

ANC 5E Public Meeting Minutes (March 2025) Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Present: Commissioners Kyle Gardiner, Karla M. Lewis, Michael Bloomberg, Huma Imtiaz, Alice Arcenia Thompson, Kirby Vining.

- 1. Commissioner Imtiaz provided instructions for public participation in the meeting.
- 2. The meeting was held in virtually via Zoom and began at 7 p.m. ET with a quorum with 6 Commissioners present.
- 3. Commissioner Gardiner motioned to approve the consent calendar with the February 18, 2025 meeting minutes. Commissioner Bloomberg seconded the motion.
 - a. Motion to approve the consent calendar items passed via voice vote with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner Gardiner (Y), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Bloomberg (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Thompson (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
- 4. Commissioner Bloomberg motioned to approve the March 2025 Meeting Agenda as amended. Commissioner Vining seconded the motion.
 - Motion to approve the consent calendar items passed via voice vote with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner Gardiner (Y), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Bloomberg (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Thompson (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
- 5. Commissioner Vining gave the Treasurer's report.
 - a. Bills and Reimbursements
 - i. Debit DB-16, \$322.16 to order new checks as mandated by the OANC and Auditor, two allotments received on the same day, each for \$4,058.58, ck #500 for \$975 as approved at the February meeting for the invoice submitted by our virtual assistant, made out to Triple C LLC.
 - ii. Commissioner Vining notes no requests for reimbursement or bills in the past month.
 - b. Commissioner Vining requested approval to expend \$384.16 for 686 post card stamps so he may communicate with residents residing in private complexes in his SMD. Commissioner Imtiaz motioned to approve the request. Commissioner Bloomberg second the motion.
 - i. Motion approved via voice vote with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner

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- c. Commissioner Imtiaz requested approval to expend \$444.95 for a new little free library to be installed at an existing stand at the pocket park on the corner of First and Rhode Island. Commissioner Imtiaz motioned to approve the request. Commissioner Bloomberg second the motion.
 - Motion approved via voice vote with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner Gardiner (Y), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Bloomberg (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Thompson (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
- 6. Sam Bonar provided updates from Ward 5 Councilmember Zachary Parker's office.
 - a. Stay up-to-date on Ward 5 matters by joining the Ward 5 newsletter here.
 - b. The District is facing ongoing fallout from the Continuing Resolution which takes away over \$1 billion from the District's FY2025 budget. The Senate has passed a fix but it still requires passage by the House and signature by the President.
 - Councilmember Parker has a new Constituent Services Coordinator Andrianna Lovelace. However, she will probably not be the coordinator for 5E.
 - d. On Saturday, March 15, DC will host the Rock 'n Roll Half Marathon and 5K. The race will cause parking restrictions and road closures. Take a look at the map and traffic advisory here and plan accordingly if traveling through the city on Saturday.
 - e. The next Ward 5 Senior Advisory Committee meeting is on March 20.
 - f. Public hearings with the <u>Department of Housing and Community</u> <u>Development</u> will be on March 18 and 25
 - g. <u>A community clean-up</u> in Single Member District 5B07 will be on March 22
 - h. The kick-off of <u>DC 2050 Comprehensive Plan public meetings</u> will be on March 22, 25, and 27.
 - i. The District continues to develop resources for federal employees impacted by recent layoffs. Visit <u>this website</u> to access information on job fairs, health insurance, resources for families, filing for unemployment, student loan assistance, legal help for renters, and more.
 - j. To contact Sam Bonar: <u>Sbonar@dccouncil.gov</u> or 771-333-9880.
- 7. Commissioner Reports:
 - a. Commissioner Gardiner

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- i. While the NOI remains open for community comment on DDOT's proposed street infrastructure changes as a result of routing the new C91 bus route down 3rd St., WMATA also announced that it is immediately re-routing the G2 down 3rd St. due to the S St. Revitalization project. This is why buses are coming down 3rd St. prior to the roll-out of the Better Bus network.
- ii. DPR and DGS repaired the broken fence at the New York Avenue playground and additional repairs to playground equipment are anticipated later this year.
- b. Commissioner Lewis
 - i. Due to the launch of the S street revitalization project, there will be street closures and traffic detours along the S St. Cooridor. Read more <u>here</u>.
- c. Commissioner Bloomberg
 - i. The DC Healthy Homes Fair will be May 10th this year.(https://www.healthyhomesfair.org/)
- d. Commissioner Thompson
 - i. Commissioner Thompson met with the Army Corp of Engineers to discuss the McMillan Reservoir retaining wall issue and that they anticipate to be a significant repair.
- 8. Commander Michael Pulliam (MPD)
 - a. There's been a reduction in crime in the 5E area (but an increase in stolen automobiles and packages).
 - b. The crime camera rebate program is still in effect.
 - c. There are ongoing investigations into the shootings in LeDroit Park. However, there have been no charges for the actual shootings.
- 9. Christian Starghill provided updates from the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS):
 - a. To contact MOCRS reach out to Christian Starghill (<u>Christian.Starghill@dc.gov</u> or 202-394-4399) or Anthony Black (<u>Anthony.black@dc.gov</u> or 202-251-5049)
 - b. Mayor Bowser held a tele-townhall recently for impacted federal workers. Residents can visit Fedsupport.dc.gov to access support links.
 - c. Street sweeping has started and ticketing has begun.
 - d. MOCRS is partnering with Lead Free DC to make residents aware of the initiative to remove lead from DC. More can be found <u>here</u>.
 - e. DPR is holding a spring break camp for school children. Information can be

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found <u>here</u>.

- f. The Mayor's Office is coordinating ongoing trash issues along Rhode Island Avenue at the median at 36 Rhode Island Ave.
- 10. Alex Clark Prime Ability
 - a. Background: Alex was 2023 DC Teacher of the Year and the 2024 national PE Teacher of the year. Began cycling during the pandemic and began operating group rides and team competitions.
 - b. There is a bike shop at Dunbar which is manned by students in the community.
 - c. Prime Ability runs a Bike Bus and community members are encouraged to join. The next one is on March 26, meet between 7-730, take off 745 at Dunbar HS.
- 11. Vincent Orange Jr. -- Howard University Faculty Practice Plan
 - a. With Adventist HealthCare and Howard University, which operates the Howard Faculty Practice Plan,
 - b. Offer a variety of community health services, including for those without insurance, as well as youth apprenticeship program.
- 12. ANC Business
 - a. Commissioner Thompson presented on a letter of support for the PUD changes to Reservoir District Parcels 2 and 4. Commissioner Lewis motioned to support. Commissioner Vining seconded.
 - Motion approved via voice vote with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner Gardiner (Y), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Bloomberg (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Thompson (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
 - b. Marty Sullivan presented on BZA 21274 (21 Channing St NE). Commissioner Vining motioned to support the application. Commissioner Thompson seconded.
 - Motion approved via voice vote with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner Gardiner (Y), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Bloomberg (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Thompson (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
 - c. Travis Slocum presented on BZA 21272 (54 Randolph PI NW). Commissioner Bloomberg motioned to support the application. Commissioner Vining seconded.
 - i. Motion approved via voice vote with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner

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- Commissioner Imtiaz presented on a resolution to request Prioritization of Pedestrian Safety by DDOT at varous intersections in ANC 5E.
 Commissioner Vining motioned to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Thompson seconded.
 - Motion approved via voice vote with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner Gardiner (Y), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Bloomberg (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Thompson (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
- e. Commissioners Lewis and Gardiner presented on a resolution in response to DDOT NOI-25-35-CPD pertaining to changes to curbside infrastructure to facilitate WMATA's Better Bus Network.
 - i. Community comments:
 - Community member Brian Gafney expressed concern with a provision of the resolution calling for the installation of additional automated traffic enforcement devices to calm traffic on 3rd St. Commissioner Lewis motioned to support the resolution. Commissioner Gardiner seconded.
 - ii. Commissioner Lewis motioned to support the resolution. Commissioner Gardiner seconded.
 - Motion approved via voice vote with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner Gardiner (Y), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Bloomberg (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Thompson (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y).
- f. A second reading was given on the Amendments to ANC 5E Bylaws. Commissioner Vining moved to adopt the amendments. Commissioner Thompson seconded.
 - Motion passed via voice vote with a 6-0-0 vote: Commissioner Gardiner (Y), Commissioner Lewis (Y), Commissioner Bloomberg (Y), Commissioner Imtiaz (Y), Commissioner Thompson (Y), Commissioner Vining (Y)
- 13. Community Comments
 - a. None.
- 14. The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

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