



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8A

Anacostia, Fairlawn, Hillsdale, Sheridan

Special Meeting

April 3, 2026, | 2:00pm

Virtual Meeting (access found at website oanc.dc.gov)

Pursuant to the requirements of the District of Columbia Open Meetings Act (D.C. Official Code § 2-571 et seq.), notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission ANC 8A is being called.

The Special Meeting previously held on March 30, 2026, was challenged and reported to the OANC by Cmr. Tom Donohoe. The OANC determined that the meeting did not comply with the statutory notice requirements of the District of Columbia Open Meetings Act. Accordingly, any actions taken at that meeting, including all motions, deliberations, and votes, are deemed invalid and without legal effect.

This Special Meeting is therefore convened to cure the prior notice deficiency and to ensure full compliance with applicable open meetings laws and parliamentary procedures.

The purpose of this meeting is to consider and act on time-sensitive matters, including but not limited to grant applications and outstanding invoice payments, and any related administrative actions necessary to ensure continuity of Commission operations.

Due to the Commission's scheduled recess during the month of April, delay in addressing these matters would result in operational and financial delays.

1. Call to Order

- **Call to order:** Meeting convened; recording confirmed.
- **Note for the record:** Commissioner Donahue (SMD 8A01) reported hospitalized and absent.

1. Roll call / attendance (as stated): Commissioners Present: Roll Call (Commissioners):

- 8A02 – Cmr. Anthony Foreman – Present
- 8A03 – Cmr. Andrea Davis – Present
- 8A04 – Cmr. Fria Moore – Present
- 8A05 – Cmr. Jamila White – Present
- 8A06 – Cmr. Robin McKinney – Present
- 8A07 – Cmr. Tomora Redman – Present
- 8A01 – Cmr. Tom Donohue - Absent

2. Approval of Agenda

- **Motion:** Approve the meeting agenda (3 vote items identified).
- **Agenda vote items (as presented):**
 1. Grant request — Capitol Hill Boys & Girls Club Arts & Youth Mural Festival ("Mural Fest") — **\$2,000**.
 2. Expenditure — Supplies for Anacostia & Fairlawn Easter & Spring Festival (noted as April 4, 2026) — amount later motioned as **\$650**.
 3. Final payment — Communications consultant (Connected to Culture / Cultured Communications, name as stated) — **\$4,500** (to be paid by check to avoid a 3% fee).

3. Financial Update (as stated)

- **Checking account balance:** Approximately **\$25,000** (confirmed by Commissioner Foreman).

4. Motions and Votes

4.1 Grant Approval — Capitol Hill Boys & Girls Club Arts & Youth Mural Festival. The Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commissions ("OANC") has received a copy of a grant request from the Capital Hill Boys and Girls Club regarding a grant for the Anacostia Murals Festival. The applicant states that this is part of

and project to create 100 murals in 18 days. The applicant is requesting a grant amount of \$4,000 to be spent on a lift, artists and possibly materials.

- **Motion:** Approve grant application for \$2,000 to Capitol Hill Boys Club for Anacostia Mural Festival. The grant will be used on equipment (lifts), artists and possibly materials.
- **Moved by:** Commissioner Redman.
- **Seconded by:** Commissioner Moore.
- **Discussion:** None recorded.
- **Vote:** Approved by voice vote ("aye").
- **Notes:** Festival timing referenced as the first two weeks of May.

The grantee had submitted the application to the Office of Advisory Neighborhood Commission (OANC) for prior review, and the OANC confirmed that the event is permissible under ANC grant guidelines contingent approval by OANC's attorney.

4.2 Payment Approval — Communications Consultant (Connected to Culture / Cultured Communications)

- **Motion:** Approve final payment of \$4,500 to Akua Tay, Connected to Culture, for logo, newsletter, Google Groups, and comms services (to be paid by check to avoid a 3% fee).
- **Moved by:** Commissioner Moore.
- **Second:** Not clearly captured in excerpt (meeting facilitator requested a second; transcript reflects Commissioner Moore speaking again). *(Recommend confirming from recording/chat log.)*
- **Discussion:** Clarification that services supported the full commission (not a single SMD).
- **Vote:** Motion passed **unanimously**

4.3 Expenditure Approval — Easter Festival Supplies

- **Motion:** Approve expenditure of \$650 for Easter Festival (April 4, 2026, 12–4 p.m.), Funds will be used for decorations and game activities and purchased via ANC debit card
- **Budget line:** Office supplies (as stated).

- **Moved by:** Commissioner Moore.
- **Seconded by:** Commissioner Davis.
- **Discussion:** None recorded.
- **Vote:** Approved by voice vote ("aye").

5. Next Steps / Announcements

- **Next meeting:** Commissioners expected to meet the **first week of May** (as stated).
- **Upcoming items:** Two developers expected to seek approvals in May; staff to email the full commission and attempt to push deadlines to avoid an April meeting.
- **Festival coordination:** Commissioner Moore to share details via text message regarding timing/help needed for the April 4 event.

6. Adjournment

- **Adjournment:** Special meeting concluded; adjournment stated at **2:15 PM**.
- **Purpose note:** Meeting held on short notice to re-approve time-sensitive items.

/s/:

Prepared by: [Andrea Davis]

Approved on: [June 2, 2026]

Attested by: /s/ [Andrea Davis]