

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 1B



AGENDA PACKET FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION

ON

July 10, 2025

7:00 p.m. Virtual Meeting (via Zoom webinar)

Miguel Trindade Deramo, SMD 1B06, *Chair*Sabel Harris, SMD 1B08, *Vice-Chair*Aaron Lemon-Strauss, SMD 1B04, *Treasurer*Matt Fay, SMD 1B01, *Secretary*

François Barrilleaux, SMD 1B02

Jamie Sycamore, SMD 1B03

Alan Kensek, SMD 1B05

Matthew Holden, SMD 1B07

Stephen Hanrahan, SMD 1B09



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AGENDA for the REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION on July 10, 2025, Virtual Meeting (via Zoom webinar)

Guest speaker at 6:30 p.m.

• Fred Moosally: Director, DC Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration

Call meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

I. ROLL CALL

	Commissioner	Present	Absent
1801	Fay		
1802	Barrilleaux		
1B03	Sycamore		
1804	Lemon-Strauss		
1805	Kensek		
1806	Trindade Deramo		
1807	Holden		
1B08	Harris		
1809	Hanrahan		

II. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Commission July 10, 2025 Meeting Agenda
- B. Commission June 5, 2025 Meeting Minutes

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS (3 minutes per committee)

- A. Committee on Public Safety
 - i. Monthly crime data updates
 - ii. Public safety walk



B. Committee on Transportation, Parks, and Public Space

- i. June Committee Meeting Summary
- ii. July Committee Meeting Preview

C. Committee on Zoning, Preservation, and Development

- i. May Committee Meeting Summary
- ii. Upcoming ZPD Agenda Items

D. Committee on Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Regulations

i. Update on work to catalog ANC 1B Settlement Agreements

E. Committee on Community Engagement

i. Update on Committee Relaunch

F. Committee on Economic Development

- i. Update on 1617 U Street Property
- ii. Comp Plan 2050 ANC 1B Activities

IV. EXECUTIVE, COUNCILMEMBER, AND AGENCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. Office of the Councilmember, Ward 1: David Meni (3 minutes)
- B. Office of the Mayor: Stephanie Advincula, MOCR (3 minutes)
- C. District Agencies: Laura Gonzalez, DC Office of Human Rights (2 minutes)

V. COMMISSIONER & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **A. Commissioner announcements** (1 minute per Commissioner)
 - i. Shakespeare in the Park Report Out: Trindade Deramo/Fay
- **B. Community announcements** (1 minute per community member)



VI. ADMINISTRATIVE

- A. Executive Officers' Reports (2 minutes per officer)
- **B.** Authorization of Payment for Photo Services: The commission will vote to authorize payment to photographer Alexis Gavidia in the amount of \$500 to take a second round of ANC 1B area photographs for use in Commission publications and announcements.
- C. Midterm Committee Surveys

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **ABRA-115871:** Sliced and Brewed Restaurant, 1915 9th Street, NW substantial change (Sliced and Brewed Restaurant ANC 1B Summer Garden.pdf) (4-0-0)
- **B. ABRA-094795-** Appioo, 1924 9th Street NW license renewal (<u>1802 Appioo.pdf</u>) (4-0-0)
- C. SMD 1B08: Letter of Support for Hamiltonian Artists Grant Application
- **D. SMD 1B01:** Resolution in Support of Naming the Public Space on the 400 Block of Florida Avenue NW (Square 507)
- E. SMD 1B02: Resolution Regarding Backlog and Inaction on Illegal Sign at 1924 9th Street NW
- F. SMD 1B02: Resolution in Support of Renaming Some Alleys in 1B02
- **G. ZPD:** Resolution on the 2024 Fatal Building Collapse at 1111, 1113 V St NW
- **H. TPPS:** Resolution on NOI-25-133-TPA: Expansion of the U Street Performance Parking Zone
- I. TPPS: Resolution on the New C61 Rider Impacts under the WMATA Better Bus Network Initiative & Access to MedStar Washington Hospital Center and Washington VA Medical Center
- **J. ED:** Resolution in Support of DPR Community Engagement in the Future Design and Use Planning of 625 T St NW
- **K. ZPD:** Letter of Support for the proposed design at 1315 Florida Ave NW
- L. TPPS: Letter of Support for Public EV Charger at 1806 9th St NW



VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Commission will be on Thursday, August 7, 2025.





DRAFT MINUTES for the REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSION on June 5, 2025, Hybrid Meeting (via Zoom webinar)

Guest speaker at 6:30 p.m.

 Ward 1 Councilmember Brianne Nadeau will discuss the District of Columbia proposed FY26 Budget

SUMMARY: Councilmember Nadeau outlined major FY25 budget challenges, citing federal funding constraints and cuts affecting working-class and vulnerable residents. She opposes non-budget-related provisions like the RFK Stadium deal, changes to street vending laws, labor and tenant protection rollbacks, and repeals of immigrant protections and Initiative 82.

Ward 1 Impacts: Key local cuts include violence interrupter funding, Medicaid, emergency rental assistance, TANF reforms, Main Streets and clean teams, bus project funding, youth field trips, and educator wellness grants. Programs like the Early Childhood Pay Equity Fund and HIPS services face uncertainty. However, park improvements and the Park Morton redevelopment remain funded, and Performance Parking Zone funds are preserved.

Housing Legislation: Nadeau opposes the mayor's limitations on the Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act (TOPA) and introduced the Common Sense TOPA Reform Act to streamline the process, reduce predatory behavior, and improve tenant support.

RFK Stadium Proposal: Nadeau opposes public financing for the stadium, citing a potential \$2 billion cost and lack of revenue return. She supports hiring a fiscal analyst and wants the deal removed from the budget process, encouraging residents to advocate citywide and to the Council Chair.

Public Safety – U Street Corridor: Acknowledging recent violence, Nadeau cited increased policing, a club moratorium, and coordinated enforcement. She supports a neighborhood management authority for U Street (pending legislation) and emphasized youth programming and credible messengers. She is open to legislation addressing unlicensed alcohol sales from cars.

Additional Updates:

- A May 27 flood at 1417 Belmont displaced six tenants; support services are in place.
- At Cardozo, OCTO is moving into the former ROTC space and funding new classroom buildout.
- Sanctuary city protections targeted in the Budget Support Act may be removed through Council redline.
- Possible mayoral ethics violations are under review by appropriate oversight bodies.
- Community office hours are scheduled for June 16th at Pitango Gelato.



Call meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

IX. ROLL CALL

	Commissioner	Present	Absent
1B01	Fay	X	
1B02	Barrilleaux	X	
1B03	Sycamore	X	
1B04	Lemon-Strauss	X-arrived after roll call	
1B05	Kensek	X	
1B06	Trindade Deramo	X	
1B07	Holden	X	
1B08	Harris	X	
1B09	Hanrahan	X	

X. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Commission June 5, 2025 Meeting Agenda
- B. Commission May 1, 2025 Meeting Minutes
- C. ABCR Non-Protest Items
 - i. ABRA-111411, Tipsy Lounge and Restaurant 1, 1212 U Street NW
 - ii. ABRA-112322, Gogi Yogi, 1921 8th Street NW
 - iii. ABRA- 123697, Howard Theatre, 620 T Street NW
 - iv. ABRA- 128255, The Greek Spot, 2017 11th Street NW
 - v. ABRA-112489- FishScale, 637 Florida Ave NW
 - vi. ABRA-119297- Café Unido- 901 W Street NW
 - vii. ABRA-119716- Axum Restaurant- 1934 9th Street NW
 - viii. ABRA-121029- Rendezvous- 2020 9th Street NW
 - ix. ABRA-123908- Pho House, 637 T Street NW
 - x. ABRA-123418 -Sports and Social, 1314 U Street NW
 - xi. ABRA-118901- Privilege, 1115 U Street NW

MOTION: Commissioner Kensek, moved to remove Elina from consent agenda and move to new business. Motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** None. The motion **PASSED (8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).**

MOTION: Commissioner Kensek moved to adopt consent agenda. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** None **The motion PASSED (8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).**



XI. EXECUTIVE, COUNCILMEMBER, AND AGENCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Office of the Councilmember, Ward 1: David Meni (3 minutes)

SUMMARY: No updates

B. Office of the Mayor: Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice Lindsey Appiah (20 minutes)

SUMMARY: Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice Lindsay Appiah provided an overview of the FY25 and FY26 budget challenges and priorities. She explained that DC faced a \$1.13 billion shortfall in FY25 due to congressional budget restrictions and had to act quickly to close the gap. The administration avoided furloughs, layoffs, and facility closures by implementing a hiring freeze, cutting \$175 million in non-personnel spending, delaying \$202 million in costs to FY26, and redirecting special purpose revenue funds. Summer youth programs, summer school, emergency services, high impact tutoring and other essential operations were fully funded. For FY26, an additional billion-dollar shortfall is projected due to a downgraded revenue estimate by the CFO, largely stemming from federal instability and economic shifts. The budget strategy focuses on both cost-cutting and revenue generation, guided by three questions: Does it help retain or attract residents? Does it support economic activity to fund services? Does it attract businesses and create jobs? To support economic growth, the budget includes business incentives, zoning reforms, and streamlining of permitting and appeals. Proposed changes include modifying TOPA enforcement and repealing Initiative 82, which the administration argues is negatively impacting restaurants and hospitality businesses. The RFK site redevelopment proposal includes both a stadium and a sportsplex for youth recreation. The budget also funds renovations for major cultural venues (Howard, Lincoln, and National Theaters) and investments in tech incubators and commercial entertainment.

In public safety, the administration is addressing police staffing shortages—MPD is at a 50-year low—and investing in technology, retention, and programs like Safe Passages and community safety ambassadors. The budget also raises pay for 911 and 311 operators and funds retention initiatives. Clean and safe corridor investments continue, along with park and library modernizations, curbside composting expansion, and recreation center upgrades.

Regarding the Sanctuary Values Amendment Act, Appiah clarified that the proposed changes affect only Department of Corrections policy on sharing information with immigration authorities—not broader law enforcement cooperation. She emphasized the administration's commitment to protecting DC's autonomy and residents while navigating significant federal oversight and financial pressure.

Deputy Appiah addressed concerns about cuts to violence interruption programs, particularly in Ward 1. She clarified that the Office of the Attorney General's Cure the Streets funding was not part of the executive budget and was supported through surplus funds, making it unsustainable. She emphasized that the executive branch has not cut violence interruption funding, and that multiple



programs—including ONSE, Safe Passage, and community-based organizations—remain active in Ward 1. Appiah stated that the issue is not the amount of money spent but the effectiveness of deployment. She noted that despite historic levels of investment in FY23, violent crime increased, indicating a need for better coordination and targeted response. She acknowledged that some current teams may not have the credibility or capability to mediate existing disputes, such as ongoing conflict between Columbia Heights Village and LeDroit Park. Her office plans to reassign or bring in staff who are better equipped to address the specific dynamics of those areas.

Several commissioners and residents expressed concern that funding reductions or program changes could undermine successful work in neighborhoods like 14th & V, where violence interrupters have been credited with reducing crime. Appiah responded that the administration remains committed to the violence interruption model but is focusing on improving coordination among multiple providers rather than expanding funding.

Appiah addressed concerns about MPD's request to close Dupont Circle during World Pride events. She explained that the request was made due to ongoing safety concerns from previous years, including fights, property damage, and a 2019 shooting involving large groups of youth. In past years, MPD backfilled Park Police responsibilities to maintain order, but due to limited staffing and expanded World Pride events citywide—such as activities at RFK, extended parade routes, and street closures—MPD determined it lacked the resources to do so this year. The request for closure was made to ensure safety, as Park Police, which oversees the Circle, has limited staffing. However, after public feedback and concerns—especially from LGBTQ+ community members viewing the move as exclusionary—MPD Chief withdrew the request, leaving the decision to the National Park Service. Commissioner Holden raised the optics of the decision and compared to if there was a closing off the Stonewall Inn or closing Castro Street in San Francisco while hosting the entire gay world in your city. Appiah emphasized the intent was not to offend but to maintain safety amid multiple, large-scale events across the city.

Commissioner Sycamore expressed support for the Mayor's budget decisions and public safety strategy, including continued investment in violence interrupter programs. He raised two specific concerns: Safe Passage oversight at Garnet-Patterson and a rise in car break-ins near Cardozo High School. Appiah confirmed that the Safe Passage program is managed by her office and encouraged direct communication about any issues. Appiah emphasized that feedback is important for oversight and accountability, especially since the program spans 12 priority areas with around 200 workers.

Regarding the car break-ins, Appiah and MPD leadership stressed the importance of incident reporting. They explained that resource allocation decisions—such as adding patrols or cameras—depend on accurate crime data. Residents were encouraged to use MPD's online reporting tools to ensure concerns are captured and addressed.



C. District Agencies: Commander Sean Connors, MPD Third District (10 minutes)

SUMMARY: Commander Sean Connors introduced himself as the new commander of MPD's 3rd District, having started three weeks prior. He brings 16 years of experience in areas such as narcotics, gun recovery, violent crime suppression, and police training. He highlighted three current enforcement priorities in ANC 1B:

- 7th and T Street: Approximately 80% of the 189 narcotics arrests in the 3rd District this year have occurred in this area. He credited the effectiveness of the multi-agency task force operating there.
- U Street Corridor: While challenging, he noted that coordination has improved significantly compared to past years.
- LeDroit Park: Officers are assigned for visibility, but Connors emphasized that proactive policing in other neighborhoods (such as Columbia Heights Village) is also essential to prevent violence from spilling into LeDroit Park.

He concluded by stressing the importance of citywide enforcement efforts in preventing localized crime and welcomed questions from the community.

Commissioner Barrilleaux noted that while police enforcement has reduced visible drug activity at 7th and T Streets, it appears to have displaced activity to nearby areas—specifically along Florida Avenue near a bus stop that is now largely unusable due to open drug use and possible sales. Commander Connors acknowledged the concern and confirmed MPD is aware of shifting patterns. He said enforcement efforts now include roving patrols rather than a fixed post to better address activity on the perimeter, including the Florida Avenue corridor. He also mentioned coordination with outreach groups like HIPS and the Department of Behavioral Health to address the issue from both enforcement and support angles. Commissioner Barrilleaux appreciated that visible activity had been pushed away from the school zone, describing it as a meaningful improvement. Connors added that while drug activity persists, it is now less centralized, requiring more effort from dealers, which he sees as progress.

Commissioner Sycamore thanked the commander for his responsiveness to a recent shooting incident. Connors concluded by expressing his commitment to continued coordination with the community.

XII. COMMITTEE REPORTS (3 minutes per committee)

A. Committee on Economic Development

- i. DMPED update on District-led projects at Reeves Center, 1617 U Street Property, and Rita Bright
- ii. Report out on the U Street Business Roundtable



iii. Comp Plan 2050 ANC 1B Activities

SUMMARY: Commissioner Fay reported that DMPED presented at the last Economic Development Committee meeting with updates on the Reeves Center, 1617 U Street, and the Rita Bright Center—though no major changes were announced. The Reeves Center project is under renegotiation due to changing economic conditions. An RFP is being developed for 1617 U involving technical planning for FEMS, MPD, and fueling operations. The Rita Bright site continues to move through rezoning. The committee will develop resolution language to guide 1617 U's redevelopment. Commissioner Fay also shared that the first U Street Business Roundtable was held on May 22 with strong participation. Outreach efforts reached about 100 of the 160 businesses on the corridor, aiming to improve communication and collaboration.

B. Committee on Public Safety

- i. Monthly crime data updates
- ii. Budget cuts and public safety

SUMMARY: Commissioner Barrilleaux gave updates from the committee and shared monthly crime updates. Total crime in ANC 1B decreased from 128 incidents last month to 107 this month. Violent crime held steady (15 incidents vs. 16 last month), including one homicide on May 29 involving a 17-year-old victim at Barry Place. Assaults with deadly weapons increased to 6, while property crime dropped from 112 to 92. Year-to-date, total crime is down from 573 to 466 incidents, and violent crime has decreased from 69 to 55 compared to the same period in 2024. The ongoing conflict between groups in LeDroit Park and Columbia Heights Village remains a concern.

C. Committee on Transportation, Parks, and Public Space

- i. May Committee Meeting Summary
- ii. June Committee Meeting Item U Street Performance Parking Update/Block Expansion

SUMMARY: Commissioner Holden referenced several updates in new business that he will wait to share. The next Transportation Committee meeting will be held on June 11 and will focus on the U Street Performance Parking Project. DDOT will provide an update and present a Notice of Intent to expand implementation to additional blocks within the project area. Community members interested in performance parking are encouraged to attend.

D. Committee on Zoning, Preservation, and Development

- i. May Committee Meeting Summary
- ii. Update on ZPD Advocacy regarding the building collapse at 1111/1113 V street



SUMMARY: Chair Brandt shared updates that the committee supported a resolution backing amendments to the Fair Housing Practices Act to ban junk fees. Regarding the V Street building collapse, several members, including the committee chair, testified at a recent Council hearing. However, no updates or after-action report have been received from DOB. The committee expressed strong support for demanding meaningful communication, noting that six months have passed since the incident.

E. Committee on Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Regulations

i. Update on license applications reviewed in May meeting

SUMMARY: Commissioner Hanrahan reported the committee is actively protesting a bar's request to extend hours to 6 a.m. within the moratorium zone. Thematically, the committee is focused on ensuring settlement agreements exist for establishments—either locating existing ones or initiating new agreements. Several new license applications will be discussed later in the meeting.

F. Committee on Community Engagement

i. No Meeting Held in May

SUMMARY: Commissioner Sycamore apologized for his recent absence due to personal challenges but confirmed the committee will resume meetings, with the next scheduled for June 17 at 6 p.m.

XIII. COMMISSIONER & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Commissioner announcements (1 minute per Commissioner)

SUMMARY: Commissioner Harris shared former ANC 1B Commissioner Rob Hudson passed away last month. He contributed to several major developments in ANC 1B, including the Grimke project, and helped shape the commission's bylaws and standard operating procedures. The community is encouraged to keep his husband and family in their thoughts.

B. Community announcements (1 minute per community member)

SUMMARY: No announcements shared

XIV. ADMINISTRATIVE

A. Executive Officers' Reports (2 minutes per officer)

SUMMARY: No reports shared

B. Budget amendment to authorize nominal refreshments at In-Person/Hybrid Commission Meetings

MOTION: Commissioner Trindade Deramo moved to amend our budget for this year to cover the expenses in the previous two hybrid meetings and the one we are planning for the fall for a total



cost of \$300. Motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** No discussion. The motion **PASSED (8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention).**

C. Authorization of Payment for Audiovisual Services in Support of Hybrid 1B Commission Meetings: The commission will vote to authorize payment to the A/V vendor for the support of the May 2025 and June 2025 hybrid meetings in the amount of \$4,150. This amount will be reimbursed to the Commission by OANC TAF/OCFO.

MOTION: Commissioner Trindade Deramo moved to authorize payment to the A/V services in support of hybrid meetings in the amount of \$4,150. OANC will reimburse in full immediately. Motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** No discussion. The motion **PASSED (9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).**

D. Authorization of Service Agreement and Payment for the Production of Shakespeare in the Park: The Commission will vote to contract with the Prince George's County Department of Parks and Recreation for a production of Shakespeare's *The Comedy of Errors* to be performed at Meridian Hill/Malcolm X Park on Wednesday, June 25th for a not-to-exceed amount of \$7,500.

SUMMARY: Commissioner Fay presented a request budget authorization of \$7,500 to support a free Shakespeare in the Park performance by a Prince George's County Parks and Recreation ensemble, tentatively scheduled for June 25 at Meridian Hill/Malcolm X Park. The cost covers actor fees and logistics only—not sets or costumes—due to the group's enthusiasm for the partnership. Commissioner Fay is optimistic that it will be a \$5,000-6,000 event and has added a 25% kind of contingency on top of the amount as details are still being worked out. This is being presented as a resolution after talking with OANC and is educational and community-building to meet ANC eligibility criteria. MOTION: Commissioner Fay moved for authorization, for a Shakespeare in the Park event, to engage the Prince George's County Department of Parks and Recreation, to do a performance in June of 2025, just in case that date has to move for rain with a not to exceed amount of \$7,500. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** The COW meeting will be moved to accommodate the performance. Commissioners expressed strong support for the proposed June 25 Shakespeare in the Park event at Meridian Hill/Malcolm X Park. The \$7,500 budget includes a buffer for promotional efforts and insurance needs. Commissioners emphasized the value of providing a free, family-friendly cultural event in ANC 1B, especially given the high cost of similar experiences elsewhere. The team is confident in outreach capacity and has begun the required NPS permitting process. Coordination with EMS, MPD, and Park Police will follow standard procedures. The motion PASSED (9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).

E. Midterm Committee Surveys

SUMMARY: Karen Lee will contact committee chairs to coordinate tailored midterm surveys for their members. Each survey will reflect the specific needs and dynamics of the committee.

XV. NEW BUSINESS



A. ZPD: Resolution in Support of the Fair Housing Practices Amendment Act

SUMMARY: Commissioner Trindade Deramo presented a resolution—originally submitted through the Zoning, Preservation, and Development Committee—supporting the *Fair Housing Practices Amendment Act*, introduced by Councilmember Charles Allen. The bill aims to prohibit residential property owners from charging tenants for utilities or services in common areas, such as lobby Wi-Fi. Trindade Deramo cited a personal example of a \$70/month common-area Wi-Fi fee charged to all residents in a large building. The resolution also calls on the Office of the Attorney General to investigate these charges as potential "junk fees." **MOTION:** Commissioner Trindade Deramo moved that ANC1B adopt this resolution in support of the Fair Housing Practices Amendment act of 2025. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** The motion **PASSED (9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).**

B. TPPS: Resolution in Support of Council Bill 26-0057, the Motor Vehicle Insurance Modernization Act

SUMMARY: Commissioner Holden introduced a Transportation Committee resolution in support of Council Bill 26-0057, the Motor Vehicle Insurance Modernization Act. Originally proposed by committee member J. Swederski, the resolution supports raising DC's minimum required auto liability insurance coverage, which has not been updated since 1986. The current \$25,000 minimum would be approximately \$60,000 today if adjusted for inflation. The bill aims to better protect pedestrians and cyclists, who often bear medical costs when damages exceed insurance limits. The resolution notes similar action in Virginia and potential movement in Maryland, and it urges the Council's Committee on Business and Economic Development to advance the bill. MOTION: Commissioner Holden moved to adopt the resolution in support of the Council Bill 26-0057, the Motor Vehicle Modernization Act. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION**: During discussion of the resolution supporting Council Bill 26-0057, commissioners raised concerns about the lack of detail in the resolution and potential financial impacts. Some questioned why DC should act ahead of neighboring jurisdictions and worried that raising insurance minimums could disproportionately burden low-income residents and seniors. Others emphasized the outdated \$25,000 minimum coverage—unchanged since 1986—and its inadequacy in covering modern medical expenses. Commissioner Holden clarified that the resolution supports the bill as written, which includes raising minimum coverage to \$50,000. He cited studies showing no significant spike in premiums in states that enacted similar increases, though some commissioners challenged the quality of that data. Public commenters, including representatives from DC Families for Safe Streets and the Trial Lawyers Association, voiced strong support, emphasizing that current coverage levels fail to protect vulnerable road users and shift medical costs onto victims and taxpayers. They argued that raising liability minimums helps ensure adequate compensation for injuries and holds at-fault drivers accountable. The resolution passed in committee with 6 in favor, 1 opposed, and 3 abstentions. The motion **PASSED** (7 in favor, 2 opposed, 0 abstention).

C. TPPS: Resolution in Support of Capital Bikeshare Operations



SUMMARY: The Transportation Committee introduced a resolution urging continued support for Capital Bikeshare's operations budget. Unlike capital expansion, this resolution focuses on maintaining existing service—ensuring stations remain functional, bikes are available, and rebalancing efforts meet rider demand. ANC 1B and neighboring areas host some of the system's busiest stations, and concerns were raised that operational support could be reduced amid broader budget cuts. The resolution passed unanimously in committee. MOTION: Commissioner Holden moved to adopt resolution in support of Capital Bikeshare Operations. The motion was seconded. DISCUSSION: Commissioners discussed ongoing rebalancing issues in the Capital Bikeshare system, citing limited staffing and resources as key challenges. Current operations often result in some stations being full while others are empty. More funding could support additional staff and vehicles to improve distribution. The committee expressed interest in inviting DDOT or Bikeshare staff to discuss system operations further. The motion PASSED (9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).

D. Public Safety: Resolution Calling for Congressional Hearing for Confirmation of Interim US Attorney for DC

SUMMARY: Commissioner Barrilleaux introduced a public safety resolution calling for a Congressional confirmation hearing for the interim U.S. Attorney for D.C. The resolution emphasizes that, unlike other jurisdictions, D.C. residents lack input in selecting their top federal prosecutor—a role with major public safety implications. The resolution urges greater oversight and local representation in the process, noting concerns with recent appointments under both Democratic and Republican administrations. MOTION: Commissioner Barrilleaux moved to adopt resolution calling for a congressional hearing for confirmation of Interim US Attorney for DC. The motion was seconded. DISCUSSION: Commissioners confirmed that the resolution is nearly identical to one passed previously, with minor edits removing specific references to Ed Martin. The updated resolution continues to call for a confirmation hearing and emphasizes the need for D.C. representation in selecting the U.S. Attorney. Commissioner Barrilleaux noted a desire to engage further with the new appointee through community events. Commissioner Lemon Strauss and Commissioner Harris noted their abstentions for the record. The motion PASSED (7 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstention).

E. Public Safety: Resolution Advocating for the Restoration of Funding for Ward 1 Violence Interrupter Programs in the DC FY26 Budget

SUMMARY: Commissioner Trindade Deramo introduced a resolution urging the D.C. Council to maintain or increase funding for violence interruption programs in Ward 1. Prompted by recent community concerns, the resolution does not take a position on which specific agency or model (e.g., Cure the Streets or ONSE) should lead the effort. Instead, it emphasizes the importance of continued investment in violence prevention, regardless of program structure. **MOTION:**Commissioner Trindade moved to adopt the resolution for the restoration of funding for Ward 1 Violence Interrupter Programs in the DC FY26 Budget. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** The resolution was introduced following a community safety event in LeDroit Park, which included



participation from Councilmember Nadeau, ONSE staff, and community leaders like Reverend Judy. The discussion emphasized the need for a broad range of public safety strategies beyond MPD. The resolution reflects community support for maintaining or increasing funding for violence interruption efforts, regardless of structural changes, and urges the Council to preserve these investments as essential tools for addressing gun violence in Ward 1 and citywide. Commissioner Sycamore raised concerns about clear metrics on violence interruption effectiveness. While Cure the Streets publishes some data, ONSE has not due to staffing issues. Some expressed skepticism without stronger evidence, while others noted visible local impact and emphasized the need to maintain funding as part of a broader public safety strategy. The motion **PASSED (8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention).**

F. SMD 1B01: Resolution in Support of Naming the Public Space on the 400 Block of Florida Avenue NW (Square 507)

SUMMARY: This resolution was not discussed, and vote was postponed.

G. SMD 1B02: Resolution Regarding Backlog and Inaction on Illegal Sign at 1924 9th Street NW

SUMMARY: This resolution was not discussed, and vote was postponed.

H. SMD 1B02: Resolution in Support of Renaming Some Alleys in 1B02

SUMMARY: This resolution was not discussed, and vote was postponed.

I. TPPS: Letter of Support for Public EV Charger at 1806 9th St NW

SUMMARY: This letter of support was not discussed, and vote was postponed.

J. ABRA-132050: Kathmandu Tapas & Cocktails, 1342 U Street NW — new license (OneDrive) (5-1-0)

MOTION: Commissioner Hanrahan moved for the full ANC to support the settlement agreement with Kathmandu Tapas & Cocktails. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** None. The motion **PASSED (9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).**

K. ABRA-100855: Half Smoke, 651 Florida Ave NW — renewal (OneDrive) (4-0-2)

SUMMARY: Although the establishment is currently closed, the protest was prompted by community testimony about past issues, including improper garbage and oil disposal. The protest was confirmed to be within the 21-day window allowed by ABCA. **MOTION:** Commissioner Hanrahan moved for the full ANC to protest Half Smoke on grounds of peace, order and quiet. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** None. The motion **PASSED (8 in favor, 1 opposed, 0 abstention)**



L. ABRA-125907: Chi Cha Lounge, 1214 U Street NW — substantial change (OneDrive) (5-0-1)

MOTION: Commissioner Harris moved to protest the substantial change at Chi Cha Lounge at 1214 U Street NW on peace order and quiet and all applicable ground, particularly noise. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** Specific issues include past loitering, poor upkeep, and public safety challenges associated with the establishment and the surrounding area, particularly between 3–6 a.m. Commissioners agreed that extended late-night hours are inappropriate given current safety conditions and limited police staffing. The motion **PASSED (9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).**

M. ABCRA- 129513: 1351 U Street NW- New License

MOTION: Commissioner Harris moved that the full ANC supports settlement agreement for new license for 1351 U Street NW. The motion was seconded. **DISUCISSION:** Commissioner Harris noted that the building currently under construction and has a limited occupancy of 80 people. These details reinforced concerns about its suitability for late-night operations and contributed to support for protesting the license renewal. **The motion PASSED (9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention)**

N. ABRA-129325: Lyfted Essentials, 2220 14th Street NW — new license (OneDrive) (5-0-1)

MOTION: Commissioner Hanrahan moved for the full ANC to protest the license for Lyfted Essentials on the grounds of peace order and quiet. The motion was seconded. DISCUSSION: While concerns were raised about its proximity to a daycare, commissioners noted that current regulations do not restrict such locations, and the ANC has no authority to change those rules. It was also clarified that only the ANC—not individual residents—can file a protest a medical marijuana retailer, underscoring the importance of the commission's action within existing legal limits. Legal counsel for Lifted Essentials and the owner attended the meeting but were unable to present due to time constraints. Commissioners apologized for the scheduling conflict and emphasized that the protest vote was procedural to preserve ANC standing before the ABCA deadline. They committed to continued engagement, encouraging the applicant to meet with the SMD commissioner and ABCR Chair to discuss the license application further. The motion PASSED (8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention).

O. ABRA-131040- Elmina, 2208 14th Street NW- renewal (1B05 - Elmina.pdf)

SUMMARY: Commissioner Kensek clarified the protest against Elmina is intended to formally document ongoing concerns. The establishment has reportedly been cited multiple times by DCRA (now DOB) for illegal construction and issued several fines for improper garbage disposal. The commissioner emphasized the importance of addressing these issues and working with the owner to ensure responsible operations moving forward. **MOTION:** Commissioner Kensek moved to protest the renewal of Elmina's license on the grounds of peace, order and quiet. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** Commissioner Harris acknowledged that the protest deadline had passed, and the ANC would need to request reinstatement from ABCA. Commissioner Harris opposed the



protest, citing limited grounds (primarily trash issues) and lack of direct engagement with the business. Supporters pointed to broader concerns, including repeated illegal construction and safety risks, as justification for moving forward with the protest request. The motion **PASSED (7 in favor, 2 opposed, 0 abstention).**

P. TPPS: Letter of Support for African American Civil War Memorial/Grimke School Parking Proposal on the 1900 block of Vermont Ave NW

SUMMARY: Commissioner Holden is proposing a letter of support for the African American Civil War Museum's parking proposal on the 1900 block of Vermont Avenue NW. The proposal designates the curb space directly in front of the museum (not in front of any residences) for museum use from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., reverting to RPP-only parking after 8 p.m. The aim is to accommodate museum employees, volunteers, and visitors while maintaining shared access with the neighborhood. The proposal was discussed with museum leadership and passed unanimously in committee. MOTION: Commissioner Holden moved for the full ANC to support the African American Civil War Memorial/Grimke School Parking Proposal. The motion was seconded. **DISCUSSION:** Commissioners and community members raised questions about the museum's parking proposal, including its necessity and potential impacts. Museum Director Frank Smith clarified that the parking is essential for operations and would support staff, volunteers, and visitors. While the museum will remain open until 8 p.m. once reopened, concerns were raised about whether nighttime museum-designated parking could be shared with residents after hours. Smith indicated openness to modifying the plan to allow RPP parking after 8 p.m. but noted possible objections from nearby condo residents due to the building's rear entrance. Commissioners agreed they could send a supplemental letter later to suggest this adjustment. Community outreach had been limited, but some engagement had occurred, and no major opposition was reported. The motion PASSED (9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstention).

XVI. ADJOURNMENT-9:10pm

The next regular meeting of the Commission will be on Thursday, July 10, 2025.

(The July Commission meeting will be held on the second Thursday of July due to the Independence Day holiday falling near the first Thursday of the month.)

Prepared by: Karen Lee, ANC1B Admin Consultant

Approved on: July 10, 2025

Attested by: Matthew Fay, ANC1B Secretary



Alcoholic Beverages and Cannabis Regulations Committee

Date: June 18, 2025 Location: Zoom

ABCR Tracker: 2025- ANC1B ABR Committee Tracker.xlsx

Roll Call

Committee Members, SMD	Prese nt	Committee Members, SMD	Present	Committee Members, SMD	Present
Cmsr. Stephen Hanrahan, SMD 1B09, Chair	х	Alex Smith, SMD 1B02	х		
Frank Chauvin, SMD 1B02	х	Stephen Rutgers, SMD 1B08	0		
Ashleigh Fields, SMD 1B07	0	Rachel Scheckman, SMD 1B01	0		
Karen Gaal, SMD 1B05	x				
Aileen Johnson, SMD 1B08	х				

Quorum of five members we can start the meeting!

Agenda

Administrative:

- Meeting Time:
 - Chair Hanrahan propose to send out a poll via email asking what day is best for committee
 - o Apology for the bumps w/ the third Wednesday of the month
 - If that is the day, will stick with it moving forward as looks freer of conflicts second half of 2025.
 - Possible swap with CE Committee?
- Committee has other commitments and will like consistency in time.
 - o Fourth Monday(?).
 - Motion for next time
- Longer term Projects:



- Settlement Agreements:
 - Chair Hanrahan to call with Sarah ask feasibility of sending over *whatever SAs she has*?
 - Role of the committee members in tracking down SAs/investigative reports?
 - Need more resources/ money in gathering SAs
 - Motion or resolution to spend more money/resources on attending roll calls(?)
- Roll Call Hearings:
 - We want to make sure we have attadence at the roll call hearing
 - SOP allows committee chair to nominate someone within committee to attend roll call hearing
 - Might take the burden off of some of the commissioners, and ensure we have attendance at the roll call.
 - Can the roll call be sent to the entire committee? And rotate(?)
 - Text message group Signal(?)
 - We want to be fair to businesses, but also certain businesses located on certain blocks may be weighed different than others.
 - Being fair to all businesses
 - No advantage over another
 - Overconcentration of bars:
- Full ANC Commission Dir Moosally to attend
 - What questions do we want to ask him?
 - Sound Mitigation: How to mitigate sound when there is no access to a back alley, some of the bars back up to homes, people going into homes, (staffing issue)
 - Questions for Moosally (please write in your questions to me, or reply all to email chain)

New Business:

Active Protests Updates

- Elmina:
 - Late submission of Protest
 - Missed opportunity for protest, please be better w trash
- Ace Lounge:
 - o Applicant's request to reinstate was rejected
 - Start over?
- Alero Restaurant and Lounge:
 - Going out of business
- Half Smoke
 - Going out of business
 - Ask Sarah status of license



- SH to go to roll call
- 'Safekeeping' license
- Lyfted Essentials
 - o Zhou on the call? Can we reach SA with Lyfted and daycare(?)
 - Daycare protest was accepted
 - Settlement Agreement: Separate with ANC and Daycare(?)
 - Pursue SA as own
 - On SA -
- Chi Cha Lounge:
 - Protested Late hours something we want to discuss more(?)
 - Some loitering
 - Concerns with noise complaints, garbage

Substantial Changes

- 1. ABRA-115871, Sliced and Brewed Restaurant, 1915 9th Street, N.W.
 - a. Sliced and Brewed Restaurant ANC 1B Summer Garden.pdf
 - b. Investigative Report:
 - i. Renewal- 10/14/22
 - ii. Fact Finding Hearing Transcript-1/26/22

Motion to protest on grounds of peace order and quiet:

- They do not have a settlement agreement
- They have a license until 5am

4 yays, 0 nays and 0 absentions!

Renewals

- 1. ABRA-094795- Appioo, 1924 9th Street NW
 - a. 1B02 Appioo.pdf
 - b. Investigative Report:
 - i.
 - ii. ORDER VACATING CANCELLATION OF LICENSE AND REINSTATING LICENSE- 5/21/25
 - iii. ORDER CANCELLING LICENSE 5/14/25
 - iv. Transcript- 2/11/24
 - v. ORDER APPROVING THE OFFER-IN-COMPROMISE- 2/11/24
 - vi. Transcript- 5/8/24
 - vii. ORDER APPROVING THE OFFER-IN-COMPROMISE- 5/1/24



viii. Renewal notice 7/1/22

ix. Renewal notice 6/17/22

c. SMD 1B02 Report:

Motion to recommend ANC 1B Protest on peace, order and quiet and all applicable grounds

4 yays, 0 nays, 0 absentions





Community Engagement Committee

Date: June 7, 2025 **Location:** Zoom

Roll call of members

Committee Prese Members, SMD nt		Committee Members, SMD	Present	Committee Members, SMD	Present
Cmsr. Trindade Deramo, acting chair	X	Gabriella Savelli, SMD 1B01	exc	Jean Homza (observer)	X
Ashleigh Fields, SMD 1B05	X	Erin Short, SMD 1B06	X	Dawnetta Baker (observer)	X
Karen Gaal, SMD 1B05	X	Leah Tribbett, SMD 1B08	X	Juan'Nique Campbell (observer)	X
Maggie Kentilitisca, SMD 1B06	exc	Mike Huling, SMD 1B01 — new member!	X		
Dionne McAdoo, SMD 1B04		Selena Gonzales, SMD 1B04 (business interest) — new member!	X		

Agenda

- Aims of the committee & taking stock of members' interests
 - $\circ\quad$ Support for the Shakespeare in the Park event, 6/25: volunteers, spreading the word
 - Continuing work with student photographer
 - o Commission presence at block parties, farmers markets, other local events
 - o Following up on YMCA's willingness to host events
 - Supporting businesses in the Commission area, driving more customers



- Idea from the open office hour: restaurant crawl with a passport and prizes
- Promoting more businesses in the ANC newsletter and social media
- o SMD tours/crawls
- Outreach to the drum circle in MH/MX Park
- o Emphasis on low-hanging fruit: free, easy community events
- Introduction to Collaborative Solutions for Communities (Ms. Dawnetta Baker)
 - o Willingness to cohost events
 - o Safe Passage program



Economic Development Committee

Date: Thursday, May 15th at 7pm **Location:** Zoom

1. Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm

2. Roll call

Committee Members	Present	Committee Members	Present
Krishna Kumar, Vice Ch.	X	David Martin	Х
Frank Chauvin	Х	Tania Shand	Х
Karen Gaal		Matt Fay, Chair	Х
Ian Hawkesworth	X		
Howard Kurtzman	Х		

- 3. Old Business
- 4. New Business
- 5. Other Business
- 6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at



Public Safety Committee

Date: June 10, 2025 **Location:** Zoom

1. Roll call

Committee Members	Present	Committee Members	Present
Nakapan Phungephorn	Y	Carl Beauregard	
Leah Tribbett	Y	Brandon McClain	Y
Clare Considine	Y		
Karen Gaal	Y		
Elaine Gin			

Meeting started at 7:04pm

- 2. Crime updates
 - No MPD officers attended
 - o Homicide on 900 block of Barry Place
- 3. Guest Speaker: Kelsye Adams from Harrison Recreation Center
 - o Temperance Allev
 - Lease with East Bank, running for another year
 - Harrison Recreation Center
 - JBG Smith had a PUD and the U Street Neighborhood Association was granted funds to create capital improvements to the space
 - Remodeled basketball courts, V Street Studio redone
 - Pay homage to the culture and history of U Street
 - Harrison used to be a movie theater that served the black community
 - Want a place where young people feel welcome to know that the space is for them and they won't be turned away
 - Has anyone ever spoken directly to youth to see what programs they want? Need to do a survey and outreach to youth hanging out near African American Civil War Museum at night
 - Councilmember's team is interested in supporting the survey
- 4. Cookies Medical Cannabis Dispensary
 - o Rabbi James Kahn spoke about the new dispensary opening at 1115 U Street
 - o Local approach, local grower, growing in DC for over a decade
 - o Grand opening celebration on Friday, July 11th with live entertainment
- 5. Article Discussion
 - o Discussion of "What Everyone is Getting Wrong About Crime in DC"
- 6. Resolutions Discussion



- o Violence Interrupters
- Ω
- 7. Public safety walk planning
 - Scheduling public safety walk for ANC commissioners and committee members in late July or August
 - o Discuss traffic conductors at major intersections on U Street
 - o Discuss parking enforcement

Meeting Adjourned: 8:31pm





ANC 1B Transportation, Parks and Public Spaces Committee

Date: 6/11/2025, 7pm **Location:** Zoom

Roll call of members

Committee Members,	Present	Committee	Present	Committee	Present
SMD		Members, SMD		Members, SMD	
Cmsr. Matthew Holden, SMD 1B07, Chair	X	Julius Duhan, SMD 1B02	X	Santiago Lakatos, SMD 1B04	X
Zoë Abrahm, SMD 1B08	X	David Fadul, SMD 1B07		Dionne McAdoo, SMD 1B04	Х
Johnny Cabrera, SMD 1B09	X	Karen Gaal, SMD 1B05	X	Matthew Ruest, SMD 1B02	
Nicole Cacozza, SMD 1B08	x	Lara Ho, SMD 1B06	X	Guneev Sharma, SMD 1B04	Х
Rebecca Dannemiller, SMD 1B01	X	Ben Klemens, SMD 1B02		J. Swiderski, SMD 1B03	X
Nick Addamo SMD 1B08	X				

Agenda

7:06 meeting started

Motion to adopt the agenda by Chair Holden, J. Swiderski seconded

10 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions

- 1. **Notice of Intent: NOI-25-133-TPA –** Expansion of Pay to Park/RPP Zones within the Greater U Street Performance Parking Zone
 - a. https://ddotwiki.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/NI/pages/3264577537/NOI-25-133-TPA
 - b. Discussion with Project Manager Matthew Spaniol
 - Matthew Spaniol shared a presentation on the background on the project and the rational for the rate structure – will request presentation and post on the ANC 1B website
 - ii. Data collection on occupancy scheduled for August plan to share the with the public but no current timeline
 - iii. Plans for future rate changes based on occupancy
 - iv. Motion to approve update to December 2024 Resolution with same resolved clauses
 - 1. With addition DDOT will establish clear communication and signage explaining the project
 - 2. Consider physical daylighting measures at intersections to reenforce no parking areas
 - v. Guneev seconded
 - vi. 10 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstention



2. Better Bus Network - Discussion

- a. Potential Resolution Regarding the new C61 Rider Impacts Under the WMATA Better Bus Network Initiative & Access to the Washington Hospital and Veteran's Medical Center
- b. Motion to ask ANC 1B to adopt ANC 1E resolution with technical changes to work for 1B and add additional resolved clauses related to:
 - i. Concerns about access to children's hospital
 - ii. Ask DDOT, WMATA and the hospital to work together to improve pedestrian and transit rider access such as poor sidewalks, crosswalks, and lighting.
 - iii. Seconded by Zoë.
 - iv. 11 yeas, 0 nays, and 0 abstentions

3. Street Tree Issues - Discussion

a. Not discussed – potential future item





ANC 1B Zoning, Preservation and Development Committee

Date: 6/16/25 Location: Zoom

Roll call of members

Committee Members, SMD	Prese nt	Committee Members, SMD	Present	Committee Members, SMD	Present
Cmsr. Alan Kensek, SMD 1B05, Chair	n	Karen Gaal, SMD 1B05	У	Daniel Kramer, SMD 1B02	n
Christian Brandt, SMD 1B06 , Vice Chair	У	Simon Handelman, SMD 1B09	n	Alex Smith, SMD 1B02	у
Jason Bello, SMD 1B01	У	Ian Hawkesworth, SMD 1B07	n	Bruce Flippens, SMD	У
Karyn Bruggeman, SMD 1B06	n	Joel Heisey, SMD 1B01	У		
Frank Chauvin, SMD 1B02	У	Nianyi Hong, SMD 1B03	у		

Agenda

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Roll call
- 3. Discussion of 1315 Florida Ave, HPA Case No. HP 25-215
 - 1. Box folder: https://app.box.com/s/dhn9muwq7e6fqor5v5v40hn1w7yanfma/folder/31438780 0575
 - 2. Additional documentation attached via email to committee
 - 3. Proponent Ben Medvene describes the application: Convert home into two-unit building, each with two levels. Right now, it is two levels and a cellar. Planning to do a full demo and then improve the cellar underneath the kitchen, including excavating and digging down to maximize the space. This includes digging out the area well to get egress and light.



- 1. All the windows and doors will remain existing throughout the building and the front façade is going to be remaining the same.
- 2. Adding a floor with a setback using a 4.5 foot cantilever to the second floor. Have completed a flagpole test with HPO, setting back 14 feet and 8 inches. Flagpole test was conducted from the corner and side of the house as well as the front. Have added a skylight at an angle as well.
- 3. On the addition, HPO recommended that they do board and batten. Considering solid hardy paneling.
- 4. CM Bello: have you talked to the abutting neighbors about this? Letters of support
 - 1. Ben Medvene: I have walked through the plans with both neighbors. Have not received any push back and have sent out a request for them to sign letters of support but do not have that currently.
- 5. Chair Brandt: Can you just describe who you have met with at HPO and where you are in the process?
 - 1. Ben Medvene: I've just met with Ms. Price, and have not been on an HPRB's agenda. I wanted to emphasize that I'm trying hard to meet all their requirements. Their main pieces of feedback: front façade needs to remain the same and they wanted to conducted a flagpole test.
- 6. CM Heisey: does this back up to an alley or another lot?
 - 1. Ben Medvene: backs up to an alley and it's on a hill. The apartment buildings behind them are elevated to the alley.
 - 2. CM Heisey: Structurally, are you allowed to cantilever and build a wall on top that is that far out? It's a bit odd would question it and make sure that it's actually approved. But, because it's in the alley it's not that serious.
 - 1. Ben Medvene: as far as I know it's something I'm able to do Ms. Price and the architect have been involved.
- 7. CM Nelson: is this the only property you own?
 - 1. Ben Medvene: yes, the only one!
 - 2. CM Nelson: I want to commend you on your approach to this, it's very thorough.
- 8. CM Bello: I motion that the ZPD propose that the full ANC in case number 25-215 support the additional story and rear bump out as shown.
 - 1. CM Flippens: for this motion do we want to review the letters?
 - 2. CM Bello: I'm comfortable for my motion not having those letters.
 - 1. CM Heisey: what about a friendly amendment, "because it's consistent with historic guidelines"
 - 2. Chair Brandt: the motion is: that the ZPD propose that the full ANC to support the additional story and rear bump out in Case Number 25-215 as shown on the plans and as consistent with the historic guidelines.
 - 3. Favor: JB, AS, NH, BF, KG, JH (6)
 - 4. Opposed: 0



5. Abstaining: FC (1)

4. Discussion of 1203 T ST NW

- 1. Committee members discuss whether they can review this case due to the lack of public notice by HPRB.
- 2. Chair Brandt: we receive an email about this case this morning. Offered the option to the proponents that they join today so that they don't have to wait until the end of September.
- 3. CM Heisey: Can we hear this? Was it properly noticed?
- 4. CM Nelson: I think we can't vote on it because it hasn't been appropriately noticed.
- 5. Based on this and additional conversation, Chair Brandt: I think we have the presentation, provide the applicant with feedback, and based on that application decide whether the Chair can provide a summary of feedback to the full ANC for their consideration at the July meeting, dependent on having an HPO case number and the ANC agreeing to this approach.

5. Case Discussion

- 1. Mr. Martinez: interior renovation and a bump out on the second floor with a roof deck on the third floor, extending to the rear of the house but staying in the footprint of the house.
- 2. CM Heisey: We would like two side by side double hung windows? It should not be a problem to get those. I would not allow an exception for the casement window. Probably on the bottom there would be a transom window. I'm not in favor of the casement windows and the single sheet.
 - 1. CM Bello: I second Joel's comment. A more traditional double sash, two double hung windows on each floor, side by side is preferable.
- 3. Ch Chauvin: I'm a bit uncomfortable with the adjacent structure review, how they look together. I'm familiar with these two row houses and I keep seeing the corner house and side profile but can't see how they're working together. Can you provide an overview of that?
 - 1. I'm specifically looking for views from the sides but also I want to make sure that it's staying in the same footprint.
 - 1. Chair Brandt: We have that, and it's showing that it's not extending beyond the existing footprint.
 - 2. CM Chauvin: I would like a better review of the rear.
 - 3. Mr. Martinez shows a 3d rendering of the building that satisfies CM Chauvin.
- 4. Committee agrees to vote on empowering the Chair to provide a summary presentation to the ANC, describing the project and specifically discussing the following issues:
 - 1. Showing letters of support from neighbors that they supply to the Chair and to the HPRB as well.
 - 2. Showing appropriate windows in the front bay: double hung, side by side windows on both floors in the front bay.



- 5. Committee vote
 - 1. Favor: JB, FC, NH, JH, KG
 - 2. Opposed: 0
 - 3. Abstaining: AS
- 6. New Business
 - 1. V Street Building Collapse and ANC Response
 - 2. Howard University Walter Washington House
 - 1. We make a motion to ask the ANC to make a formal request, whether it is to HPRB or to our councilor, to look into the complete dereliction of the Walter Washington house. Howard has owned it for many years, about 4/5 years ago they started to demolition a good part of the house to renovate, but they haven't.
 - 2. No action has been made, one of the windows has actually collapsed and trim work is falling off. This is an important historic building. Consider asking the right city authorities or a council member to look into it.
 - 1. FC: shouldn't we start with a resolution from Jason?
 - 2. Inform Howard that this will be on our next we agenda.
 - 3. Alley Lots: https://planning.dc.gov/node/1770551
 - 4. Rear Additions (no link available)
 - 5. Omnibus Zoning Amendments (no link available)



ANC 1B Committee of the Whole

Date: Wednesday, May 28, 6:00pm Location: Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

I. Roll call

Commis	sioner	Present	Absent
1B01	Fay	Х	
1B02	Barrilleaux	X	
1B03	Sycamore		Х
1B04	Lemon-Strauss	X	
1B05	Kensek	X	
1B06	Trindade Deramo	X	
1B07	Holden	X	
1B08	Harris	X	
1B09	Hanrahan	X	

II.





RESOLUTION 25-XX In Support of the Naming of Harmony Park (400 Block of Florida Avenue NW - Square 507)

WHEREAS, the Columbian Harmony Society ("the Society") was a mutual aid organization founded in 1825 by a group of free Black men of the District of Columbia for the purpose of aiding its members "in infirmity, sickness, disease or accident, and to provide burials for them after death";

WHEREAS, as one of its first actions, the Society allocated \$100 for the purchase of suitable land for a cemetery to serve the free Black community, and in 1829 purchased Square 475 in Washington City (bordered by Florida Avenue NW, 5th Street NW, S Street NW, and 6th Street NW) to create the Harmoneon cemetery;

WHEREAS, the Columbian Harmony Society and the Harmoneon cemetery provided a degree of financial stability for its Black members who were excluded from burial at white cemeteries and often struggled to afford the costs of funeral arrangements and a burial plot;

WHEREAS, leaders in the free Black community were interred at the Harmoneon cemetery include, including: ● George Bell (1761-1843), a formerly enslaved, education activist, and co-founder of the Bell School, the first school open to Black children, free or enslaved, in the District of Columbia;4 ● Rev. John F. Cook, Sr. (1810-1855), formerly enslaved, a pioneer in the fields of education, religions, and civic affairs, the first Black Presbyterian Minister in the District of Columbia, and founder of the 15th Street Presbyterian Church;5 and ● William Costin (c. 1780-1842), a Black activist and civic leader who challenged the DC Black Codes in the Circuit Court of the District of Columbia (Costin v. Washington, 1821).

WHEREAS, the Harmoneon cemetery also served the poor community, with one quarter of Square 475 being set aside for free Black residents without means;

WHEREAS, in 1856, an ordinance prohibited cemeteries in Washington City, forcing the Society to relocate the Harmoneon cemetery to a 17-acre parcel at the intersection of Rhode Island Avenue NE and Brentwood Road NE, the present site of the Rhode Island-Brentwood Metrorail station, Rhode Island Row, and Rhode Island Avenue Shopping Center;

WHEREAS, no memorial currently exists to commemorate the original location of the Harmoneon cemetery at Square 475 in the present-day Shaw neighborhood;

WHEREAS, the completion of DDOT's S Street Revitalization Project created a new 10,000 square foot green space ("the Park") in the triangle between Florida Avenue NW, Rhode Island Avenue NW, and New Jersey Avenue NW one block east of the original Harmoneon cemetery.

WHEREAS, the new "Park" is located in Single Member District 1B01 and is currently unnamed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 1B formally recognizes the Columbian Harmony Society and requests that DC Council name the unnamed "Park" Harmony Park in recognition of the Society and the Harmoneon cemetery, a historic and pioneering cemetery for free Black residents in the District of Columbia that was located one block west of the current "Park" location between 1829 and 1859;



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council sponsor a commemorative work to be installed in Harmony Park and that this commemorative work recognize the significance of this historic Black cemetery and the role that the Columbian Harmony Society played in creating a dignified and affordable cemetery for the interment of free Blacks in the District of Columbia.





Resolution 25-XX

Regarding OAH Backlog and Inaction on Illegal Sign at 1924 9th St NW

Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) docket number 24ENF-IC-01018

WHEREAS, the Department of Buildings (DOB) has issued a Notice of Infraction (NOI) for an illegal electronic sign at 1924 9th Street NW which displays lewd images; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has failed to respond to the NOI, making this case eligible for a default judgment; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) received this case over 14 months ago and has not taken action to resolve the case; and

WHEREAS, the OAH has a significant backlog, preventing the timely resolution of this case and allowing the illegal sign to persist and operate with impunity; and

WHEREAS, the backlog at OAH is not only a bureaucratic inefficiency but a systemic failure that undermines the enforcement of city regulations and sets a dangerous precedent for future violations; and

WHEREAS, the delay in adjudication has real-world consequences for the integrity of city enforcement and the trust of residents in government accountability; and

WHEREAS, the Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) acknowledges the efforts of the Councilmember's office to check for updates but emphasizes the need for ongoing and sustained pressure to resolve this issue;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 1B urges the Office of Administrative Hearings to expedite the resolution of this case and issue a final judgment on the illegal sign at 1924 9th Street NW without further delay; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 1B calls upon the Council of the District of Columbia and the Office of the Mayor to work to address the backlog at OAH by implementing necessary reforms to improve case processing efficiency and prevent similar delays in the future by assigning straightforward cases a reasonable shot clock; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Office of Administrative Hearings, the Department of Buildings, the Ward 1 Councilmember, and the Office of the Mayor.



Resolution 25-XX

Resolution in Support of the Symbolic Renaming of Four Alleys West of Wiltberger Street NW

WHEREAS, the alleys located west of Wiltberger Street NW, between S Street NW and T Street NW, and between T Street NW and Florida Avenue NW, serve as important residential, commercial, and emergency access routes in a rapidly redeveloping part of Ward 1;

WHEREAS, these alleys currently lack official names or markings, creating confusion for navigation, public safety responses, and community identification;

WHEREAS, the symbolic renaming of these alleys would honor four historic institutions and figures that reflect the cultural, economic, and civic history of the area throughout the 20th century:

- The alley running between the 600 block of Florida Avenue NW and the 600 block of T Street NW (also adjacent on the west to the historic Dunbar Theater Building) will be named the Jimmy's Golden Q Way, after a business which had been immediately to the east of the alley. The neon sign was known in the neighborhood until very recent years when it was painted over. This was another neighbor and night spot related to the historic Howard Theater, and in operation at least until 1972.
- The northernmost east-west alley (now incorporated into the Howard Theater back entrances) will be named the Shep Allen Way, after the legendary manager of the Howard Theater from 1931 to 1970. "[H]e helped bring Washington something it had not had a place on the circuit filled by the nation's best talent. Those who played the Howard included Lionel Hampton, Count Basie, the Mills Brothers, Duke Ellington, Billie Holiday, Lena Horne and Dinah Washington. Pearl Bailey sang there regularly." He discovered and promoted Billy Eckstine.
- The southernmost east-west alley, running along the back of the Wonder Bread Building, shall be symbolically named "S.W. Key's Restaurant Way", commemorating a restaurant that was a destination for Black travelers during segregation. Samuel W. Key's establishment was one of only two D.C. restaurants listed in the 1940 Green Book, which was "an annual travel guide published from 1936 to 1964" that "provided Black travelers with lodging, dining, and other information necessary to stay safe and comfortable during the era of segregation prior to the Civil Rights Act of 1964."²³
- The alley behind the Wonderbread Factory Building on S Street, shall be symbolically named "White Cross Bakery Way" after the bakery located nearby. The White Cross Bakery, founded by Peter M. Dorsch in 1904 and later expanded into this alley, produced up to 100,000 loaves of bread daily by the late 1920s and represents the area's early industrial heritage.



WHEREAS, ANC 1B recognizes the District Council's recent legislation, introduced by Councilmember Brianne Nadeau, designating a separate alley in the vicinity as "Legendary Musicians Way", and wishes to emphasize that this resolution does not seek to rename, replace, or alter that existing designation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1B supports the symbolic renaming of the following alleys:

- 1. **"Golden Q Way"** The alley running between the 600 block of Florida Avenue NW and the 600 block of T Street NW.
- 2. **"Shep Allen Way"** The northernmost east-west alley west of Wiltberger Street NW, between the White Cross Bakery Way and Wiltberger Street NW, behind the Howard Theatre.
- 3. **"S.W. Key's Restaurant Way"** The southernmost east-west alley west of Wiltberger Street NW, between the White Cross Bakery Way and Wiltberger Street NW, behind the Wonder Bread Building.
- 4. **"White Cross Bakery Way"** The alley located behind the Wonderbread building that is on S Street.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ANC 1B respectfully urges the Council of the District of Columbia to pass legislation effectuating these symbolic designations, while maintaining the integrity of all previously adopted alley naming legislation in the area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution will be transmitted to the Ward 1 Councilmember.





RESOLUTION 25-XX In Support of MOI 25-25-133-TPA Expansion of the U Street Performance Parking Zone

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has proposed Notice of Intent (NOI) 25-133-TPA to implement Pay to Park/RPP Zones on additional blocks within the Greater U Street Performance Parking Zone,

WHEREAS, performance parking in the Greater U Street Performance Parking Zone was launched on December 17th, 2024 introducing variable, demand-based pricing to a limited subset of blocks within the U Street Performance Zone,

WHEREAS, ANC 1B's previous Performance Parking Resolution from December 2024 requested the expansion of this project to additional blocks within the Greater U Street Performance Parking Zone to provide adequate coverage throughout the neighborhood to meet the high demand for parking,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That ANC 1B supports the NOI to expand the project to the following blocks:

- 1000 S ST NW
- 1000 T ST NW
- 1100 T ST NW
- 1100 V ST NW
- 1200 T ST NW
- 1200 V ST NW
- 1200 W ST NW
- 1500 V ST NW
- 1600 V ST NW
- 1800 10TH ST NW
- 1800 12TH ST NW
- 1800 13TH ST NW
- 1800 5TH ST NW
- 1800 6TH ST NW1800 8TH ST NW
- 1800 VERMONT AVE NW
- 2000 NEW HAMPSHIRE AVE NW
- 2100 10TH ST NW
- 2100 11TH ST NW
- 2100 12TH ST NW
- 2100 13TH ST NW
- 2100 15TH ST NW



- 2100 17TH ST NW
- 2100 NEW HAMPSHIRE AVE NW
- 2200 10TH ST NW
- 2200 12TH PL NW
- 2200 12TH ST NW
- 2200 13TH ST NW
- 400 S ST NW
- 500 S ST NW
- 900 FLORIDA AVE NW
- 900 S ST NW
- 900 V ST NW
- 900 W ST NW
- 900 WESTMINSTER ST NW
- 2000 10TH ST NW

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That ANC 1B requests that DDOT share usage and revenue data for the performance parking zone with ANC 1B and the public at large,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That ANC 1B requests that DDOT prioritize spending funds allocated to the special purpose revenue fund on a placemaking entity such as a community improvement district,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That ANC 1B requests that DDOT consider adjusting overall rates in the future to reflect market pricing for paid parking in the area of the corridor,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That ANC 1B requests that DDOT consider spending future funds, including potentially funds from the special purpose revenue fund, on automated parking enforcement technologies such as those it has already piloted,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That ANC 1B requests that the Department of Public Works increase enforcement in areas within and around the zone to enforce against a potential increase in illegal parking on blocks that do not have performance pricing,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That ANC 1B requests that DDOT study the impact of the zone when implemented on residential parking and that it prioritize protecting residential parking and preventing an increase in illegal parking in residential zones when implementing the zone

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That ANC 1B requests that DDOT improve efforts to explain the project to the community through clear, easy to understand signage and enhanced outreach efforts,



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That ANC IB requests DDOT consider daylighting measures throughout the project area to prevent illegal parking near intersections and crosswalks and clearly establish where the legal parking areas are located.

