

ANC6A Public Safety Committee
June 29, 2009 Meeting Minutes
Sherwood Recreation Center
640 10th Street NE

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Committee members present: Commissioner Kelvin J. Robinson (Co-chair), Rebecca Sibia (Co-chair), Brandon Lumm, Todd Hames

Committee members absent: Sharon Cochran, Dan Wolff, Patrice Ford

Commissioners present: Raphael Marshall (6A01)

Community members present: Bobby Pittman, PSA 102 Coordinator, Ken Granata, RCA Transportation Committee Chair, Kim McCall, DC Homeland Security and Calvin Haupt, DC EMS.

I. Agenda and Minutes

1. Motion to adopt agenda. No objections.
2. Motion to accept minutes of last meeting, including an amendment to the language of the Committee's recommendation for involvement at recreation centers per previously discussed and ANC approved (June) change. No objections.

II. Administrative, Ongoing and Old Business

1. Report on ANC Actions:
 - a. Commissioner Robinson updated the committee on the approval of the committee's recommendation that the ANC authorize the committee to lead a donations drive for ANC area recreation centers.
2. Update on Volunteer/Donation efforts to support summer activities at Rosedale Recreation Center:
 - a. Committee members once again discussed the need to get further details on the specific needs of each center in order to move forward with the donations drive.
 - b. The Committee agreed to solicit addition detail from each center Manager and attempt to kick-off its activities at the upcoming Quality of Life event to be held at Rosedale. Failing this, the committee would remain on "stand-by" until such details can be received from each center manager.
3. Presentation of Crime Statistics:
 - a. Committee member Brandon Lumm has assumed responsibility for preparing the ANC crime statistics, as well as to coordinate with PSA 102 and 103 coordinators/statisticians to determine if there are opportunities for increased and enhanced coordination between the two groups.
 - b. The committee reviewed the new format, and agreed that it was well presented and informative. The committee also requested that a specific report with trend analysis be created for each SMD for presentation to the Commissioners at each ANC meeting.
4. 311/911 Discussion
 - a. The committee continues to receive community concerns regarding the functionality of the 311/911 switch.

- b. Unfortunately, the head of the Office of Unified Command was unable to attend the meeting, due to family emergency, so this item will be postponed until the committee's July meeting.
- 5. Update on the Development of ANC Juvenile Crime Prevention policies
 - a. Committee members reviewed and discussed a draft policy paper and proposed plan for wider community review and discussion.
 - b. It was agreed that this item be shared with PSA coordinators and a joint meeting be scheduled to further discuss. Consequently, further action was tabled on this item until the next meeting.

III. New Business

- 1. Presentation by Ken Granata, RCA Transportation Chair on C Street NE
 - a. Mr. Granata shared a brief presentation on RCA and community concerns related to the traffic and pedestrian safety issues presented by C Street as the traffic is currently arranged.
 - b. The RCA has developed a series of requests for ANC consideration, one of which falls within the jurisdiction of the Public Safety Committee. The remainder of the recommendations presented were items related to the work of the ANC Transportation and Public Space Committee. Commissioner Robinson urged the group to work with the TPS Committee, as the majority of RCA concerns relate to their work.
 - c. The committee also suggested that the RCA presentation be updated to include specific traffic safety related data, including any vehicular or pedestrian incidents that may have occurred in this area.
 - d. The committee was concerned about traffic safety issues presented by the RCA, but also insisted that any proposed redesign be mindful of the need to ensure for full emergency vehicle access, as well as any evacuation route concerns.
 - e. **Recommendation: Commissioner Robinson moved, and Rebecca Sibia seconded, the recommendation that the ANC send a letter to the Metropolitan Police Department in support of a permanent speed camera. The motion passed without objection.**
 - f. **Recommendation: Commissioner Robinson moved, and Todd Hames seconded, a motion to request the ANC to authorize the Public Safety Committee to work with the TPS committee on any final recommendations to the ANC to ensure traffic and pedestrian safety issues are addressed.**
- 2. Presentation by Kim McCall, DC Homeland Security, on Community Preparedness Issues
 - a. Kim McCall attended the PSC meeting to assist the committee in understanding the role, responsibilities and community interface of the Office of Homeland Security.
 - b. She indicated that the Office is particularly interested in identifying community activities for the month of September, which is National Emergency Preparedness month. She asked the committee to brainstorm community engagement that could occur as a joint effort related to preparedness during September, which the committee agreed it will do.
 - c. In addition, Ms. McCall identified that the Office regularly sponsors the creation and donation of emergency kits to low-income seniors, and conducts other regular community outreach. The committee agreed that there may be an excellent partnership opportunity related to emergency kit donations to some of the ANC senior residents, and will follow-up with the Office of Homeland Security to attempt to coordinate a neighborhood activity related to this initiative.

- d. Ms. McCall also requested that the ANC assist in organizing an ANC-specific training session on Homeland Security issues, noting the there are specific duties contemplated for ANCs should there be a disaster of any kind. Committee member Todd Hames agreed to follow-up to begin planning for the ANC to host such a training session, should the ANC authorize the committee to move forward.
 - e. **Recommendation: Commissioner Robinson moved and Todd Hames seconded that the ANC work with the DC Department of Homeland Security, and others to plan, organize and co-host an ANC-specific Homeland Security training session and that invitations be extended to all ANCs within the Ward 6.**
3. Presentation by Calvin Haupt, DC EMS
- a. Mr. Haupt was present to provide more detail to the Committee related to accessing public response information from Fire/EMS, and better approaches to engaging the organization.
 - b. He provided a copy of the Fire/EMS annual report, and discussed staffing distinctions between the two functions of the agency.
- IV. Due to an unexpected conflict in room scheduling, to accommodate the Office of the Mayor, the committee meeting was adjourned early, at 8:35.

Next meeting: Thursday, June 18, 2009, 7:00 p.m. at Sherwood Recreation Center