

ANC 2F | November Monthly Public Meeting

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 5, 2025

VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

PRESENT

David Rubenstein (2F01)
Neil Rocklin (2F02)
Joe Florio (2F03)
Brett Beasley (2F08)
Kevin Cataldo (2F07)
John Fanning (2F06)

ABSENT

Kyle Oliver (2F04)
Christopher Dyer (2F05)

GUESTS AND PRESENTERS

Brian Romanowski (DC Council)
Ty Abilla (MOCRS)

Chair Joe Florio called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM and called roll.

Community Forum

Commissioner Announcements

Website outage update. Site transfer to a new host underway. Public advised to request materials via email during the transition.

Report from Metropolitan Police Department: No representative present.

Report from DC Council Ward 2 Office, Councilmember Brooke Pinto – Brian Romanowski:

- Food assistance usage is about 141,000 residents. Average household benefit is about \$314 per month.
- National Guard presence expected on 14th Street through at least February. Possible continuation through July tied to national observances.
- Emergency curfew zones extended for three months. Council will consider permanent legislation on December 4.
- Council advanced a tax package with improvements to the Earned Income Tax Credit. Municipal bond exemption fix did not pass.
- Hearings. November 13: public safety and services. December 4: public safety legislation. Transportation hearing on streeteries rules near November 30 effective date.

Report from Mayor Muriel Bowser's Office, Ty Abilla – Ty Abilla (MOCRS)

- SNAP and benefits funded for November during the federal shutdown.
- Youth curfew extension noted. Council to address details.
- Downtown DC Holiday Market will run November 21 through December 23 on F Street between 7th and 9th Streets NW.
- DC Health Link open enrollment through January 2026.
- DC Office of Planning public workshop RSVP at dc2050.com.
- DPR winter programs registration is open.
- Leaf collection started this week in Zone A. Remaining parts of ANC 2F are in Zone B. Use compostable bags and submit 311 requests for bag pickup.
- Shovel exemption for seniors and residents with disabilities available at shovelexemption.dpw.dc.gov.

- National City Christian Church food distribution on Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Use the 14th Street entrance.
- Introduction of new MOCRS liaison, Charity. Contact shared in chat.

Community Announcements

Business Meeting

Approval of Consent Agenda

- At approximately 7:20 p.m., motion to amend the consent agenda to move the FY25 Q4 Quarterly Financial Report to New Business.
- Consent agenda items: approval of agenda, approval of September 3 and September 30 minutes, Treasurer's report including Commission Administrator salary and website transfer reimbursement.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Committee Reports

Public Space and Transportation Committee (PSTC) Report, No new report. Prior letter on Logan Circle safety remains in effect.

Alcohol Policy Committee (APC),

- MXDC renewal. Ongoing community concerns include trash, grease, and alley conditions.
 - Motion at approximately 7:45 p.m.: Protest the MXDC license renewal on the grounds of peace, order, and quiet. Representative designated.
- Barcelona Wine Bar substantial change. Proposal to add a private events space on the second floor and increase occupancy.
 - Applicant reported corrective actions. Seven-day trash pickup, replacement of dumpsters with containers, additional compactor pending, covered linen bins, and recent pest control service. Staff trained on escalation procedures.
 - Motion at approximately 7:58 p.m.: Protest the Barcelona substantial change on the grounds of peace, order, and quiet to allow negotiation of a settlement agreement.

Vote: 5-0-0. Motion passed.

Vote: 4-0-1. Motion passed.

- Commissioner Beasley voted Nay.

Public Safety Committee (PSC) Report, *Commissioner John Fanning,*

- Planning continues for a public safety forum with MPD at Washington Plaza Hotel. Target date to be confirmed.
- Commissioners noted recent robberies near Vermont Avenue and 14th and N Streets. Follow up with MPD planned.

Community Development Committee Report, Helen Kramer,

- Zoning Report noted that the variance application for 1630 14th Street NW was withdrawn.
- Zoning text changes on alley housing postponed to January for further consideration.

New Business

- Quarterly Financial Report FY25 Q4.
 - Commissioner Rubenstein briefed the Commissioners on the Q4 financial report.
- Action Items

- File protests for MXDC and Barcelona by stated deadlines.
 - Post approved minutes and recordings once the website transfer is complete.
 - Coordinate with MOCRS and DPW on trash and leaf collection issues in ANC 2F.
 - Schedule the public safety forum with MPD and confirm venue date.
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Commissioner Florio moved to adjourn the meeting; the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 PM EST.

Minutes approved by Vote 6-0-0 during January 7, 2026 ANC2F Public Meeting.

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Chairperson - Commissioner Kevin Cataldo (2F07)