



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2D

Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 11th, 2022; 7:00 p.m.
In-Person – Church of the Pilgrims, 2201 P Street NW
Online via Zoom

Call to Order

Chair Warren called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Establishment of Quorum

Commissioners Ashley Warren (2D01) and Carole Feld (2D02) were present, establishing a quorum.

Approval of Agenda

Chair Warren moved to approve the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Feld seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 2-0-0).

Approval of August 2022 Meeting Minutes

Chair Warren moved to approve the ANC's August 2022 meeting minutes. Commissioner Feld seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 2-0-0).

Approval of September 2022 Meeting Minutes

Chair Warren moved to approve the ANC's September 2022 meeting minutes. Commissioner Feld seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 2-0-0).

Administrative and Financial Matters

Commissioner's Comments

Commissioner Feld thanked meeting attendees for attending the meeting and for reaching out to commissioners via email regarding neighborhood issues.

Chair Warren said that the Georgetown Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Center will hold its annual BellRinger Bike Ride fundraiser on Saturday, October 22nd, 2022.

Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Feld said that the current balance for the ANC's checking account is \$18,257.85.

Approval of the ANC's FY 2022 Quarter 4 Financial Report

Commissioner Feld moved to approve the ANC's FY 2022 Quarter 4 financial report. Chair Warren seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 2-0-0).

Approval of the ANC's FY 2023 Budget

Commissioner Feld moved to approve the ANC's FY 2023 budget. Chair Warren seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 2-0-0).

Government Reports

Metropolitan Police Department

No one was present regarding this matter.

Mayor's Office

Brittini Parks, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS), gave an overview of the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs' (DCRA) recent split into the Department of Buildings (DOB) and the Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection (DLCP). She said that the agency websites are <https://dob.dc.gov/> and <https://dlcp.dc.gov/>, respectively. She gave an overview of the new purviews of each agency.

Councilmember's Office

Pablo Velasco Rodriguez, the Constituent Services Coordinator for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office, gave an overview of several bills that the DC Council recently took votes on, including bills related to elections, abortion protections, paid family leave for DC Government employees, and migrant services. He said that the DC Council's Committee on Recreation, Libraries and Youth Affairs will soon hold a hearing regarding Councilmember Pinto's "Fairness in Use and Negotiation for All Recreational Property Act of 2021." He also gave an overview of the DC Council's recent hearing on a bill to reform the school budgeting process.

Mr. Rodriguez said that Ward 2's monkeypox clinic will merge and co-locate with Ward's 2 COVID Center. He said that Councilmember Pinto's rescheduled Ward 2 Community Bike Ride will take place on Saturday, October 22nd, 2022 at 10:00 am.

Commissioners and meeting attendees discussed DC Council bills related to voting rights for noncitizens and ranked choice voting with Mr. Rodriguez.

Update Regarding DC Council Bill B24-0433 – the "Rightsizing Residential Permit Parking Regulation Amendment Act of 2021"

Mr. Rodriguez said that the DC Council’s Committee on Transportation and the Environment will hold a hearing regarding the “Rightsizing Residential Permit Parking Regulation Amendment Act of 2021” on Friday, October 28th, 2022 at 12:00 pm. He said that the goal of the bill is to ensure that residents can find parking in their own neighborhoods. He encouraged interested residents to sign up to testify during the hearing.

Commissioners and meeting attendees discussed the bill with Mr. Rodriguez.

Old Business

Update Regarding the Status of the District Department of Transportation’s Rehabilitation of Massachusetts Avenue NW Project

Shaun Davis, a Construction Manager for HNTB, and Donovan Boyd, the Ward 2 Community Engagement Specialist for the District Department of Transportation (DDOT), were present. Mr. Davis said that the final paving is about to begin on Massachusetts Avenue NW west of Sheridan Circle. He said that sidewalk work around Sheridan Circle is in the process of being completed. He said that, east of Sheridan Circle, the base and intermediate paving work is continuing. He added that door to door notifications of project work continue.

Mr. Davis said that roadway striping and marking work will take place after the final paving is completed. He said that the project team is working to have a contractor do tree trimming around the new traffic signals so that they are visible. He gave an overview of the purposes of the permeable pavers that the project team is using.

Commissioners and meeting attendees discussed the future project timeline, the use of the permeable pavers, the use of top shades to avoid uplighting from the new lighting along the project corridor, and restoring residential parking spaces on Leroy Place NW with Mr. Davis and Mr. Boyd.

Update Regarding the Proposed Change to the Bus Stop at the Intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Belmont Road NW

Commissioner Feld gave an overview of the planned move of the eastbound bus stop at the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Belmont Road NW from the east side of the intersection to the west side of the intersection. She said that the move could cause traffic problems at the intersection. She added that she was afraid that the bus stop move could also cause traffic problems in the adjacent alleyway.

The commissioners and meeting attendees discussed the bus stop move concerns with Mr. Davis and Mr. Boyd.

New Business

Update Regarding a Proposed Left Turn Signal on Massachusetts Avenue NW to Waterside Drive NW

Commissioner Feld gave an overview of a need for a left turn signal on Massachusetts Avenue NW to Waterside Drive NW to clear ongoing traffic backups at the intersection. She said that she was hoping that DDOT could conduct a traffic assessment at the intersection.

Commissioners and meeting attendees discussed the proposed left turn signal with Mr. Davis and Mr. Boyd.

Old Business (Continued)

Update Regarding Alleyway Signage in the Neighborhood

Commissioner Feld said that there needs to be additional signage in the alleyway between Waterside Drive and Massachusetts Avenue W and on the adjacent sidewalk to keep drivers, pedestrians, and people on bikes and scooters safe. She said that she will be sending an email to DDOT regarding the matter.

Commissioners and meeting attendees discussed the alleyway signage with Mr. Davis and Mr. Boyd.

Update Regarding a Speed Camera for the Intersection of Connecticut Avenue and Florida Avenue NW

Mr. Boyd said that DDOT will soon be sending a response to the ANC's resolution regarding a speed camera for the intersection of Connecticut Avenue and Florida Avenue NW.

Commissioners and meeting attendees discussed the need for more flex posts in the neighborhood with Mr. Boyd.

Update Regarding the Status of the Embassy of Pakistan's Property at 2201 R Street NW

Commissioner Feld said that the Embassy of Pakistan's property at 2201 R Street NW is still available for an over the counter tax sale at the Office of Tax and Revenue (OTR). She added that tax sales are currently paused because OTR is going through a software update. She encouraged anyone who is interested in purchasing the property to reach out to the ANC. She said that the ANC has also asked the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED) to request that the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia (OAG) begins foreclosure proceedings for the property.

Commissioners and meeting attendees discussed the status of the Embassy of Pakistan's property.

New Business (Continued)

Application by McClellan's Retreat for Renewal of the Establishment's Retailer's Class "C" Tavern License at 2031 Florida Avenue NW (ABRA-076726)

The Commission did not take any action regarding this matter.

Announcements and Open Comments

Holly Sukenik, the Vice President of the Friends of Mitchell Park (FOMP), said that the Mitchell Park Fall Fun Day will take place on Saturday, October 30th, 2022.

Commissioner Feld said that she is hoping that the community and the ANC can work together to fix the irrigation problem at the Spanish Steps.

Date of Next Meeting

Chair Warren said that the ANC's next meeting will take place on Monday, November 14th, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

Adjournment

Chair Warren adjourned the meeting at 8:42 pm.