



PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 4D

Wednesday, February 18, 2026, 6:30 PM

a. Call to order (Kauffman)

- The meeting was called to order at 6:36 pm.

b. Roll call (Abel)

- Commissioner Antti Koskenrouta - PRESENT
- Commissioner Abel Amene - PRESENT
- Vice Chair Brendi E. Bluit - PRESENT
- Commissioner Eliza Cava - ABSENT
- Commissioner Stephen Marencic Jr. - PRESENT
- Commissioner Stoyan Dimitrov - PRESENT
- Commissioner Kayla D. Baker - ABSENT
- Chair Jenn Kauffman - PRESENT

c. Determination of quorum (Kauffman)

- With six (6) commissioners present, there is a quorum.

d. Consent Agenda (Kauffman)

- Approval of the meeting agenda
- Approval of [January 21 meeting minutes](#)
- Consent Agenda ADOPTED by unanimous consent.

e. City Official Comments (Kauffman)

- Office of Ward 4 Councilmember Janeese Lewis George
 - "It is performance oversight hearing season, and many hearings being held. "
 - "Last month, Councilmember Louis George released [an advisory group's final report on the Georgia Avenue Revitalization Report](#), summarizing residents' feedback into concrete recommendations. So, as we approach the upcoming budget and oversight season, we will begin to identify opportunities to begin turning this shared vision into reality."
 - Ward 4 constituent services office hours take place every Wednesday at Fort Stevens Rec Center from 12 to 1pm, followed by office hours at Hattie Holmes Senior Wellness Center from 1:30 to 2:30.
 - Please sign up for the weekly Ward 4 Newsletter to receive updates on the Council and Ward 4: www.ward4news.com. We also offer an option to receive the Ward 4 newsletter every week by text. All you need to do is to text 202-286-5268 to be added to the text list

- Community members and commissioners highlighted to the Councilmember's office issues with trash and rats at several areas around the 4D Commission including at:
 1. Near Lorenzo "Larry" Allen Memorial Park, and near Truesdell Elementary School
 2. Around and along the streets near Barnard Elementary School
 3. Around 9th and Emerson St NW
- Mayor's Office of Community Relations
 - Mayor Bowser is holding budget forums including today at Hattie Holmes Senior Center.
 - Budget Engagement Forum at Barry Farm Recreation Center (1230 Sumner Road SE), Saturday, February 21, 2026 at 11:30 am, Budget Engagement Forum at Dock 5 in Union Market, Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 5:30 pm, Dock 5 – Union Market, 1309 5th Street NE.
- DC Water – Lead-Free DC
 - Ward 4 has some of the highest prevalence of lead service lines in the District. Through government grants, Lead-Free DC is offering free replacement of lead service lines both on the public and private side.
 - See [full presentation](#).

f. Treasurer's Report (Marencic)

- Treasurer's report
 - Nothing to report as Treasurer is awaiting access to accounts. Working with the OANC to resolve after reporting of officer elections.

g. Committee Reports (Cava)

- Grants Committee Report
 - At least one application for a grant has been received. March 1st is the deadline to submit applications for grants for this round.

h. Commissioners' Comments (Kauffman)

- Cmr. Abel encourages residents to [report vacant and blighted property](#) to Department of Buildings and that he has reported several along Kennedy Street.
- Cmr. Dimitrov reminds residents to leach dogs when out in community spaces, regardless of the size, in light of a recent incident involving a dog in our ANC.
- Chair Kauffman and Cmr. Koskenrouta remind residents that 311 should be one of the first resources that residents should contact for municipal services and to report issues.
- Cmr. Marencic cautions residents that since the snow storms are being cleared, the practice of reserving public parking spots using lawn chairs and other items should come to an end.

i. Old Business

MATTER	COMMISSIONER
Georgia Avenue Public Surplus Development : • Report back on Resolution on Georgia Avenue Surplus Development ○ ANC 4D letter ○ Letter sent to DMPED. Agency has acknowledged receipt.	Koskenrouta
DDOT's Strategic Bikeways Plan Initiative	Kauffman

- Report back on Resolution Supporting Development of Bikeways in Ward 4 ANC 4D letter - Letter sent to DDOT. Agency has acknowledged receipt.	
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j. **New Business**

MATTER	COMMISSIONER
Endorsement of Commissioner Testimony at DC Council's performance oversight hearing on the Department of Public Works (DPW) - Motion by Cmr. to endorse testimony, seconded by Chair Kauffman. - Commissioner Antti Koskenrouta - YES - Commissioner Abel Amene - YES - Vice Chair Brendi E. Bluit - YES - Commissioner Eliza Cava - Absent - Commissioner Stephen Marencic Jr. - AYE - Commissioner Stoyan Dimitrov - AYE - Commissioner Kayla D. Baker - Absent - Chair Jenn Kauffman - AYE - Motion is ADOPTED unanimously with six (6) votes in the affirmative, no votes in the negative and two (2) commissioners absent.	Abel
- Rank Choice Voting is coming to DC! - Presentation from Grow Democracy DC - We have also received an email from the Board of Elections with interest for their Voter Education and Outreach Division to hold a workshop with a simulated voting experience. ➤ Motion by Cmr. Abel to invite the DC Board of Elections to co-organize an event in April or May with us and to bring voting machines for demonstration. ➤ Motion withdrawn with general consent for Cmr. Abel to proceed with planning.	Abel
- The John Lewis Elementary arts program has invited us to place an ad in the full-color souvenir playbill that will be distributed to all attendees (approximately 700–800 copies) of the school's musical production of <i>Madagascar</i>. Raised funds will support the school's arts programming and offset production costs. - Motion from Cmr. Abel to place the ad design here promoting our monthly public meetings at a cost of \$100 for a full-page advertisement after checking with General Counsel for OANC if permitted, seconded by Cmr. Koskenrouta. - Commissioner Antti Koskenrouta - AYE - Commissioner Abel Amene - AYE - Vice Chair Brendi E. Bluit - AYE - Commissioner Eliza Cava - Absent - Commissioner Stephen Marencic Jr. - AYE - Commissioner Stoyan Dimitrov - AYE	Abel

○ Commissioner Kayla D. Baker - Absent ○ Chair Jenn Kauffman - AYE • Motion is ADOPTED unanimously with six (6) votes in the affirmative, no votes in the negative and two (2) commissioners absent.	
• Upgrade to “Families” plan (\$3.99/ monthly) for Bitwarden for the Commission • Motion from Cmr. Abel to approve a reimbursement, seconded by Cmr. Dimitrov. ○ Commissioner Antti Koskenrouta. - AYE ○ Commissioner Abel Amene - AYE ○ Vice Chair Brendi E. Bluit - AYE ○ Commissioner Eliza Cava - Absent ○ Commissioner Stephen Marencic Jr. - AYE ○ Commissioner Stoyan Dimitrov - AYE ○ Commissioner Kayla D. Baker - Absent ○ Chair Jenn Kauffman - AYE • Motion is ADOPTED unanimously with six (6) votes in the affirmative, no votes in the negative and two (2) commissioners absent.	Kauffman

k. Community Comments [limited to 1 min each, please] **(Kauffman)**

- A community member asked what to do if 311 does not answer.
 - Cmr. Abel suggested, if accessible, to try reporting using 311.dc.gov. Reporting on the 311 website also has the benefit of sometimes being able to track the outcome of the ticket. The 311 request ticket number is something to always note when reporting even by phone as it permits referencing when escalating the issue including via ANC, councilmember or through MOCRS.
 - Nina Murphy-Martin, Chair of the Fourth District Citizens Advisory Council, mentioned topics of discussion by the advisory council.

l. Adjournment (Kauffman)

- Meeting is adjourned at 8:06pm.

Recent Applications & Notices Received

- [NOI 26-04-MSED](#)
 - HSIP Safety Improvement at New Hampshire Avenue and Missouri Avenue NW
 - No Turn on Red restriction at New Hampshire Avenue and Missouri Avenue NW (all approaches)
 - Lane reconfiguration at New Hampshire Avenue NW
 - Parking changes on New Hampshire Avenue NW



Figure 1: Proposed Improvements at New Hampshire Avenue and Missouri Avenue NW

- [SY25-26 Charter Review Notice](#) - Public Charter School Board (PCSB)
 - Washington Latin PCS is up for its 20-year charter review.
 - [Public comment](#) accepted until March 23, 2026.
 - PCSB will discuss and vote on Washington Latin on March 23, 2026, at 6:00 pm.

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Approved on: March 18, 2026

Attested by:

ANC 4D Chair
Jenn Kauffman



ANC 4D Secretary
Abel Amene

