

# PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 4D Wednesday, June 26, 2024, 6:30 PM Hybrid Meeting - Washington Latin Public Charter School and Zoom

- 1. Call to order (Pirrotti)
  - a. Called at 6:35pm
- 2. Roll Call (Pirrotti)
  - a. Comm'r Pinkney (4D01): Not present
  - b. Comm'r Abel (4D02): Present
  - c. Comm'r Lucarelli (4D03): Present
  - d. Comm'r Courniotes (4D04): Present
  - e. Comm'r Marencic (4D05): Present
  - f. Comm'r George (4D06): Not present
  - g. Comm'r Weigel (4D07): Present
  - h. Comm'r Pirrotti (4D08): Present
- 3. Determination of quorum (Pirrotti)
  - a. A quorum was present
- 4. Approval of agenda (Pirrotti)
  - a. Approved by unanimous consent
- 5. Approval of May 15, 2024, meeting minutes (Pirrotti)
  - a. Approved by unanimous consent
- 6. Treasurer's report (Courniotes)
  - a. Treasurer Courniotes report that our finances remain stable and that the Treasurer is working with the OANC to ensure that our disbursements are received so we can open up for grant submissions.
- 7. City official comments (Pirrotti)
  - a. Ward 4 CM Lewis George's office (5 min. / 5 min. Q&A)
    - CM Lewis George personally reported on successes on her budget priorities for ANC which has been supported by 4D Commissioners who testified at hearings. These successes included \$2 million to secure a location for a library facility to Kennedy Street, \$5.7 million in FY25 and \$7.3 million in FY26 for upgrades to the Emery Heights Community Center, improvements and modernization of Truesdell Elementary and a new addition to Barnard Elementary, and maintaining funding for the Georgia Ave Bus Project to provide better bus service and safety upgrades along Geogia Ave and other DDOT projects including traffic safety upgrades for Grant Circle and reconstruction of Kennedy Street. The CM also highlighted other wins for Ward 4 and the District at large.
    - The CM also took questions from Commissioners and other residents. Barbara Roberts from the CM's office added upcoming events including CM's weekly in-person office hours at Hattie Holmes Senior Wellness Center.
  - b. Office of the People's Counsel (5 min. / 5 min. Q&A)

- Cheryl Morse from the Office of the People's Counsel (OPC), which is the consumer advocate office for all residents of the district with utilities, announced the success of the OPC's case before the Public Service Commission (PSC) against the Washinton Gas Project Pipes project, a case the OPC has pursued since February. The PSC has rejected the proposed Project Pipes and opened a new case to require Washington Gas to propose a plan to fix leaks in the system. The representative from OPC also advertised the agency's services and resources to assist residents in utility consumer concerns.
- c. Other representatives agendized to appear were not able to attend the meeting.

# 8. Committee Updates

- a. Kennedy St. Library Task Force Update
  - Commissioner Pickney was not able to join the meeting. There were no updates beyond updates given by CM Lewis George earlier in the meeting.

#### 9. Old Business

a. There was no old business.

## 10. New Business (45 min)

MATTER	COMMISSIONER
<ul> <li>DDOT Application: La Coop Coffee</li> <li>La Coop Coffee to be located at 500 Kennedy St is applying for a sidewalk cafe permit from DDOT. They are asking for the ANC's endorsement of their permit request.</li> <li>Draft designs can be viewed <u>here</u> and was presented by the owners Juan Luis Salazar and Stephanie Fabrico who presented their vision for the family-owned coffee shop.</li> <li>The presenters also responded to questions from Commissioners.</li> </ul>	Abel

# 11. Community Comments [limited to 2min each, please] (Pirrotti)

a. A representative from the DC Tutoring & Mentoring Initiative (<u>https://www.dctutormentor.org/</u>) announce the significant need for volunteers at MacFarlan Middle School for tutors in English, Math, and Science at the middle school level, including their robotics program. The representative also announced the planning of an upcoming family-friendly Movie Night to show *The Karate Kid*.

#### 12. Commissioner Announcements (Pirrotti)

- a. Comm'r Courniotes announced plans to have another DPR-organized movie night at Lorenzo Allen Park scheduled for Tuesday, July 16 at 7pm.
- b. Comm'r Marencic reminded residents that the nominating petitions are available for ANC elections starting on July 1 and is available through August 7 for anyone interested in running for the positions.

#### 13. Motions and Votes on Business Before the Commission (Pirrotti)

- a. Approval of endorsement of La Coop Coffee's sidewalk cafe permit application to DDOT:
  - Comm'r Abel (4D02): Y
  - Comm'r Lucarelli (4D03): Y
  - Comm'r Courniotes (4D04): Y
  - Comm'r Marencic (4D05): Y
  - Comm'r Weigel (4D07): Y
  - Comm'r Pirrotti (4D08): Y

#### 14. Adjournment (Pirrotti)

a. Adjourned at 7:40pm

Note – these ABCA placards received that ANC 4D does not plan to protest:

#### ABCA-127954 – Growth & Wellness, LLC dba District Wellness Center (4915 Georgia Ave NW)

- New license for a Medical Cannabis Retailer in SMD 4D04. The proposed facility with approximately 1,480 sq. ft of space will provide cannabis flowers, cannabis concentrates, and a line of edible products and home delivery services to registered patients in Washington, D.C. The applicant is requesting a delivery endorsement.
- Proposed hours of operation & hours of sale:
  - $\circ$  7am 9pm, 7 days a week
- Key dates:
  - o Placard Post: May 31, 2024
  - o Protest Petition Deadline: July 15, 2024
  - o Roll Call Hearing: Aug. 5, 2024
  - o Protest Hearing: Sep. 25, 2024

## ABCA-127914 – Bloom at North LLC dba Bloom @ North (5425 Georgia Avenue NW)

 New license for a Medical Cannabis Retailer in SMD 4D03. The proposed facility with approximately 617 square feet of space will provide cannabis flowers, cannabis concentrates, and a line of edible products and home delivery services to registered patients in Washington, D.C. The applicant is requesting a delivery endorsement, education tasting, Safe-Use treatment facility and summer garden endorsements.

## • Proposed hours of operation & hours of sale:

- o 7am 9pm, 7 days a week
- Key dates:
  - Placard Posting Date: May 17, 2024
  - Protest Petition Deadline: July 1, 2024
  - Roll Call Hearing Date: July 22, 2024
  - Protest Hearing Date: September 11, 2024

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