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ANC 1C Meeting Agenda Wednesday, February 7, 2024, 7pm Virtual Meeting

- I. Call to Order and Introduction of Commissioners
 - A. An Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C meeting was held electronically on February 7, 2024. Commissioner Wood called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. In attendance were Commissioners Daniel Michelson-Horowitz (1C01), Lee Dixon (1C02), Peter Wood (1C03), Joe Van Wye (1C04), Margaret Stevens (1C05), Lynda Laughlin (1C06), Jake Faleschini (1C07), and Barney Shapiro (1C08). Members of the public joined electronically.
- II. Officers' Reports
 - A. Chair's Report: The chair and Commissioner Laughlin have been trying to address the neighborhood's rat issue. The commission is attempting to urge residents to identify hot locations where these rodent infestations are situated. This will make it easier to collect signatures in those specific places so that the Department of Health can abate those streets and alleys.
 - B. Vice Chair's Report: Nothing to share at this time
 - C. Secretary's Report: Updated meeting times/dates
 - D. Treasurer's Report: Challenges with auditor's requests, frustration over extra steps, and disappointment in perceived treatment. Looking into maybe changing banks next year.
- III. Commissioner Announcements/Committee Meeting Agendas
 - A. Commissioner Shapiro mentioned two significant matters: the Meridian development, involving a court case and unresolved neighbor compensation, and the zoning commission's extensive 14.5-hour hearings.
 - B. Commissioner Faleschini mentioned the Trash issues on Champlain Street resolved with DPW assistance, thanks to neighbors' patience and numerous 311 requests. Public safety updates pending; new placards noticed. Unity Park's progress delayed due to farmers market completion and weather conditions. Ground preparation awaits warmer temperatures before construction begins.
 - C. Commissioner Laughlin announces that Package theft incident on the 1700 block of Lanier led to arrest; residents urged to report any related incidents for further action.
 - D. Commisioner Stevens had no updates
 - E. Commisioner Joe Van Wye announced Constituents express support for DDOT's planned updates to Columbia Road, eager to see progress in the community.

- F. Commisioner Wood announced Hargrove Park renovations are underway. Advocated for Board of Elections oversight in special elections, progress noted. Testified on neighborhood development at 1617 U St Street; lengthy process ongoing, potential impact on efforts to create a library in the area.
- G. Commissioner Dixon had no updates.
- H. Commissioner Michelson- Horowitz announced monitoring construction at Adams School on 19th, addressing neighbor concerns promptly. Informing residents about water main connection on California Street. Seeking feedback on NOI plan adjustments at upcoming PZT committee meeting.
- IV. Update from representatives of PEPCO on Ontario Road NW Construction
 - A. PEPCO officials gave a full report on the Ontario Road NW development, highlighting important successes and plans while also addressing community concerns. They focused on the current Champlain substation project, stressing strict planning and coordination with local partners, including Marie Reed Elementary School. The power plant development is on track for full-scale deployment in the second quarter of next year, with preparations already started and completion scheduled in August. They also addressed the frozen pit excavation timeframe, which is anticipated for June-July and September-October, needing continual 24/7 cable splicing operations. To reduce potential consequences, the team prioritized open communication and involvement with the community. They extended appreciation to the community and asked for ANC support for their wider multi-year rate strategy, highlighting their commitment to the safe growth of infrastructure.
- V. Public announcements (up to 2 minutes per person)
 - A. On the February 17th ANC meeting, there's a potential meeting with the mayor. Details may change, but it's crucial for ANC members to discuss budget priorities.
 - B. Kristen Barden announced on Valentine's Day decorating contest, with judging starting Friday at 3 pm at Potter's House. Public judging runs until Tuesday, winners announced on the 14th. Date nights and a Black History Spotlight highlight the month. Additionally, a monthly coffee hour starts on February 15th at Venture X. Notably, there's an emphasis on inclusivity, with oral presentations for grant applications accommodating non-native English speakers. New small business funding opportunities, including the Great Streets Grant, were also discussed.
- VI. Late agenda additions to consider
 - A. Approve Q1 2024 Quarterly Financial Report for ANC 1C
 - Motion by Chair Wood to make late agenda addition of Q1 2024 QFR to consent agenda
 - Second by Commissioner Faleschini

- Move to amend agenda passed 8-0
- VII. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approve the January 2024 meeting minutes
 - B. New Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant license, <u>ABRA-126723</u>, for Zanzibar located at 2309 18th Street, NW
 - C. Approve Q1 2024 Quarterly Financial Report for ANC 1C
 - Motion by Chair Wood to pass consent agenda
 - Second by Commissioner Van Wye
 - Passed 8-0
- VIII. Regular Agenda
 - A. Items recommended by Alcoholic Beverage Control and Public Safety Committee
 - New Medical Cannabis Retailer license, <u>ABRA-126952</u>, for Wash Hydro located at 2318 18th Street NW
 - Motion by Chair Wood
 - Passed 8-0
 - B. Items recommended by Planning, Zoning, and Transportation Committee
 - <u>Resolution</u> calling for reform of DC's vacant and blighted property laws and regulations
 - Motion to postpone item to March meeting by Chair Wood
 - Second by Commissioner Shapiro
 - Passed 8-0
 - C. Items recommended by Public Services and the Environment Committee
 - No items this month
 - D. General business
 - Informational discussion on possible FY 2025 budget priorities for ANC 1C
 - No vote taken

IX. Adjournment

A. The meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.