



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

“Serving the Foggy Bottom and West End communities of Washington, D.C.”

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 18, 2024; 7:00 p.m.

Meeting via Zoom only

Call to Order

Commissioner Trupti Patel (03) called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Commissioners Yannick Omictin (01), Trupti Patel (03), Ed Comer (04), Luke Chadwick (05), and Joel Causey (06) were present.

Introduction of Commissioners

Adoption of the Agenda

The Agenda was adopted without objection.

Adoption of Past Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the July 24, 2024 meeting were adopted without objection.

Administrative Matters

Commissioner Omictin was elected Treasurer by unanimous consent. Shalem Chelis was introduced and elected as Administrative Assistant by unanimous consent.

By-Laws Special Committee

Vice-Chair Chadwick discussed some of the proposed changes the Committee had approved and invited members of the public to attend future meetings. His motion to modify the Special Committee Charter to provide an additional month, until November 1, for the final report was approved by unanimous consent.

Community Forum

- a. Courtney Cooperman a member of the **Aston Community Advisory Team (CAT)** reported that the CAT had met on September 5 and 9 to draft its Good Neighbor Agreement and that the next meeting was on September 23 at 5 pm. The public will have an opportunity to comment on this agreement. She also reported that residents were expected to begin moving in during the first week of October and that there would be an open house for neighbors before the residents move in.
- b. Pablo Vasco Rodriguez, representing Councilmember Pinto, reported on pending legislation and oversight of the 311/911 process. There was a discussion of the closing of the Circulator bus and impacts on residents and employees.
- c. Ty Abilla, the new Ward 2 representative of the Mayor’s office, reported on upcoming events.



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d. Lt. Howden, representing the MPD, reported on crime statistics, commented on a resolution pending before the ANC and addressed questions about a “bar notice.”

Commissioner Updates

Commissioner Comer discussed that the Office of Urban Forestry’s concerns of potential risk to trees from moving fences have forced the withdrawal of plans to expand the 26th and I St. playground and park. Instead, the District will just update the current layout. Commissioner Causey reported that NPS decided not to transfer some lands around Francis Field to the District, which undercuts the likelihood of renovations there, but that the dog park and swim pool will be transferred, which is good news.

Matters before the DC Council

1. Commissioner Omicini presented a resolution that objects to the closing of the Circulator Bus without providing adequate alternative bus transportation on Metro routes and without providing jobs to Circulator employees. The resolution passed with unanimous consent.

2. Chair Patel presented a resolution seeking review and resolution of problems with the Office of Unified Communications. She acknowledged that many of the concerns raised in the resolution were being addressed by the Council and elsewhere. A motion to Table consideration of the resolution was approved unanimously.

3. Chair Patel presented a resolution regarding the Metropolitan Police Department with respect to police treatment of Justin Robinson and other matters.

During discussion of the MPD resolution Vice-Chair Chadwick left the meeting and this caused the absence of a quorum. Chair Patel indicated that remaining matters would be handled during the next meeting and that issues relating to the 2100 M Street building would be considered in a Special Meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Trupti Patel Chairperson