



# **2025 Annual Report of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

## **Executive Summary – Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B (2025)**

The Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B (Dupont Circle) 2025 Annual Report reflects a year of sustained civic engagement, detailed oversight of land-use and transportation matters, and a strong focus on preserving the character, safety, and livability of one of the District’s most dynamic neighborhoods. Throughout 2025, Commissioners collaborated closely with District agencies, local organizations, businesses, and residents to address emerging challenges, advocate on behalf of the community, and guide major development, transportation, and regulatory initiatives.

Over the course of 2025, **ANC 2B adopted 66 resolutions** across a wide range of issue areas—including transportation and public space management, alcohol and cannabis licensing, zoning and land use, historic preservation, and major city-led initiatives. These actions reflect the Commission’s responsiveness to community concerns and its commitment to transparent, community-focused decision-making.

### **Key Areas of Work**

#### **Alcoholic Beverage & Cannabis Licensing**

ANC 2B considered and passed several resolutions supporting, negotiating, or protesting new and renewed licenses, often conditioned on Settlement Agreements to safeguard neighborhood peace, order, and quiet. Notable cases included:

- Multiple cannabis retailer applications, such as **YANA** and **Violet City**, each accompanied by Settlement Agreements.
- Protest and negotiation of a proposed cannabis retailer at **1613 17th Street NW** due to residential impacts.

## Transportation & Public Space

The Commission devoted substantial attention to DDOT initiatives, bus network redesign impacts, updated Streatery regulations, Connecticut Avenue Deckover planning, and WorldPride 2025:

- Resolutions addressing **WMATA Better Bus ReDesign curbside changes**, including new D90/D96/D74 bus stops and accessibility concerns.
- Support for **bus shelter installations**, including relocation of unused shelters.
- Advancement of **WorldPride** preparations through expedited public-space permitting, funding and installation of a vibrant Pride street mural at 17th and Q, and funding for portable public restrooms throughout 2B for the duration of World Pride.
- 2B Commissioners were also instrumental in advocating for the **reopening of Dupont Circle Park** during World Pride, which was temporarily closed by NPS.
- Financial support and conceptual guidance on the development of **a neighborhood public art design plan** including murals, parklets, and placemaking improvements along 17th Street.
- Support and advocacy for the continued operation of the **Throne public restroom** in Dupont Circle.
- Sustained engagement with the Dupont Circle business community and DDOT around the future of the District's **Streatery Program**.
- Coordination with DDOT and their vendors regarding planned detours and related public engagement regarding the **Connecticut Avenue Deckover project**.
- Nomination of the **1500–1600 blocks of 17th Street** as a pedestrian-priority corridor under the PLAZA Act, citing long-term community interest in enhancing walkability and public space use.

## Land Use, Zoning & Historic Preservation

ANC 2B reviewed and supported numerous significant land-use applications, including:

- The operation of the **Aston** as non-congregate bridge housing, while opposing an appeal seeking to halt its use.
- Historic preservation and zoning relief applications such as **2124 O Street NW** (HPA 25-094) and a modification to the PUD governing **21 Dupont Circle NW**.
- University- and embassy-related cases, including **Indiana University's campus plan** at 1619 Massachusetts Avenue NW and the **Embassy of Poland's conversion request**.
- Support for nonprofit and commercial improvements such as the **National Bankers Association project at 1513 P Street NW**.

## Community Events, Services & Operations

Beyond regulatory matters, ANC 2B supported community needs and neighborhood quality-of-life improvements, including:

- Authorization and creation of new **outreach and communications materials** to increase resident

engagement in ANC proceedings..

- In September, ANC 2B held a **Special Meeting to address concerns about the National Guard deployment in the neighborhood** and federal overreach into local law enforcement.
- Support and coordination with the Mayor's Office of LGBTQ Affairs, Councilmember Pinto's Office, and local businesses related to the **38th Annual High Heel Race** and dedication of the historical marker celebrating **William Dorsey Swann and the birthplace of drag culture**.
- In October, Commissioners participated in a Council roundtable around significant **Pepco power outages and related emergency response and their impacts on residents of 2B**.
- Engagement with DPW on the placement of public **food waste drop-off bins in 2B**.
- Coordination, planning, and outreach operations with community stakeholders around major community events such as the **Dupont Circle Holiday Market and adjacent holiday events at Heurich House, Ross Elementary and Stead Park**.



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COMMISSION 2B  
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JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS TO CREATE THE FUTURE OF  
DUPONT CIRCLE.



MEETINGS 2ND WEDNESDAYS  
6:30 PM | STEAD PARK



JPS Chairwoman Brooke Pinto Holds Public Roundtable on Pepco Power Outages and Emergency Response



## Conclusion

The Commission's work in 2025 demonstrates its commitment to thoughtful development, neighborhood vibrancy, and a Dupont Circle that serves everyone. Through proactive engagement with city agencies and community stakeholders, **ANC 2B played a pivotal role in shaping the evolution of the Dupont Circle neighborhood over the past year.**

## **January 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, January 8th, 2025; 7:00 p.m.

Online via Zoom

### **Call to Order**

The regular January 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Vice Chair Adams at 7:02 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Colton Flower (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Alex Marshall (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Libby Franklin (2B07), Zachary Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Election of the 2025 Commission Officers**

Commissioner Johnson nominated Zachary Adams as the ANC's Chair for 2025. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

Commissioner Johnson nominated Alex Marshall as the ANC's Vice Chair for 2025. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

Commissioner Franklin nominated Vincent Slatt as the ANC's Treasurer for 2025. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

Commissioner Slatt nominated Libby Franklin as the ANC's Secretary for 2025. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Commissioner Johnson moved to add 2124 O Street NW Historic Preservation application to the agenda. It was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). Chair Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda as amended, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 8-0-0).

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Public Announcements and General Comments**

Bill McLeod, Director of the Dupont Circle Business Improvement District, provided an update. Commissioner Groth, ANC 2C02, provided an update. Laura Dominguez, resident, asked a question relating to delivery drivers. Jeanne, a resident, asked a question. Wilson Sheeley, resident of 2B02, provided an update.

#### **Commissioner Updates**

Commissioner Marshall, Commissioner Rueckgauer, and Commissioner Slatt provided updates.

#### **Reports from Government Representatives**

Captain Michael Hamelin, the DC Metropolitan Police Department 2D Sector 3, provided an update. Ty Abille and Adriana Macedonio, Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, provided an

update. Brian Romanowski, Director of Constituent Services for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office, provided an update.

**Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda:**

**Onyx Rooftop Lounge- Application for a Retailer's Class "C" Taver License at 1813-1815 M Street, NW**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Skybox, LLC t/a Onyx Rooftop Lounge ("Onyx") has applied for a new Class "C" Tavern Alcoholic Beverage license (ABRA-130390) at 1813-1815 M Street NW, located in ANC 2B, Single Member District 2B05.

**WHEREAS**, Onyx's placard states the establishment has inside seating capacity for 130 plus 110 persons in a Summer Garden for total occupancy of 245 persons.

**WHEREAS**, Onyx's placard includes endorsements for Summer Garden, and Live Entertainment.

**WHEREAS**, Onyx's placard hours are as follows:

**Hours of Operation Inside Premises and Summer Garden**

Sunday through Thursday– 11:00 AM – 2:00 AM

Friday and Saturday– 11:00 AM – 4:00 AM

**Alcoholic Beverage Sales, Service, and Consumption inside the premises and Summer Garden**

Sunday through Thursday– 11:00 AM – 2:00 AM

Friday and Saturday– 11:00 AM – 3:00 AM

**Live Entertainment Inside Premises and Summer Garden**

Sunday through Thursday– 6:00 PM – 2:00 AM

Friday and Saturday– 6:00 PM – 3:00 AM

**WHEREAS**, promoting and maintaining good relationships between residents and nightlife establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B had a Settlement Agreement with the previous ABCA-licensed establishment at the location to address community concerns about Peace, Order, and Quiet, those conditions have been conveyed to a new proposed Settlement Agreement.

**WHEREAS**, it is believed that Onyx's operation as presented combined with a Settlement Agreement should result in an operation that is in character and harmonious with the neighborhood.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B supports Onyx's application, subject to establishing a Settlement Agreement continuing relevant conditions of the prior Agreement, between the Establishment and ANC 2B.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02@anc.dc.gov) is the Commission's representative in this matter.

Yana Creatives- Application for a Medical Cannabis Retailer License at 2062 P Street NW, #200

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, YANA Creatives, LLC trading as YANA ("YANA", "Applicant") has applied for a new Medical Cannabis Retailer License (ABCA-130786) at 2026 P Street NW, which is located in ANC 2B, Single Member District 2B02;

**WHEREAS**, YANA has applied for the following License Endorsements:

- Delivery
- Safe-Use Treatment Facility
- Education Tasting

**WHEREAS**, YANA's placard states the following hours of operation:

**Hours of Operation for Retailer**

Sunday – Saturday: 9:00AM – 10:00PM

**Hours of Retailer Sales Open to the Public**

Sunday – Saturday: 10:00AM – 9:00PM

**Hours of Safe-Use Treatment Facility**

Sunday – Saturday 11:00 AM – 8:00PM

**Hours of Cannabis Summer Garden**

Sunday – Saturday 11:00 AM – 8:00PM

**WHEREAS**, promoting and maintaining good relationships between residents and ABCA licensed establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS**, the District's Cannabis laws require that no odors from a Safe Use Treatment facility may intrude into neighboring residences or businesses and provide for remedy in should there be an issue.

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B has discussed the delivery service and is satisfied that it should not pose problems for the neighborhood; should delivery service increase such that it produces impacts on parking or traffic flow, YANA will work with ANC 2B and DDOT to arrive at an agreeable solution.

**WHEREAS**, YANA has agreed to enter into a Cannabis Settlement Agreement with ANC 2B governing the retail operation.

**WHEREAS**, no negative or detrimental concerns involving the other ABCA-licensed cannabis services operating in ANC 2B have been brought to the Commission's attention.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B **supports the Cannabis Retailer License application of YANA as placarded**, pursuant a Cannabis Settlement Agreement that establishes the expected conduct of the business and relationship with the community.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Cannabis Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02@anc.dc.gov) is the Commission's representative in this matter.

### **General Agenda**

#### **Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Department of General Services Proposal to Acquire The Aston (2B06)**

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner XX seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia's Department of General Services (DGS) and Department of Human Services (DHS) have applied for and were granted Permit No. B2401624 ("Permit") to operate a non-congregate bridge housing shelter at 1129 New Hampshire Avenue NW, also known as "the Aston"; and

WHEREAS, the West End DC Community Association ("WEDCCA") has filed an appeal of Building Permit No. B2401624 ("Permit") in regards to the Zoning Administrator's ("ZA") decision to issue the Permit, to be considered on Wednesday, January 29, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the District of Columbia, acting through its Department of General Services (DGS) and Department of Human Services (DHS) (collectively, the "District"), as the owner and operator of the property located at 1129 New Hampshire Ave. NW (the "Aston"), opposes the appeal; and

WHEREAS, the Aston was previously used as student housing by its previous owner, George Washington University (GWU). The District purchased the Aston in 2023 with the intention of using the property for non-congregate bridge housing; and

WHEREAS, "Bridge housing" is defined as temporary apartment-style units for clients transitioning into more permanent housing. Each resident will have access to and control of a private unit, including a kitchen and bathroom and the ability to lock their respective units. Clients will remain at the Aston for at least one month with the average projected stay lasting three to five months; and

WHEREAS, the District intends to operate the Aston for up to 190 individuals, primarily consisting of couples, mix-gendered adult families, and clients in need of medical services, or those who cannot be served by current shelter facilities in the District; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Aston's redevelopment, DGS filed an application for the Permit in November 2023 that was reviewed during the summer of 2024 and that the Department Of Buildings issued on August 7, 2024. The District indicated that the "Existing Use(s) of Building" and the "Proposed Use(s) of the Building" would remain the same: "Apartment Houses"; and

WHEREAS, the boundaries of ANC 2B extend to within one block of The Aston, and residents and businesses in ANC 2B are within 500 feet of the Aston; and



WHEREAS, ANC 2B recognizes that individual homelessness remains high in the District of Columbia and is in support of an expansion of facilities to help those seeking stable and permanent housing; and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B, after hearing comments from the community, including those that supported and opposed the Aston, voted 7-0-1 to support the Aston proposal at its regular meeting on July 12, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Subsequently, the District, at the request of ANC 2A, formed a Community Advisory Team (CAT), which is made up of representatives from ANC 2A, the Foggy Bottom Association, the West End Citizens Association, Ward 2 Councilmember Brooke Pinto, DGS, DHS, and homeless services stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, the CAT has constructively engaged with members of the community to provide feedback over an extended period on issues such as:

- community members' quality of life during any building repurposing, construction, and during the first two years of operation of the Aston;
- development of Good Neighbor Agreements, and
- means to address any concerns from neighbors about safety and security.

WHEREAS, WEDCCA filed an appeal against the Permit issued based on the following claims:

- Irreparable harm due to economic loss
- That the District's application to DOB was done in error
- That the Property is subject to a Planned Unit Development (PUD); and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B wishes to identify the following facts for consideration in this matter:

1. Each floor contains 6 efficient apartments, each with a bathroom, 2 storage closets, a kitchen with sink, refrigerator, microwave, counter and a stove (which is shut off for safety reasons). There are 2 beds and chairs in each unit. Each floor also has a common area with a similar kitchen, TV and windows overlooking New Hampshire Avenue. Residents may use the common area on the floor they live on, but are limited in their ability to travel to other residential floors.
2. There is no medical facility in the Aston.
3. The current layout of the building appears to be precisely what one would expect from a college or graduate student dormitory, with the exception of the shutdown of the stoves and the limitation on movement between floors, which is intended to promote safety and security for residents.
4. The proposed plan of the Aston to have residents stay from 2 to about 5 months as they transition to permanent housing is similar in extent and duration to a dormitory where students can stay a semester or two, which would last roughly 3 to 6 months.
5. A proposal from a developer to convert an office building at 2100 M Street NW to about 400 high-quality residential apartments has been recently announced. The back of this project overlooks the Aston, with a direct view of the Aston's backyard and back units. The rents for this building are expected to be high and consistent with the rents being charged by other newer apartment buildings in the West End. This proposal demonstrates that the Aston has not reduced the attractiveness of the West End for high end residential development and, when completed, will add to the vitality of the area.
6. Many residents of ANC 2B continue to express strong support for the Aston and have urged the District government to use it to help reduce homeless encampments in our ANC.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that ANC 2B urges the BZA to consider the facts and opinions that the Commission has set forth in evaluating the appeal in this matter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ANC 2B believes the use of the Aston for bridge housing is a use that is substantially similar to its prior use as a dormitory and which is consistent with the existing zoning on the site.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ANC 2B does not believe use of the Aston for bridge housing will result in irreparable harm to adjacent or nearby property owners, and that failing to address the homelessness crisis in the District presents a significantly larger risk to property values in ANC 2B.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ANC 2B opposes the appeal filed by the West End DC Community Association, and supports the operation of the Aston as bridge housing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ANC 2B encourages the government of the District of Columbia to open this shelter as expeditiously as possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ANC 2B officially requests Intervenor Status in the matter of BZA Appeal No. 21221 and authorizes Commissioner Matt Johnson (2B06) to represent the Commission before the Board of Zoning Appeals in this matter.

## **Land Use**

### **Presentation Regarding of Historic Preservation Application at 2124 O St NW**

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt a motion. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports plans as presented pertaining to 2124 O Street NW, HPA 25-094.  
Commissioner Johnson (2B06@anc.dc.gov) is the Commission's representative in this matter.

## **Administrative Matters**

### **Approval of the ANC's regular December 2024 meeting minutes (2 min)**

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the December 2024 ANC 2B regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

### **Approval of the addition of new ANC officers as signatories for the ANC's checking account**

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the addition of new ANC officers as signatories for the ANC's checking account. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

Margaret Roggensack did not run for reelection and is no longer on the commission. She will no longer be a signatory for the ANC's bank account.

### **Approval of ANC 2B Q1 FY25 Quarterly Financial Report**

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt the Q1 FY25 Quarterly Financial Report. Commissioner Franklin seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

#### Discussion of ANC Committees for 2025 and appointment of Committee Chairs

Commissioner Franklin moved to change The Complex Applications Working Group to Committee of the Whole and appoint Commissioner Jonhson as the chair of the committee. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0)

Commissioner Adams moved to change the Mobility Committee to the Transportation and Public Space Committee and appoint Commissioner Rueckgauer as the chair of the committee. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0)

Commissioner Adams moved to keep the Land Use Committee and appoint Christopher Davis as the chair of the committee. Commissioner Franklin seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

#### Meeting Discussion

Discussion regarding future hybrid meetings.

#### Adjournment

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 9:17 pm.

### **February 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, February 12th, 2025; 7:00 p.m.

Online via Zoom

#### **Call to Order**

The regular February 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Adams at 7:01 pm.

#### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Lawrence Sprowls (2B04), Alex Marshall (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Libby Franklin (2B07), Zachary Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

#### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda as amended, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 8-0-0).

#### **Announcements and Public Comments**

##### Public Announcements and General Comments

Annie Blackwell, Director of Dupont Circle Main Streets, provided an update.

##### Update from Capital Pride Alliance

Kristopher Thompson from the Capital Pride Alliance provided an update on the parade route.

### Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner Slatt, Commissioner Marshall, Commissioner Rueckgauer, and Commissioner Johnson provided updates.

### Reports from Government Representatives

Brian Romanowski, Director of Constituent Services for Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office, provided an update. Ty Abilla, Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, provided an update. Captain Michael Hamelin, the DC Metropolitan Police Department 2D Sector 3, provided an update.

### General Agenda

#### Main Streets Proposal for Support for World Pride Block Party Programs (Randy Downs and Georgia Katinas)

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Franklin seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B fully supports the WorldPride Programming plans as presented by Dupont Circle Main Streets, including: a special edition of the High Wheel Race; a 50th Anniversary Gay Pride Block Party; and, a Drag Brunch aiming to break the World Record for the Largest Ever Drag Brunch.

With \$1.5B in expected economic activity during WorldPride 2025, we fully recognize the role of alcohol consumption in these finances and activities. We urge innovative tactics to permit these activities including: multi-day exemptions, innovative licensing, and any special or permanent statutory changes to provide relief to our businesses.

#### Resolution Regarding Permits for Use of DPR's Stead Park for Friends of Stead Park Activities (5 mins)

Commissioner Franklin moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

The Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC 2B) is pleased to express its full support for the Friends of Stead Park's (FOSP) permit applications for 2025. FOSP is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to enhancing and maintaining Stead Park as a welcoming, accessible, and vibrant community space. Through its programming, FOSP provides free public events that bring together families, children, and residents of Dupont Circle and beyond.

Each year, FOSP hosts a variety of community events, including seasonal festivals, outdoor movie nights, and family-friendly celebrations. The 2025 programming schedule will continue this tradition, ensuring that Stead Park remains an inclusive and engaging space for all. These events, which are always free and open to the public, align with the mission of the Stead Trust to serve the children of the District of Columbia and enrich the local community.

ANC 2B values the longstanding collaboration between the Friends of Stead Park and the Department of Parks and Recreation in making these events possible. We urge the approval of the necessary permits to

allow these vital programs to continue, ensuring that Stead Park remains a hub for community engagement and enjoyment.

Event	Proposed Date
Spring Bunny Hop	April 19th
Mothers Day Event	Sat May 10th
Fathers Day Event	Sat June 14th
May Outdoor Movie Night	Sat May 10th
Pride Outdoor Movie	Thur June 5th
World Pride Family Fun Area	Thur June 5th- Sunday June 8th
June Outdoor Movie Night	Sat June 14th
July Outdoor Movie Night	Sat July 12th
Aug Outdoor Movie Night	Sat Aug 9th
Sep Outdoor Movie Night	Sat Sep 13th
Oct Outdoor Movie Night	Sat Oct 11th
Little Goblins Parade and Festival	October 25
Fall Festival - Thanksgiving	Sat Nov 22nd
Winter Festival	December 6th

#### Resolution Supporting a Placemaking Initiatives in Advance of World Pride

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to add “ANC 2B encourages DDOT to” at the beginning of the resolution. Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B encourages DDOT to expedite permitting for and waive fees associated with the 17th Street place making efforts to support WorldPride 2025, including: installation of a parklet at 17th and Q Street NW; painting of a street mural; replacing Jersey barriers with paintable planters; and the installation of light pole banners. ANC 2B recognizes these projects will take place as funds become available.

#### Authorization for Mural Design Consultation (5 min)

Commissioner Slatt moved to authorize funds for a mural design consultation. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

##### Authorization of Funds

- ANC 2B authorizes 10k\$ to hire a consultant to craft a design plan for painting 17th Street and temporary decorations throughout the entirety of ANC 2B. The decorations will be purchased via the ANC debit card, and the artist will be paid via check.
- ANC 2B considers the selection and oversight of the consult to fall within the our view of the chair per current bylaws referencing business operations.

Artistic Consultant (by resolution of Feb 12, 2025)

## Overview

The Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 2B is seeking a qualified consultant to develop a comprehensive design plan for public art installations within the ANC 2B area, with a focus on enhancing placemaking efforts in anticipation of WorldPride 2025. This project aims to beautify the neighborhood, promote community engagement, and support local businesses. This project is authorized by ANC 2B resolution on February 12, 2025.

## Project Goals

- Create visually appealing and engaging public art designs that reflect the spirit of Dupont Circle and WorldPride 2025.
- Develop a cohesive design plan that incorporates various locations within ANC 2B, with a focus on 17th Street.
- Enhance neighborhood aesthetics, promote community pride, and contribute to rat abatement and neighborhood clean-up efforts.
- Support local businesses by attracting visitors and creating a vibrant atmosphere. The Consultant works directly with the ANC Chair and Officers.

## Scope of Work

The Consultant shall provide the following services:

- Digital Design for 17th Street Pavement Mural: Create a digital design for an 800 sq/ft mural on the 17th Street pavement between Church & Q Streets.
- Updated Jersey Barrier/Planter Designs: Develop full digital designs and concepts for replacing or enhancing Jersey barriers along 17th Street with planters or artistic elements.
- High Heel Mural Designs: Create plans for six additional High Heel murals at the intersection of 17th and R Streets, expanding on the existing theme.
- Mural Wall Location Scouting and Design Plans: Scout out and identify suitable mural wall locations throughout ANC 2B, including at least one identified site somewhere other than 17th Street. Develop color-blocked digital design plans for these locations to support rat abatement and neighborhood clean-up efforts.
- Comprehensive Design Plan Documentation: Compile all designs, concepts, and location plans into a comprehensive digital document for ANC 2B's use.

## The Ideal Candidate Shall:

- Possess a proven track record of creating impactful and visually stunning LGBTQ-affirming public art installations inside the District of Columbia.
- Have experience in developing comprehensive design plans for urban environments and implementing government-funded art projects. Demonstrate a strong understanding of community engagement and placemaking principles within the Dupont Circle neighborhood and its unique setting.

## Reporting Relationships:

The Consultant will work under the direction of the ANC Chair and Officers, or their designees. Regular communication and progress updates are expected.

## Project Timeline:

The project is expected to commence in March 2025 and be completed within 4 weeks of selection. A detailed project timeline, including milestones, will be developed and agreed upon by both parties.

### Compensation:

The total compensation for this project is \$10,000. Payments will be made via check according to the following schedule:

- \$1,000: Negotiation of project plan and signing of this Statement of Work.
- \$4,000: Submission of initial design concepts for the 17th Street Pavement Mural and New Jersey Barrier/Planter Designs.
- \$2,500: Submission of design plans for the High Heel Murals and identified mural wall locations.
- \$2,500: Completion and delivery of the comprehensive digital design plan document.

The Consultant will serve as an independent contractor and is responsible for all applicable taxes.

### Application Process:

Applicant should include the following in their application:

- Artist name:
- Business name (if applicable):
- Phone number:
- Email address: Examples of relevant work. This can either be a link to a website, an online portfolio, or as attachments to the email the application is submitted in.
- Reference: The name and phone number or email address of one (1) past client who has commissioned work by the consultant.

Please email your application to the officers of ANC 2B:

- Vincent Slatt, Treasurer 2B03@anc.dc.gov,
- Alex Marshall, Vice Chair 2B05@anc.dc.gov,
- Libby Franklin, Secretary 2B07@anc.dc.gov, and
- Zach Adams, Chair 2B08@anc.dc.gov

### Application Timeline:

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, starting 7 days after the release of this public notice.

### **Public Space and Transportation Agenda (5 min)**

#### **Public space application by Throne Labs for public bathroom in Dupont Circle (DDOT #462478) (2B02) (5 min)**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Throne Labs has applied to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) for a permit to continue use of public space in the Dupont Circle park for a public restroom.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B is a longtime supporter of increasing public restroom availability in the Dupont Circle neighborhood and downtown DC.

WHEREAS, in April, 2024, ANC 2B unanimously supported Throne's application for the restroom pilot program at the same location.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Throne's application to continue providing the restroom at the location on the southeast "bump" of Dupont Circle, on land controlled by DDOT.

## **Land Use**

### **1619 Massachusetts Avenue NW- New Campus Plan for Indiana University within the existing building on the Property (ZC 24-17) (2B04) (5 min)**

Commissioner Sprowls moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports the Campus Plan Application of the Indiana University Foundation for the adaptive reuse of the building located at 1619 Massachusetts Ave NW (Square 181, Lot 850). The Indiana University Foundation is the contract purchaser of this building, presently owned by the Johns Hopkins University (DCOZ 24-17).

### **1740 Massachusetts Avenue NW- Embassy of the Republic of Poland to convert to a chancery use, an existing, detached, 8-story school building in the MU-1/DC Zone (BZA #21267) (2B05) (5 min)**

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports BZA application #21267 as presented.

## **Administrative Matters**

### **Approval of the ANC's regular January 2025 meeting minutes (2 min)**

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the January 2025 ANC 2B regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Franklin seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1).

### **Appointment of the members of the ANC's Land Use Committee (LUC)**

Commissioner Davis moved to appoint Olivia Brown (2B01), Jane Scinta (2B03), Micheal Lee Beidler (2B07), and Kyle Mulhall (2B09) to the Land Use Committee. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

### **Appointment of the members of the ANC's Transportation and Public Space Committee (TPSC).**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to nominate Rudi Riet (2B02) and Giancarlo Valdetero (2B08) to the Transportation and Public Space Committee. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

## **Adjournment**

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:33 pm.

### **March 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, March 12th, 2025; 6:30 p.m.

Online via Zoom and In-Person at Stead Park

## **Call to Order**

The regular March 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission



(Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Adams at 6:31 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Lawrence Sprowls (2B04), Alex Marshall (2B05), Libby Franklin (2B07), Zachary Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Adams moved to place Councilmember Pinto's update to later in the agenda to accommodate her schedule. Chair Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda as amended. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 7-0-0).

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Public Announcements and General Comments**

Bill McLeod, Executive Director of the Dupont Circle Business Improvement District, provided an update.

#### **Commissioner Announcements**

Commissioner Franklin, Commissioner Marshall, Commissioner Slatt, and Commissioner Adams provided updates.

#### **Update from PEPCO**

Linda Mary Greenan, Pepco External Relations Manager, Rob Spelman, Senior Manager for Underground Construction Maintenance at Pepco, and Andrew Dean, Pepco Manager of Standards, provided an update.

#### **Reports from DC Government representatives**

Ty Abilla, Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, provided an update. Lt Sakulich, the DC Metropolitan Police Department 2D, provided an update

### **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda**

#### **H3- Application for a Medical Cannabis Retailer License at 1613 17th Street NW (ABRA-129096) (2B04)**

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS The Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration (ABCA) has issued a Notice of Public Hearing for a Cannabis retailer at 1613 17th Street NW

WHEREAS The proposed location is in a residential neighborhood surrounded by apartments, two restaurants, a sidewalk cafe, a eatery, and additional apartments across the street.

WHEREAS The business operation may cause a reduction in the peace, order, and quiet of the neighborhood.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B protests the application for a cannabis retailer at 1613 17th Street NW and will seek a Settlement Agreement with the applicant.

### **Transportation and Public Space Agenda**

#### **Resolution Regarding DDOT Notice of Intent NOI-25-22-CPD – Support for WMATA Better Bus Service Changes (SMD 2B05, 2A06)**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, DDOT has issued Notice of Intent NOI-25-22-CPD, “Curbside Changes to Implement WMATA Better Bus Redesign in ANC 2B” which proposes:

- Conversion of the 2 metered parking spaces on the northside of Massachusetts Ave NW between the stop bar at Dupont Circle to the driveway of 1801 Massachusetts Ave NW (the Sulgrave Club) to a new bus stop for new WMATA route D90, northbound.
- Conversion of 5 metered parking spaces on the south side of Massachusetts Ave NW between the stop bar at 18<sup>th</sup> Street NW and 100 feet to the northwest fronting 1800 Massachusetts Ave NW (the SEIU building) to a new bus stop for new WMATA route D90, southbound.
- Rebranding the former DC Circulator bus stop in the 1400 block of 19<sup>th</sup> Street NW (between N Street NW and Sunderland Place) as a bus stop for new WMATA route D96, southbound.
- Rebranding the former DC Circulator bus stops in New Hampshire Ave NW at M Street NW (just across the ANC 2A/2B boundary on the 2A side) as stops for new WMATA route D74, north and southbound.

WHEREAS, public discussion of NOI-25-22-CPD was conducted at ANC 2B’s Transportation and Public Space Committee meeting on March 3, 2025.

WHEREAS, no concerns or objections were raised regarding rebranding the former DC Circulator stops as WMATA stops.

WHEREAS, the following concerns were raised about the proposed northbound D90 stop on the north side of the 1800 block of Massachusetts Ave NW:

- One of the metered spaces is a “red top” meter, designating it as reserved for vehicles with DMV-issued handicapped tags or placards.
- Events at the Sulgrave Club occasionally have a large volume of vehicles entering and exiting the driveway, which could result in some conflicts with buses berthing at the stop.

WHEREAS, the following concerns were raised about the proposed southbound D90 stop on the south side of the 1800 block of Massachusetts Ave NW:

- Federal law requires bus stops be fully ADA accessible.
- At the stop bar before the crosswalk at 18<sup>th</sup> Street, a verge with pavers, grass, and trees is present between the curb and the sidewalk, which would have to be altered or eliminated in order to satisfy ADA requirements.
- Bike racks are installed near the curb northwest of the verge

WHEREAS, neither of the “D90” bus stops incorporate a shelter.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports DDOT NOI-22-25-CPD pursuant to DDOT addressing and resolving these concerns:

- Relocation/installation of a handicapped metered parking space at a location in proximity to the one being removed on the north side of the 1800 block of Massachusetts Ave NW.
- Working with the Sulgrave Club (1801 Massachusetts Ave NW) to identify and remediate potential conflicts between northbound “D90” buses using the bus stop and vehicles entering or leaving their driveway, especially for events at the club.
- Design a solution for the southbound “D90” bus stop on the south side of the 1800 block of Massachusetts Ave NW that provides for the required ADA accessibility and does not require disturbing the existing trees.
- Study whether shelters can be installed for the “D90” stops.

### **Announcements and Public Comments Continued**

#### **Update from Councilmember Brooke Pinto**

Councilmember Brooke Pinto provided an update.

### **Transportation and Public Space Agenda Continued**

#### **Resolution Regarding June 6-8 World Pride Block Party in 17th Street (SMD 2B03, 2B04, 2B07)**

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

Dupont Circle is proud to host key activities during WorldPride 2025, a historic celebration of LGBTQ+ culture and rights. With an expected 1.5 billion dollars of economic activity, and an expected 3 million revelers, we are expecting extraordinary global interest in our neighborhood. Collaboration with MPD, DDOT, HSEMA, ABCA and other agencies is essential to develop a robust safety plan that addresses crowd management and emergency preparedness.

This letter outlines requests to ensure public safety, accessibility, and successful event execution. We request a response in the form of an in-person briefing before the commission at its next public meeting: April 9, 2025, 630 pm, Stead Park Recreation Center.

#### ***Street Closures and Traffic Restrictions***

To create a safe, inclusive, and economically robust environment, we propose restricting Dupont Circle to thru traffic by motorists from the period of May 30 through June 9th. Specifically, we want to hear your plans in respect to these requests:

1. Rerouting of automobile traffic around the perimeter of the area enclosed by 16th Street, U St, Florida Avenue, Connecticut Ave., and Massachusetts Ave. To include, at least:
  - a. The closing of both minor arterials Q and R streets to motorists
  - b. Not using S Street nor T Street to divert that traffic
  - c. A strategy for 18th Street
2. Geofencing along 17th Street including consistent hours for the time period and an outreach and communications plan for the weeks prior to the period
3. A plan for 17th Street to be completely closed to all traffic for the days June 6-8.

4. A staffing and enforcement plan that relies mostly on physical barriers and signs and not live staffing
5. Placement of additional bike share stations and valets

#### *Public Space Permits and Streeteries*

We urge you to expedite public space permits and approvals for businesses and vendors to effectively accommodate festivities with minimum costs to the businesses. Specifically, we ask you to respond to these:

1. The extension of streetery permits and liquor licenses by restaurants and bars to cover the area to the opposite sidewalk and permission of restaurants to serve in public spaces along 17th Street between P and R Streets.
2. A plan to allow alcohol sales along the corridor without the requirement of fencing and bike racks to be rented by the businesses nor organizers.
3. Establishment of a temporary Special Entertainment Zone.
4. Your recommendation on the optimal positioning of a multi-day beverage garden hosted by Capital Pride Alliance between the options of:
  - a. 1700-block of R St;
  - b. 1600-block of Corcoran St; or,
  - c. 1700-block of Church St.

#### *Permissions for Liquor Sales and Public Consumption*

Given the scale of the event, and the economic impact of alcohol consumption, we request guidance on creative measures to allow liquor sales throughout the festivities that is not a compliance-burden for locally-owned businesses. The plan should address, at minimum:

1. That businesses are not responsible for the consumption of product off-premises
2. That many revelers bring their own alcohol and/or purchase it at various stores along 17th street.
3. That the entire corridor be considered a special entertainment zone
4. That holiday hours be extended for the festivities
5. A recognition that the gun scare in Dupont Circle Park during the June 8, 2019 Capital Pride parade resulted in a stampede with multiple minor injuries; and, that, fencing used for beverage gardens could heighten concerns around a potential gun-related incident.
6. That any costs for implementing this plan be covered by city government via waiving of fees or providing its staff without compensation by the organizers

#### *Placemaking Installations: Art in the Right-of-Way, Flags, and Banners*

Permanent and temporary art installations will play a vital role in enhancing the cultural atmosphere through placemaking and benefits to the residents of DuPont Circle. We request support in facilitating permits and installation for the following activities:

1. The painting of parking spaces, bike lanes, and other spaces to include:
  - a. The 15th Street bike lane between P and NH Ave
  - b. NH Ave from 15th to 17th
  - c. 17th Street from NH to P
2. Coordination with the Mayor's Office of LGBTQ Affairs to waive fees and provide street closures during the installation dates; the weekend of May 3/4, with a rain date of May 10/11;
3. The installation of Rainbow Flags along the Taft Bridge;
4. The installation of rainbow-themed light pole banners along Lauzun's Legion Bridge;
5. The installation of rainbow-themed light pole banners along 17th Street from New Hampshire Ave to H Street.

#### Dupont BID Request for World Pride Programming Support

Commissioner Slatt moved to provide the Dupont Business Improvement District with \$5,000 via check to support porta-potties for World Pride. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0).

Public Space Permit application #465386 for Fixture: Bollard(s) (Exception), Fixture: Wall (Exception over 42") at 1528 O Street NW (2B04)

No action was taken.

Public Space Permit application #11116509 filed for New Sidewalk Cafe Un-Enclosed at 1601 Connecticut Avenue NW (2B01)

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Daily Provisions has applied for a public space occupancy permit for a sidewalk café at 1601 Connecticut Ave NW, which is in Single Member District 2B01.

WHEREAS, there has been a sidewalk café for different operators at this location for over 20 years, which establishes the suitability of the location.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Daily Provisions' public space application for a sidewalk café at 1601 Connecticut Ave NW.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requires the café's construction comply with DDOT's regulations that sidewalk occupancy be completely removable within 24 hours, and there be nothing drilled into or otherwise anchored or affixed to the sidewalk without written authorization by DDOT.

### **Land Use Agenda**

1825 S Street NW - To construct a third story, and convert to principal dwelling unit, an existing, attached, two-story with cellar, flat in the RA-2/DC Zone. (BZA #21261) (2B01)

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports BZA application #21261 as presented.

1337 Connecticut Avenue NW- To modify Board of Zoning Adjustment Order Numbers 18906, 18906-A, 18906-B, and to allow addition of a pergola roof to the already-approved rooftop restaurant. (BZA #18906C)

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports BZA application #18906C as presented.

1217 Connecticut Avenue NW- To construct a new restaurant bar lounge on the third, fourth, and roof level of an existing building (TBD) (2B05)

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports HPA application at 1217 Connecticut Avenue NW as presented.

### 1916 18th Street NW- TBD

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports BZA application at 1916 18th St NW as presented.

### **Administrative Matters**

#### Approval of the ANC's regular February 2025 meeting minutes

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the February 2025 ANC 2B regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0).

#### Website Redesign Application for the OANC's Technical Assistance Fund

The Commission decided to discuss this further at a Committee of the Whole meeting.

#### Meeting Refreshments

Commissioner Slatt moved to authorize spending up to \$100 per meeting for refreshments via direct purchase on the ANC's debit card to benefit the residents. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0)

### **Adjournment**

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:33 pm.

#### **April 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, April 9th, 2025; 6:30 p.m.

Online via Zoom and In-Person at Stead Park

### **Call to Order**

The regular April 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Adams at 6:31 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Lawrence Sprowls (2B04), Alex Marshall (2B05), Libby Franklin (2B07), Zachary Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 7-0-0).

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### Public Announcements and General Comments

A resident provided an update pertaining to a new public charter school. Bill McLeod, Executive Director of the Dupont Circle Business Improvement District, provided an update.

#### Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner Rueckgauer and Commissioner Marshall provided updates.

#### Report from DDOT concerning multi-day closure of 17<sup>th</sup> Street NW for WorldPride (2B03, 2B04, 2B07)

Christophe Wasserman, Ward 2 Liaison for the District Department of Transportation, provided an update concerning the multi-day closure of 17th Street NW for WorldPride. Christophe answered questions from Commissioners.

#### Reports from DC Government representatives

Hannah Amex, Constituent Services Representative for Councilmember Brooke Pinto, provided an update. Captain Michael Hamelin, DC Metropolitan Police Department 2D Captain, provided an update.

#### Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda

##### Renewals

The commission took no action.

#### Transportation and Public Space Agenda

##### DDOT Public Space Permit application #11126065 for an Unenclosed Sidewalk Cafe at 1506 19<sup>th</sup> Street NW (2B02)

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-1-1). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B does not support this application 1509 19th St NW.

#### Land Use Agenda

##### 1741 P St NW (2B07) 25-217; Vertical addition/ 4th floor penthouse

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

The Commission supports the application as presented.

##### 1710 16th St NW (2B03) TBD; Rear addition and roof reconstruction

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

The Commission supports the application as presented.

##### 21 Dupont Circle NW (2B05) [25-03](#); Historic landmark nomination

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

The Commission supports the application as presented but requests the application continues to work with HPRB on accessibility and compatibility concerns.

#### Next steps for DC 2050 Comprehensive Plan updates

Commissioner Davis provided information on the 2050 Comprehensive Plan update.

#### **General Agenda**

##### Transfer of Jurisdiction from NPS

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the National Park Service (“NPS”) proposes to transfer jurisdiction of 222,934 sq. ft. of Reservation 360, Parcel 305/7 to the District of Columbia government for recreational use.

WHEREAS, Reservation 360 - Parcel 305/7 is located in ANC 2A, within the confines of 23<sup>rd</sup> Street NW, behind structures fronting N Street NW (the Emerson House condominium, including the N Street Tennis Courts; Francis Education Campus; Francis Pool); and southwesterly west of 25th Street NW toward M Street, including Francis Field.

WHEREAS, Reservation 639, fronting 25th Street NW (containing a dog park and general use field), previously transferred to the District’s jurisdiction in 1971, is included in this action to refine the terms of its use in the context of the larger transfer of Parcel 305/7.

WHEREAS, the north side of N Street NW, formerly mapped as part of ANC 2B, was remapped into ANC 2A as a result of the 2022 Redistricting process. ANC 2B continues to have an interest as a neighboring ANC.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B had previously recommended that transfer of the land to the District would improve maintenance operations, and provide for expansion of recreational and community uses within the Francis area footprint.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the Proposed National Park Service Transfer of Jurisdiction of Parcel 305/7 of Reservation 360, File Number S.O. 25-01393, to the District of Columbia.

##### Resolution in support of Councilmember Pinto supporting the implementation of Initiative 83

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

Given that the overwhelming majority of DC voters supported Initiative 83, passing it 72.89% to 27.11%, we ask Councilmember Pinto to support the will of the people and fund the initiative.

##### Resolution Regarding ANC 2B’s Comments and Recommendations to The National Park Service’s Request for Public Comment regarding the Rock Creek and Potomac Parkway Multimodal Safety and Operational Improvements Plan

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Rock Creek & Potomac Parkway (“RCPP”) serves as a highly-used travel and commuter roadway under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service (“NPS”) since its completion in 1936.

WHEREAS, NPS is currently seeking public comment for development of the *Rock Creek and Potomac*



*Parkway Multimodal Safety and Operational Improvements Plan* to improve safety and usability of RCPP for vehicles, bicyclists, and pedestrians; reduce traffic congestion; extend the useful lives of roads and trails; and maintain Rock Creek Park's scenic nature.

WHEREAS, RCPP is an early parkway design that largely follows the natural geography of the Rock Creek Gorge which constrains its width and imposes a number of hazardous geometry features – including a particularly dangerous set of curves southbound bookending the P Street ramps.

WHEREAS, the popularity of RCPP from the beginning among commuters to and from downtown resulted in insufficient capacity in the peak travel direction during rush hours, resulting in establishment of reversible all-lanes travel in only the peak direction (southbound/inbound in the AM; northbound/outbound in the PM) in 1938; this practice continues to the present day.

WHEREAS, between 1990 and 2020 there have been nearly 6,000 documented vehicle crashes along RCPP, averaging 194 per year. Data suggests there likely are more incidents than are reported.

WHEREAS, the rate of vehicle crashes that occur during reversible one-way hours is disproportionately higher than during bi-directional hours. The reversible one-way hours contain approximately 19% of RCPP's daily traffic volume yet 31% of reported crashes occur during those times. The "raceway-like" roadway configuration of 4-lanes in one direction also contributes by presenting drivers with an illusory invitation to operate at greater speeds than advisable.

WHEREAS, the potential for crashes could be reduced by eliminating the reversible one-way travel hours, combined with design interventions at the known dangerous, crash-prone locations.

WHEREAS, eliminating reversible one-way travel on RCPP could shift some traffic volume to nearby streets during peak times.

WHEREAS, the multiuse pedestrian and bicycle trail from Virginia Avenue to P Street was converted from a bridle path in 1971. It has always been too narrow, especially for bi-directional use, and presents considerable risk of conflicts between cyclists and pedestrians.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B welcomes and supports the Park Service's effort, and offers the following comments and recommendations:

- Eliminate reversible one-way travel hours in favor of full-time two-way travel. Commuting patterns of today are substantially changed from even a decade ago so there is no logical reason to continue an 87-year-old practice.
- Implement directional lane separation where indicated by crash history.
- Prioritize installation of directional lane separation for the P Street southbound ramp zone, from approximately where the northbound ramp from P Street merges into the main roadway just north of the Lausun's Legion Bridge, to approximately N Street south of the southbound ramp.
- Consider removal of the exit from southbound RCPP to P Street due to its precarious positioning coming out of a curve.
- Widen the Rock Creek Parkway Multiuse Trail between P St NW and Virginia Ave NW to the greatest extent possible. In the event four automobile lanes are maintained, the width of the trail should be as close to 12 feet wide for as much of the corridor as possible.
- As the time and cost to study, design, and perform the construction needed to widen the Multiuse Trail will be substantial and drawn out, consider an interim or permanent reconfiguration of the roadway between P Street and Pennsylvania Avenue to one lane in each direction, and converting what is the western-most travel lane into an additional trail for bikes (and pedestrians when the main trail must be closed for construction).
- Avoid closures of the Rock Creek Multiuse Trail as much as possible during construction. Various segments of the trail have been closed on and off for a significant portion of the past decade.

- Closing any portion of the trail impacts usage throughout it.
- Prior to planned or lengthy construction, engage with DDOT and nearby ANCs before committing to work plans to conduct meaningful review and discussion of the work, planned detours, safe accommodation, and incorporate the feedback.
- Detours have an exponentially greater impact on pedestrians and cyclists than drivers due to longer distances and the reduction in safety that comes from using streets lacking protected infrastructure compared to dedicated trails.
- During construction, consider using Jersey barriers (or similar) to create dedicated space for cyclists and pedestrians to safely use the parkway.
- Commit to more frequent trimming of shrubbery on the hill adjacent to the trail.
- Improve or install nature-friendly lighting along the Multiuse Trail as needed. Lighting is particularly needed at overpasses, and sections north of P St NW where the trail diverges from the parkway.
- Employ raised crosswalks and rumble strips at all points where the trail crosses parkway entrance and exit ramps.

Resolution Regarding the Request of The National Park Service to Consider Alternatives for Rock Creek Park's Multiuse Trail between Pennsylvania Ave and K St NW During Construction

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is performing rehabilitation work on the L Street and the Multiuse Trail bridges over the Rock Creek which has closed the trail between Pennsylvania Avenue and K Street NW and is scheduled to continue into August 2025.

WHEREAS, the work requires closure of the Rock Creek Parkway Multiuse Trail Bridge for replacement of the safety railing, imposing a detour for pedestrians and cyclists via 29th Street NW.

WHEREAS, the provided detour route is street-running and does not provide safety from vehicles for pedestrians and cyclists.

WHEREAS, there appears to have been minimal, possibly no, public engagement in advance of the work commencing to consider alternatives for safe accommodation of pedestrians and cyclists.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the current detour does not align with District law and regulations requiring Safe Accommodation for pedestrians and bicyclists be provided when sidewalks, bike lanes, paths, are closed during construction projects.

BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B asks that DDOT and NPS to collaborate with FHWA and ANC stakeholders to identify alternatives that are less disruptive to trail users than the current closure between Pennsylvania Avenue NW and K Street NW.

BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B asks that these options be considered to improve the pedestrian and cyclist detour experience

- Close one lane of the parkway and use safety devices such as jersey barriers
- In the event a lane of the parkway can't be dedicated to trail users, we encourage NPS and the FHWA to expedite the portion of work that affects the trail.
- Work to expedite reopening the currently closed portion of the C&O Canal towpath to create a shorter and safer detour than use of Pennsylvania Ave NW.
- Implement temporary cyclist and pedestrian improvements on Pennsylvania Ave NW, 29th St NW, and K St NW to provide a safer detour such as limiting parking and dedicating a lane of Pennsylvania Ave for trail traffic.

BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B asks that clear signage be placed at each entrance to the trail within a mile of the detour that includes a map of the detour, a description of the work being done, and the timeline for completion.

BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that future projects in the District that affect pedestrian and/or bicyclist safety infrastructure include engagement and discussion with the public and nearby ANC stakeholders so disruptions and potential danger to vulnerable road users are as minimal as possible.

Resolution Regarding the Request of The National Park Service to Institute Scenic Recreation Days on Rock Creek Parkway

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the National Park Service (“NPS”) instituted full-time closure of most of Beach Drive in the northern part of Rock Creek Park in 2022.

WHEREAS, NPS has recently announced that beginning this year it will institute 2 Scenic Driving Days, one in the spring and another in the fall, that Beach Drive will be fully open for vehicles.

WHEREAS, the scenic beauty of Rock Creek Park is not limited to the Beach Drive corridor and it should be promoted and made more easily accessible to visitors and residents.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests the National Park Service collaborate with DDOT to explore programming semi-annual “Car-Free Days on Rock Creek Parkway” between Virginia Avenue and the National Zoo.

BE IT RESOLVED that “Car-Free Days” would allow pedestrians and cyclists to explore Rock Creek Park and points of interest along the parkway at a leisurely pace, free from the concern of speeding vehicles or narrow paths.

High Heel Race Entertainment District Funding Letter

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

We write to share our budget priorities for Fiscal Year 2026 and to advocate for measures that will support the cultural and economic vibrancy of our community.

As part of these priorities, we strongly encourage you to waive all city fees associated with the annual 17th Street High Heel Race and officially designate the event as a special holiday occasion. This iconic celebration, scheduled for October 2025, is a cornerstone of our neighborhood’s identity and a vital expression of LGBTQ+ pride.

Additionally, we request your leadership in working with fellow councilmembers to designate the 17th Street corridor as a Special Entertainment Zone. Such a designation would align this historic "gayborhood" with other areas of the city that benefit from simplified permitting processes for special events. This change would enhance the ability of local businesses and community organizations to host events that celebrate diversity and promote economic activity.

Background: Over the past two years, particularly during planning for World Pride and through collaboration with Capital Pride Alliance, we have observed that prohibitive fees for public safety services (e.g., police, ABCA permitting) are a primary driver of heavy reliance on alcohol sales to offset

costs. This creates challenges for small, independently owned businesses that already face restrictive alcohol licensing rules and significant coordination expenses.

While alcohol-related tax revenues contribute substantially to the city's income, requiring these funds to also cover public safety fees places an undue burden on businesses and event organizers. Waiving these fees for the High Heel Race in FY26 would alleviate financial pressures, preserve this cherished tradition, and support struggling local enterprises.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to your continued support for our neighborhood's unique cultural heritage.

### **Administrative Matters**

#### **Approval of the ANC's regular March 2025 meeting minutes**

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the March 2025 ANC 2B regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0).

#### **Approval of the FY25 Q2 QFR**

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt the FY25 Q2 QFR regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0).

### **Adjournment**

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 7:52 pm.

#### **May 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, May 14th, 2025; 6:30 p.m.

Online via Zoom and In-Person at Stead Park

### **Call to Order**

The regular May 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Adams at 6:31 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Lawrence Sprowls (2B04), Alex Marshall (2B05), Libby Franklin (2B07), Zachary Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 7-0-0).

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Public Announcements and General Comments**

A resident provided an update pertaining to a request for protected bike lanes on Q and S Street NW. Kate Urbank, the Site Director of Food Rescue US-DC, provided an update. Bill McLeod, Executive

Director of the Dupont Circle Business Improvement District, provided an update. Anne Blackwell, Director of Dupont Circle Mainstreet, thanked ANC 2B for their contributions and provided an update.

#### Commissioner Announcements

Commissioner Rueckgauer and Slatt provided updates. Commissioner Adams provided an update on the PEPCO outage. Commissioner Franklin provided an update on the Stead Park Field. Commissioner Marshall provided an update on Bike to Work Day.

#### Update on ANC 2B01 Vacancy

Chair Adams provided an update on the vacancy in 2B01.

#### Update from Lisa Marie Thalhammer on the WorldPride 2025 Placemaking Efforts

Lisa Marie Thalhammer provided an update on the WorldPride2025 Placemaking Efforts.

#### Reports from DC Government representatives

Sean Moore, DC Water representative, shared an update on LeadFree DC.

#### Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda

##### Applications

##### Daily Provisions- Application for a new retailers Class “C” restaurant license at 1601 Connecticut Ave NW (ABRA-131908) (2B01)

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Daily Provisions Operations, LLC trading as Daily Provisions has applied for a new Class C Restaurant Alcoholic Beverage License at 1601 Connecticut Avenue NW, located in Single Member District 2B01 of ANC 2B.

WHEREAS, Daily Provisions has requested endorsements for Sidewalk Café, and Beverage Carryout and Delivery.

WHEREAS, the hours of sales, service, and consumption for inside the premises and the sidewalk café will be Sunday through Saturday, 7:00 AM through 11:00 PM.

WHEREAS, the hours for beverage carryout and delivery will be Sunday through Saturday, 7:00 AM through 11:00 PM.

WHEREAS, promoting and maintaining good relationships between residents and ABCA licensed establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

WHEREAS, the hours of operation and sidewalk café are consistent with ANC 2B guidelines and prior dining establishments at this location.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B previously reviewed and voted to support the DDOT Public Space application for the sidewalk café at its March 12, 2025 meeting.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Class C Restaurant License Application No. ABRA-131908 of Daily Provisions as placarded, pursuant to a Settlement Agreement that establishes the expected conduct of the business and relationship with the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

Violet City - Application for a new Medical Cannabis Retailer license at 1505 22nd Street NW (ABRA-128732) (2B02)

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Premium Service, LLC trading as Violet City (“Violet City”, “Applicant”) has applied for a new Medical Cannabis Retailer License (ABRA-128732) with a Delivery Endorsement at 1505 22nd Street NW, which is located in ANC 2B, Single Member District 2B02;

WHEREAS, Violet City’s placard states the following hours of operation:

Hours of Operation for Retailer

Sunday – Saturday: 7:00 AM – 11:00 PM

Hours of Retailer Sales Open to the Public

Sunday – Saturday: 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM

Hours of Delivery Service

Sunday – Saturday 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM

WHEREAS, promoting and maintaining good relationships between residents and ABCA licensed establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has discussed the delivery service and is satisfied that it should not pose problems for the neighborhood; should delivery service increase such that it produces impacts on parking or traffic flow, Violet City will work with ANC 2B and DDOT to arrive at an agreeable solution.

WHEREAS, Violet City has agreed to enter into a Cannabis Settlement Agreement with ANC 2B governing the retail operation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the Cannabis Retailer License application of Violet City as placarded, pursuant to a Cannabis Settlement Agreement that establishes the expected conduct of the business and relationship with the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Cannabis Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

Renewals

The commission took no action.

## **Transportation and Public Space Agenda**

### **DDOT NOI# 24-107-TOA Installation of a Diplomatic Parking Zone for the Embassy of Honduras at 1220 19th Street NW (2B06)**

Commissioner Sprowls moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-2-1). The resolution reads as follows:  
Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and failed (VOTES: 2-5-1). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has issued NOI 25-107-TPA for installation of a Diplomatic Parking Zone in the west lane of the 1200 block of 19th Street NW, located in Single Member District 2B06 of ANC 2B.

WHEREAS, 90 feet of linear space in front of 1220 19th Street NW, sufficient for 3 cars, shall be provided for the exclusive use of the Embassy of Honduras from the hours of 7:00AM through 6:30 PM Mondays through Fridays.

WHEREAS, the 1200 block of 19th Street consists of three lanes, one parking lane and two travel lanes, the west lane of which is signed No Parking or Standing Anytime, No Loading during rush hours, and Pick-Up/Drop Off Zone.

WHEREAS, the proposed Diplomatic Parking Zone could result in the continuous blockage of the west lane every weekday for 11-1/2 hours during which the number of travel lanes would be reduced to one.

WHEREAS, the 11-1/2 hour daily blockage would lead to far more congestion than occasional, short-term pickups and drop-offs.

WHEREAS, 19th Street is the only business southbound street that connects Dupont Circle with downtown DC and beyond.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B opposes NOI 25-107-TPA for the installation of a Diplomatic Parking Zone in front of 1220 19th Street NW.

### **Public Space Permit application #465386: Knee Wall w/Fence at 1528 O Street NW**

Commissioner Sprowls moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS

- The applicant proposes to build a walled garden on a plot that contained a row house demolished in the 1970s.
- A portion of land between a sidewalk-facing brick garden wall and sidewalk consists of public space with a low brick wall ("knee wall") and metal fence.
- The design of the sidewalk-facing wall -- all on the applicant's property -- incorporates some design cues from the adjacent row houses.
- The project will be a marked improvement over the current asphalt moonscape.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Public Space Permit application #465386.

## **Land Use Agenda**

2129 Newport Place NW (2B06) [HPRB 25-245](#); renovation with new 3rd floor, new front cellar entry, and new window

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports the application as presented.

1314 21st Street NW (2B06) [BZA 21160A](#); six month extension for non-conforming use

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports BZA application #21160A as presented and supports an indefinite extension.

2210 P Street NW and 1524 22nd Street NW (2B01) [BZA 18079 and 18079-B](#); renew existing special exception for daytime care use

Commissioner Davis moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

The ANC did not identify any issues or concerns related to application to renew the existing Special Exception (Case Nos. 18079 and 18079-B) for a daytime care use located in the R-3 Zone District (the "Application"). ANC 2B supports BZA No. 21301 as presented and supports an indefinite extension as requested.

### **Administrative Matters**

#### **Approval of the ANC's regular April 2025 meeting minutes**

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the April 2025 ANC 2B regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1).

#### **Approval of new 2B outreach materials**

Commissioner Adams motions that we approve up to 500 for printing materials to advertise committee meetings. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). Commissioner Franklin is the commission's representative in this matter.

### **Transportation and Public Space Agenda Continued:**

#### **Discussion of [DPW's new Food Waste Drop-Off Bins](#)**

Commissioner Rueckgauer discussed DPW's new Food Waste Drop-Off Bins.

### **Adjournment**

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:01 pm.

### **June 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes**



Wednesday, June 11th, 2025; 6:30 p.m.  
Online via Zoom and In-Person at Stead Park

### **Call to Order**

The regular June 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Adams at 6:39 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Matt Johnson (2B06), Libby Franklin (2B07), Zachary Adams (2B08), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 6-0-0).

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **The Metropolitan Police Department and National Park Service closure of Dupont Circle during World Pride**

Vincent Slatt provided an update on the Metropolitan Police Department and the National Park Service closure of Dupont Circle during World Pride.

#### **Report from Rachel Joseph, Director of Safe Urban Infrastructure in the City Administrator's Office, on the Mayor's proposed budget**

Rachel Joseph, Director of Safe Urban Infrastructure in the City Administrator's Office, presented the Mayor's proposed budget. Director Joseph answered questions from Commissioners and the community.

#### **Report from Hannah Ames, Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office**

Hannah Ames, Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Community Relations Representative, provided an update.

#### **Public announcements and general comments or future agenda items**

A resident thanked the commissioners for their comments on the budget.

#### **Commissioner announcements**

Commissioner Rueckgauer and Commissioner Slatt had announcements.

### **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda**

#### **Applications**

Swann House- Application for a new retailers Class "C" Bed and Breakfast license at 1808 New Hampshire Ave NW (ABRA-132244) (2B01)

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Traylor Enterprises, LLC trading as Swann House has applied for a new Class C Bed and Breakfast Alcoholic Beverage License at 1808 New Hampshire Avenue NW, located in Single Member District 2B01 of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS**, Swann House is a bed and breakfast lodging accommodation with 9 guest rooms.

**WHEREAS**, hours of sales, service, and consumption will be Sunday through Saturday, 8:00AM through 8:00PM.

**WHEREAS**, alcoholic beverage sales, service, and consumption, will only be for registered guests on the premises and not open to the general public.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B **supports the Class C Bed and Breakfast Application No. ABRA-132244 of Swann House as placarded.**

Renewals

The commission took no action.

**Transportation and Public Space Agenda**

DDOT Public Space Application for Sidewalk Cafe at Amparo at 2002 P St NW (Tracking #11135728) (2B02)

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Amparo has applied for a public space occupancy permit for an unenclosed sidewalk café at 1601 Connecticut Ave NW, which is in Single Member District 2B02.

**WHEREAS**, the application is for 4 tables with 2 chairs at each for a total of 8 seats.

**WHEREAS**, the hours of operation for the café will be 7:00AM-11:00PM Mondays through Thursdays; and 7:00AM-12:00AM (Midnight) on Fridays and Saturdays, which are consistent with ANC 2B guidelines.

**WHEREAS**, the distance from the outer side of the café area to the nearest obstruction (a tree box) will be between 8 feet and 9 feet. This is slightly lower than ANC 2B's and DDOT's guidelines of 10 feet. However, given the overall broad width of the sidewalk at the location plus an existing narrower clearance at the Hopkins Street end of the block in front of 2014 P Street, an exception for this application is justified.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B supports Amparo's public space application for a sidewalk café at 2002 P Street NW as submitted.

DDOT Public Space Application for a Sidewalk Cafe at 1506 19th St NW (Tracking #11126065) (2B02)

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Press Club Cocktail Lounge (“Applicant”) has resubmitted an application to the District Department of Transportation (“DDOT”) for a public space permit (tracking #11126065) to operate a Sidewalk Café at its premises, located at 1506 19<sup>th</sup> Street NW, located in Single Member District 2B02 of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS**, Applicant had previously submitted this application and ANC 2B voted to not support it based on the design being “boxed-in” or “closed off” contrary to our guidelines encouraging open and inviting uses of public space, as well as those of the Historic Planning Office.

**WHEREAS**, Applicant has revised the plans for the café space, now consistent with ANC 2B’s and HPO’s guidelines.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B *supports Press Club Café’s application for a sidewalk café* at 1506 19<sup>th</sup> Street NW as presented in the renderings filed with DDOT and presented to the ANC.

Washington Gas’ Application for the Proposed District SAFE Distribution Pipes Upgrade

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, PROJECT Pipes (“Pipes”) is a 40 year plan, which received initial approval by the District of Columbia Public Service Commission (“PSC”) in 2014, to replace all of Washington Gas Light’s (“WGL”) legacy service and distribution pipes in the District to eliminate leaks, prevent failures, and improve safety and reliability of their system.

**WHEREAS**, WGL is required by law to provide safe and reliable service.

**WHEREAS**, D.C. Law 24-176, *The Climate Commitment Amendment Act of 2022* (“CCAA”) effective September 21, 2022, requires, among other things, that greenhouse gas emissions (“GHG”) are reduced by no less than 60% of 2006 levels; interim target reductions between 2025 and 2045; and District government operations become carbo-neutral by 2020.

**WHEREAS**, the advent of the CCAA imposed new environmental requirements that Pipes would have to comply with.

**WHEREAS**, in December 2022, WGL filed an application for PROJECT Pipes Phase 3 (“Pipes3”), incorporating no compliance elements with the CCAA.

**WHEREAS**, in February 2024, the Council of The District of Columbia (“Council”) advised PSC that Pipes3 is not compliant with the CCAA.

**WHEREAS**, on April 10, 2024, with 7 of 9 Commissioners in attendance at a duly noticed regular public meeting, ANC 2B voted 7-0-0 to support the Office of The People’s Counsel (“OPC”) opposition to WGL’s Pipes3 application, citing the lack of CCAA compliance, and the need to investigate increases in Class 1 leak occurrences, reducing the environmental impacts of leaks, and reevaluating near and long-term financial impacts on District ratepayers;.

**WHEREAS**, on June 12, 2024, the PSC voted to reject WGL’s Pipes3 application.

**WHEREAS**, on September 27, 2024, WGL filed a revised Pipes3 replacement project Application for approval entitled “The District Strategic Accelerated Facility Enhancement Plan” (“DistrictSAFE” or “Plan”).

**WHEREAS**, Washington Gas participated in a public discussion of DistrictSAFE at ANC 2B’s April 2025 Transportation and Public Space Committee.

**WHEREAS**, while WGL insists that DistrictSAFE complies with CCAA, citing a greater than 90% reduction of GHG if they replaced all of the vintage components. However, they also claim to be unable to identify specific amounts of reductions of GHG.

**WHEREAS**, WGL has no incentive for reducing ratepayer costs for lost or unaccounted for gas. DC government leak surveys consistently obtains greater numbers of leaks than WGL reports. WGL's automated leak detection equipment has a sensitivity of 20ppm where the DC equipment can detect as little as 1ppm, resulting in a considerable undercount. WGL also consolidates some leaks into a single entry.

**WHEREAS**, DistrictSAFE lacks any details or chronology about what legacy equipment will be replaced. There is no transparency as to the selection and priority criteria for which pipes will be replaced. They indicated that they may aggregate several less critical replacements with critical ones in the name of efficiency to not have to return to the same area. The amount of pipe-miles replaced for the funding requested is considerably lower contrasted to Pipes3.

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B specifically requested that WGL provide details about contingencies for replacement work as electrification shifts ratepayers away from gas service. WGL's response was to dismiss the concern that they could find themselves in a Doom Spiral where they must extract greater funds from the remaining ratepayers. They cited mailings to customers about switching to electric and receiving no responses indicating interest. The lack of concern about future market conditions is alarming.

**WHEREAS**, the information presented on DistrictSAFE paints a picture of doing considerably less work for more money that District ratepayers will be paying now, and in future iterations.

**WHEREAS**, there is no question the District absolutely must have the gas distribution system in good repair and safe. However, Pipe3 and WGL's statements do not provide confidence that approving this application will deliver demonstrable improvement within its lifetime. One estimate has the replacement *work continuing into the next century*.

**WHEREAS**, a better financial solution would be to require WGL draw upon its *rate base* first to provide priority replacement of vintage equipment currently leaking or at risk of doing so again in the near future. Approve interim rate base recoveries/replenishment based upon satisfying specific metrics. This would incentivize WGL to focus on prioritization, consolidating replacement efforts, and look forward to incorporate decommissioning unused segments and discouraging abandonment.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B supports the Office of The People's Counsel's opposition to Washington Gas Light's District SAFE proposal and respectfully requests the DC Public Service Commission dismiss the application for District SAFE.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B asks the PSC require WGL in subsequent applications on this matter to provide plain-English explanations of the specifics of how they will comply with CCAA; provide accurate measurements and accounting of leaks; and that they specifically provide details for how they would proceed in scenarios where their ratepayer base declines by 10%, 25%, 33%, 50%.

### **Administrative Matters**

#### **Approval of the ANC's regular May 2025 meeting minutes**

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the May 2025 ANC 2B regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Reuckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-0).

### **Adjournment**

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 7:43 pm.

### **July 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, July 9th, 2025; 6:30 p.m.

Online via Zoom and In-Person at Stead Park

#### **Call to Order**

The regular July 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Vice Chair Marshall at 6:31 pm.

#### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Andrew DeFrank (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Lawrence Sprowls (2B04), Alex Marshall (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Libby Franklin (2B07), and Christopher Davis (2B09).

#### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Vice Chair Marshall moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 8-0-0).

#### **Announcements and Public Comments**

##### **Deckover Update**

Karen LeBlanc provided an update on the [Connecticut Avenue Streetscape and Deckover](#).

##### **Public announcements and general comments or future agenda items**

Bill McLeod, Director of the Dupont BID, provided an update.

##### **Budget meeting announcement**

Commissioner Slatt provided an update on the ANC 2B budget and stated that the proposed budget will be presented at the August ANC meeting, and voted on at the September ANC meeting.

##### **Commissioner announcements**

Commissioner Marshall, Commissioner Rueckgauer, Commissioner Slatt provided announcements.

##### **Reports from DC Government representatives**

Hannah Ames, Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Community Relations Representative, provided an update. Ty Abilla, Ward 2 Manager for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, provided an update.

#### **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda**

##### **Baby Shank Noise**

*The Commission took no action.*

Amparo Fondita- Application for a substantial change and stipulated license to their Class “C” Restaurant license at 2002 P Street NW (ABRA-124404) (2B02)

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution regarding the stipulated license. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Amparo Fondita (“Amparo”, “Establishment”) located at 2002 P Street NW in Single Member District 2B02 of ANC 2B has applied to ABCA for a Substantial Change to its license for the addition of an unenclosed Sidewalk Café with seating for 8 persons.

**WHEREAS**, Amparo has requested ANC support for a Stipulated License to allow operating the Sidewalk Café during the public comment period for their Substantial Change application.

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B supports Amparo’s Substantial Change application.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B supports Amparo’s request for a Stipulated License allowing them to operate an unenclosed Sidewalk Café at 2002 P Street NW during the public comment period for their Substantial Change application.

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution regarding the substantial change. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Amparo Fondita (“Amparo”, “Establishment”) located at 2002 P Street NW in Single Member District 2B02 of ANC 2B has applied to ABCA for a Substantial Change to its license for the addition of an unenclosed Sidewalk Café with seating for 8 persons.

**WHEREAS**, the placarded Sidewalk Café hours are:

Hours of Operation:

Sundays through Thursdays: 7:00AM – 11:00PM

Fridays and Saturdays: 7:00AM – 12:00AM (Midnight)

Hours of Sales, Service, and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages:

Sundays through Thursdays: 8:00AM – 11:00PM

Fridays and Saturdays: 8:00AM – 12:00AM (Midnight)

**WHEREAS**, no other changes to the Establishment’s operation are being requested.

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B previously voted on June 11, 2025, to support Amparo’s application to the District Department of Transportation (“DDOT”) for the Public Space Permit for the Sidewalk Café space.

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B is not aware of any concerns by the public or any violations of the existing Settlement Agreement that warrant protest.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B supports Amparo’s Substantial Change application to its ABCA license to operate an unenclosed Sidewalk Café at 2002 P Street NW.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B and the Establishment request the ABC Board approve a revision of the Settlement Agreement to reflect expiration of the pandemic era Streatery and Sidewalk Café program and associated conditions; and incorporate the new Sidewalk Café endorsement:

**Replace** existing Section 5, *Outdoor Seating* in its entirety with the following:

5. ***Sidewalk Café.*** The Establishment, with valid endorsement and public space permit, shall be permitted to operate a Sidewalk Café with up to 8 seats.

Hours of Operation:

Sundays through Thursdays: 7:00AM – 11:00PM

Fridays and Saturdays: 7:00AM – 12:00AM (Midnight)

Hours of Sales, Service, and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages:

Sundays through Thursdays: 8:00AM – 11:00PM

Fridays and Saturdays: 8:00AM – 12:00AM (Midnight)

Patrons shall depart the outdoor seating areas not later than the end of its service hours.

Amplified music, televisions, live performances, other forms of entertainment shall not be allowed in the Sidewalk Café.

Staff shall ensure cleanliness of the Sidewalk Café area.

### **Transportation and Public Space Agenda**

#### **Throne Bathroom Reopening**

Commissioner Marshall moved to table discussion of the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-3-0).

#### **Land Use Agenda (5 mins)**

##### **1818 15th St NW (2B09), BZA 21330 - detached rear carport with roof deck**

Commissioner Marshall moved to take no action. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion. Commissioner Johnson moved to amend the motion to oppose the variance, Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the amendment, which was voted on and passed (5-2-1). Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution, which was voted on and passed (7-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B does not support the variance.

##### **1527 17th St NW (2B07), HPA 25-330 - enclose existing sidewalk cafe**

Commissioner Franklin moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B supports the application as presented.

##### **2015 R St NW (2B01), HPA 25-332 - interior renovation with new rear addition and garage**

*The Commission took no action.*

##### **1513 P St NW (2B04), HPA 25-329 - third story addition and penthouse**

Commissioner Sprowls moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS

- 1513 P Street is a two-story, non-residential property owned by the non-profit National Bankers Association since 1999.
- The property lies within the 14<sup>th</sup> Street Historic District but is not a historic building.
- The Association desires to improve its property by, most significantly, adding:
  1. a third floor
  2. a rooftop patio
  3. a penthouse to allow access to the patio and roof
  4. an access ramp.
- The property will improve the utility of the building to the Association, and the appearance of the building to passersby and nearby residents.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Historic Preservation Application 25-329

The ANC requests the installation of all exterior lighting that follows dark sky principles.

#### *LIGHT POLLUTION*

*Light pollution is the human-made alteration of outdoor light levels from those occurring naturally. Dark Sky-compatible lighting reduces the effects of light pollution.*

*Principles of Dark Sky Lighting:*

- *All light should have a clear purpose*
- *Light should be directed only to where it's needed*
- *Light should be no brighter than necessary*
- *Light should be dimmed down or turned off when not required*
- *Use warmer color lights where possible*

*Source: Dark Sky International*

### **Administrative Matters**

#### **Approval of the ANC's regular June 2025 meeting minutes**

Commissioner Reuckgauer moved to adopt the June 2025 ANC 2B regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Sprowls seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-0-2).

#### **Approval of the [FY25 Q3 QFR](#)**

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt the FY25 Q3 QFR. Commissioner Reuckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1).

### **Adjournment**

Vice Chair Marshall adjourned the meeting at 8:21 pm.

#### **August 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, August 13th, 2025; 6:00 p.m.

Online via Zoom and In-Person at Stead Park

### **Call to Order**



The regular August 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Adams at 6:32 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Andrew DeFrank (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Lawrence Sprowls (2B04), Alex Marshall (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Libby Franklin (2B07) and Zach Adams (2B08).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 8-0-0).

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Public announcements and general comments or future agenda items**

No public announcements, general comments, or future agenda items were shared.

#### **Commissioner announcements**

Commissioner Marshall provided an announcement.

#### **Reports from DC Government representatives**

Lieutenant Sakulich and Commander Savoy of the Metropolitan Police Department provided an update on crime statistics in ANC 2B. Brian Romanowski, Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Community Relations Director, provided an update. Ty Abilla, Ward 2 Manager for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, provided an update.

### **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda**

#### **Cielo's Angels- Application for a transfer of a Retailers Class "C" Nightclub license at 1813-1815 M Street NW (ABRA-131487) (2B05)**

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS T & N Angels, LLC t/a Cielo's Angels ("Cielo's") has applied to transfer an existing Class "C" Nightclub Alcoholic Beverage license (ABRA-131487) to a new location at 1813-1815 M Street NW, located in ANC 2B, Single Member District 2B05.

WHEREAS Cielo's placard states the establishment has total occupancy of 380 persons.

WHEREAS Cielo's placard includes Holiday Extension of Hours, and Nude Dancing Endorsements

WHEREAS Cielo's placard hours are as follows:

## Hours of Operation Inside Premises

Sunday through Saturday 12am – 12am (24-hour operations)

Alcoholic Beverage Sales, Service, and Consumption inside the premises

Sunday through Thursday 6am – 2am, Friday and Saturday 6am – 3am

WHEREAS, promoting and maintaining good relationships between residents and nightlife establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B had a Settlement Agreement with the predecessor ABCA-licensed establishment at the location to address community concerns about Peace, Order, and Quiet, those conditions remain part of a new proposed Settlement Agreement.

WHEREAS, there is an open question about the legality of the location for a gentleman's club, which ANC 2B lacks statutory authority to determine the legality and defers to ABCA.

WHEREAS it is believed that Cielo's operation as presented combined with a Settlement Agreement should result in an operation that is in character and harmonious with the neighborhood.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Cielo's application, subject to establishing a Settlement Agreement between the Establishment and ANC 2B.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

Across the Pond Restaurant and Pub- Application for a substantial change to their Retailers Class "C" Restaurant license at 1734 Connecticut Avenue NW (ABRA-106099) (2B01)

Commissioner DeFrank moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgaur seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

ANC 2B is protesting on the grounds of peace, order, and quiet due to evidence that there are significant rat and trash problems. We are filing a pro forma protest to enter into a settlement agreement.

## **Transportation and Public Space Agenda**

Public Space Application to Enclose an Existing Unenclosed Sidewalk Cafe. Agora, 1523-27 17th St NW (2B07; Tracking #11138017)

Commissioner Franklin moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgaur seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Agora Restaurant ("Applicant") has submitted an application to the District Department of Transportation ("DDOT") for a public space permit (tracking #11138017) to Enclose an existing

Unenclosed Sidewalk Café at its premises, 1523-27 17<sup>th</sup> Street NW, located in Single Member District 2B07 of ANC 2B.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B prefers unenclosed café spaces to maintain an open, spacious and inviting street tableau but considers durable enclosures on a case by case basis.

WHEREAS, the existing café has a removable, heavy-gauge vinyl enclosure; however, it does not adequately protect against leaks or cold drafts; is not energy efficient; is cumbersome to use; and its appearance is unappealing and incongruous with the surrounding area.

WHEREAS, the proposed design of the sidewalk café space provides substantially improved protection against the elements and energy efficiency; is simple, visually appealing, and harmonious with the overall character of the neighborhood.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B held a public review of the preliminary design and voted to support it at its July 9, 2025 meeting in advance of Historic Preservation review.

WHEREAS, the design currently under consideration incorporates minor revisions based on suggestions from the Historic Review cycle and was considered favorably at the August 4 2025 public meeting of ANC 2B's Transportation and Public Space Committee.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B *supports Agora Restaurant's application to Enclose their Sidewalk Café* at 1523-27 17<sup>th</sup> Street NW as submitted to DDOT and presented to the ANC.

Public Space Application for Unenclosed Sidewalk Cafe. Teddy & The Bully Bar. 1200 19th St NW (2B06; Tracking #11147759)

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, Teddy & The Bully Bar ("Applicant") has submitted an application to the District Department of Transportation ("DDOT") for a public space permit (tracking #11147759) to operate an Unenclosed Sidewalk Café at its premises, 1200 19<sup>th</sup> Street NW, located in Single Member District 2B06 of ANC 2B.

WHEREAS, the café will have 21 tables, including 8 ADA-compliant ones, with seating capacity for 42 people.

WHEREAS, the location for the proposed sidewalk café is below grade and completely separated from the public sidewalk, it raises none of the typical concerns such as clearance for pedestrians.

WHEREAS, the proposed design of the sidewalk café space is consistent with other sidewalk cafés and harmonious with the overall character of the location in the Dupont Circle neighborhood.

WHEREAS, there are no nearby residences likely to be affected by normal noise that may come from the café and ANC 2B is not aware of complaints involving the establishment location.

WHEREAS, neither this application nor any approval from DDOT authorizes the Applicant to sell, serve, nor allow consumption of alcoholic beverages in the café space. If approved by DDOT, the Applicant shall submit an application to the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Administration ("ABCA") for a Sidewalk Café endorsement to its liquor license.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B *supports Teddy & The Bully Bar's application for a sidewalk café* at 1299 19<sup>th</sup> Street NW as presented in the renderings filed with DDOT and presented to the ANC.

Notice of Intent- Removal of Rush Hour Restrictions in the 2000 and 2100 blocks of P Street NW (# 2025-200-TPA)

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS, the District Department of Transportation (“DDOT”) has issued a Notice of Intent (NOI-2025-200-TPA) advising of their intention to remove the Rush Hour Parking Restrictions from the 2000 and 2100 blocks of P Street NW, which are in Single Member District 2B02 of ANC 2B.

WHEREAS, the parking restrictions, that have been in place for decades, prohibit parking along the curb lane of the south side, eastbound/inbound direction of these blocks on non-holiday weekdays from 7:00am until 9:30am; in the afternoon on the curb lane of the north side, westbound/outbound direction is prohibited from 4:00pm until 6:30pm.

WHEREAS, outside of rush hours on non-holiday weekdays, 2 hour metered parking is in effect on the south side of the block from 9:30am until 6:30pm; on the north side from 7:00am until 4:00pm weekdays; and on both sides from 7:00am until 6:30 pm during non-holiday Saturdays.

WHEREAS, ANC 2B has requested multiple times over the years that DDOT study whether legacy rush hour restrictions were still relevant in Dupont Circle as well as citywide since remote working began noticeably reducing commuter traffic beginning in the late 1990s.

WHEREAS, the existence of the rush hour lane restrictions has prevented DDOT from implementing infrastructure improvements such as bus bulb-outs from its Bus Priority Toolbox to ensure buses are not blocked from entering or delayed from exiting a stop.

WHEREAS, the lack of consistent daily rush hour parking enforcement defeats the purpose of having the restrictions:

- DPW has not enforced meter parking payment or overstays in the 2000-2100 blocks of P Street NW day since completion of the P Street Streetscape in 2007: At first, because the kiosks were not installed until 2018; and after that because DPW states they have not been notified by DDOT to enforce the meters.
- It is rare for enforcement officers to come more than 2 days a week, even in response to 311 requests.
- 4 parking spaces in the 2100 block of P Street (2 adjoining spaces on each side of the street) are designated as commercial-only loading zones with hours that are supposed to match the off-peak allowed parking hours. While Parking Enforcement does cite non-commercial vehicles illegally using those spaces, there is no enforcement of commercial vehicles parking during rush hours; nor does there seem to be any enforcement of whether vehicles have paid to use the spaces or have overstayed the time limit.

- The signed full time “No Parking – Building Entrance” at 2130 P Street NW is frequently obstructed with illegally parked vehicles throughout the day, which prevents residents requiring mobility assistance such as MetroAccess, medical transport, or wheelchair lifts, to have to traverse unnecessary extra distance to enter or alight from their transportation. These vehicles are mostly deliveries, or nightlife patrons who do not see or simply ignore the signs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B *supports DDOT's Notice of Intent NOI-2025-200-TPA to remove the rush hour parking restrictions in the 2000-2100 blocks of P Street NW.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests additional roadway markings and more visible/easily understood signage be added to clearly identify to drivers the commercial loading zones, the signed No Parking – Building Entrance at 2130 P Street NW, and points where vehicles are prohibited from “straddling” a legal and illegal space such as the bus stop zones, the taxicab stand at the Royal Sonesta hotel (2121 P St NW), in front of 2122 and 2141 P St NW.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests DDOT notify DPW Parking Enforcement that they are expected to be present multiple times during enforcement hours; that attention must be paid to marked sections, and timely ticketing and towing requests for the building entrance and commercial loading spots are not optional.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests DDOT, as soon as possible, install suitable bulb-outs for pedestrians as well as all bus stops in the 2000 and 2100 blocks of P Street NW to reduce pedestrian crossing distances, prevent illegally parked vehicles from blocking buses to reduce delays, thus improving overall safety and roadway throughput.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests DDOT conduct further study of the 2000 and 2100 blocks of P Street NW, as well as the adjoining north-south streets, to identify short term spaces for delivery and passenger vehicle Pick-Up/Drop-Off (“PUDO”), and locations for two-wheel delivery drivers awaiting dispatch, further improving the flow of traffic and safety for all.

#### Resolution regarding modifications to FY26 bathroom program RFQ

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

Whereas the Department of Public Works has overseen a public bathroom pilot program that was implemented with the vendor Throne Labs,

Whereas the program has been funded to continue in FY26 based on the first vote taken by the D.C. Council,

Whereas ANC 2B finds the program to be a benefit to the community by providing access to an essential service to all residents and visitors to the community, particularly those who have medical conditions that require ready access to a bathroom,

Whereas, ANC 2B has been committed to the placement of public restrooms in the District since 2017 when the DC Public Restroom Initiative began,

Whereas the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the pilot program did not request vendors to implement overnight hours or multi-stall toilets,

Whereas the bathroom placed in Dupont Circle has been the most utilized of any in the District under the pilot program,

Whereas Dupont Circle is one of the District's largest nightlife hubs and lacks public bathrooms during overnight hours,

Whereas an RFQ will be issued for FY26 that will be open to both Throne Labs and other vendors,

Be it resolved that ANC 2B requests that the RFQ include the requirement that vendors provide 24-hour access to bathrooms in areas where demand is deemed to exist,

Be it further resolved that ANC 2B requests that the RFQ include the option for vendors to propose larger, multi-stall bathrooms or site multiple bathrooms on the same location, based on demand.

### **Land Use Agenda (5 mins)**

#### **Z.C. Case No. 74-10B- Request for modification without hearing to an approved planned unit development at 21 Dupont Circle NW (Sq. 115, Lot 82) (NEED TO FILL OUT FORM)**

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS** the Amalgamated Transit Union ("ATU" or "Applicant") is the current owner of the building at 21 Dupont Circle NW (the "Euram Building" or "Building" which is located in Single Member District 2B05 of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS** the Building was constructed in 1970 and was subsequently incorporated into a Planned Unit Development ("PUD"), along with the property for 1320 19th Street NW (the Sunderland Building), 1307 New Hampshire Ave NW (the Heurich Mansion property), and the property for 1333 New Hampshire Ave NW, as a means of transferring unused density which ultimately allowed construction of the 12-story office building with retail at 1333 New Hampshire Ave NW in 1978.

**WHEREAS** ATU has proposed several modifications to the building to upgrade building systems, and improve functionality and efficiency of the space:

- New rooftop canopy, stair enclosure, guardrail, and mechanical equipment.
- New entrance vestibule; entrance canopy; ATU logo; guardrail at the third floor to create a walkway between to unconnected front portions of the third floor for better circulation; and recessed walkway and guardrail connecting the front portions of the sixth floor for better circulation.
- New windows.
- New lobby and skylight creating a grand welcoming, enclosed, lit, and environmentally conditioned ground floor lobby experience.

**WHEREAS** the skylight will add a nominal 1,158 square feet of gross floor area because it will cover currently uncovered floor area, resulting in the Building having a FAR of 6.6.

**WHEREAS** the slight increase in gross floor area for the new skylight over the lobby, requires condition #2 in Z.C. Order No. 101 be modified to permit such increase to the Euram Building.

**WHEREAS** the building has approximately 4,218 square feet of unused density available so the slight proposed increase of 1,158 square feet will continue to be within what is otherwise permitted at the Property.

**WHEREAS** ANC 2B reviewed and voted at its duly noticed public April 2025 meeting to support the design presented to the Historic Planning Review Board.

**WHEREAS** revisions to the plans requested by HPRB have no impact on ANC 2B's support for this project.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B supports the Amalgamated Transit Union's Request for Modification Without Hearing of Zoning Commission Case 74-10B

### **Administrative Matters**

#### **Approval of the ANC's regular July 2025 meeting minutes**

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the July 2025 ANC 2B regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

#### **Revision of bylaws to affirm that minutes are final when approved by resolution**

Commissioner Adams moved to affirm that minutes are final when approved by resolution and did not require signature by the secretary. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

#### **ANC 2B 2026 budget overview**

Commissioner Slatt provided an overview of the proposed FY 2026 budget.

### **Adjournment**

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 7:49 pm.

### **September 2025 Special Home Rule Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, September 3rd, 2025; 7:00 p.m.

Online via Zoom

### **Call to Order**

The September 3rd 2025 Special meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Adams at 7:01 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Andrew DeFrank

(2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Lawrence Sprowls (2B04), Alex Marshall (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Libby Franklin (2B07) and Zach Adams (2B08).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 8-0-0).

### **Agenda**

#### **Resolution Regarding the Identifiability of Federal Agenda and Officers Operating in the District of Columbia**

Commissioner Franklin moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-1-0).

Yay- Andrew DeFrank (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Alex Marshall (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Libby Franklin (2B07) and Zach Adams (2B08)

Nay- Lawrence Sprowls (2B04)

The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, following President Donald J. Trump's declaration of a "crime emergency" in the District of Columbia on August 11, 2025, a number of federal agencies have deployed in increasing numbers within the District, including but not limited to Immigration and Customs Enforcement; Customs and Border Protection; the U.S. Secret Service; the Federal Bureau of Investigation; the Drug Enforcement Administration; the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives; the U.S. Marshals Service; the U.S. Park Police; and the Diplomatic Security Service; and

**WHEREAS**, federal agents and officers have in some instances been observed conducting enforcement activity "without clear identification of their agencies" being visible to the public, whether in the form of identifying clothing, badges, or otherwise; and

**WHEREAS**, federal agents and officers have frequently been observed wearing vests that say only "POLICE," "FEDERAL AGENT," and/or "FEDERAL OFFICER," without reference to their specific agencies or directorates; and

**WHEREAS**, federal agents and officers have frequently been observed wearing masks or balaclavas during enforcement activity, further complicating identification and accountability, and part of an alarming trend in federal enforcement operations nationwide over the past several months; and

**WHEREAS**, conducting enforcement activity without clear identification controverts the initial assurance by the White House that federal personnel deployed to the District would "be identified, in marked units, and highly visible"; and



**WHEREAS**, conducting enforcement activity without clear identification hinders transparency, accountability, and due process, while engendering fear and mistrust among policed populations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Police Department, recognizing the risks inherent to anonymous law enforcement, upholds strict standards on the availability and visibility of badges, name tags, and identification cards whenever its members are in uniform;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B calls upon the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor for Public Safety and Justice, the District's federal representatives, and the Council of the District of Columbia to convey to their federal interlocutors the urgent need to develop clear policies on identifiability and the use of face coverings for federal personnel while conducting overt enforcement activities; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B urges the Office of the Attorney General to publicize information about federal agencies' policies on the identifiability of their personnel, and about the appropriate channels for reporting violations to the respective agencies' offices of professional responsibility, civil rights and civil liberties, or the like; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B applauds the efforts of legislators in other states, cognizant of potential preemption challenges, to restrict the use of face coverings and anonymous uniforms by law enforcement officers, including federal personnel, and recommends that the Council of the District of Columbia consider taking similar measures; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B calls upon federal representatives to work to advance legislative remedies at the federal level, such as the Visible Identification Standards for Immigration-Based Law Enforcement (VISIBLE) Act, recently introduced in the United States Senate, which would require immigration enforcement officers, as well as other law enforcement officers detailed or deputized to perform immigration enforcement functions, to display their agency name and either their surname or their badge number during overt, public-facing enforcement activities, and would prohibit such officers from wearing non-medical face coverings except in limited circumstances.

**Resolution Regarding Condemning Federal Overreach in District of Columbia Policing and Demanding the Immediate Return of Local Funds**

Commissioner Franklin moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-1-0).

Yay- Andrew DeFrank (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Alex Marshall (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Libby Franklin (2B07) and Zach Adams (2B08)

Nay- Lawrence Sprowls (2B04)

The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B (“ANC 2B”) represents the residents of Dupont Circle, Ward 2, and the District of Columbia, which possesses the right to local self-governance under the District of Columbia Home Rule Act of 1973 (“Home Rule Act”); and

**WHEREAS**, Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners take an oath of office to faithfully execute the laws of the United States and the District of Columbia, to preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States, and to faithfully discharge the duties of their office, including safeguarding the District’s home rule authority, democratic governance, and accountability to its residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 740 of the Home Rule Act permits the President of the United States to direct the services of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) for up to 48 hours without notifying Congress, and for a maximum of 30 days without an enacted joint resolution of approval — authority intended only for genuine emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 11, 2025, President Donald J. Trump invoked Section 740 and attempted to federalize operational control of MPD,<sup>1</sup> without identifying the underlying “special conditions of an emergency nature” with sufficient specificity to determine when those conditions have ended;<sup>2</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, the President has deployed approximately 800 D.C. National Guard troops and 500 federal law enforcement agents to “address the epidemic of crime in our Nation’s capital” alongside District policing operations, and has directed the Secretary of Defense to coordinate with state governors and authorize additional members of the National Guard to active service,<sup>3</sup> despite violent crime in the District being at a 30-year low, according to the U.S. Department of Justice;<sup>4</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, on August 13, 2025, the President stated his intent to seek long-term extensions from Congress to the federalization of MPD, and declined to rule out the possibility of declaring a national emergency to bypass Congressional approval;<sup>5</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, this federal intervention blatantly undermines local reforms, disrupts critical community policing relationships, erodes trust in local law enforcement, and risks replacing data-driven strategies with politically motivated interventions; and

**WHEREAS**, the invocation of public safety is nothing more than a political smokescreen for an authoritarian intrusion into the District’s local governance, designed to distract from the real aim of stripping residents of our right to self-determination and tightening federal control over our city; and

**WHEREAS**, Congress has withheld over \$1 billion in locally raised funds from the District, forcing the city to revert to its fiscal year 2024 spending levels, thus jeopardizing public safety, education, health care, and other essential public services;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B condemns the federal takeover of the District of Columbia’s Metropolitan Police Department and the deployment of federally directed police and National Guard units for purposes unrelated to an actual emergency, and demands their immediate removal; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Commission:

1. **Urges** Congress to reject any joint resolution extending the federal control of MPD beyond 30 days and to pass legislation, including the D.C. National Guard Home Rule Act, to eliminate federal control over local police and to strengthen D.C. self-governance;
2. **Implores** Congress to immediately restore the \$1 billion in locally raised funds to the District's budget so that local leadership can ensure that investments prioritize community needs, including education, workforce development, health care, and other critical services that allow families and neighborhoods to thrive;
3. **Supports** legal challenges by the District government, advocacy organizations, and residents contesting that the statutory emergency threshold under Section 740 has been lawfully met; and
4. **Demands** full public transparency from the White House, the U.S. Department of Justice, MPD leadership, and the heads of all federal agencies whose officers are deployed in the District regarding the mission, rules of engagement, officer identifiability, arrest criteria, geographic scope, and anticipated duration of the federal control order.

### **Adjournment**

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 7:29 pm.

### **September 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, September 10th, 2025; 6:30 p.m.

Online via Zoom and In-Person at Stead Park

### **Call to Order**

The regular September 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Adams at 6:32 pm.

### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Andrew DeFrank (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Alex Marshall (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Libby Franklin (2B07) and Zach Adams (2B08).

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 7-0-0).

### **Announcements and Public Comments**

#### **Public announcements and general comments or future agenda items**

A community member provided an update.

#### **Commissioner announcements**

Commissioner Adams and Commissioner Rueckgauer provided announcements.

Reports from DC Government representatives

Lieutenant Sakulich and Commander Savoy of the Metropolitan Police Department provided an update on crime statistics in ANC 2B. Hannah Ames, Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Community Relations Director, provided an update. Adriana Macedonio, Ward 2 Manager for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, provided an update.

**Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda**

**SM Quest Industries, Inc- Application for a new Medical Cannabis Retailer license at 1829 M Street NW (ABRA-128882) (2B05)**

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, SM Quest Industries, Inc ("SM Quest Industries, Inc ", "Applicant") has applied for a new Medical Cannabis Retailer License (ABRA-128882) with a Delivery Endorsement at 1829 M St NW, which is located in ANC 2B, Single Member District 2B05;

**WHEREAS**, SM Quest Industries placard states the following hours of operation:

**Hours of Operation for Retailer:** Sunday- Saturday 9 am- 10 pm

**Hours of Retailer Sales Open to the Public:** Sunday- Saturday 10 am- 10 pm

**Hours of Delivery for Retailer:** Sunday- Saturday 9 am- 10 pm

**WHEREAS**, promoting and maintaining good relationships between residents and ABCA licensed establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B has discussed the delivery service and is satisfied that it should not pose problems for the neighborhood; should delivery service increase such that it produces impacts on parking or traffic flow, SM Quest Industries will work with ANC 2B and DDOT to arrive at an agreeable solution.

**WHEREAS**, has agreed to enter into a Cannabis Settlement Agreement with ANC 2B governing the retail operation.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B **supports the Cannabis Retailer License application of SM Quest Industries, Inc as placarded**, pursuant to a Cannabis Settlement Agreement that establishes the expected conduct of the business and relationship with the community.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Cannabis Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

**Heist Group LLC- Application for the renewal of a type "C" Nightclub license at 1216 18th St NW (ABRA-105012) (2B05)**

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Height Group LLC has applied to renew their Class “C” Nightclub Alcoholic Beverage license (ABRA-105012) at 1216 18th St NW, located in ANC 2B, Single Member District 2B05.

**WHEREAS**, Heist’s placard states the establishment has inside seating capacity for 120.

**WHEREAS**, Heist’s placard includes endorsements for Sports Wagering.

**WHEREAS**, Heist’s placard hours are as follows:

**CURRENT HOURS OF OPERATION:** Sunday through Thursday 11am – 3am, Friday and Saturday 11am – 4am

**CURRENT HOURS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SALES, SERVICE, AND CONSUMPTION:** Sunday through Thursday 11am – 2am, Friday and Saturday 11am – 3am

**WHEREAS**, promoting and maintaining good relationships between residents and nightlife establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B requires Settlement Agreements with ABCA-licensed establishments having endorsements for Sidewalk Cafe, Summer Garden, Streatery, Live Entertainment, Games of Skill, or Sports Wagering,

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B had a Settlement Agreement with the previous ABCA-licensed establishment at the location to address community concerns about Peace, Order, and Quiet, those conditions have been conveyed to a new proposed Settlement Agreement.

**WHEREAS**, it is believed that Heist’s operation combined with a Settlement Agreement should result in an operation that is in character and harmonious with the neighborhood.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B *supports Heist’s renewal application, subject to establishing a Settlement Agreement between the Establishment and ANC 2B.*

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the renewal application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

Onyx Rooftop Lounge- Application for the renewal of a type “C” Tavern license at 1813-1815 M St NW (ABRA-130390) (2B05)

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Skybox, LLC t/a Onyx Rooftop Lounge (“Onyx”) has applied to renew their Class “C” Tavern Alcoholic Beverage license (ABRA-130390) at 1813-1815 M Street NW, located in ANC 2B, Single Member District 2B05.

**WHEREAS**, Onyx’s placard states the establishment has inside seating capacity for 130 plus 110 persons in a Summer Garden for total occupancy of 245 persons.

**WHEREAS**, Onyx’s placard includes endorsements for Summer Garden, and Live Entertainment.

**WHEREAS**, Onyx’s placard hours are as follows:

**Hours of Operation Inside Premises and Summer Garden**

Sunday through Thursday– 11:00 AM – 2:00 AM

Friday and Saturday– 11:00 AM – 4:00 AM

**Alcoholic Beverage Sales, Service, and Consumption inside the premises and Summer Garden**

Sunday through Thursday– 11:00 AM – 2:00 AM

Friday and Saturday– 11:00 AM – 3:00 AM

**Live Entertainment Inside Premises and Summer Garden**

Sunday through Thursday– 6:00 PM – 2:00 AM

Friday and Saturday– 6:00 PM – 3:00 AM

**WHEREAS**, promoting and maintaining good relationships between residents and nightlife establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B requires Settlement Agreements with ABCA-licensed establishments having endorsements for Sidewalk Cafe, Summer Garden, Streatery, Live Entertainment, Games of Skill, or Sports Wagering,

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B had a Settlement Agreement with the previous ABCA-licensed establishment at the location to address community concerns about Peace, Order, and Quiet, those conditions have been conveyed to a new proposed Settlement Agreement.

**WHEREAS**, it is believed that Onyx’s operation combined with a Settlement Agreement should result in an operation that is in character and harmonious with the neighborhood.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B *supports Onyx’s renewal application, subject to establishing a Settlement Agreement between the Establishment and ANC 2B.*

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the renewal application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

**WHEREAS**, Skybox, LLC t/a Onyx Rooftop Lounge (“Onyx”) has applied to renew their Class “C” Tavern Alcoholic Beverage license (ABRA-130390) at 1813-1815 M Street NW, located in ANC 2B, Single Member District 2B05.

**WHEREAS**, Onyx’s placard states the establishment has inside seating capacity for 130 plus 110 persons in a Summer Garden for total occupancy of 245 persons.

**WHEREAS**, Onyx’s placard includes endorsements for Summer Garden, and Live Entertainment.

**WHEREAS**, Onyx’s placard hours are as follows:

**Hours of Operation Inside Premises and Summer Garden**

Sunday through Thursday– 11:00 AM – 2:00 AM

Friday and Saturday– 11:00 AM – 4:00 AM

**Alcoholic Beverage Sales, Service, and Consumption inside the premises and Summer Garden**

Sunday through Thursday– 11:00 AM – 2:00 AM

Friday and Saturday– 11:00 AM – 3:00 AM

**Live Entertainment Inside Premises and Summer Garden**

Sunday through Thursday– 6:00 PM – 2:00 AM

Friday and Saturday– 6:00 PM – 3:00 AM

**WHEREAS**, promoting and maintaining good relationships between residents and nightlife establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B requires Settlement Agreements with ABCA-licensed establishments having endorsements for Sidewalk Cafe, Summer Garden, Streatery, Live Entertainment, Games of Skill, or Sports Wagering,

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B had a Settlement Agreement with the previous ABCA-licensed establishment at the location to address community concerns about Peace, Order, and Quiet, those conditions have been conveyed to a new proposed Settlement Agreement.

**WHEREAS**, it is believed that Onyx’s operation combined with a Settlement Agreement should result in an operation that is in character and harmonious with the neighborhood.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B *supports Onyx’s renewal application, subject to establishing a Settlement Agreement between the Establishment and ANC 2B.*

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the renewal application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

**Transportation and Public Space Agenda**

2025 Dupont Circle Holiday Market

Commissioner Rueckgauer provided an update on the 2025 Dupont Circle Holiday Market.

**Land Use Agenda (20 min)**

BZA Case #21354- Application by the National Bankers Association to construct a third story with penthouse and roof deck, to an existing, attached, two-story plus cellar commercial building in the RA-2 zone at 1513 P Street NW (2B04)

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

WHEREAS

- 1513 P Street is a two-story, non-residential property owned by the non-profit National Bankers Association since 1999.
- The property lies within the 14<sup>th</sup> Street Historic District but is not a historic building.
- The Association desires to improve its property by adding a third floor; rooftop patio; penthouse to allow access to the patio and roof; and an access ramp.
- The Association desires environmental improvements that include the addition of permeable pavers to the parking lot and a green roof.
- The Association requests a zoning special exception to permit the use of the existing residential building by a nonprofit organization for its organizational purposes.
- The Association requests a zoning area variance from the requirement that the gross floor area of the building exceed 10,000 square feet.
- The ANC previously supported Historic Preservation Application 25-329 for this property.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports Board of Zoning Adjustments Application 21354.

HPA Case #25-383 - Application by Jon Stickman and Hina Shaikh to replace and repair the existing retaining wall at 1720 Q St NW (2B07)

Commissioner Franklin moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

The Commission supports the application as presented as the applicants have received many letters of support from neighbors and the style is consistent with other retaining walls in the area.

**Administrative Matters**

Approval of the ANC's regular August 2025 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the August 2025 ANC 2B regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

Approval of the ANC's September Special 2025 Meeting Minutes



Chair Adams moved to amend the agenda to include approval of the ANC Special Meeting minutes. Commissioner Marshall seconded the amendment. Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the September Special Meeting Minutes 2025 ANC 2B meeting minutes. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0).

#### ANC 2B 2026 budget

Commissioner Slatt moved to pass the ANC 2B 2026 budget. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0).

#### **Adjournment**

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 7:42 pm.

#### **October 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, October 8th, 2025; 6:30 p.m.

Online via Zoom and In-Person at Stead Park

#### **Call to Order**

The regular October 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Adams at 6:31 pm.

#### **Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Andrew DeFrank (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Lawrence Sprowls, (2B04), Alex Marshall (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), Libby Franklin (2B07), and Zach Adams (2B08).

#### **Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 8-0-0).

#### **Announcements and Public Comments**

##### Public announcements and general comments or future agenda items

There were no public announcements, general comments, or future agenda items.

##### Commissioner announcements

Commissioner Slatt, Commissioner Marshall, Commissioner Rueckgauer, Commissioner DeFrank, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Franklin provided announcements.

##### Update from Mayor's Office of LGBTQ Affairs on the 38th Annual 17th Street High Heel Race

Japer Bowles, Director of the Mayor's Office of LGBTQ Affairs provided an update on the 38th Annual 17th Street High Heel Race. Director Bowles answered questions from the community.

Chair Adams introduced a motion to support the 2025 High Heel Race. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rueckgauer, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1).

### Reports from DC Government representatives

Adriana Macedonio, Ward 2 Manager for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, provided an update. Diya Mehta, from Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office, provided an update.

### **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda**

#### **Astro Zombie Application for a new Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1509B 17th Street NW (ABRA-133948) (2B07)**

Commissioner Franklin moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Astro Zombie ("The Establishment") at 1509B 17<sup>th</sup> Street NW has applied for a new Class C Tavern, License #ABRA-1333948, with Alcohol Carryout & Delivery Endorsement;

**WHEREAS**, The Establishment is placarded for the following hours of operation, sales, and alcoholic beverage service:

**Sunday – Thursday 11am – 2am, Friday – Saturday 11am – 3am**

Hours of operation for carryout and delivery:

**Sunday – Saturday 11am – 1am**

**WHEREAS**, to ensure the peace, order, and quiet of our community, ANC 2B requests Settlement Agreements for alcohol-serving establishments along 17<sup>th</sup> Street;

**WHEREAS**, promoting good relationships between residents and nightlife establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B supports the application of Astro Zombie, pursuant to a signed Settlement Agreement that establishes the expected conduct of business and relationship with the community.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon ABCA's approval of the aforementioned signed Settlement Agreement.

#### **The Board Room- Application for the renewal of a type "C" Tavern license at 1737 Connecticut Avenue NW (ABRA-008106) (2B01)**

*The commission took no action.*

#### **Signature Lounge- Application for the renewal of a type "C" Tavern license at 1727 Connecticut Avenue NW (ABRA-117485) (2B01)**

Commissioner DeFrank moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS** Aberash LLC t/a Signature Lounge (“Signature”, “Establishment”) has applied for the renewal of an Alcoholic Beverage license (ABRA-117485) at 1727 Connecticut Avenue NW, located in ANC 2B, Single Member District 2B01.

**WHEREAS** Signature’s placard hours are as follows:

Hours of Operation Inside Premises

Tuesday through Thursday 7am – 1am

Friday through Saturday 7am – 2am

Alcoholic Beverage Sales, Service, and Consumption inside the premises

Tuesday through Thursday 9am – 1am

Friday through Saturday 9am – 2am

Hours of Entertainment inside the premises

Tuesday through Thursday 9am – 1am

Friday through Saturday 7am – 2am

**WHEREAS** promoting and maintaining good relationships between residents and nightlife establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS** Signature’s license has Dancing and Entertainment Endorsements, which ANC 2B policy seeks to enter Settlement Agreements with such establishments to establish expected good neighbor practices.

**WHEREAS** Signature has operated subject to an ABCA Board Order to the establishment which limits hours to closing at 1am, or 2am on weekends; prohibits live entertainment, cover charges; prohibits events operated by promoters; and requires participation in MPD’s Reimbursable Detail Officer program.

**WHEREAS** nearby residents have raised concerns and issues with the Establishment that indicates the need for ANC 2B to require the Establishment to enter into a Settlement Agreement.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B *supports* Signature’s renewal application, subject to establishing a Settlement Agreement between the Establishment and ANC 2B.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest of the application on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, which will be withdrawn upon approval of the Settlement Agreement and Order by the Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board.

Sampannee Thai Food- Application for the renewal of a type “C” Tavern license at 2122 P St NW (ABRA-126865) (2B02)

*The commission took no action.*

Mad Hatter- Application for the renewal of a type “C” Tavern license at 1319 Connecticut Avenue NW (ABRA-082646) (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

The Manor/Phantom- Application for the renewal of a type “C” Tavern license at 1327 Connecticut Avenue NW (ABRA-099536) (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

The Mayflower Club/Zebbie’s Garden/Selva Restaurant- Application for the renewal of a type “C” Nightclub license at 1223 Connecticut Avenue NW (ABRA-116450) (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Nero- Application for the renewal of a type “C” Tavern license at 1207 19th St NW (ABRA-128579) (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Twelve After Twelve- Application for the renewal of a type “C” Nightclub license at 1212 18th Street NW (ABRA-117238) (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Saul Urban Host- Application for the renewal of a type “C” Tavern license at 15 Dupont NW (ABRA-103525) (2B07)

*The commission took no action.*

Jr’s Bar and Grill- Application for the renewal of a type “C” Tavern license at 1519 17th St NW (ABRA-009267) (2B07)

*The commission took no action.*

### **Transportation and Public Space Agenda**

Resolution regarding desired WMATA bus shelters and a request for bus shelters for the D90 Massachusetts Avenue line (2B05)

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**Whereas** the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is responsible for placement of bus shelters, conducted by a vendor,

**Whereas** WMATA launched their Better Bus Network (BBN) on June 29<sup>th</sup>, including a new bus route, the D90, serving new stops along Massachusetts Avenue between Dupont Circle and Mt. Vernon Square,

**Whereas** four new stops were installed in ANC 2B along the D90 that lack shelters:

- Westbound:
  - Massachusetts Ave NW at 18<sup>th</sup> NW St (stop ID 1005000)
  - Massachusetts Ave NW at 17<sup>th</sup> NW St (stop ID 1005003)
- Eastbound:
  - Massachusetts Ave NW at 18<sup>th</sup> NW St (stop ID 1005001)
  - Massachusetts Ave NW at 17<sup>th</sup> NW St (stop ID 1005002)

**Whereas** three Metrobus stops in 2B05 have shelters that were used before the BBN that now sit unused located at Connecticut Ave immediately south of Dupont Circle (both sides) and Connecticut Ave at 18<sup>th</sup> St (northbound),

**Be it resolved** that ANC 2B requests DDOT lead installation of bus shelters at the four new bus stops serving the D90 in ANC 2B to the extent space constraints allow and ridership levels meet DDOT's standards,

**Be it further resolved** that if possible to relocate existing bus shelters, ANC 2B requests DDOT consider the relocation of the aforementioned unused bus shelters to new bus stops serving the D90,

**Be it further resolved** that if bus shelter relocation is not possible, ANC 2B requests DDOT install new bus shelters at these locations,

**Be it further resolved** that if any of the bus stops do not meet DDOT's standards for bus shelters with regards to space constraints or ridership, that ANC 2B requests installation of other amenities such as benches and trash cans.

Resolution regarding District Department of Transportation Notice of Intent NOI-25-207-CPD to Reactivate WMATA Bus Stops in Florida Avenue for Deckover Detours (2B02)

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, the District Department of Transportation ("DDOT") has issued Notice of Intent NOI-25-207-CPD to Reactivate two (2) WMATA Metrobus Stops in Florida Avenue NW for Detours during Connecticut Avenue Deckover construction in the 1500 block of Connecticut Avenue NW.

**WHEREAS**, northbound and southbound Metrobus route D74 will detour around the construction area via Florida Avenue NW, and Massachusetts Avenue NW.

**WHEREAS**, the reactivated stops, serving the D74 route, are located on Florida Avenue NW between Decatur Place NW and Phelps Place NW with the stop on the west side located in Single Member District 2D02 of ANC 2D, and the east side stop in Single Member District 2B02 of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS**, one (1) parking space in SMD 2D02 will be temporarily displaced.

**WHEREAS**, southbound Metrobus Route D96 will be affected by the Deckover Construction, and detour via Massachusetts Avenue NW, and 20th Street NW, where it will resume its regular route.

**WHEREAS**, the detours currently are expected to be in effect until late 2027 or early 2028.

**WHEREAS**, no public concerns or objections were raised by ANC 2B residents during discussion at the September 29 Transportation and Public Space Committee meeting.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B *supports* DDOT NOI-25-207-CPD to reactivate the bus stops in Florida Avenue NW for detoured route D74 buses.

Resolution regarding District Department of Transportation Public Space Application by WMATA to Install Bus Stop Seating in the 1500 Block of Connecticut Avenue NW (1525 20th Street NW; 2B02)

*The Commission took no action.*

### **Land Use Agenda**

#### **HPA Case #25-420- 1224-1226 17th St NW (2B05)**

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**Whereas** the applicant is seeking to convert 1224-1226 17TH St NW from two rowhouses into a nine unit residential building with one office space,

**Whereas** the applicant is proposing minimal changes to the existing façade including installation of new windows on the side facing St. Matthews Court and in the rear,

**Whereas** the applicant seeks to add an additional floor, install a roof deck, and a rear exterior staircase, all of which will be minimally visible from the front of the building,

**Be it resolved** that ANC 2B finds the proposed plans would result in minimal impact to the Dupont Circle Historic District

**Be it resolved** that ANC 2B supports the conversion of the space into nine residential units,

**Be it resolved**, that ANC 2B supports the application as submitted and encourages the Historic Preservation Review Board to approve HPA Case #25-420 without delay.

#### **BZA Case #21330- 1818 15th Street NW (2B09) Revised application with deck reduced to 17 ft by 10 ft for a total of 170 ft and reduce total lot occupancy to 70%**

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

**Whereas** the applicant failed to meet the burden of proof under the zoning regulations that the special exception would not tend to adversely affect the neighboring property owner.

**Be it resolved** that ANC 2B opposes BZA Case #21330 at 1818 15th Street NW.

HPA Case #25-422- 1721 S Street NW (2B01)

Commissioner DeFrank moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

**Whereas** the applicant is seeking a vertical addition, including a new fourth floor and roof deck, which will not be visible from the front of the building,

**Whereas** the applicant is proposing no changes to the existing wooden windows and front door or areaway,

**Be it resolved** that ANC 2B finds the proposed plans would result in minimal impact to the Dupont Circle Historic District

**Be it resolved** that ANC 2B supports the vertical addition,

**Be it resolved**, that ANC 2B supports the application as submitted and encourages the Historic Preservation Review Board to approve HPA Case #25-422 without delay.

**Administrative Matters**

Approval of the ANC's regular September 2025 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the September 2025 ANC 2B regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 8-0-0).

**Adjournment**

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 7:57 pm.

**November Regular Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, November 12th, 2025; 6:30 p.m.  
Online via Zoom and In-Person at Stead Park

**Call to Order**

The regular November 2025 meeting of the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (Commission of ANC 2B) was called to order by Chair Adams at 6:31 pm.

**Introduction of Commissioners**

The Commissioners identified their single member districts (SMDs). Present were Andrew DeFrank (2B01), Jeffrey Rueckgauer (2B02), Vincent Slatt (2B03), Lawrence Sprowls, (2B04), Alex Marshall (2B05), Matt Johnson (2B06), and Zach Adams (2B08).

**Adoption of the Agenda**

Chair Adams moved to adopt the ANC's meeting agenda. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which passed with unanimous consent (VOTES: 7-0-0).

## **Announcements and Public Comments**

### **Public announcements and general comments or future agenda items**

Bill McLeod thanked the Commission for their support on the Dupont Circle Holiday Market. Eric Steinberg provided an announcement on behalf of Representative Oye Owolewa. Multiple residents stated their support for 17th Street Pedestrianization.

### **Commissioner announcements**

Commissioner Rueckgauer, Commissioner Marshall, Commissioner DeFrank, Commissioner Johnson, and Commissioner Franklin provided announcements.

### **Reports from DC Government representatives**

Charity Beam, Faith Community Liaison for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services, provided an update. Hannah Ames, from Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office, provided an update. Lt. Sakulich from the Metropolitan Police Department provided an update. Kalvanetta Peete from the Office of Campaign Finance provided an update.

## **Alcoholic Beverage and Cannabis Board Agenda**

### **Streets Market application for a new Retailer's Class "B" Full- Service Grocery Store at 2130 P Street NW (2B02)**

*The commission will take no action.*

### **Inspir Embassy Row application for a new Retailer's Class "C" Tavern at 2100 Massachusetts Avenue NW (2B02)**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 5-1-1). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Inspir Embassy Row DC, LLC trading as Inspir Embassy Row has applied for a new Class C Tavern license (ABRA-134378) at 2100 Massachusetts Avenue NW, located in Single Member District 2B02 of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS**, the premises is an assisted living facility community with a total occupancy of 174, including seating for 92 inside the premises

**WHEREAS**, the application includes Endorsements for a Summer Garden with total occupancy of 82 (seating for 82); and Entertainment to provide live entertainment inside of the premises only.

**WHEREAS**, placarded hours are as follows:

#### **Operation Inside the Premises:**

Sunday - Saturday 12:00AM to 12:00AM (24-hour operation)

#### **Alcoholic Beverage Sales, Service, and Consumption Inside the Premises:**



Sunday through Thursday 6:00AM – 2:00AM  
Friday and Saturday 6:00AM – 3:00AM

**Hours of Operation, Alcoholic Beverage Sales, Service, and Consumption for the Summer Garden:**

Sunday through Saturday 7:00AM -- 11:00PM

**Hours of Live Entertainment Inside the Premises**

Sunday through Saturday 7:00AM -- 11:00PM

**WHEREAS**, promoting and maintaining good relationships between residents and ABCA licensed establishments is a responsibility and priority of ANC 2B.

**WHEREAS**, it is ANC 2B policy to require a Settlement Agreement for ABC licensees having Summer Garden or Entertainment Endorsements

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B *supports* the application of Inspire Embassy Row for a new Class C Tavern License, ABRA-134378.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ANC 2B will file a pro forma protest on the basis of Peace, Order, and Quiet, to be withdrawn upon ABC Board Order that the Settlement Agreement has been accepted.

Commissioners Jeff Rueckgauer ([2B02@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2B02@anc.dc.gov)) and Zach Adams ([2B08@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2B08@anc.dc.gov)) are the Commission's representatives for this matter.

INspir Embassy Row request for a stipulated license at a new Retailer's Class "C" Tavern at 2100 Massachusetts Avenue NW (2B02)

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

*GET STIPULATED LICENSE LANGUAGE FROM JEFF*

Swann House application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Bed and Breakfast license at 1808 New Hampshire Avenue NW (2B01)

*The commission took no action.*

Gazuza application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Nightclub license at 1629 Connecticut Avenue NW (2B01)

*The commission took no action.*

Platinum DC Club application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Nightclub license at 1805 Connecticut Avenue NW (2B01)

*The commission took no action.*

Press Club application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1506 19th Street NW (2B02)

*The commission took no action.*

The Fireplace application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 2161 P Street NW (2B02)

*The commission took no action.*

Bier Baron Hotel & Tavern application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1523 22nd Street NW (2B02)

*The commission took no action.*

DCJCC application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1529 16th Street NW (2B04)

*The commission took no action.*

MPIRE CLUB application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Nightclub license at 1819 M Street NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Saint Yves application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1220 Connecticut Avenue NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Rosebar application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1215 Connecticut Avenue NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Tokyo Pearl application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1301 Connecticut Avenue NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

The House at 1229 application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Club license at 1229 19th Street NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Sauf House application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1216 18th Street NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Camleot application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Nightclub license at 1823 M Street NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Decades application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Nightclub license at 1219 Connecticut Avenue NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Rewind application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Nightclub license at 1219 Connecticut Avenue NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Cafe Citron application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1343 Connecticut Avenue NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Lucky Bar application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1221 Connecticut Avenue NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Public Bar application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1214 18th Street NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

1831 Lounge application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1831 M Street NW (2B05)

*The commission took no action.*

Exiles application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1610 U Street NW (2B08)

*The commission took no action.*

Larry's Lounge application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1840 18th Street NW (2B08)

*The commission took no action.*

Penthouse Pool & Lounge application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1612 U Street NW (2B08)

*The commission took no action.*

El Secreto De Rosita application for the renewal of a Retailer's Class "C" Tavern license at 1624 U Street NW (2B08)

*The commission took no action.*

**Transportation and Public Space Agenda**

### Requesting Improvements for DDOT's Streatery Program

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt his resolution, there was no second. Commissioner Sprowls moved to adopt his resolution, there was no second. Commissioner Adams moved to adopt his resolution. Commissioner Marshall requested that there was an addition to the resolution that requested that DDOT designated pre-approved prefabricated streatery vendors. Commissioner Slatt seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) adopted permanent Streatery Program guidelines on December 5, 2024, with a view to “strengthen the safety, accessibility, and aesthetics of outdoor dining in public space”;<sup>1</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, Councilmember Charles Allen convened a roundtable on November 6, 2025, to discuss community concerns about the Streatery Program, with consistent feedback from restaurants that the cumulative guideline changes are untenable; and

**WHEREAS**, the public space rental fee included in the permanent guidelines will render streateries financially infeasible both for restaurants with existing streateries and for those who want to join the program, and streateries are a desirable activation of public space compared with ; and

**WHEREAS**, numerous restaurants have made significant investments to bring their streateries into compliance with the temporary Streatery Program regulations, and would be forced to do so again under the new guidelines, in some cases necessitating complete reconstructions, at substantial cost; and

**WHEREAS**, some streateries do need safety modification to eliminate physical and visual barriers to travel lanes and sight lines; therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Commission finds that the outcomes of the new guidelines will not achieve the stated intentions of the Streatery Program; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Commission recommends DDOT develop a simplified streatery application process; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Commission recommends DDOT lower the public space rental fee from \$20/sqft to \$5/sqft; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Commission recommends DDOT eliminate setback requirements from publicly-owned infrastructure, other than those from travel lanes; and be it further

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<sup>1</sup> <https://app.box.com/s/a8t90eowqqdigut4tdcm4kcg9zv7x7xcu>

**RESOLVED**, that the Commission recommends DDOT to allow existing streateries that are of sound design, in good condition, and compliant with key health, safety, and transportation regulations, which were approved under the temporary program; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Commission recommends DDOT provide prioritized support consultation for restaurants with structures that need modification to eliminate physical and visual barriers to travel lanes and sight lines so that those modifications can be made expeditiously; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Commission recommends DDOT analyze prefabricated streatory offerings, pre-approve one or more prefabricated streatory vendors for use by DC restaurants, and eliminate the need for construction, elevation, and other application data for businesses that apply for a new permit and select a pre-approved streatory option; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Commission requests that DDOT extend the compliance deadline under the new guidelines from November 30 to March 31 in order to afford small businesses the opportunity to continue operations as initially permitted under the temporary Streatory Program, and to afford the agency time to consult with stakeholders and arrive at a more agreeable set of permanent guidelines; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Commission calls upon DDOT to engage all affected Commissions to collaboratively develop plans for the disposition of public space formerly occupied by streateries, instead of reverting that space to parking.

Nomination of the 1500-1600 Blocks of 17th St NW for Pedestrian Experience Improvements under the PLAZA Act

Commissioner Rueckgaur moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-1). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, DC Law 25-312, the Public Life and Activity Zones Act (“PLAZA Act”), provides for establishing 3 corridors of at least  $\frac{1}{8}$  of a mile (660 feet) in length that are closed to thru personal vehicular traffic for a minimum of 24 hours per week in the District (one of which must be in Ward 5, Ward 7, or Ward 8).

**WHEREAS**, the 1500-1600 blocks of 17th Street NW between P Street NW and R Street NW (“the Corridor”) are regarded by many as the “town square” of the Dupont Circle community, with restaurants and shops among the classic charm of a thriving and vibrant “old DC” neighborhood.

**WHEREAS**, the Corridor is narrow a one-way southbound street, approximately 1,025 feet in length with interior street crossings of Corcoran Street NW, Q Street NW, Church Street NW; several alleys have access points at 17th Street NW.

**WHEREAS**, sidewalks in the Corridor tend to be narrow to very narrow at points, imposing substantial constraints on sidewalk-based activities, impeding ADA clearances.

**WHEREAS**, the Corridor is easily accessed from public transportation (Dupont Circle Red Line and D7x buses at Connecticut Ave & Q St; C91 bus in P Street; D90 bus in Massachusetts Ave at 17th Street; D6x buses in 16th Street at P Street).

**WHEREAS** the Corridor is directly accessible by pedestrians and bicycles; a Capital Bikeshare station and bicycle lanes are provided in the Corridor.

**WHEREAS**, the Corridor hosts several streetary parklets; and an approved “Pride Parklet” that is awaiting funding for construction.

**WHEREAS**, The Corridor, is home to the annual High Heel Race every October for nearly 40 years; the Pride Block Party in June; and the 17th Street Festival (which was suspended during the pandemic and has not yet resumed).

**WHEREAS**, the nature of the major events held in The Corridor have required considerable financial and resource commitments from District as they are large-scale “destination events” and also require special attention to contain possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages within the event footprints.

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B, residents, and businesses have long sought less complex, less restrictive, less costly, ways to utilize the Corridor for regular, smaller scale neighborhood-centric activities that showcase the restaurants and merchants of the Corridor and the Dupont Circle community, as well providing a space for seasonal festivities and events.

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B and the community have several times asked DDOT to consider improving the pedestrian experience and safety of the corridor, through either permanent closure to thru traffic or conversion to a woonerf design.

**WHEREAS**, making the Corridor car-free initially for weekends (Friday-Sunday night) would provide an ideal starting point for expanding pedestrian movement, dining, entertainment options and exploring the potential for longer or permanent closure to through traffic.

**WHEREAS**, the PLAZA Act contains requirements for accessibility for multimodal users and persons with disabilities or mobility challenges, maintaining access for emergency vehicles and local deliveries; the Corridor will additionally require resident access to their parking, alleys, and cross streets, all of which can be satisfied through the design and planning processes.

**WHEREAS**, DDOT had previously planned to implement a one-side-only commercial loading zone along the Corridor’s east curb lane, with a 2-way cycletrack along the west curb lane (rather than the split sharrow and protected contraflow lane), which if implemented would greatly enhance pedestrian-centric uses and satisfy the need for local deliveries and resident parking access.

**WHEREAS**, the Corridor’s location in the heart of one of the District’s best known destination neighborhoods, easily accessible by transit, walking, cycling, micromobility, assisted mobility, having a consistently low volume of vehicular traffic, filled with popular restaurants, bars, and shops, makes it an ideal candidate for pedestrianization.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 2B nominates the 1500-1600 blocks of 17th Street NW as a candidate corridor under the PLAZA Act.

## **Land Use Agenda**

### **[HPA 26-54 Conceptual Review of Proposed Rear Addition 1703 Q Street NW \(2B07\)](#)**

Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the original resolution outlined in the meeting packet. Commissioner Johnson motioned to amend the resolution to support the application. Commissioner Sprowls seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-1-0). Commissioner Adams moved to adopt the new resolution of support. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (6-1-0).

## **Administrative Matters**

### **Approval of the ANC 2B's regular [October 2025 meeting minutes](#)**

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the October 2025 meeting minutes. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0).

### **Approval of the [ANC 2B FY 25 Q4 QFR](#)**

Commissioner Slatt moved to adopt the ANC 2B FY 25 Q4 QFR. Commissioner Rueckgauer seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0).

### **Nomination of 1 new member to the Land Use Committee**

Commissioner Rueckgauer moved to adopt Wilson Sheley (SP?). Commissioner Adams seconded the nomination, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 6-0-1).

### **Resolution to fund advertising for holiday programming in Dupont Circle**

Commissioner Marshall moved to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion, which was voted on and passed (VOTES: 7-0-0). The resolution reads as follows:

**WHEREAS**, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B supports community engagement, local businesses, and neighborhood traditions that foster connection among residents and visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, neighborhood holiday events in Dupont Circle are longstanding community traditions that bring together residents, families, and visitors to celebrate the season, strengthen neighborhood ties, and support local businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, those events include the DC Holiday Market, the Heurich House Museum's Christmasmarkt, Ross Elementary School's Tree Sale, a pop-up market by Dupont Circle Main Streets, and programming by Friends of Stead Park;

**WHEREAS**, effective advertising and outreach are essential to ensuring robust participation in these community events, particularly across diverse audiences within and around Dupont Circle; and

**WHEREAS**, ANC 2B has the authority under D.C. Code § 1-309.13(f) to expend funds for public purposes that benefit the neighborhood and its residents;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B authorizes the expenditure of up to **\$1,300** for the purpose of printing advertising promoting neighborhood holiday events in Dupont Circle, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the funds shall be disbursed from ANC 2B's FY2026 budget and administered by the Chair or their designee in coordination with event organizers to ensure appropriate use and public benefit.

**Adjournment**

Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:14 pm.