

# Government of the District of Columbia

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2C

## May 2025 Meeting Minutes

**DATE:** May 13, 2025

**ANC-2C COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Commissioner Michael Shankle, Commissioner Thomas Lee, Commissioner Nancy Groth, Commissioner Jim Swart

### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Shankle called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm (2025 May 13 ANC 2C Community Meeting (youtube.com)).

### 2. ROLL CALL:

Four out of the four commissioners were present when the meeting was called to order.

### 3. INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSIONERS:

The commissioners introduced themselves.

### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

**MOTION:** Groth moved to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Swart. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

### 5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

**MOTION:** Groth moved to approve the April meeting minutes. Seconded by Swart. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

### 6. TREASURER REPORT:

This item was tabled until prior to the Resolutions. Commissioner Lee reported that there were no expenses in the past month. An invoice was expected from Minutes Services. A request for funds from the Thompson Parent Teacher Organization for \$831.39 from their grant allocation for another community event in late June. Translation support was requested by the Chinatown Lease Incentive Grant Program of the Deputy Mayor for Planning & Economic Development (DMPED). <https://dmped.dc.gov/page/FY25-Chinatown-Lease-Incentive-Grant-Program>

**MOTION:** Groth moved to approve the expense of DEMPED's translation services for their event in late June. Seconded by Shankle. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

### 7. FY25 QUARTER 2 FINANCIAL REPORT:

This item was tabled due to technical issues with the OANC QFR portal.

## **8. UPDATE ON CONTRACTING FOR ADMIN SUPPORT:**

Groth reported that there was an enormous amount of Resolutions and letters of support that ANC 2C does not have the capacity to keep up with. Most Commissions had a contractor or admin. Commissioner Groth proposed that they run ads in City Paper, the Blade, and any other appropriate places. The estimation was 15 to 20 hours per month at up to \$25 per hour for the position.

Lee confirmed that they did not have any administrative items in the budget already.

Shankle suggested amending the motion to pull the funds from the reserves, and Groth agreed.

**MOTION:** Groth moved to approve amending the budget to allow \$200 for advertising related to the job description for admin support and include approximately \$500 per month for the hire at \$20 to \$25 per hour to come from the reserves. Seconded by Lee. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

Groth stated that they were notified that there was a simpler setup for doing Zoom and hybrid meetings. There is a technical survey that was already emailed to all four Commissioners by OANC; Groth asked Lee or Shankle to answer the survey, as they have the longest term experience with the current equipment.

Swart discussed that they needed to find out what equipment they would need exactly. Groth stated that someone from ANC 2C would need to fill out the technical survey, which would determine what they needed.

**MOTION:** Groth moved to approve requesting funding from the technical assistance fund for the purpose of purchasing hybrid meeting equipment through the Office of ANCs. Seconded by Swart. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

Groth confirmed she was taking the lead, but she needed someone else to complete the technical survey.

Groth reported that there was an OANC email received about the legal requirement of public notice for meetings, which included two out of four methods at least seven days prior to the meeting. She stated that she got prescheduled announcements for two community newspapers. A third method would be to do at least four flyers in 'prominent' locations in each Single Member District (SMD). Public approval of the methods was required.

Shankle asked what type of flyer was to be posted. Groth reported that the flyer provided a way to find the agenda on the website, how to register for Zoom, and the date.

Shankle asked if she received any pushback from apartment buildings. Commissioner Groth stated that she had not received any and had managed to get the flyer posted in seven out of the ten apartment buildings in her own SMD.

**MOTION:** Groth moved to approve their public meeting methods to be electronic through the various listservs and website, through publication, and through posting physical flyers to the extent that the individual Commissioners are able. Seconded by Lee. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

### **1. Department of Human Services (DHS) updates to share concerning the DHS shelter located at 1009 11<sup>th</sup> Street, NW. David J. Ross, Chief of Staff, DC Department of Human Services, O: 202.299.5549.**

David Ross, Kevin Carpenter, and Anthony Newman provided an update on the DHS shelter located at 1009 11<sup>th</sup> Street, NW. Anthony Newman discussed that they had been using the location as a swing space for the House of Ruth Madison Transitional Housing Program while their own facility is being renovated, as well as for hypothermia season. On May 31, the House of Ruth's Madison transitional housing participants will temporarily relocate to the Rolark building. The construction timeline of the buildings led to needing to move the women faster than initially planned. The Madison Program would be moving to 10<sup>th</sup> Street NE, which would consist of a two-day move. The Rolark building was comprised of two and three-bedroom studio apartments, and the women from the Madison Program would be taking up the first two floors. The rest of the building would be used for potential overflow during hypothermia season. When the construction was complete, the plan was for the women to return back to their own original location.

Shankle thanked them for the update and asked if the building would be under construction after May 31. Anthony Newman reported that there would be more renovations than construction, and there would be no occupants.

It was confirmed that there was no update on the previously planned Green Court Shelter.

Groth asked a question regarding unhoused people who lost their identification and how they could certify their residency through their case management agency, to receive identification to receive services. David Ross reported that the PIT results showed that they were trending in the right direction. He stated that they would continue to work on improvements.

A constituent Rima raised the issue about a gentleman at 9<sup>th</sup> and I Street who had taken up residence in the entire bus shelter at 9<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Street. She stated that she had called the transit police, the city office, and 311 numerous times. It was a reoccurring issue, and the gentleman was there all day, every day. David Ross stated that the MPD was aware of the issue,

but they had not moved him because it was not a legal issue. He directed everyone to call the shelter hotline and provide the closest address, and then the outreach would be sent. Rima discussed that it would be a better solution to remove the entire bus shelter. David Ross stated that he was not from MPD and could not answer the question, but it was unlikely anything would be done since he was not committing a crime. He encouraged individuals to call the shelter hotline. Lee asked if there was a law against camping in public areas. David Ross stated that there was a difference between an encampment and someone who was unhoused. The determination for an encampment was discussed, and the assumption was that the requirements were not met or they were on the schedule for cleanup. David Ross asked Rima to send him an email about the information. Swart discussed that the people waiting for the bus were no longer able to use the bus shelter.

A constituent, Michael Edwards asked why the building at 1009 11<sup>th</sup> Street, NW continued to be used at exorbitant expense and noted that they were told in 2021 that the building would be used temporarily. David Ross reported that in 2021, the original intent was a temporary space, but the program scope was expanded to allow for the expansion of the time that would be spent there.

## **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**1. MPD 2nd District Crime and Community Awareness, Captain Michael Hamelin, [Michael.hamelin@dc.gov](mailto:Michael.hamelin@dc.gov), 202.698.1405, or Lieutenant Sylvester Garvin, [Sylvester.garvin@dc.gov](mailto:Sylvester.garvin@dc.gov), 202.774.6866**

Lieutenant Sylvester Garvin reported that there were many overdoses on the 1300 block of New York Avenue over the past couple of months. There was a unit investigating the overdoses. There was an ADW that occurred a week ago in which one individual hit another with a brick in the mouth. There were some incidents that had escalated to physical incidents in that area. Lieutenant Sylvester Garvin stated that they were working on figuring out what their needs were to determine how to curb the violence. In 2024, a few of the ADWs were a result of those types of altercations. Lieutenant Sylvester Garvin reported that there were two robberies in the nightlife zone. When the individuals were leaving their establishments, they were approached by individuals, and the robberies took place. The cases were open and being investigated. The department was getting ready for World Pride 2025, and they would be activating in full operation. The footprint would be heavily in the area. There were several complaints received about people camping in front of the library, and the clean-up would occur on May 15. There were 10 gun recoveries for April, with a yearly total of 61. In the nightlife area, weapons in plain view were seen, and arrests were made where appropriate.

Swart discussed the crime data compared to 2024 and stated that it was up considerably from the first five months of 2024. He discussed that more police officers were needed throughout the city and stated that he would do anything to help them get more police officers.

Groth stated that she had emailed about the Barcode restaurant on the 1600 block of L Street since the music was loud enough that it could be heard a block away. She reported that there was an officer on site, and he had stated it was for special attention. She asked for clarification on why the officer was there. Lieutenant Sylvester Garvin reported that establishments, neighborhoods, and more could reach out to the district and request special attention. Special attention was not a detail, but it allowed officers to stop by the events for short amounts of time. Groth asked for more information on the parameters to be emailed to her. She also stated that she believed the establishment had a community agreement due to previous noise.

**2. MPD 1st District Crime and Community Awareness, Captain Paul Hrebenak, [Paul.Hrebenak@dc.gov](mailto:Paul.Hrebenak@dc.gov), 202-729-2179 or Lieutenant Araz Alal, [Araz.Alali@dc.gov](mailto:Araz.Alali@dc.gov), 202.698.0066.**

Captain Hrebenak reported that there was a slight increase in robberies in April. In 2024, there were zero robberies in the same reported crimes. In April 2025, there were four robberies. They were doubling up on their efforts in the area by increasing patrols, a Park, Talk, and Walk program with the officers throughout the summer, and the Chinatown hub was checking in with the businesses. The metro transit and MPD community walks would start soon. There were stolen autos seen throughout the district from people leaving their vehicles running. He asked that everyone, especially delivery drivers who were often the victims, not leave their vehicles running when they were not in them. Lieutenant Archer discussed the motor vehicle thefts.

Shankle asked about a shootout on H and 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Captain Hrebenak stated that it involved two vehicles, and both individuals were expected to recover fully. The ABCA was consulted regarding the nearby establishment, Club 202, and they were planning on having extra officers in the area. The initial investigation showed the vehicle coming from another area and engaged with individuals already standing in the block. He discussed that it was a bit out of character for the area, and they would continue to monitor it. Shankle asked about the estimated number of shots. Captain Hrebenak stated that he would have to get back to him with the exact number, but there was a significant amount.

A constituent, Howard Marks stated that it was Police Week, and it was great to see all of the officers. He shared concerns about two shootings. Captain Hrebenak stated that they would gather information about the crime and see if the establishment was at fault. They would ensure that they stayed on top of the situation.

Swart discussed that throughout the last two weeks, there were seven to eight crimes near Chinatown. There were no active arrests being made related to any of the crimes. Captain Hrebenak discussed that the consequence team made a number of arrests each week, which were important to stem the flow of future offenses. As soon as there was closure for the crimes discussed, he would provide an update.

### **3. Metro PD – Captain Aaron Donald.**

Deputy Chief Boehm from Transit Police provided a quick overview of Metro Transit Police. There were three districts, and there was good crime reduction with a 40% reduction in part one crime. The fare enforcement largely impacted crime reduction. The truancy enforcement for children also assisted in reducing crime. An officer stopped someone for fare evasion recently, and they were wanted for homicide and apprehended. Chief Bum discussed that they also worked well with MPD and their partners. He reported that he would look into the bus shelter issue that Rima had mentioned and have his outreach team go to that bus stop.

Captain Donald was introduced to provide further information. He reported that he was in charge of the first district, which encompassed Gallery Place. He stressed how much the fare evasion made a difference in their approach. He reported that 97% of those who committed serious crimes also committed fare evasion. They were on pace to see their lowest crime year in many years. There were numerous operations with MPD, and they would be starting on their walks soon. Overall, Gallery Place was one of the safest areas. There were a couple of robberies over the past weeks, and one was closed. There was a robust video camera system, which acted as a real-time crime center, and that information was shared with MPD and local counterparts.

Lieutenant Bargie with the transit police introduced himself and noted that he covered the same area as Captain Donald during the evening times.

Swart thanked them for attending the meeting.

Lee echoed Swart's comments. He asked what additional steps could be taken to prevent fare evasion from taking place. It was reported that higher gates were installed, which helped curb the casual fare evaders. They had allied officers in the system to report back to them and assist with violent crime. It was asked for anyone who saw regular instances of fare evasion to provide them with the information.

A constituent, James Giles asked about the study on fare evasion and if there was an analysis of the police expenditure for fare evasion versus the dollars saved. He commented about the percentage of violent crime committers who were fare evaders, and he asked what the percentage of fare evaders was who committed other crimes. It was discussed that fare evasion was considered a civil infraction, and the goal was not to make an arrest. When individuals were being stopped, numerous guns were recovered, there were many warrants found, and they also often matched many "be on the lookouts." It was the best resource for driving crime down, but it may not be as impactful on money saved.

Howard Marks voiced his appreciation for the aggressiveness of stopping fare evasion. He discussed an incident in which an individual tried to tailgate to evade the fare. He asked if he should confront someone in the future. Lieutenant Bargie encouraged either texting or calling the incident in but not confronting them directly. Howard Marks discussed the drug selling and

dealing on H Street, and he asked for officers to be stationed there. It was reported that there would be additional enforcement put in place.

**4. Office of Mayor's Office Ward 2 Mayor's Liaisons – Tadaí Abilla, Ward 2 Liaison, Tadaí.Abilla@dc.gov, 202.805.7122.**

Adriana Macedonio stated that there were no updates yet on the budget. On May 5, Mayor Bowser revealed her economic growth agenda, which she provided a link for. On May 8, Mayor Bowser participated in the ribbon cutting for Mary's House for Older Adults, which was the first dedicated space for LGBT senior individuals in DC. The National Bike to Work Day would be held on May 15, and the meeting end spot was Franklin Park. Adriana Macedonio noted that any questions about the MLK Library encampment clearing on May 15 could be sent to her. On May 21 (rain delayed to May 29), the Pride Flag raising at the Wilson Building would occur at 3:30 pm. World Pride started on May 31, and there were many events planned. MPD would be more visible during the time of World Pride.

Shankle asked for more information on what was meant by clean-up. Adriana Macedonio reported that the individuals living in the encampments were getting resources to transition to more permanent or transitional housing. She stated that she would send the list of action items to the commissioners.

Howard Marks raised concerns about the headquarters of World Pride being at the former space used by Urban Outfitters. He discussed the issue of food and package deliveries potentially being impeded. Adriana Macedonio stated that she would connect with him on the issue. Lukas Umana stated that there would be a lot of traffic in the entire city, and he could speak with Howard Marks on May 14 as well. Howard Marks stated that he would call Lukas Umana and connect with Adriana Macedonio.

James Giles discussed the tanks for the Donald Trump parade and asked if there were any plans for Mayor Bowser to oppose the parade. Adriana Macedonio stated that she did not have exact information about the parade and there was not a concrete plan, but she would follow up with James Giles.

Swart noted that the routes for the parade were chosen. There were some residents who sent an email to the Mayor with their concerns.

**5. Office of Ward 2 Councilmember Brooke Pinto -- Brooke Pinto Councilmember, Ward 2, bpinto@dccouncil.us, 202-724-8058, Maddy White, mwhite@dccouncil.gov, Brian Romanowski, Constituent Services Director, bromanowski@dccouncil.us, 202-285-9195.**

Brian Romanowski reported that DC was in a man-made budget crisis. The House of Representatives had not fixed an issue that disallowed them from spending \$1 billion of the current fiscal year 2025 budget. Mayor Bowser followed a 2009 law that allowed her to increase the budget by 6%, but it left the budget still more than \$410 million short in the

current budget. The Mayor froze hiring, overtime pay, bonuses, and promotions, and it was expected that she would start outlining cuts if there was not a solution soon. Speaker Johnson said that he was going to call a vote on the fix soon, but no timeline was given. Residents were encouraged to contact Congress members of the House and ask them to allow the vote to be made. Brian Romanowski asked residents to call Andrew Clyde from Georgia and Andy Harris from Maryland. The budget timeline was delayed due to the issue, and votes on the budget were not anticipated until August. The Councilmembers all expressed their concerns with the delays. Hearings were also not allowed to be held on legislation until the budget was approved.

Brian Romanowski reported that Moody's downgraded DC's credit rating, which made it more expensive for DC to borrow money. They cited the mass cuts to federal spending, federal real estate, and federal workforce. The proposed cuts to Medicaid were being closely monitored. Many residents and those in nursing homes relied on Medicaid. The Medicaid funding formula was a confusing topic, which was what Congress was debating. Congress was also proposing changes to SNAP, which 140,000 DC residents relied on. The proposed cuts would reduce federal coverage by 25% and would also raise the age that a working would have to be to qualify for SNAP.

The Washington Teachers Union voted unanimously to support Councilmember Pinto's bill to ban cellphone use in schools during the school day. The Committee voted to advance the bill, and they were hopeful that it would be passed before recess, but it would likely not be implemented until the following school year. Many schools were instituting the policy already.

Councilmember Pinto introduced her Peace DC plan to drive down crime and promote peace in DC. It was a combination of legislation and funding strategies aimed at reducing crime. Two days of hearings were held on the plan, with over 70 individuals from the public attending. Council Member Pinto recently held a public safety forum in Ward Eight and public safety walks in Wards One, Two, and Seven. Additional walks would be held. Councilmember Pinto would be participating in Bike to Work Day on May 15, and the meeting would start at 8<sup>th</sup> Street and R St NW at 8:15 am. The top priority for World Pride was to ensure that the events were safe. The biggest impact was Pennsylvania Avenue, and he encouraged everyone to look at the entertainers list. Many of the events were at different locations throughout the city. Councilmember Pinto was hosting a night out on Saturday, June 14, when the Nationals played against the Marlins. Up to five tickets could be requested for Ward 2 residents.

Groth asked for all links to be emailed, as well as the slide decks and Brian Romanowski confirmed that he would email them.

#### **LINKS:**

- Office of Ward 2 Councilmember Brooke Pinto: Brian Romanowski, BRomanowski@[dccouncil.gov](mailto:BRomanowski@dccouncil.gov), 202-724-8058



- Councilmember Henderson's Medicaid Funding Formula explainer video: <https://x.com/CMCHenderson/status/1917999004958310725>
- Peace DC: <https://www.brookepintodc.com/newsroom/peacedc>
- Ward 4 Public Safety Walk - <https://www.brookepintodc.com/events/ward-4-public-safety-walk>
- Bike to Work Day – Thursday, May 15, 8:15 am meeting: <https://www.brookepintodc.com/events/bike-to-work-day-2025>
- World Pride Parade – Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> <https://www.brookepintodc.com/events/world-pride-dc-parade-march>
- Ward 2 night at the Nationals – Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> - <https://www.brookepintodc.com/events/a-night-at-the-ballpark>
- Ward 2 newsletter sign up: <https://www.brookepintodc.com/>

**6. DowntownDC BID, Lukas Umana, Director of Public Space Operations, [lukas@downtowndc.org](mailto:lukas@downtowndc.org), 202.270.0366. Ellouise Johnson, Deputy Director of Public Space Operations**

Ellouise Johnson thanked everyone for having DowntownDC BID on the call. She presented Clean and Safe data, highlighting the amount of trash that was collected and the number of stickers, posters, and graffiti removed. She discussed the importance of the data, which was shared with other government entities to ensure that they could have a clean and safe environment.

Ellouise Johnson discussed the daily functions that the BID was supporting, including the maintenance of green spaces, streetsweeping, landscaping, supporting the unhoused community, engaging with stakeholders, Anthem Row activation during the Cherry Blossom Daruma, assistance with the Cherry Blossom Parade Festival, replanting at the Chinatown Park, and city drain cleaning.

Ellouise Johnson reported that an event would be held on Anthem Row on May 18, followed by other various events.

Lukas Umana discussed the Prism, which would start going up on May 13 and stay up until November 22. The Prism created vibrant figures on the sidewalk using light reflection. It was the fourth iteration of the sculpture at Anthem Row.

Ellouise Johnson provided updates for the Chinatown Safety Team, highlighting the focus on checking on businesses and the cultivation of partnerships. Technology was also a major component, and they gathered data to assist with being proactive.

A constituent, Brianne praised Miss Shay, who greeted all dogs in the community and provided dog treats to them. She asked if there were any plans to add a dog park in the area, which could be mutually beneficial for safety in the area. Lukas Umana stated that they would pass that information along and bring it up to the leadership.

Groth stated that she provided the information in the chat about the gentleman at the bus shelter in hopes that Lukas Umana could assist with that situation. She expressed her appreciation for their ambassadors. She proposed that there be some game or challenge between the two BIDs, Downtown and Golden Triangle, be held for fun at some point. Lukas Umana stated that he would embrace a friendly competition.

#### **LOCAL EVENTS THAT IMPACT THE COMMUNITY**

**1. 41<sup>st</sup> Army Ten-Miler, Sunday, October 12, 2024, Travis Souza, [Travis.m.Souza.naf@army.mil](mailto:Travis.m.Souza.naf@army.mil), 771.233.6488.**

Commissioner Shankle reported that the route was similar to previous years and that he had no objections.

**MOTION:** Shankle moved to send a letter of support for the 41<sup>st</sup> Army Ten-Miler. Seconded by Groth. (Vote 4-0-0)

#### **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS LICENSING (ABCA)**

**1. License Number: ABRA-119964, Applicant: Alice RE Holdings LLC, Trade Name: The Moxy Hotel Washington, D.C., License Class/Type: C Hotel, 1011 K Street, NW.**

Shankle reported that numerous complaints had been received about music from the rooftop and the ground level. He asked how the meeting with Commissioners Swart and Groth went.

Swart reported that there was an agreement by all parties to work through the issue. There was also a consideration that there may be another hotel with an active rooftop entertainment venue in the area, the Eaton, also contributing to noise pollution. There was an agreement from everyone that they would work out a method.

Groth stated that it was a good meeting, but they needed more expertise from a sound engineer. She stated that more conversations were needed, including with the Eaton Hotel, since some of the reports came from times in which the Moxy was not in operation.

A constituent who lives in the condominium near the Moxy Hotel raised concerns about the music, noting that the music was even louder at one event after the meeting. She discussed that the Moxy seemed conveniently unwilling to work on reducing the sound volumes.

Lee asked if the sidewalk café or the rooftop was the issue. The resident stated that it depended on the day and discussed the impact on the value of the condominium units.

**MOTION:** Shankle moved to send a formal letter of protest against the renewal of the Moxy Hotel's license for excessive sound and disturbance to the community's peace. Seconded by Lee. (Vote 4-0-0)

Swart asked about the Sound Mitigation Act and testing on the sound levels. The resident reported that she was told it was completed twice, and there were no issues. She stated that she had called many times and received no callback. She discussed that it was worse in the summer.

Shankle stated that they would also pull the settlement agreement forward as well because the speakers could be in violation. Shankle discussed that the police had not been helpful with sound issues so far.

Shankle encouraged the resident to submit a letter if she could get five or more residents to sign it.

Groth suggested some type of baffling or sound containment at the source. She recommended doing something with the Eaton Hotel as well because it was likely not just the Moxy Hotel. Shankle stated they were not yet up for renewal.

Later, Shankle noted that the renewal for the Eaton Hotel was due June 2. If they were going to be included in the protest period, the motion needed to be made at the current meeting.

**MOTION:** Shankle moved to protest against the Eaton Hotel's Wild Days Nightclub ABCA renewal license due to excessive sound and disturbances in the neighborhood and for residents to be able to enjoy the peace, comfort, and tranquility of their homes. Seconded by Lee. (Vote 4-0-0)

**TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC SPACE – None.**

## **PLANNING, ZONING, ENVIRONMENT, and HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

**1. YouthBuild DC Public Charter School is an alternative high school for young people seeking to transform their lives by re-engaging their education in a non-traditional school environment. YouthBuild PCS plans to move to a new facility at 419 7th Street NW in July.**

**Claire Libert, Head of School | Directora de la Escuela, [claire.libert@youthbuildpcs.org](mailto:claire.libert@youthbuildpcs.org)  
202.319.0141.**

Claire Libert provided information on YouthBuild, which was an alternative high school to help young people re-engage in their education in a non-traditional school environment. It was founded in 1995 and was reviewed every five years. Academics, construction, college and career readiness, and school culture and student success were all covered. The college and career readiness partners were reviewed. The current building was being sold, and many buildings were toured. The plan was to move forward with 419 7<sup>th</sup> Street NW. The top priorities when picking the location included accessibility to minimize average commute time, sunlight, and individual offices. Students were also excited about the employment opportunities in the neighborhood. The layout was presented.

Swart asked when they were opening. Claire Libert reported that they would be opening in late July.

Swart asked if the DDOT had been contacted about moving yet. Claire Libert stated that she would check in with the chief operation officer.

Lee asked how many students were enrolled. Claire Libert reported that there were 133 students enrolled, and they were approved to enroll up to 150 students.

**MOTION:** Shankle moved to send a letter of support for YouthBuild DC Public Charter School. Seconded by Groth. (Vote 4-0-0)

**2. Monumental Sports & Entertainment, Crispus Gordon III, Vice President, Government Relations and Strategic Affairs, [cgordon@monumentalsports.com](mailto:cgordon@monumentalsports.com), 202.661.5165.**

Shankle noted that the issue was resolved, and the item was tabled.

## **OTHER**

**1. Resolution Condemning the Reinstatement of Officers Convicted in the Murder of Mr. Karon Hylton-Brown. Jenn Kauffman [4D08@anc.dc.gov](mailto:4D08@anc.dc.gov), Chair, ANC4D; **Beth Landry.****

This item was tabled.

**2. Resolution Letter to DC Leaders to Address Gun Violence through Coordinated Comprehensive Strategy. Daniel Ehrenpreis, 2025 Chair of the ANC 5F Public Safety and Health Committee, [dsehrenp@gmail.com](mailto:dsehrenp@gmail.com), 845.490.4861.**

David Ehrenpreis presented on the resolution letter to DC leaders to address gun violence. He reported that the resolution was due to many frustrated community members about gun violence, as well as a webinar that highlighted the National Institute for Criminal Justice

Reform's recommendations. The resolution had multiple points urging agencies to create a comprehensive strategy to address gun violence. The recommendations included creating a comprehensive city-wide strategy around gun violence, to ensure that the strategy was community-centric and equitable, and to support violence-interrupter programs. The resolution had been passed in five other ANCs and was being considered in three others. The resolution worked well with Councilmember Pinto's Peace DC.

Lee asked what would happen if the strategy of racial equity ran counter to the end goal and how it would be addressed. David Ehrenpreis discussed that the strategy was evidence-based, and there were recommendations on how to strengthen the relationships.

Groth raised concerns about the budget and that the violence interruption programs they had before were overly politicized. David Ehrenpreis discussed that the violence interruption units had been scattered throughout the city, and one of the larger parts of the goal was to have more data transparency and a more coordinated strategy throughout the city. He acknowledged that the resolution came before the current budget concerns.

Shankle commented that he believed having a coordinated strategy was very important.

**MOTION:** Groth moved to send a letter of support for the resolution letter to DC leaders to address gun violence through a coordinated, comprehensive strategy while noting the understanding of the current budget landscape. Seconded by Swart. (Vote 4-0-0)

**3. Resolution of Support for Vacant to Vibrant Amendment Act of 2025. Commissioner Jeremy Sherman, Chairperson ANC 1A, [1A04@anc.dc.gov](mailto:1A04@anc.dc.gov).**

Groth reported that many other Commissions were affirming the resolution to support bringing vacant properties back into productive use.

Swart asked what productive use meant. Commissioner Groth reported that it was for either commercial or residential use, consistent with the zoning and use from when the property was occupied.

**MOTION:** Groth moved to approve the resolution of support for the Vacant to Vibrant Amendment Act of 2025. Seconded by Lee. (Vote 4-0-0)

**4. Resolution disproving of MPD's involvement with the raid on the US Institute of Peace by DOGE members. **Beth Landry**.**

This item was tabled.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Shankle moved to Adjourn at 8:55 pm. Seconded by Swart. (Vote 4-0-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

**Minutes Submitted by:** Minutes Services

**Minutes Edited by:** Secretary, Commissioner Groth

**Minutes Approved by ANC 2C by a vote of 4-0-0 at duly noticed public meeting June 10, 2025.**

***Nancy Groth***

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Nancy Groth, Secretary, ANC 2C

**Next Meeting:** June 10, 2025, 6:00 pm. It will be a hybrid format.

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