

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 5A
Minutes for the September 27, 2023, Meeting
Held in-person and virtually at
The meeting was held in the SMD of 5A05.
Located at the Washington Yu Ying Public Charter School
220 Taylor St. NE, Washington, DC 20017

MINUTES

Date Thursday, September 27, 2023; Time: 6:45 p.m.

Host: Autumn Jackson the Washington Yu Ying's School Community Outreach Specialist

ANC Commissioner in-person Attendance: (1) Gordon-Andrew Fletcher, Chairperson, (2) Kweku A. Toure Vice Chair, (3) Karlus Cozart, Parliamentarian, (4) Commissioner Tyron Boston (5A05), (5) Commissioner Shelagh Bocoum (5A09), (6) Commissioner Diego Rojas (5A04) and (7) **JOINING VIRTUALLY** Commissioner Duvalier J. Malone (5A01)

Absent Commissioners: (1) Emily Singer Lucio Secretary (5A03), and (2) Commissioner for 5A07 (Vacant position).

Meeting Purpose: Regular Standing 5A monthly meeting

Participants: members of the general public, government representatives (DPW/OSNE), Washington Yu Ying's Autumn Jackson and the Executive Director, Councilmember Parker's Community Representative, and Mayor Bowser's Community representative.

Action Item #1: The Chairman welcomed all and gave information regarding the meeting, then he called the meeting to order at 6:52 p.m.

Action Item #2: The Chairman gave a brief announcement and called the attendees to recognize the death of 16-year-old Maurice Jackson of Northeast D.C. was shot around 3:45 p.m. while in the 1400 block of New Jersey Avenue, on the 26th of September. the group bowed heads for a moment of silence for the young man.

Action Item #3: the Chairman requested that Commissioner Roja establish that we had a quorum by taking roll call.

1. Commissioner Kozrt answer present.
2. Commissioner Boston answered present.
3. Commissioner Toure answered present.
4. Commissioner Fletcher answered present.
5. Commissioner Bocoum answered present.
6. Commissioner Roja answered present.

A quorum was established.

Action Item #4: Chairman Fletcher thanked Washington Yu Ying, Carlie Fisherow Executive Director, and Autumn Jackson, as well as Commissioner Boston for setting up the meeting at Washington Yu Ying.

Action Item #5: The next agenda item was to review and accept the minutes. Commissioner Boston offered an amendment to take off the Armed Forces Services Home from the agency as they are not sending a representative to give an overview of their plans for the renovation of their retirement home site, this evening. Commissioner Kozart “moved that the minutes be accepted” - Commissioner Toure 2nd the motion and the motion carried with all saying Yeah, there were no nays or abstentions.

Action Item #6: Chairman Fletcher introduced the newly elected 5A09 Commissioner Bocoum- Commissioner Bocoum gave a few remarks and stated that she has lived in Ward 5 since 2006 and is delighted that she is now working as an ANC for her community.

Action Item #7: Next Chairman Fletcher brought up the issue that we needed a new Treasurer and requested from the group names to be nominated to the position of Treasurer. Commissioner Toure nominated newly elected Commissioner Bocoum from 5A09, Commissioner Boston 2nd the motion.

Commissioner Roja called for a vote and Chairman Fletcher asked if there were any questions, subsequently the resulting vote for the new Treasurer passed unanimously, without any abstentions or nay votes.

Action Item #8: Chairman Fletcher called for the approval of the June 2023 minutes, a call for a vote to which Commissioner Toure moved, and Commissioner Kozart 2nd the motion. Consequently, the motion was approved unanimously without any abstention and nay votes.

Action Item #9: Chairman Fletcher called for the group to approve the Annual Report from 2022, Chairman Fletcher called for a vote to which Commissioner Toure moved, and Commissioner Kozart 2nd the motion. Commission Kozart had a question regarding the report, his question was answered by the Chair, and the vote resumed.

Consequently, the motion was approved unanimously without any abstention or nay votes.

Action Item #10: Chairman Fletcher called to take action regarding the Commission Action Items [E] The 3rd Quarter Financial Report. Apparently, it needs to be completed and filed.

Commissioner Kozrt so moved the motion on the floor to complete and file the 3rd Quarter Financial Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bocoum on 5A09, and the motion was unanimously passed without any abstentions and no nay votes.

Action Item #11: The FY2023 Budget – The Chair entertained a motion to approve our FY2023 Budget. Commissioner Bocoum of 5A09 moved that we approve the FY 203 Budget. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rojas. the motion was unanimously passed without any abstentions and no nay votes.

Action Item #12: **Caroline Cragin's** (could be incorrect spelling) presentation was tabled via the notification from Commissioner Kozart

Action Item #13: The chairman initiated a discussion regarding the 5A PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE. Commissioner Kozart is chairing the committee and plans to reach out to stakeholders, such as the 4D and 5D District Commanders, and the Mayor's Office. Commissioner Kozart would like to establish communications with key stakeholders as a priority. Additionally, I used online reach-out efforts, by setting up a separate email with the aid of Chairman Fletcher for the committee (no timeline mentioned), however, the urgency of setting communication up was inferred in the discussion.

Two hands were raised by the public, with questions regarding the Public Safety Committee:

Firsthand recognized was that od “Deb” or “Ms. Carmen”: Her question was regarding Follow-up – she is working with Ward 5 Councilmember Paker on this “Walk-Through” in the community that was scheduled with North Michigan Park

NOTE: at this point, Chairman Fletcher recognized that Commissioner Malone (5A01) joined the meeting via online Zoom.

NEXT AGENDA ITEM COMMUNITY UPDATES

- Mayor’s Office Mr. Anthony Black gave his report:
 - i. Reminded community about the Sweep Days will occur from 10-5 p.m.

- ii. Gave updates on the “Art All Night” from 7 pm until 3 am., the locations: (1) 2026 Jackson Street, (2) 1801 Hamlin Street, and (3) 5401 South Dakota Ave to take place on September 29th from 7 pm until 3 am. Purpose- Artist performances through the location of community safety highlighting issues and using art as a medium.
 - iii. Gave announcement regarding Flu shots.
 - iv. Mr. Black received a question regarding the location of 5401 South Dakota Ave., which he answered.
- Councilmember Parker’s Constituent Services Point Person Mr. Carlos McKnight
 - i. Announced that the Council is back in session.
 - ii. Announced that there was a hearing for the Acting Police Chief
 - iii. Announce that the White House released a statement regarding COVID testing, and people can go to covidtest.gov or contact him for more information.
 - iv. Reminded people that there will be a hearing on October 5th regarding the DC Office of Unified Communications (OUC) there will be a bill that will be introduced by Councilmember Parker.
 - v. Announcement regarding the Councilmember’s Senior Newsletter is weekly and can contact him directly to get more information or at <https://zacharyparkerward5.com/ward-5-senior-newsletter-september-2023/>
 - vi. Announced that there will be a community “walk-through” on October 10, **203 locations to be determined!**
 - a) Online /hand raised with Community Suggestion: Carmen Williams preferred to give the location of the walk-through directly to Carlos McKnight later.
 - b) Online /hand raised with Community Suggestion: Ucheena – Point (#1) regarding the fact that Councilmember Paker held a mtg. on August 22, 2023, on the metro or to focus on Brookland, therefore, she “wants some follow up from the councilmember on concerns about the Request For Proposal (RFP) issued and wants to make sure that Fort Totten is not lost in the mix”. (#2) “Early this summer there was a 90-day Bill passed what is the Council's plan regarding the Emergency Bill passed?”
 - c) Deb or Ms. Carmen had a question for Carolo McKnight regarding Washington Gas line replacement, e.g., “project pipeline, she needs specifics as it relates to South Dakota Ave, particularly the 5000 Block”!

Action Item #14: Autumn Jackson, the Washington Yu Ying School's Community Outreach Specialist gave a presentation on the school's construction efforts relating to their development and addressed a few questions. She stated she would be attending future meetings and giving more updates. Also, Washington Latin School will be involved as they identify a point person who could come and give updates.

Action Item #15: Presentation by the University of the District of Columbia Team – R. McGee and Associates, Cozen, and O'Connor, and others including staff from UDC gave a presentation on the development of the Lamond-riggs Campus and its Master Plan for 2023-2033. **NOTE:** All of the presentation slides were provided in the chat box.

The UDC team entertained a few questions from the community, the community was encouraged to submit questions in writing so that the staff could address them more thoroughly in working. Questions involved, green space, foot traffic, open space for the students, crime, the installing of cameras, and the like.

Action Item #16: No Presentation by Shian Rhimes Catholic University Grants Relations announced by Commissioner Malone (5A01).

Action Item #17: Presentation by the OSNE Representative. **NOTE:** All of the presentation slides were provided in the chat box. The presentation gave an overview of the services as well as the impact that OSNE was making throughout the DC Community. The OSNE representative asked one or two questions regarding the efficacy of the work outcomes and tracking its success in reducing violence. The overview included a presentation on the Pathways Program, Violence Intervention Initiative, Family and Survivor Support, School Based Initiative, Community Based Crime Reduction, Community Response Team, People of Promise Program, and Restorative Justice.

COMMUNITY OPEN FOR ANNOUNCEMENT PORTION OF THE MEETING

- **Announcement by Community member regarding the fact that Friday, September 29, 2023, at 4:45 p.m. was the deadline to support testimony regarding Providence Hospital.**

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Fletcher entertained a motion to adjourn, which was moved by Commissioner Toure and 2nd by Commissioner Boston, the motion passed unanimously with objections or abstentions. The meeting ended at 8:30 p.m.

APPROVED: October 25, 2023

