

**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2G  
Virtual Public Meeting  
Thursday, February 13, 2025**

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2G convened via Zoom Video Conference and/or Telephone on Thursday, February 13, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Steven McCarty, Chair, ANC 2G04  
Howard Garrett, Vice Chair, ANC 2G01  
Nicole Shea, Secretary, ANC 2G03  
Rachelle Nigro, Treasurer, ANC 2G06  
Alex Padro, ANC 2G02  
Sheena Berry, ANC 2G05

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with a quorum of 6 out of 6 Commissioners present.

**2. CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Approval of Agenda: MOTION:** Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Garrett seconded to approve the Agenda as amended. The Motion *passed* unanimously 6 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

**B. Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes of the January 9, 2025 ANC 2G Public Meeting were approved.

**C. Treasurer's Report:** Commissioner Nigro provided the Treasurer's Report for January 2025 and February 2025.

**3. COMMUNITY FORUM**

**A. Metropolitan Police Department**

A representative from MPD was unable to be present at the beginning of the meeting. Chair McCarthy stated the Commissioners all did a great job at the meeting here last week and we will continue to be focused on partnering with MPD and our other public safety agencies.

[Note: Captain McHauley Murphy joined the call later in the meeting at approximately 8:00 p.m. and provided a crime report for PSA 308.]

**B. Report from Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS)**  
Tadai "Ty" Abilla, Ward Manager, [tadai.abilla@dc.gov](mailto:tadai.abilla@dc.gov), 202-297-6566

- o Tadaï “Ty” Abilla provided updates per the following: **(1)** legislation announced to protect and strengthen DC’s housing ecosystem; **(2)** DDOT Traffic Safety Administration is hiring part-time safety technicians; **(3)** ONSE is seeking program coordinators for their Violence Interruption Division; **(4)** March 8, 2025 FITDC Fresh Start 5K Race; **(5)** March 22, 2025 Ward 2 Rolloff – Bulk Trash and Used Electronics Dropoff; **(6)** DPR Summer Camp opportunities; **(7)** DC Public Schools will be closed 2/14/25 and 2/17/25. [Further details regarding the above posted in the Chat]. A question-and-answer and comment period followed.

**C. Report from Ward 2 Councilmember Pinto’s Office**

[bpinto@dccouncil.gov](mailto:bpinto@dccouncil.gov); 202-724-8058; <https://www.brookepintodc.com/> Brian Romanowski, Constituent Services Director, [bromanowski@dccouncil.gov](mailto:bromanowski@dccouncil.gov)

- o Brian Romanowski provided updates per the following: **(1)** safety along 7<sup>th</sup> Street NW and a plan of action; **(2)** the Heads Up Distraction Free Learning Amendment Act; **(3)** the Recycling Refund and Litter Reduction Amendment Act; **(4)** reintroduction of a number of Councilmember Pinto’s bills that did not pass last year; **(5)** Performance Oversight Hearings; **(6)** Criminal Justice Coordinating Council new website; **(6)** Public Safety; **(7)** DC Downtown Revitalization; **(8)** Potholes and graffiti removal; **(9)** Councilmember Pinto will be joining the March ANC meeting.
- o An extensive question-and-answer and comment period followed.

**D. Report from DC Fire Department  
Dennis Carmody, DCFD**

Dennis Carmody stated he was not the 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion Chief at the time of the fire incidents along the 9<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor in late December, but he will be happy to pass along ANC 2G’s questions to the Fire Prevention Division for a response. Commissioner Padro provided a brief report on the two sets of fires in vacant buildings owned by Shiloh Baptist Church on the west side of the 1500 Block of 9<sup>th</sup> Street and his recommendations to the Church. He asked DCFD to provide a report as to the cause of the fires as well as recommendations that could be helpful to the property owner. The report will be sent to the Chair who will share it with the other Commissioners.

**E. Report from Events DC**

Solana Vander Nat, Senior Manager of Community Engagement, Walter E. Washington Convention Center, <https://eventsdc.com>

- o Visit: [eventsdc.com](https://eventsdc.com); please sign up for Events DC electronic mailing list.
- o A report was provided highlighting: **(1)** Capitol Hill Volleyball Classic, February 15-17, 2025; **(2)** Marian Barry Summer Youth Employment Program Certification, February 22, 2025; **(3)** Free curator-led public art tours, February 18, April 17, August 5, and November 12, 2025.

**F. Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners**

- o Commissioner Padro provided updates per the following: **(1)** it is Black History Month and an invitation was extended to the National Park Service to give an update on the status of the Carter G. Woodson Home Historic Site but were unavailable to come to tonight's meeting. He will invite NPS to present to the March meeting. It is his understanding the site will open fully restored this spring after a decade and a half in development; **(2)** a tour of Dr. Woodson's neighborhood is scheduled for Saturday, February 15, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.; **(3)** a lecture by an ANC 2G03 resident, who wrote a book about Malcolm X, will be held at Shiloh Baptist Church's Henry C. Gregory, III Family Life Center, 1510 9<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Saturday, February 22, 2025, 1:00 p.m.

#### G. Public Updates

- o None.

### 4. BUSINESS AGENDA

#### A. NOI 24-332-TESD Tactical to Permanent Program at 4<sup>th</sup> and M Street NW [2G06] Presenter: Christophe Wassmer, DDOT

Christophe Wassmer provided a presentation. A question-and-answer and comment period followed.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Nigro moved and Commissioner Shea seconded that ANC 2G support DDOT's NOI 24-332-TESD Tactical to Permanent Program at 4<sup>th</sup> and M Street NW with the following caveats: **(1)** that the Fire Department agrees with the plan; and **(2)** that the structure can be removed in the future. The Motion **passed** unanimously 6 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

**[Commissioner Nigro drops from the call.]**

#### B. Appointment of Committee Chairs

- 1) **Zoning, Planning and Historic Preservation: MOTION:** Commissioner McCarty moved and Commissioner Padro seconded to appoint Robert Goldberg as Chair of the ANC 2G Zoning, Planning and Historic Preservation Committee. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.
- 2) **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Licensing: MOTION:** Commissioner McCarty moved and Commissioner Garrett seconded to **table** a decision on the Chair of the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Licensing Committee until the March Public Meeting. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.
- 3) **Transportation and Public Space: MOTION:** Commissioner McCarty moved and Commissioner Berry seconded to **table** a decision on the Chair of the Transportation and Public Space Committee until the March Public Meeting. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

**C. Hotbox LLC (ABRA-128305) [2G03]**

**MOTION:** Commissioner McCarty moved and Commissioner Padro seconded that ANC 2G **support** the Medical Cannabis Retailer License application for Hotbox LLC (ABRA License #128305) located at 1703 6<sup>th</sup> Street NW, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, with their delivery endorsement and, further, that ANC 2G **support** the Settlement Agreement negotiated with the applicant which outlines operational and security provisions in alignment with community expectations and that the support be communicated in writing to the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration. The Motion **passed** 4 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstention (Commissioner Shea).

**D. Hush Boutique LLC (ABRA-130742) [2G02]**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Garrett seconded that ANC 2G support ABRA License Application 130742 for a Medical Cannabis Retailer License for Hush Boutique LLC (Trade Name WBC Wellness), 1412 9<sup>th</sup> Street NW, and that the support be communicated in writing to the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration. The Motion **passed** 4 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstention (Commissioner Shea).

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Berry seconded to adjourn the meeting. The Motion passed unanimously 5 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions. The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

**NEXT MEETING:** March 13, 2025, 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

Respectfully submitted,  
**(Transcribed from Recording)**

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