

ANC6D November 12, 2024, Draft, Business Meeting Minutes Virtual Meeting Held on Zoom

The Commission convened at 7pm. A quorum was present including all Commissioners except Commissioner Levine

INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSIONERS

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT VIRTUAL ADMIN AND BUSINESS MEETINGS

Mon. Dec. 2nd & Mon. Dec. 9th

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF October 2024 minutes

- On motion of Commissioner Fast, the October minutes were approved by a vote of 7-0-0

COMMISSIONER AND COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Commissioner Pawley announced: On November 18th, there will be an ABES planning meeting online led by the ABES Swing Space Committee. At the meeting, there will be discussion about ABES modernization, swing space, and what alternatives the Committee has tried to pursue with DCPS. There will be discussions about broader SW community engagement, including planning for an in-person community meeting to include DCPS and DGS officials plus other elected officials.
- Commissioner Phelps announced that UPO will sponsor a Meet & Greet Nov. 13th
- Commissioner Kramer announced a meeting will be held for Buzzard Point residents at the Watermark on Nov. 20th to discuss recent security issues. Councilman Allen and a representative from MPD will attend.
- Commissioner Fast announced DC Parks and Rec and DC General Services will host a virtual meeting to discuss the planned renovations for the Jefferson Middle School athletic field.
- Jeanne Mattison announced Councilman Allen introduced 2 new bills.
 - 1) To bring solar panels to parks to provide more shade to public spaces. To date they have identified 20 spaces from playgrounds to parks and outdoor public spaces.
 - 2) introduced legislation to make it easier for youth sports leagues to secure permits for games and practices on DC-owned fields, recognizing leagues are squeezing two or three teams onto one field on weeknights regularly and struggling to reschedule rainouts. DC youth will have priority to access permits.
 - WMATA released a final Better Bus Plan
 - Community Office Hours will continue in December.
 - She also announced the annual Brickies Awards.
 - More information about Councilman Allen's activities can be found at <https://www.charlesallenward6.com>
- Donna Purchase announced that SWNA is partnering with Dept of Environment and Energy to host a community meeting at Arena Stage to discuss climate change and its impact on our region

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT from MPD for PSA 103, 105 & 106

Captain Hrebenak reported a decrease in robberies in PS103. MPD and Councilman Allen met with Wharf officials to discuss burglary issues. Robberies tend to happen in late night hours in business venues. He cautioned business owners to ensure that burglar alarms and cameras are active. Councilman Allen reported that there is a rebate program for small businesses to purchase cameras. For more information contact Capt. Hrebenak @paul.hrebenak@dc.gov.

Community Concerns:

S. Buckley, Co-Chair of Amidon-Bowen PTA Advocacy Committee expressed concerns about the Amidon-Bowen Swing Space. Amidon-Bowen will undergo a two-year renovation beginning in the 2027 school year. For those two years, DCPS is planning to relocate Amidon to Meyer Elementary in Columbia Heights, three-and-a-half miles away through some of the most congested parts of the city. Our survey of parents and caregivers in our community shows that 2/3 of Amidon families will leave the school if this comes to pass. To date, DCPS has not been responsive to community concerns

DEVELOPMENT, PLANNING, AND TRANSPORTATION

- Permanent Streateries Program – Letter/Testimony to DDOT PSC (CM Link). **Commissioner Link** shared a PowerPoint presentation on the status of the program. **Chair Kramer** said there are problems: 1) permits for up to 13ft in closed spaces; 2) can they pipe music into the Streateries adding noise to residents? **Commissioner Fast** said initially the Streateries program was not regulated. Today, DDOT is attempting to put regulations in place for how Streateries should be operating. The concern for 6D is that Streateries follow the same rules as inside seating which applies to outdoor music. Outdoor lighting is also an issue. ANC6D should request the opportunity to weigh in on applications with great weight. Commissioner Fast motioned to support the letter prepared by Commissioner Link to the Public Space Commission. The commission voted to approve 7-0-0.
- The 6D Commission agreed to have Chair Kramer send another invitation to Chancellor Ferebee to attend the December 9th business meeting to discuss the Amidon-Bowen Swing Space issue. Commissioners Pawley and Fast expressed concern that the Chancellor has not responded to numerous requests. Commissioner Collins suggested the letter be copied to the School Board. Commissioner Hamilton suggested asking the Chancellor to share dates that he is available. Commissioner Phelps-El suggested that reps from ANC6D attend the Chancellors virtual meeting.

ABCA COMMITTEE REPORT

- Brisa Restaurant – working with committee to negotiate a Community Agreement
- Love 420 – Chair Kramer is working to get more information on the application. The applicant has been very responsive. Commissioner Link will share copies of other approved/similar applications.
- Club Volo continues to send conflicting proposals on their application
- Committee has a new applicant, Kaliwa, for entertainment endorsement
- Next committee meeting is Thursday Nov. 21st @7pm

TREASURER'S REPORT

- Quarter 3 QFR
 - Balance forwarded- \$84,110.30
 - Disbursements - \$2,234.75
 - Balance - \$81,875.55
- Quarter 4 QFR
 - Balance forwarded- \$81,875.55
 - Total receipts - \$7,829.08
 - New balance - \$87,207.11
 - Disbursements -\$2,497.52
 - Balance - \$87,207.11

Commissioner Collins motioned to have the Quarters 3&4 QFR reports approved. The motion was approved 6-0-0

Proposed 2025 Budget

Commissioner Collins shared the proposed budget. Chair Kramer motioned to approve the 2025 budget. The Commission voted 6-0-0 to approve the 2025 budget.

The Commission adjourned at 8:45 pm

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NOTE: Commissioner Levine did not review these minutes prior to posting

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