

Wednesday, June 26, 2024
ANC 5A Monthly Meeting

MINUTES

I.Call Meeting to Order 6:54 pm

II.Quorum 5A01 D. Malone (Absent), 5A02 K. Cozart, 5A03 E. Lucio, 5A04 D. Rojas (Absent),
5A05 T. Boston, 5A08 G. Fletcher, 5A09, S.Bocoum

III.Agenda Review/Acceptance Motion by Lucio and 2nd by Bocoum. Approved unanimously.

IV.Commission Business

A. Election and Swearing in of the Secretary

Motion by acclamation from Chairman Fletcher to elect Emily Singer Lucio as Secretary. Second by Cozart. Approved

Approval of acts prior to this date and starting in February 2024 of the acting Secretary retroactively approved. Second by Cozart.

B. Secretary

i. Minutes (May 2024) Motion by Lucio. Second by Bocoum. Approved by majority. Commissioner Boston was absent.

C. Treasurer

i. 3rd Quarter Financial Report Lucio moved to accept the report. Boston seconded. Approved unanimously.

ii. Job Description- was not presented. It was determined that it will be presented at the September 2024 meeting. Motion made by Lucio. Second by Cozart. Approved unanimously.

D. Public Safety Committee Update from June 20th (Commissioner Cozart)

Held a community meeting. Intends to submit a formal report at the September Meeting. There were multiple presentation and community engagement on the topic of public safety. There will be a part 2 safety summit in the fall. There were no action items from the meeting. There was a discussion about CUA and ANC 5A coordinating more on this issue. Lucio reminded everyone about the CAC meetings that will continue to be held monthly. Commissioner Bocoum plans to attend the Fort Totten meeting tomorrow night. Commissioner Lucio shared about attending the DDOT open house.

V.Commission Action Items/Updates

A. Sahara Market (Ret B and CR) (5A02) Commissioner Cozart shared information about the planned market with the help of Dr. Emmanuel Irono who spoke briefly about his proposal. It is a replica of his restaurant on Capitol Hill. They said they took feedback from the community to have a lunch restaurant and coffee shop and market. Not trying to bring a liquor store. Neighbors raised issues about the proposed liquor license given the location. There was a lengthy discussion. The action before us is in regard to the alcohol license. The presenter was encouraged to go back to the SMD and present a revised plan. It is actually in 5B01. 5A is a neighbor. Motion: moved that 5A does not support a Class B license. Motion by Cozart. Second by Bocoum. Approved the motion to not

support unanimously. Motion that ANC 5A protest against the Class C license by Cozart. Second by Lucio. Approved the motion to not support unanimously.

VI. Community Updates

- A. MPD – No one attended. The Chairman requested someone attend in September.
- B. Mayor's Office- No one attended.
- C. Councilmember Parker's office. Carlos McKnight spoke of the updates. 700 Galloway Street- Busses have been parked there. Those buses are being used for the red line shut down. The busses will be there until the end of August. They idle more than 3 minutes, which is not approved. WMATA is aware of the concerns and working to address them. He also talked briefly about the South Dakota Ave safety study. There is a link to provide feedback. Discussed budget funds for various schools and rec centers in Ward 5. Riggs Park Public safety meeting on Thursday.

VII. Reports & Presentations

- A. Anne Welch (DDOT) Safety improvements on Fort Drive NE and Taylor Street NE from North Capitol Street NW to South Dakota Avenue NE. The point is to create a safer east-west connection between Ward 4 and Ward 5. Extends from NH Ave (Petrworth), through Rock Creek Park to Fort Drive, Taylor St. all the way until South Dakota. Construction anticipated for Taylor Street in FY 25. Timeline: In needs assessment step. Next step is concept planning and design. It is in Move DC bicycle Corridor priority. Work towards sustainable DC. Inline with Vision Zero goals. ANC 5B presented a resolution urging traffic safety improvements, along with ANC 4D. Working with Safe Routes to Schools. Wanting a safe connection over the Taylor Street bridge. They plan to create concepts and will share them with the ANC's. Conducting traffic analysis. They are aware of the new schools that are being built. It was recommended that she plan to present to the SMD and those abutting SMD's first. There was discussion that further discussions need to have and some of this may be premature without having an NOI.
- B. Sayra Molina (DDOT) South Dakota Ave Traffic Study- DDOT. FY 24 budget money was approved for safety study. Getting acquainted on the current status of South Dakota. In May began public outreach. Goal is safety for all. Reduce speaking and safety of walkers and bikers. Address safety and crash areas. Improve bus service along the corridor. They have held two public meetings. They want to attend meetings and community events to engage with the community. Discussed what is a road diet- recommended for 4 lane roadways to repurpose, reduce crashes and protect bikers. The questionnaire will end mid-August. They are working on a website. One question raised was coordinating with HSEMA and emergency vehicles.
- C. St. Anselm Abbey School Development (5A02) BZA application for a new building development. Zoned R1B. Not expanding the number of students and staff. They did reach out to SMD and Civic Association. Being considered for October 2nd. They have been asked to present to North Michigan Park Civic Association. Cozart made a motion to support the motion as proposed. The motion to approve the project was supported unanimously. Commissioner Cozart will work with Chairman Fletcher to draft a letter of support.

VIII. Community Comments

- I. It was discussed about the Aldi Liquor License request. There was a request for friendly settlement agreement in order to have accountability and a having a record in place. There was a motion made for ANC 5A protest the liquor store. The motion was made by Bocoum and Seconded by Cozart. The vote was 2-1 in favor of the protest. As acting chair and not needing a tie breaker, Lucio did not cast a vote. Commissioner Bocoum was also encouraged to contact ABCA to ask to delay the hearing in order to allow time for her to hold a SMD meeting and work with Aldi to dev
- II. Kennedy Street Turning Issue was mentioned and needs to be addressed by Commissioner Bocoum.

IX. Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 25, 2024

X. Adjourn at 9:42 pm.

46 Residents in attendance