

MINUTES
from the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION
on
June 6, 2024, via Zoom

Guest speaker at 6:30 p.m.

- Matthew Hendrickson, Transportation Planner, District Department of Transportation - provided updates, and fielded questions from commissioners and community members.

Call meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

Commissioner		Present	Absent
<i>1B01</i>	Handerhan	X	
<i>1B02</i>	Chauvin	X	
<i>1B03</i>	Sycamore	X	
<i>1B04</i>	Lakatos	X	
<i>1B05</i>	Kensek	X	
<i>1B06</i>	Trindade Deramo	X	
<i>1B07</i>	Fields	X	
<i>1B08</i>	Harris	X	
<i>1B09</i>	Jones	X	

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- **MOTION:** Commissioner Lakatos moved that ANC 1B approve the meeting draft agenda.

The motion was seconded. **The Motion PASSED (8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).**

Motion passes.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the prior meeting minutes

- B. Speaking time: Two comments of two minutes each for Commissioners and community members, with an additional 20-second comment at the discretion of the chair, per topic**
- **MOTION:** Commissioner Lakatos moved that the full Commission approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded. **The motion PASSED (7 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstention).**

IV. EXECUTIVE OFFICERS' REPORTS

A. Financial report (Cmsr. Lakatos)

- No financial report to vote on.

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Committee on Economic Development

- i. Discussion about Community Placemaking Entity for the U Street area
 1. No motions were made and no votes were taken. Discussion will continue at further ED meetings.
- ii. [Council Bill 25-0802](#), which would lock in certain requirements about 1617 U Street/1620 V Street
 1. ANC 1B's Economic Development committee aims to hold a public meeting in June or July, likely on a weekend day, for further community brainstorming on uses of the 1617 U Street/1620 V Street site.
 2. No motions were made and no votes were taken.
- iii. Limited Scope Hearing and New Report from Office of Planning for 1617 U St NW on reduction in boundaries for MU-10
- iv. The next meeting of ANC 1B's ED Committee is Thursday, June 20 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. To attend, check ANC 1B's website, www.anc1b.org. If you are interested in joining the ED Committee, please email Commissioner Tucker Jones at 1b09@anc.dc.gov.

B. Committee on Public Safety and Community Engagement

- i. The committee did not meet in May.
- ii. Next regular meeting: Tuesday, June 11 at 7:00 p.m.

C. Committee on Transportation

- i. Resolution Commenting on WMATA's Revised Better Bus Project
 1. In May 2024, WMATA released a revised version of its Better Bus Project network redesign. The Transportation Committee discussed the proposal and provided additional comments in the form of a resolution.
 2. **Transportation Committee Recommendation:** 3-0-0 for the full ANC to support the attached resolution commenting on WMATA's revised proposed visionary bus network.

MOTION: Commissioner Lakatos moved that the full Commission adopt the 2024 Better Bus Project Comment Resolution as presented. The motion was seconded. **The motion PASSED (6 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstention).**

- ii. Bus Priority Project — 14th Street walks with DDOT
- iii. If interested in joining the Transportation Committee as a community member, please contact Commissioner Santiago Lakatos at 1B04@anc.dc.gov. Next regular meeting: Wednesday, June 12 at 7:00 p.m. (registration via www.anc1b.org).

D. Committee on Zoning, Preservation, and Development

- i. The committee did not meet in May.
- ii. Anticipated cases before the committee in June (for awareness only):
 1. Howard University Hospital redevelopment and proposed map amendment
 - a. Property: A large area centered roughly around 2230 6th St NW (current zoning mostly PDR-3).
 - b. Request: [Map amendment 24-01](#) changing the zoning of this area mostly or entirely to MU-9
 - c. SMD/Commissioners: 1B01 Larry Handerman, 1B02 Frank Chauvin, 1E05 Philip Newland, 1E07 Brian Footer

2. Baldwin House
 - a. Property: 2570 Sherman Avenue NW (Square 2864, Lot 831, current zoning RF-1)
 - b. Request: BZA case 21152, Special Exception relief “To construct two additional residential units and a community service center, to an existing, detached, three-story with cellar, 6-unit apartment house in the RF-1 zone.”
 - c. SMD/Commissioners: 1B03 Jamie Sycamore

 3. 1916 3rd St NW
 - a. Property: 1916 3rd Street, NW (Square 3089, Lot 0032, current zoning RF-1, LeDroit Park historic district)
 - b. Request: From applicant: “HPRB: Conceptual review for a rear addition. BZA (not yet applied for, but anticipated) would be 2 special exceptions. One special exception is to allow for 3 dwelling units in an RF-1 Zone as the building was construction prior to 5/12/1958. The second special exception is to extend more than 10' beyond the rear wall of an adjacent property.”
 - c. SMD/Commissioners: 1B01 Larry Handerhan

 4. 527 Florida Ave NW
 - a. Property: 527 Florida Ave NW (Square 3093, Lot 0029, current zoning MU-4, LeDroit Park Historic District)
 - b. Request: BZA case 21167, Area Variance and Special Exception to allow for “Proposed addition of an open rear deck to an existing residential apartment building”
 - c. SMD/Commissioners: 1B01 Larry Handerhan
- iii. The next meeting of ANC 1B’s ZPD Committee is Monday, June 17 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. To attend, check ANC1B’s website, www.anc1b.org. If you are interested in joining the ZPD Committee, please email Commissioner Tucker Jones at 1b09@anc.dc.gov.

E. Committee on Alcoholic Beverage Regulations

- i. Licenses without protest
 1. ABRA-103899 — Substantial Change — Manhattan Laundry DC, LLC (trade name: Franklin Hall) — 1B04 — Retailer’s Class “C” Tavern
 2. ABRA-123908 — Substantial Change — Pho House, LLC — 1B02 — Retailer’s Class “D” Restaurant

- ii. Whitlow's | License Number: ABRA-082871 — Substantial Change
 1. Applicant: Brixton Pub, LLC (trade name: Whitlow's)
 2. License Class/Type: Retailer's Class "C" Tavern
 3. File Date: July 8
 4. Hearing: July 29
 5. **ABR Committee Recommendation:** Full ANC support for a protest of the Whitlow's establishment on the grounds of peace, order, quiet (3-0-0).

MOTION: Commissioner Fields moved to protest the substantial change for Whitlow's on the grounds of peace, order, and quiet. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Trindade Deramo asked for clarity on a formal protest when there's an amicable relationship with the owner. Chair Harris clarified on the use of "protest" language to bring parties together in negotiation. Commissioner Chauvin requested for an amendment to add the full protest standard which is peace, order, quiet, parking, litter and noise provisions. Chair Harris mentioned that peace, order, and quiet includes noise provisions.

AMENDMENT: Commissioner Chauvin motioned to include the noise provisions. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Fields, Chair Harris, and Commissioner Chauvin engaged in discussion on Commissioners negotiating agreements for their SMD and on behalf of the commission. **The motion PASSED (7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).**

- **MOTION:** Commissioner Jones moved that the Commission amend the main motion and add that ANC 1B designates the commissioner who serves as the chair of ABR Committee and Commissioner from 1B02 as having the authority to speak on behalf of ANC 1B in this matter. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** Chair Harris expressed concerns on the limited language of the amendment and mentioned that she would not support the amendment because it would limit ANC 1B's ability to negotiate if ABR Chair and Commissioner 1B02 are not able to attend negotiations. Commissioner Jones rescinded his motion to amend the main motion.

MOTION: Commissioner Trindade Deramo moved to amend the main motion to designate Commissioners Chauvin and Fields as co-lead negotiators on this matter. The motion was seconded.

DISCUSSION: Chair Harris expressed there was no need for this

amendment, and she would oppose it – stating that Commissioner Chauvin had agreed to add in Commissioner Fields in negotiations. **The motion PASSED (4 in favor, 3 opposed, 0 abstention).**

ORIGINAL MOTION PASSED (7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).

- iii. Joe Caplan Liquors | License Number: ABRA-060351— License Renewal
 1. Applicant: DK Corporation (trade name: Joe Caplan Liquors)
 2. License Class/Type: A / Retail – Liquor Store
 3. File Date: May 28
 4. Hearing: June 17
- iv. Next regular meeting: Wednesday, June 26, at 7:00 p.m. by Zoom. To attend, check ANC1B’s website, www.anc1b.org.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE

- **MOTION:** Commissioner Lakatos moved that the Commission hold the special meeting on June 27, 2024, at 7 p.m. via Zoom. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** Commissioner mentioned that a special meeting requires a designated purpose. **AMENDMENT:** Commissioner Jones moved to amend the main motion, to make clear that the purpose of the special meeting is to talk about zoning case 23-2. The motion was seconded. **The motion PASSED (7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).**
- **ORIGINAL MOTION PASSED (7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).**

VII. EXECUTIVE, COUNCILMEMBER, COMMISSIONER & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Office of the Councilmember, Ward 1: Niccole Rivero

- Niccole Rivero (Chief of Staff to Councilmember Nadeau) provided updates, and fielded questions from commissioners and community members.

B. Office of the Mayor: Jerrod Allen, MOCRS

C. Commissioner announcements

D. Community announcements

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- Commissioner Chauvin introduced a letter to ask the owner of Thurst Lounge to engage in conversations with ANC 1B to establish a settlement agreement.
 - **MOTION:** Commissioner Lakatos moved that the full ANC adopt the letter to S&B Enterprise LLC doing business as Thurst Lounge, regarding a request engage on alcohol licenses operations as was just presented. The motion was seconded. **The motion PASSED (7 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).**

IX. ADJOURNMENT at 10:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Commission will be on July 11, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.