

**ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 8D**  
**Public Meeting Minutes**  
**May 22, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 6:43 by Commissioner Dionne Yvette Brown, Chair. Commissioner Erica Brown, Secretary, performed the roll call. A quorum was established.

**ROLL CALL**

<b>SMD</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>STATUS</b>
8D01	Dionne Yvette Brown	Present
8D02	(Vacant)	
8D03	Cassandra Matthews	Present
8D04	(Vacant)	
8D05	Erica R. Brown	Present
8D06	Anna Hamilton	Present (Virtual)
8D07	Frederick Nelson	Present
8D08	Randell Strickland	Absent

The April meeting minutes were approved by common consent.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**Chairperson's Report**

Keith Moore, Jr. was published in the DC Register as having been qualified to fill the SMD 8D04 seat on May 9th and is scheduled to be sworn in on June 6th. He was present and introduced to the body as Commissioner-Elect.

**Treasurer's Report.**

ANC 8D had an beginning and ending balance of \$\$80,027.80 for May as no transactions were made during this period. The Q1 FY25 Quarterly Financial Report was presented for approval with an ending balance of \$80,368.67. Commissioner Nelson moved the acceptance of the Q1 FY25 QFR. Commissioner E. Brown seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Q2 FY25 Quarterly Financial Report was presented for approval with an ending balance of \$80,027.80. Commissioner Nelson moved the acceptance of the Q1 FY25 QFR. Commissioner E. Brown seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

A charge from OANC for \$2,075 for audio and video equipment was processed against ANC 8D's account due to a miscommunication. A check is required as payment. OANC will issue a refund immediately upon payment. Commissioner Nelson moved the approval of \$2,075 to meet the AV expense with the condition that it will be reimbursed by OANC upon receipt. Commissioner Hamilton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

## **SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICT STATUS REPORTS**

<b>SMD</b>	<b>Issue(s)</b>
<b>8D01</b>	Two unattached trailers were parked in the unity block of Chesapeake Street SW since fall 2024 disrupting traffic. Contacted DPW's ANC Liaison Randi Thorpe who took corrective actions.  Cannot access TOPS to respond to Request #459915 for public space construction to install a curb cut in the 3800 block of First Street SE.
<b>8D02</b>	No report
<b>8D03</b>	No report
<b>8D04</b>	No report
<b>8D05</b>	Received ongoing complaints from Wingate Gardens residents about pest infestations, mold, and inadequate air conditioning. Contacted the Office of the Attorney General for guidance to address these concerns and facilitate mediation between residents, property management, and respective government agencies.
<b>8D06</b>	No report
<b>8D07</b>	Two DOB inspection requests were submitted for 65 Forrester Street. The DOB found multiple violations and cited the landlord. Cases are now closed. Residents are encouraged to continue using 311 to report tire dumping and garbage issues.
<b>8D08</b>	No report

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None

## **GUEST PRESENTATIONS**

Conner Laughland did not appear, as scheduled, to discuss pending Social Housing Development legislation. Commissioner D. Brown provided a summary of the proposed bill before the City Council, which intends to convert unoccupied and underutilized office spaces into affordable housing, particularly for low- to moderate-income residents.

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DCHD) Property Acquisition and Disposition Division (PADD) refused to appear to discuss the status of 199 Chesapeake Street—publicly-owned property to be disposed for private development. A solicitation was issued May 30, 2024, and a public hearing is scheduled for June 23, 2025 to announce the winning bid. (Letter from DCHD to the Commission is attached).

WMATA declined the Commission's invitation to present due to resource limitations prohibiting them from attending individual ANC meetings. Commissioners Nelson and E. Brown attended WMATA's meeting on May 10th for elected city officials. Metrobus routes and names will change effective June 29 as part of the Better Bus Network initiative. For more information, visit WMATA.com. Residents with concerns about bus

stops are encouraged to communicate with their respective ANC Commissioners, who will liaise with WMATA representatives.

### **COMMUNITY CONCERNS**

Dashawn Yates of D.I.V.A.S in Sisterhood is requesting a grant to host an end of the school community event. Commissioner E. Brown (secretary) will correspond with Ms. Yates to provide her with the necessary information to apply for available grant funding.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

ANC 8D will hold a Special Meeting on Thursday, June 12 at 6:30pm to engage the community about desired uses for the city-owned property at 199 Chesapeake Street SW in preparation for the DCHD PADD Hearing on June 23.

Eugene Kinlow encouraged residents to complete the Office of Planning's survey for DC 2050 to inform the Comprehensive Plan.

DPR Pools will open on May 23rd.

DCPS Afterschool Registration is now open for the 2025-2026 school year. Visit [afterschool.dcps.k12](https://afterschool.dcps.k12) for more information.

Councilmember Robert:

- Requests video testimony on the Rental Housing Reform Act. Guidelines:
  - Record a 3-minute video about how the Act impacts you.
  - Deadline: May 26, 2025, by 6:00 p.m.
  - Upload videos online.
  - Need help recording? Visit the office on May 23 (10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.) or May 27 (4:00–6:00 p.m.).
  - Option to testify in person is also available.
  - Contact: [housing@dccouncil.gov](mailto:housing@dccouncil.gov)

DC Office of Planning (OP) – DC 2050 Comprehensive Plan Workshops:

- Saturday, May 31, 2025, 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. – Ron Brown High School, 4800 Meade St. NE, Washington, DC
- Wednesday, June 4, 2025, 6:00–8:00 p.m. – Stuart-Hobson Middle School, 410 E Street NW, Washington, DC

Father Factor & Cure The Streets Presents: Community Resource Fair on Friday, May 23, 3:00–6:00 p.m. at 4315 3rd Street SE

The meeting adjourned at 7:42.



Submitted by:

Erica R. Brown, Secretary