



# **2023 Annual Report of** **ANC 2B**



# **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## **Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, January 11th, 2023; 7:00 p.m.  
Online via Zoom

### **Call to Order**

The regular January 2023 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Meg Roggensack at 7:02 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were: Meg Roggensack (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), China Dickerson (2B04), Z Stein (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Patricia Bencivenga (2B07), Zach Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Election of 2023 Commission Officers**

Commissioner Adams nominated Commissioner Roggensack to serve as the ANC's Chair for 2023. Commissioner Roggensack accepted the nomination. The motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

Commissioner Rueckgauer nominated Commissioner Adams to serve as the ANC's Vice Chair for 2023. Commissioner Adams accepted the nomination. The motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

Commissioner Slatt nominated Commissioner Bencivenga to serve as the ANC's Secretary for 2023. Commissioner Bencivenga accepted the nomination. The motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

Commissioner Davis nominated Commissioner Dickerson to serve as the ANC's Treasurer for 2023. Commissioner Dickerson accepted the nomination. The motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

### Update from Allister Chang, the Ward 2 Member of the State Board of Education

Allister Chang, the Ward 2 Member of the State Board of Education (SBOE), gave an update regarding his SBOE work.

### Commissioner Announcements

Commissioners Adams, Slatt, Bencivenga, Stein, Johnson, Dickerson, Rueckgauer, and Davis gave commission announcements.

### Committee Updates

*The Commission removed this matter from the ANC's meeting agenda.*

### Reports from DC Government Representatives

Julius Terry, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS); Lieutenant Timothy Beirne, a representative for the Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) Second District; Kent Boese, the Executive Director of the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions (OANC); and Victoria Casarrubias, the Scheduler and Office Assistant for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office, gave DC Government reports.

### Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items

Bill McLeod, the Executive Director of the Dupont Circle Business Improvement District (BID); Robert Meins, the Executive Director of Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets (HDCMS); Susan Volman, the President of the Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA); and a local resident gave other public announcements and general comments or future agenda items.

### **Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Agenda**

#### **Komi / Happy Gyro / Happy Ice Cream – Application for a New Retailer's Class "B" Beer and Wine Store License at 1509-1511 17th Street NW**

Commissioner Bencivenga moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Komi / Happy Gyro / Happy Ice Cream's request for a stipulated license as part of the establishment's application for a new Retailer's Class "B" Beer and Wine Store license at 1509-1511 17th Street NW.

#### **Saul Urban Host – Application for Renewal of the Establishment's Retailer's Class "C" Tavern License at 15 Dupont Circle NW**

*The Commission did not take any action regarding this matter.*

## **Land Use Agenda**

### **1720 Q Street NW – Concept / Rear 2-Story Plus Cellar Addition for Expanded Living Space and Bedrooms with New Rear Stoop, Exterior Roof Deck with Access from 3rd Floor**

Commissioner Bencivenga moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-2). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports the Historic Preservation Review Board concept application for 1720 Q Street NW, provided that the applicant continues to engage with neighbors regarding concerns identified by neighbors.

## **Public Space Committee Agenda**

### **Public Space Application for the Installation of Streetlight Facilities at 1732 15th Street NW**

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports the public space application for the installation of streetlight facilities at 1732 15th Street NW.

## **General Agenda**

### **Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Zorba's Café's Charitable Contributions to Individuals Experiencing Homelessness via the Open Table Program**

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Zorba's Cafe at 1612 20th Street NW has been a popular, locally-owned and operated, Greek café in Dupont Circle since 1984,

WHEREAS, the Church of the Pilgrims at 2201 P Street NW, an LGBTQ-affirming Presbyterian church in Dupont Circle, has provided meals and sack lunches to those in need since 1981 through its Open Table program,

WHEREAS, in partnership since 2015, Zorba's Cafe has provided over 1,000 meals to individuals experiencing homelessness via the Open Table program at the Church of the Pilgrims, and

WHEREAS, food insecurity and homelessness are serious concerns that affect residents of Dupont Circle and the District of Columbia, and ANC 2B urges collaboration between government, private business, and social welfare organizations to provide relief for these problems.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B commends Zorba's Cafe for its charitable contributions to individuals experiencing homelessness via the Open Table program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B encourages all restaurants, cafes, and food stores in Dupont Circle to emulate Zorba's Cafe in its efforts to ease hunger amongst individuals experiencing homelessness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B urges groups like Food Rescue US and the Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington (RAMW) to work with the Dupont Circle Business Improvement District (BID) and Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets (HDCMS) to assist restaurants, cafes, and other businesses to strengthen their commitments and efforts to combat hunger among individuals experiencing homelessness and others experiencing food insecurity in our neighborhood and the District of Columbia.

### **Administrative Matters**

#### **Approval of the ANC's 2023 Meeting Calendar**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to approve the ANC's 2023 meeting calendar. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The 2023 meeting calendar is as follows:

- Regular January Meeting: Wednesday, January 11th, 2023 at 7:00 pm
- Regular February Meeting: Wednesday, February 8th, 2023 at 7:00 pm
- Regular March Meeting: Wednesday, March 8th, 2023 at 7:00 pm
- Regular April Meeting: Tuesday, April 11th, 2023 at 7:00 pm
- Regular May Meeting: Wednesday, May 10th, 2023 at 7:00 pm
- Regular June Meeting: Wednesday, June 14th, 2023 at 7:00 pm
- Regular July Meeting: Wednesday, July 12th, 2023 at 7:00 pm
- Regular August Meeting: Wednesday, August 9th, 2023 at 7:00 pm
- Regular September Meeting: Wednesday, September 13th, 2023 at 7:00 pm
- Regular October Meeting: Wednesday, October 11th, 2023 at 7:00 pm
- Regular November Meeting: Wednesday, November 8th, 2023 at 7:00 pm
- Regular December Meeting: Wednesday, December 13th, 2023 at 7:00 pm

#### **Approval of the ANC's Participation in the 2023 ANC Security Fund**

Commissioner Adams moved to approve the ANC's participation in the 2023 ANC Security Fund. Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

#### Approval of the Addition of New ANC Officers as Signatories for the ANC's Checking Account

Commissioner Dickerson moved to approve the addition of the new ANC officers as signatories for the ANC's checking account. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

#### Discussion of ANC Committees for 2023 and Appointment of Committee Chairs

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to establish the ANC's Land Use Committee (LUC) and Mobility Committee (MC) and to put on hiatus the ANC's Education and Parks Working Group and COVID-19 Emergency Response Task Force for 2023. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

Commissioner Johnson nominated Commissioner Rueckgauer to serve as Chair of the ANC's Mobility Committee (MC) for 2023. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

Commissioner Slatt nominated Commissioner Davis to serve as the Chair of ANC's Land Use Committee (LUC) for 2023. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

#### Approval of the ANC's Regular December 2022 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to approve the ANC's regular December 2022 meeting minutes. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1).

#### Approval of the ANC's FY 2023 Quarter 1 Financial Report

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to approve the ANC's FY 2023 Quarter 1 financial report. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

#### **Adjournment**

Chair Roggensack adjourned the meeting at 9:28 pm.



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### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Commissioner Announcements**

Chair Roggensack and Commissioners Dickerson, Adams, Slatt, and Bencivenga gave commissioner announcements.

#### **Committee Updates**

Commissioner Davis, Chair of the ANC's Land Use Committee (LUC), and Commissioner Rueckgauer, Chair of the ANC's Mobility Committee (MC), gave committee updates.

#### **Reports from DC Government Representatives**

Julius Terry, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS); Sergeant Kenneth Brown, a representative for the Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) Second District; and Victoria Casarrubias, the Scheduler and Office Assistant for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office, gave DC Government reports.

#### **Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items**

Susan Volman, the President of the Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA); Nick DelleDonne, the President of the Dupont East Civic Action Association (DECAA); and two local residents gave other public announcements and general comments or future agenda items.

### **Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Agenda**

Rosebud Liquor – Application to Transfer the Establishment’s Retailer’s Class “A” Liquor Store License from 1711 17th Street NW to 1700 17th Street NW

*The Commission did not take any action regarding this matter.*

### **Land Use Agenda**

1825/1875 Connecticut Avenue NW – Application for Special Exceptions from the Penthouse Setback Requirements, the Court Requirements, and the Side Yard Requirements to Construct Upper Floor Additions with Penthouses and Roof Decks, and Convert to a Residential Use, an Existing, Detached, Nine-Story, with Below-Grade Parking, Penthouses, and Roof Decks, Mixed Use Building

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-2). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, PB Universal South, LLC and PB Universal North, LLC have submitted Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) application #20879 and are seeking approval for special exceptions from the penthouse setback requirements, court requirements, and side yard requirements to convert an existing office building to residential use and construct penthouses and roof deck at 1825/1875 Connecticut Avenue NW, located within ANC 1C01,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B’s Land Use Committee (LUC) reviewed the submitted concept plans at its duly noticed monthly meeting via Zoom on February 1, 2023,

WHEREAS, the applicant presented a tasteful and architecturally contextual scheme to renovate the public-facing facades,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B strongly supports the conversion of under-performing office properties to residential use,

WHEREAS, questions were raised about the addition of curb cuts and a large driveway on Florida Avenue NW and its effect on the pedestrian experience and safety, and

WHEREAS, questions were raised about the penthouse addition and its effect on the roof line visible from the street.



THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B largely supports BZA application #20879 and requests that the applicant continues working with the community to refine the penthouse setback and Florida Avenue NW entrance.

1816-1818 R Street NW – Application for a Special Exception from the Matter-of-Right Uses and Area Variances from the Nonconforming Structure Requirements and Floor Area Ratio Requirements to Construct a Rear Addition, and Permit the Continued Non-Profit Use, of an Existing, Attached, Four-Story with Basement, Office Building

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the American Association of Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) submitted Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) application #20875 for a special exception from the matter-of-right uses and an area variance from the nonconforming structure requirements at 1816-1818 R Street NW, located within ANC 2B03,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B's Land Use Committee (LUC) reviewed the submitted concept plans at its duly noticed monthly meeting via Zoom on February 1, 2023, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that the concept plans appear to be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the zoning regulations and zoning maps.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports BZA application #20875 as presented.

1816-1818 R Street NW – Concept / Alterations and Rear Addition

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) application for 1816-1818 R Street NW as presented.

1632 17th Street NW – Application for a Special Exception from the Matter-of-Right Uses to Permit an Animal Boarding Use on the Second Story of an Existing, Semi-Detached, Two-Story Commercial Building

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Kristina Heinz submitted Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) application #20878 for a special exception from the matter-of-right uses to permit a cat boarding use on the second story of 1632 17th Street NW, located within ANC 2B03,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B's Land Use Committee (LUC) reviewed the submitted concept plans at its duly noticed monthly meeting via Zoom on February 1, 2023, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that the concept plans appear to be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the zoning regulations and zoning maps.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports BZA application #20878 as presented.

1300 Connecticut Avenue NW – Application for a Minor Modification to the Planned Unit Development (PUD)

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Stein seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, TRT 1300 Connecticut Owner Ave, LCC submitted Zoning Commission (ZC) application #80-13B for a minor modification to the planned unit development to add penthouse space at 1300 Connecticut Avenue NW, located within ANC 2B05,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B's Land Use Committee (LUC) reviewed the submitted concept plans at its duly noticed monthly meeting via Zoom on February 1, 2023, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B believes that the concept plans appear to be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the zoning regulations and zoning maps.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports ZC application #80-13B as presented.

1617 U Street NW and 1620 V Street NW – Application for a Map Amendment from MU-4 to MU-10

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion. Commissioner Dickerson moved to table the matter to a future ANC meeting. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion to table the matter, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1).

**General Agenda**

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Special Event Application for the 2023 Capital Pride Parade on Saturday, June 10th, 2023

Chair Roggensack moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Dupont Circle has hosted the annual Capital Pride Parade since its founding as Gay Pride Day in 1975,

WHEREAS, the Capital Pride Parade and Capital Pride Festival are among Washington, DC's largest community events and carry extra significance to the LGBTQI+ community due to their location in the nation's capital,

WHEREAS, the Capital Pride Alliance, the sponsor and producer of the annual Capital Pride Parade and Capital Pride Festival, plans this year's 2023 parade and festival, scheduled for June 10, 2023 and June 11, 2023, respectively,

WHEREAS, the 2023 Capital Pride Parade will honor the event's history with a route beginning in Logan Circle and ending in Dupont Circle and complementary venues, while looking to its future – WorldPride Washington, DC, a 50th celebration in 2025,

WHEREAS, these venues will include review areas along the route and a closure of 17th Street NW from R Street NW to P Street NW in order to enable a block party event during June 10, 2023, as well as June 9, 2023 if approved by the Mayor's Special Event Task Group, and

WHEREAS, this year's Capital Pride Parade is the 48th annual and is a critical building block toward WorldPride Washington, DC, on the occasion of the 50th celebration in two years, and will benefit from strong advanced community and business engagement to ensure awareness, support, and appropriate logistical preparations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B welcomes the return of the annual Capital Pride Parade and Capital Pride Festival.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the Mayor's Office elevates the profile of the Capital Pride Parade and Capital Pride Festival, facilitating and prioritizing necessary permits, approvals, arrangements, and requisite support from District of Columbia authorities, agencies, and departments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B pledges to support the Capital Pride Alliance and the LGBTQI+ community in outreach and associated activities in order to contribute to the successful return of this event to our neighborhood.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Restore Mass Ave's Dupont Tree Plaza Project and its Conflicts with the Staging Area for the District Department of Transportation's Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project

Commissioner Slatt moved to remand the matter to the ANC's Mobility Committee.  
Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding DC's Support for Individuals Experiencing Homelessness During Encampment Clearings

*The Commission did not take any action regarding this matter.*

**Administrative Matters**

Approval of the ANC's Regular January 2023 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Adams moved to approve the ANC's regular January 2023 meeting minutes.  
Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

Appointment of the Members of the ANC's Land Use Committee (LUC)

Commissioner Davis moved to appoint the members of the ANC's Land Use Committee.  
Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The members of the ANC's Land Use Committee are as follows:

- Michael Beidler
- Yonah Freemark
- William Herbig
- Sam Nelson
- Beverly Schwartz
- Kyle Mulhall

Appointment of the Members of the ANC's Mobility Committee (MC)

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to appoint the members of the ANC's Mobility Committee.  
Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).  
The members of the ANC's Mobility Committee are as follows:

- Meredith Brown
- Paul Cadario
- Ana Karimi
- Rudi Riet
- Giancarlo Valdetaro
- Dan Winston

**Adjournment**

Chair Roggensack adjourned the meeting at 11:03 pm.



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### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Roggensack adopted the ANC's meeting agenda by acclamation.

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Update from Councilmember Brooke Pinto**

Councilmember Brooke Pinto gave an update regarding her work on the DC Council.

#### **Commissioner Announcements**

Commissioners Bencivenga and Slatt gave commissioner announcements.

#### **Committee Updates**

Commissioner Rueckgauer, Chair of the ANC's Mobility Committee (MC), and Commissioner Davis, Chair of the ANC's Land Use Committee (LUC), gave committee updates.

#### **Reports from DC Government Representatives**

Lieutenant Timothy Beirne, a representative for the Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) Second District, gave DC Government reports.

#### **Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items**

Robert Meins, the Executive Director of Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets (HDCMS); Bill McLeod, the Executive Director of the Dupont Circle Business Improvement District (BID); Susan Volman, the President of the Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA); and Nick DelleDonne, the President of the Dupont East Civic Action Association (DECAA), gave other public announcements and general comments or future agenda items.

### **Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Agenda**

#### **Vagabond – Application for a Substantial Change to the Establishment’s Retailer’s Class C Restaurant License at 1836 18th Street NW**

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B protests Vagabond’s application for a substantial change to the establishment’s Retailer’s Class “C” Restaurant license at 1836 18th Street NW based on the adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood. The ANC agrees to withdraw the protest if and when a satisfactory settlement agreement is executed by the ANC and the applicant and presented to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board for approval.

### **Land Use Agenda**

#### **1733 16th Street NW – Historic Landmark for a Scottish Rite Temple Amendment (Boundary Revision) to Reduce Boundary to That of Former A&T Lot 800, Within Present Lot 110, and to Establish a Period of Significance**

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-2). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the owner of 1733 16th Street NW, the Supreme Council Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of the Southern Jurisdiction USA, has applied to the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) to amend the previous landmark designation by reducing the boundary of the historic landmark to the former A&T Lot 800 and by establishing a period of significance,

WHEREAS, the building at 1733 16th Street NW is in ANC 2B09 and the Sixteenth Street Historic District,

WHEREAS, the building at 1733 16th Street NW, commonly known as the “Temple,” was built in 1915 on Lot 800,

WHEREAS, the Temple was landmarked as historic in 1964 and identified by its street address but without defining its property lines. At the time the Temple stood exclusively on Lot 800,

WHEREAS, after 1964, the owner of the Temple began acquiring neighboring properties and for non-historic preservation purposes amended the property lines to create an expanded Lot 820 that included Lot 800 and certain neighboring lots,

WHEREAS, in 1978, the Temple was designated as a contributing property to the Sixteenth Street Historic District and listed on the National Register of Historic Places. This designation did not define a property line for the Temple for historic preservation purposes but at this time the Temple sat on Lot 820,

WHEREAS, in 2018, the owner announced plans to develop on part of its property beyond the area formerly included in Lot 800,

WHEREAS, on review of HPRB's initial approval of the project, the DC Superior Court ruled that the property line for the Temple for historic preservation purposes was Lot 820,

WHEREAS, HPRB subsequently issued an order approving the reduction of the property line for the Temple to the original Lot 800,

WHEREAS, HPRB's order was challenged in DC Superior Court. The court noted that HPRB does have the authority to reduce the property line of a historic landmark, but that HPRB did not follow proper procedure in this case. The court ruled that the only question legally before HPRB was a request to expand the historic designation, and that HPRB therefore could not issue an order to reduce the property lines,

WHEREAS, consistent with the court's ruling, the owner of the Temple is now formally requesting that HPRB reduces the property line to Lot 800 to accommodate the owner's construction on the remaining property it owns,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has reviewed this project to build an apartment building on the owner's property beyond Lot 800 under HPRB and zoning requirements on at least five occasions:

- On November 14, 2018, ANC 2B voted as part of a historic preservation concept review to request that the owner considers changes to the design, including different window treatments in the carriage house, muted brick colors, and to simplify the overall exterior design. No changes were suggested for the proposed footprint of the new building which would extend over Lot 820's property line.
- On May 16, 2019, ANC 2B voted to support the project as proposed to HPRB after requested changes were made to the exterior design. The proposed development extended over Lot 820's property line.

- On May 16, 2019, ANC 2B voted to oppose the request by the Dupont East Civic Action Association to HPRB to expand the size of the historic landmark designation.
- On September 11, 2019, ANC 2B voted to support the request by the owner to HPRB for the division of the then-existing property lines to match the lines of Lot 800.
- On April 24, 2021, ANC 2B voted to not support an appeal to the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) that challenged the previously approved division of the relevant lots for zoning purposes. This previously approved division matched the property line for Lot 800.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B's Land Use Committee (LUC) reviewed the submitted concept plans at its duly noticed monthly meeting held March 1, 2023 and heard testimony from the owner and residents.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the amendment to the historic landmark designation submitted by the Supreme Council Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of the Southern Jurisdiction USA to HPRB that would reduce the boundary to the former A&T Lot 800.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the amendment to set a date of significance as 1915.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B asks HPRB to approve these amendments if HPRB finds that doing so is consistent with DC law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the ANC's LUC Chair, the ANC's Chair, the ANC's Executive Director, and the single member district (SMD) commissioner be sent the final decision on this matter as approved by HPRB and/or HPRB staff.

#### 1743 S Street NW – Permit / Penthouse Addition and Roof Deck

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the owner of 1743 S Street NW, Kingfisher Investment Group LLC, has applied to the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) for approval of plans to modify the exterior of this rowhouse, including the addition of a penthouse, roof deck, rear stairs, and a front stairway to access the basement,

WHEREAS, the rowhouse at 1743 S Street NW is in ANC 2B01 and the Dupont Circle Historic District, and



WHEREAS, ANC 2B's Land Use Committee (LUC) reviewed the submitted concept plans at its duly noticed monthly meeting held March 1, 2023 and heard testimony from the owner and neighbors.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the HPRB application submitted by the owner with the understanding that:

1. The penthouse, roof deck, related mechanical elements, and all related parts are not visible from any part of the public space along S Street NW, and pass the physical "flag test" as field verified by Historic Preservation Office (HPO) staff and interested members of the ANC. Notice of the test should be given at least two days prior to the scheduled flag test,
2. The owner considers neighbors' request to restore the lost historic fabric of the facade to replicate its original historic character and appearance, as is demonstrated on the neighboring "intact" home, and as coordinated with HPO staff,
3. The owner considers eliminating the exterior stair in the front yard, which is an anomaly to the modest row of homes, and reconfiguring the interior plans to create a common entry vestibule from which one would access both the main house unit and the lower level unit, leaving a much more modest front yard areaway for enlarged windows and a ground level safety/fall grate with no visible railing at the front of the house, and
4. The owner considers eliminating the south side rooftop entertainment deck, moving the mechanical units to a mechanical "deck" in the front of the house, relocating the accessible exterior entertaining deck to the rear of the house, and extending the new rear access stair to the roof if desired.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the ANC's LUC Chair, the ANC's Chair, the ANC's Executive Director, and the single member district (SMD) commissioner be sent copies of the final concept design and actions as approved by HPRB and/or HPRB staff.

### **General Agenda**

#### **Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Kappa Alpha Psi's Block Party on S Street NW Between 17th Street NW and New Hampshire Avenue NW on Saturday, July 8th, 2023**

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Dickerson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports the special event application for Kappa Alpha Psi's block party on S Street NW between 17th Street NW and New Hampshire Avenue NW on Saturday, July 8th, 2023.

#### **Recruitment of a Volunteer Public Safety Case Monitor**

Commissioners Slatt and Dickerson gave an update regarding the recruitment of a volunteer public safety case monitor.

#### Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Protecting Local Democracy and Autonomy

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the people of the District of Columbia have a fundamental right to self-governance and autonomy, and the principle of democratic representation is a cornerstone of American democracy,

WHEREAS, the recent announcement by President Joe Biden that he is willing to sign a bill passed by the U.S. Congress that will overturn the Revised Criminal Code Act, a law passed by the duly elected Council of the District of Columbia, is a deep affront to the principles of self-governance and local democracy,

WHEREAS, this action by the President undermines the will of the people of the District of Columbia, who voted overwhelmingly in favor of his election and expect him to respect the democratic process and their right to self-determination,

WHEREAS, every community in the District of Columbia is outraged by this action, which undermines the principles of democratic representation and local autonomy and sends a message that the voices and concerns of DC residents are not being heard or respected,

WHEREAS, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2B condemns the actions of the President in undermining the democratic mandate of the residents of the District of Columbia and calls upon him to take immediate action to push Congress to pass DC statehood, and not just signal support for the idea, and

WHEREAS, the President's actions have undermined the trust and confidence of DC residents in the democratic process and the principles of American democracy.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2B condemns the actions of President Joe Biden in signaling his willingness to sign an unjust bill passed by the U.S. Congress that would overturn the Revised Criminal Code Act, a law passed by the Council of the District of Columbia, and affirms the importance of respecting the principles of local autonomy and democratic representation in the District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B demands an apology from President Joe Biden for his actions, which have undermined the trust and confidence of DC residents in the democratic process and the principles of American democracy, and calls upon him to

take immediate action to push Congress to pass DC statehood and respect the will of the people of the District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B calls upon all elected officials, including President Joe Biden and members of Congress, to respect the democratic mandate of the residents of the District of Columbia, and to refrain from interfering with the autonomy and self-determination of the District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B urges all residents of the District of Columbia to stand up for their democratic rights and principles and to demand full representation and enfranchisement for all DC residents, regardless of their race, ethnicity, religion, sex, gender (including gender expression and identity), sexual orientation, age, national origin, citizenship, disability, pregnancy, veteran status, political affiliation, lawful union activity, marital status, caregiver status, or any other protected status.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B affirms its commitment to the principles of democratic representation and self-determination and will continue to advocate for the rights and interests of all residents of the District of Columbia, including the right to full and equal representation in the political process.

### **Administrative Matters**

#### **Approval of the ANC's Regular February 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to approve the ANC's regular February 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-1).

### **Adjournment**

Chair Roggensack adjourned the meeting at 9:29 pm.



# **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## **Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

### **Special Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, March 30th, 2023; 7:00 p.m.  
Online via Zoom

### **Call to Order**

The special March 2023 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Meg Roggensack at 7:02 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were: Meg Roggensack (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), China Dickerson (2B04), Z Stein (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Patricia Bencivenga (2B07), Zach Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

### **Other Public Announcements and General Comments**

*There were not any other public announcements and general comments.*

### **Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Agenda**

#### **Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Proposed Extension of the West Dupont Circle Moratorium Zone**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding a 90-day extension of the West Dupont Circle Moratorium Zone. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt a proposed amendment to the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion for the amendment, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The amended resolution was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the West Dupont Circle Moratorium Zone is set to expire on April 10, 2023,  
and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B may submit a request to continue the moratorium.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B respectfully requests a 90-day extension of the West Dupont Circle Moratorium Zone, beyond its scheduled expiration on April 10, 2023, so that the ABC Board may conduct its public comment period and review process.

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding a 5-year extension of the West Dupont Circle Moratorium Zone. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt a proposed amendment to the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion for the amendment, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt a proposed amendment to the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion for the amendment, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). Commissioner Slatt moved to table the matter. Commissioner Dickerson seconded the motion to table the matter, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-3-1).

### **General Agenda**

#### **Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Reduced DC Circulator Service Proposed in the Mayor's FY 2024 Budget**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Mayor Bowser's FY 2024 "Comeback Plan" budget includes elimination of DC Circulator bus service for the Rosslyn-Dupont Circle (RS-DP), Woodley Park-Adams Morgan to McPherson Square Metro (WP-AM), and Eastern Market-L'Enfant Plaza (EM-LP) routes,

WHEREAS, availability of affordable and efficient public transportation is a fundamental right of all residents, including working-class communities, and should be prioritized over profit-driven motives or budgetary considerations that disproportionately burden those with the least resources,

WHEREAS, public transportation is critical to the vitality, success, and very existence of the District's business and tourism engines,

WHEREAS, many of the District's most popular activity centers, tourism destinations, and nightlife destinations are served by the DC Circulator routes and extensions nominated for elimination,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B, along with other ANCs, believes that the Mayor's requested DC Circulator service eliminations will produce the exact opposite effect of a "comeback" for the residents and businesses in the District,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B is an ardent supporter of the DC Circulator, especially the RS-DP route and its planned extension to U Street NW, since the beginning of the service,

WHEREAS, the RS-DP route provides a convenient connection between the Dupont Circle Metrorail station and Rosslyn via M Street NW through the hearts of the West End and Georgetown,

WHEREAS, the RS-DP route reduces the number of personal vehicles, and thus traffic congestion and greenhouse gas emissions, by providing an efficient public transportation option for thousands of residents and visitors,

WHEREAS, plans to extend the RS-DP route to U Street NW, LeDroit Park, and Howard University have been in development for over a decade and it has been anticipated that FY 2024 would at long last actualize the plan,

WHEREAS, extension of RS-DP to U Street NW, LeDroit Park, and Howard University via 18th Street NW will make it easier for residents and visitors to travel to employment, retail, dining, and entertainment destinations across multiple neighborhoods and activity centers, encouraging and supporting economic opportunity and post-pandemic business recovery,

WHEREAS, extension of RS-DP to U Street NW, LeDroit Park, and Howard University will improve transit equity for a significant population of minority and lower-income residents with a low-cost, convenient service, directly connecting multiple activity centers and transfers to other DC Circulator, Metrobus, and Metrorail routes,

WHEREAS, extension of RS-DP has the potential to replace hundreds of private vehicle trips within the route corridor, thus increasing bus utilization and further supporting DDOT's planned U Street NW Bus Priority Project,

WHEREAS, the EM-LP route provides connections to Metrorail and Metrobus, along with transit access to the Wharf and Audi Field, encouraging fewer personal vehicle trips to those destinations,

WHEREAS, conversion of the DC Circulator bus fleet to all-electric buses can be reprogrammed to better align with capital funding availability, and

WHEREAS, the DC Council's Committee on Transportation and the Environment will now conduct budget hearings and prepare a committee report that will include final recommendations for funding of DC Circulator lines.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B urges DC Council's Committee on Transportation and the Environment to recognize and prioritize the importance of DC Circulator bus service to the District's economic recovery and well-being, Vision Zero, and established environmental and transportation equity objectives, and to recommend

that the DC Council provides full funding for DC Circulator operations in the FY 2024 budget and following years to prevent service reductions or eliminations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B urges the DC Council's Committee on Transportation and the Environment to recognize the importance and necessity of extending the DC Circulator's Rosslyn-Dupont Circle route to U Street NW, LeDroit Park, and Howard University in FY 2024, and to recommend to the DC Council to provide the necessary funding for this and other service improvements in the FY 2024 budget and following years.

### **Adjournment**

Chair Roggensack adjourned the meeting at 8:34 pm.



# **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## **Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, April 11th, 2023; 7:00 p.m.  
Online via Zoom

### **Call to Order**

The regular April 2023 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Meg Roggensack at 7:02 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were: Meg Roggensack (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), China Dickerson (2B04), Z Stein (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Patricia Bencivenga (2B07), Zach Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Roggensack adopted the ANC's meeting agenda by acclamation.

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Introduction by Commander John Branch, the New Commander of the Metropolitan Police Department's Second District**

Commander John Branch, the new Commander of the Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) Second District, introduced himself to meeting attendees.

#### **Presentation by Japer Bowles, Director of the Mayor's Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning Affairs, Regarding the Mayor's Proposed FY 2024 Budget**

Japer Bowles, Director of the Mayor's Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning Affairs, gave a presentation regarding the Mayor's proposed FY 2024 budget.

#### **Update from the Department of Parks and Recreation Regarding Agency Activities**

Christopher Dyer, the Community Engagement Manager for the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), gave an update regarding agency activities.

#### **Update Regarding the DC Smart Street Lighting Project**



Ashley Wells, a representative for the DC Smart Street Lighting Project, gave an update regarding the project.

#### Update Regarding Annie's 75th Anniversary

Georgia Katinas, the Manager of Annie's Paramount Steak House, gave an update regarding the restaurant's 75th anniversary.

#### Commissioner Announcements

Chair Roggensack and Commissioners Slatt and Dickerson gave commissioner announcements.

#### Committee Updates

Commissioner Rueckgauer, Chair of the ANC's Mobility Committee (MC), and Commissioner Davis, Chair of the ANC's Land Use Committee (LUC), gave committee updates.

#### Reports from DC Government Representatives

Lieutenant Timothy Beirne, a representative for MPD's Second District; Christopher Powell, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS); Victoria Casarrubias, the Scheduler and Office Assistant for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office; and Donovan Boyd, the Ward 2 Community Engagement Specialist for the District Department of Transportation (DDOT), gave DC Government reports.

#### Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items

Bill McLeod, the Executive Director of the Dupont Circle Business Improvement District (BID), and Nick DelleDonne, the President of the Dupont East Civic Action Association (DECAA), gave other public announcements and general comments or future agenda items.

#### **Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Agenda**

##### **Sixty DC – Application for a New Retailer's Class "C" Hotel License at 1337 Connecticut Avenue NW**

*Commissioner Stein recused himself from voting on this matter.*

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Dickerson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Sixty DC's application for a new Retailer's Class "C" Hotel license at 1337 Connecticut Avenue NW.

#### **Land Use Agenda**

### 1832 Florida Avenue NW – Concept / Third Story Addition

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion. Commissioner Adams made a friendly amendment to the proposed resolution. The motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the owner of 1832 Florida Avenue NW, Tejas Sapra, has applied to the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) for approval of plans to modify the exterior of the rowhouse by adding a third floor and a rear roof deck,

WHEREAS, the rowhouse at 1832 Florida Avenue NW is in ANC 2B08 and is within, but not a contributing building to, the Strivers' Section Historic District, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B's Land Use Committee (LUC) reviewed the submitted concept plans at its duly noticed monthly meeting held April 4, 2023 and heard testimony from the owner and neighbors.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the HPRB application submitted by the owner with the understanding that:

- The applicant considers removing the second floor parapet and continuing the existing brick pattern to the new floor so that it reads as a continuous surface, and
- The applicant consults with immediate neighbors before receiving a building permit.

### 1617 U Street NW and 1620 V Street NW – Application for a Map Amendment from MU-4 to MU-10

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED) has announced a potential surplus designation and disposition of the District-owned property at 1617 U Street NW and 1620 V Street NW and the Office of Planning (OP) has submitted Zoning Commission (ZC) application #23-02 for a map amendment from MU-4 to MU-10 for these properties.

The site is currently comprised of two parcels between 17th Street NW, U Street NW, and V Street NW and is currently home to the Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) Third District police headquarters and DC Fire and Emergency Services Department (FEMS) Engine Company 9 and its related uses. The site is within ANC 1B07 and is directly across the street from ANC 2B08.

The current buildings from the 1960s are neither historically designated nor contributing buildings in a historic district. The site is bounded on the north, west, and south by the Strivers' Section Historic District and on the east by the 16th Street Historic District.

ANC 2B's Land Use Committee (LUC) was presented with the proposed map amendment at its duly noticed monthly meetings on February 1, 2023 and April 4, 2023.

Therefore, ANC 2B supports the map amendment to rezone this site from MU-4 to MU-10.

### **Public Space Committee Agenda**

#### **Public Space Application by Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets for the Installation of a Sculpture in a Pocket Park at 18th Street and Q Street NW**

Commissioner Bencivenga moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets' public space application for the installation of a sculpture in a pocket park at 18th Street and Q Street NW.

### **General Agenda**

#### **Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Effects of the Mayor's Proposed FY 2024 Budget on Neighborhood School Budgets**

Chair Roggensack moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, DC Public Schools (DCPS) is proposing a cut of approximately \$146,000 to the budget for Ross Elementary School, \$195,000 to the budget for Thomson Elementary School, \$187,000 to the budget for Marie Reed Elementary School, and \$48,000 to the budget for the School Without Walls at Francis-Stevens, all of which have part or all of their boundary in ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, Ross will be forced to eliminate world language (Spanish), cut art to part time, reduce the number of aides, and eliminate its STEM coordinator,

WHEREAS, Thomson has eliminated one classroom teacher and there have been personnel cuts at Marie Reed and Francis-Stevens as well,

WHEREAS, Ross faces likely class sizes of over 30 students in one classroom in grades 1 and 3 next year, which require multiple adults to ensure a good education for all students,

WHEREAS, all of the schools are ensuring that they devote resources to their special education, English Language Learner, and at-risk students,

WHEREAS, all of these schools do critical work to educate children of ANC 2B and elsewhere in the District, but need to retain their education professionals who do this critical work,

WHEREAS, many other schools in all wards of DC are facing budget cuts of up to 5%, which will interfere with their ability to serve their student populations,

WHEREAS, the DC Council passed the Schools First in Budgeting Amendment Act to limit budget cuts and stabilize school budgets, which is now law, but DCPS has not followed it, and

WHEREAS, DCPS's new budget model makes further cuts likely for many schools in FY 2025 as well if the Schools First in Budgeting Amendment Act is not followed or the DC Council does not change the budget.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B asks DCPS and the DC Council to restore funding to all schools in ANC 2B and across the District who faced budget cuts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B asks DCPS and the DC Council to ensure that schools are funded to maintain their current staffing levels, including to keep pace with rising costs, in future years.

### **Administrative Matters**

#### **Approval of the ANC's Regular March 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to approve the ANC's regular March 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

#### **Approval of the ANC's Special March 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the ANC's special March 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

#### **Approval of the ANC's FY 2023 Quarter 2 Financial Report**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to approve the ANC's FY 2023 Quarter 2 financial report. Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

Request for Scheduling an Administrative Meeting and a Personnel Meeting

The Commissioners discussed scheduling an administrative meeting and a personnel meeting.

**Adjournment**

Chair Roggensack adjourned the meeting at 10:30 pm.



# **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## **Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, May 10th, 2023; 7:00 p.m.  
Online via Zoom

### **Call to Order**

The regular May 2023 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Meg Roggensack at 7:02 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were: Meg Roggensack (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), China Dickerson (2B04), Z Stein (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Patricia Bencivenga (2B07), Zach Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES:9-0-0).

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Update from the Office of the Tenant Advocate Regarding the Work of the Office**

Nicole McEntee, a Program Analyst for the Office of the Tenant Advocate (OTA), gave an update regarding the work of the office.

### **Commissioner Announcements**

Chair Roggensack and Commissioners Johnson and Rueckgauer gave commissioner announcements.

### **Committee Updates**

Commissioner Davis, Chair of the ANC's Land Use Committee (LUC), and Commissioner Rueckgauer, Chair of the ANC's Mobility Committee (MC), gave committee updates.

### **Reports from DC Government Representatives**

Christopher Powell, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS); Victoria Casarrubias, the Scheduler and Office Assistant for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office; and Lieutenant Timothy Beirne, a representative for the Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) Second District, gave DC Government reports.

#### Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items

Susan Volman, the President of the Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA), and Nick DelleDonne, the President of the Dupont East Civic Action Association (DECAA), gave other public announcements and general comments or future agenda items.

#### **Land Use Agenda**

##### Zoning Commission Application for Text Amendments to Subtitles I, X, Y, and Z for Rules of Practice and Procedure, Resulting in Proposed Changes to Zoning Procedures that Will Affect Public Participation, Notice to ANC's, Racial Equity Analysis Requirements, and Appeals of Zoning Decisions

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia's (OAG) proposal as part of the Zoning Commission application for text amendments to Subtitles I, X, Y, and Z for Rules of Practice and Procedure.

#### **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Control Board Agenda**

##### City Tap House – Application for a Substantial Change to the Establishment's Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant License at 1250 Connecticut Avenue NW

Commissioner Stein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, City Tap House, located at 1250 Connecticut Avenue NW in single member district 2B05 of ANC 2B, holds a Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant license,

WHEREAS, the applicant has operated at this location since 2017 without notable incident,

WHEREAS, City Tap House has applied for an entertainment endorsement to offer live entertainment inside of the establishment between 11:00 am and 2:00 am on Sundays through Saturdays,

WHEREAS, it is believed that such indoor entertainment should not adversely affect the neighborhood, as the nearest residences are more than a block away, and

WHEREAS, many other establishments within two blocks of City Tap House are permitted to offer entertainment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports City Tap House's application for an indoor entertainment endorsement for its license.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests, if the endorsement is approved, that the establishment's settlement agreement be revised to include the allowed hours for indoor entertainment.

Krave Restaurant & Lounge – Application for a New Retailer's Class "C" Tavern License at 1736 Connecticut Avenue NW

Chair Roggensack moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Krave Restaurant & Lounge has applied for a new Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1736 Connecticut Avenue NW in single member district 2B01 of ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, the applicant seeks operating hours of Sunday, 11:00 am to 12:00 am; Monday through Tuesday, closed; Wednesday through Thursday, 11:00 am to 12:00 am; and Friday through Saturday, 11:00 am to 2:00 am; and alcoholic beverage sales/service/consumption hours of Sunday, 11:00 am to 11:45 pm; Monday through Tuesday, closed; Wednesday through Thursday, 12:00 pm to 11:45 pm; Friday, 12:00 pm to 1:45 am; and Saturday, 11:00 am to 1:45 am,

WHEREAS, the applicant seeks an entertainment endorsement, including dancing, with hours of Sunday, 4:00 pm to 12:00 am; Monday through Tuesday, closed; Wednesday through Thursday, 9:30 pm to 12:00 am; Friday through Saturday, 10:00 pm to 2:00 am,

WHEREAS, the applicant seeks a cover charge endorsement,

WHEREAS, the applicant has indicated desire to apply for a valet parking permit, and

WHEREAS, the applicant has requested that ANC 2B supports a stipulated license to permit operation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B welcomes and encourages new businesses in our neighborhood and supports the issuing of a stipulated license for operating a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern without endorsements.



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B protests Krave Restaurant & Lounge's license application based on the adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood, to be withdrawn upon the acceptance and order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board of a settlement agreement between ANC 2B and the applicant, to establish a harmonious relationship with the neighborhood.

Amparo Fondita (Dupont) – Application for a New Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant License at 2002 P Street NW

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Amparo Fondita (Dupont) has applied for a new Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant license at 2002 P Street NW in single member district 2B02 of ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, the applicant seeks inside operating hours of Sunday through Thursday, 7:00 am to 1:00 am; and Friday through Saturday, 7:00 am to 1:30 am; and inside alcoholic beverage sales/service/consumption hours of Sunday through Thursday, 8:00 am to 1:00 am; and Friday through Saturday, 8:00 am to 1:30 am,

WHEREAS, the applicant seeks an alcoholic beverage carry-out and delivery endorsement with hours of Sunday through Saturday, 8:00 am to 1:00 am,

WHEREAS, the applicant seeks an indoor entertainment endorsement with hours of Sunday through Thursday, 10:00 am to 11:00 pm; and Friday through Saturday, 10:00 am to 12:00 am,

WHEREAS, the applicant seeks a streatory endorsement with operating hours of Sunday through Thursday, 7:00 am to 11:00 pm; and Friday through Saturday, 7:00 am to 12:00 am; and alcoholic beverage sales/service/consumption hours of Sunday through Thursday, 8:00 am to 11:00 pm; and Friday through Saturday, 8:00 am to 12:00 am, and

WHEREAS, Amparo Fondita (Dupont) will feature Mexican cuisine and entertainment, which will be for the enjoyment of guests dining and occasional private events such as birthdays, weddings, corporate events, and holiday parties.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Amparo Fondita (Dupont)'s license application as submitted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B protests Amparo Fondita (Dupont)'s license application based on the adverse impact on the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood, to be withdrawn upon the acceptance and order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board of a settlement agreement between ANC 2B and the applicant, to establish a harmonious relationship with the neighborhood.

Alero Restaurant – Application to Transfer the Establishment’s Retailer’s Class “C” Restaurant License from 1724 Connecticut Avenue NW to a New Location at 1629 Connecticut Avenue NW

Chair Roggensack moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-2). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Alero Restaurant, currently located at 1724 Connecticut Avenue NW in single member district 2B01 of ANC 2B, holds a Retailer’s Class “C” Restaurant license,

WHEREAS, the establishment has operated at 1724 Connecticut Avenue NW for more than twenty years without complaint from the neighborhood,

WHEREAS, the establishment is proposing to relocate to 1629 Connecticut Avenue NW,

WHEREAS, there are no changes sought to the terms of the license, and

WHEREAS, a settlement agreement was approved for a former occupant of the 1629 Connecticut Avenue NW space and it remains applicable to successor occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the transfer of Alero Restaurant’s license from 1724 Connecticut Avenue NW to 1629 Connecticut Avenue NW.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the issuing of a stipulated license to permit the establishment to continue operation at the 1629 Connecticut Avenue NW location without interruption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B will work with the establishment to review and, as may be necessary, to revise the existing settlement agreement to accommodate differences between the new and former business formats.

Mad Hatter – Application for a Substantial Change to the Establishment’s Retailer’s Class “C” Tavern License at 1321 Connecticut Avenue NW

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Stein seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Mad Hatter, located at 1321 Connecticut Avenue NW in single member district 2B05 of ANC 2B, holds a Retailer’s Class “C” Tavern license,

WHEREAS, the applicant has operated at this location since 2009, and in the Dupont Circle neighborhood since 1981,

WHEREAS, Mad Hatter, like most restaurants and taverns in DC, continues to struggle financially due to the adversity caused by the pandemic and the uncertain economic climate,

WHEREAS, Mad Hatter has submitted a substantial change application to increase the occupancy of its premises from the current 224 people to 495 people,

WHEREAS, the current Certificate of Occupancy declares occupancy of 224 people and an increase must be approved by the Department of Buildings in order for the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board to grant the request,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has not been advised by neighborhood residents of violations of the establishment's settlement agreement, other concerns, or reasons to oppose this request, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B at this time does not know what the Department of Building's decision will be regarding the Certificate of Occupancy and what new allowed maximum occupancy will be granted.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Mad Hatter's substantial change application to increase occupancy from 224 people to not more than 500 people, pursuant to the issuance of a corresponding revised Certificate of Occupancy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board advises the ANC if a revised settlement agreement between the establishment and the ANC is advisable in order to reflect the decision on occupancy and to bring conditions in line with the current enforceability standard.

### **Administrative Matters**

#### **Approval of the ANC's Regular April 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to approve the ANC's regular April 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

#### **Approval of the Creation of an ANC Working Group Regarding Administrative Matters Requiring Additional Deliberation Outside of the Scope of Existing Committees**

Commissioner Slatt moved to approve the creation of an ANC working group regarding administrative matters requiring additional deliberation outside of the scope of existing committees. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

#### **Approval of an Increase in the ANC Executive Director's Salary**

Chair Roggensack moved to approve a \$100 a month increase in the ANC Executive Director's salary. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

### **Adjournment**

Chair Roggensack adjourned the meeting at 9:14 pm.



# **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## **Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, June 14th, 2023; 7:00 p.m.  
Online via Zoom

### **Call to Order**

The regular June 2023 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Meg Roggensack at 7:05 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were: Meg Roggensack (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), China Dickerson (2B04), Z Stein (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Patricia Bencivenga (2B07), Zach Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Roggensack adopted the ANC's meeting agenda by unanimous consent.

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Presentation by Heather McGaffin, Director of the Office of Unified Communications (OUC), Regarding the Work of the Office**

Heather McGaffin, the Director of the Office of Unified Communications (OUC), gave a presentation regarding the work of the office.

#### **Presentation by the Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection (DLCP) Regarding the Work of the Agency**

Paul Caswell, an Account Manager for the Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection (DLCP), gave a presentation regarding the work of the agency.

### **Commissioner Announcements**

Chair Roggensack and Commissioner Adams gave commissioner announcements.

### **Committee Updates**

Commissioner Davis, Chair of the ANC's Land Use Committee (LUC), and Commissioner Rueckgauer, Chair of the ANC's Mobility Committee (MC), gave committee updates.

#### Reports from DC Government Representatives

Christopher Powell, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS); Pablo Velasco Rodriguez, the Constituent Services Coordinator for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office; and Harold Davis, a Solid Waste Inspector for the Department of Public Works (DPW), gave DC Government reports.

#### Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items

Susan Volman, the President of the Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA), gave other public announcements and general comments or future agenda items.

#### **Land Use Agenda**

##### 2030 P Street NW – Application for a Special Exception from the Matter-of-Right Uses to Permit a Massage Establishment on the First Floor and Cellar of an Existing, Semi-Detached, Three-Story with Cellar, Mixed Use Building

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Roses LLC (the applicant) has filed application #20930 with the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) to allow for a special exception to zoning section U-513.1 (h) for converting the existing use as a cleaners to a massage therapy use at 2030 P Street NW,

WHEREAS, 2030 P Street NW is located in single member district 2B02 within ANC 2B; upon Square 96, Lot 17 in an MU-18 zone,

WHEREAS, the applicant has operated a massage therapy establishment in the basement and first floor of 2028 P Street NW since 2012, and in the District of Columbia for over 30 years,

WHEREAS, the applicant seeks to utilize the basement and first floor of 2030 P Street NW as an effective expansion of the 2028 P Street NW space,

WHEREAS, the applicant does not intend to join the properties together, maintaining them as distinct structures,

WHEREAS, the applicant, through counsel, appeared before ANC 2B's Land Use Committee (LUC) at a duly noticed public meeting on June 7, 2023 to discuss the application,

WHEREAS, the Land Use Committee found no likely objectionable or adverse impacts upon the character of the neighborhood, and the special exception to be in harmony with the purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and the MU-18 zone, and

WHEREAS, no members of the public expressed concern or opposition to the application at the committee meeting or to the ANC, however the status of notification and outreach to neighbors was uncertain at the time of the committee meeting.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the application for BZA case #20930 pursuant to the applicant documenting their good faith outreach effort to neighbors and satisfactory resolution of any concerns raised.

#### 1506 Caroline Street NW – Concept / Replace Two-Story Rear Addition, Add Side Bay

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the owner of 1506 Caroline Street NW has filed Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) case #23-360 with HPRB for approval of plans for renovation,

WHEREAS, the rowhouse at 1506 Caroline Street NW is located in ANC 2B09 and is a contributing building to the U Street Historic District,

WHEREAS, the renovation plans include the replacement of an existing one-story rear addition with a new two-story addition, replacement of existing rear deck with a new roof deck at the rear of the second floor, addition of a first floor rear deck, window replacement, a new bay window on a side wall, and interior renovations, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B's Land Use Committee (LUC) reviewed the submitted concept plans at its duly noticed monthly meeting held June 7, 2023 and heard testimony from the owner and architect.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the HPRB application submitted by the owner pursuant to the applicant documenting their good faith outreach effort to neighbors and satisfactory resolution of any concerns raised.

#### **Public Space Committee**

#### Public Space Application by Blank Street Coffee for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 3 Tables and 6 Seats at 1250 Connecticut Avenue NW

Commissioner Stein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Blank Street Coffee's public space application for a new, un-enclosed sidewalk café with 3 tables and 6 seats at 1250 Connecticut Avenue NW.

### **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda**

#### **Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Proposed Extension of the West Dupont Circle Moratorium Zone**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was requested. The motion was voted on and did not pass (VOTES: 4-5-0). The roll call vote was as follows:

Chair Roggensack: Yea  
Commissioner Rueckgauer: Yea  
Commissioner Slatt: Nay  
Commissioner Dickerson: Nay  
Commissioner Stein: Yea  
Commissioner Johnson: Yea  
Commissioner Bencivenga: Nay  
Commissioner Adams: Nay  
Commissioner Davis: Nay

### **General Agenda**

#### **Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Temporary Construction Reconfiguration of 19th Street NW Between Q Street and R Street NW for the Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion. Commissioner Slatt moved to table the matter and to send the matter to the ANC's Mobility Committee. Commissioner Dickerson seconded the motion to table the matter, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-1-3).

### **Administrative Matters**

#### **Approval of the ANC's Regular May 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Adams moved to approve the ANC's regular May 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0).

#### **Approval of the Terms of Reference for an ANC Working Group**

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion. Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt proposed



amendments to the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion for amendments, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-3-0). The final motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

The purpose of this ad hoc working group is to provide recommendations to the Commission on matters related to applications for public space permits and establishments seeking permits for alcohol or cannabis sales that require additional input from the public or more discussion from the Commission than can be easily accommodated in a regular meeting of the Commission.

Each Commissioner is encouraged to participate to the greatest extent feasible. When an item from a particular single member district is referred, the commissioner from that district is expected to participate, except in cases where a conflict of interest exists or may exist. When asserting a conflict of interest, a Commissioner should indicate in writing the specific reason or reasons for the conflict of interest.

Persons residing or working within the boundaries of the Commission may also be named to serve on the Working Group by the Chair of the Working Group.

Items can be referred to the Working Group by any Commissioner. When referring an item, the referring Commissioner should indicate in writing the specific issue or issues that warrant referral.

The Working Group will meet as needed on a date and time to be determined by the Chair of the Working Group.

The Working Group will work with neighbors, neighboring businesses, and the applicant to understand the potential impacts to the community and will make recommendations regarding potential mitigations or terms for protests, settlement agreements, or resolutions.

All members of the public are permitted to participate in meetings of the Working Group.

### **Adjournment**

Chair Roggensack adjourned the meeting at 10:16 pm.



# **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## **Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, July 12th, 2023; 7:00 p.m.  
Online via Zoom

### **Call to Order**

The regular July 2023 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Meg Roggensack at 7:02 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were: Meg Roggensack (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Z Stein (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Patricia Bencivenga (2B07), Zach Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Roggensack moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was adopted by unanimous consent.

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Update from Allister Chang, the Ward 2 Member of the State Board of Education**

Allister Chang, the Ward 2 Member of the State Board of Education (SBOE), gave an update regarding his SBOE work.

#### **Commissioner Announcements**

Commissioners Rueckgauer and Slatt gave commissioner announcements.

#### **Committee Updates**

Commissioner Rueckgauer, Chair of the ANC's Mobility Committee (MC), and Commissioner Johnson, Chair of the ANC's Complex Applications (CAPP) Task Force, gave committee updates.

#### **Reports from DC Government Representatives**

Christopher Powell, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS); Victoria Casarrubias, the Scheduler and Office Assistant for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office; Lieutenant Timothy Beirne, a representative for the Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) Second District; and Harold Davis, a Solid Waste Inspector for the Department of Public Works (DPW), gave DC Government reports.

#### Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items

Susan Volman, the President of the Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA); Nick DelleDonne, the President of the Dupont East Civic Action Association (DECAA); and a local resident gave other public announcements and general comments or future agenda items.

#### **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda**

##### Balos Estiatorio (Balos Restaurant) – Application for a New Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant License at 1900 N Street NW, Suite 10

Commissioner Johnson moved for ANC 2B to enter into a proposed settlement agreement with Balos Estiatorio (Balos Restaurant). Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

#### **Public Space Committee**

##### Public Space Application by Residents DC for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 19 Tables and 48 Seats at 1306 18th Street NW

*The Commission tabled consideration of this matter until the ANC's regular August 2023 meeting.*

##### Public Space Application by Dos Toros for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 6 Tables, 18 Seats, and 2 Umbrellas at 1350 Connecticut Avenue NW

Commissioner Stein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B requests a 30-day delay of the consideration of Dos Toros' public space application for 1350 Connecticut Avenue NW in order to allow the Commission to further discuss the project plans with the applicant.

##### Public Space Application by Panera for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 2 Tables, 8 Seats, and 1 Umbrella at 1528 Connecticut Avenue NW

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Stein seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B requests a 30-day delay of the consideration of Panera's public space application for 1528 Connecticut Avenue NW in order to allow the Commission to further discuss the project plans with the applicant.

Public Space Application by McDonald's for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 12 Tables and 20 Seats at 1619 17th Street NW

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports McDonald's' public space application for a new, un-enclosed sidewalk café at 1619 17th Street NW.

**General Agenda**

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Department of General Services' Proposal to Acquire The Aston at 1129 New Hampshire Avenue NW for Use by the Department of Human Services

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the Department of General Services (DGS) has executed an agreement to purchase The Aston, located at 1129 New Hampshire Avenue NW, from the George Washington University for use as a non-congregate shelter for people experiencing homelessness,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B recognizes that individual homelessness remains high in the District of Columbia and is in support of an expansion of facilities to help those seeking stable and permanent housing,

WHEREAS, The Aston is located one block away from the boundary of ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, DGS is required by law to provide 30 days of comment by the Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) before executing a contract to purchase property,

WHEREAS, DGS notified ANC 2A on May 19, 2023 but submitted the contract to purchase the property to the DC Council on June 9, 2023, which would automatically be approved on June 22, 2023, yet the ANC comment period did not expire until July 5, 2023,

WHEREAS, DGS did not notify ANC 2B, which is only one block from the site,

WHEREAS, residents and commissioners of ANC 2B were unaware of this proposed land purchase until after ANC 2A held their special meeting on this item on June 21, 2023 and voted on a resolution on June 28, 2023, and

WHEREAS, residents of ANC 2B may be impacted by the development of this shelter site and have been deprived of their ability to submit questions and comments to DGS and the Department of Human Services (DHS).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the development of a non-congregate shelter at 1129 New Hampshire Avenue NW that will serve the needs of medically vulnerable people as well as people in transition to permanent housing that cannot be served by traditional facilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that Department of General Services, Department of Human Services, and Office of the Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services representatives attend one additional public meeting to answer the community's questions and engage with the community. This is essential for community members to receive more information on the project and to prepare both the DC Government (DHS in particular) and the community to be good neighbors for this project, while not delaying the project's timeline.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that further correspondence from the DC Government regarding the proposed shelter at 1129 New Hampshire Avenue NW be copied to ANC 2B so that commissioners and residents in ANC 2B are involved in the outreach and engagement process.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Temporarily Changing the 1600 Block of 19th Street NW to One-Way Traffic During Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project Construction

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, construction work for the Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project, expected to begin late 2023 to early 2024, will cause closures of the 1500 block of Connecticut Avenue NW for periods of time until completion,

WHEREAS, it will be necessary for the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to implement traffic detours around construction,

WHEREAS, one detour pattern will temporarily reconfigure the 1900 block of Q Street NW to handle two-way (east-west) traffic, with traffic to and from Dupont Circle using the 1500 block of 19th Street NW to reach Q Street NW, where it will continue,

WHEREAS, residents of 19th Street NW raised concerns about detoured northbound traffic using their street to continue travel toward Florida Avenue NW,

WHEREAS, suggestions were made to DDOT to advertise New Hampshire Avenue NW and Massachusetts Avenue NW as official detours; work with navigation app providers to declare 19th Street NW between Q Street NW and Florida Avenue NW as closed (though remaining open to local traffic); and to place a barrier and signage at Q Street NW directing northbound motorists to return to Connecticut Avenue NW,

WHEREAS, it was further suggested to DDOT that, to enforce drivers not ignoring signs and continuing up 19th Street NW, the 1600 block of 19th Street NW (between Q Street NW and R Street NW) be temporarily converted to one-way southbound only travel,

WHEREAS, DDOT's Traffic Engineering and Safety Division studied the area and determined that the temporary one-way reconfiguration was feasible,

WHEREAS, it is understood that no construction project is without its inconveniences and that unforeseen situations can, and likely will, arise, and

WHEREAS, the temporary reconfiguration of the 1600 block of 19th Street NW to one-way southbound travel is the most effective and least difficult solution that addresses the residents' concerns.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports DDOT's temporary reconfiguration of the 1600 block of 19th Street NW to be one-way southbound vehicular traffic during construction of the Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project, to be restored to its original configuration by the end of the construction of the deckover, with adequate advance public notice of the change.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that signage indicates two-way bicycle and street-running scooter use of the 1600 block of 19th Street NW continues to be permitted during the northbound vehicular restriction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the scope of this work is limited solely to detouring northbound vehicular travel from the 1600 block of 19th Street NW between Q Street NW and R Street NW; review of any previously identified traffic concerns in the corridor will be deferred until after completion of the full streetscape project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B and residents of the 19th Street NW corridor understand that there could be unforeseen issues that arise once the change has been implemented that may not be possible to address before the end of construction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B and residents will review conditions of the block to identify any obstacles or other concerns about the conversion plan before giving final consent to proceed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT assists with managing vehicular access in the alleys, such as designating specific times of day for trash collectors, clearly marking no-parking and fire lane access to avoid traffic fouling or conflicts during construction hours, etc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that when it is determined that the conversion can proceed, consent will be issued by letter from ANC 2B without further review.

E IT FURTHER RESOLVED that residents have indicated that they are amenable to the one-way southbound reconfiguration being implemented as early as possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT examines the effects of the loss of on-street parking spaces during construction, identifies possible alternative locations for parking, and considers temporary resident-only parking to alleviate congestion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT advertises New Hampshire Avenue NW, 20th Street NW, and Massachusetts Avenue NW as official detour routes for Connecticut Avenue NW traffic heading to or from Dupont Circle.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT works with navigation app providers (such as Waze, Google, Apple, Uber, Lyft, etc.) to declare 19th Street NW between Florida Avenue NW and Q Street NW as closed and unavailable for route plans.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the District Department of Transportation's Notice of Intent for the Installation of a Diplomatic Parking Zone Along the 1700 Block of P Street NW

Commissioner Bencivenga moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has issued Notice of Intent (NOI) #23-140-TOA, intending to provide diplomatic parking spaces on the 1700 block of P Street NW for the Embassy of The Republic of Iraq,

WHEREAS, 40 feet (2 spaces) of the existing on-street residential parking zone, located at the west (18th Street NW) end of P Street NW, on the north side of the street in front of 1767 P Street NW, will be purposed for diplomatic use,

WHEREAS, the spaces will be reserved for diplomatic use during regular working hours of 7:00 am to 6:30 pm, Mondays through Fridays,

WHEREAS, the spaces will be available for public use at all other times,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B sought public input at a duly-noticed meeting of its Mobility Committee on July 6, 2023,

WHEREAS, the Embassy of The Republic of Iraq has existing underutilized parking options,

WHEREAS, a local business is located at 1767 P Street NW, and

WHEREAS, having received objections from the public, the Mobility Committee recommended that ANC 2B not support the request.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B does not support DDOT's NOI #23-140-TOA to provide 2 diplomatic parking spaces during working hours of 7:00 am to 6:30 PM, Mondays through Fridays, approximately centered on 1767 P Street NW, due to the impact on local business operations as well as residents.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Fare Evasion Enforcement

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-3-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) operates the region's core rail and bus transit services,

WHEREAS, WMATA estimates annual revenue loss of approximately \$40 million system-wide from persons who do not pay their fare,

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia decriminalized fare evasion in 2018,

WHEREAS, increasing incidents of serious crimes such as robbery, sexual assaults, and other violent acts in stations, on trains, and on buses erodes public confidence about personal safety when using the system, which deters riders from returning to Metro, hindering its post-pandemic recovery,

WHEREAS, WMATA is spending approximately \$40 million to retrofit Metrorail fare gates in an effort to make it harder to evade tapping in and out of stations,

WHEREAS, Councilmember Pinto has introduced DC Council Bill B25-0318 – the “Metro Safety Amendment Act of 2023” to eliminate the loophole that allows persons not paying fare to easily walk away from an officer without identifying themselves,

WHEREAS, Councilmember Pinto's bill would allow officers to detain individuals if they do not provide their legal name and identification and issue a \$100 fine,



WHEREAS, fare enforcement efforts are widely viewed as ineffective theater, disproportionately targeting the poor and persons of color,

WHEREAS, DC and WMATA provide free-and-reduced-fare programs for lower-income residents such as Kids Ride Free (KRF) for elementary and secondary school students, U-Pass for college students, Senior SmarTrip half-fare, and Metro Lift for adults receiving the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, and

WHEREAS, even if every rider paid full fare, it would not reduce the need to heavily subsidize WMATA's operations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B does not support DC Council Bill B25-0318 – the “Metro Safety Amendment Act of 2023” as submitted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B suggests that the presentation of identification still be required if stopped for a primary offense; but instead of maintaining the status quo that disproportionately penalizes persons of color or the poor, the bill reduces fare evasion from a primary offense that is cited in addition to a greater offense.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B asks the DC Council and WMATA to reevaluate infractions, violations, enforcement priorities, and penalties based on the impacts on safety, quality of life, and system integrity.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B asks the DC Council to promptly resolve issues with existing fare support programs, simplify sign-up for reduced fare programs, and identify other opportunities to support communities needing help with transit. Some examples:

- correct the KRF program deficiencies and inefficiencies to ensure that every qualified student receives a fare card at the very beginning of the school year and that replacement cards are readily available,
- explore and pilot options to provide transit fare support for qualifying students outside of the school year,
- automatically provide senior and disabled DC residents with Senior SmarTrip cards based on qualification by their Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), voter registration, or benefit recipient profiles, instead of having to apply in person, and
- automatically enroll benefit recipients in fare support programs that they qualify for.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B asks WMATA to resolve long-standing issues with onboard bus fare boxes that frequently do not operate correctly or at all, as it sends a message to the public that fare collection is not important.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B asks the DC Council and WMATA to make the security and safety of the public and transit employees within the system a top

priority, such as by addressing longtime complaints that officers seldom are at known hot spots; deploying officers within stations and on trains; and coordinating with the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) so that assistance will be near enough for quick response if needed along incident-prone routes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B asks the DC Council, WMATA, and the other jurisdictional partners (including the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments) to begin working on reimagining our transportation network as a public good; and prioritize development of permanent funding mechanisms to sustain it.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding DC Council Bill B25-0399 – the “Support for the Capital Pride Parade Amendment Act of 2023”

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Chair Roggensack seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the Capital Pride festivities in Washington, DC began in June 1975 with a “Gay Pride Day” block party hosted by Deacon Maccubbin on the 1700 block of 20th Street NW, outside of his bookstore, Lambda Rising, then located at 1724 20th Street NW,

WHEREAS, Deacon Maccubbin organized Pride festivities to include information booths with resources and community organizations,

WHEREAS, the information booths have been embraced nationally and internationally as a key component of Pride festivities,

WHEREAS, Deacon Maccubbin hosted and fostered Pride events from his bookstore until 1980, when they had become a successful tradition, a community-wide celebration, and an institution of Washington, DC,

WHEREAS, the Capital Pride Alliance has inherited Maccubbin’s role to coordinate and plan Capital Pride festivities throughout June as LGBTQ Pride Month,

WHEREAS, the festivities have evolved into a parade, a street festival, and a block party – in homage to Deacon Maccubbin’s original block party,

WHEREAS, the DC Government charges various fees to support the festivities, at great expense to the mostly volunteer-run nonprofit Capital Pride Alliance,

WHEREAS, those fees represent a sizeable financial burden,

WHEREAS, Councilmember Pinto has recognized this burden and supports Capital Pride festivities as “a wonderful demonstration of what makes DC so special: our commitment to not only welcoming diversity, inclusivity, and equality, but also celebrating it,” and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Pinto has crafted DC Council Bill B25-0399 – the “Support for the Capital Pride Parade Amendment Act of 2023” to waive city fees for future Capital Pride festivities, and the bill was co-introduced by you, Chair McDuffie, and Councilmembers Charles Allen, Vincent Gray, Janeese Lewis George, Zachary Parker, and Robert White.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B fully endorses Councilmember Pinto’s DC Council Bill B25-0399 – the “Support for the Capital Pride Parade Amendment Act of 2023” to waive city fees for future Capital Pride festivities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B urges the DC Council to erect a historical marker near 20th Street and R Street NW to indicate the location of the first Gay Pride Day held in 1975, and that the marker be designed in consultation with ANC 2B and be consistent with other such markers in the neighborhood.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B desires that someday the DC Council renames the 1700 block of 20th Street NW in honor of Deacon Maccubbin for his many efforts to establish Capital Pride in the District, and his countless other efforts to build a sense of community over his more than 40 years as a proud, Out, Gay, successful businessman in Dupont Circle.

#### ANC 2B Town Hall Discussion Regarding Capital Pride 2023-2025 Review and Planning

Commissioner Slatt gave an update regarding ANC 2B’s town hall discussion on Capital Pride 2023-2025 review and planning.

#### **Administrative Matters**

##### Approval of the ANC’s Regular June 2023 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to approve the ANC’s regular June 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

##### Upcoming Proposed Changes to the ANC’s Bylaws

Commissioner Adams gave an update regarding upcoming proposed changes to the ANC’s bylaws.

#### **Adjournment**

Chair Roggensack adjourned the meeting at 9:42 pm.



# **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## **Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

### **Special Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, July 20th, 2023; 5:00 p.m.  
Online via Zoom

### **Call to Order**

The special July 2023 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Meg Roggensack at 5:03 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were: Meg Roggensack (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), China Dickerson (2B04), Matt Johnson (2B06), Patricia Bencivenga (2B07), Zach Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Roggensack moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was adopted by unanimous consent.

### **Administrative Matters**

#### **Discussion Regarding Proposed Changes to the ANC's Bylaws**

The Commissioners discussed proposed changes to the ANC's bylaws and heard comments and questions from meeting attendees.

### **Adjournment**

Chair Roggensack adjourned the meeting at 6:29 pm.



# **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## **Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, August 9th, 2023; 7:00 p.m.  
Online via Zoom

### **Call to Order**

The regular August 2023 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Meg Roggensack at 7:03 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were: Meg Roggensack (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), China Dickerson (2B04), Z Stein (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Patricia Bencivenga (2B07), Zach Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Chair Roggensack seconded the motion, which was adopted by unanimous consent.

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Commissioner Announcements**

Chair Roggensack and Commissioner Adams gave commissioner announcements.

Announcement Regarding ANC 2B's Capital Pride Town Hall on Thursday, Aug 10th, 2023 at 7:00 pm at St. Thomas' Parish at 1517 18th Street NW

Commissioner Slatt gave an announcement regarding ANC 2B's Capital Pride Town Hall on Thursday, Aug 10th, 2023 at 7:00 pm at St. Thomas' Parish at 1517 18th Street NW.

#### **Committee Updates**

Commissioner Rueckgauer, Chair of the ANC's Mobility Committee (MC), and Commissioner Johnson, Chair of the ANC's Complex Applications (CAPP) Task Force, gave committee updates.

#### **Reports from DC Government Representatives**

Christopher Powell, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS); Victoria Casarrubias, the Scheduler and Office Assistant for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office; and Sergeant Reinaldo Otero, a representative for the Metropolitan Police Department's (MPD) Second District, gave DC Government reports.

#### Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items

Susan Volman, the President of the Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA), and Nick DelleDonne, the President of the Dupont East Civic Action Association (DECAA), gave other public announcements and general comments or future agenda items.

#### **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda**

##### Bread Furst – Application for a New Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant License at 1600 21st Street NW

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Bread Furst has applied for a new Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant license, with summer garden and carry-out and delivery endorsements, for a restaurant at 1600 21st Street NW, which is located in single member district 2B02 of ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, the establishment will be a restaurant serving pastries, sandwiches, soup, salads, and bowls with an occupancy load inside the premises of 42 and seating for 29, a summer garden with 35 seats, and a total occupancy of 77,

WHEREAS, the restaurant will be located wholly within the footprint of the Phillips Collection museum and will only serve patrons visiting the museum with no direct access from the street by the general public,

WHEREAS, the operating hours requested are 9:00 am to 10:00 pm daily, with serving hours of 10:00 am to 9:00 pm daily. The museum's daily hours generally are 11:00 am to 6:00 pm (later for certain events), which limit the actual hours that the restaurant may operate,

WHEREAS, Bread Furst has requested that ANC 2B supports a stipulated license to commence service immediately, and

WHEREAS, Bread Furst's operation is such that a settlement agreement is not deemed necessary.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Bread Furst's application and requests that the ABC Board grants a stipulated license so that the establishment may commence operation.

## **Public Space Committee**

### **Public Space Application by Residents DC for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 19 Tables and 48 Seats at 1306 18th Street NW**

Commissioner Stein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Residents DC's public space application for a new, un-enclosed sidewalk café with 19 tables and 48 seats at 1306 18th Street NW.

### **Public Space Application by Panera for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 2 Tables, 8 Seats, and 1 Umbrella at 1528 Connecticut Avenue NW**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Panera has applied for a public space permit for an un-enclosed sidewalk café in front of 1528 Connecticut Avenue NW, which is located in single member district 2B02 of ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, the sidewalk café will consist of 2 tables having 8 seats, an umbrella, and a trash can and tray return,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has public space guidelines that seek to maintain a minimum clearance of 10 feet between the exterior side of a sidewalk café and the nearer of the curb or fixed emplacements such as tree boxes, hydrants, parking meters, or bike racks,

WHEREAS, the sidewalk at this location may not provide the desired clearance; however, it may be compatible with ANC 2B's guideline recognizing existing narrower clearance conditions, provided at least the ADA-minimum clearance of 3 feet exists between the nearest permanent emplacement or the curb and the proposed footprint of the seating area,

WHEREAS, the applicant submitted architectural drawings with the original application, depicting the seating area not extending beyond the stairway of the neighboring property without the distance to the curb or features, and has not yet submitted the requested revised drawings that include the curb line or other features, and

WHEREAS, the applicant was made aware of the Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deck-Over Project, expected to begin in late 2023/early 2024 and scheduled to last 27 months, which will prevent operation of the sidewalk seating area at various times during construction.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B will support the application provided that the applicant promptly submits the requested architectural drawings to their application in TOPS that include the details of the distance to the curb and permanent emplacements in relation to the seating area, which should demonstrate that there is 4 feet or greater, but not less than the ADA minimum of 3 feet, of clearance.

Public Space Application by Roasting Plant Coffee for a New, Un-Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 5 Tables and 10 Seats at 1211 Connecticut Avenue NW

Commissioner Stein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Roasting Plant Coffee's public space application for a new, un-enclosed sidewalk café with 5 tables and 10 seats at 1211 Connecticut Avenue NW, provided that the establishment maintains at least 10 feet of sidewalk clearance.

**Administrative Matters**

Proposed Changes to the ANC's Bylaws

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt proposed changes to the ANC's bylaws. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt an amendment to the proposed bylaws to change the language regarding the number of commissioners needed to call a special meeting. Commissioner Dickerson seconded the motion for the amendment, which was voted on and did not pass (VOTES: 3-6-0). The final motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-2).

Approval of the ANC's Regular July 2023 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to approve the ANC's regular July 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

Approval of the ANC's Special July 2023 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Bencivenga moved to approve the ANC's special July 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

Approval of the ANC's FY 2023 Quarter 3 Financial Report

Commissioner Bencivenga moved to approve the ANC's FY 2023 Quarter 3 financial report. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).



### Approval of Expenditures for the ANC's Capital Pride Town Hall

Commissioner Slatt moved to approve expenditures up to \$300 for the Capital Pride Town Hall. Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 4-2-2).

### Adjournment

Chair Roggensack adjourned the meeting at 9:38 pm.



# **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## **Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, September 13th, 2023; 7:00 p.m.  
Online via Zoom

### **Call to Order**

The regular September 2023 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Meg Roggensack at 7:01 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were: Meg Roggensack (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Z Stein (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Patricia Bencivenga (2B07), Zach Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Roggensack adopted the ANC's meeting agenda by unanimous consent.

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Introduction by Ann Blackwell, the New Executive Director of Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets**

Ann Blackwell, the new Executive Director of Historic Dupont Circle Main Streets, introduced herself to meeting attendees.

### **Commissioner Announcements**

Chair Roggensack and Commissioners Johnson and Bencivenga gave commissioner announcements.

### **Committee Updates**

Commissioner Johnson, Chair of the ANC's Complex Applications (CAPP) Task Force, and Commissioner Rueckgauer, Chair of the ANC's Mobility Committee (MC), gave committee updates.

### **Reports from DC Government Representatives**

Grace Reeder, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS); Pablo Velasco Rodriguez, the Constituent Services Coordinator for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office; and Harold Davis, a Solid Waste Inspector for the Department of Public Works (DPW), gave DC Government reports.

#### Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items

Susan Volman, the President of the Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA), and Bill McLeod, the Executive Director of the Dupont Circle Business Improvement District (BID), gave other public announcements and general comments or future agenda items.

#### **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda**

##### Dos Toros Taqueria – Application for a New Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant License at 1350 Connecticut Avenue NW

Commissioner Stein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion. Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt an amendment to the proposed resolution to change the language regarding the closing hours for outdoor alcoholic beverage sales. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion for the amendment, which was voted on and did not pass (VOTES: 3-5-0). The final motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-2-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Dos Toros Taqueria's application for a new Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant license at 1350 Connecticut Avenue NW.

##### Barrel Cartel – Application for a New Retailer's Class "A" Internet License at 1341 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 3.2.1.

Commissioner Stein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Barrel Cartel's application for a new Retailer's Class "A" Internet license at 1341 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 3.2.1.

##### Firetuned – Application for a New Medical Cannabis Manufacturer License at 1341 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 1

Commissioner Stein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Firetuned's application for a new Medical Cannabis Manufacturer license at 1341 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 1.

The House at 1229 – Application for a New Retailer’s Class “C” Club License at 1229 19th Street NW

*Commissioner Stein recused himself from voting on this matter.*

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports The House at 1229’s application for a new Retailer’s Class “C” Club license at 1229 19th Street NW.

**Land Use Agenda**

1625 Massachusetts Avenue NW – Office to Residential Conversion

*Commissioner Davis recused himself from voting on this matter.*

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports the Historic Preservation Review Board application for 1625 Massachusetts Avenue NW.

**Public Space Committee Agenda**

Public Space Application by The Palm for a Valet Staging Zone Occupying 2 Non-Meter Spaces at 1225 19th Street NW

Commissioner Stein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports The Palm’s public space application for a valet staging zone occupying 2 non-meter spaces at 1225 19th Street NW.

**General Agenda**

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Pedestrian Safety and Traffic Calming at Multiple Unsignalized Intersections Along 15th Street NW

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt an amendment to the proposed resolution to add language regarding lowering the posted speed limit along 15th Street NW. Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion for the amendment,

which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The final motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, 15th Street NW between Rhode Island Avenue and U Street NW is a three-lane, one way street with an early 1960s design intended to prioritize a far greater volume of commuters departing downtown than is regularly observed by residents of the present day,

WHEREAS, 15th Street NW between Rhode Island Avenue and U Street NW, as well as the blocks flanking it, is predominately residential with substantial pedestrian activity and one of the busiest protected bicycle facilities in the District,

WHEREAS, the generous roadway size and generally low volume of traffic encourages some drivers to travel at speeds that pose great danger to other vehicles and other users of the street,

WHEREAS, traffic signal timing on the 15th Street NW corridor still seems to be timed for 30 miles per hour, which further encourages vehicles traveling at excessive, unsafe speeds,

WHEREAS, the posted speed limit along 15th Street NW is 30 miles per hour,

WHEREAS, many requests have been submitted to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) asking for what should be relatively simple, fast, and low-cost changes and improvements, especially at unsignalized crosswalks (N Street NW, O Street NW, Church Street NW, Corcoran Street NW, and Swann Street NW), to discourage speeding and improve safety of all users,

WHEREAS, the nominal signs “asking” drivers to yield to pedestrians at the unsignalized crosswalks are routinely ignored by drivers traveling at speed no matter how many pedestrians may be present or where in the crosswalks they may be, and

WHEREAS, the near total absence of enforcement in the corridor exacerbates the safety failings as offending drivers operate with no concern of being caught or penalized.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT prioritizes implementation of automated traffic enforcement (ATE) along 15th Street NW from Rhode Island Avenue to U Street NW.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT re-times traffic signals along 15th Street NW to 20 miles per hour, encouraging drivers to travel within the speed limit, improving safety for pedestrians and cyclists.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT lowers the posted speed limit along 15th Street NW to 20 miles per hour.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT improves signage along 15th Street NW, especially at the cycletrack, to remind drivers to look both ways and yield to cyclists, as well as signs reminding cyclists to yield to pedestrians.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT considers raised crosswalks, all-way stop signs, and other meaningful traffic calming interventions, in conjunction with ATE, at the unsignalized intersections in order to compel driver compliance with the crosswalks and speed limit.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT prioritizes restoration of all bike lane safety markings at alleys and intersections within the corridor that were not restored after roadway repaving two years ago.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT studies reducing the roadway to two thru travel lanes and reallocating the resulting free space to an enlarged cycletrack and sidewalk extensions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests when any of the traffic safety inputs (TSIs) for the unsignalized intersections in the corridor come up in quarterly prioritization, that all of them be processed together as a block so that none are left unresolved.

Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Emergency Response to Buildings with Differing Mailing Addresses and Physical Locations

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, in the District of Columbia, some buildings front on more than one, and in some cases more than two, streets,

WHEREAS, these buildings may have street-level retail that uses the address of the main building while being on a different street,

WHEREAS, in an emergency, every second can be critical to the survival of people who may have been injured inside these storefronts or on the street in front of these locations, and use of the building's address on a different street is likely to delay first responders,

WHEREAS, the Office of Unified Communications (OUC) relies upon the Master Address Repository (MAR) database, maintained by the Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO), which does not contain every alternate address or alias, resulting in "not found" results and delaying response to a service call, and

WHEREAS, on August 15th, 2023, Commissioner Matt Johnson (2B06) observed a person receive a severe injury at approximately 2050 L Street NW, but a 9-1-1 caller

reported the posted address of the adjacent storefront, which was 2001 K Street NW, Suite 103, despite being on L Street NW, and Commissioner Johnson witnessed first responders turn away from the injured person as they responded to 20th Street and K Street NW, nearly two blocks away from the actual location of the storefront and injury, and this delayed care of the patient.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the Department of Buildings (DOB) immediately implements a policy that all building entrances, including those of street-level commercial tenants, must be assigned an address matching the location on the street it faces.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DOB immediately convenes a working group with OUC, the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), the District of Columbia Fire and EMS Department (FEMS), the District Department of Transportation (DDOT), and any other relevant agencies to find solutions for existing mis-matched addresses and the way dispatch to these locations is handled, and to develop recommended policies for the way addresses are assigned to large buildings going forward.

#### Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the 2023 17th Street High Heel Race

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. Commissioner Davis moved to adopt an amendment to the proposed resolution to change the language regarding the creation of a safe space for the participants and spectators of the race. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion for the amendment, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The final motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the 17th Street High Heel Race was first organized by Billy Williams and Eric Little on Halloween 1986 and consisted of 25 drag queens running from JR's Bar up 17th Street NW to the upstairs bar at Annie's Paramount Steakhouse,

WHEREAS, by 1991 the 17th Street High Heel Race saw extreme police brutality against the spectators, leading LGBTQ activists to obtain apologies and concessions from the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), which led to improved relations between MPD, the DC Government, and the LGBTQ community,

WHEREAS, by 2004 the costs involved in public safety around the 17th Street High Heel Race prompted Councilmember David Catania and Mayor Anthony Williams to have the city cover all fees related to public safety for the event,

WHEREAS, in 2010 Mayor Adrian Fenty and the DC Council designated the 1500 and 1600 blocks of 17th Street NW as "Frank Kameny Way" after the gay civil rights activist Dr. Frank Kameny,

WHEREAS, community activist and businessman Dave Peruzza, the owner of Pitcher's DC Bar and A League of Her Own and the longtime manager of JR's Bar, coordinated the race from 1997 until 2019,

WHEREAS, in 2017 the DC Government became an official sponsor of the event, and in 2018 the DC Government took over the organizing of the event, including the logistics and fees,

WHEREAS, Swann Street NW between S Street and T Street NW has been renamed by the DC Council and the Mayor to commemorate William Dorsey Swann, a formerly enslaved Black drag queen, and it is expected that the 17th Street High Heel Race participants will extend beyond 17th Street NW to walk along Swann Street NW,

WHEREAS, the 17th Street High Heel Race is expected to draw several thousand pedestrians starting on the afternoon of the race and extending for hours after its completion, and

WHEREAS, Dupont Circle is a neighborhood accessible by countless modes of public transportation, and public celebrations and events such as the 17th Street High Heel Race are a critical component of Mayor Bowser's Comeback Plan, which envisions a vibrant and equitable future as part of DC's Downtown Action Plan.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B fully endorses and celebrates the hosting of the 17th Street High Heel Race along Frank Kameny Way on Tuesday, October 24th, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B calls on the Mayor's Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning Affairs and the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) to work with the ANC to create a safe space for the thousands of participants and spectators of the race, including a pedestrian-only zone and other public safety measures.

### **Administrative Matters**

#### **Approval of the ANC's Regular August 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Adams moved to approve the ANC's regular August 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1).

### **Adjournment**

Chair Roggensack adjourned the meeting at 9:30 pm.





# **GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

## **Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

### **Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, October 11th, 2023; 7:00 p.m.  
Online via Zoom

### **Call to Order**

The regular October 2023 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission or ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Meg Roggensack at 7:02 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were: Meg Roggensack (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), China Dickerson (2B04), Z Stein (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Patricia Bencivenga (2B07), Zach Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Roggensack adopted the ANC's meeting agenda by unanimous consent.

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Commissioner Announcements**

Commissioners Bencivenga and Slatt gave commissioner announcements.

#### **Committee Updates**

Commissioner Johnson, Chair of the ANC's Complex Applications (CAPP) Task Force, and Commissioner Rueckgauer, Chair of the ANC's Mobility Committee (MC), gave committee updates.

#### **Reports from DC Government Representatives**

Christopher Powell, a Ward 2 representative for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS); Brian Romanowski, the Constituent Services Director for the Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office; and Harold Davis, a Solid Waste Inspector for the Department of Public Works (DPW), gave DC Government reports.

#### **Other Public Announcements and General Comments or Future Agenda Items**

Susan Volman, the President of the Dupont Circle Citizens Association (DCCA), gave other public announcements and general comments or future agenda items.

### **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda**

#### **Wok and Roll Bar and Lounge – Application for a New Retailer’s Class “C” Tavern License at 1345 Connecticut Avenue NW**

Commissioner Stein moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Wok and Roll Bar and Lounge (“Wok and Roll”) has applied for a new Retailer’s Class “C” Tavern license at 1345 Connecticut Avenue NW, which is located in single member district 2B05 of ANC 2B,

WHEREAS, Wok and Roll states that the establishment has a seating capacity and total occupancy of 190 persons,

WHEREAS, Wok and Roll’s application requests the following endorsements: alcohol carry-out and delivery, holiday extension of hours, and entertainment to provide live entertainment and dancing,

WHEREAS, Wok and Roll’s application requests the following hours of operation:

- Hours of Operation and Alcoholic Beverage Sales/Service/Consumption: Sunday through Thursday, 11:00 am to 2:00 am; Friday through Saturday, 11:00 am to 3:00 am
- Hours of Live Entertainment: Sunday through Thursday, 6:00 pm to 2:00 am; Friday through Saturday, 6:00 pm to 3:00 am
- Hours of Alcoholic Beverage Carry-Out and Delivery: Sunday through Saturday, 11:00 am to 12:00 am

WHEREAS, promoting good relationships between residents and nightlife establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Wok and Roll Bar and Lounge’s application, pursuant to signing a settlement agreement that establishes the expected conduct of the business and the relationship with the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B protests Wok and Roll Bar and Lounge’s application based on the adverse impact on peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood, with the protest being withdrawn upon the signing of the aforementioned settlement agreement.

Freedom Market – Application for Renewal of the Establishment’s Retailer’s Class “B” Grocery License at 1901 New Hampshire Avenue NW

*The Commission did not take any action regarding this matter.*

**Land Use Agenda**

1775 T Street NW – Application for a Special Exception from the Lot Occupancy Requirements to Construct Rear Additions, and Convert to a Three-Unit Apartment House, an Existing, Attached, Three-Story with Basement, Commercial Building

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, RWD Properties, LLC has filed application #21003 with the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) to allow for special exception relief at 1775 T Street NW,

WHEREAS, 1775 T Street NW is located in single member district 2B08 within ANC 2B; upon Square 151, Lot 241 in an MU-4 zone,

WHEREAS, the current use of the property is commercial and the proposed project plans including renovating and constructing additions to convert the structure into a multifamily dwelling with three units,

WHEREAS, the existing lot occupancy is non-conforming and the renovation will reduce lot occupancy,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B’s Land Use Committee (LUC) reviewed the submitted concept plans at its duly noticed monthly meeting on October 4, 2023 and heard testimony from the project architect, and

WHEREAS, the LUC found the plans to be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the zoning regulations and zoning maps.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports BZA application #21003 as presented.

2122 P Street NW – Concept / Two-Story Roof Addition

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, JRB 2122 P St LLC has submitted an application and design to the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) seeking to add two floors to the building at 2122 P Street NW,

WHEREAS, 2122 P Street NW is located in single member district 2B02 within ANC 2B; upon Square 68, Lot 76 in an MU-19 zone,

WHEREAS, 2122 P Street NW was constructed in 1915 as either all residential or mixed-use residential and retail, and renovated to its current appearance in the 1970s or early 1980s,

WHEREAS, 2122 P Street NW currently houses two retail spaces on the ground level, a restaurant on the first floor, and floors two and three being used as office space,

WHEREAS, the market for office space in west Dupont Circle has been moribund since the former Congressional Quarterly building was converted to condominiums in 2005,

WHEREAS, the applicant seeks to add two additional stories on top of the existing building and convert the resulting four floors into rental residential units, preserving the existing mixed-use condition and tenants,

WHEREAS, this project is by-right with no zoning relief sought,

WHEREAS, on August 22, 2023, the applicant had a positive and productive meeting with the residents closest to the property that covered the design being submitted to HPRB for approval and technical matters relating to the construction process, and yielded no opposition to the proposed addition,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B welcomes new housing in our neighborhood, especially that which capitalizes on the availability of and proximity to public transit, and

WHEREAS, the applicant presented architectural plans and renderings of the project at ANC 2B's Land Use Committee (LUC) meetings on September 6, 2023 and October 4, 2023, which were received favorably.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the Historic Preservation Review Board application for 2122 P Street NW as presented, with inclusion of recessed articulation of the original second-floor windows on the west façade.

#### 1708 15th Street NW – Permit / Add Second Story to Carriage House

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B requests a 30-day delay of the consideration of the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) application for 1708 15th Street NW in order to allow the Commission to further discuss the project plans with the applicant.

1900-1902 16th Street NW – Concept / Partial Demolition, Reconstruction, Rear and Third Story Addition

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 9-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B requests a 30-day delay of the consideration of the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) application for 1900-1902 16th Street NW in order to allow the Commission to further discuss the project plans with the applicant.

**Public Space Committee Agenda**

Public Space Application by Dupont Italian Kitchen for the Installation of an Awning at 1637 17th Street NW

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Dupont Italian Kitchen's public space application for the installation of an awning at 1637 17th Street NW.

Public Space Application by Sette Osteria for a New, Enclosed Sidewalk Café with 13 Tables and 50 Seats at 1666 Connecticut Avenue NW

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports Sette Osteria's public space application for a new, enclosed sidewalk café with 13 tables and 50 seats at 1666 Connecticut Avenue NW.

Public Space Application for Streetscape Improvements, Including the Installation of Pavers, Bike Racks, and Hedges, and Tree Planting, at 1732 15th Street NW

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports the public space application for streetscape improvements at 1732 15th Street NW.

## **Administrative Matters**

### **Appointment of a New Member to the ANC's Land Use Committee**

Commissioner Davis moved to appoint Olivia Brown as a new member of the ANC's Land Use Committee. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

### **Approval of Amendments to the ANC's Policies and Procedures Manual Regarding Cannabis Establishments**

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve amendments to the ANC's Policies and Procedures Manual regarding cannabis establishments. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

### **Approval of the ANC's Regular September 2023 Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Bencivenga moved to approve the ANC's regular September 2023 meeting minutes. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

### **Approval of the ANC's FY 2024 Budget**

Commissioner Stein moved to call the question for the approval of the ANC's FY 2024 budget. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-3-0).

Commissioner Stein moved to approve the ANC's FY 2024 budget. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was requested. The motion was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-3-0). The roll call vote was as follows:

Chair Roggensack: Yea  
Commissioner Rueckgauer: Yea  
Commissioner Slatt: Nay  
Commissioner Stein: Yea  
Commissioner Johnson: Yea  
Commissioner Bencivenga: Nay  
Commissioner Adams: Nay  
Commissioner Davis: Yea

## **General Agenda**

### **Consideration of a Resolution Regarding Parking on the 1700 block of Church Street NW**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt a proposed resolution regarding the matter. Commissioner Bencivenga seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the 1700 block of Church Street NW, located in single member district 2B07, has parking on the north side of the street at all times except 9:30 am to 11:30 am on Tuesdays during street sweeping season; parking is allowed on the south side 7:00 am to 7:00 pm only on street cleaning days, in addition to north side only on Sundays between 9:00 am and 1:00 pm,

WHEREAS, a request was made to ANC 2B by a group of merchants on 17th Street NW and residents to provide more parking by converting the 1700 block of Church Street NW to parking on both sides of the street at all times,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B actively works for improved curbside management to better serve the needs of our community's residents, businesses, and visitors,

WHEREAS, the current conditions of the 1500 and 1600 blocks of 17th Street NW are suboptimal, confusing for many, and not consistent with previously agreed upon plans for a protected two-way cycletrack, one-side only commercial loading zones, and flex parking space pilots,

WHEREAS, residents have raised concerns about the width of the 1700 block of Church Street NW and whether there is sufficient clearance for emergency vehicles to safely negotiate the block were there to be vehicles parked on both sides,

WHEREAS, the 1700 block of Church Street NW is recorded by the District Department of Transportation's (DDOT) Transportation Online Permitting System (TOPS) database as having a width of 25 feet, which is the minimum required for both-sides parking; however, another dataset states the width as 24 feet and measurements taken by residents as well as photographs of the street with vehicles parked on either or both sides supports the position that the street is not wide enough and of thru traffic being impeded or fully obstructed,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B hosted three listening sessions for residents and businesses to share their views about this request, all of which yielded predominant opposition by residents to the request,

WHEREAS, the supporters of the change have not presented adequate justification for more parking such as customers or workers being prevented from parking on a frequent basis resulting in detrimental effects upon business, and

WHEREAS, it is the official policy of the DC Government to reduce automobile travel on our streets and encourage the use of other modes of transportation, which are abundant in the Dupont Circle community, therefore creating new parking is contrary to that policy.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B does not support the request to convert the 1700 block of Church Street NW to both-sides parking based upon the concerns regarding the width of the street, unencumbered access for emergency vehicles, and lack of a clearly articulated business justification for it.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT conducts thorough measurements of the 1700 block of Church Street NW and has all relevant databases updated to consistently reflect said measurements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that DDOT works with the ANC to address the suboptimal roadway configuration of the 1500 and 1600 blocks of 17th Street NW as well overall curbside management and parking issues across the ANC, consistent with plans previously discussed during 2018 and 2019.

### **Adjournment**

Chair Roggensack adjourned the meeting at 8:55 pm.