

ANC 5A Monthly Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, Mar 25, 2026

Time: 6:45pm

Location: Hybrid

Zoom: <https://bit.ly/ANC5A2026>

In-Person Location:

Yu Ying Early Years Campus

4350 1st St NE

Washington, DC 20011

1. Call Meeting to Order 6:53 pm ET
2. Quorum
 - 5A01 (Sellars) — Present
 - 5A02 (Thomas) — Present
 - 5A03 (Lucio) — Excused
 - 5A04 (Hermes) — Present
 - 5A05 (Weston) — Present
 - 5A06 (Holloway) — Present
 - 5A07 (Sosa Garnica) — Present
 - 5A08 (Alston) — Present
 - 5A09 (Bocoum) — Present
 - Agenda Review/Acceptance
 - Motion to approve agenda by Thomas; seconded by Alston. Approved.
 - Commission Business
 - Minutes from Previous Monthly Meeting
 - Motion to approve by Bocoum. Seconded by Holloway. Approved.
 - Treasurer's Report
 - February 2026 monthly report was presented. Monthly reports do not need to be voted on.
 - We are still missing some receipts for QCCA's grant report.
 - Commission Action Items/Updates
 - **5A:** Motion to create a committee for DC 2050 Comprehensive Plan
 - Community members may request to join.

- **5A02:** Motion to submit Letter of Support for Boys Town Public Space — Vicki Davis, developer
 - Motion to approve the letter by Bocoum. Seconded by Alston. Passed unanimously.
- **5A06:** One Hawaii Ave Grand Opening Ceremony scheduled for Wednesday, April 15, 12-2pm (inclement weather date on Thursday, April 30; noon-2pm)
- **5A09:** Motion to submit letters of support for Social Justice School for work on holidays. Presentation by Myron Long. Motion by Bocoum. Seconded by Holloway. Motion passed 6-0 with one abstention.
- Reports & Presentations
 - Presentation from Sean Moore of Lead-Free DC regarding DC Water’s Lead-Free DC Initiative. Questions should be addressed to dcwater.com, lead@dcwater.com dcwater.com/leadmap or 202-787-4044.
 - Presentation from Juanita Gray, Director, Community Engagement, Office of Government and Community Relations at the University of the District of Columbia regarding potentially closing the Bertie Backus Campus
- Community Updates
 - Mayor’s Office (Lacy Davis)
 - Citywide spring cleanup will take place April 25.
 - Ward 5’s location will be at Crummell School, 1900 Gallaudet St.
 - Rat problem is being addressed.
 - Councilmember Parker’s Office (Andryanna)
 - Councilmember Parker wrote to the mayor to advocate:
 - Antipoverty initiatives
 - Cutting wasteful spending
 - Investing in critical projects
- Community Comment Period
 - Commissioner Alston would like the smoke shop to reduce its hours so it’s not open 24/7.
 - A small park at Riggs and South Dakota will be constructed this spring.
 - Rhonda Henderson is offering an arts workshop for people with memory loss and their family caregivers.

- Uchenna requested to see applications for public space applications in order to provide timely input.
- Carmen Williams of NMPCA requests advance notice of 5A02, 5A03, 5A08, and 5A09 SMD meetings and will disseminate info to its listserv
- Bill Smith offered some suggestions on how to improve the anc5a.org website and noted that there is a YouTube channel with recordings of our ANC 5A meetings.
- Commissioners Holloway and Weston will be hosing a meet and greet the afternoon of April 22nd.
- Next Meeting: April 22, 2026 at 6:45 p.m.
- Adjourn

Prepared by: Shelagh Bocoum (5A09)

Approved on: 4/22/2026

Attested by: /s/ Valeria Sosa Garnica (5A07)

Meeting Expectations

Goal: To be helpful to the community and standards for accountability. As the elected officials for this community, we set these expectations of all of the ANC 5A Commissioners.

- ANC Commissioners are encouraged to be on camera
- ANC Commissioners names and SMD are encouraged to be identified on their screen
- ANC Commissioners are encouraged to put their contact information in the chat
- Meeting Protocol is Robert's Rules of Order
- Respect others when speaking
- Respect our guests
- In order to ask a question or make a comment all in attendance must either use the raise hand feature or raise their hand on screen if there is a question and then wait to be acknowledged.
- ANC Commissioners will be called on first before the public during a discussion.
- ANC Commissioners will be responsible for presenting Single Member District Items

- Members of the community should remain on mute until called upon
- Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated and will be addressed appropriately by the Chair

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