



# ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 7F

## Government of the District of Columbia

One Commitment, Our Community.

### General Commission Meeting

October 15, 2024 6:30 p.m.

Hybrid via In-Person Marshall Heights CDO

Zoom & Youtube

### Agenda

#### 1. Moment of Silence

A brief moment of silence was held.

#### 2. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was officially called to order at 6:45pm. by Chairperson Holcomb.

#### 3. Public Safety Report - 6th District MPD

No representative was present for this meeting.

#### 4. Guest Presentations

##### a. Ward Memorial AME Church - 42nd Street Map Amendment Application

Attorney Madeline Shay, representing Ward Memorial AME Church, presented. The church seeks to develop a fellowship hall, multipurpose area, and a residential condo building on their parking lot. Pastor Rivers proposed more affordable housing with a vision to transition renters into property owners. Current zoning is RA1; they are seeking to change it to RA2. The current zoning does not permit the proposed developments. Community outreach events are ongoing, with plans to return to the ANC in November for further discussion.

##### Community Concerns:

Commissioners raised concerns about why the project is focused on condos and not apartments and asked if it is faith-based. Pastor Rivers explained that underground parking is a key consideration and that homeownership wasn't feasible, but condos present an opportunity. Community engagement efforts have already reached 80-100 people, with more planned, including coordination with the Marshall Heights Civic Association and local funeral homes.

**Commissioner Wright** requested (Notice of Intent) to be sent to ANC for review. The congregation has applied for the DCR pro bono program and is reaching out to community development partners. The church is committed to employing community members and working with other city communities, including expungement initiatives.

##### b. Department of Corrections - Zoning Application & General Updates

A proposed state-of-the-art facility with two buildings, replacing the current facility. Multiple ANC meetings have been held; formal presentations will take place in November and December, with an in-person community meeting scheduled for mid-November.

##### Commissioners' Concerns:

How will this engage the community, especially the younger generation? Why redesign a psychiatric facility in a family-oriented area? Could a more suitable location be considered?

**Responses:**

The facility will not be a prison or a mental institution, though many entering the system have PTSD or mental health issues. The facility aims to provide programmatic support. A smaller facility than the current one is planned. The biggest issue is communication, ensuring transparency and community involvement

**5. Chair’s Report**

**6. Secretary’s Report**

**a. Approval of September Special Call Meeting Minutes**

**7. Old/New Business**

**a. FY 24 Quarter 4 - QFR Report**

The report will be late—beyond the 15th of November.

**b. FY 25 Budget Approval**

**Commissioner Thompson-Wright** presented:

Budget set at \$7,500. Year-end balance: \$85,329.

Proposed disbursements: N/A

Office calls: \$7,200

Communications: \$7,500

Office supplies: \$2,500

Grants: \$0

Transportation: \$0

Purchase of services: \$2,500

Total disbursements: \$55,320.

**Motion to approve budget: Approved unanimously.**

**Motion to approve budget increase: Approved unanimously**

**c. Lindsey Walton Contract Renewal d. Resolutions**

**Lindsey Walton** serves as virtual support for the website and creates flyers. The graphic designer’s contract was renewed.

**d. Resolutions**

Chairperson Holcomb proposed creating a mailer for 2025, with details on meetings, dates, and locations. The proposal will be revisited in November. A motion was made to register the 1948 building as a landmark.



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### Other Resolutions:

Crosswalk at Minnesota Ave and Clay Ave NE. A four-way stop sign at 40th St NE and Ames St NE. Resolutions to investigate community needs in 7F01 and 7F02 to bring neighborhoods back to life. Vote to support a study on these resolutions: Unanimous.

### 8. Agency Updates

#### a. Staff for Councilmember Vincent Gray

#### b. Brittney Etheridge - Mayor's Office on Community Relations & Services

### 9. Community Concerns & Announcements

- **Final Clothing Drive:** Scheduled for October 26, 2024, at Manor Park.
- **ANC 7F Community Donation Event:** ANC 7F will donate hats, gloves, socks, and hygiene kits on October 26 at Ethel Housing Complex.
- **Heather Fairness (Community Volunteer):** Highlighted the importance of public gardens for health and safety, focusing on homes rather than schools or large organizations.
- **Chairperson Holcomb:** Encouraged community members to vote and be informed for the November 5 election.
- **Halloween Event:** Partnering with the firehouse on 49th and Central for a Halloween event from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- **Candy Corner Event:** Hosted by **Commissioner Thompson-Wright** at the corner of 34th St.

### 10. Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 8:44pm by Chairperson Holcomb.

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**Next 7F Commission General Meeting**

**November 19, 2024**

**Hybrid (In-person, as well as Zoom & Youtube)**

