

Government of the District of Columbia

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2C

July 2025 Meeting Minutes

DATE: July 8, 2025

ANC-2C COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Commissioner Michael Shankle, Commissioner Thomas Lee, Commissioner Nancy Groth, Commissioner Jim Swart

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Commission Chair Shankle called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm ([2025 July 8 ANC 2C Community Meeting \(youtube.com\)](#)).

2. ROLL CALL:

Four out of the four commissioners were present when the meeting was called to order.

3. INTRODUCTION OF COMMISSIONERS:

The commissioners introduced themselves.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Commissioner Lee suggested moving up resolutions in the future.

MOTION: Lee moved to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Swart. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION: Swart moved to approve the amended June meeting minutes. Seconded by Lee. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

Groth will upload the June meeting minutes to the portal on July 9.

6. TREASURER REPORT:

At the end of the meeting, Lee reported that the quarter started with \$66,711.96. The expenses included \$750 on minutes and approximately \$4,000 on the grant to the Thompson parent-teacher organization. The expenses totaled \$5,078.14, leaving \$61,633.82.

7. FY25 QUARTER 3 FINANCIAL REPORT:

MOTION: Lee moved to approve the FY25 Quarter 3 financial report. Seconded by Shankle. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

MOTION: Groth moved to approve the purchase of a joint license for Adobe Acrobat so that all four Commissioners would have access to be able to easily sign and combine documents. Seconded by Lee. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

Lee will look into the cost.

Shankle stated that they needed to update the signatures at the PNC Bank at Dupont Circle.

MOTION: Shankle moved to obtain a debit or Visa card for pre-approved expenses. Seconded by Groth. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

Lee will email the current year's budget to the Commissioners to be reviewed in advance of the next meeting, to be prepared for budget discussions.

8. PROCEDURE FOR CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS:

Shankle presented the updated resolution.

Groth stated that the procedure was her attempt to bring more order to how resolutions were accepted for consideration and what the timeline was, so that people in the public community knew what to expect. She noted that she would do the clerical portion after the resolutions were passed.

Swart commented that he was unsure how some items would be finished in under a few minutes.

MOTION: Groth moved to approve the procedure for consideration of resolutions. Seconded by Shankle. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. MPD 2nd District Crime and Community Awareness, Captain Michael Hamelin, Michael.hamelin@dc.gov, 202.698.1405, or Lieutenant Sylvester Garvin, Sylvester.garvin@dc.gov, 202.774.6866

Lieutenant Garvin reported that there was a robbery on June 29 at 2:00 am. An individual was walking to his vehicle, and a vehicle with three individuals drove up and announced a robbery. An office-building burglary occurred in which an individual walked in, grabbed some items, and fled. Both cases were still open. The drug-free zone included the Day Center, and the Crime Suppression Team and Narcotics Division would be giving extra attention to that area. In that particular hub, there was often drug activity, and they were working on figuring out the best way to disrupt the flow of narcotics.

Groth asked what side of K Street the robbery occurred. Lieutenant Garvin stated that it was on the north side of K Street. Groth asked for more information when it was available and could be shared.

2. MPD 1st District Crime and Community Awareness, Captain Paul Hrebenak, Paul.Hrebenak@dc.gov, 202-729-2179 or Lieutenant Araz Alal, Araz.Alali@dc.gov, 202.698.0066.

Captain Hrebenak reported that PSAs 101 and 102 had no reported violent crime in the past 30 days. The shooting that had occurred at 202 Lounge was closed, and extra presence in those club zones continued. There was a significant decrease in motor vehicle thefts, with only one theft compared to six in the same 30-day time period in 2024. Theft was slightly up overall, but property crime trends decreased. The high-visibility units were in Chinatown as well as the mountain bike units. There were two officers assigned to the Chinatown Hub, and they were present 40 hours per week. There were no more big events upcoming that would affect ANC 2C.

Groth thanked Captain Hrebenak for connecting her with special operations regarding the June 14th protest.

Howard Marks reported that on July 5, around 7 am, there was a large presence of MPD patrol cars and Metro Transit Police from New York Avenue southbound to I Street on the west side of 7th. There were at least two young men being held by police. He asked what had occurred. Captain Hrebenak stated that he was unsure, so he would check into the issue and get back to Howard Marks. He stated that it could be a number of things that did not originate in the first district.

3. Metro Transit Police Department, Deputy Chief Stephen Boehm, SBoehm@wmata.com, Captain Aaron Donald, Adonald@wmata.com, District 1 Commander, Lieutenant David Barga, dbarga@wmata.com, District One Evenings, 202-306-5783.

Lieutenant Barga reported that they were upstaffing Gallery Place since it was a major hub, and enforcement was also increased. There was a decrease in violent crime as a result.

Lee commented that he saw people climbing over at the metro stations and asked if it would help to install higher barriers to be installed. Lieutenant Barga stated that it could help, and he would pass that information on. Lee commented that it would be better to have the barrier there as a deterrence rather than having arrests needed.

Swart commented that he was pleased that the enforcement had increased.

Howard Marks stated that he lived above Gallery Place at the north end, and he saw some fare evasion arrests. He asked why so many officers were present to arrest an individual and if it was related to the protection of being accused of brutality. Lieutenant Barga discussed that it was

better to have more individuals if something went wrong, but there were also many officers in training and those pairs of officers were considered one officer during training.

4. Office of Mayor's Office Ward 2 Mayor's Liaisons – Tadaí Abilla, Ward 2 Liaison, Tadai.Abilla@dc.gov, 202.805.7122 and Adriana Macedonio, Ward 2 Liaison, Adriana.Macedonio@dc.gov.

Adriana Macedonia reported that they were in the midst of budget season, so that was their main focus. There was extreme heat experienced, and she provided a link to the Commissioners with a list of resources. There was continued communication with the Save Chinatown Solidarity Network due to the ongoing protests. The Council was hearing for RFK's schedule, and everyone was encouraged to testify on July 29. Adriana Macedonia stated that they hoped to have more budget updates by the end of the month.

Groth stated that they were able to connect Mayor Albert to the muralist, and she recommended continuing that dialogue. She indicated that there was money in the budget for the mural.

Swart asked when the budget would be decided upon. Brian Romanowski stated it would be included in his update.

Resident Howard Marks stated that he had a FOIA request to the Department of Transportation due June 15, and he received no response. He asked someone to intervene with DDOT to ask why they were not complying with the law. Adriana Macedonia asked him to follow up with her via email, and she would look into the issue.

Groth stated that the Department of General Services had not answered her questions about the status of the feasibility of the Green Court Shelter. Adriana Macedonia stated that she followed up with them, and she would follow up again and cc Groth on the email.

5. Office of Ward 2 Councilmember Brooke Pinto – Brooke Pinto Councilmember, Ward 2, bpinto@dccouncil.gov, 202-724-8058, Maddy White, mwhite@dccouncil.gov, Brian Romanowski, Constituent Services Director, bromanowski@dccouncil.gov, 202-285-9195.

Brian Romanowski reported that Councilmember Pinto had been the Ward 2 Councilmember for five years. A budget work session was held on July 8 ahead of the first vote on July 14. For July 29, there were approximately 300 individuals who signed up for the public witnesses Commanders hearing. On July 30th, the team and government witnesses would be testifying. The Judiciary Committee proposed the long-awaited merger of the city's different violence interruption programs. There was considerable debate about where the merge program should live, and an agreement was reached in the Mayor's office. A link was posted that included information on the agreement. It was set to be housed in the Office of Neighborhood Safety and Engagement, but more debate was expected before the first vote on July 14. The Chairman would be finalizing his version of the budget on July 12 and then call all Councilmembers to let

them know what he had done. It would then be realized publicly on July 13. Councilmember Pinto was able to secure funding for a new Throne restroom for the MLK Library area, and work would be done with the Commissioners to ensure that the placement was as best as possible. The funding would be available after October 1. Brian Romanowski noted that the Throne restrooms had briefly closed over the past weekend, but they were all to be reopened with reapproved funding.

The Council unanimously passed critical parts of Councilmember Pinto's Peace DC Plan, which streamlined educational credit requirements for MPD to bolster recruiting and increasing officers on the force, closed the gap on the Second Chance Amendment Act to ensure that individuals concealed their criminal records, and continued the rebuttable presumption for pre-trial detention for when defendants were charged with certain dangerous crimes and crimes of violence. There was a lot of debate surrounding the rebuttal, and there were concerns about the continuation until more data was available. There was a passage of the Safe Passage Training and School Engagement Act, which would standardize and universalize training. The Council also updated the youth curfew to 11 pm from midnight, and there was the ability for the request of four-day emergency curfew zones. It could begin at 8 pm for groups of eight or more individuals under 17 years old. On Wednesday, July 16, Councilmember Pinto would be at Stead Park from 4 to 5:30 pm, and on July 23, she would be at Rose Park Farmer's Market from 4 to 5:30 pm.

Shankle thanked Brian Romanski for the update on the Throne closures and the restroom at MLK. He asked about the addition of funding for the implementation of the Chinatown Task Force recommendations and if it was still on the table. Brian Romanski stated that it was, and more information would be available on July 13 with the updated version of the budget. Shankle asked how the money was earmarked in the budget. Brian Romanski guessed that it was DEMPED, but he was unsure.

Shankle asked for a letter to be sent to the DC Councilmembers requesting their support for the money to remain in the budget. Groth recommended that improving McPherson and Ferragut be lower priorities.

MOTION: Shankle moved to send a letter to DC Councilmembers requesting their support for the money to remain in the budget. Seconded by Lee. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

Resident James Stroud stated that he hoped Councilmember Pinto voted against the Rental Act due to the speeding up of the timeline for evictions. He raised concerns about the act and discussed that it also stripped many TOPA rights, which were important for renters.

6. DCSBOE Representative Allister Chang, Literacy, Education in the Budget, & Access to Advanced Coursework, Allister Chang, Allister.chang1@dc.gov.

Allister Chang was not present.

7. DowntownDC BID, Lukas Umana, Director of Public Space Operations, lukas@downtowndc.org, 202.270.0366.

Ellouise Johnson presented the Clean and Safe Data for June 2025, highlighting that they had increased hours, and they continued working hard to remove stickers and were working to get ahead of any issues that could be remedied. The task force along the Chinatown corridor was providing updates on the unhoused individuals. One of the other daily functions of the BID operation team included free piano play. The Safety Team had been operating for 14 months. Ellouise Johnson noted that they were moving to put even more effort into the unhoused situation, and they were also paying attention to the Thomas Circle and corridor area.

Shankle reported that there were tents that reemerged around the library and St. Patrick's Cathedral. The area around the library had gotten worse. Elouise Johnson stated that they would focus more on that area. Lieutenant Garvin, Commander Savoy, and Officer Charles were working to get the unhoused individuals the necessary resources.

Groth reported that the Department of Human Services just changed the process for unhoused individuals to get residency. She stated that she was concerned that the Downtown Day Services Center would not have the capacity to manage the increased flow. She stated that she was continuing to promote a kickball game between the yellow and red shirts to promote all of the work that was being done by the Ambassadors of both the Golden Triangle and Downtown BIDs.

Howard Marks commented that there was an issue across from the arena in which a tree branch was growing over the sidewalk. Ellouise Johnson stated that she would work with DDOT and let them know.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. College Bound. Seeking Mentors. Hailey Royste, Volunteer Coordinator, Hailey Royster, hailey@collegebound.org.

Hailey Royste was not present.

LOCAL EVENTS THAT IMPACT THE COMMUNITY

1. 9th Annual DC Bike Ride www.dcbikeride.com. Saturday, September 6, 2025, Diane Romo Thomas, dianeromo-thomas@hotmail.com (202)439-5104

2. Race to End Women's Cancer Sunday, September 14, 2025, Brian Bishop, bbishop@aboutbwf.com, 703.533.4830 office 202.468.8400.

Brian Bishop stated that the 5K and one-mile race would be held downtown, and 1,000 to 1,500 were expected. It had been five years since the event was held, and they were looking forward

to being back. There was also an education forum about women's cancer on September 13 from 9 am to 2 pm.

MOTION: Groth moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Lee. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE AND CANNABIS LICENSING (ABCA)

1. Uchi sushi restaurant, 1700 M Street, NW, ABRA-132678, Manalle Mahmoud, (202)625-7700, mmahmoud@malliosobrien.com

Manalle Mahmoud reported that the restaurant would be on the ground floor, with no stairs. The sushi counter would be ADA-accessible. There would be skewers and a large vegetarian option.

Groth asked if it was on the west side. Manalle Mahmoud reported that it was.

Shankle asked what the total capacity was. Manalle Mahmoud reported that it was 276.

MOTION: Shankle moved to send a letter for ABRA-132678. Seconded by Groth. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

2. Soga Genji Hospitality, LLC, Kiyomi by Masaaki "Uchi" Uchino, ABRA-132643, New Retailers Class "C" Tavern, 1895 L Street, NW, Matthew Minora, mminora@malliosobrien.com, 202.625.7700.

Manalle Mahmoud reported that the application was rescinded. If they were to reapply, it would not be any time in the near future.

3. SK Quality Services-US Corp., Blunt DC, Medical Cannabis Retailer with safe-use treatment facility endorsement, 1606 K Street, NW, ABRA-131901. Mike Rothman, (o) 202.760.1383, (c) 202.903.1059, mike@bluntdc.com

Groth noted that they had previously supported the cannabis license for this establishment.

Mike Rothman reported that the museum space upstairs had fallen through due to a disagreement over charging to see the museum space. He reported that they were seeking a safe-use treatment facility endorsement license. The inspection was held on July 8 and went great. There would be a lounge in the upstairs area that would be consistent with all rules. Arrangements were being made with local businesses to provide entertainment and food in the public space.

Shankle asked if it was an area where people could smoke. Mike Rothman stated that it would be an area in which people could smoke and enjoy infused cocktails.

Groth stated that she had spoken to ABCA about the safe-use treatment facility endorsement, and they gave examples like cooking classes for cooking with cannabis or event orientation. She asked what kind of programs would be done. Mike Rothman stated that it would be a dual-use for events and as a lounge. The location was centrally located, and the plan was to hold many local events.

Shankle asked if individuals would have to register to go in. Mike Rothman confirmed that they would.

Swart asked about the difference between the medical cannabis facility versus the entertainment area. Mike Rothman stated that the downstairs medical cannabis area was more of a dispensary, and the upstairs area was catered to events in which people could use medical cannabis in limited quantities.

Shankle asked if people were allowed to bring their own cannabis. Mike Rothman confirmed that they could not. Mike Rothman confirmed that they were asking for a stipulated license, and they were not requesting an alcohol permit.

Swart asked how close they were to schools. Mike Rothman reported that the closest one was about a quarter mile away.

MOTION: Groth moved to send a letter of support for the stipulated license for ABCA-131901. Seconded by Lee. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

4. Marrakesch, LLC; Trade Name: Marrakesch; ABRA-132405, New Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant, 1331 H Street NW, Sami Khan, samikhhan1962@aol.com, 571.234.2045.

Shankle reported that the seating capacity was 120 with a total occupancy of 125. They were requesting an entertainment endorsement with a cover charge and dancing, as well as a holiday extension of hours. The hours were Sunday through Thursday, 11 am to 2 am, Friday and Saturday from 11 am to 3 am. The live entertainment would be from 10 pm to 2 am on Sunday through Thursday and from 10 pm to 3 am on Friday and Saturday. There were no residential units in the area.

MOTION: Shankle moved to send a letter of support for the stipulated license for ABRA-132405. Seconded by Lee. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC SPACE

1. Installation of Diplomatic Parking Zone along the 1900 Block of I Street, NW. Earl Boyd, RDPP Parking Program Manager, District of Columbia Department of Transportation, earl.boyd@dc.gov, 202.741.5341

Shankle reported that it was a notice of intent for the installation of a diplomatic parking zone for the Embassy of Uruguay. He discussed that the residents of 2C were not allowed to have parking permits, so it was a shame that it was allowable that a diplomatic parking zone could be made while residential parking was not. It was due 30 days post notice, which was July 12.

MOTION: Shankle moved to send a letter of support for the installation of the diplomatic parking zone along the 1900 Block of I Street, with the notice that they were unhappy that residents of 2C could not get RDPP parking and would appreciate the ability for DDOT to respond to questions about their own process. Seconded by Groth. (Vote 4-0-0)

PLANNING, ZONING, ENVIRONMENT, and HISTORIC PRESERVATION

1. BXP Project 11 LLC, 725 12th Street, NW, Redevelopment. Sean Sullivan, VP, Development, BXP, ssullivan@bxp.com, 202.585.0845.

Sean Sullivan provided an overview of the project since it was central to the district and above the Metro Center subway station. He reported that BXP was one of the largest office developers and landlords in the country, and Project 11 would be their newest project. He presented a rendering of the new building, which would be an 11-story office building with ground-level retail. There were two law firms already signed up to occupy 90% of the building. Construction would begin in September. The site was between 11th and 12th Streets and between G and H Street, just to the south of Macy's. There were active discussions ongoing regarding demolition permits. The existing building would be removed, and then the construction of the new building would begin. The below-grade garage would be kept in place. The ground floor plan was presented. Along G Street, there would be restaurant space for one or two restaurants. There would also be additional retail, which would likely be another restaurant with some outdoor seating along the plaza. Sean Sullivan presented different perspectives of the building. The bike share location would be maintained after construction. The paving would be redone, and new tree boxes would be placed.

Shankle asked if he would be returning to a meeting in the future. Sean Sullivan stated that they would likely be returning for the public space permit.

Groth asked what the anticipated occupancy during the day was. Sean Sullivan stated that he guessed it would be around 300 people during the peak. Groth asked if there were any retail tenants yet. Sean Sullivan stated that they had just started exploring their options.

Swart asked if the agreements were already in place with the law firms. Sean Sullivan confirmed that they were and that leases were signed. Swart asked about the impact on the neighbors and the metro. Sean Sullivan reported that the metro would remain open and 12th Street would remain largely open to access the escalator. Swart asked if any after-hours work was planned, and Sean Sullivan stated that there was none planned at the current time.

Gorth asked if there would be a dedicated lane used. Sean Sullivan stated that G Street would have an area for dumpsters. A combined bus-bike lane would be on 11th Street, and there would be a protected tunnel for pedestrians. Groth asked for there to be a curbed sidewalk or ramp to get into the protected tunnel. Sean Sullivan confirmed that they would ensure that would happen.

Swart asked if all people would be notified in the area about the construction timeline. Sean Sullivan stated that they had already been doing outreach, and it was continuing with the other businesses. Monthly updates would be sent out.

OTHER

1. Resolution for Implementation of the Amplified Sound Mitigation Amendment Act of 2024. Commissioner Swart, 2c04@anc.dc.gov, 771 219 8443.

Commissioner Swart presented and provided an overview of the resolution, which set limits for amplified sound and established a process for the use of amplifying sound devices. The resolution also set enforcement procedures. The Amplified Sound Mitigation Amendment Act was in place, but it needed to be implemented.

Shankle added an amendment that Swart be the contact for the resolution, as well as to correct dates. Swart will draft the distribution list, and Groth will send it out.

MOTION: Lee moved to approve the resolution with the amendments for Swart to be the contact, to correct the dates, and for Swart to draft the distribution list that Groth will use. Seconded by Shankle. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

2. Resolution Upholding DC Values as a Sanctuary City. Commissioner Groth, in concert with ANC Rainbow Caucus, 2C02@anc.dc.gov 771-209-4799 voicemail and text messages

Commissioner Groth reported that the rescinding of Upholding DC Values as a Sanctuary City was one of the provisions that was included in the DC Budget Support Act by the Mayor, but Chair Mendelson had removed it. The vote on it would be held on Monday, July 14. The resolution was displayed.

Swart commented that the Mayor may be going for a silent sanctuary, and that an approval of the resolution could affect that.

Groth stated that she agreed with the original framing of the original bill and discussed the due process of including provisions in different acts.

Shankle asked if there was a motion for the resolution.

Swart raised concerns about the bills in Congress that could remove the ability for governing themselves and commented that he supported the Mayor.

MOTION: Groth moved to approve the resolution. Seconded by Lee. Approved with Swart abstaining. (Vote 3-0-1)

3. Resolution Condemning the Reinstatement of Officers Convicted in the Murder of Mr. Karon Hylton-Brown. Jenn Kauffman 4D08@anc.dc.gov Chair, ANC4D. Beth Landry, beth.landry.mail@proton.me, Mobile/Signal +1 443 535 3833

This item was taken first out of the resolutions and was presented with the fourth resolution disapproving of MPD's involvement with the raid of the US Institute of Peace by DOGE members.

Beth Landry introduced herself and urged all Commissioners to vote yes on both resolutions. She reported that a federal jury found Officer Terrence Sutton guilty of second-degree murder and obstruction of justice, and Lieutenant Andrew Zabavsky guilty of obstruction of justice for the cover-up. Both officers were pardoned by Donald Trump and reinstated by the MPD. Resolutions to urge accountability had been passed by ANCs 4D, 4B, and 1E. She discussed that, despite not having a court-warranted order, MPD allowed Inter-Con employees into the US Institute of Peace building and continued to operate in the building along with the staff. They also removed USIP staff. The trust of DC residents in the MPD is required for society to function, and Beth Landry urged the Commissioners to demand accountability.

Shankle displayed the resolution, which was to express disapproval of the reinstatement.

Swart asked if there was a position from the Mayor, and Shankle stated that he was unsure.

Swart asked if it was known where the officers would be stationed. Groth reported that the answer they had received was that they would not be interacting with the public. It was not known where exactly they would be stationed.

Shankle discussed that he felt that if a jury convicted public servants, they should not continue in public service.

Lee asked if the Commission would be willing to approve the resolution that was less emotionally charged. He sent it to everyone.

Beth Landry stated that she could not say anything about the amended resolution, but she would be distraught at any of the emotional language being removed.

The proposed changes were presented, which removed information about the related protests and information about Mr. Karon Hylton-Brown.

Shankle stated that he agreed with removing the term “unauthorized police pursuit”, but not the information about Mr. Karon Hylton-Brown. He stated that he would be willing to remove the information about the protests.

Groth suggested that Beth Landry have the opportunity to look at a clean copy with the changes as articulated by Shankle.

MOTION: Shankle moved to approve the resolution condemning the reinstatement of the two officers with the modifications discussed. Seconded by Lee. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

4. Resolution disapproving of MPD’s involvement with the raid on the US Institute of Peace (USIP) by DOGE members. Beth Landry, beth.landry.mail@proton.me, Mobile/Signal +1 443 535 3833

This item was presented with the resolution condemning the reinstatement of officers convicted in the murder of Mr. Karon Hylton-Brown.

Shankle displayed the resolution. He noted that they would update the dates to be present as of July 8. Shankle stated that he would be the point of contact for the resolution.

Shankle stated that he supported that MPD should not have allowed entry, but he was unaware of whether anything was presented to the MPD.

Swart asked if there was any belief that MPD thought that they were authorized to take action. Groth stated that it was widely known at the time that there was no warrant and no authorization from a judge. Beth Landry stated that the cited sources had more information.

Swart asked if Beth Landry was aware and had information on what the MPD said about the event. He stated that he had some contradictory information, which stated that the US Attorney's Office contacted the Metropolitan Police regarding the issue. MPD members were provided with documentation by the acting USIP President, with all powers delegated to him. The acting USIP President advised MPD that individuals were refusing to leave the building and were not allowing him access. MPD went to the building and eventually all unauthorized individuals left, with no arrests made. There was also a resolution of the Board of Directors removing George E Moose as President and placing Kenneth Jackson as the acting President, which three members of the Board signed.

Groth commented that it was different than court-ordered information. She stated that she believed that the replacement of the USIP president was not done by lawful means.

MOTION: Shankle moved to approve the resolution as amended with the date changes. Seconded by Groth. Approved with Swart voting no. (Vote 3-1-0)

5. Resolution for Full Use of Aston Bridge Housing. Calling on the Department of Human Services to expand the utilization of the Aston Bridge Housing to its full capacity, and the DC Council to expand its funding for outfitting and staffing. Commissioner Groth in concert with ANC 2A, 2C02@anc.dc.gov, 771-209-4799.

Shankle displayed the resolution. Commissioner Groth reported that it was in solidarity with ANC 2A. She used the ANC 2A's resolution and added additional items to be relevant to ANC 2C, such as the Green Court Shelter not being a solution. It was discussed that the indefinite capacity was 100, and there had been only one complaint. There were two people allowed in a unit, and if every unit were occupied, the capacity would be 188.

MOTION: Groth moved to approve the resolution in solidarity with ANC 2A. Seconded by Lee. Approved unanimously. (Vote 4-0-0)

6. Resolution for DC Council to Retain Legal Name of Black Lives Matter Plaza.

Commissioner Groth reported that the Mayor had tried to repeal it by inserting the repeal into the Budget Support Act, which the Council was required to introduce as legislation. Chair Mendelson had removed it, and the resolution thanked him and asked that it not be reinserted. He was also asked to reaffirm that the legal designation was within the purview of the DC Council.

Swart asked if the Mayor had done anything illegal. Groth stated that she had not done anything illegal, but it would not be legal for her to change the legal name because only the DC Council under the DC Home Rule Act could rename intersections or streets.

The physical erasure of the street mural was complete, and there would be art related to the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence replacing it.

MOTION: Groth moved to approve the resolution. Seconded by Lee. Motion failed with Commissioners Swart and Lee abstaining. (Vote 2-0-2)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Shankle moved to Adjourn at 8:49 pm. Seconded by Groth. (Vote 4-0-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 pm.

Minutes Submitted by: Minutes Services

Minutes Approved by: *Nancy Groth* electronic signature

Next Meeting: August 12, 2025, 6:00 pm. It will be a hybrid format.

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