Minutes – Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 4A February 6, 2024 Regular Public Meeting

PLEASE NOTE: In compliance with Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised, 11th Edition, §48, page 468, the minutes of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4A are a record of the actions taken by the Commission, not a record of what people said during the meeting. Accordingly, comments made by commissioners or members of the public will not be recorded in detail in the minutes.

The meeting was held in-person at Emory United Methodist Church and virtually through Zoom. Commissioner Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. A quorum was present, including the following Commissioners:

- Paula Edwards, 4A01
- Joan Hoyte, 4A02
- Christian Hara, 4A03
- Patience Singleton, 4A04
- Kimberly Patterson, 4A05
- Candace Tiana Nelson, 4A06
- Zack Bolton, 4A07=

1. Approval of Administrative Matters

- a. Approval of the agenda was moved by Commissioner Nelson and seconded by Commissioner Bolton with the following changes: remove Cork & Bottle Settlement Agreement and remove Nile Restaurant Settlement Agreement. Approved 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.
- b. Approval of December 2023 meeting minutes was moved by Commissioner Singleton and seconded by Commissioner Bolton Approved 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.
- c. Approval of January 2024 meeting minutes was moved by Commissioner Bolton and seconded by Commissioner Singleton Approved 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.
- d. Approval of ANC 4A quarterly financial report (for first quarter FY 2024) moved by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Singleton. Approved 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

e. Approval of ordering new bank checks by Commissioner Singleton moved by Commissioner Singleton seconded by Commissioner Nelson. Approved 7 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

2. Presentations and Reports

- a. Derek Johnson, Mayor's Ward 4 MOCRS, Discussed passage of Secure DC Legislation, Applications for Marion Berry Youth Employment Program began Feb 1st - Summer more info at Summerjobs.dc.gov, DPW still collecting leaves currently working in section C—a small portion of ANC 4A, DPW still collecting holidays trees call 311 for missed collection, congratulating OUC director for certification.
- b. Barbara Rogers, office of Councilmember Lewis George, Final listen-as-we-climb event tomorrow (virtual), performance oversight hearings started last month at council, DHS announces SNAP payment increase on March 1st—retroactive payments to be paid out Feb 23rd, secure DC crime legislation passed today unanimously—bill will help DC confront crime.
- c. State Board of Education Ward 4 Representative Frazier O'Leary discussed tomorrow's meeting with OSSE for monthly business meeting re: DC report card —will vote at public meeting on 21 of Feb. can tune in on YouTube, finishing construction in old council chamber by 21st, deputy mayor finishing up boundary study—should be published in 1-2 weeks, performance hearings on DGS will be on 26th of Feb—anyone can testify re: any building that the city pays for, no movement on teachers contract (working w/o one currently for almost 6 months, no movement from chancellor), book club meeting at Petworth Library, Mrs. O'Leary's Books For Friends—distributed over 1K books in January—please keep donating.

4. Commissioner & Community Discussions

- a. Presentation and Letter: Map Amendment from MU-4 to MU-10, 7709-7723 Georgia Ave. NW (Sq. 2961, Lot 810) - Ward 4 ZC 23-11 https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/Home/ ViewCase?case_id=23-11, Commissioner Edwards
 - i. Presentation given by Saman Zomorodi with Gregg Cardona Souadi re: Affordable Assisted Living Community

- ii. Commissioner Edwards moved to draft letter to zoning commission and office of planning opposing up-zoning from MU4 to MU10 7709 - 7729 Georgia Ave., Commissioner Edwards Hoyte are designated as representatives to appear for the commission, seconded by Commissioner Hoyte
- iii. VOTE: Role call Edwards: aye, Hoyte: aye, Hara: aye, Singleton: aye, Patterson: aye, Nelson:aye, Bolton: aye. Letter has passes
- Special Exception: To construct a two-story rear addition, to an existing, detached, two-story with basement, principal dwelling unit in the R-1B zone.1616 Roxanna Road NW BZA 21073 https://app.dcoz.dc.gov/ Home/ ViewCase?case_id=21073, Commissioner Edwards
 - i. Marty Sullivan presenting
 - ii. Commissioner Edwards moved to issue letter to BZA supporting this application, Commissioner Edwards designated to represent 4A at BZA. Commissioner Singleton seconded. VOTE: Role call Edwards: aye, Hoyte: aye, Hara: aye, Singleton: aye, Patterson: aye, Nelson: aye, Bolton: aye. Letter passes
- c. Drafting of Letter in Support of Pharmacy at Georgia Ave Target, Commissioner Edwards
 - i. PE moving to draft letter to CVS corporate noting that community regrets their decision to close this pharmacy and would like them to reflect on the effect it will have on the community and commend the pharmacist on their excellent service.
 - ii. Commissioner Edwards moves Commissioner Hoyte seconded, vote: 7 aye, 0 nay, 0 abstentions. Letter passes
- d. Request for Letter of Support: Urban Atlantic Design on Parcel Z at The Parks at Walter Reed, Commissioner Hara
 - i. Vicki Davis Presenting
 - ii. Commissioner Hara moves to draft letter of support to HPRB for Urban Atlantic Parcel Z at the Parks Commissioner Nelson seconded, vote: Edwards: aye, Hoyte: obtain, Aye aye, Singleton abstain, Patterson: abstain, Nelson: aye, Bolton: aye. Letter passes
- e. Letter of Request: Traffic Calming 1300 Block of Ft. Stevens, Commissioner Nelson
 - i. Moved by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Singleton
 - ii. Commissioner Bolton requested to amend letter to include the 1400 block of Ft. Stevens Dr., Commissioner Nelson agreed to the inclusion.
 - iii. Vote: 7 aye, 0 nay, 0 abstention. Letter passes

- f. Letter of Request: Street Lighting 1000 Rittenhouse, 1300 Ft. Steven, 1300 Peabody, Commissioner Nelson
 - i. Moved by Commissioner Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Bolton
 - ii. Vote: 7 aye, 0 nay, 0 abstentions. Letter passes

5. Community Updates

- a. Commissioner Nelson represented 4A at ANC Chair Summit
- b. Intention to revisit membership and activity for the Safe & Affordable Housing Committee
- c. 4A forming committee to focus on zoning matters, first meeting Feb. 15th at7pm
- d. Commissioner Patterson summarizing issue at 1450 Somerset and 1451 Sheridan to work with constituents to receive restitution from lawsuit
- e. Commissioner Edwards updated about a four-car collision at Roxana/16th St.. Requested that MPD and MOCO work to police this area (DC/MD line). MOCO has started stopping motorists, hoping that MPD will join in this area.
- f. Commissioner Hoyte updated about vacant property on Alaska Ave. which was auctioned at DC tax sale. Concerned that when vacant properties in the community are put on market by DC tax office that the neighborhood aren't being directly notified. Tax office says the notification is on their website, Commr. Hoyte states it would be beneficial if there was more local notice. Would like to pursue a resolution on this matter in the future.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm