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ANC 5E Public Meeting Minutes (December 2023) Tuesday, December 19, 2023

Present: Commissioners Joyce Robinson-Paul, Karla M. Lewis, Fred Carver, Huma Imtiaz, Kevin Rapp, Kirby Vining.

1. Commissioner Lewis provided instructions for public participation in the meeting.
2. The meeting was held virtually via Zoom and began at 7:00 p.m. ET with a quorum with 5 Commissioners present.
3. Commissioner Lewis requested to remove the 1600 N. Cap item from agenda, provided an update that a community meeting will be on January 24 with participants including herself, the developer, CM Parker’s office, and Bloomingdale Civic Association.
4. Commissioner Vining motioned to approve the agenda with amendments, Commissioner Rapp seconded.
 - a. Motion to amend the agenda passed via voice vote without objections with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner Robinson-Paul (Y), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Carver (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Rapp (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
5. Commissioner Imtiaz motioned to approve the consent calendar with meeting minutes from the November 21, 2023 meeting, Commissioner Robinson-Paul seconded.
 - a. Motion to approve the consent calendar passed via voice vote without objections with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner Robinson-Paul (Y), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Carver (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Rapp (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
6. Commissioner Vining presented the Treasurer’s Report.
 - a. ANC 5E FY24 1Q will end on Dec. 31, 2023. At this time the ANC 5E treasurer does not have the ability to construct a QFR, so ANC 5E is dependent on help from the OANC to prepare QFRs and Commissioner Vining will work with the OANC to prepare the FY24 1Q QFR starting at the end of December.
 - b. Below is a list of all activity in our checking account in the month of November 2023:

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- i. A pre-authorized debit of \$59.35 cleared on Nov. 6th for payment of the Zoom service account that ANC 5E uses for monthly meetings. The debit was done on the ANC 5E debit card and is done automatically as one of the only two currently authorized uses of that debit card.
 - c. Requests for reimbursement:
 - i. Request from Commissioner Robinson-Paul Dec 5: ANC SMD meeting on November 28, \$50 reimbursement to Triple C LLC
 - ii. Request from Commissioner Robinson-Paul to pay for help in distribution of flyers, total amount is \$80: two separate checks to be issued to Ayo Moore and to Jude Crannitch for \$40 each.
 - d. Commissioner Carver motioned to approve the reimbursement requests, Commissioner Rapp seconded the motion,
 - i. Motion to approve the reimbursement requests passed via voice vote without objections with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner Robinson-Paul (Y), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Carver (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Rapp (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
7. Commissioner Lewis presented ANC 5E Annual Report.
- a. The report covers the period from December 2022-November 2023.
 - b. Commissioner Joyce Robinson-Paul requested that SMD 5E01 report for the November 28, 2023 meeting sent to all 5E Commissioners be included as concerns in reference to the 5E01 New Jersey Avenue corridor be included in the letter to DDOT. Commissioner Lewis said that the report only includes ANC actions.
 - c. Commissioner Imtiaz motioned to approve the ANC 5E Annual Report, Commissioner Vining seconded the motion,
 - i. Motion to approve the ANC 5E annual report passed via voice vote with a 5-1-0 vote: Commissioner Robinson-Paul (N), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Carver (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Rapp (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
8. Commissioner Lewis presented on a letter to DDOT to investigate safety improvements made on New Jersey Avenue NW.
- a. Commissioner Robinson-Paul asked for feedback from her SMD to be included in the letter, Commissioners Rapp and Vining said letter should be kept solely for DDOT to investigate concerns.

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- b. Commissioner Vining motioned to approve the letter to send to DDOT, Commissioner Rapp seconded.
 - c. Motion to approve the letter for transmission to DDOT passed via voice vote with a 4-1-1 vote: Commissioner Robinson-Paul (N), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Carver (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (A), Commissioner Rapp (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
9. Commissioner Imtiaz presented on a resolution for DDOT in support of street safety measures on 100 block of T St NW.
- a. Commissioner Carver motioned to approve the resolution, Commissioner Vining seconded.
 - b. Resolution was passed via voice vote without objections with a 5-0-1 vote: Commissioner Robinson-Paul (Y), Commissioner Lewis (A), Commissioner Carver (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Rapp (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
10. Commissioner Imtiaz presented on ABCA application 126820 for O’Kabul Restaurant (101 Rhode Island Avenue NW).
- a. Commissioner Imtiaz motioned to protest the ABCA application, Commissioner Vining seconded.
 - b. Motion to protest the ABCA application passed via voice vote without objections with a 5-0-1 vote: Commissioner Robinson-Paul (A), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Carver (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Rapp (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
11. Community comments
- a. Question from resident regarding fire at Maison Kesh.
 - i. Commissioner Lewis: FEMS is currently investigating, ongoing safety concerns are preventing them from going inside the building right now. When building is secured, they will be able to conduct an investigation. Department of Building determines when the building is secure, DOB secures the building after such events.
12. Sam Bonar presented from Ward 5 Councilmember Zachary Parker’s office.
- a. Ward5.us/news – latest newsletter is available there.
 - b. Petit Scholars case: the accused assailant Russell Dunkley is being held at St.

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Elizabeth's, next hearing is on January 30.

- c. 1600 N. Cap St lot: CM Parker will have a community engagement session to talk about temporary activations of the site on January 24. Meeting info is available here:
 - i. <https://dcccouncil-us.zoom.us/join/9t5anmymz#registration>
- d. Office is closed EOD Friday through January 1,
- e. Contact info: Sbonar@dcccouncil.gov, 202-724-1344
- f. Commissioner Robinson-Paul asked about conversations with businesses regarding N. Cap, as well as issues with seniors and students unable to access the bus shelter at North Capitol St and P St NW.
 - i. Sam: Focused on engaging with businesses, North Capitol Main Streets, bringing stakeholders together and coordinating data and outreach. MPD has been given tools they need to address issues; however policing is not the only solution here.

13. Mark James presented on Cycle House, located at 1520-1522 North Capitol St NW.

- a. The project includes 18 units of affordable housing, the first floor will be retail. Building will be located at corner of Bates St and North Capitol St NW.
- b. Expect 12-13 months of construction, crane will be on site in 2 months, underground work for the first 2-3 months of construction.
- c. Commissioners Robinson-Paul and Lewis asked about the parking availability for the three adjacent businesses.
 - i. Mark James: We have a 99-year ground lease that covers the area including the existing parking spots used by the businesses, after the construction is complete, the parking spots will be relinquished back to the three businesses.
 - ii. For construction, need to install stormwater drains and will assume possession as late as possible.
 - iii. Trash and emergency access will be available for all three businesses.
 - iv. Have asked the city to look at other options so businesses can find an alternative nearby.
 - v. Estimated 6-8 months where the parking in alley will not be available.
 - vi. Traffic control plan: Bates St NW will remain open for traffic in one lane, alley will also remain open, sidewalk will be closed off. No parking will be allowed on one block of Bates St NW only, pedestrian parkways will be created around North Capitol St and Bates St NW. Signage has been placed on the block,

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unsure of city outreach to residents regarding traffic control plan.
vii. Will have an entry/exit point for the businesses for pedestrians.

14. Shannon Boyle presented concerns regarding the Cycle House construction on behalf of three businesses on 1500 block of North Capitol St NW.: Fresh Cut Barbershop, North Capitol Pharmacy, Uncle Chip's Cookies.
- Did not receive information about construction plans until Nov. 27, have not seen plans regarding emergency egress, loading access.
 - The construction will impact the businesses' parking spots in the alley.
 - DMPED asked businesses to sign an agreement regarding the easement with the developer, which asks businesses to be responsible regarding any issues with the stormwater drain that is being built in back.
 - ANC 5E Commissioners asked for Shannon to continue to pursue issue with DMPED and developer of Cycle House regarding a solution for parking access.
15. The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

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