



# 2023 ANNUAL REPORT

**ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD  
COMMISSION 5E**

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This report, published in compliance with D.C. Code, Title 1, Section 309.10 (n-1) summarizes the activities of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 5E (ANC5E) over the twelve month period beginning December 1, 2022 and ending November 30, 2023.

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# ANC5E COMMISSIONERS

## Commissioners

SMD	Commissioner	Term(s) of Office Covered by this Reporting Period
5E01	Michael Braeuninger	January 2, 2021 - January 2, 2023
	Joyce Robinson-Paul	January 2, 2023 - January 2, 2025
5E02	Patricia Williams	January 2, 2021 - January 2, 2023
	Karla M. Lewis	January 2, 2023 - January 2, 2025
5E03	Denise Wright	January 2, 2021 - January 2, 2023
	Frederick Carver	January 2, 2023 - January 2, 2025
5E04	Sylvia Pinkney	January 2, 2017 - January 2, 2023
	Huma Imtiaz	January 2, 2023 - January 2, 2025
5E05	Bradley Thomas	January 2, 2021 - January 2, 2023
	Kevin Rapp	January 2, 2023 - January 2, 2025
5E06	Karla M. Lewis	January 2, 2021 - January 2, 2023
	Kirby Vining	January 2, 2023 - January 2, 2025
5E07	Bertha Holliday	January 2, 2021 - January 2, 2023
5E08	Robert Brannum	January 2, 2019 - January 2, 2023
5E09	Dianne Barnes	January 2, 2017 - January 2, 2023
5E10	Sally Hobaugh	January 2, 2021 - January 2, 2023

## Officers

Chair	Bradley Thomas (2022)/Karla M. Lewis (2023)
Vice Chair	Dianne Barnes (2022)/ Joyce Robinson-Paul (2023)
Treasurer	Robert Brannum (2022)/Kirby Vining (2023)
Recording Secretary	Michael Braeuninger (2022)/Huma Imtiaz (2023)
Corresponding Secretary	Frederick Carver (2023)



## KEY ISSUES VOTED ON

2023

Sep **Office of Unified Communications (OUC) Reforms to Improve 911 System**

ANC 5E was impacted by the flooding of a dog daycare center that resulted in the deaths of the beloved pets of our residents. The dispatcher reported the flooding incident as a water leak, which affected the prioritization. At its public meeting, ANC 5E voted to support a resolution to support reforms to OUC, which is to include updated training, train call takers to recognize and dispatch emergency services, hiring more call takers, reduce 911 wait times to zero, fully staff text-to-911 service, and provide data transparency.

**Supporting Four Transportation and Street Safety Bills**

Additionally, ANC 5E voted in support of a resolution to support:

B25-0421 - License Suspension Reform Amendment Act of 2023

B25-0422 - Automated Traffic Enforcement Effectiveness Amendment Act of 2023

B25-0425 - Strengthening Traffic Enforcement, Education, and Responsibility (“STEER”) Amendment Act of 2023

B25-0435 - Fraudulent Vehicle Tag Enforcement Amendment Act of 2023.

**Safety Improvements at North Capitol St NW and P ST NW**

An emergency call meeting was held to address the Notice of Intent (NOI), NOI 23-182 for DDOT's proposed changes on North Capitol St NE/NW and P St NE/NW. At a subsequent public meeting, ANC5E voted to support DDOT's proposal to remove 18 parking spaces and fix issues identified as part of the highway safety improvement study. The proposed upgrades includes pedestrian signal, signage updates, pavement makings, and closing the median gap. The changes are to also help to address ongoing traffic congestion during the morning and afternoon school drop off.

Oct **Lack of Development at 1600 North Capitol St NW and Slip Lane toafety Improvements at North Capitol St NW and P ST NW**

For over 17 years, the vacant lot at 1600 North Capitol has remained undeveloped. ANC 5E requested a slip lane to be closed for safety measures. The owner now wants to take advantage and receive half of the slip lane and proposes to build a larger affordable housing units. ANC 5E voted to close the slip lane to traffic, but to have DPW keep the slip lane in its inventory as public space as green space and to use it to expand the corner triangle park.

Nov **Petit Scholars - Community Impact Statement**

At its public meeting, ANC 5E voted to support a letter written to the United States District Attorney's Office (USDAO) outlining the impact that releasing repeat offenders has had on our community. A known perpetrator physically attacked teachers from Petit Scholars Daycare and committed lewd acts in front of dozens of children while they were out for a walk.



## COMMENTS SUBMITTED TO D.C. AGENCIES

**2022**

**Dec Department of Transportation (DDOT) to give Great Weight to ANCs**

At its public meeting, the commission passed a resolution, directed to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT), calling for DDOT to give great weight to ANC input, and to hold additional meetings with the residents residing on New Jersey Ave NW who have been directly impacted by the road lane diets and bicycle lane installation on New Jersey Avenue NW.

### **Traffic Calming**

In addition, ANC5E voted to support a resolution to DDOT calling for speed tables to be installed at the intersection of Bryant Street NW and First Street, N.W.

**2023**

**Jan Rock 'N' Roll Marathon**

The commission voted to issue a letter to the D.C. Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency in support of the 2023 Rock 'N' Roll Marathon and its associated street closings.

**Mar New York Avenue Recreation Facility and Splash Park**

At its public meeting, ANC5E voted to support a resolution asking Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) to create a new recreation facility at the existing New York Avenue Recreations Center.

**McMillian Hours**

In addition, the commission voted on a letter supporting extended construction hours for the McMillan project.

**Sidewalk Repairs**

ANC 5E voted to support a resolution for DDOT to implement fixes for the sidewalks on Rhode Island Ave NE and NW, and North Capitol St NW.

**Historic Preservation**

ANC 5E voted to support HPA 23-218, a project that would approve the plans to add third-floor at 1733 First St NW as long as the addition was not visible from the intersection of First St NW and Randolph Pl NW.

**Apr Traffic Calming**

At its public meeting, ANC 5E passed a resolution supporting the implementation of speed bumps on Hanover Pl NW and Bates St NW.

**Traffic Safety Improvements**

Additionally, ANC 5E passed a resolution supporting safety improvement measures to be implemented at Rhode Island Avenue and Lincoln Road NE.

**May Traffic Safety Improvements Cont.**

At its public meeting, ANC 5E passed a resolution supporting safety improvement measures to be implemented on Rhode Island Avenue NW.

**Jun Medstar Heart Kidney Transport Center**

At its public meeting, ANC5E voted to support Medstar Hospital Center's Certificate of Need for the Heart Kidney Transplantation Center. The letter written to Medstar to submit with is application to the DC State Health and Development Agency.

**Hillview Market Sidewalk Cafe**

Additionally, ANC 5E voted to support the DDOT's Transportation Online Permitting System (TOPS), TOPS-1099281 application for a sidewalk cafe for Hillview Market.

**Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) Cases**

ANC 5E voted to support BZA Case 20935 for 16 Quincy Pl NW. The applicant requested a special exception and lot occupancy relief. The plans are for a covered porch and trellised area for more privacy. Also, BZA Case 20949 at 57 W St NW. The applicant requested a special exception and to increase the lot occupancy for replacing the old garage with a new one.

**Alcohol Beverage and Cannabis (ABCA) Case**

ANC 5E voted to support ABRA-125309 to support a new license that would allow Domestic to hold ticketed wine tasting events. A letter of protest was not issued.

**Jul Alcohol Beverage and Cannabis (ABCA) Case cont.**

ANC 5E voted to support ABRA-089186 to support a substantial change to Showtime's hours and to add a sidewalk cafe. Given the substantial change, a letter of support was issued.

**Sep Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) cases**

ANC 5E voted to support BZA 20936 for 147 U St NW requesting a special exception from the lot occupancy requirements. The plans are for constructing a two-story with basement, rear

addition to an existing attached two story with basement.

**Oct Traffic Safety Improvements**

ANC 5E voted on a response to DDOT NOI 23-206-TESD addressing proposed safety improvements at North Capitol St NW and Rhode Island Avenue NW/NE.

**Nov Cancellation of Tickets issue during Alley Construction**

ANC 5E voted to support a letter to Department of Public Work (DPW) to request the cancelation of tickets erroneously issued to residents in SMD 5E06. Arrangements were made with DPW staff to suspend ticketing on the blocks during the alley construction. Residents were instructed to park on the street and they were ticketed.

**Historic Preservation**

ANC 5E voted in support of HPA 21-274 for 77 and 79 Bryant Street NW. The applicant proposed building two three unit houses on a vacant lot.

In total, during the period covered by this report, ANC 5E passed and submitted 11 resolutions to the appropriate D.C. Government agencies.

**ANC 5E Resolutions**

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Resolutions</b>
<b>2022</b>	
Dec	2022-003 <a href="#">Support for Traffic Calming for the Installation of Speed Tables on First Street and Bryant St NW</a>
	2022-004 <a href="#">Opposition to DDOT's Community Engagement Practices and Lack of Regard for ANC's Great Weight</a>
<b>2023</b>	
Jan-Nov	2023-001 <a href="#">Support for Construction of New Recreation Facility and Splash Park at New York Avenue Building at 100 N Street, NW</a>
	2023-002 <a href="#">Support for Urgent Sidewalk Fixes on Rhode Island Avenue NW and NE and North Capitol St NW</a>
	2023-003 <a href="#">Support for Safety Improvements on Lincoln Road NE and Rhode Island Ave NE in Response to DDOT NOI 23-39-TESD</a>
	2023-004 <a href="#">Support for Traffic Calming for the Installation of Speed Humps on Hanover Place NW and Bates St NW</a>
	2023-005 <a href="#">Support for Safety Measures on Rhode Island Ave NW</a>
	2023-006 <a href="#">Support for Urging Office of Unified Communications to Undertake Reforms to Improve 911 System</a>
	2023-007 <a href="#">Support for Four Transportation and Street Safety at the DC Council</a>
	2023-008 <a href="#">Opposition to Lack of Development at 1600 North Capitol St NW and the Years of Safety Hazards is has posed on the Community</a>
	2023-010 <a href="#">Response To DDOT NOI 23-206-TESD Addressing Safety Improvements At The Intersection Of North Capitol St And Rhode Island Avenue NW/NE</a>



## COMMUNITY GRANTS AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT FUNDING ISSUED

### 2023

#### Mar **Beautification Projects**

ANC 5E voted to approve \$6000.00 to support beautification projects. In each of its six single member districts, each commissioner has the authority to allocate distribution of grants or sponsorship funds of \$1,000 to civic associations or other entities within their single member districts for neighborhood beautification purposes.

#### April **Bloomington Civic Association Beautification Day**

For the Bloomington Civic Association Beautification Day event, ANC 5E02 allocated \$500, ANC 5E03 allocated \$1000, and ANC 5E05 allocated \$500. Additional funding of \$42 was approved for a total of \$2,042 to sponsor this event.

#### May **Bates Area Civic Association Flower Power Beautification Day**

ANC 5E01 and ANC 5E02 allocated a total of \$974.15 to sponsor the Flower Power event.



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