

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 7B

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ANC 7B MINUTES THURSDAY OCTOBER 16, 6:30 PM

Joy Evans Therapeutic Recreation Center, 3030 G St., SE /via Zoom (link above)

John F. Adams Vice Chairman	7B01	Jamaal Pearsall	7B02	Travis R. Swanson Chairman	7B03
Keith Hasan-Towery Treasurer	7B04	Elizabeth Reddick	7B05	Cortez Johnson	7B06
Jimmie Williams	7B07	Angela Sydnor	7B08	Michelle Hammond Secretary	7B09

1. Call to order and roll call

The meeting was officially called to order at 6:30p.m. by Chairperson Swanson. The roll was called by Commissioner Swanson, Roll Call showed a quorum with Commissioner Adams, Commissioner Hasan-Towery, Commissioner Reddick, Commissioner Williams and Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Pearsall and Commissioner Hammond were in attendance via zoom and Commissioner Sydnor was absent.

2. Consent Agenda

- October 16th Meeting Minutes & Agenda
- Resolution to Restore Trust, Transparency, and Community Access at Fort Dupont (7B-25-06)

There was a motion to approve the above minutes & agenda by Commissioner Towery and 2nd by Commissioner Johnson, the motion passed unanimously by all commissioners in attendance.

3. Community Concerns:

- Boundaries
- Hazardous trees
- 2 homes being built on Branch Ave. (2903,2905)
- School attendance
- The closing of Children Medical on Penn. Ave.
- Traffic Safety Alabama and Naylor Rd.

4. Guest Speakers

Attorney General Brian Schwalb

The attorney general office is the chief law office of the city, it's the city law firm, they are not doing traditional legal work, giving legal advice to the council, to the mayor or to the agencies. They defend the city when the city is sued in court. They are also charged with protecting the public interest, and the public interest is really where they are proactively bringing the fight on behalf of the DC residents in a variety of ways, they are working to make the city safer, more affordable for everyone that lives in the district, that include taking on slumlords who are mistreating their tenants, protecting workers who have their wages stolen. Protecting natural resources including the environment and the rivers from polluters. They have obligations to protect families and deal with the juvenile justice system. The attorneys in the Attorney General

Schwab's office are responsible for matters related to child support enforcement, family services, and juvenile crime. DC is the only city or community in the country where the federal prosecutor is responsible for prosecuting local crime, that's a factor of the history, lack of statehood, and how we earned a Home Rule in 1973. They're also the first and last line of defense when it comes to protecting our autonomy, our humbleness and our rule of law.

Department of For Hire Vehicles, Mia Bowden

They were formally known as the DC Taxicab Commission. The name was changed in 2016 when the evolution of Uber and Lyft came into play. They have an enforcement agent division, and they mostly focus on the downtown area because it's the biggest hub of operations for hire vehicles especially in northwest. They only serve the east of the river when they are called.

5. **Commission Business**

- Treasure Report-Commissioner Towery

6. **Standing Updates**

Office of Councilmember Wendell Felder-Letisha Vinson (Updates)

- There will be another community meeting held on the 22nd @ 6:30 pm at St. Colletta. Councilmember Felder recently co-introduced the bottle bill, and that is to help clean up litter within our ward, particularly around Anacostia but throughout the city as well. He recently did a hearing for truancy and absenteeism. The Department of Human Services is going to be confirming a new director. There will be a town hall in November for DDOT, where they will talk about the projects that are coming up in each specific ward. Because of the budget cut the street cars will be discontinued.

New Business/Motions

- Letter of Condolence to the Family of Ms. Alberta Paul (Williams)- A motion to send a letter of Condolence to Ms. Alberta Paul family was made by Commissioner Johnson and 2nd by Commissioner Williams the motion passed unanimously by all commissioners in attendance.
- Porchfest Grant Application-A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson to table the grant application until the November meeting, a 2nd was made by Commissioner Adams, the motion passed unanimously by all commissioners in attendance.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned @ 8:36 pm.

NEXT MTG Thursday November 19, 2025 @ 6:30 PM / Joy Evans Therapeutic Recreation Center 3030 G St. SE or/VIA ZOOM

/s/:

Prepared By: Micelle Hammond – Secretary

Approved On: November 19, 2025

Attested By: /s/Michelle Hammond