

**Minutes – Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 4A
January 2, 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 virtually through Zoom. Commissioner Hoyte called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. A quorum was present, including the following Commissioners:

- Paula Edwards, 4A01
- Joan Hoyte, 4A02
- Christian Hara, 4A03
- 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: add settlement agreement for Cork & Bottle, add settlement agreement form Champion Kitchen. Approved 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.
- b. Election of ANC 4A officers for 2024: Conducted by Kent Boise, Director of the Office of ANC. Chair nominated by Commissioner Hoyte for Commissioner Nelson, Vice Chair nominated by Commissioner Nelson for Commissioner Hoyte, Secretary nominated by Commissioner Nelson for Commissioner Bolton, Treasurer nominated by Commissioner Edwards for Commissioner Singleton (absent but previously accepted this nomination). Vote called and approved 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions
- c. Approval of ANC 4A Security Fund Payment for 2024, moved by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Hoyte Approved 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.
- d. Approval of 2024 Annual meeting schedule: 4A meets the first Tuesday of each month. Moved by Commissioner Hoyte and seconded by Commissioner Bolton. Approved 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstentions.

2. **Resolutions and Letters:**

- a. Nile Ethiopian Settlement Agreement Amendment: Owner/interested parties not on meeting, requested to table to next meeting by Commissioner Edwards
- b. Settlement Agreement for Cork & Bottle: Owner/interested parties not on meeting, requested to table to next meeting by Commissioner Edwards

3. **Presentations and Reports**

- a. Sophia Tekola, Mayor's Ward 4 MOCR, discussed discussed DC Crime Lab partial re-accreditation, year-round leaf pick-up and issues with neighbors dumping leaves in alley ways, conversation re: child struck by car on 16th St., Sophia detailed the new joint coordination of police resources.
- b. Barbara Rogers, office of Councilmember Lewis George, discussed Listen As We Climb: Councilmember is holding meetings in every neighborhood in Ward 4, Ward 4-wide meeting re: community safety (Thurs Jan. 18th, 6pm) location TBD, Work Order Integrity Act, Minimum Wage Clarification Act: eliminating loopholes allowing employers not to pay workers by rotating them around different work sites, conflict resolution hearing Jan. 11th, Councilmember visited 4th District police/fire station with DGS with hopes to improve conditions of these facilities, SNAP benefits, DC School Lottery, DC Plug, traffic enforcement of bus zones.
- c. State Board of Education Ward 4 Representative Frazier O'Leary discussed upcoming public meeting, February vote on new report card; removing star rating, passing financial literacy standards for course for high school students, refurbishing council chambers, Mrs. O'Leary's Books For Friends: have delivered over 40K books over the last years. Commissioner Hoyte inquired re: courses for adult financial literacy, community concerns re: truancy: Frazier mentioned high chronic absence rates (10 days or more), requesting Mayor to classify this as an emergency.

4. **Community Concerns**

- a. Commissioner Edwards updated community about high-visibility flags being brought to the intersection where a child was struck by a car on 16th St. Waiting for DDOT to approve the implementation. Commissioner Edwards has tested the flags and reports that traffic responds favorably to their presence.
- b. Commissioner Nelson reported on the Safe & Affordable Housing Committee, tenants have formed a new tenants association, 1451 Somerset tenants looking into forming an association.

- c. Commissioner Nelson announced the intention to request a traffic study for the 1300 block of Ft. Stevens.
- d. Commissioner Hara updated community on a police event at Whole Foods at Walter Reed; person of interest in the store had a warrant of arrest, police were called and the subject was arrested
- e. Commissioner Edwards updated on upcoming meeting dates: Small Cell Telephone installation - January 9th/January 17th, Joint SMD meeting with Commissioner Hoyte re: assisted living facility - January 11th.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.