

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

May 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 14th, 2025; 6:30 p.m. Online via Zoom and In-Person at Stead Park

Call to Order

The regular May 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Adams at 6:31 pm.

Introduction of Commissioners

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Lawrence Sprowls (2B04), Alex Marshall (2B05), Libby Franklin (2B07), Zachary Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

Adoption of the Agenda

Chair Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 7-0-0).

Announcements and Public Comments

Public Announcements and General Comments

A resident provided an update pertaining to a request for protected bike lanes on Q and S Street NW. Kate Urbank, the Site Director of Food Rescue US-DC, provided an update. Bill McLeod, Executive Director of the Dupont Circle Business Improvement District, provided an update. Anne Blackwell, Director of Dupont Circle Mainstreet, thanked ANC 2B for their contributions and provided an update.

Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner Rueckgauer and Slatt provided updates. Commissioner Adams provided an update on the PEPCO outage. Commissioner Franklin provided an update on the Stead Park Field. Commissioner Marshall provided an update on Bike to Work Day.

Update on ANC 2B01 Vacancy

Chair Adams provided an update on the vacancy in 2B01.

Update from Lisa Marie Thalhammer on the WorldPride 2025 Placemaking Efforts

Lisa Marie Thalhammer provided an update on the WorldPride2025 Placemaking Efforts.

Reports from DC Government representatives

Sean Moore, DC Water representative, shared an update on LeadFree DC.

Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda

Applications

Daily Provisions- Application for a new retailers Class "C" restaurant license at 1601 Connecticut Ave NW (ABRA-131908) (2B01)

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

WHEREAS, Daily Provisions Operations, LLC trading as Daily Provisions has applied for a new Class C Restaurant Alcoholic Beverage License at 1601 Connecticut Avenue NW, located in Single Member District 2B01 of ANC 2B.

WHEREAS, Daily Provisions has requested endorsements for Sidewalk Café, and Beverage Carryout and Delivery.

WHEREAS, the hours of sales, service, and consumption for inside the premises and the sidewalk café will be Sunday through Saturday, 7:00 AM through 11:00 PM.

WHEREAS, the hours for beverage carryout and delivery will be Sunday through Saturday, 7:00 AM through 11:00 PM.

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

WHEREAS, the hours of operation and sidewalk café are consistent with ANC 2B guidelines and prior dining establishments at this location.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B previously reviewed and voted to support the DDOT Public Space application for the sidewalk café at its March 12, 2025 meeting.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Class C Restaurant License Application No. ABRA-131908 of Daily Provisions as placarded, pursuant to a Settlement Agreement that establishes the expected conduct of the business and relationship with the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

Violet City - Application for a new Medical Cannabis Retailer license at 1505 22nd Street NW (ABRA-128732) (2B02)

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

WHEREAS, Premium Service, LLC trading as Violet City ("Violet City", "Applicant") has applied for a new Medical Cannabis Retailer License (ABRA-128732) with a Delivery Endorsement at 1505 22nd Street NW, which is located in ANC 2B, Single Member District 2B02;

WHEREAS, Violet City's placard states the following hours of operation:

Hours of Operation for Retailer

Sunday - Saturday: 7:00 AM - 11:00 PM

Hours of Retailer Sales Open to the Public

Sunday – Saturday: 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM

Hours of Delivery Service

Sunday – Saturday 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM

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

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has discussed the delivery service and is satisfied that it should not pose problems for the neighborhood; should delivery service increase such that it produces impacts on parking or traffic flow, Violet City will work with ANC 2B and DDOT to arrive at an agreeable solution.

WHEREAS, Violet City has agreed to enter into a Cannabis Settlement Agreement with ANC 2B governing the retail operation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the Cannabis Retailer License application of Violet City as placarded, pursuant to a Cannabis Settlement Agreement that establishes the expected conduct of the business and relationship with the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Cannabis Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

<u>Renewals</u>

The commission took no action.

Transportation and Public Space Agenda

DDOT NOI# 24-107-TOA Installation of a Diplomatic Parking Zone for the Embassy of Honduras at 1220 19th Street NW (2B06)

Commissioner Sprowls moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-2-1). The resolution reads as follows: Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and failed (VOTES: 2-5-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has issued NOI 25-107-TPA for installation of a Diplomatic Parking Zone in the west lane of the 1200 block of 19th Street NW, located in Single Member District 2B06 of ANC 2B.

WHEREAS, 90 feet of linear space in front of 1220 19th Street NW, sufficient for 3 cars, shall be provided for the exclusive use of the Embassy of Honduras from the hours of 7:00AM through 6:30 PM Mondays through Fridays.

WHEREAS, the 1200 block of 19th Street consists of three lanes, one parking lane and two travel lanes, the west lane of which is signed No Parking or Standing Anytime, No Loading during rush hours, and Pick-Up/Drop Off Zone.

WHEREAS, the proposed Diplomatic Parking Zone could result in the continuous blockage of the west lane every weekday for 11-1/2 hours during which the number of travel lanes would be reduced to one.

WHEREAS, the 11-1/2 hour daily blockage would lead to far more congestion than occasional, short-term pickups and drop-offs.

WHEREAS, 19th Street is the only business southbound street that connects Dupont Circle with downtown DC and beyond.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B opposes NOI 25-107-TPA for the installation of a Diplomatic Parking Zone in front of 1220 19th Street NW.

Public Space Permit application #465386: Knee Wall w/Fence at 1528 O Street NW

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

WHEREAS

• The applicant proposes to build a walled garden on a plot that contained a row house demolished in the 1970s.

- A portion of land between a sidewalk-facing brick garden wall and sidewalk consists of public space with a low brick wall ("knee wall") and metal fence.
- The design of the sidewalk-facing wall -- all on the applicant's property -- incorporates some design cues from the adjacent row houses.
- The project will be a marked improvement over the current asphalt moonscape.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Public Space Permit application #465386.

Land Use Agenda

2129 Newport Place NW (2B06) HPRB 25-245; renovation with new 3rd floor, new front cellar entry, and new window

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

ANC 2B supports the application as presented.

1314 21st Street NW (2B06) BZA 21160A; six month extension for non-conforming use

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

ANC 2B supports BZA application #21160A as presented and supports an indefinite extension.

2210 P Street NW and 1524 22nd Street NW (2B01) BZA 18079 and 18079-B; renew existing special exception for daytime care use

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

The ANC did not identify any issues or concerns related to application to renew the existing Special Exception (Case Nos. 18079 and 18079-B) for a daytime care use located in the R-3 Zone District (the "Application"). ANC 2B supports BZA No. 21301 as presented and supports an indefinite extension as requested.

Administrative Matters

Approval of the ANC's regular April 2025 meeting minutes

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the April 2025 ANC 2B regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1).

Approval of new 2B outreach materials

Commissioner Adams motions that we approve up to 500 for printing materials to advertise committee meetings. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). Commissioner Franklin is the commission's representative in this matter.

Transportation and Public Space Agenda Continued:

Discussion of DPW's new Food Waste Drop-Off Bins

Commissioner Rueckgauer discussed DPW's new Food Waste Drop-Off Bins.

Adjournment

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:01 pm.

Prepared by:ANC 2BApproved on:June 9, 2025Attested by:Libby Franklin
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