

THE ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6C

Minutes of the Meeting of September 11, 2024

The Commission convened at approximately 7:05 pm via WebEx. Following Commissioners present: Jay Adelstein, Mark Eckenwiler (chair), Patricia Eguino, Joel Kelty, Christy Kwan, and Leslie Merkle. Tony Goodman, joining later

A quorum declared and determined by roll call at the beginning of the meeting, with 6 of 7 commissioners present (Cmr Adelstein rejoined at a later point due to technical difficulties, Cmr Goodman joined later)

The community received notice via the ANC 6C website, Chair Eckenwiler provided general information on WebEx teleconferencing.

1. APPROVE SEPTEMBER AGENDA.

The Commission APPROVED (5-0-0) the agenda as proposed for the September 11 meeting as amended. (Motion by Eckenwiler)

2. APPROVE JULY MINUTES.

The Commission APPROVED (5-0-0) the minutes of the meeting of July 10, 2024, as submitted. (Motion by Merkle)

3. REPORTS

a. The Commission APPROVED (5-0-0) Treasurer's Report (Motion by Kelty)

Cmr Goodman joined, and Cmr Adelstein rejoined the meeting at this point.

4. COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Cmr. Goodman: 301 Florida Ave NE apartment building groundbreaking ceremony, new bike lane temporarily disbanded; ChopSmith begins work on outdoor seating.

Cmr. Eckenwiler: reminder of H Street's Annual Festival on (9/21).

Cmr. Kwan: D.C. Vision Zero Survey available, for traffic safety.

Cmr Adelstein: November elections, with vacancy in 6C01.

5. ORGANIZATION/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS.

No announcements

6. CITIZEN CONCERNS.

Jessica Smith, request rehearing on proposal to allow exception to zoning regulation.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

a. Planning, Zoning, Economic Development (Chair, M. Eckenwiler)

622 Mass. Ave. NE (HPA 24-428) (for opposition)

The Commission APPROVED the Motion to Oppose 7-0; (*If applicant submits timely voluntary request to adjourn HPRB hearing to a later month, ANC to withhold letter of opposition; and if applicant comes back to ANC in a future month prior to that hearing with drawings that address concerns raised by HPRB*) (Motion by Eckenwiler), if the hearing moves forward this month recommend Cmr Eckenwiler as designated rep for hearing at HPRB.

8. PLENARY CALENDAR

a. Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Committee (Chair, D. Courtney)

No business this month

b. Transportation & Public Space (Chair, M. Upright)

1. Washington Union Station – Substation 25A Replacement and Relocation – some disruption upcoming at K and 2nd St NE (non-voting)

2. Update on Ward 6 Sidewalk Safety – stamped concrete to resemble brick, pilot project under consideration (non-voting)

c. Planning, Zoning, and Economic Development (Chair, M. Eckenwiler)

1. 627 A St. NE (BZA 21163)

(neighbors report 45-day notice not properly provided by Office of Zoning)

Jessica Smith, 625 A St adjacent neighbor, requested party status – opposed

Alison Pugh, 629 A St adjacent neighbor – opposed

Steve Sellers, 629 A St adjacent neighbor – opposed

Alison Van Horn, 619 A St – opposed

M. Upright, 610 A St – opposed

Bill Sisolak, 638 A St – opposed

Paul Turczynski, 10 7th St – opposed

Randall Dodd, 640 E Capitol – opposed

Shad Gohn, neighbor in 6C07, aligned with Cmr Goodman's comments re: parking.

The Commission APPROVED motion to support exception (*with credible neighbor concerns of delayed notice, urging BZA to consider whether cause to move matter forward on schedule*) (5-1-1) and motion to designate Cmr Eckenwiler as rep for Oct 9 BZA hearing (5-0-2) (Motion by Eckenwiler).

2. 700 A St. NE (proposed letter to DOB, cc to HPO)

Bill Sisolak – request to revisit effort to oppose

Cmr Eckenwiler – ANC has already opposed

Cmr Kelty – ANC has already opposed

Bobbi Kregel – requests ANC re-send letter

Paul Turczynski – advocates for closure of loophole re: storm windows

The Commission OPPOSED a motion to clarify regulations, apply a fix regarding the storm windows, request HPA review decision, 2-3-2 (Motion by Adelstein)

The Commission APPROVED a new motion to accept the PZE's recommendation to send letter to HPO-CBO requesting closure of loophole on storm windows, clarification of regs, and request that these two offices work together in future to prevent repeat scenario. 7-0 (Motion by Eckenwiler)

- d. Grants. (Chair, V. Lord)
No business.

Next Meeting October 9, 2024

The Commission adjourned at 9:34 pm.

Prepared by L. Merkle 9/30/24

Approved on: