

ANC 6D Monthly Business Meeting Minutes
March 18, 2025
Virtual Meeting Held on Zoom

The Commission convened at approximately 7:00 p.m. The following Commissioners were in attendance: Gail Fast, Rhonda Hamilton, Fredrica Kramer, Andrea Pawley, Chearie Phelps-El, Gottlieb Simon (chairing), and Bruce Levine. Absent: Marquell Washington. Also present: Administrator Donna Purchase.

Introduction of Commissioners

Public Safety Report

Due to technical difficulties there was no report.

Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

Community Announcements

Shamara Gabrielle, Executive Director, gave an overview of The Theater Alliance, its mission and current program.

Government Announcements

Noah Glasgow, Ward 6 MOCR, reported on the funding for the DC government for the remaining six months of the fiscal year; the status of updating Black Lives Matter Plaza; and a new grant program for small businesses

Jeanne Mattison, of Councilman Allen's office, reported on The Great Ward 6 Cleanup Program; Earned Income Tax Rebate Program; and legislation banning credit card swipe fees on tax and tips.

On behalf of the OAG, Chairperson Simon called attention to the Office of the Attorney General's mediation hotline.

Commissioner Phelps-El asked for contributions of formal wear for proms.

Community Concerns

Sarah Buckley, co-chair of the Amidon-Bowen PTA Advocacy Committee, gave an update on the Amidon-Bowen community's ongoing campaign to keep school kids in Southwest during the two-year modernization that is scheduled to begin in the 2027 school year.

DOEE Briefing on RiverSmart Homes

Shannah Cumberbatch, of the Department of Energy and the Environment (DOEE), discussed DOEE's RiverSmart Homes program.

DDOT Update on 2025 TOPP

Kelly Jeong-Olson, of DDOT, discussed the results of the 2025 TOPP Survey. She also provided DDOT's preliminary response to the Commission's February 25, 2025 advice letter and answered Commissioner questions.

Approval of the Minutes

The February 2025 minutes were **approved**, as corrected, without opposition.

Consent Agenda

The Commission **ratified** Michael King as Chairperson of the ABC Committee, and **approved** the Marine Corps Marathon on October 26, 2025.

Credit Union Cherry Blossom 5K

Following an overview of the activity with its representative, George Banker, the Commission **voted to approve** the Credit Union Cherry Blossom 5K Run on April 5, 2025, on a voice vote. *(Motion by Fast)*

ABC Report

ABC Committee Vice Chairperson Laura DiAngelo reported on the applications currently up for renewal as well as those requesting changes in their settlement agreements and offered the Committee's recommendations on those applications. Following discussion of the ANC's policy on settlement agreements, the Commission **agreed unanimously to protest** the renewal application of Fat Fish Rolls & Twists on the grounds of peace, order and quiet. *(Motion by Pawley)*

Next the Commission **voted 5-0, 2 to support** the renewal application of Chopsmith, ABRA #115588. *(Motion by Fast)* The Commission then **agreed without objection not to protest** renewal of CitizenM Sushi, ABRA 127857. *(Motion by Levine.)*

On the recommendation of the Committee, the Commission also **approved** a change in the settlement agreement with Intercontinental Hotel, ABRA 14491, "to commence sales, services, and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the interior and summer garden premises at 9 am." *(Motion by Pawley)*

Also, on the recommendation of the Committee, the Commission **agreed 7-0** to the approve the First Amendment to Settlement Agreement Between Federal Center Hotel

Associates, LLC and Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6D, which allows the establishment to extend the hours of sales, service, and consumption of alcohol. *(Motion by Pawley)*

Next the Commission considered the Committee's recommendation to approve changes to the settlement agreement for the Hawthorne vessels. As the applicant had not yet filed for renewal of their license, the Commission discussed whether action on the changes could wait until the April meeting. Commissioner Fast moved that the ANC vote on the changes at this meeting. Her motion failed, however, 3-3,1. The Commission, therefore, continued to the next application.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee, the Commission **agreed 7-0 to approve** the Love 420 Settlement Agreement, as circulated to the Commission, with the inclusion of language regarding calls for service, contingent upon the applicant signing the settlement agreement. *(Motion by Hamilton)*

Ms. DeAngelo completed the Committee's report by identifying several applications that the Committee is still working on.

Commissioner Kramer then updated the Commission on the status of the Brisa protest.

Finally, the Commission **voted 7-0 to protest** the pending ABC application of Zooz on the grounds of peace, order and quiet, and named Commissioner Levine as the ANC's representative in this matter. *(Motion by Levine)*

Banneker Park Transfer

Although placing this matter on the agenda had been agreed to at the Admin Meeting, no one made a motion regarding transferring ownership of Banneker Park. Therefore, the Commission moved on to the next item on the agenda.

ABC Email Account

The ANC **agreed** on a voice vote **to allocate up to \$600** to fund a DC government email account for the ABC Committee. *(Motion by Simon)*

SMD Updates

6D01: No update. **6D03:** Work on the comprehensive plan for 2050 is under way and residents are urged to participate in a survey being conducted by the Office of Planning. **6D04:** No update. **6D06:** No update. **6D05:** Commissioner Phelps-El is seeking donations for formal wear for students to wear to their proms. **6D07:** The Broccoli Music Festival will take place in July and negotiations are progressing to prepare for the Festival; the Stacks is open in Buzzard Point. **6D08:** United Planning Organization (UPO) offers many free programs and services for DC residents. **6D02:** Commissioner Simon notified

the SWBID of a large number of Safeway carts on an apartment building's side yard in 6D02, and they arranged to collect the carts and return them to Safeway

Treasurer's Report

There have not been any expenditures yet this month, but some are anticipated soon.

Chairperson's Report

Commissioner Simon reported that he was the Commission's substitute representative at the Urban Roast mediation. He then adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:30 pm

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Rhonda Hamilton

Minutes approved on: April 21, 2025