces that provide critical services to our community has a negative long-term effect.

We call upon DPR to reimagine and prioritize investments in public space, with an eye to use these spaces - in a safe manner - for all manner of social and educational needs. Specifically, we recommend expanding DPR learning hubs (<https://dpr.dc.gov/page/dpr-learning-hubs>) and other programs for kids beyond the traditional spring/summer/winter break timelines currently offered through DPR. While we must address the serious health threat that Covid-19 poses for our community, we must also allocate the proper investments now needed to adapt our way of living and keep our communities strong and vibrant over the long term.

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

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

² See CDC guidelines for visiting parks and recreational facilities,
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-lifecoping/visitors.html>



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October 14, 2020

Mr. Will Handsfield, Transportation Planner
District Department of Transportation
55 M St SE, Suite 400
Washington, DC 20003

Re: ANC6A Support for NOI #20-79-PSD

Dear Mr. Handsfield:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 8, 2020, our Commission voted 5-0-1 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to send a letter to DDOT in support of NOI #20-79-PSD, the proposed Advisory Bike Lane Project on Tennessee Avenue NE, with the following comments and recommendations:

1. Requesting raised crosswalks at the intersections of Tennessee Avenue NE with special attention to those at C Street, E Street and 14th Street NE, if determined to be feasible;
2. Additional traffic calming measures on the 200 block of 13th Street NE, potentially including raised crosswalks and/or speed humps and a clear connection for the southbound bike route from the 200 block of Tennessee Ave NE;
3. Additional traffic calming measures in the 200-500 blocks of Tennessee Ave NE, including speed humps if feasible;
4. Installation of appropriate roadway signage (e.g. yield control and one way and/or do not enter signs) at the south end of triangle park in the 100 block of Tennessee Ave NE;
5. Installation of appropriate roadway signage (e.g. no right turn, one way and/or do not enter signs) at the intersection of East Capitol and Tennessee Ave NE;
6. Installation of traffic calming measures, including speed humps, in the 100 block of 13th St NE to prevent conflicts with the bike lane path;
7. Minimize, to the extent possible, any loss in linear feet of parking other than sightline setbacks required to protect vulnerable users;
8. Removal of proposed diagonal painted parking lines on 100 block of Tennessee Ave NE; and
9. Additional opportunity to review and comment (a second NOI) for the intersection at 13th Street and Constitution Avenue NE.

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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October 14, 2020

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

Re: ANC6A Support for Public Space Application # 353808 - 1660 Gales St. NE

Dear Mr. Marcou:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 8, 2020, our Commission voted 5-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support Public Space Application # 353808 - 1660 Gales St. NE, for a fence that exceeds requirements in public parking, provided that the applicant can resolve any potential property line issues to DDOT's satisfaction.

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

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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October 14, 2020

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

Re: Request for Postponement (insufficient notice) and Clarification - DDOT PSRA Permit Tracking# 358240 Review# 686055, fixture or street furniture at 205 15th Street NE

Dear Mr. Marcou:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 8, 2020, our Commission voted 4-0-1 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request that the due date for review of the above referenced item be postponed at least until the November 15, 2020 so that the ANC can discuss with the applicant and present an informed opinion at a publicly noticed ANC meeting. The ANC was given far less than 30 days notice.

We also believe that clarification is needed, as the application does not indicate placement of the proposed 8x10 foot shed, within public space. This is a corner lot and a large structure could impede sightlines for both pedestrians and motorists. Therefore, we request that the diagram in the official application be updated prior to ANC review. This may require an extension until after the December 10, 2020 ANC meeting to allow for adequate public notice of the revised application.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this public space issue. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at amberanc6a@gmail.com.

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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
Box 75115
Washington, DC 20013



October 14, 2020

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

Re: Insufficient Notice - DDOT PSRA Permit Tracking# 355976 at 618 14th Street NE

Dear Mr. Marcou:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 8, 2020, our Commission voted 5-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to call to your attention that the ANC was not given proper notice in this matter. Although we are not opposed to the application and are not seeking an extension, we must question why the ANC received the notice on September 18 with a review due date of October 10 (far less than 30 days notice) and why we subsequently received notice on September 23, that the application was already approved by DDOT.

We would appreciate an explanation as to why the matter was closed without ANC review and request that adequate notice be given in future. Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this public space issue.

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

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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October 23, 2020

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

Re: BZA Case No. 20310 (128 12th Street NE)

Dear Mr. Moy:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 8, 2020, our Commission voted 5-0-0 (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 E § 5201 from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, to construct a one-story rear addition to an existing attached flat in the RF-1 Zone.

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

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

On behalf of the Commission,

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October 27, 2020

Mr. Bruce Yarnall
Historic Preservation Operations Manager
DC Office of Planning
1100 Fourth Street, SW, Suite E650
Washington, DC 20024

Re: Raze Permits for 1511, 1513, and 1515 A Street, NE

Dear Mr. Yarnall:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on October 8, 2020, our Commission voted 5-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the raze applications for accessory garages at the three properties at 1511, 1513 and 1515 A Street A Street NE. The demolition of these accessory structures is in line with the plans that our ANC, DCRA and the OP have already reviewed and approved, and will not impact the historic nature of the neighborhood. Our support is conditional on the raze application only including the accessory garage structures, and no other part of the home. Our support is also conditional on the plans for the development of these properties still following the plans that were submitted and reviewed in February, 2019 (see attached).

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

On behalf of the Commission,

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March 21, 2019

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

Re: BZA Case No. 19913 (1511 – 1515 A Street NE)

Dear Mr. Moy:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on March 14th, 2019, our Commission voted 8-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request in BZA Case No. 19913. In this case, the Applicant requests, pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, a special exception under the inclusionary zoning lot dimension requirements of Subtitle E § 201.1, to subdivide the existing lot at 1511 A Street NE into three lots and construct three new, attached flats of two units each in the RF-1 Zone at 1511-1515 A Street NE ("Special Exception" or "Request"). Included as part of this Request by the Applicant is a concept package dated September 28, 2018² ("Plans").

Our support of the Special Exception is contingent upon the following conditions. The Applicant and subsequent property owners must:

- Adhere to the Plans presented by the Applicant in this Request, including, but not limited to design, appearance, size, and building materials. Any substantial deviations from these plans must be brought to this ANC.
- Keep the height limit of the development to no more than 35 feet for what will be designated as 1513-1515 A Street NE and 25 feet for what will be designated as 1511 A Street NE, as outlined in the Plans presented by the Applicant in this request. Our ANC notes that the current proposal appears to be below the maximum allowable height under RF-1 for three adjoining lots under simultaneous development.³
- Build the inclusionary zoning unit required under this Special Exception on-site at 1511-1515 A Street NE.
- Include at least six parking spaces on-site at 1511-1515 A Street NE.

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² The relevant concept package is Exhibit 5.2 of this Request.

³ See Subtitle E-11, Section 303.2.

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District of Columbia
CASE NO: 19913
EXHIBIT NO. 5.2



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- Not seek further zoning relief for 1511-1511 A Street NE, unless supported by this ANC.

If the BZA implements these conditions pursuant to Subtitle E § 901.4-5, then the ANC believes that this Special Exception may be “in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps” and “will not tend to affect adversely, the use of neighboring property in accordance with the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps.”⁴ The general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps should ensure that the proposed development of 1511 A Street NE will be consistent with the existing predominantly two-story residential developments in this low-to-moderate density residential neighborhood.

Please be advised that Commissioner Brian Alcorn, Economic Development and Zoning Committee Member Nicholas Alberti, and I are all authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposes of this case. I can be contacted at AmberANC6A@gmail.com, Commissioner Alcorn can be contacted at alcornb6a08@gmail.com, and Mr. Alberti can be reached at alberti6a04@yahoo.com.

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

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
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⁴ Subtitle X-43, 901.2.



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Brian Alcorn,
Commissioner, ANC 6A08

March 25, 2019

Board of Zoning Adjustment
DC Office of Zoning
441 4th Street, NW, Suite 2005
Washington, DC 20001

RE: Case #19913 – 1511 A Street, NE

Members of the Board:

This letter provides additional context about the conditional support the ANC granted¹ for the request for a Special Exception submitted by 57th Street Mews, Inc. ("Mews") to the Board of Zoning Adjustment ("BZA") related to 1511 A Street NE ("Property"). As proposed, the architectural renderings/design concept package for the Property that underlie Mews' request for a Special Exception ("Plans")² appear to be in harmony with our predominantly two-story, single-family-home, low-to-moderate density residential neighborhood. However, given the history with Mews and the Property, neighbors are skeptical that, if any special consideration is granted by the BZA, Mews or any subsequent owner/developer of the Property ("future successors") will in fact develop it in a manner that is "in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulation and Zoning Maps" and "will not tend to affect adversely, the use of the neighboring property in accordance with the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps."³

The BZA should consider the long and tortured history of this Property under Mews' ownership as it considers Mews' request for a Special Exception. As this Board is likely aware, an effort by Mews to construct a (now discredited) wildly out-of-scale 18 unit, 5 story condominium/apartment building⁴ on that site began in 2013, but was eventually found to be improper by DCRA, as well as BZA,⁵ as the result of a neighbor-initiated appeal before any construction started. To date, the neighborhood has

¹ See ANC 6A Letter to BZA, dated March 21, 2019 (Exhibit 68 of the Special Exception Request).

² These architectural renderings are a Concept Package (Exhibit 52 of the Special Exception request). This Concept Package does not bear stamps nor the seal of an architect licensed in the District of Columbia, let alone any licensed architect. This also does not include engineering, mechanical, plumbing, or other building plans typically required for a building permit application. It has been presented to ANC 6A that these will be developed and properly executed after the BZA acts on the Special Exception Request.

³ Subtitle X-43, 901.2.

⁴ See BZA (appeal) Case #19505; BZA (appeal) Case #19412; BZA (appeal) Case #19410.

⁵ BZA Case #19505.

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EXHIBIT NO.82



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been forced to expend significant time, attention, and resources in dealing with the Property and its related Zoning Administration, BZA, and Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) matters. DCRA and this Board have also had to extend significant time and resources related to this property under Mews' tenure. Over time, the community has grown skeptical of Mews' ability or willingness to advance a viable, compliant plan or employ qualified professionals for developing this now-long vacant property.

The neighborhood is presently encouraged by the prospects that Mews is exploring a proposal that would be consistent with the RF-1 designation of the neighborhood (and Property) and is much more in line with the density and uniformity of this low-to-moderate scale residential neighborhood when compared to the aforementioned discredited plan. As proposed, the architectural renderings/concept package underlying Mews' request for a Special Exception appear on their face to be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and the Zoning Map. However, we remain concerned that the Property will in fact be developed in a manner that consistent with neighborhood if the Special Exception is granted.

For this reason, the BZA should (1) impose requirements on Mews and future successors pertaining to design, appearance, size, building materials, and other requirements it deems necessary⁶ and (2) considers imposing term limits on the Special Exception.⁷ If the BZA chooses to grant the Special Exception, its order should at least require that Mews and future successors must (1) adhere to the Plans presented in the request; (2) keep the height limit of the development to no more than 35 feet for what, following a subdivision, will be designated as 1513-1515 A Street NE and 25 feet for what, following a subdivision, will be designated as 1511 A Street NE; (3) build the inclusionary zoning unit required under this Special Exception on-site at 1511-1515 A Street NE; (4) include at least six design-compliant parking spaces on-site at 1511-1515 A Street NE (seven are shown in this design package); and (5) not seek further zoning relief for this project, unless supported ANC 6A.⁸

This level of scrutiny, intervention and prescriptive supervision as a pre-requisite to any relief in excess of "matter of right" is required in this circumstance to guarantee the Property is developed consistent with the Plans, including but not limited to Zoning representations, made in the architectural renderings/design concept package that underpin this instant case.

Yours Sincerely,

Brian Alcorn
Commissioner, ANC 6A08
31 15th St NE
6A08@anc.dc.gov
202-642-5193

⁶ Subtitle X-43.904.1.

⁷ Subtitle X-43.901.5.

⁸ See ANC 6A Letter to BZA, dated March 21, 2019 (Exhibit 68).



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1511 - 1515 A STREET NE

WASHINGTON DC 20002- SQUARE: 1070 - LOT:0094
NEW CONSTRUCTION OF (8) 2 UNIT FLAT ROW DWELLINGS



CONCEPT PACKAGE- 09/28/2018

6 UNITS- ROW DWELING UNITS ON 3 ADJOINING LOTS

1511 - 1515 A ST. NE
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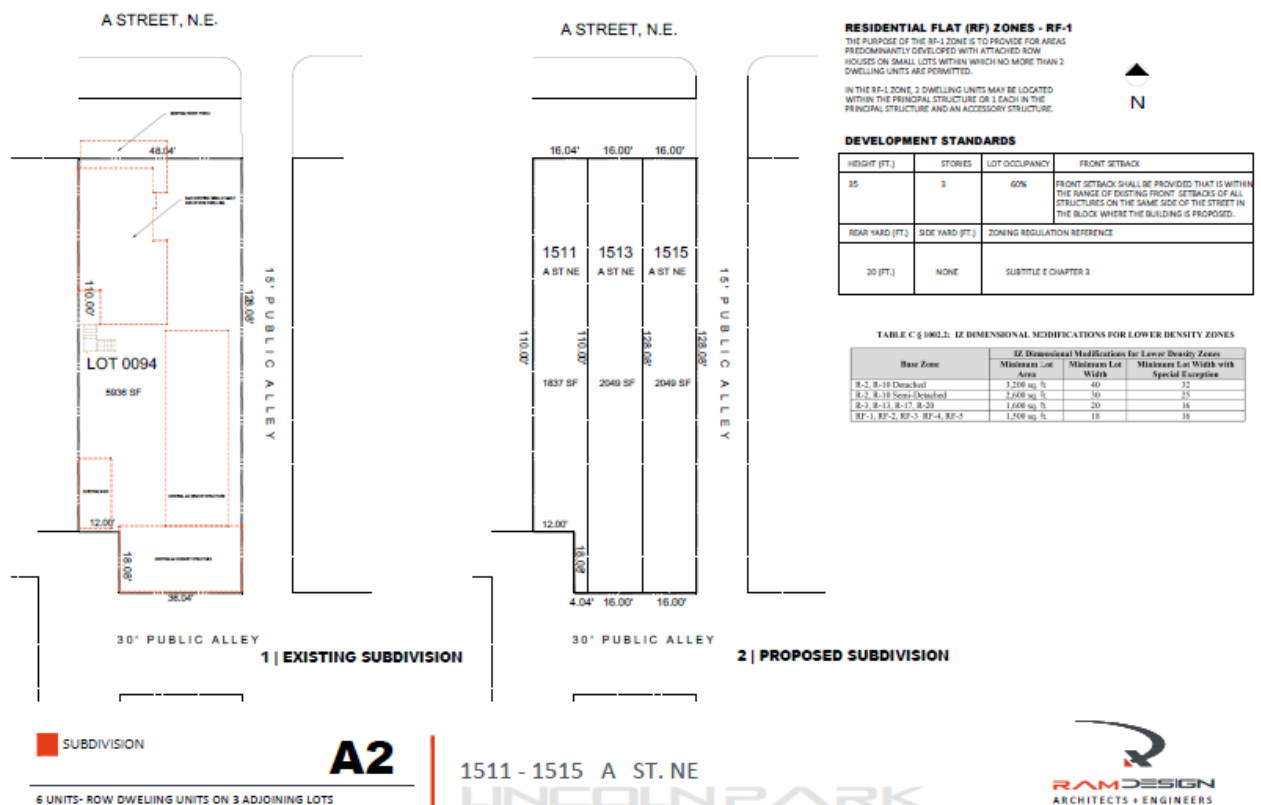
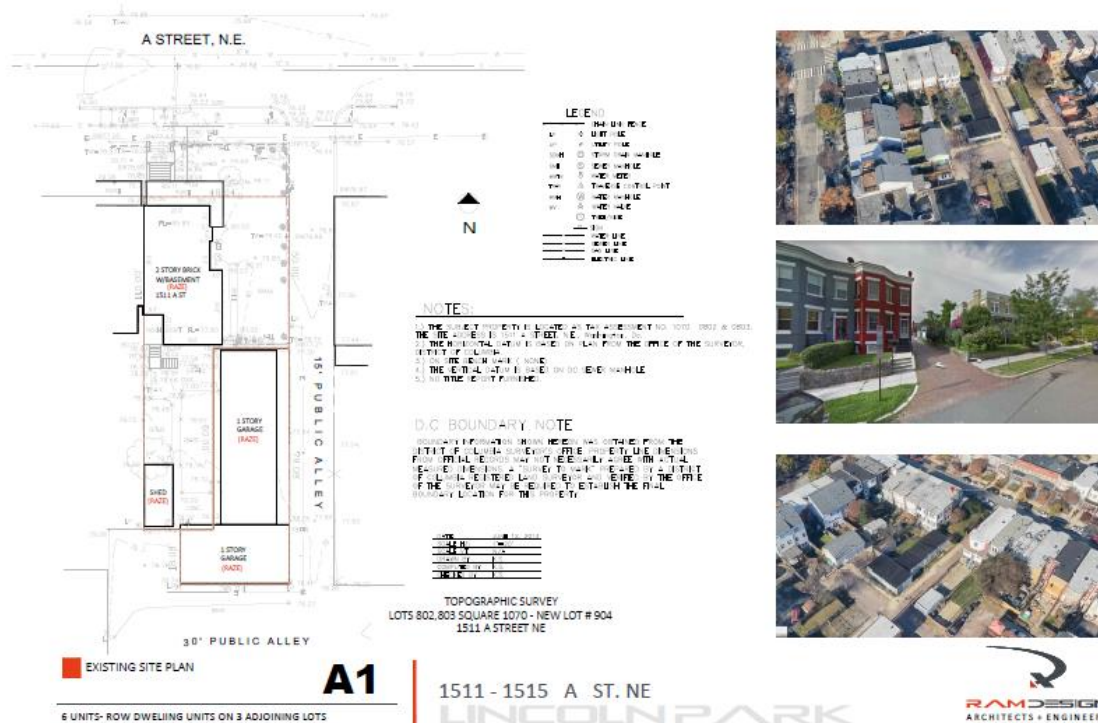
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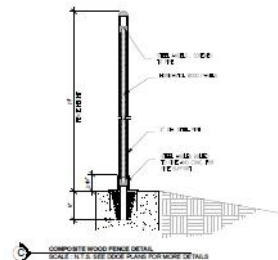
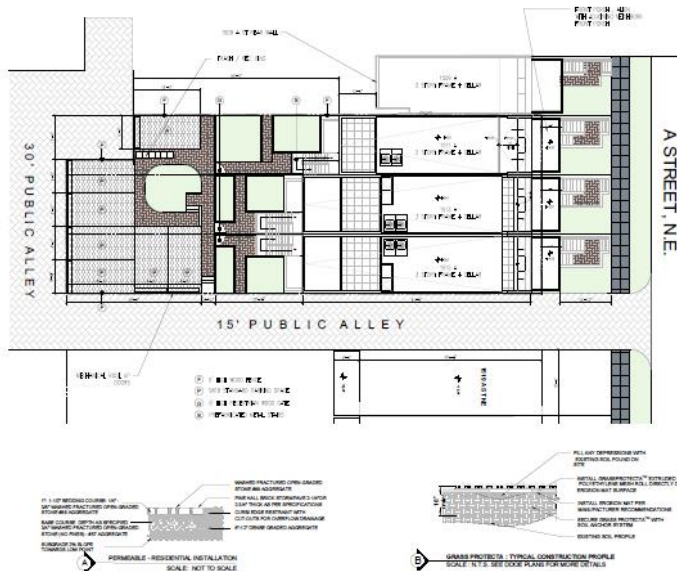
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ARCHITECTURAL SITE PLAN
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RAMDESIGN
ARCHITECTS + ENGINEERS

VICINITY MAP



EXISTING DATA

PROPERTY	AREA	PERCENT	LOT AREA
LOT 1	1,100	100%	1,100
LOT 2	1,100	100%	1,100
LOT 3	1,100	100%	1,100

EXISTING DATA

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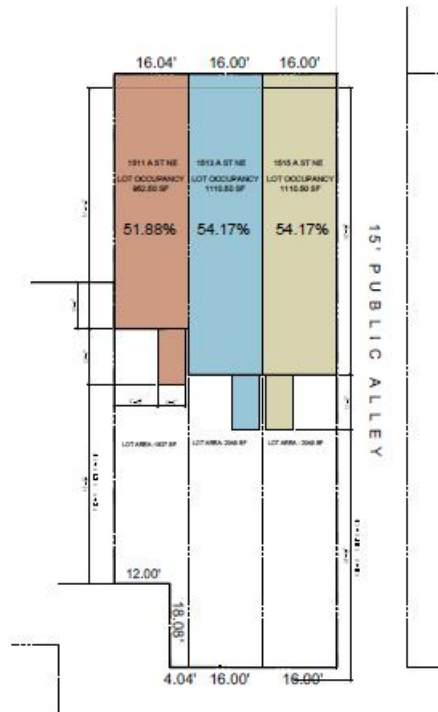
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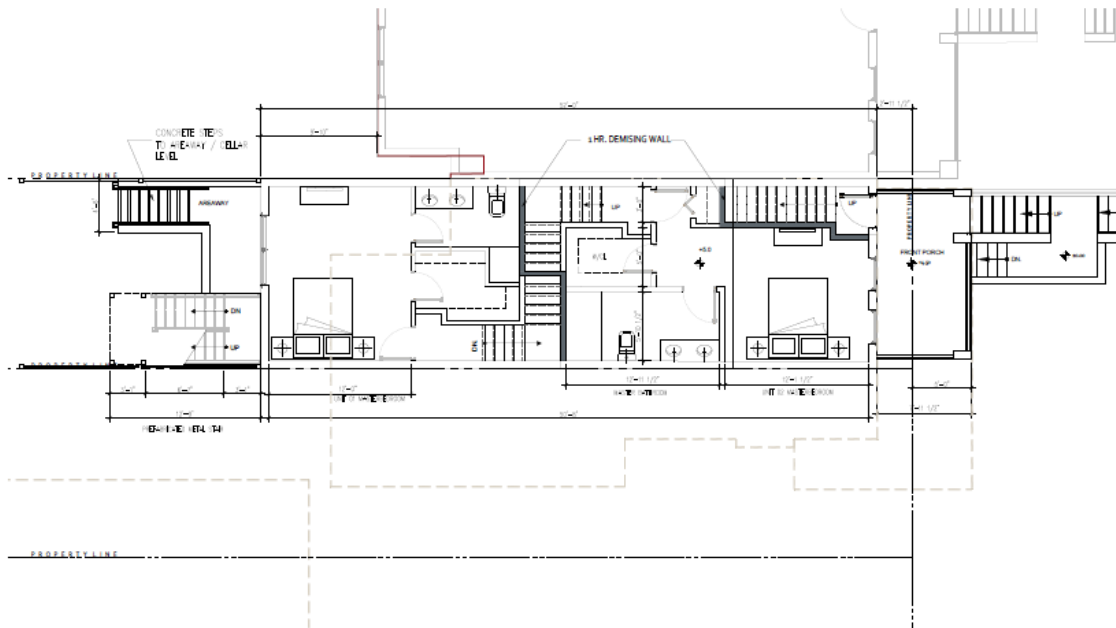
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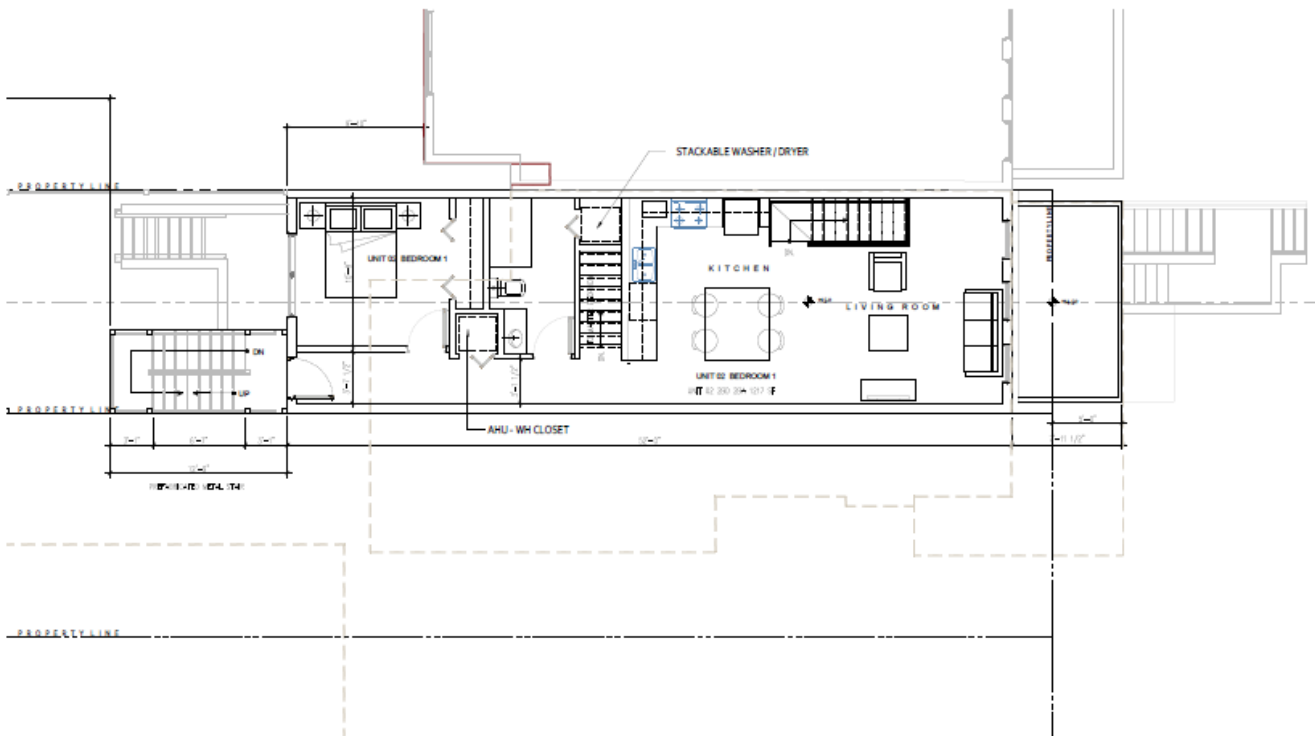
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN

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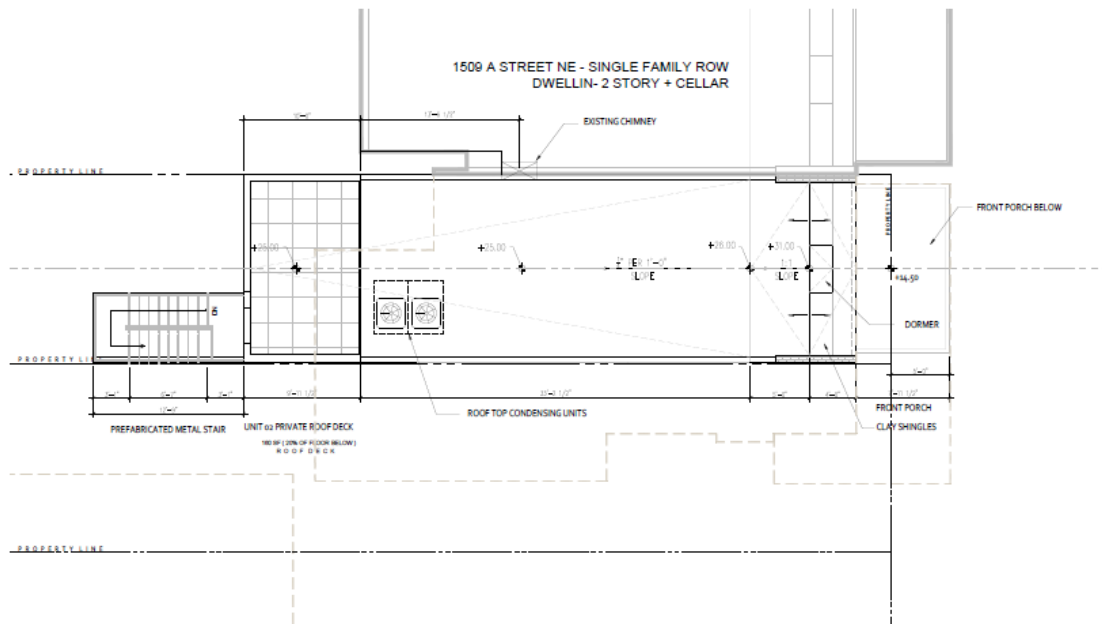
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1513 A STREET FLOOR PLANS



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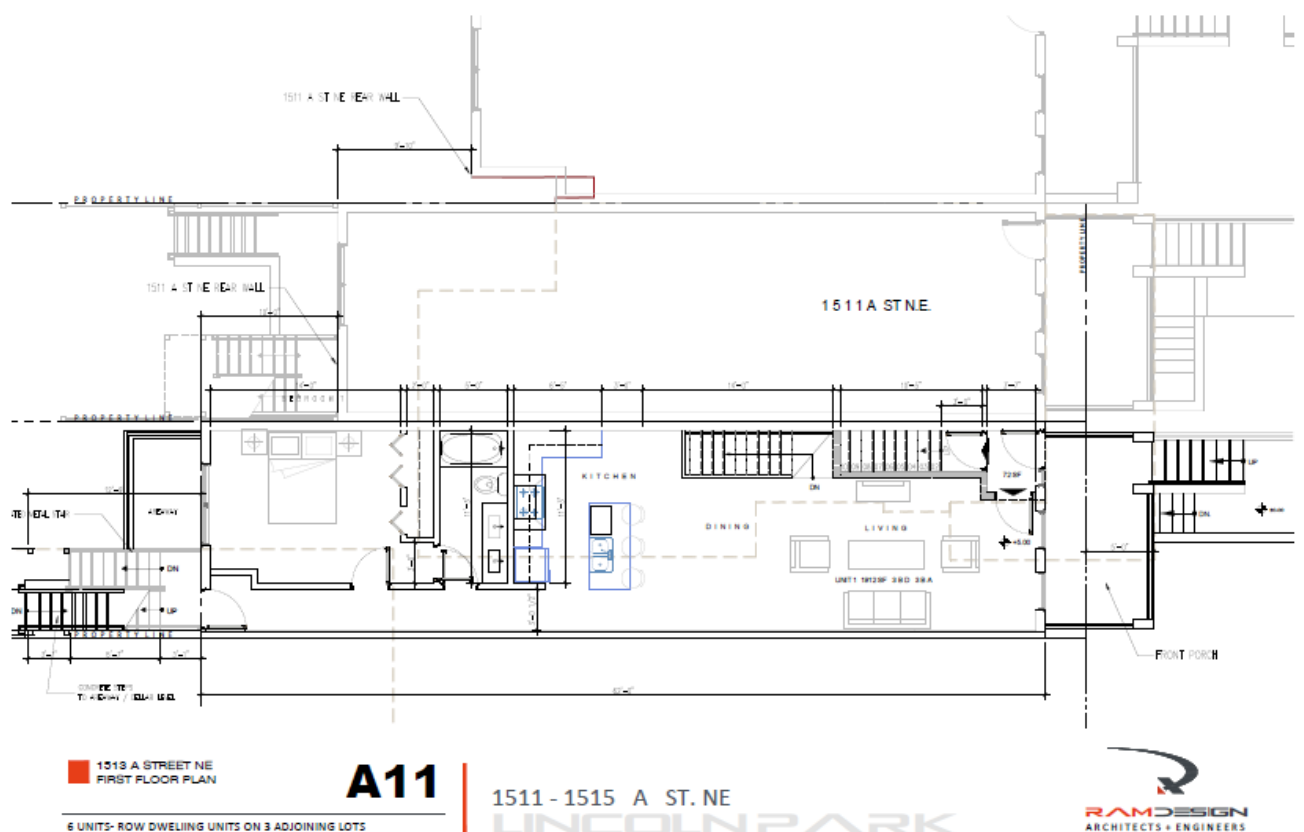
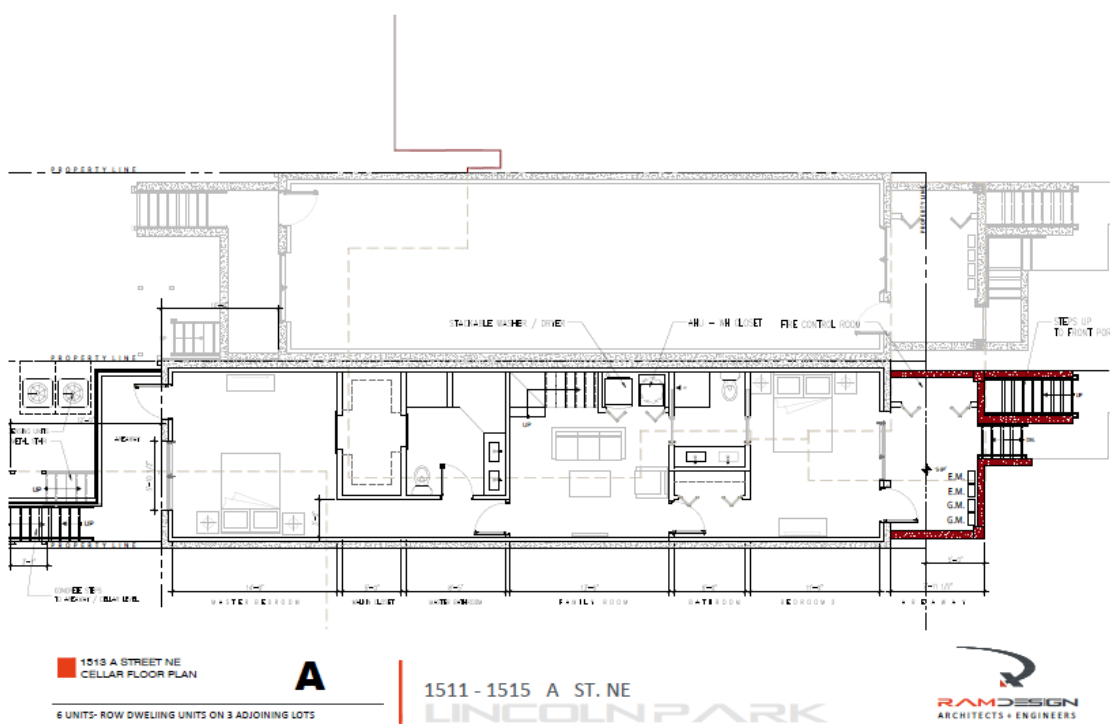
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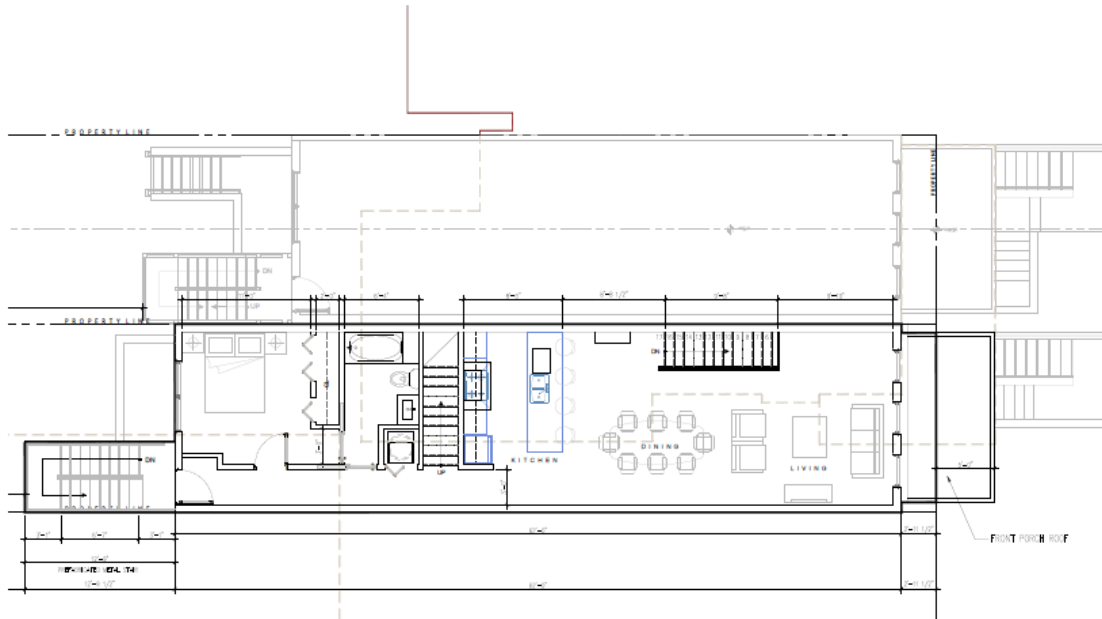


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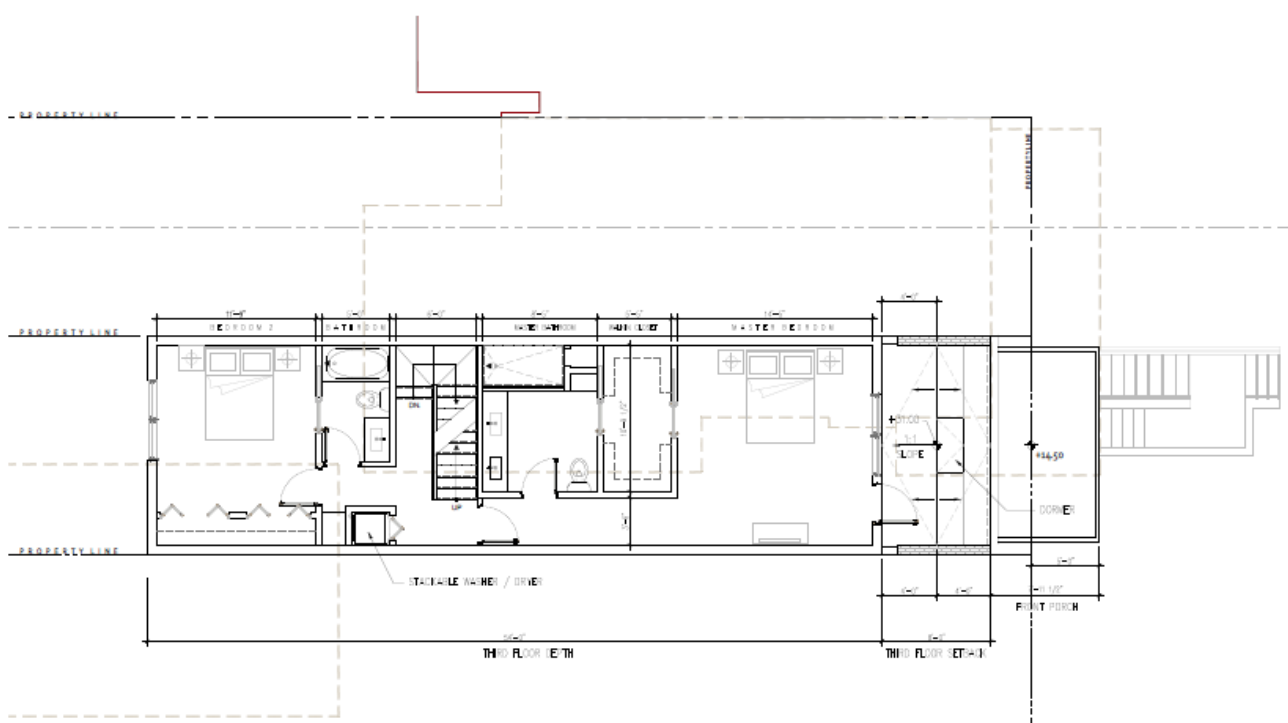


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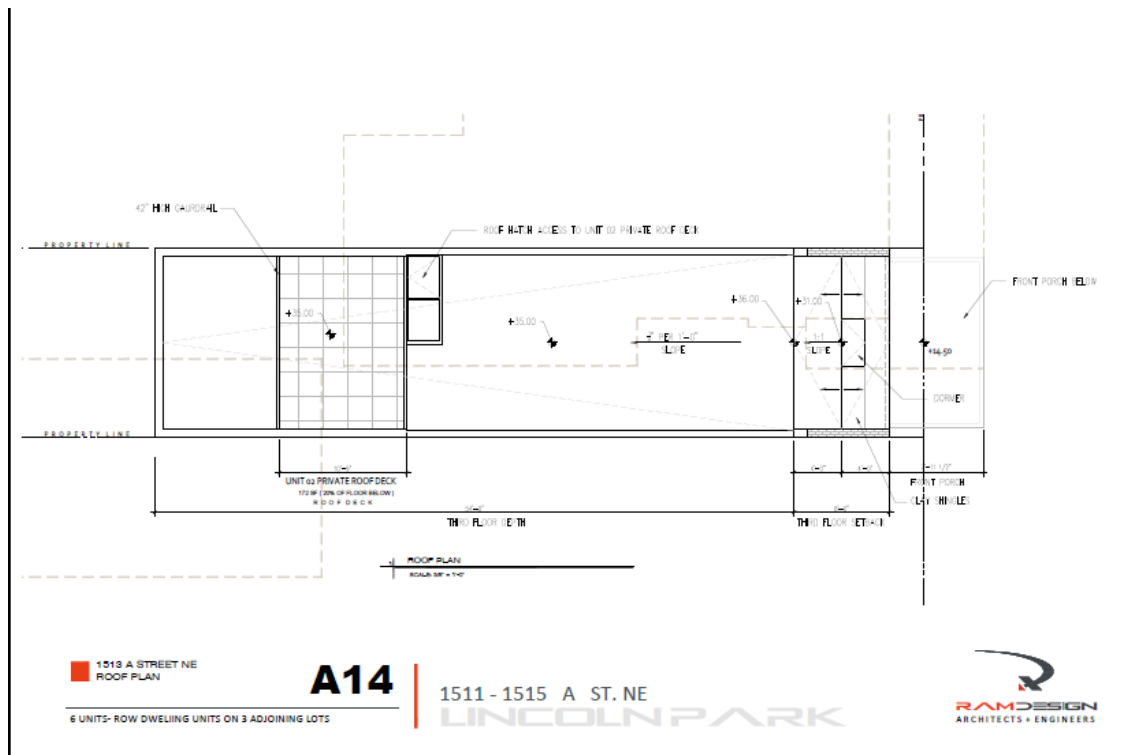
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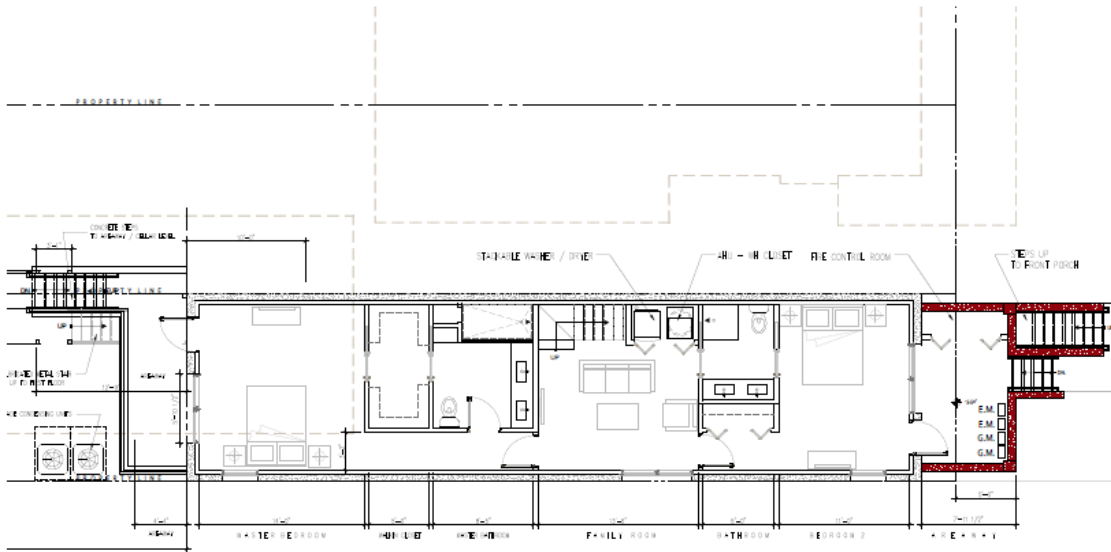
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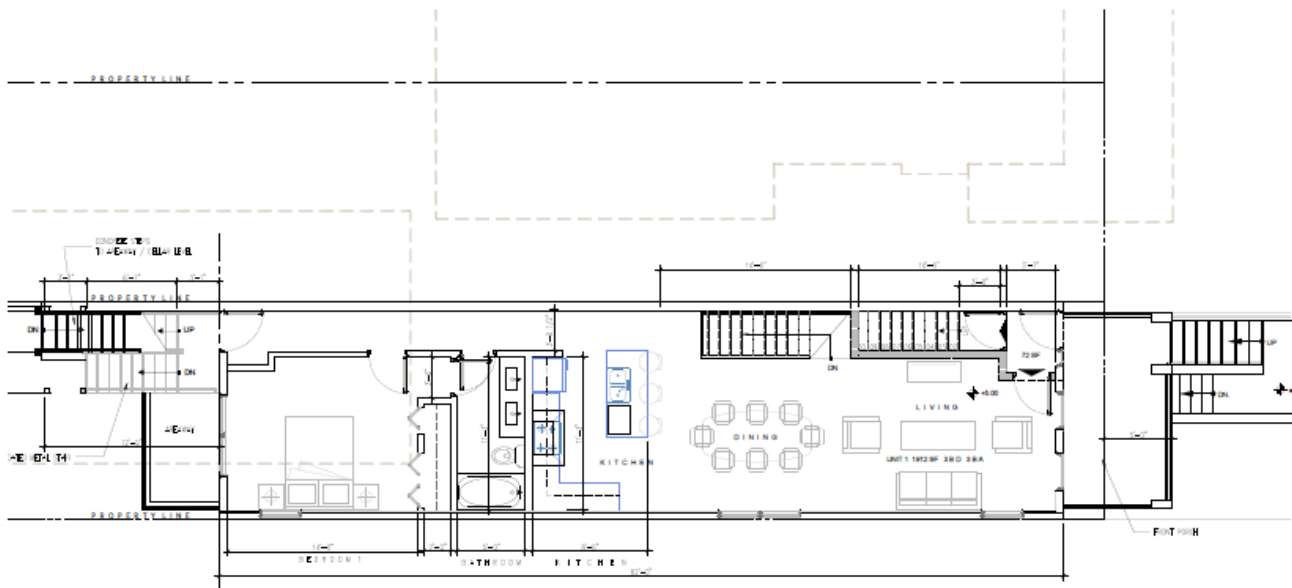


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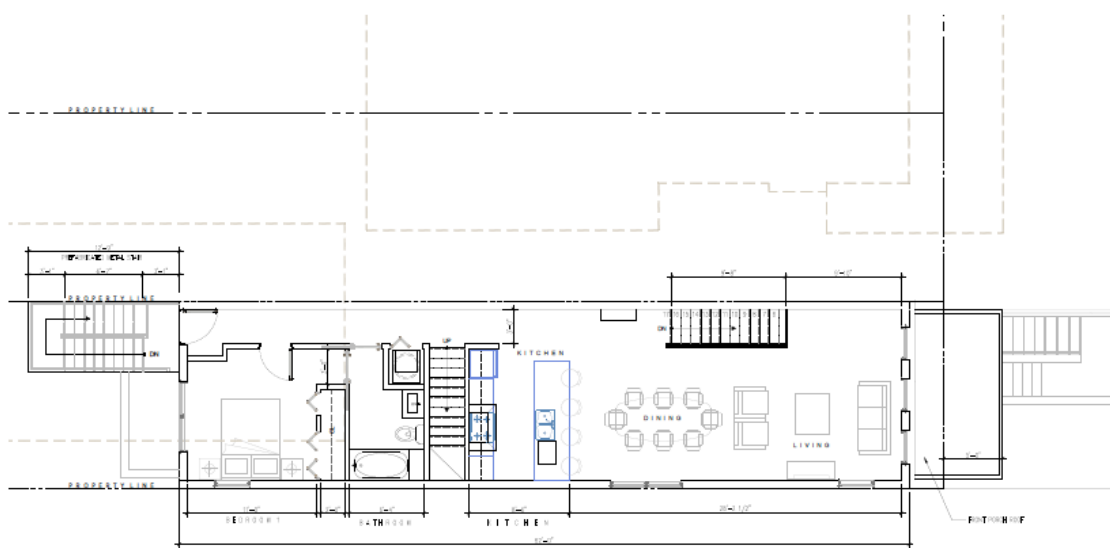
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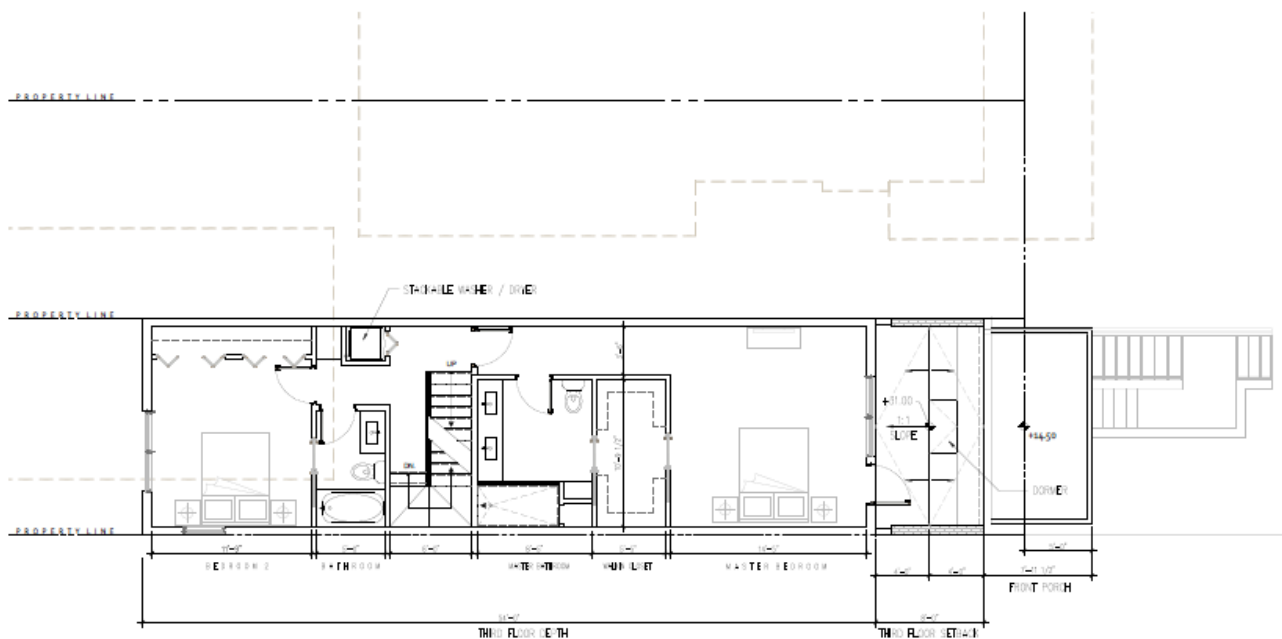
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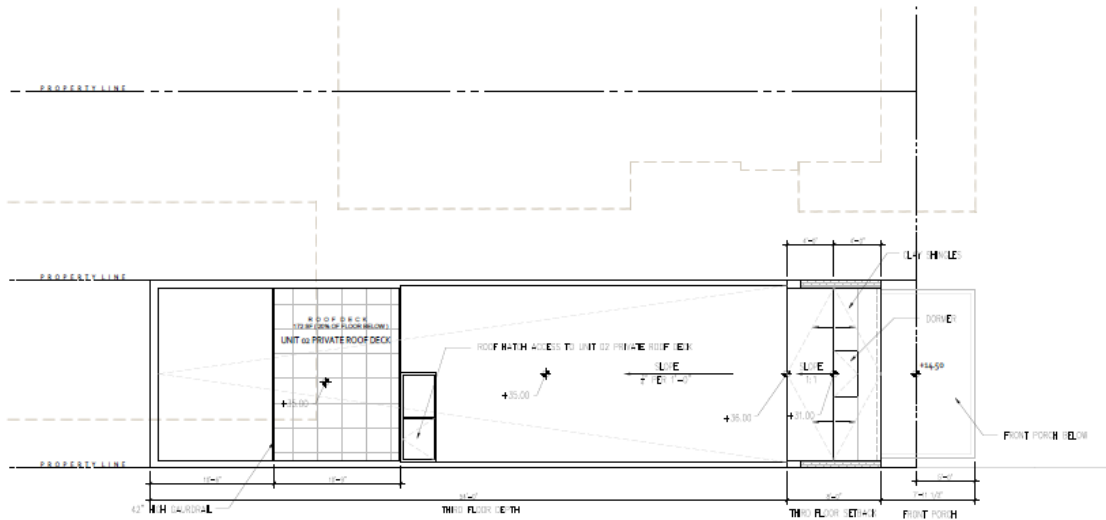
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FRONT ELEVATION

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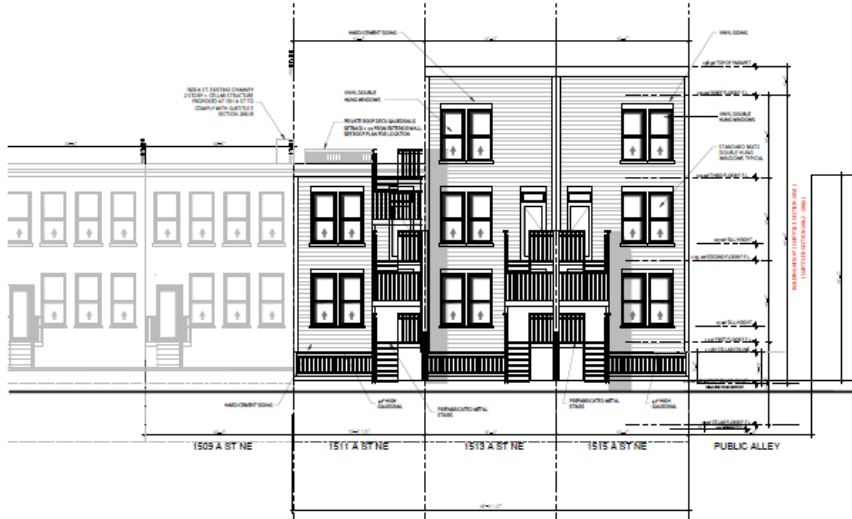
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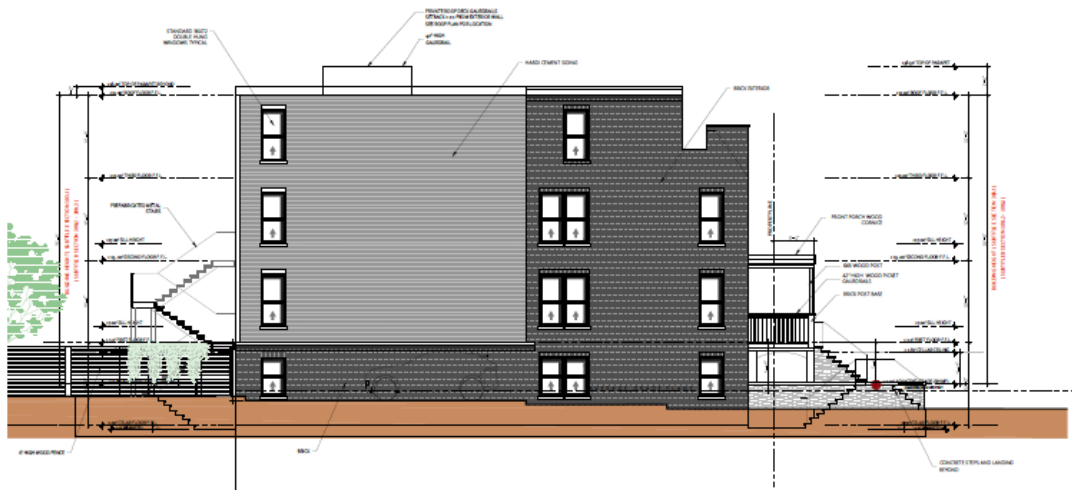
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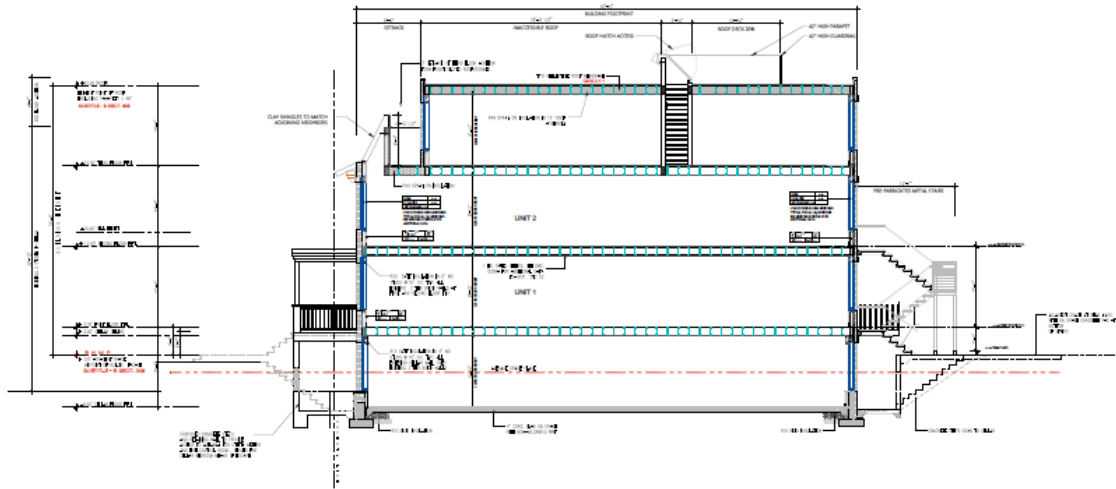
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BUILDING SECTION A-A

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Officer Reports - Treasurer



ANC 6A Treasurer's Report
For Expenses Incurred in October 2020*
[Produced 11/10/2020]

Period Covered 10/1/2020-10/31/2020

Checking Account:

Opening Account Statement \$ 30,216.71

Credits:

DC Government Quarterly Allotment (10/7) \$ 5,445.56
DC Government Quarterly Allotment (10/13) \$ 5,445.56

Total Credits \$ 10,891.12

New Disbursements:

		<u>Check Number</u>	
US Postal Service	Annual Mailbox Rental/Fee/Keys	Chk#1946	\$ 397.00
Brian Alcorn	Stamps	Chk#1947	\$ 5.50
Anna Tsaour	October ANC 6A Minutes	Chk#1948	\$ 200.00
Irene Dworakowski	October ANC 6A Package/Website	Chk#1949	\$ 765.89
FedEx	Printing of ANC 6A Zoning Signs	Chk#1950	\$ 508.80
Eliot-Hine PTO	Community Relief Pantry 10/8/20	TBD	\$ 3,000.00

Total New Disbursements \$ 4,877.19

Existing Obligations:

Issued Checks Not Deposited #1920, #1922, #1944 \$ 916.00

Total Existing Obligations \$ 916.00

Cancelled Obligations:

US Postal Service Annual Mailbox Rental [incorrect amt] Chk#1945 \$ (366.00)

Closing Funds Available/Uncommitted \$ 35,314.64

Savings Account:

Balance Forward \$ 100.05

Interest 10/30/2020 \$ -

Ending Balance \$ 100.05

Petty Cash Summary:

Balance Forwarded \$ 25.00

Total Funds Available \$ 25.00

Ending Balance \$ 25.00



Committee Reports

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Minutes

ANC 6A Community Outreach Committee (COC) of
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A
Regular Meeting - October 26, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm.
Quorum present.

COC members present: Roni Hollmon (Chair), Stefany Thangavelu, Sarah Bell, Jason Gresh and Marc Friend

COC members absent: Gladys Mack

Commissioners present: Michael Soderman

Community members present: Rachel Turow, Jonothan Stone

Ludlow Taylor Elementary School

Rachel Turow of the Ludlow Taylor Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) presented three grant requests on behalf of the PTO.

1. A grant in the amount of \$1,000 to the Ludlow Taylor Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) for the license to continue using the IXL platform for supplemental virtual learning.

Committee member Jason Gresh moved and Committee member Marc Friend seconded a motion that ANC6A approve a grant in the amount of \$1,000 to the Ludlow Taylor Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) for the continual use of IXL for virtual education. The motion passed 6-0-0.

2. A grant in the amount of \$1,000 to the Ludlow Taylor Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) to continue working with City Year, a member of the AmeriCorps network, to support best educational practices in the classroom.

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3. A grant in the amount of \$1,000 to the Ludlow Taylor Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) for school supplies to support students during virtual learning and PPE once schools return to in person learning.

Committee Member Stefany Thangavelu moved and Committee member Gresh seconded a motion Committee Member motioned that ANC6A approve a grant in the amount of \$1,000 to the Ludlow Taylor Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) for school supplies. The motion passed 6-0-0.

The Committee discussed the constituent recognition program. The Committee will again request nominations from Commissioners from their single member districts. The question remains whether the recognition award will take the form of a letter or a certificate. If a certificate, the Committee will need to request ANC funds to pay for the printing.



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The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 pm.

**The next regular meeting of the ANC 6A COC will be November 16th, 2020
(3rd Monday) at 7:00 pm**



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The most important tool identified by our teachers to supplement the live teaching done via Canvas is a software program called IXL. IXL offers personalized learning in multiple subjects, including math, reading, social studies, and science. It is the only online platform that covers all of those subjects for every grade level – PS-3 through 5th grade. With a comprehensive curriculum, individualized guidance, and real-time analytics, IXL is designed to meet the unique needs of each learner by being entirely adaptable based on student experience. IXL's curriculum is fully aligned to the Common Core, DC standards, and popular textbook series. IXL is an important tool to supplement teaching efforts to "close the gap," especially in reading, and to prepare students in 3 – 5th grades for the PARCC text. IXL can be used to supplement any standard lesson offered via virtual learning. Importantly, the IXL Curriculum is adaptive to support differentiation with as many as 12 levels of rigor in a single skill. With each question answered, students move up and down through the levels based on their performance, ensuring they're always challenged at the right level. This is something that teachers cannot accomplish via virtual learning and is an important supplement for students who may be a bit behind or a bit ahead of peers. IXL also uses gamification to help students build mastery. The curriculum is finely scaffolded to ensure that students feel motivated and supported as they strive toward mastery-level understanding of every topic.

Ludlow-Taylor teachers identified IXL as the most important supplementary learning platform. It was specifically requested as a funding priority for the PTO because of its adaptable platform, range of ages, and the fact that it covers all subjects, including science and social studies. DCPS has announced that they will not be paying for any supplementary online materials, so the PTO has to fund this program entirely without DCPS financial support.



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13. AMOUNT REQUESTED

\$1000 ANC 6A

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Proof of 501 C3 Status

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P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

DEC 15 2015

Date:

LUDLOW-TAYLOR PTO
C/O PTO PRESIDENT
659 G STREET NE
WASHINGTON, DC 20002

Employer Identification Number:

47-5568358

DLN:

17053327320005

Contact Person:

JACOB A MCDONALD

ID# 31649

Contact Telephone Number:

(877) 829-5500

Accounting Period Ending:

June 30

Public Charity Status:

170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

Form 990/990-EZ/990-N Required:

Yes

Effective Date of Exemption:

November 13, 2015

Contribution Deductibility:

Yes

Addendum Applies:

No

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Letter 947



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LUDLOW-TAYLOR PTO

Sincerely,

Jeffrey I. Cooper
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

Letter 947



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Ludlow-Taylor Elementary School

Love, Explore, Inspire

659 G Street, NE Washington, DC 20002



Dear ANC6A Commissioners,

Our school is in full support of the grant requests made by our Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) for IXL, City Year, and school supplies..

This has been an exceedingly challenging year, and the PTO has stepped up to support our teachers and community by providing the financial means to offer IXL and City Year as well as give school supplies to families in need. Without grants funding, the PTO would not remain financially solvent this year and would sacrifice its financial health for the good of the greater school community. Your support of our PTO means that we can not only maintain the financial health of the PTO but provide these important programs for our students.

Thank you for your consideration of this grant proposal.

Sincerely,

Shaunte Daniel
Principal
Ludlow-Taylor Elementary School

Student-Centered Learning

Family Engagement



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Alcohol Beverage and Licensing (ABL)



No report. October 2020 report was submitted and approved at the October 2020 ANC 6A meeting.



Committee Reports

Transportation and Public Space (T&PS)



MINUTES

ANC 6A Transportation & Public Space Committee Meeting

Call-in Conference via WebEx

Monday, October 19, 2020

- I. Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.
- II. Introductions:
Committee members in attendance: Elizabeth Nelson (Chair), Marc Brumer, Maura Dundon, Jeff Fletcher, Hassan Christian
Commissioners in attendance: Amber Gove (6A04), Mike Soderman (6A03), Sondra Phillips-Gilbert (6A07), Brian Alcorn (6A08), Marie-Claire Brown (6A01)
- III. Announcement of opportunity for community input on moveDC, the District's long-range transportation plan. www.wemovedc.org.
- IV. Old Business (discussed out of order, after New Business)
Commissioner Mike Soderman made the motion: *ANC 6A send a letter to DDOT in support of Traffic Safety Assessment Service Request 20-00355070 for a red-light camera at the intersection of 9th and C Streets NE.* Commissioner Marie-Claire Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed 10-0, including the 5 commissioners present. [Committee members Dundon, Christian, Fletcher, Brumer, Nelson and Commissioners Soderman, Alcorn, Gove, Brown, Phillips-Gilbert all in favor]
- V. New Business
 - A. Public space application #358240 at 205 15th Street NE for exception from fence requirement and an 8x10 ft. accessory building in public space (public parking).

The permit applicant, Sunny Petzinger, was present. Applicant is requesting a 4-6 foot non-transparent wooden fence on the North Carolina Avenue side of the property and also parallel to the 15th Street side of the property.

A permit for a fence is required because regulations state that fences are not to exceed 42" and must be at least 50% open. Accessory buildings are not matter-of-right on public space and are not included in the list of architectural extensions for which permits may be requested. (see attached photos, drawings, application, public space regulations, also link to tree regulations: <https://ddot.dc.gov/page/apply-tree-permit> and fence regulations: https://ddot.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/ddot/publication/attachments/fences_walls.pdf)

Ms. Nelson gave a brief background on public parking history and regulations on Capitol Hill - excerpt appears at the end of these minutes.

The Committee first discussed the fence permit application, including the fact that a lower fence had been in a similar location as requested in the permit as recently as 2018. Commissioner Brown stated that a fence twice as high as the previous fence could be an issue for city approval, even if the ANC supported it.

The applicant stated that the fence is needed for safety and privacy. She stated that she had not made a decision about whether the fence would be 4 or 6 feet. She also stated that a fence on her property line would not serve her need for privacy from passersby.



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Ms. Nelson restated that the purpose of public parking is greenspace to benefit the community as a whole; a fence that is tall enough and/or opaque enough to obscure the view is inconsistent with this purpose. In this particular location, it would also obstruct sightlines for pedestrians. The TPS then discussed what height and degree of openness of the fence might be appropriate to allow the applicant some degree of privacy while maintaining the public purpose of the public parking area.

Mr. Marc Brumer made the motion; *TPS recommends that ANC 6A send a letter of conditional support to DDOT for a fence in public parking at 205 15th Street NE [public space application #358240], provided that:*

*It be placed on the line in the site drawing that the applicant provided to the ANC (attached);
it not exceed 4 feet in height; and
it be lattice (as specified in the application) or other open construction (at least 40% open).*

The motion was seconded by Mr. Jeff Fletcher and passed 6-0-3. [Committee members Dundon, Christian, Fletcher, Brumer, Nelson and Commissioner Soderman in favor; Commissioners Alcorn, Gove and Brown abstaining.]

The Committee next discussed the accessory building/shed application portion of the permit.

The applicant described the shed, which would have an 8x10 foot footprint and be located away from the house, on the other side of the property line, in public parking. She stated that she needed it to store personal belongings.

Ms. Maura Dundon stated that such sheds are not customary on Capitol Hill but that they could serve a role in storing gardening equipment and cleanliness, which promotes maintaining the public space. Ms. Nelson stated that she had never heard of a permit being issued for an accessory building on public parking in the area (especially one of this size), that it would be out of place, and that accessory buildings are not included in the list of architectural extensions for which a permit may be requested. Furthermore, it would set a precedent that could lead to many similar structures in public parking city-wide. Mr. Brumer stated he might find a smaller shed, abutting the house, to be acceptable.

Commissioner Brian Alcorn noted that the photograph of the shed/accessory building included in the application appeared to be 9 feet tall and would be very large. The applicant clarified that it would be 6.5 to 7 feet tall and stated that it would be well built and could be painted any color. There was also a question regarding the foundation. The application states that there will be no permanent foundation, which the applicant clarified stating that there would be gravel bed. She stated she was aware of the location of her property line when she purchased the property. The applicant also stated she had seen similar sheds (on public parking) in the area, and Commissioner Alcorn invited her to submit any examples of such sheds.

Commissioner Soderman made the motion: *TPS recommends that ANC 6A send a letter of opposition to DDOT for a shed in public parking at 205 15th St. NE [public space application #358240] - as it is an incompatible use of public parking.*

The motion was seconded by Ms. Dundon and passed 10-0. [Committee members Dundon, Christian, Fletcher, Brumer, Nelson and Commissioners Soderman, Alcorn, Gove, Brown, Phillips-Gilbert all in favor]



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- B. Presentation by Marcy Bernbaum of the Downtown DC Public Restroom Colleagues on the opportunity for ANCs to suggest pilot locations for public restrooms pursuant to the Public Restroom Facilities Installation and Promotion Act of 2018. Ms. Bernbaum summarized the work of the public restroom project and asked the Committee to make a recommendation of pilot sites on the H Street corridor. [For basic information provided by People for Fairness Coalition (PFC): <https://pffcdc.org/what-we-do/publicrestrooms/>, legislation, legislation summary and example of possible design included as attachments.)

Ms. Bernbaum described the different restroom options, explained the choice of the toilet model, and the way it would be maintained. She explained the criteria for the best pilot sites. Generally, a good pilot site would be highly trafficked, and attracting a range of users, in order to reflect need for the facilities as well as providing safety.

Commissioner Brown suggested 8th & H Streets NE and H & 12th Streets NE to meet these criteria.

Two community members spoke in favor of the project, and one expressed her concerns about safety and odors.

All Commissioners and Committee members present agreed to move forward on suggesting these sites.

Ms. Nelson made the motion: *ANC 6A complete the public restroom pilot survey indicating a first choice of locations at 8th and H Streets NE and a second choice at 12th and H Streets NE plus a note in the comments section in support of other locations on H Street NE.* The motion passed 10-0. [Committee members Dundon, Christian, Fletcher, Brumer, Nelson and Commissioners Soderman, Alcorn, Gove, Brown, Phillips-Gilbert all in favor]

- V. Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:30 pm.

Brief explanation of the relevant public space regulations:

The reason the applicant needs a public space permit is because the area she wants to enclose, and where she wishes to place her shed, is public space, not her private property. The area between her property line and the street is what is termed “public parking” green space, not a place to put cars). On Capitol Hill, front/side yards are generally public parking. Owners of the lot are allowed use and enjoyment of the space and are responsible for maintaining it, but they do not own it and there are restrictions on the uses. The law on parking (Parking Act of 1870), beginning in 1870 and continuing through the present, mandates that “parking” be preserved as open public space used for trees, greenery or parks. Per DDOT’s Public Realm Design Manual, bay windows, oriel windows, corner towers, and porches to project into public space (if granted a public space permit) but there is no provision for separate accessory buildings.



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November xx, 2020

Mr. Matthew Marcou
Associate Director for Public Space Regulation
District Department of Transportation
Public Space Committee
c/o DDOT Public Space Permit Office
1100 4th Street, SW, Room 360
Washington DC 20024

Re: Opposition to shed; conditional support for fence - DDOT PSRA Permit # 3358240: at 250 15th Street NE

Dear Associate Director Marcou & Public Space Committee:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on November 12, 2020, our Commission voted x-x-x (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the construction of an accessory building (shed) on public parking at 205 15th Street NE and to give conditional support for a fence on public parking at the same address.

With respect to the shed:

ANC 6A opposes the application of Sunny K. Petzinger, seeking permission to erect an accessory building (garden shed) in the public parking² adjacent to 205 15th Street NE. (See Figures 1, 2.) The dimensions of the proposed building are 8 x 10 feet, and, per Ms. Petzinger's statement, approximately 7 feet tall.

The law on parking (Parking Act of 1870), beginning in 1870 and continuing through the present, mandates that parking be preserved as open public space used for trees, greenery or parks. Per DDOT's Public Realm Design Manual, bay windows, oriel windows, corner towers, and porches to project into public space (if granted a public space permit) but there is no provision for separate accessory buildings. The proposed building would occupy and obstruct open space and, for this reason, the application should be denied.

The Public Realm Design Manual, further cites the Comprehensive Plan's emphasis on view sheds. The Urban Design Element (2018) identifies North Carolina Avenue as a locally significant viewshed. (See Figure 3.) While the accessory building would not actually block the view, it would detract from the view in a highly visible and significantly undesirable way.

1. An accessory building is not an architectural projection from an existing structure (such as a bay, porch or window well) and is therefore not included in the list of permissible exceptions.

¹ ANC 6A meetings are advertised electronically on the anc6a-announce@yahoogroups.com, anc-6a@yahoogroups.com, and newhilleast@groups.io, at www.anc6a.org, on Twitter (@ANC6A) and through print advertisements in the Hill Rag.

² DC Code § 10-1101.01(4) provides: "Parking" means that area of public space which lies between the property line and the edge of the actual or planned sidewalk which is nearer to such property line, as such property line and sidewalk are shown on the records of the District. The regulations add: "Public parking means that area of public space devoted to open space, greenery, parks, or parking that lies between the property line ... and the edge of the actual or planned sidewalk that is nearer to the property line. DCMR § 24-102.8



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2. Furthermore, the building would occupy a significant portion of the parking and would block the view of additional greenspace, undermining the goal of a visible park.
3. Finally, approval of this application would open the door to innumerable future similar structures which would further erode public parking, city-wide.

With respect to the fence:

The applicant is seeking permission to construct a 4-6 foot board-on-board fence in public parking at the same address. A permit is required for fences in public parking that exceed 42 inches in height and do not have an open design of at least 50 percent.

The ANC finds that a fence over 4 feet in height and completely non-transparent is inappropriate for public parking at this location, as it would detract from the view-shed and enjoyment of public green space (as outlined above). However, the ANC does support a fence, as outlined in red on the attached site drawing, provided that it does not exceed 4 feet in height and is of lattice (or similar) construction, at least 40% open.

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

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



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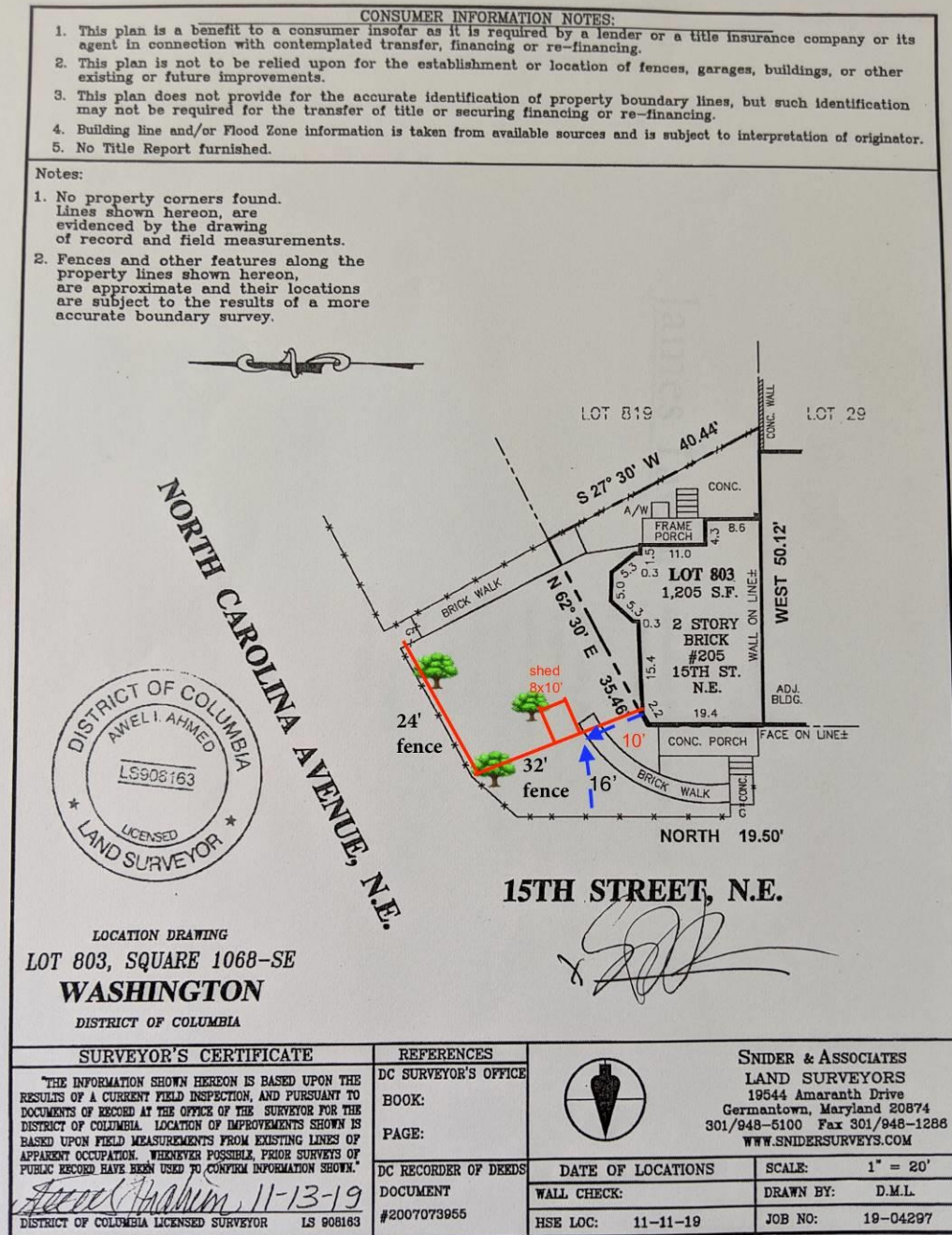


Figure 1. Survey, 205 15th Street, NE, Square 1068SE, lot 803, and parking. Proposed accessory building is not to scale.

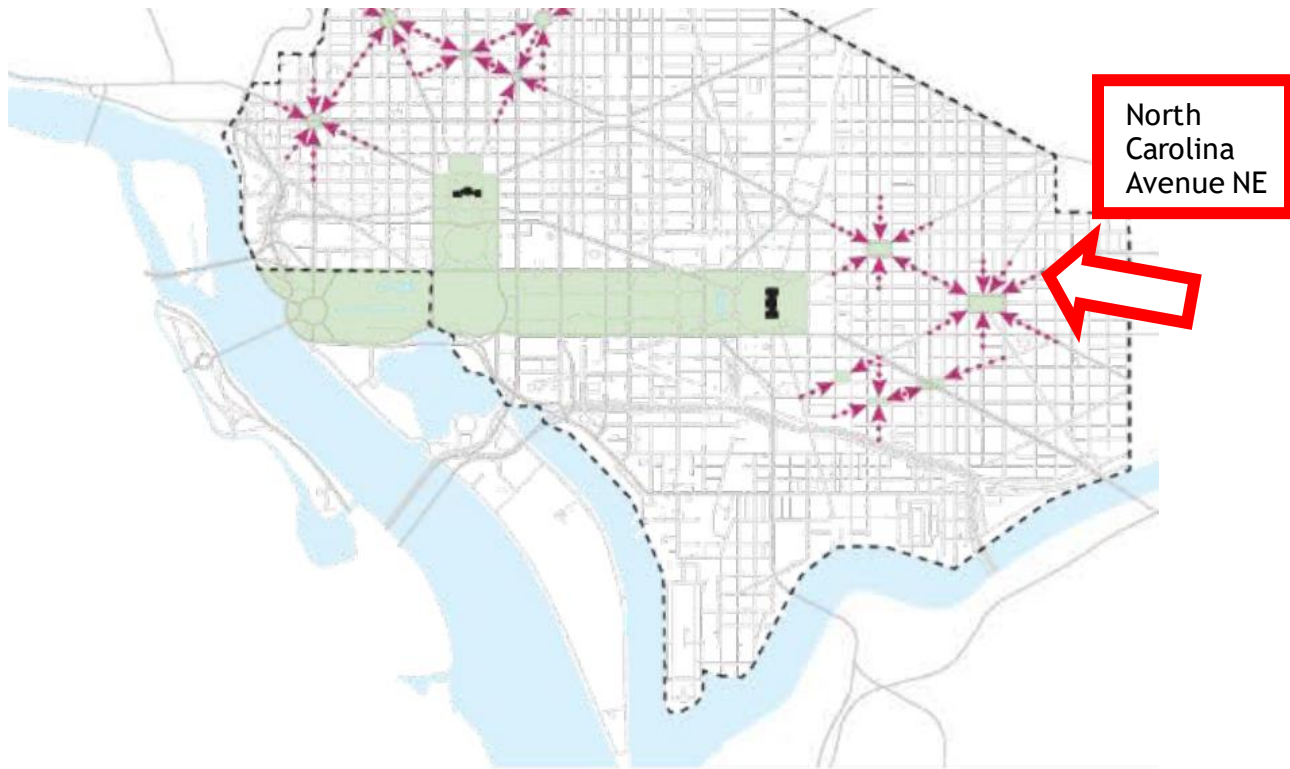


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Figure 2. Photograph of site of proposed accessory building, 205 15th Street, NE. Image: Sunny K. Petzinger.



Locally Significant View Corridors

Figure 3. Comprehensive Plan Proposed Amendments, Urban Design Element, Locally Significant View Corridors. (2018)



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Owner #: 2016753073
Permittee: sunny petzinger
Permittee #: 2016753073
Agent: N/A
Agent #: N/A
Contractor: N/A
Contractor #: N/A

Owner Address: 205 15th st Northeast, Washington, DC 20002
Owner Email: sjpetzinger@gmail.com
Permittee Address: 205 15th Street Northeast, Washington, DC 20002
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The Portland Loo:

World Class Solution to Your City's
Public Restroom Needs



Part 1:

Overview of Portland Loo- Development, Design and Features



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What is the Portland Loo?

- The Portland Loo is a single occupancy, public toilet with unique design features which make it safe, affordable, and aesthetically pleasing.
- It was designed by the City of Portland for installation in Portland and other urban and rural locations.

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History of the Loo – The Need

- Conceived by Portland City Commissioner Randy Leonard in 2007 in response to 2006 Portland State University report called “Going Public” which identified the need for public restrooms in Portland.



Restroom Ventilator, 1912
A view of the comfort station ventilator. The women's entrance is on the right, men's entrance on the left and Pioneer Courthouse is the backdrop. Except for the ventilator's position (and lack of iron fence on the wall), this scene has changed very little in 99 years.

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History of the Loo – The Team

- Built by Committee -outreach, assistance & buy in from - City Government, Police, Fire, Public Works, Parks & Rec, Building Officials, Advocacy Groups, BID, Businesses and N/A, Designers, Manufacturer and suppliers
- Initially agreed upon needs
 - Meet the restroom need for the houseless, Tourists, Commuters, public/construction workers the general public and as many people as possible.
 - Open 24/7/365
 - Durable proven off the shelf components
 - Easy and inexpensive to service and clean
 - Single occupant and Unisex
 - Safe and crime resistant (CPTED features)
 - Attractive and appealing

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Portland Loo Designed features

- Angled louvers for privacy and security.
- Heavy duty stainless steel structure is durable and easy to maintain with anti-graffiti powder coating.
- ADA compliant with room for bicycles and strollers.
- Outside hand wash to eliminate “hotel effect” and reduce occupancy time.
- Energy efficient LED lighting system with photo-eye and motion-sensor control to indicate occupancy.
- Additional lighting from skylight.
- Self contained supply cabinet allows easy cleaning.
- Attractive and discrete with added CPTED benefits.

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Benefits of a Portland Loo

- Low initial cost and simple to maintain.
- Built to order in as fast as 45 days.
- Quick and simple installation.
- Years of extensive research and development in the field resulting in improvements to overall design.
- Low water and power consumption especially compared to APT's.
- Aesthetically pleasing design that fits with your local architecture.
- One year limited warranty and continual assistance.

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Costs of a Portland Loo

- Initial cost is \$90,000 plus cost of any options.
- Shipping typically runs \$3,500 to \$5,000.
- Cost to install include:
 - Utility work (water, sewer, electric) \$22,000-\$25,000
 - Foundation work runs \$7,000 to \$9,000
 - Installation costs (crane, labor, hookup) \$3,000 to \$4,000
- Maintenance is typically \$11,000 to \$12,000 per year.

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Options

- Use counter.
- Solar and 110v A/C options.
- Hook up to septic tank or sewer line.
- Custom colors.
- Art or advertising panels.
- Various grades of stainless construction.
- Winter weatherization options
- Hand wash/water bottle/pet bowl option.
- Colored LED light options.
- Plant trellis.
- Baby Changing Table
- Remote monitoring and control
- ???? Make it Your City's Loo!



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The History and Future



- First installation in 2008, followed by 7 more in Portland and 19 more in other cities throughout the US and Canada.
- Design improvements made to address issues with maintenance, ease of use, and evolving ADA requirements.
- Originally, sold by the City of Portland and manufactured by Madden Fabrication. Now marketed and manufactured exclusively by Madden Fabrication.
- Continually improved and tested in Portland and elsewhere.

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Part 2:

Successful Siting Of Public Restrooms

Location, Location, Location!!

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Game Plan for Success

- Evaluate current situation
 - State of existing restrooms in defined geographic area.
 - Indicators where supply is not meeting demand.
- Determine the cost vs benefits of potential locations.
- Engage community to understand and prioritize plan, initially and through final selection.
- Develop staged plan that reflects funding realities and shared priorities and concerns – build on success.

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Who Will it serve?

- General population
- Special events – Markets, concerts..
- Homeless
- Tourists
- Business district employees
- Shoppers
- Bar/Restaurant goers (day and night)
- Commuters (public Transit)
- Bicyclists
- Pedestrians
- Park users
- People with medical conditions
- Pregnant women
- Families and children
- The elderly
- “Restroom challenged” individuals
- Other _____

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Infrastructure/Siting Concerns

- Distance to sewer, water, electrical
 - Underground obstacles (METRO, other?)
- Right of Ways vs Private/Public/Park lands
- Environmental impact
- Visual impact (Historical areas, standardized street furniture, HMO requirements)
- If solar is being considered:
 - Sun not obstructed by trees, or buildings
 - Be aware that snow pack will reduce solar, and require maintenance to brush off snow, therefore, the general climate should be sunny!

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Safety

- Do not obstruct vehicle sight lines
- Structure should be in the public eye to foster self policing
- Locate near busy pedestrian traffic area
- Avoid proximity to climbing aids, benches, trellis, ??
- Out of pedestrian right of way including door swing and exterior features like hand wash/drinking fountains.
- Good night time lighting
- ADA egress compliance (grade, min. width)
- CEPTED: Remote monitoring security (camera, motion sensor, lighting, guards/attendants)
- Proximity to Vehicle traffic (hand wash location)

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Outreach

- Include all constituents in the initial conversation of siting and number of Loos required
- Constituents will vary, but may include the following:
 - Public Works Agency
 - Public Parks Agency
 - Public Transportation Agency
 - Urban Planning and Renewal Agencies
 - BID, Business Chambers, Neighborhood Assoc.
 - Churches, Advocacy groups and Non-profit Organizations
 - Police and Fire Departments
 - Historical and cultural groups
- Get buy in up front, and when a significant change in siting or features occur.

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Part 3:

Portland Loo Case Studies and Resources

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Glisan Street Loo



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Glisan Street Loo



Who it serves – Homeless, Commuters (Bus, Train and Greyhound station hub), Shoppers (requested heavily from business owners), Pedestrians and bikes, Nightlife crowd, tourists, Park users (3-4 blocks from 2 main parks)

Outreach - This was the first public restroom project in decades. There was much public outreach with City Hall, Police, building officials, businesses and advocacy through nearby organizations and PHLUSH.

Infrastructure – Location for Water and Sewer were readily available (Around \$25K for utilities). Electrical was not available so Solar was implemented (about \$5k net adder). Placed on City sidewalk right-of way so less interaction with Building department.

Safety – Good lighting and visibility from street. Middle of block and on one way street for easy police viewing from vehicles when driving by.

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Victoria BC – Langley St. Loo



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Victoria BC, Canada Loo – Excellent



Who it serves – Market customers and business operators, tourists, nearby residents, shoppers, Pedestrians and bikers, Late night bar patrons, , homeless, Commuters (1 block from public transportation).

Outreach – Public works, City Hall, neighborhood and market businesses, tourist development bureau.

Infrastructure – Located on wide existing sidewalk, near utilities including power, very poor solar location but power was accessible and replaced the original solar option.

Safety – Good lighting and eyes on it location. Located on middle of street on sidewalk of a one way street very viewable by police.

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Jamison Park Loo



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Jamison Park– downtown park/water feature



Who it serves – park users, Families, pedestrians, tourists, nightlife, homeless, nearby residents, shoppers, Events, Pedestrians and Bikes, Commuters (1 block from streetcar and bus stops). Installed many years after installation of the Park and many years of park use and replace port-a-potties. Sees large seasonal demand.

Outreach – Much public outreach for the restrooms. Included business, Neighborhood Association, parks and City Hall. Opponents initially against increased homeless and bad behavior. Proponents, businesses and residents wanting permanent restroom for the existing park and eliminate urination and defecation from homeless and park goers. End result was a positive solution and no negative reports.

Infrastructure – The location was selected for best access to water and sewer. Solar option (less than optimal conditions due to high rises nearby). Located in city right of way and took up one existing parking space.

Safety – Good lighting and visibility from street. End of block but still out of vehicle site lines (existing parking space). Excellent visibility and eyes on it.

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Fields Park Loo



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Fields Park –



Who it serves – park users, pedestrians, tourists, homeless, nearby residents, shoppers, Pedestrians and bikers, Families, 2 blocks from streetcar stop.

Outreach - Much public outreach for the Park itself so involvement by parks, building services, public works, neighborhood associations and private citizens was in place early and often.

Infrastructure – New Park location so utilities locating was minimal to overall project costs (water, sewer, electric costs were \$25K)

Safety – Good lighting and eyes on it location. Located on edge of park near buildings, street and businesses. Locked up at night to reinforce park hours and closure times. Set in middle of block for site lines for cars and good distance from street and pedestrian traffic use.

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San Diego 14th and L St.



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San Diego – 14th and L St



Who it serves – Homeless, Seasonal Baseball park users, bikes and pedestrians.

Outreach – Apparently the outreach was minimal. Businesses across the street have voiced negative sentiment from it after installation. Public workers complained the high infrastructure costs were a result of no request from them to help site it. Advocacy group called the “girl think tank” focused on helping the homeless but not sure how much they were involved in site location other than proximity to camps and homeless concentration. Net results so far have been concern of cost and bad behavior by business owners and other citizens. Benefits of less human waste issues in the immediate area.

Infrastructure – From reported information, water and sewer infrastructure costs were more than double the budget due to site location. Full solar power option was selected for electrical power (good solar location placement). Located in city right of way and end of large parking lot for Petco Field. Placed next to an arbor that made climbing onto roof easier to do.

Safety – Good lighting and visibility from street. Middle of block and well out of way of traffic. Location is very desolate at night and with the unit being up against a chain link fence and abandoned parking lot at night it increases the feeling of being unsafe. Entire area is a concentration of homeless that camp during both the day and night.

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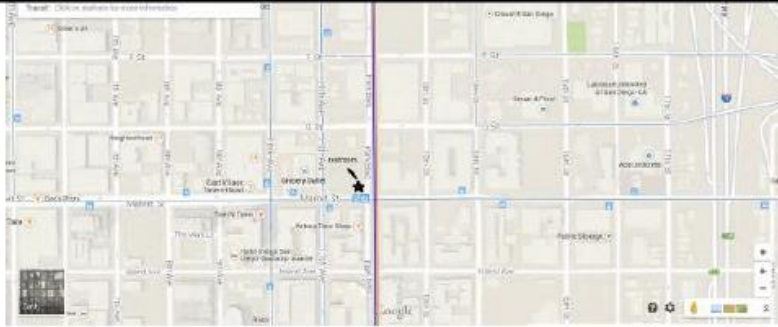
San Diego Market & Park St



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San Diego – Market and Park St.



Who it serves – Bikers and pedestrians, Transportation (next to streetcar and bus stop), Shoppers, homeless, nightlife, tourists, nearby residents, Families, downtown city workers.

Outreach – Limited outreach as seen with the installation of their first Loo but the selection focused on more users than just the homeless.

Infrastructure – From reported information, water and sewer infrastructure costs were more than double the budget due to site location (light rail line). Full solar power option was selected and the site had excellent solar exposure.

Safety – Good lighting and police visibility from street. End of block but away from corner and out of vehicle site lines. Excellent visibility and eyes on it from neighbors, busy street and light rail commuter location.

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Resources

Public Hygiene Lets Us Stay Human - www.phlush.org

Going Public – PSU capstone study on restroom needs and siting in Portland, OR - www.americanrestroom.org/us/portland/psu_gopubliccvr3.pdf

American Restroom Association – www.americanrestroom.org

ICC G3-2011 Global Guidelines for Practical Public Restroom Design – www.shopicc.org

Portland Loo installation video - <https://vimeo.com/141186536>

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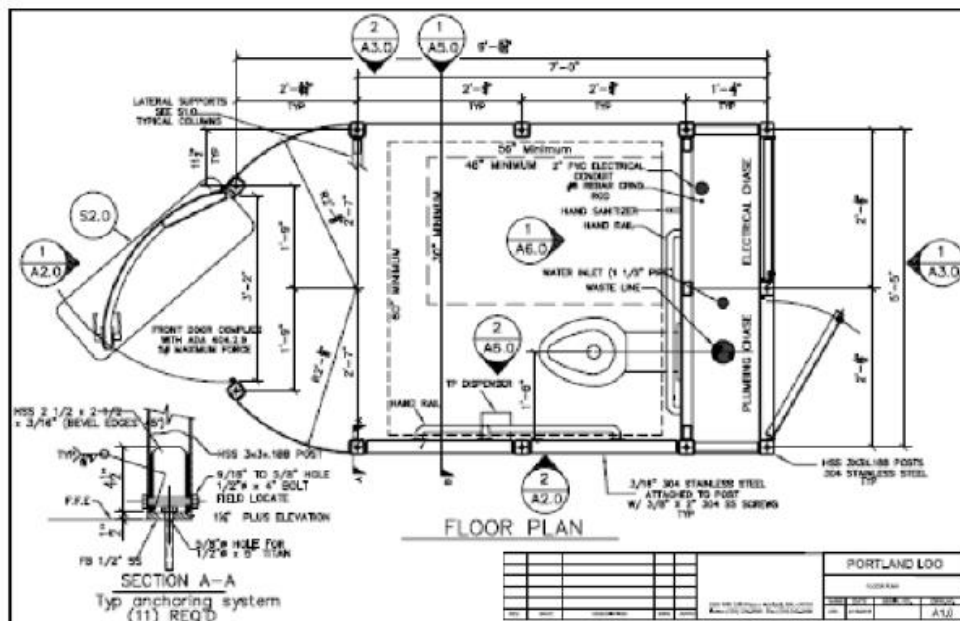
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Floor Plan





***FINDINGS AND TAKE-AWAYS FOR WASHINGTON DC
FROM A QUESTIONNAIRE ADMINISTERED TO CITIES THAT HAVE
INSTALLED THE PORTLAND LOO***

SUMMARY



A Report of the Public Restroom Committee



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People for Fairness Coalition (PFFC) Downtown DC Public Restroom Initiative

Researched and Prepared by:

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Mentor & Advisor

October 2019

In August 2019 the People for Fairness Coalition (PFFC) [Downtown DC Public Restroom Initiative](#) sent questionnaires to 28 cities in the US and Canada that, between 2008 and 2019, installed [Portland Loos](#) (stand-alone public restrooms designed to be open 24/7). Of the 18 cities that responded, 13 installed 21 Portland Loos in downtown commercial areas, and 9 installed 24 Portland Loos in city parks.¹

The questionnaire (attached) requests information on the number of Portland Loos installed, when they were installed, their locations, experiences with the Portland Loos once installed, and advice for Washington DC should it decide to install one or two Portland Loos a part of a public restroom pilot under [Law 22-280, Public Restroom Installation & Promotion Act of 2018](#)²

The full report available on the [Downtown DC Public Restroom Initiative website](#) is divided into six sections: (1) background; (2) study methodology; (3) findings from cities that have installed Portland Loos in/near commercial areas; (4) what has worked and what hasn't worked; (5) takeaways for Washington DC; (6) concluding remarks.

Findings, by city, and tabulations of findings for Portland Loos installed in commercial areas in cities may be found in the left hand column of Attachment 3 and in Attachments 4, 5 and 8. Findings, by city, that have installed Portland Loos in parks may be found in the right hand column of Attachment 3 and in Attachments 6, 7, and 8.

This summary and the full document focus on findings from cities that have installed Portland Loos in downtown commercial areas.

KEY FINDINGS

- Most (9 of 13) cities keep their Portland Loos open 24/7. Two decided before installing them that they would keep them open only during the day. Two that

¹ The total, 22, reflects that some cities have Portland Loos installed in downtown commercial areas cities and parks.

² [Law 22-280](#) provides for piloting two programs: (1) Stand-alone public restrooms open 24/7; (2) Businesses provided with incentives to open their restroom to the public. The two opened for a standalone open 24/7 are the Portland Loo and Automated Public Toilets (APTs).



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originally opened their Portland Loo(s) 24/7 decided to close them at night due to problems.³

- Responders in 8 of the 9 cities that kept their Portland Loos open 24/7 report that users have found them to be clean and safe.⁴
- All cities that have installed Portland Loos have done so with a commitment to the importance of having clean, safe public restrooms is good for personal and public health, and to serving all members of the community, with the acknowledgment that occasionally problems will arise, most of them easily addressed as part of ongoing maintenance (broken locks, stopped up toilets, graffiti, frozen pipes).⁵
- Location has been key to success: (1) an area that is visible from the sidewalk and street; (2) shops, restaurants, bars civic buildings, metro/bus stations nearby; (3) high level of pedestrian and vehicular traffic during the day and moderate at night; (4) under/near street lights at night.
- Also important is identifying potential users and designing one's approach based on the number and variety of users. This study found that Portland Loos that are open 24/7 in cities with a variety of users (shoppers tourists, seniors, families with children, people getting on an off buses and metros, joggers; people experiencing homelessness) were apt to encounter fewer challenges.⁶
- All eleven (11) cities that responded have business and community buy in (serve as eyes and ears during the day); they have also have arranged for police/other monitoring at night.
- Seven (7) installed needle deposits; four (4) installed baby changers.
- When asked whether they would recommend the Portland Loo for Washington, DC, the seven (7) cities that responded to this question said yes.

In the words of individuals from three cities that recommended that Washington DC install Portland Loos:

Harvard Square, Cambridge, Massachusetts: *"The design is excellent. We love that it resists graffiti, that it can be maintained quite easily with a robust cleaning schedule. We also appreciate that it is comfortable, but not too*

³ One was Salt Lake City UT which was inappropriately located in a dilapidated area, with few businesses and residential housing, limited pedestrian and vehicular traffic, and a high concentration of people experiencing homelessness.

⁴ The one exception is Central Square in Cambridge MA where the BID overseeing the Portland Lo, has encountered problems but has determined, on balance, that people in need (especially the population experiencing homelessness) deserve to have access to a public restroom 24/7.

⁵ 3 report people occasionally sleeping at night; however this has not been seen as a major deterrent.

⁶ The study found that areas with a smaller variety of users, among them a relatively high proportion of transient or unhoused individuals, were more apt to experience problems.



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comfortable so that folks are inclined to stay too long. For the most part, they use it and leave.”

Cincinnati, Ohio: *“It is a good unit to place anywhere there are people present.”*

Monterey, California: *“They are practical and low maintenance. Because of the open, slatted wall users don’t feel too comfortable inside. So they just do their business and move on.”*

TAKEAWAYS FOR WASHINGTON DC

1. Commitment and need should be the guiding principles in deciding where to install a stand-alone public restroom open 24/7
 - There are no public restrooms nearby and businesses are increasingly limiting restroom access to customers only.
 - Members of the community are committed to making sure that the personal and public health needs of residents and visitors are met.
2. It is very important to apply Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles in selecting the most appropriate site(s)
 - In an open visible location with a lot of pedestrian and vehicular traffic during the day and at night.
 - In/near a commercial area (businesses, offices, restaurants, bars) where eyes can be kept on the restroom during the daytime and into the evening.
 - Nearby business and community buy-in (as they serve as they eyes and ears during the day)⁷;
 - Good street lighting at night.
 - Arrangements made for police (or other) monitoring at night.
3. Consider who the users will be and adopt the most appropriate strategy(ies)
 - The ideal, depending on the location, is an area with a wide variety of users (shoppers, tourist, people working nearby, people entering and leaving public transit, people experiencing homelessness).
 - In cases where the priority is to benefit one target group (example, transient population and/or people experiencing homelessness) it may be appropriate to provide some form of oversight.

⁷ Businesses and residents supported the Portland Loos in the overwhelming majority of cities that responded to the questionnaire. Among others, businesses were happy that they had fewer people asking to use their restrooms.



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4. Anticipate that there will be issues and be prepared to address them when they arise:
 - Most (broken locks, graffiti, clogged toilets, frozen pipes) can be easily addressed and are part of ongoing maintenance.
 - Where used for shooting up (very common in both public and private restrooms), install needle drops.
 - If used for prostitution (rarely reported) there are three options: (1) shut it down at night; (2) improve surveillance during the day including hiring a full-time monitor; (3) keep it open 24/7 if seen not to cause a significant problem and there is a determination that the highest priority is to serve those in need.
5. The Portland Loo is a viable option for DC
 - Low cost to purchase and maintain⁸, durable, and easy to clean.
 - Designed using parts that are available locally should they need to be replaced.
 - Designed to maximize use by having a washing station outside.
 - Designed with safety considerations (louvers so that people outside can see and hear what is happening inside, lighting inside and outside at night.
 - Follow the manufacturer's guidance that it be located in areas that meet Crime Prevention for Environment Design (CPTED) principles.
6. Keep the Portland Loo and the area around it clean
 - Number of times cleaned daily depends on frequency of use.
 - Ability to respond quickly between scheduled cleanings if the need arises.
 - If open 24/7 do first cleaning early in the day .

IN CLOSING

Ultimately a judgement call will need to be made which takes into consideration at least four factors:

- Benefits to public health: less public urination and defecation; fewer citations for public urination/defecation; less risk of becoming sick from stepping on human feces that carry life threatening diseases such as Hepatitis B ⁹.
- Benefits to personal health: Everyone needs access to a clean, safe public restroom when nature calls. When the need comes, people who are restroom challenged have to go urgently. They include, among others: seniors, small children, people with diabetes and crohns & colitis disease, individuals with physical challenges who move more slowly. ¹⁰
- Benefits to local businesses who will have fewer people asking to use their restrooms; more individuals who are restroom challenged coming to shop knowing there is a clean, safe public restroom nearby; less poop to scoop poop, less urine in front of their establishments.

⁸ \$95,000 to purchase and transport the Portland Loo to its location; \$35,000 (if near a water and sewer line) to install; \$12,000 to \$20,000 to maintain, depending on location and daily use.

⁹ San Diego Hepatitis A outbreak ends after 2 years, <https://www.apnews.com/cc40b8c476ef469ebdc2228772176b03>

¹⁰ A full list of individuals who are restroom challenged is drawn from a document prepared by the [American Restroom Association](#).



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- Willingness to accept that a public restroom will require ongoing cleaning and maintenance; that some occasions may arise where the restroom may be used for other purposes.

Taken from an article that appeared in June 2017 in the San Antonio Tribune: ¹¹

“The cost to the city would be much greater if people didn't perceive downtown to be a welcoming and clean place to visit”.

“San Antonio Police Department officers issued 104 citations for public urination in the ten months prior to the loo opening, according to records obtained by the local Fox affiliate. Ten months after its July installation, and that number's been cut in half — officers have only handed out 51 citations. In an interview with Fox, SAPD spokesperson Sgt. Jesse Salame linked this significant drop to the new bathroom and said that businesses have noted a clear difference in the amount of human waste left near their downtown doorsteps.

Centro maintenance staffers — the other uniformed crew with a constant downtown presence — have also noticed a welcome dip in the amount of urine or poop they run across at work.

In the past eight months, Centro employees have reported a 27 percent decrease in what Centro CEO Pat DiGiovanni politely calls “cleaning efforts related to human waste” compared to the same 8-month period last year.

“The statistics show that [the loo's] making a positive impact on the downtown experience,” DiGiovanni told the Current.

The cost to the city would be much greater if people didn't perceive downtown to be a welcoming and clean place to visit.’

¹¹ In Defense of San Antonio's \$100,000 Toilet, San Antonio Current, June 17, 2017: <https://www.sacurrent.com/the-daily/archives/2017/06/15/in-defense-of-san-antonios-thousand-dollar-toilet>



ATTACHMENT

**Questionnaire Sent Out to 28 Cities in the US and Canada Asking about
their Experience with the Portland Loo**

Name and contact information: _____

City: _____

General Information

1. How many Portland Loos does your city/location have?
2. When were they installed?
3. Where are they installed (along a sidewalk, in a park, etc)? Please share the following information:
 - a. Please describe pedestrian traffic that passes by during the day: e.g. shoppers, tourists, individuals experiencing homelessness
 - b. Please describe what may be found nearby (e.g. within the same block): stores, restaurants bars, how many)
 - c. Is there large population experiencing homelessness nearby?
4. What criteria did your city use in deciding on the site(s) where they are installed? For example: visibility to pedestrians and cars, community support serving as the eyes and ears during the day)
5. Has your city added any extras (ex? baby changer, needle drop)?
6. Do you have plans to install any more Portland Loos? (if yes, please specify)
7. Are the Portland Loos that are currently installed open 24/7?
 - a. If not, what hours are they open?
 - b. If not, why was the decision taking to not keep the Loo(s) open 24/7
8. Who is responsible for cleaning and maintaining them?
9. How often (times/day) are they cleaned?
10. Approximately how many people use it/them each day?
11. Have you installed any monitoring devices (e.g. counters, surveillance cameras of areas outside/nearby)?
12. Have arrangements been made for the police or other entity to monitor the Loo(s) by passing by periodically during the rounds at night o?

Receptivity to/experiences once installed

1. Are nearby businesses supportive? (please expand on your response)



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2. Are community members supportive? (please expand on your response)
3. Have you experienced any problems and, if so, how has your city addressed them? (please specify)
4. Do you know of any instances where the Portland Loo(s) in your city has/have been used for prostitution/other illicit sexual activity? If so, how have you addressed this?
5. Do you know of any instances where the Portland Loo (s) have been used for selling drugs? If so, how have you addressed this?
6. Have there been complaints on cleanliness (and if so how have they been addressed)?
7. Have there been any complaints on the part of users not feeling safe (and if so how addressed)?

Other

1. Would you recommend that DC install one or more Portland Loos and, if so, why?
2. Do you have any precautions/lessons learned that you think DC should take into consideration should it decide to install/maintain one or more Portland Loos?
3. Would you be interested in receiving the spreadsheet and tabulations that we will be preparing?

Thank you very much!



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AN ACT

D.C. ACT 22-608

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JANUARY 31, 2019

To establish a working group consisting of the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority, the District Department of Transportation, the Department of General Services, the Department of Human Services, the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, the Metropolitan Police Department, the Department of Health, and the Department of Public Works to review the feasibility of installing public restroom facilities in underserved areas of the District; to direct the Mayor to establish a public restroom facilities pilot program and install two public restroom facilities in high-need locations in the District; and to establish the Community Restroom Incentive Pilot Program to provide financial incentives to places of public accommodations in a selected Business Improvement District that open their restrooms to the public.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Public Restroom Facilities Installation and Promotion Act of 2018”.

Sec. 2. Definitions.

For the purposes of this act, the term:

(1) “BID” shall have the same meaning as provided in section 3(7) of the Business Improvement Districts Act of 1996, effective May 29, 1996 (D.C. Law 11-134; D.C. Official Code § 2-1215.02(7)).

(2) “Participant” means a place of public accommodation located within the BID selected by the Mayor under section 4(b) that is participating in the Community Restroom Incentive Pilot Program.

(3) “Place of public accommodation” shall have the same meaning as provided in section 102(24) of the Human Rights Act of 1997, effective December 13, 1977 (D.C. Law 2-38; D.C. Official Code § 2-1401.02(24)).

(4) “Public restroom facility” means a restroom maintained by the District and accessible to the public free of charge.

Sec. 3. Establishment of working group and public restroom facility pilot.

(a) Within 45 days after the applicability date of this act, the Mayor shall solicit recommendations from BID corporations, as that term is defined in section 3(4) of the Business Improvement Districts Act of 1996, effective May 29, 1996 (D.C. Law 11-134; D.C. Official



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Code § 2-1215.02(4)), Clean Team grantees, as that term is used in section 2a of An Act Providing for the removal of snow and ice from the paved sidewalks of the District of Columbia, approved September 16, 1922 (D.C. Law 21-265; D.C. Official Code § 9-602.01), and Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (“ANCs”) on locations in the District that are in need of a public restroom facility.

(b) Within 180 days after the applicability date of this act, the Mayor shall transmit to the Council, the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority (“DC Water”), the District Department of Transportation (“DDOT”), the Department of General Services (“DGS”), the Department of Human Services (“DHS”), the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (“DMPED”), the Metropolitan Police Department (“MPD”), the Department of Public Works (“DPW”), the Department of Health (“DOH”), and the Department of Parks and Recreation (“DPR”) a report that includes:

(1) A list of sites in the District where, during the preceding fiscal year, the Mayor received 10 or more reports of human urine or feces, resulting in the dispatch of staff to the area; and

(2) A summary of the recommendations provided under subsection (a) of this section.

(c)(1) Within 30 days after the transmittal of the report required by subsection (b) of this section, the Mayor shall establish a working group to assess the need for public restroom facilities.

(2) The working group shall be composed of the following individuals:

(A) The Director of each of the following District agencies, or the Director’s designee:

- (i) DC Water;
- (ii) DDOT;
- (iii) DGS;
- (iv) DHS;
- (v) DMPED;
- (vi) DPR;
- (vii) MPD;
- (viii) DOH; and
- (ix) DPW; and

(B) Five members, appointed by the Mayor, as follows:

- (i) Two representatives from nonprofits incorporated in the District with a focus on issues affecting individuals experiencing homelessness;
- (ii) One representative from a nonprofit incorporated in the District with a focus on issues affecting seniors;
- (iii) One representative from a nonprofit incorporated in the District with a focus on public health; and
- (iv) One individual with expertise in urban planning.

(3) Within 30 days after the establishment of the working group, the working group shall hold its first meeting. Thereafter, the working group shall meet monthly until the date



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that the working group transmits its recommendations to the Council and the Mayor under paragraph (4) of this subsection.

(4) Within 150 days after the working group's first meeting, the working group shall transmit recommendations to the Council and the Mayor, which shall include:

(A) The number and type of public restroom facilities that would best serve the District's needs; and

(B) Two sites in the District that the working group recommends as pilot locations for the installation of public restroom facilities.

(5) The working group shall consider the following criteria when recommending the 2 sites under paragraph (4)(B) of this subsection:

(A) Whether the site was identified in the report compiled pursuant to subsection (b) of this section;

(B) Pedestrian traffic in the site's surrounding area;

(C) The cost of installing, maintaining, policing, and repairing the public restroom facility;

(D) The effect that the installation of a public restroom facility at the site would have on nearby residential and commercial spaces;

(E) Proximity of the site to services for the homeless;

(F) Increased availability of restrooms available to the public as a result of the Community Restroom Incentive Pilot Program established under section 4;

(G) The availability of existing restrooms available to the public near the site;

(H) Input from ANCs, BIDs, or other similar community organizations;

(I) The ability of individuals experiencing homelessness to access the site;

(J) Proximity of the site to MPD facilities or personnel; and

(K) The potential use of the site for criminal or nuisance activities.

(6) Within 30 days after receipt of the working group's recommendations, the Mayor shall:

(A) Publish online the working group's recommendations and information on how members of the public may submit comments regarding the installation of a public restroom facility at the sites recommended by the working group;

(B) Transmit the working group's recommendations to the ANCs in which the sites recommended under subsection (c)(4)(B) of this section are located and solicit a resolution from those ANCs in favor of, or in opposition to, installing a public restroom facility at the sites; and

(C) Post conspicuous signs nearby the sites recommended for a public restroom facility under subsection (c)(4)(B) of this section, which shall include:

(i) Notice of the working group's recommendation to install a public restroom facility at the site;

(ii) Directions on how to access a digital copy of the working group's recommendations; and



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(iii) Information on how members of the public may submit comments regarding the installation of a public restroom facility at the site.

(d) Within 180 days after the working group transmits its recommendations under subsection (c)(4) of this section, the Mayor shall install a public restroom facility at the sites identified by the working group.

(e) Within one year after the installation of the public restroom facilities pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, and on an annual basis thereafter, MPD shall transmit a report to the Council that includes the following:

(1) The number and type of police reports filed with MPD regarding activities at or within 250 feet of the public restroom facilities installed pursuant to subsection (d) of this section during the preceding year; and

(2) A report on the number of police reports filed with MPD, including the nature of the alleged crime, that resulted in an arrest at or within 250 feet of the public restroom facilities following the installation of the public restroom facilities.

(f) Within one year after the installation of the public restroom facilities pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, and on an annual basis thereafter, the Mayor shall report to the Council the actual annual costs of installing, maintaining, policing, and repairing the public restroom facilities installed pursuant to subsection (d) of this section, and any other public restroom facilities that the Mayor installs.

(g) Within one year after the opening of the public restroom facilities under subsection (e) of this section, the Mayor shall transmit recommendations to the Council regarding whether the District should install additional public restroom facilities.

Sec. 4. Community Restroom Incentive Pilot Program.

(a) There is established the Community Restroom Incentive Pilot Program ("Pilot Program"), to be administered and enforced by the Mayor, to provide funding, pursuant to rules issued by the Mayor, to participants that make their restrooms available free of charge to any person, regardless of whether the person patronizes the place of public accommodation.

(b) Within one year after the applicability date of this act, the Mayor shall select one BID as the location to administer the Pilot Program. To participate in the Pilot Program, a place of public accommodation within the BID selected pursuant to this subsection may apply pursuant to rules issued by the Mayor. A BID shall be ineligible to participate in the Pilot Program if one of the sites recommended under section 3(c)(4)(B) falls within its geographic boundary.

(c)(1) The Mayor shall create and distribute a sign to each participant that indicates that any person may use the place of public accommodation's restroom facilities free of charge, regardless of whether the person patronizes the place of public accommodation.

(2) Within 30 days after receiving a sign pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection, each participant shall display the sign in a prominent location that is visible from the street or sidewalk.

(3) The Mayor shall provide a warning to a participant that fails to comply with paragraph (2) of this subsection.



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(4) A participant that fails to comply with paragraph (2) of this subsection within 30 days after receiving a warning under paragraph (3) of this subsection shall be deemed ineligible to participate in the Pilot Program during the following fiscal year and shall return a portion of the funds received under the Pilot Program, as determined by rules issued by the Mayor.

(d) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this section, where it is determined, after investigation by the Mayor, that a participant has denied a person access to the participant's restroom facility, the participant shall:

- (1) Return any funds received under the Pilot Program during that fiscal year; and
- (2) Be ineligible to participate in the Pilot Program during the following fiscal

year.

(e) Nothing in this section shall be construed to:

(1) Require a participant to change its hours of operation or permit individuals to use its restroom facilities outside of its stated hours of operation; or

(2) Preclude a participant from denying entry to an individual who is violating District law, posing a health risk, or posing a threat of harm to themselves or others.

(f) The Mayor shall maintain a list of participants in the Pilot Program on the District website.

(g) Beginning 2 years after the applicability date of this act, and on an annual basis thereafter, the Metropolitan Police Department ("MPD") shall provide a report to the Council that includes the following:

(1) The number of police reports filed with MPD, including the nature of the alleged crime, during the preceding year that resulted in an arrest in the BID selected pursuant to subsection (b) of this section; and

(2) An analysis of whether there was an increase in the number of police reports filed with MPD during the preceding year that resulted in an arrest in the BID selected pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

(h) Within 2 years after the applicability date of this act, and on an annual basis thereafter, the Mayor shall report to the Council the actual annual costs of the Pilot Program and the number of participants.

(i) Within 180 days after the applicability date of this act, the Mayor, pursuant to Title I of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, approved October 21, 1968 (82 Stat. 1204; D.C. Official Code § 2-501 *et seq.*), shall issue rules to implement the provisions of this section.

Sec. 5. Applicability.

(a) This act shall apply upon the date of inclusion of its fiscal effect in an approved budget and financial plan.

(b) The Chief Financial Officer shall certify the date of the inclusion of the fiscal effect in an approved budget and financial plan, and provide notice to the Budget Director of the Council of the certification.



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(c)(1) The Budget Director shall cause the notice of the certification to be published in the District of Columbia Register.

(2) The date of publication of the notice of the certification shall not affect the applicability of this act.

Sec. 6. Fiscal impact statement.

The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement in the committee report as the fiscal impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975, approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

Sec. 7. Effective date.

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the District of Columbia Register.

Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia

UNSIGNED

Mayor
District of Columbia

January 30, 2019



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COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON, DC, 20004

Docket No. **B22-0223**

☒ ITEM ON CONSENT CALENDAR

☒ ACTION & DATE

FIRST READING CC, Dec 4, 2018

☒ VOICE VOTE

RECORDED VOTE ON REQUEST

APPROVED

ABSENT

GRAY AND MCDUFFIE

☐ ROLL CALL VOTE - Result

Council Member	Aye	Nay	NV	AB	Council Member	Aye	Nay	NV	AB	Council Member	Aye	Nay	NV	AB
Chmn. Mendelson	X				Gray				X	Silverman	X			
Allen	X				Grosso	X				T. White	X			
Bonds	X				McDuffie				X	Todd	X			
Chen	X				Nadeau	X								
Evans	X				R. White	X								
X - Indicate Vote					AB - Absent					NV - Present, Not Voting				

CERTIFICATION RECORD

Secretary to the Council

1-7-19

Date

Docket No. **B22-0223**

☐ ITEM ON CONSENT CALENDAR

☒ ACTION & DATE

FINAL READING, Dec 18, 2018

☒ VOICE VOTE

RECORDED VOTE ON REQUEST

APPROVED

ABSENT

☐ ROLL CALL VOTE - Result

Council Member	Aye	Nay	NV	AB	Council Member	Aye	Nay	NV	AB	Council Member	Aye	Nay	NV	AB
Chmn. Mendelson	X				Gray	X				Silverman	X			
Allen	X				Grosso	X				T. White	X			
Bonds	X				McDuffie	X				Todd	X			
Chen	X				Nadeau	X								
Evans	X				R. White	X								
X - Indicate Vote					AB - Absent					NV - Present, Not Voting				

CERTIFICATION RECORD

Secretary to the Council

1-7-19

Date

Dec 20, 2018

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Findings from Feasibility Study

Community buy in is critical :

- ANCs
- BIDs
- Nearby businesses
- Citizen's associations
- Churches
- Other community organizations

Appropriate siting is also very important:

- A lot of pedestrian & vehicular traffic
- In open, visible location
- Under/near good lighting at night.
- Near water and sewer connections



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Findings from Feasibility Study (cont.)

Desired characteristics of stand-alone public restrooms:

- Clean,
- Safe
- Designed using crime prevention measures (CPTED)
- Economical both to purchase and maintain



Image by the National Council on Aging.

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Portland Loo

Designed using crime prevention measures (louvers so can see & hear what is happening inside, lighting inside/outside at night).

Designed to maximize usage and limit water use

Installed and successfully maintained in 30 cities across US and in Canada; number of cities in US growing.

Attractive

Open 24/7

Clean

Safe

\$94,000 purchase/transport.



\$32,000 - \$38,000 installation if close to water/sewer lines

\$12,000 - \$20,000/yr. maintenance

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Automated Public Toilet

Found in New York City, San Francisco, many cities in Europe & Asia, wide variety of models

Attractive

Open 24/7

Clean

Safety issues

\$250,000 - \$1,000,000 purchase

\$25,000 - \$35,000 installation if close to water/sewer lines

\$100,000 - \$150,000/yr. maintenance



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Key findings from Portland Loo Study

- Where successful:
 - Cities followed siting criteria
 - Wide variety of users
 - Buy in from businesses/ community members
 - No known use for prostitution/drug dealing
- Some installed needle drops, baby changers
- No. of cleanings depend on frequency of use.
- Where heavy night use important to clean first thing in morning.
- Need to be prepared for occasional issues (door knob replaced, remove graffiti).

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Public Restroom Facilities Installation & Promotion Act of 2018

Highlights

- Mayor asks BIDs, ANCs, to identify areas where restrooms are needed.
- Mayor names interagency/ non-profit sector Working Group charge with determining feasibility & recommending two pilots
- Working group prepares report identifying pilots/ locations
- Open period for community comment on proposed locations, including ANC vote.

Two Pilots

- Two standalone public restrooms open 24/7
- *One BID selected to pilot incentives to businesses to open restrooms to public*

Decision to extend/expand

- MPD to record police reports at/near restrooms
- After one year, with this info. & info. on costs/cleanliness decision to continue/expand one or both pilots.

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Public restrooms & COVID-19

- Principal concern: aerosols trapped in air in enclosed spaces.
 - Concern: touching contaminated fixtures (toilet and sink handles, door upon departing)
 - Possibility: contaminated fecal matter may be in plumes when toilet flushed.
- Portland Loo:
- Slats & louvers provide for ample exchange of air between inside and outside.
 - Hand wash on outside: last thing used after opening door to leave.

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November xx, 2020

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

Re: ANC6A support for Traffic Safety Assessment Service Request 20-00355070, automated enforcement (red light camera) at intersection of 9th and C Streets NE

Dear Director Marootian:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on November 12, 2020, our Commission voted x-x (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to send a letter to DDOT in support of Traffic Safety Assessment Service Request 20-00355070, automated enforcement (red light camera) at intersection of 9th and C Streets NE.

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

¹ ANC 6A meetings are advertised electronically on the anc6a-announce@yahoogroups.com, anc-6a@yahoogroups.com, and newhilleast@groups.io, at www.anc6a.org, on Twitter (@ANC6A) and through print advertisements in the Hill Rag.



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November xx, 2020

Mr. Matthew Marcou
Associate Director for Public Space Regulation
District Department of Transportation

Public Space Committee
c/o DDOT Public Space Permit Office
1100 4th Street, SW, Room 360
Washington DC 20024

Re: Request for Postponement (insufficient notice)- 'DDOT PSRA Permit Tracking# 343819 Review# 633980, driveway at 1518 North Carolina Ave. NE

Dear Associate Director Marcou:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on November 12, 2020, our Commission voted x-x-x (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to request that the due date for review of the above referenced item be postponed at least until December 18, 2020 so that the ANC can discuss with the applicant and present an informed opinion at a publicly noticed ANC meeting. The ANC was given far less than 30 days notice on the original application; the email arrived only 2 days prior to our November meeting.

Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this public space issue. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at amberanc6a@gmail.com.

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On behalf of the Commission,

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MINUTES

ANC 6A Economic Development & Zoning Space Committee Meeting
Virtual Meeting via WebEx
Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 7:00 pm

Present:

Members: Brad Greenfield (Chair), Missy Boyette, Nick Alberti, Mike Cushman, Tim Drake

Commissioners: Brian Alcorn, Amber Gove, Sondra Phillips-Gilbert, Mike Soderman, Marie-Claire Brown

Brad Greenfield chaired the meeting.

Community Comment

None.

Previously Heard Cases

None.

Old Business

1. 909-911 I Street, NE (BZA Case #20369): Application for special exceptions under Subtitle C § 1500.4 from the penthouse requirements of Subtitle C § 1500, and under Subtitle E §§ 205.5 and 5201, from the rear addition requirements of Subtitle C § 205.4, to construct two new, attached, three-story flats with a penthouse.

This project was previously presented to the Committee. The project was presented by Ricardo Hendi (architect) and the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Raynor. Mr. Hendi reported that they have converted the rear of the roof deck to solar panels, as requested the last time the project came before the EDZ. There were other small changes, but most of the drawings and plans remained the same from the last presentation.

Mr. Hendi reported that the apartments in the buildings will be three (3) bedrooms. The owners felt that this is more sought after in DC.

Mr. Greenfield asked if the trellises had been removed from the penthouse and the sides; this was requested in the last presentation in May 2020. Mr. Hendi showed that the current plans do not have the trellises.

Mr. Greenfield asked about the treatments for the buildings, and noted that it was likely to be radically different from the rest of the neighborhood. Mr. Hendi stated that the plans were that the buildings would have a flat face facade, which was in keeping with the neighborhood. Mrs. Raynor noted that there is a redevelopment of a church across the street that had more modern features, and this was in line with that structure.

Commissioner Mike Soderman asked how many units would be in the development, and if these were to be apartments or a condominium. Mrs. Raynor reported that these were two (2) single-family homes, with each converted to have two (2) units. Mr. Hendi reported that they had not decided if they were to be apartments or condominiums.

Committee member Nick Alberti expressed concerns about the length of the buildings, and the impact of shadows on the neighbors. He also stated that the existing shadow study did not provide enough



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information to judge the impact on neighbors. The shadow study that had been submitted only showed the existing structure, not the proposed structure, and only showed two days of shadows. Mrs. Raynor stated that all neighbors had been informed of the proposed development, and none had expressed concerns about the shadows. Mr. Hendi said that he would need at least a few days to a week to create a new shadow study.

Mr. Greenfield asked what neighbors have signed letters of support. Mrs. Raynor stated that they have gotten letters of support from all of the neighbors on I Street. Additionally, they have letters from 827 9th Street and 829 9th Street NE.

Committee member Missy Boyette asked about the proportions of the windows on the front, and asked if the owners would reconsider the tall skinny windows that are in the current plans. Wider windows would relate more to the neighborhood. Mr. Hendi said that they could work on that.

Commissioner Marie-Claire Brown asked where the mechanical systems would be housed. Mr. Hendi said that they would be housed within the penthouse, and would not be on the roof, and so would not be visible.

Mr. Greenfield asked if there were going to be any dedicated parking spaces. Mr. Hendi said that they do not have any dedicated parking spots. Zoning requirements do not require them, and the property has no access to the back, so there would be no way to put them in.

Mr. Greenfield also asked where trash would be stored and picked up. Mrs. Raynor reported that trash would be stored on the property and picked up in front.

Mr. Greenfield stated that, in his opinion, the EDZ should ask the owners to develop a shadow study. A shadow study is a normal requirement for a development where the building envelope was being increased. Also, because the BZA hearing is scheduled for January 2021, it could be produced without impacting their overall schedule. Commissioner Soderman asked if this could be done informally, but Mr. Greenfield stated that this would put an additional burden on the ANC, since the full EDZ could not formally review the shadow study. It also would not reduce the cost of the producing the shadow study.

Mr. Greenfield tabled the consideration of this project, providing the opportunity for the owners to produce the shadow study. The project will be considered at the November 2020 EDZ meeting. The Raynors asked if they should circulate the shadow study to neighbors; Mr. Greenfield expressed that this would be a good idea. Commissioner Brown asked if it would be possible to expedite the process. Commissioner Sondra Phillips-Gilbert asked if the Raynors could simply go to their neighbors and get statements saying that they do not have concerns about the shadows, negating the need for a shadow study. Mrs. Raynor stated that this would be acceptable and preferable from their perspective. Commissioner Soderman noted that the precedent had always been that the shadow study show the end state of the project. Mr. Hendi noted that this was the first time that shadow studies were being discussed.

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2. 722 19th Street, NE (BZA Case #20295): Application for special exceptions under Subtitle E § 5201, from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, and from the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, to construct a second-story rear deck addition to an existing semi-detached principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 Zone.



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Mr. John Fisher is the owner, and presented the project. He said that the project was to add a small, elevated deck. He stated that he has already had the BZA hearing on the project, and they did not have any objections, but were waiting on ANC recommendations. Mr. Fisher said that there were several other houses in the neighborhood with similar decks.

Mr. Fisher said that the project does include a privacy fence to address issues of privacy for neighbors. That fence is only on one side, since there is an empty lot to the south.

Mr. Greenfield asked which neighbors have signed letters of support. Mr. Fisher replied that he has signed letters of support from 718 19th Street NE (the house to the south). He also has a letter of support from the owner of the empty lot, who is planning to do their own development.

Mr. Greenfield noted that this project was supposed to be on the agenda for the EDZ the previous month. Mr. Fisher had requested to be heard in plenty of time, and Mr. Greenfield had simply inadvertently left it off the agenda. This is why the BZA had already held its hearing.

Mr. Greenfield moved that the ANC support the request for support with no caveats. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Soderman. The motion passed unanimously, ten votes to none.

3. 1250 Constitution Avenue, NE (BZA Case #20323): Application of The District of Columbia Department of General Services, pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for a special exception under the off-site parking spaces requirements of Subtitle C § 701.8 (f), to relocate 8 of the required parking spaces to the adjacent street to enlarge the outdoor play area at Maury Elementary School in the RF-1 Zone.

The project was presented by Sarah Woodhead from DGS. Ms. Woodhead said that currently Maury Elementary School has twenty-one (21) parking spaces, and that this was done as part of their major renovation that was finished this year. To make room from the required parking, DGS and DCPS had to sacrifice outdoor play space.

The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS) and the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) have been working on an agreement to designate parking spaces on 12th Place NE so that the parking area can be shrunk to thirteen (13) spaces, using that space to create outdoor play space. The plan is to install a track in this area to facilitate DCPS biking program. The eight (8) spaces that would be moved to 12th Place NE are not currently available for parking.

Nick Williams of DCPS discussed the origin of this solution. DCPS had tried other parking solutions with limited success, including hanging tags at Stuart Hobson. This plan would work through ParkMobile, creating a “hidden zone”. These spots are currently no parking during school days. The plan would be to keep them in a similar configuration. They would be teacher parking from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm on school days. During off hours, these would become Residential Parking Permit (RPP) spaces. The goal of this program is to maximize play space at schools.

Mr. Webster reported that this parking program will only be implemented with safeguards. It will only be implemented at schools where, as part of modernization, they would end up with less than sixty (60) feet of outdoor play space per child. It will also only be used to provide the zoning minimum number of parking spaces.

Mr. Greenfield asked if this plan had been brought up with Maury teachers. Mr. Webster said that he would have to get back with the answer to that question. He said that at the end of the day, they do



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not lose any space. Mr. Webster said that there was not a specific number of parking spaces that had to be provided to teachers per their contract.

Mr. Greenfield asked what the timeframe for implementing the project was. Mr. Webster said that they would like to do the construction over the winter school break. The rest of the parking lot would not be impacted by the change. The change is to move a fence and the trash bins to make room for the additional play space. DDOT would make the changes to the parking zoning as soon as the demolition started.

Mr. Greenfield and Commissioner Soderman asked if DDOT will be going before ANC 6A's Transportation and Public Space Committee (TPS) to get input from the parking side. Commissioner Brown also noted that DDOT would need to revise their RPP scheme to accommodate this change.

Mr. Alberti asked if this would impact drop off and pick up at Maury. Ms. Woodhead said that drop off and pick up should not be impacted, since the entrances are on the other side of the building.

Mr. Greenfield asked what will happen to the spaces during non-school periods, such as summer and winter breaks. Mr. Webster said that he did not have the answer to that, and DDOT would need to address that. Commissioner Brown recommended that during this non-school period, these spaces be available to RPP residents.

Mr. Cushman asked if there had been a parking and traffic study done for Maury as it is currently configured and how that addresses teacher needs. Mr. Webster noted that contractually there is not a set number of spaces required. Because of that, DGS guideline is to provide the zoning minimum number of spaces. Mr. Williams said that there was some outreach to teachers in the planning for the modernization project. The community had gotten involved in supporting the teachers, by providing Visitor Permits so that teachers could park in the neighborhood.

Mr. Cushman noted that the controversial part of this request was on the parking question, not on the zoning. Mr. Greenfield recommended that TPS also voice an opinion on this project before it moves forward.

Mr. Greenfield made a motion that the EDZ recommend the ANC support the request for relief, on the condition that TPS hear the case and make a recommendation as well. Commissioner Brian Alcorn seconded. The motion passed unanimously, ten votes to zero.

4. 1447 Maryland Avenue, NE (BZA Case #20336): Application for a special exception under Subtitle C § 703.2 from the minimum parking requirements of Subtitle C § 701.5, to construct a two-story addition to permit a mixed-use building with 9 residential units in the NC-14 Zone.

Adam Crain presented the project, representing the owner. The project will have retail space on the ground level, with nine (9) residential units above. The relief being sought is that, because there are nine (9) units, there is one (1) parking space required, and they cannot provide that. There is currently a paved space with a curb cut, but DDOT has said that it cannot be retained, which is why they cannot provide a parking space.

Commissioner Soderman asked how many Inclusionary zoning (IZ) units were planned. Mr. Crain replied that none of the units will be IZ, as none are required by zoning requirements.



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Mr. Alberti asked if the plan was below the maximum FAR requirements. Mr. Crain replied that the project had 2.5 FAR, which was below the required. Mr. Greenfield asked if the property was covered by the H Street Overlay. Mr. Crain replied that the H Street Overlay did not apply to this property. However, later checks of DC resources revealed that the property may be covered by the H Street Overlay.

Mr. Greenfield noted that with no parking provided, nine (9) vehicles could be added to the parking burden in the area. Mr. Greenfield asked if there was anything in their plans to encourage residents to not have cars. Commissioner Soderman asked if they would consider a bike share. Mr. Greenfield noted that there was a bike share very close to this property already.

Mr. Alberti noted that if one of the units in the building was designated affordable, that benefit would offset the burden caused by parking. Mr. Crain said that he would bring up the idea with the owner.

Mr. Greenfield asked if this property was intended to be apartments or condominiums. Mr. Crain reported that he did not know what the owner's intention was in terms of condominiums or apartments.

There was a question from the community about where the property line was in relation to the Amazing Love Health Center. Mr. Crain said that their property line extended slightly past the building, and then there was a small five (5) foot alley and then Amazing Love Health.

There was also a question about how trash would be managed for the building. Mr. Crain said there were a couple of options that would have the trash inside the building, including insight the bike room and the oversized sprinkler room. He said that DDOT would not allow the trash to be stored on public space.

Mr. Greenfield tabled the request, and recommended Mr. Crain discuss options with the owner before bringing it back to the ANC.

5. Zoning Amendment (ZC #20-02): Text Amendment for Concept to Expand IZ Requirements for Certain Map Amendments.

The case was to provide recommendations on a zoning amendment. The amendment was designed to add a Floor Area Ratio (FAR) bonus for adding IZ units to buildings. Since this was an amendment, there was no one presenting the amendment to the EDZ. In essence, the city is offering additional density to buildings in exchange for additional affordable housing.

Mr. Greenfield noted that in the H Street Overlay, developers already get a FAR bonus for preserving facades. He recommended that the facade preservation FAR bonus be combined with the IZ bonus. Mr. Alberti noted that we would not want to see the ability to add one bonus to another; piggy-backing a facade bonus to an IZ bonus, and that a developer should get one or the other. Commissioner Soderman noted that this would pit preservation against affordability.

Mr. Greenfield noted that the amendment did not cover PUDs, saying that additional affordable units were up to negotiations between the developer and the ANC as part of the community benefits package. Mr. Greenfield said that this would leak to inconsistent application of the IZ FAR bonus, with some ANCs being able to negotiate a better deal than others.



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The question came up as to when comments had to be submitted. Mr. Greenfield thought that there was a fair amount of time. However, it was discovered that comments had to be submitted on November 16, 2020.

Mr. Greenfield found that there was a table in the amendment outlining how the FAR bonus would be for different levels of IZ units. That table is included below:

Increase in FAR	0.25 - 0.50	0.51 - 1.00	1.01 - 1.50	1.51 to 2.0	2.01 or above
Set Aside Requirement for 85 feet or less	14%	16%	18%	20%	20%

Mr. Greenfield noted that the facade bonus on H Street allows a FAR bonus to 2.5. Mr. Alberti recommended that the FAR bonus be capped at 1.5 (18%).

Mr. Greenfield asked if the FAR bonus for IZ units would be by right, or would require a special exception. Commissioner Brown noted that there were two standards, one for type 1 construction and another for type 2 construction. The question was raised what the two types of construction are. Mr. Cushman noted that the difference was between wooden studs versus steel studs. Mr. Greenfield stated that he felt that the FAR bonus be subject to special exception relief, so that the community could review and voice an opinion on it.

There was an extended discussion on if the FAR bonus would impact building height. The language was ambiguous, but the determination was made that the FAR bonus would not inherently allowing increased building height, or if the height was increased above what was allowed by matter of right, that would be subject to variance and zoning amendment processes.

Mr. Greenfield and Mr. Alberti did not that the way the bonus was written, there was no additional bonus to the community for a FAR bonus above 2.0. Mr. Alberti recommended a cap of the FAR of 2.0.

A member of the community noted that the IZ units may also want to include a discussion about the Area Median Income (AMI) levels, and that they should be increased.

Mr. Greenfield made a motion that the ANC submit comments to the full Zoning Commission making recommendations that facade preservation be included in any IZ FAR bonus, that the FAR bonus for IZ be subject to special exception relief, that guidance for FAR bonuses for PUD developments be included, and that the FAR bonus be capped at 2.0 for buildings under 85 feet. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown. The motion passed unanimously, ten votes to none.

Next Scheduled ED&Z Committee Meeting:
Wednesday, November 18, 2020
7:00-9:00 pm
WebEx information to be posted on ANC6A Website



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

Re: BZA Case No. 20295 (722 19th Street NE)

Dear Mr. Moy:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on November 12, 2020, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the Applicant's request for special exceptions under Subtitle E § 5201, from the lot occupancy requirements of Subtitle E § 304.1, and from the rear yard requirements of Subtitle E § 306.1, to construct a second-story rear deck addition to an existing semi-detached principal dwelling unit in the RF-1 Zone.

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

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

On Behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

¹ ANC 6A meetings are advertised electronically on the anc6a-announce@yahoogroups.com, anc-6a@yahoogroups.com, and newhilleast@groups.io, at www.anc6a.org, on Twitter (@ANC6A) and through print advertisements in the Hill Rag.



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

Re: Zoning Commission Case No. 20-02 (Expanded IZ Text Amendments)

Dear Mr. Hood,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on November 12, 2020, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to support the proposed amendment to expand available Inclusionary Zoning (IZ) units through the awarding of a Floor Area Ratio (FAR) bonus. regulations. ANC6A believes wholeheartedly in the Amendments goal of expanding the number of IZ units available so that more working-class residents can afford to live in the city. We also believe that the Zoning Commission should look at changing the Average Median Income (AMI) thresholds to further expand the availability of IZ units so that a greater section of the population can access them.

ANC 6A's experience with development on and around H Street has led to several considerations that we believe the Zoning Commission should include in the final rule. These considerations are:

1. The IZ FAR bonus should be combined with the facade preservation bonus currently in place as part of the H Street Overlay (and other similar bonuses). These should be inclusive considerations, so that developers cannot seek FAR bonuses both for IZ units and for facade preservation. Rather, both facade preservation and IZ units must be present for any FAR bonus to be awarded.
2. The IZ FAR bonus should be subject to special exception relief, rather than being matter of right. This would allow the community to assess the FAR bonus and decide if the IZ units are worth the increased density.
3. Currently, the Amendment places IZ levels for PUD projects outside of the scope of the amendment, requiring them to be addressed in the Community Benefits Package that is part of the PUD process. This will likely result in inconsistent results, with different ANC's having different levels of knowledge and comfort with the PUD processes. Our ANC recommends that the Zoning Commission either require the Zoning Amendment to include standards for PUD projects to make use of the IZ FAR bonus, or establish standards that ANCs can use in discussing PUD projects with developers.
4. The FAR bonus be capped at a maximum of 2.0 for buildings under 85 feet. Currently, the Amendment allows for a FAR bonus in excess of 2.0, but the IZ rate is still 20% for any far bonus above 2.0. The result is that there is no additional community benefit to allow for increased density above 2.0. Because of this, ANC6A recommends that a maximum bonus of 2.0 be set for buildings under 85 feet in height.

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

On Behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A




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Government of the District of Columbia Department of Transportation



Traffic Safety Assessment Questionnaire

Contact Information	
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Address: 601 18 th St. NE Washington, D.C. 20002	Phone: 662-571-2399
Signature: 	Email: awburnett1@gmail.com

The purpose of this Questionnaire is for DDOT to gather information about a safety concern in order to perform a Traffic Safety Assessment (TSA). The intent of the TSA process is to ask residents to identify traffic safety concerns, whether along a roadway segment or at an intersection, and focus on the definition of the safety concern(s) rather than on a proposed solution or mitigation measure. Based on the nature of the request, DDOT will determine the type of assessment necessary to investigate the extent of the traffic safety concern.

To begin a Traffic Safety Assessment, please fill out the information below and answer any questions to the best of your ability. If necessary, please attach additional pages. In addition, please attach a letter of support from your ANC Commissioner, Councilmember's Office, or representative from the Mayor's Office of Community Relations.

Once completed, please submit this form to DDOT via the address provided below, or you can email the form to traffic.safety@dc.gov.

District Department of Transportation
Customer Service Clearinghouse
55 M Street SE – 7th Floor
Washington, DC 20003

If you have any questions, please contact DDOT at 202-673-6813. Thank you.

Version 1.01, updated May 2019

District Department of Transportation | 55 M Street, SE, Suite 400, Washington, DC 20003 | 202.673.6813 | ddot.dc.gov



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Questions	
Location of requested investigation: Define geographic boundaries as clearly as possible (400 block of A Street NE, intersection of 1st Street & B Street NW, etc.) Is this location near an existing construction project? If yes, please provide the name and location of the project and any construction-related concerns.	Intersection (curve) of 18th Street NE (600 block) and Rosedale Avenue (1800 block). Intersection of Gales Place Street NE (1700 block) and 18th Street NE (700 block). Both intersections are absent of any construction projects.
Safety concerns: Provide a detailed description of the problems observed in the area of investigation (vehicle crashes, speeding, pedestrian safety, bicycle safety, unable to cross the street, hard to see cross-traffic, etc.) For intersection-related concerns, please include the type of intersection: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 1 or 2-way STOP control ▪ All-way STOP control ▪ Traffic signal 	The Intersection of 18th Street NE and Rosedale Avenue NE does not contain a 1 or 2-way stop, all-way stop, traffic signal, or speed bumps. Drivers go too fast around the curve endangering students at the Monument Academy Public Charter School and children coming in and out of the Rosedale Community Center field and playground entrance. We need speed bumps. The intersection of Gales Place NE and 18th Street NE contains a 1-way stop, but not traffic signals. Drivers coming off Benning Road NE onto 18th Street NE go way too fast and endanger kids crossing the street. A solution to this would be white-lined pedestrian crosswalk across the street with a sign in the street that signals cars to stop for pedestrians similar to the intersection of 5th Street NE and East Capitol Street NE.
Days and time when safety concerns are the worst: Such as weekday AM peak, weekday PM peak, overnight, weekends, etc.	18th Street NE and Rosedale Ave NE - Weekday AM peak, overnight, and weekends. Gales Place NE and 18th Street NE - Weekday PM peak, weekends.
Are there existing traffic calming features on the block? This includes speed humps, rumble strips, etc.	18th Street NE and Rosedale Ave NE - Zero traffic calming features. We need speed bumps before and after the curve! Gales Place NE and 18th Street NE - 1-way stop for traffic coming off Gales Place NE onto 18th Street NE, one speed bump further down from the intersection on 18th Street NE but need pedestrian crosswalk.
Describe neighborhood uses: Such as residential area, retail area, school zone, recreation center, community center, etc.	Residential area with the Rosedale Community Center that has a playground and sports field, also has the Monument Academy Public Charter School, so this area has lots of children playing; therefore more protection for them is needed.



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Questions	
Describe multi-modal facilities: Are there sidewalks? Bike facilities or trails? Nearby Metrorail station or Metrobus stop(s)?	There are sidewalks around both intersections. There are no Metrorail stations or Metrobus stops near either intersection.
Vehicle types: Is the concern about commuter traffic in cars? Is there a high volume of trucks, perhaps due to nearby construction? What about buses?	There is a high volume of commuter cars from Virginia and Maryland that drive way too fast down our streets at both intersections. Commuter traffic in the mornings is high at 18th Street NE and Rosedale Ave NE, in the afternoons it is high at Gales Place NE and 18th Street NE. Not so many construction trucks coming by only occasionally, and no Metrobuses come by either intersection.
Have you previously contacted DDOT about your concerns? Please include name(s) and department(s) if possible. If you have already contacted 311, please provide the service request number.	Not aware of any previous communication.
Any other information you would like to share? The curve/intersection of Rosedale Ave NE and 18th Street NE is a very dangerous intersection that desperately needs a traffic calming feature in the curve. Speed bumps before and after the curve would solve the problem, and they would help ensure the safety of the children from the Monument Academy Public Charter School and the children coming in and out of the Rosedale Community Center's playground. We need these speed bumps badly. The intersection of Gales Place NE and 18th Street NE has one speed bump further down from the intersection that does not calm traffic enough to be safe for the amount of kids that play in the area. This intersection either needs another speed bump between this intersection and Benning Road NE or this intersection needs a pedestrian crosswalk with a yield/stop to pedestrians sign in the middle of the intersection.	
For DDOT Use Only	
Date Received:	Service Request Number:
Letter of Support Attached?	YES / NO
Name:	SMD/Ward:
Contact Info:	



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Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A Service Contract for ANC Coordinator for Agenda Package Preparation and Web Facilitation

This is an agreement between Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6A and Ms. Irene Dworakowski for the following services:

Ms. Dworakowski is, for the sum of \$300.00 each, to prepare the ANC6A agenda package monthly. As part of these duties, Ms. Dworakowski is to:

- Review ANC6A meeting minutes from the previous month's meeting and draft letters for the upcoming month's meeting, format and make editorial changes, and solicit approval of ANC6A commissioners by email.
- Review ANC6A committee meeting minutes from the previous month's meeting and draft letters for the upcoming month's meeting, format and make editorial changes, and solicit approval of ANC 6A committee chairs.
- Compile a meeting agenda based upon recommendations from the ANC 6A committees. An agenda must be available to the public one week prior to the ANC 6A meeting.
- Compile the agenda package in its entirety, including attachments, addendums, electronic photographs, etc. The agenda package should be received by commission no later than the day before the ANC6A meeting.

Additional tasks:

- electronically transmit ANC meeting agendas, minutes, and written recommendations for other government entities to the OANC upon their completion;
- electronically transmit to the Secretary of the DC Council a copy of any recommendations the ANC has passed concerning pending legislation;
- transmit invoices for her services and printing services provided by FedEx and other vendors in a timely manner to the ANC Treasurer for inclusion in the monthly Treasurer's report;
- maintain and update the ANC 6A Orientation document and distribute the document to ANC Commissioners, Committee Chairs and Members prior to the January meeting of the Commission.

The agenda preparer will not be expected to spend more than 110 hours per 12-month period (avg. 10 hrs./month) without additional compensation. Compensation will be based on a rate of \$30.00 per hour.

Ms. Dworakowski is, for a monthly fee of \$450.00 per month, to make all necessary updates to the website. This will include but is not limited to:

Posting:

- agendas for ANC and Committees (and replacing them with more current versions if updates are made between the original posting and the meeting) - max. 24hr turn-around is needed on these unless by prior arrangement
- minutes for ANC and Committees
- correspondence generated by the ANC and occasional replies and other related documents
- Settlement Agreements
- approved grant applications (and any "compliance reports" related to the grants program)



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- Treasurer's reports, Quarterly Reports, Annual Budget incl. updates if needed plus occasional other financial documents (e.g., contracts)
- Other document and information necessary for ANC business

Maintaining:

- Calendar, adding and removing events (at direction of commissioners or at request of public per rules posted on calendar page of website)
- Commissioner page and individual commissioner pages
- Committee pages

Adding/updating if notified/requested by ANC Chair or designate:

- hot topics" on home page
- government contacts page
- community groups (or if notified by the community group - if there are questions check with Chair or designate)
- publications (or if notified by the publication - if there are questions check with Chair or designate)
- "Contact us" page
- Other Website information as necessary for ANC business

Archiving:

- Minutes, agendas, correspondence and grants following current timing

Additional tasks:

- forward to the anc6a-announce, newhilleast and anc-6a listservs and Twitter, the ANC and Committee agendas and meeting cancellations or changes of venue that are not submitted by the ANC or committees themselves;
- tweet links to the ANC and committee agendas once they have been posted;
- notify Web HSP to resolve server problems and notify the Chair that the issue has been resolved;
- notify Max Kukoy to resolve WordPress website updates and problems and notify the Chair that the issue has been resolved;
- monitor ANC6A@yahoo.com and forward pertinent correspondence to appropriate ANC Commissioners and Committee Chairs.
- Send ANC 6A announcements and suggested links to the Community Outreach Committee (COC) for posting to the ANC 6A Facebook page and provide guidance to COC regarding appropriate items to be posted.

Additional tasks during periods when ANC 6A is meeting virtually:

- schedule virtual meetings for ANC 6A and Committees on WebEx, add appropriate monthly Panelists to the WebEx address book, send invitations to Panelists and confirm those individuals receive them, initiate meetings on WebEx on the day of ANC and Committee meetings, assist panelists to access the WebEx meetings, post recordings of ANC meetings to the website and forward recordings of meetings to the ANC scribe and Committee chairs to aid in the compilation of meeting minutes;



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- work with Commissioners and Committee Chairs to ensure that interpretation services have access to virtual ANC and Committee meetings.

The website coordinator will not be expected to spend more than 180 hours per 12-month period (avg. 15 hrs. /month) without additional compensation. Compensation will be based on a rate of \$30.00 per hour.

The website coordinator shall give at least two weeks’ notice of any period of non-availability and will assist in arranging "back up" web assistance if this will unduly affect posting of agendas.

This contract for services is at will and can be terminated without cause.

Signed:

Amber Gove
Chair, ANC6A

Date _____

Irene Dworakowski

Date _____



New Business



November XX, 2020

Dr. Lewis Ferebee, Chancellor
District of Columbia Public Schools
1200 First St NE 10th floor, Washington, DC 20002

Re: ANC6A Request for Information Regarding Firing of Principal Trogisch

Dear Chancellor Ferebee:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on November 12, 2020, our Commission voted X-X-X (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to relay the following concerns regarding the recent firing of School Without Walls High School Principal Richard Trogisch.

- On Monday, October 5th, the Mayor announced plans to re-open schools in the coming weeks, and, at the Chancellor's Meeting, Principal Trogisch asked specifically what air quality standards were being set by DCPS and how such standards would be measured and enforced. After no specific answer to his question was given, he said he later told his staff and parents that he would not open School Without Walls at Francis-Stevens unless he was certain students, teachers, and all other school personnel would be safe, and
- Like many DCPS facilities, School Without Walls at Francis Stevens is a nearly 100 year-old building with no HVAC system, window air conditioners in each classroom, and numerous maintenance issues that come with an old building slated for major renovation in less than two years, and
- The Center for Disease Control revised its guidance to acknowledge that COVID-19 is spread not just by droplets, but in aerosolized form in closed indoor spaces with poor ventilation and that regular exchange of fresh air is imperative for such spaces to be safe, especially where people (such as students and teachers in classrooms) stay in those spaces for more than just a few minutes at a time, and
- Less than 48 hours after Principal Trogisch questioned whether the air quality and ventilation standards at SWW@FS would allow the school to open safely, he was fired by DCPS with the explanation that there had been a student "enrollment anomaly" in a previous year, and
- DCPS officials indicated to the school community that the firing of Principal Trogisch was "not in the best interests" of students and faculty, and DCPS had knowledge of this 'enrollment anomaly' prior to renegotiating the principal's contract for the 2020-2021 school year but appears to have chosen not to address it, and
- An action that did not prevent his contract renewal suddenly became a fireable offense two days after the Principal expressed health and safety concerns about DCPS plans.

Given the above history as presented to us by caregivers of students enrolled at School Without Walls, ANC 6A requests a response from Chancellor Ferebee to community concerns regarding the firing of Principal Trogisch. The lack of transparent processes and procedures by DCPS leadership further diminishes public trust in our public schools and runs counter to the values and priorities of DC Public Schools.

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Thank you for giving consideration to our ANC's feedback on this issue. Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, I can be contacted at amberanc6a@gmail.com.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A



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November xx, 2020

Mayor Muriel Bowser (via email)
DGS Director Keith Anderson (via email)
DHS Director Laura Zeilinger (via email)

Dear Mayor Bowser, Director Anderson, and Director Zeilinger:

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on November 12, 2020, our Commission voted x-x (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to write to urge you to seek safe apartment or hotel room style housing for the unhoused during the 2020 hypothermia season.

Our Commission is gravely concerned that the proposal put forward by DHS and DGS is likely to create ongoing super-spreader events among this vulnerable population and the staff that serve them. We have seen great leadership from the Mayor and the Department of Health to help limit the spread of COVID-19 to date and we expect better planning from our local government. We do not consent to placing 60 women inside a single facility without separate rooms and we strongly urge you to seek safer and more humane accommodations for these at-risk residents.

Our Commission does not believe it is humane to ask residents to sleep on basketball court floors in Recreation Centers under normal conditions and reiterates our strong recommendation that the District do more to increase affordable housing, shelter units, and other options to serve the unhoused in a more respectful and permanent manner. Furthermore, we are extremely concerned that our government has proposed housing as many as 60 individuals in these types of conditions during the ongoing pandemic. It is unquestionably unsafe to place 60 people inside a single open-air facility at this time. No doubt, this is why the Mayor's Order restricts gatherings to fewer than 50 people during the pandemic. Your proposal to do so seemingly violates the Mayor's Order and commonsense. *See* https://coronavirus.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/coronavirus/publication/attachments/COVID-19_DC_Health_Guidance_for_Mass_Gatherings_2020.07.29.FINAL_.pdf strongly urges the District government to seek every available opportunity to provide apartment-style or hotel room housing to the unhoused residents this winter.

Should the government reject our recommendation to provide apartment-style or hotel room housing, we strongly urge the following conditions for a minimum prerequisite to any use of our Recreation Centers to house numerous residents during hypothermia season.

First, the Commission requests that any plans to use facilities within our bounds be fully vetted by career public health staff at the Department of Health to ensure that maximum capacity, socially distancing, airflow, and other key health requirements for gatherings during the pandemic are fully considered from a public health and safety perspective by experts in this area. The Commission is extremely concerned that such steps do not appear to have been adequately taken and that it has received inconsistent information from DHS regarding the involvement and alleged approval from Department of Health.

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Second, the District should ensure that any such Recreation Centers have adequately upgraded their HVAC units to allow for improved filtering of airflow. The District is in the process of doing for its public schools prior to returning a small number of children to classrooms. Our unhoused residents deserve similar protections if they are going to be brought inside and congregated for extended periods of time with other nonfamily members. The Commission strongly urges that any Recreation Centers that are used to house groups of individuals this winter have HVAC upgrades and improved airflow to meet or exceed those being provided throughout D.C. Public Schools.

Third, the District should respect the need for social distancing to combat the pandemic and protect the safety of its residents by substantially reducing capacity below levels used in prior years. Last year, DHS placed 30 beds inside Sherwood Recreation Center on hypothermia alert nights. Given the complications involved in social distancing during the pandemic and the particularized importance of social distancing during extended time indoors with nonfamily members, the Commission urges the DHS to reduce capacity to no greater than 50 percent of the number of residents who used the facility last year. As District schools are considering reopening, they are all proposing to operate as substantially reduced capacities during the pandemic. The vulnerable residents that DHS serves during hypothermia season and those who serve them and otherwise come into close contact with them, deserve no less.

Thank you for providing great weight and due consideration to the Commission's concerns regarding the how to accommodate the unhoused and our recommendations regarding safe accommodations and the use of District facilities and resources this winter.

Should you wish to discuss this letter with the Commission, please feel free to reach out to me at AmberANC6A@gmail.com, Vice Chair Toomajian at PhilANC6A@gmail.com or Commissioner Brown at DCANC6A01@gmail.com. We look forward to your response and hearing how you have reviewed and afforded great weight to the views of the Commission.

On behalf of the Commission,

Amber Gove

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: City Administrator Kevin Donahue, DPR Director Delano Hunter, Members of the D.C. Council