







## **ANC 5E Public Meeting Minutes (May 2024) Tuesday, May 21, 2024**

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 6 Commissioners present.
- 3. Commissioner Vining motioned to approve the agenda with amendments, Commissioner Imtiaz seconded the motion.
  - a. Motion to approve 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).
- 4. Commissioner Lewis motioned to approve the consent calendar with April 2024 meeting minutes via voice vote.
  - a. Motion 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 Vining presented the Treasurer's report.
  - a. No transactions during April 2024.
- 6. Commissioner Vining motioned to approve to pay bills and reimbursements. Commissioner Robinson-Paul seconded.
  - a. Reimbursement request from Commissioner Robinson-Paul for flyer distribution, payment to be made to Jude Crannitch for \$100
  - b. Motion 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. Lt. Herring presented from MPD Third District.

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- a. Year over year crime numbers overall is down by seven.
- b. Will ask about additional drug free zones in PSA 308.
- c. Coffee with Commander Boteler virtual from 12-4:30pm
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## 8. Community Comments

- a. Commissioner Robinson-Paul: Shooting at Dunbar High School, vice principal is making sure that schoolchildren are not in the alley when school is opening. The principal of Dunbar SHS was escorted out of the building and replaced by appointed staff.
- 9. Sam Bonar presented from Ward 5 Councilmember Zachary Parker's office.
  - a. Latest newsletter is available at http://ward5.us/news
  - b. Contact info: 202-724-1344, Sbonar@dccouncil.gov
  - c. Final budget proposal expected early next week
  - d. Ask from Commissioner Robinson-Paul about DPR fees for children whose families cannot afford it, and to look at programs and funding for NY Avenue playground.
    - i. Sam: there is a hardship form available on request for DPR fees, NY Avenue playground improvements are in the long-term plan.
- 10. Anthony Blacks presented from the Mayor's Office of Community Relations:
  - a. DPR summer program registration is open
  - b. Giant BBQ battle event on Penn Avenue on June 22-23, tickets available for ANC commissioners.
  - c. Ward days for the MOCR are Tuesday and Friday, 10am-5pm.
- 11. Jonathan Rogers, Acting Director for Department of For-Hire Vehicles presented on the Mayor's FY25 budget.
  - a. Links: Ward 5 One pager with highlights, Budget presentation
    - i. Commissioner Imtiaz: Asked about safety improvements around swing school spaces to also be implemented while Ward 5 schools are modernized
    - ii. Commissioner Robinson-Paul: WMATA is getting \$1b, flagged concerns around maintenance of bus shelters and removal of bus stop at North Capitol St and P St NW.

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- iii. Community comment: You state the crime is declining, but Ward 5 has been showing one of the highest rates of crime. What specific initiatives is the Mayor planning to bring these numbers down.
  - a. Acting Director Rogers; year over year crime is down, as of today violent crime is down 27% in the District. Broad range of initiatives underway to address issues around crime.
    - i. https://mpdc.dc.gov/node/197622
- iv. Question from resident Evelyn Brown regarding lack of reciprocity on tickets issued to MD and VA drivers.
  - 1. Acting Director Rogers: DC has no way of compelling MD or VA, there are issues around tickets issued around speed cameras.
- 12. Commissioner Vining motioned to approve additional bills and reimbursements for payment of virtual assistant services for March and April, Commissioner Robinson-Paul seconded the motion.
  - a. March invoice: \$250
  - b. April invoice: \$325
  - c. Motion 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).
- 13. Kilil Roussaw presented from the KRoussaw Foundation
  - a. Presentation link
    - i. This is a fee-based program, serve both charter and public school students
- 14. Belinda Perry presented from the Office of Campaign Finance
  - a. Presentation link
  - b. 27 candidates are participating in the Fair Elections Program this year
- 15. Commissioners Lewis and Rapp presented on the Reservoir Park Recreation Center Designation Act of 2024
  - a. DGS asked for feedback on name, McMillan Advisory Group (MAG) and Bloomingdale Civic Association are in support of name McMillan Park Recreation Center
    - Joe Levesque presented on behalf of MAG and BCA, name was chosen to acknowledge Senator James McMillan's contributions to the

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District, and highlighting the importance of including McMillan in the name.

- ii. Commissioner Robinson-Paul asked to include Truxton Circle in MAG
- iii. Commissioner Rapp asked for letter to not include EYA connection.
- b. Commissioner Vining motioned to support the letter as presented and amended and to send to DGS asking for the park to be named as McMillan Park Recreation Center and for the bill to be renamed as the McMillan Park Recreation Center Designation Act of 2024, Commissioner Robinson-Paul seconded the motion.
  - i. Motion passed via voice vote with a 5-1-0 vote: Commissioner Robinson-Paul (Y), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Carver (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Rapp (N), Commissioner Vining (Y).
- 16. Commissioner Rapp, Dinesh Tandon, Olivia Akinsan and Marty Sullivan presented on BZA case 21151 for 2324 North Capitol St NW / Hillview Market
  - a. Applicant is asking for zoning relief, asking for change from existing nonconforming kind to another kind of non-conforming use. The restaurant will be an all-day restaurant and located on the first floor. Trash pickup will be located behind the building, want to minimize food delivery from the 2324 N. Cap NW location. Applicant also said they had resolved issue around the work on the patio and were in correspondence with DDOT.
  - b. Owner Dinesh Tandon is hosting an open house at the location on June 8 from 10am-12pm to meet residents
  - c. BZA Hearing is July 21, and would like to present again on June 18 with the
  - d. Residents can submit letters to BZA bzasubmissions@dc.gov or to the zoning lawyer for the applicant: Marty Sullivan msullivan@sullivanbarros.com
  - e. Brian Gafney (ANC 5E Zoning Committee) as part of the committee's report on the case noted that enclosed trash collection area is required by zoning.
  - f. Evelyn Brown, Bryant St NW resident: issues around traffic and rodent control, is opposed to restaurant.
- 17. Andrew Brady and Brad Groff presented on BZA case TMP 3843 at 49 Adams St NW.
  - a. Commissioner Lewis asked applicants to them present at ANC's June 18 meeting after they receive a case number from BZA.
- 18. The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

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