

Wednesday, October 12, 2022
ANC 5A Monthly Meeting (Virtual)

MINUTES

- I. Call Meeting to Order 6:58 pm
 - II. Quorum (Edwards, Fletcher, Washington, Lucio, Holloway at 7:16 pm)
 - III. Agenda Review/Acceptance
 - IV. Commission Business
 - A. The Kennedy School and 801 Buchanan (5A03)
 - i. BZA No. 20749 - Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington.
 - ii. BZA Case No. 20751 - 801 Buchanan Street, NE
 - IX. Next Meeting: October 26, 2022
 - X. Adjourn at 8:14 pm
- *All times are approximate. Please make sure you are on the call in plenty of time for your presentation

Commissioner Lucio Gave an update on the projects.

The Kennedy School development and the 801 Buchanan street development met with the North Michigan Park Civic Association on Wednesday, October 5th. There were 40 residents in attendance at that meeting. The then met with the Michigan Park Citizens Association on Tuesday, October 11th where there were 7 residents in attendance.

At both meetings the developers shared the proposed projects and answered questions from the community. While I would have liked to have had more of the community be in attendance, I do believe that we have provided ample opportunity for the community to participate.

In addition to these meetings, I held the following meetings to discuss this development:

- May 5, 2022 SMD Spring meeting- 55 attended
- May 19, 2022 SMD Special Meeting- 25 attended
- September 8, 2022 SMD Fall Meeting- 20 attended
- September 22, 2022 Special Meeting- 26 attended

All of the residents within 200 feet were provided a paper meeting notice of the meeting on 9/22 and the meeting on 9/8. In addition, residents within 200 feet and those on surrounding streets were provided paper meeting notices.

Meeting notices were sent out a week in advance of each meeting to SMD 5A03 and ANC 5A.

- ANC 5A Special meeting notice sent October 6, 2022
- ANC 5A September meeting notice sent September 21, 2022

- SMD 5A03 Special meeting notice sent September 21, 2022
- SMD 5A03 Special meeting notice sent September 14, 2022

I appreciate you taking all of the effort to share this with the community as we move forward with our meeting tomorrow.

Again, while there is always more that can be done, I do believe we have made a good faith effort to get this information out to the community.

Ralph Bucksnell shared comments from the Michigan Park Citizens Association meeting held on Tuesday, October 11th.

Leila Batties provided an brief updated. Sharing about the zoning and required process. There was also mention of the requirement to present to the community and that they do not know what the market rate.

They will be supporting the NMPCA Scholarship fund in the amount of \$5000.00.

They received the sentiment from the community that this development be integrated into the neighborhood.

President Williams ask Chairman Edwards to discuss her concern about the front façade of the homes and the importance of them designed similarly with the others in the neighborhood. She mentioned that there were not a significant number of residents involved and that this impacts more than just the SMD. It impacts the entire community, including Michigan Park, North Michigan Park and all of ANC 5A. She indicated a key priority is the road development.

Chairman Edwards asked if the developers will continue to work with all groups within the community. Will Collins indicated they will gladly stay in contact and provide updates.

We discussed further the possibility of the houses being in triplex format on the street view to match those across the other side of the street. Office of planning indicated that the gaps would have people seeing through to the rear houses, which is why they plan to keep them together.

Commissioner Washington acknowledged the \$5000 gift to NMPCA and felt that this was low. Second concern is the number of IZ homes, would like then to go above. Leila shared that this is not a PUD, like EYA. The approval process is very different. The sale of the property is directly related to the development to the school. Going over, would provide a significant financial impact to the development of the school. Carmen Williams said she did not ask for additional money because the townhomes sit in Michigan Park, not North Michigan Park.

Mr. Wheatly said he did not receive notice of the meeting or the change in plans within a timely manner. He also mentioned that he felt he did not have opportunity to view the current plan, aside from last night. He did acknowledge that he was not able to attend the previous ANC meeting. He wanted to know if the same plan had been presented.

Chairman Edwards did share that he felt we had gone through the process and provided notice to the community and that we have to move forward. Commissioner Lucio did share that the plan shared was also the same as was shared with SMD 5A03, NMPCA and MPCA

Mr. Oliver raised concerns with traffic and the issue with the road being a private road. Mr. Bowser asked if the roads would go through to Carroll Manor. It was confirmed that they will not go through. Commissioner Lucio shared that there was a notice sent to the ANC 5A email list on September 21st and at the NMPCA meeting.

We were in agreement that as we move forward we will continue to improve communication

Recommendation that ANC 5A vote to support The Kennedy School and 801 Buchanan (5A03) BZA No. 20749 - Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington and BZA Case No. 20751 - 801 Buchanan Street, NE by Commissioner Lucio. Second by Commissioner Fletcher.

There was a request to increase the donation to NMPCA to \$10,000.00 Will donate \$25,000 to District Housing Trust Fund to be used within this community.

The vote was taken. The vote was unanimous.