



ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 7F

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General Commission Meeting Minutes

Performed by Zoom and Speechnotes / In Person @ MHCDO

Time 06:30pm

October 21st 2025

The meeting of **ANC 7F** was called to order at **06:48pm** by Chairperson Tyrell Holcomb.

Roll call confirmed the presence of Commissioners Holcomb, Nelson, Ruff, Orendoff, Edwards, Thompson-Wright, Cunningham and Hughes. A **quorum** was established at **06:48pm**

Approval of Agenda

The agenda for the evening was reviewed and unanimously approved:

- **Motion:** Commissioner Hughes
- **Second:** Commissioner Wright
- **Passed** 8-0

Secretary's Report

Approval of **September 16, 2025**, Meeting Minutes

- **Motion:** Orendoff
- **Second:** Commissioner Ruff
- **Discussion:** Commissioners
- **Passed** 8-0

Discussion:

- Orendoff and Dakota will amend the minutes to reflect discussions made on motions.
- 2026 meeting dates need to be added.
- Budget line items should be listed or attached to the minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

Financial Report

FY25 Quarter 4 Financial Statement Approval

- **Motion:** Thompson-Wright
- **Second:** Ruff
- **Passed 8-0**

New Business / Old Business

Guest Presentation

Dr. Estelle-Marie Montgomery, Ph.D.

Executive Director, FHFaunteroy Center and Resilience Incubator

Website: www.faunteroycenter.org

Address: 4800 Nannie Helen Burroughs Ave NE 20019

Highlights

- All community programming is free.
- Working to formalize volunteer activities.
- Offers youth programming, including:
 - Fall Festival
 - Thanksgiving sit-down dinner for youth
 - Winter gift giveaway (families register in advance)
- **Focus areas include:**
 - Workforce development
 - Health and wellness
 - Emergency preparedness
 - Community engagement
 - Economic mobility and social determinants of health
- **Expanding location amenities to include:**
 - Commercial kitchen
 - Broadcasting studio
 - Large community gathering spaces and lounges
 - Technology training center

- **Wellness Programming:**
 - Resource hub with partners addressing physical and mental health (e.g., dental day)
 - Plans for an on-site nurse practitioner (community nursing)
 - Nutrition and “farm-to-table” classes

- Also runs **Summer Youth Employment** programs

New Business

Motion: Support of “Trunk or Treat” at RFK Stadium

- Partnership between Eboni-Rose Thompson and East of the River Family Strengthening Collaborative.
- Funding Request: **\$500**

- **Motion:** Thompson-Wright
- **Second:** Hughes
- **Discussion:**
 - Approval contingent on determining whether ANC can provide funds as a grant.
 - Eboni-Rose must submit a grant application by COB, **October 22, 2025**.

- **Vote:** 7-1-0
 - **Yes:** Nelson, Cunningham, Holcomb, Thompson-Wright, Orendoff, Ruff
 - **No:** Edwards

Key Discussions and Resolutions

- 2026 Meeting proposed dates discussed.

Community & Safety Updates:

- **Ward 7 Constituent Services Director, [Letisha Vinson](#)**
- **Q&A** with Commissioners and public
- (**Shama King** representing Councilmember Wendell's office)

- **Upcoming Events:**
 - Oct 22, 6:30 PM – RFK CBA Meeting, 1901 Independence Ave SE
 - **Ice Skating Rink:** Opens mid-November
 - **Streetcar Reduction:** January 2026; **Service Termination:** March 2026
 - **Office Hours:** Denny's – 1st Friday of each month, 10 AM–12 PM
 - **Ward Wednesdays:** CST at DGS – includes door knocking and site visits
 - **Thanksgiving Event:** November 21

 - letisha.vinson@dc.gov

Updates from Local Officials

- **Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services: [Latisha Atkins](#)**
 - **Q&A** with Commissioners and public
 - **Constituents concerns within SMD areas.**
 - **Budget** updates on spending and issues with congressional meddling in DC.
 - **Mayor** commitment to city services.
 - **DC vs. Trump** issues with the Federal government during Trump administration and effects.
 - **RFK updates** on this status on redevelopment projects.
 - **FY26 Grow DC Budget**
 - **DPW Leaf Collection:** Nov 3, 2025 – Feb 7, 2026

 - Website www.dpw.dc.gov/leaf
Leaf collection tracker map available; report missed pickups via 311.

 - **Rev. Tyan Lindsay Arrendell**
 - *New Liaison for Community of Worship (Wards 1–8)*
 - ryan.arrendell@dc.gov

- **Latisha Atkins** Contact information: (202) 251-9930, latisha.atkins@dc.gov

- **Ward 7 State Board of Education Representative:** [Ebony Rose Thompson](#)

- **SBOE Public Meetings held 3rd Wednesday of each month.**
- October meeting focused on **restorative justice**.
- Public encouraged to email or call the office to provide input or testimony.
- Upcoming discussion on **career pathways** scheduled for next Monday.
- A task force on **graduation requirements** is being formalized; OSSE draft recommendations expected by March (realistic timeline: May).
- Discussion on **special education students** receiving certificates instead of diplomas.

- **Events:**
 - Bullying Prevention Workshops:
 - Oct 23, 6–7 PM – Kramer
 - Oct 27, 6–7 PM – Woodridge Library
 - **Halloween (Oct 31):** Trunk or Treat at RFK Stadium (6–8 PM) – candy donations needed, in partnership with East River Family Strengthening Collaborative.

- **Proposal:** Merge Maury and Minor schools into an education campus.

- **Truancy Update:**
 - DHS considering a truancy pilot; community concerns raised about DHS capacity.
 - Transportation and safety issues cited by youth as key factors in truancy.
 - Schools like Kimball exploring “community school” models (e.g., washer/dryer access).
 - Metro card activation overlap provides temporary access for students.
 - Safe passage and youth-police encounters on Metro remain ongoing issues.

- **Ebony Rose Thompson** Contact information: (202) 374-9282, ebony.rose@dc.gov.

Community Concerns

- Community Comments:
 - Constituent awareness of current community events.

Community Event:

- **34th & A Street SE** – “Candy Corner” – October 31, 6:30–8:30 PM

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at **08:33 pm**

/s/:

Prepared by: [Kimory S. Orendoff]

Approved on: [11/18/2025]

Attested by: /s/: [Kimory S. Orendoff]



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