

**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2G
Virtual Public Meeting
Thursday, May 14, 2026**

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2G convened via Zoom Video Conference and/or Telephone on Thursday, May 14, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Howard Garrett, Vice Chair, ANC 2G01
Nicole Shea, Secretary, ANC 2G03
Rachelle Nigro, Treasurer, ANC 2G06
Alex Padro, ANC 2G02
Sheena Berry, ANC 2G05

Absent:

Steven McCarty, Chair, ANC 2G04

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with a quorum of 5 out of 6 Commissioners present. Commissioner Garrett presided.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Agenda: MOTION:** Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Nigro seconded to approve the Agenda as amended per the following: Add “DC Public Library – Renovations to the Watha T. Daniel Public Library” to the Community Forum, and to add “Public Space Application – 501 New York Avenue NW,” “DDOT Public Space Application 492386 – Vending Machine – 1525 7th Street NW,” and “Installation of a Mural at Watha T. Daniel Library” to the Business Agenda. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.
- B. Approval of April 14, 2026 Meeting Minutes: MOTION:** Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Nigro seconded to approve the Minutes of the April 14, 2026 ANC 2G Public Meeting as presented. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.
- C. April Treasurer’s Report:** No report.
- D. Approval of FY26 Q2 Financial Report: MOTION:** Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Shea seconded to approve the FY26 Q2 Financial Report as presented. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

3. COMMUNITY FORUM

- A. Report from Events DC**
Solana Vander Nat, Senior Manager of Community Engagement, Walter E. Washington Convention Center, <https://eventsdc.com>
Visit: eventsdc.com; please sign up for Events DC electronic mailing list.

Solana Vander Nat reported on the following: **(1)** American Urological Association event, May 14-18, 2026; **(2)** Community Grant Program Non-Profit Resource Fair, 5/19/26; **(3)** Passport DC – Around the World Embassy Tour - Thanks for attending.

B. Metropolitan Police Department, 3rd District (PSA 308)

Lt. Stanley Mark Rawls

Lt. Rawls reported on crime for the last 30 days. A question-and-answer/comment period followed.

C. Report from Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS)

Tiffany Wimenta, tiffany.wimenta@dc.gov

Tiffany Wimenta reported on the following: **(1)** Community Development Grant Conference, May 19, 2026, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at MLK Library and the grant period will be open for one month; **(2)** apologies that the Mayor's Budget Presentation by Director Anita Cozart, Office of Planning, got pushed. That information is online and she will put the link in the Chat. A question-and-answer/comment period followed.

D. Ward 2 Update Councilmember Brooke Pinto's Office

Diya Mehta, dmehta@dccouncil.gov, 202-724-8058

Diya Mehta reported on the following: **(1)** The Council is continuing to review the Mayor's Proposed FY27 Budget; **(2)** The Judiciary Committee had its last budget hearing for Fire and EMS, Department of Corrections, and the Office of Victim Services and Justice Grants; **(3)** Committee budget hearings have wrapped up to be followed by committee markups and votes in June; **(4)** Councilmember Pinto is deeply concerned about the impact of proposed government-wide budget cuts and is continuing to explore avenues to ensure DC residents have the critical services they need; **(5)** Youth Curfew Zone passed and now goes to the Mayor for Congressional review; **(6)** MPD data manipulation allegations; **(7)** Primary elections coming up – mail-in ballots started going out today. A question-and-answer/comment period followed.

E. Lead Free DC

Sean Moore

Dexter Humphrey

A slide presentation was presented highlighting the following topics: **(1)** Program Status Dashboard; **(2)** Health Effects of Lead in Drinking Water; **(3)** Understanding Service Lines; **(4)** Lead and galvanized Iron Pipes; **(5)** Inventory Map; **(6)** Test Pits and Material Verification; **(7)** By-Block Service Lines Replacements; **(8)** ANC 2G LFDC Status; **(9)** ANC 2G Low Engagement Blocks; **(10)** ANC 2G LPRAP Program. A question-and-answer/comment period followed.

F. DC2050 (DC's Comprehensive Plan)

Alex Krefetz, DC Office of Planning

A slide presentation was presented highlighting the following topics: **(1)** Objectives; **(2)** What is a Comprehensive Plan; **(3)** DC 2050 Timeline; **(4)** Fall Workshop

Participation; **(5)** Phase 2; **(6)** Place Types; **(7)** DC 2050 Future Land Use Map; **(8)** Planning for Growth; **(9)** Ward 2 Potential Households. A question-and-answer/comment period followed.

G. DC Public Library – Renovations to the Watha T. Daniel Public Library

Jaspreet Gakhar-Pahwa, Director of Capital Planning & Construction, DC Public Library

A slide presentation was presented highlighting the following topics: **(1)** Project History; **(2)** Ongoing Next Steps; **(3)** Project Goals; **(4)** Lower Level, Ground Level, and Upper Level Floor Plans; **(5)** Renderings. A question-and-answer/comment period followed.

H. Advisory Neighborhood Commissioners

- Commissioner Padro stated the long-anticipated, long-awaited Throne bathroom has been installed next to the Shaw Skate Park at 11th and Rhode Island Avenue. Thanks to Councilmember Pinto for her efforts in helping to make that happen.

4. BUSINESS AGENDA

A. DDOT NOI #26-136-TPA Temporary PUDO Bus Parking Zone on 900 Block of P Street NW [2G02]

MOTION: Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Berry seconded that ANC 2G **support** the Notice of Intent for the establishment of a Pickup Dropoff (PUDO) zone for students at Seaton Elementary School to be transported by a bus to the swing space during construction of the new Seaton Elementary School with a proviso that, outside of the hours of drop-offs and pickups, all the parking on the east side of the 1500 block of 10th Street NW be dedicated as “Residents Only” parking, and that this be communicated to the Director of DDOT, the Mayor of the District of Columbia, and Ward 2 Councilmember. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

B. Streatery Permit #11189318 at 1336 9th Street NW – Maxwell Park [2G04]

MOTION: Commissioner Nigro moved and Commissioner Padro seconded that ANC 2G **support** Streatery Permit #11189318 at 1336 9th Street NW and that we communicate said support to the DDOT/Public Space Committee. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

C. Streatery Permit #11175634 at 1239 9th Street NW – Tallboy [2G05]

MOTION: Commissioner Berry moved and Commissioner Padro seconded that ANC 2G **oppose** Streatery Permit #11175634 at 1239 9th Street NW based upon the fact that Tallboy did not have a representative present at this meeting to address the community’s concerns as well as their failure to present the requested renderings. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

D. DDOT Public Space Application #492386 – DC Health – Vending Machine in Front of 1525 7th Street NW [2G03]

MOTION: Commissioner Shea moved and Commissioner Berry seconded that ANC 2G **oppose** Public Space Application #492-386 submitted by DC Health for the HIPS vending machine currently located on the sidewalk in front of Bread for the City located at 1525 7th Street NW. The vending machine has been placed in public space for more than two years without any Public Space Permit from the Department of Health or any other organization and its unpermitted occupancy has resulted in documented safety hazards for more than two years, including discarded needles and trash on the sidewalk. Further, investment in the development of 631 P Street NW has been jeopardized by the vending machine and has been cited by prospective investors as a reason not to invest in this development in our community, depriving the community of 29 affordable units, including 7 units at deeply affordable rates 50 and 30 percent AMI, 223 units in total, and approximately 5,000 square feet of neighborhood serving retail. The applicant is now attempting to retroactively justify or backfill a permit, but the Commission finds that the prolonged, unpermitted occupation of public space and the associated safety concerns warrant non-support of the application. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 years – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

MOTION: Commissioner Nigro moved and Commissioner Shea seconded that ANC 2G request that the Department of Buildings take immediate enforcement action regarding the unpermitted vending machine installed by the DC Department of Health on the public sidewalk in front of Bread for the City at 1525 7th Street NW. This installation is occupying public space without any public space approval and without a vending site permit in direct violation of DC Code 37-311.02 and DDOT's Public Space Occupancy Regulations. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 years – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

E. Resolution - Public Space Committee – 501 New York Avenue NW 3:06

MOTION: Commissioner Nigro moved and Commissioner Padro seconded that ANC 2G not support the Public Space Application #473-843 at 501 New York Avenue NW due the following unresolved deficiencies previously raised by the Commission: **(1)** Omission of the required Tree Planting Plan; **(2)** ADA sidewalk noncompliance along the New York Avenue frontage; **(3)** Fence height and public right-of-way impacts; **(4)** Parking Plan Deficiencies; **(5)** Improper advancement of the application, despite formal objections. The Commission also adds new concerns regarding the applicant's reliance on flexi-pave along the New York Avenue frontage. Flexi-Pave is not an approved material for establishing a continuous ADA compliant pedestrian access route, which must maintain an unbroken, minimum four foot firm, stable, slip-resistant walking surface for the entire length of their route. Because Flexi-Pave is limited to the tree zone and does not expand the actual sidewalk width measured from curb to obstruction, it does not create a continuous ADA-compliant route and does not resolve the existing sidewalk deficiency; and that this be communicated to the DDOT/Public Space Committee. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 years – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

F. Installation of Mural at Watha T. Daniel Library

MOTION: Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Garrett seconded that ANC 2G urge the Director of the District of Columbia Public Libraries, Richard Reyes Gavilan, and Mayor Muriel E. Bowser to install the mural on Shaw history that has been created by Byron Peck, one of our city's most noted mural artists, either in its original or in digital form as part of the renovations to the Watha T. Daniel Shaw Neighborhood Library that is beginning imminently. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 years – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- o Dan Ding spoke briefly and introduced the Wild East Club, a new neighborhood tavern and social entertainment venue at 1318 9th Street NW. The concept is an indoor-managed venue with a tavern component. It is private room-based and there are some reservation-based social activities such as board games. The goal is not to operate as a nightclub but rather a controlled social venue where guests can gather in small groups. They take issues such as noise, safety, trash, responsible alcohol service very seriously and want to be a responsible neighbor. They are currently working through the required licensing, permitting and approval process for their alcohol license and would like to join the ANC 2G Public Meeting on June 11, 2026.
- o Commissioner Garrett invited residents to participate in a 2G01 Neighborhood Cleanup on Saturday, May 23, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon. On May 28, 2026, the French Street Neighbors and 2G01 will be having a Candidate Forum and he will be teaching Ranked Choice Voting.

6. INFORMATION AGENDA

- o Next ANC Meeting: 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 11, 2026

7. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Berry moved and Commissioner Padro seconded to adjourn the meeting. The Motion **passed** unanimously 5 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:50 p.m.

Prepared by: Karen Jehle, Minute Taker
(Transcribed from Recording)

Approved on: _____

Attest:



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Secretary

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