# Wednesday, April 23, 2025 ANC 5A Monthly Meeting

## **MINUTES**

- I. Call Meeting to Order 6:50 pm
- II. Quorum

5A01 Sellers

5A02 Thomas

5A03 Singer Lucio

5A04 Hermes

5A06 Holloway

5A08 Alston

5A09 Bocoun

Welcome our newest member, Commissioner Keith Sellers

- III. Agenda Review/Acceptance Moved by Bocoum Second by Hermes. Approved Unanimously.
- IV. Vote on Parliamentarian Position conducted by Anthony Hood. Commissioner Hermes was elected by Unanimous Consent. He was also sworn in by Anthony Hood.
- V. Commission Business
  - a. Minutes (March 2025) Moved by Thomas. Alston Second. Minutes approved as received Unanimously.
  - b. Meeting Protocol. Commissioner Lucio put forward meeting expectations as a way to set standards of accountability. There was a brief discussion. There was a motion made by Bocoum and Seconded by Hermes. The final vote was 4-3. The Chair broke the tie.
  - c. Treasurer Report
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Financial Report. Commissioner Bocoum shared the 2<sup>nd</sup>
      Quarter financial report. There were no unexpected expenses. Motion
      made to accept by Alston and Seconded by Hermes. It was unanimously
      approved.
    - ii. Office Expenses Request. Commissioner Bocoum reminded people that we had approved phones, business cards and computers and shred that the phones had been ordered. She was requesting \$5000 for direct office expenses which includes furniture. The motion was made by Bocoum and seconded by Thomas. It was approved unanimously.

A motion was made for \$1200 for a computer by Bocoum and seconded by Alston. It was unanimously approved.

A motion was made to purchase all required items for hybrid meetings. It was seconded by Alston. Commissioner Lucio asked to make an amendment to allow for a review of the exact cost After discussion, the

amendment was withdrawn. The original motion was voted on and unanimously approved.

#### VI. Commission Action Items/Updates

- a. 5A03- Conway Education Center Request for Holiday Work
  This presentation did not happen because during the SMD 5A03 meeting on
  Monday, April 21, 2025, the community indicated overwhelmingly that they
  were not in favor of them working on holidays.
- b. 5A05- Washington Latin Request for Holiday Work
  The representative from this project was not present at the meeting. Therefore
  no vote was taken.

#### VII. Community Updates

- a. Mayor's Office- Not present.
- b. Councilmember Parker's office. Highlights included the fact that the budget continues to be delayed. There is a healthy community spring cleaning event coming up. April 30<sup>th</sup> is the Ward 5 public safety call.
- c. President Williams of NMPCA. President Williams shared that the homeless man who had been taking up residence is several vacant homes within NMP is now incarcerated for a different incident.. President Williams shared with the Commissioners by email a community impact statement as part of the public record. Several community resources have been shared with President Williams by the 4<sup>th</sup> District once the individual, who is from this area, to assist him. There was a brief discussion with questions from the community.

### VIII. Reports & Presentations (Non-Action Items)

- a. 5A03 Mundo Verde Construction Update presented by Kristin Scotchmer. 817 Varnum Street NE. The permits are now in place and construction will begin to ramp up quickly. Introductions of the team were made. The school will be expanding their footprint. They will improve the outside space options for the students. Demolition April-May 2025. Building starting in June 2025. The entire MV team was introduced. There will be a page going up on their website.
- b. 5A03 Providence Hospital Development Update- by Evan Goldman They are partnering with The Menkiti group. He shared an overview of the site. The medical services buildings will remain in place. The garage and PFC will remain on site. Caroll Manor will remain. The OAG's decision has included funding an urgent care for the community. The OAG did an evaluation of the value of the site for fair market value. The remaining assets will stay in the city. It was valued at \$5 Million to use for local uses set up in a trust.. It could subsidized an urgent care on the property. SHIPDA is now doing their review. Will then go before zoning. Hope to be back in the next 60 days with a proposal. This will be a PUD product. Min of 20% affordable housing on the property. Demolition to start summer 2026 and will take about a year. Construction will start summer 2027. ANC will work with them on a community agreement. Will be including a playground, dog park and open green space. The streets have not been determined if they would be DDOT or HOA maintained. 120 affordable units in two buildings. There will be around 250-280 townhomes. They will plan to attend at June meeting for the ANC5A.

c. The Office of the Ombudsman for Public Education: How We Can Help- Bri Sullivan

They are a conflict resolution service for all schools. They work with families to resolve school based concerns. They host trainings in conflict resolution and special education. They conduct mediations within schools after a conflict. They work with families to brainstorm solutions. The community can direct residents to them to help. They are housed within the State Board of Education. They are independent with the State Board.

#### IX. Community Comment Period

5A07: Commissioner Holloway mentioned that he is working with Yu Ying and other community parking concerns. He is working with the community as well on these issues.

One resident asked about SMD Meetings, in-person community meetings, Z Burger district. Wants an update on the dispensary in 5A08. New grocery liquor. Alston mentioned that the cannabis is not going to happen. The grocery/ convenience store is open. It has been reported they are going to be open 24/7. Commissioner Alston will research the approval process for the store. We were not notified of it being 24/7. She will also check on the liquor license. Another resident asked about the products being sold in the store.

There has been an uptick in crime. The resident also asked questions about ArtPlace and the open spaces. The economy is impacting the retail. Phase II funding is being sought. However, the economy is also impacting this. So there are currently no firm construction dates.

It was raised about our community space. There were questions about the equipment. We did share that

NMPCA slide is broken and not fixed. There is also concern now about the barrier around it and the risk of people getting hurt. Commissioner Thomas will work with President Williams and CM Parker.

- X. Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 28, 2025
- XI. Adjourn at 8:58. Motion Thomas. Second Alston. Unanimously approved.

There were 54 people in attendance.

Approved on: 08/25/2025

Attested by: Emily Singer Lucio

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