



## **VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 4D Wednesday, October 19, 2022, 6:30 PM**

The following is a recap of actions taken at the monthly public meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4D, which took place virtually on Wednesday, October 19, 2022.

**Chair Renée Bowser called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.**

### **COMMISSIONERS ROLL CALL**

Five of six Commissioners present (quorum reached): Erik Lindsjo (4D01); Renée Bowser (4D02); Aryan Rodriguez Bocquet (4D03); Zachary Israel (4D04); Jonathan Nobil (4D06)

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Comm. Bowser requested to add to Commissioner Announcements an announcement on Councilmember Lewis George's proposed Green New Deal legislation, Comm. Rodriguez Bocquet requested to add an announcement on DPR's closing of facilities on Oct. 21 for a PD day, and Comm. Israel requested to add an announcement on DPW's leaf collection schedule. Comm. Rodriguez Bocquet moved to amend agenda; Comm. Nobil seconded. Passed unanimously (5-0).

### **APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2022 ANC 4D PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

Comm. Rodriguez Bocquet moved to approve the September 2022 public meeting minutes; Comm. Bowser seconded. Passed unanimously: 5-0

### **COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No actions taken. Announcements shared:

- Election Day reminders + updates (Comm. Israel)
- Petworth Peanuts' Sherman Circle Spooktacular Event on Sunday, Oct. 30 from 3-6:00p (Comm. Israel)
- Feedback sought from Ward 4 residents re: the city's Zero Waste DC Plan on Thursday, Oct. 20 from 6-8:00p (Comm. Rodriguez Bocquet)
- DPW Leaf Collection Schedule (Comm. Israel)
- DPR Facilities Closed on 10/21 (Comm. Rodriguez Bocquet)
- DC Council hearing re: Green New Deal is on 11/17 (Comm. Bowser)

### **COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

No actions taken. Comments shared:

- Resident asked whether there's any comprehensive strategy at play to address rodent control in the 4D area
- Resident is concerned with lack of parking enforcement on 500-700 block of Jefferson St NW, including construction (and their workers) taking parking spaces on an RPP block which residents pay for
- Resident asked about street cleaning and whether we can shorten the timeframe for when it takes place to span less than 9 months

- Resident shared a concern that they haven't heard from their ANC 4D commissioner and asked how they can get them to respond
- Resident asked if there's somewhere online where they can find what new projects are taking place on residential blocks that will impact parking
- Uptown Mainstreet Announcements:
  - 10/29: Day of the Dead event at Petworth Farmers' market (9a-1p)
  - 10/30: Halloween Spooktacular
  - 10/30: ANXO Happy Trees Festival (asking community members for their foraged apples + dog costume contest)

## CITY OFFICIAL COMMENTS

No actions taken. Announcements shared:

- MPD:** Sgt Jose Burgos shared crime stats pertinent to the 4D area from MPD's website: [crimecards.dc.gov](http://crimecards.dc.gov)
- Ward 4 MOCR:** Had to leave meeting early; not present for this agenda item
- Ward 4 Councilmember's Office:** Eskedar Girmash ([egirmash@dccouncil.gov](mailto:egirmash@dccouncil.gov)); CLEAN Collections Act introduced by the CM (hearing is on 10/21; more info at: <https://dccouncil.gov/event/committee-of-the-whole-public-hearing-78/>); CARE Day at Brightwood Park will be held on 10/27 from 4-7p (DCRA, DC Health, DPW, Dept of Aging and Living will be present)
- Ward 4 SBOE:** Statement submitted by Ward 4 SBOE rep, Frazier O'Leary, and read by Comm. Rodriguez Bocquet:

*The State Board of Education had its first live Public meeting since March of 2020 three weeks ago. We had members of the public testify both live and virtually. One of the topics discussed was the lack of a contract for our teachers and librarians. Our teachers have been working without a contract since 2019. It is time for the Mayor to resolve this issue. One of the major problems in our school system is the lack of full staffs at our schools. Almost 25% of our teachers left the system last year and many schools have no teachers in some classrooms. This is inexcusable. The City Council has a hearing scheduled on the 25th of October about teacher retention. Yesterday, the 2022-23 DC Teacher of the Year Coach Jermar Roundtree of Center City- Brightwood PCS was given his award at a surprise announcement at his school. A great time was had by all! Mrs. O'Leary's Books4Friends is still accepting and delivering books to our elementary and middle schools My number is 202 236-2184 and my email is [oman9@aol.com](mailto:oman9@aol.com). You can also drop books on my porch at 1318 Farragut St. NW if you so desire. Please contact me for anything that is school related.*

## PRESENTATIONS: ANC 4D COMMISSION CANDIDATES FOR 2023-2024

No actions taken. All candidates for ANC 4D were invited to present to those attending the meeting and share a bit about themselves, why they're running, how they will communicate with constituents, and the boundaries of the single member district (SMD) they'll represent. Seven of the eight candidates were present and shared their contact information should a member of the public wish to follow up. 4D constituents are able to vote for the candidate that represents their SMD through mail-in voting or in-person at the General Election on November 8, 2022.

- Kate Judson (Candidate for 4D02) – E: [kate.ev.judson@gmail.com](mailto:kate.ev.judson@gmail.com); C: 202.288.6188
- Carson Lucarelli (Candidate for 4D03) – E: [lucarellicc@alumni.vcu.edu](mailto:lucarellicc@alumni.vcu.edu), Twitter: @cmoney\_htx, C: 202.713.5108 (calls only)
- Chrysanthe Courniotes (Candidate for 4D04) – E: [Chrysanthe.courniotes@gmail.com](mailto:Chrysanthe.courniotes@gmail.com), C: 202-829-2795
- Stephen Marencic (Candidate for 4D05) – E: [stevemarencic@gmail.com](mailto:stevemarencic@gmail.com), Twitter: @fox\_\_\_mccloud
- Aman George (Candidate for 4D06) – E: [AmanWard4@outlook.com](mailto:AmanWard4@outlook.com), C: 202-681-5141
- Anthony Pirrotti (Candidate for 4D08) – E: [AnthonyPirrotti@gmail.com](mailto:AnthonyPirrotti@gmail.com)

- Clark Weigel (Candidate for 4D07) – E: clark4D07@gmail.com

**PRESENTATION: RYAN O’LEARY, BALLOT INITIATIVE 82 – RAISING MINIMUM WAGE FOR TIPPED WORKERS**

No actions taken. Mr. O’Leary, a member of the [DC Committee to Build a Better Restaurant Industry](#), shared information about the ballot initiative – Initiative 82 – that is up for a vote by DC residents at the upcoming general election.

The following is what voters will see on their ballot on November 8 re: Initiative 82 (per [DC Board of Elections](#)). Voters can vote “Yes, to approve” or “No, to reject”.

*INITIATIVE MEASURE NO. 82 "District of Columbia Tip Credit Elimination Act of 2021" Under current law, employers of employees classified as “tipped workers” may take a credit against tipped wages received by workers to satisfy the minimum wage guaranteed to all workers by law. If enacted, the Initiative would gradually eliminate the credit, such that the mandatory base wage (currently \$5.05 per hour, indexed to inflation) paid by employers shall increase until 2027, when the mandatory base wage matches the minimum wage established by District of Columbia law (currently \$15.20 per hour, indexed to inflation). Tips continue as property of employees and will be in addition to the statutory minimum hourly wage. [See [sample Ward 4 ballot](#)]*

For more information on Initiative 82, please refer to this DCist article published Oct. 19, 2022: <https://wamu.org/story/22/10/19/heres-everything-you-need-to-know-about-initiative-82/>

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

- **September 2022 Report (Review)** – Ending balance of \$1,705.11. Debits covered expenditures for communication (\$357.15) and grants (\$4,000).
- **Approval of FY22 Q4 Financial Report (Review and Vote)** – Comm. Israel moved to approve; Comm. Nobil seconded. Passed unanimously: 5-0
- **Approval of FY23 Budget (Review and Vote)** – Proposed budget for FY23 comes to a total of \$30,114.61 and includes disbursements for Communication (\$11,000), Grants (\$18,000), Purchase of Service (\$500), Bank Charges (\$114.61), and Other (\$500). **Comm. Israel Note:** ANC 4D’s budget can be modified at any point in FY23.
  - **Commission action:** Comm. Israel moved to approve; Comm. Nobil seconded. Passed unanimously: 5-0

**OLD BUSINESS**

MATTER	COMM.	TIME LIMIT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>BZA Special Exception Request (5131 2<sup>nd</sup> St NW)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Recap by applicant + ANC 4D Vote</li> <li>○ <b>Commission action:</b> Comm. Bowser moved to approve with the condition that applicant will present a letter of support from the neighboring property manager before ANC 4D submits BZA Form 129. Passed unanimously: 5-0 (Note: There was no formal motion made to “second” the vote; however, given that it was fully discussed by the Commission and unanimously voted on, the purpose of the “second” was fulfilled per Robert’s Rules of Order.)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Bowser	7 min.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

MATTER	COMM.	TIME LIMIT
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ABRA-095249: Application for alcoholic beverage license renewal for El Pulgarcito (5313 Georgia Ave NW)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Hours of operation: Su-Th (7a-2a), Fri-Sa (7a-3a)</li> <li>○ Hours of sales/service: Su (10a-2a), M-Th (9a-2a), Fri-Sa (9a-2a)</li> <li>○ Hours of entertainment: Su-Th (6p-2a), Fri-Sa (6p-3a)</li> <li>○ Protest petition deadline: November 14, 2022</li> <li>○ Protest hearing date: December 5, 2022</li> <li>○ <b>Commission action:</b> No action taken.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Lindsjo	3 min.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ABRA-111687: Application for alcoholic beverage license renewal for Taqueria Distrito Federal (805 Kennedy St NW)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Hours of operation: Su-Th (8a-2a), Fri-Sa (8a-3a)</li> <li>○ Hours of sales/service: Su-Th (11a-1:30a), Fri-Sa (11a-2:30a)</li> <li>○ Hours of sidewalk café: Su-Th (11a-10p), Fri-Sa (11a-11p)</li> <li>○ Hours of sales/service for sidewalk café: Su-Th (11a-10p), Fri-Sa (11a-11p)</li> <li>○ Protest petition deadline: November 21, 2022</li> <li>○ Protest hearing date: December 12, 2022</li> <li>○ <b>Commission action:</b> No action taken.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Lindsjo	3 min.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ABRA-122495: Application requesting an Entertainment Endorsement to provide live entertainment with dancing for Mariachi Lounge Bar &amp; Grill (5217 Georgia Ave NW)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Hours of operation: Su-Sa (11a-4a)</li> <li>○ Hours of sales/service: Su-Th (11a-2), Fri-Sa (11a-3)</li> <li>○ Hours of live entertainment: Su-Sa (8p-4a)</li> <li>○ Protest petition deadline: November 28, 2022</li> <li>○ Roll call hearing date: December 19, 2022</li> <li>○ Protest hearing date: February 15, 2023</li> <li>○ <b>Commission action:</b> No action taken.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Israel	3 min.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ABRA-105058: Application for alcoholic beverage license renewal for Library Tavern (5420 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Hours of operation: Su-Th (8a-1a), Fri-Sa (8a-2a)</li> <li>○ Hours of sales/service: Su (8p-1a), M-Th (8a-12:30a), Fri-Sa (8a-1:30a)</li> <li>○ Hours of sidewalk café: M-Su (8a-10p)</li> <li>○ Hours of sales/service for sidewalk café: M-Su (8a-10p)</li> <li>○ Protest petition deadline: November 28, 2022</li> <li>○ Protest hearing date: December 19, 2022</li> <li>○ <b>Commission action:</b> No action taken.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Bowser	3 min.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ABRA-092705: Application for alcoholic beverage license renewal for Sandovan Restaurant &amp; Lounge (4809 Georgia Ave NW)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Hours of operation: Su-Th (8a-2a), Fri-Sa (7a-3a)</li> <li>○ Hours of sales/service: Su-Th (11a-2a), Fri-Sa (11a-3a)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Nobil	3 min.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Protest petition deadline: November 28, 2022</li> <li>○ Protest hearing date: December 19, 2022</li> <li>○ <b>Commission action:</b> No action taken.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Presentation by BZA Applicant for apartment building (5433 Georgia Ave NW)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Commission action:</b> No action taken.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Presentation by BZA Applicant to extend and enlarge existing deck at rear of property (5316 Kansas Ave NW)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Commission action:</b> No action taken.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Resolution: Urging DPR to Allocate \$100,000 of Its FY24 Small Park Improvements Budget for Reservation 312H</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Commission Action:</b> Comm. Israel moved to approve; Comm. Rodriguez Bocquet seconded. Passed unanimously: 5-0</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Resolution: Demanding Transparency and Enforcement of Illegal Construction, Code Violations, and Blighted Vacant Property Complaints</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Commission Action:</b> Comm. Bowser moved to approve; Comm. Lindsjo seconded. Passed unanimously: 5-0</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Lindsjo</p> <p>Bowser</p> <p>Israel</p> <p>Bowser</p>	<p>10 min.</p> <p>10 min.</p> <p>10 min.</p> <p>10 min.</p>
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## ADJOURNMENT

Comm. Bowser adjourned the meeting at 10:41 p.m. The next public meeting for ANC 4D is Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

## 2021 – 2022 ANC 4D COMMISSIONERS

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