



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8A
Anacostia, Fairlawn, Hillsdale, Sheridan

Monthly General Body Meeting
May 5, 2026 | 7:00pm

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

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

1. The meeting was opened by Chair White after initial Zoom setup and audio checks.
2. Roll call was conducted for ANC 8A single-member districts.
 1. Commissioner White, Chair
 2. Commissioner Donohue,
 3. Commissioner Davis,
 4. Commissioner Foreman
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3. Moore joined shortly thereafter and was noted for the record.
4. Commissioners for 8A06 and 8A07 were reported absent due to family emergencies.
5. A quorum was declared with four commissioners present.

II. Approval of Agenda

1. Commissioner Davis moved to approve the agenda with the addition of a Teachers' Appreciation Resolution.
2. Commissioner Donohue seconded the motion.
3. The agenda was approved by voice vote.

III. Commissioner Announcements and SMD Reports

1. Commissioner Donohue: Reported on Fairlawn matters, including the relaunch of ANC8A01.com, garbage can thefts behind Minnesota Avenue, concerns regarding squatters at 1828 Q Street, and coordination with MPD, Metro Transit, WMATA, and Commander Fitzgerald regarding bus stop conditions on Minnesota Avenue near 18th and 19th Streets.

2. **Commissioner Foreman:** Discussed trash pickup concerns, dumping at apartment buildings, camera needs to identify illegal dumpers, outreach with Anacostia High School, a Mother's Day program, a science fair, and continuing concerns regarding squatters and vacant buildings.
3. **Commissioner Davis:** Reported coordination with Department of Behavioral Health staff and other partners to assist unhoused residents, including residents with serious medical needs; discussed encampment concerns near Minnesota and Pennsylvania Avenue, rodent issues, federal property considerations, drug activity near a liquor store parking lot, and continued public safety concerns.
4. **Commissioner Moore:** Reported new lighting near 16th and W Streets at DC Market, concerns about pipes and lids to be discussed with DC Water, community work by Friends of Anacostia, Project Purpose, and Father Factor, a volunteer opportunity for Ketcham Elementary's June 4 cookout, and ongoing community communications through WhatsApp.
5. **Chair White:** Announced the ANC 8A website update, logo voting, the proposed ABC moratorium legislation, opportunities for budget testimony, DDOT follow-up regarding Pennsylvania Avenue, and community events including the Ward 8 Clergy and Faith Leaders Breakfast.

IV. Community and Agency Presentations

1. **DC Water - Lead Free DC Program:** Dexter Humphrey provided an update on lead service line replacement efforts, noting the goal of replacing approximately 42,000 lead service lines Districtwide. DC Water has completed more than 12,000 replacements to date. The presentation emphasized the importance of test pits, described as approximately 4-by-4-foot verification holes at the property line and water meter, and point-of-entry inspections inside homes. DC Water stated that test pits are necessary to verify service line materials and determine eligibility for free replacement and that restoration is provided after work is completed. Residents were encouraged to allow test pits when offered because future free replacement may not be guaranteed if the initial opportunity is missed.
2. **MPD Seventh District:** Lieutenant Anam Mumtaz introduced herself as representing PSA 701 and noted leadership changes, including Commander Bowler's retirement and Commander Harding's assignment. She announced plans for a community walk and invited community members to identify locations of concern. Discussion included recent shootings, domestic violence concerns, hot spot monitoring at Morris Road and 16th and W Streets, victim resource referrals, and potential outreach on domestic violence resources.
3. **Councilmember Matt Frumin:** Councilmember Frumin introduced his role as Ward 3 Councilmember and chair of the Committee on Human Services, including oversight of the Department of Human Services, libraries, the Office of Lottery and Gaming, and DMPED. He discussed the FY 2027 budget process, budget constraints, human services cuts, TANF, SNAP, Medicaid work requirements, domestic violence trends, school funding, affordable housing distribution, workforce development, commercial corridor investment, business improvement

district funding, the Anacostia Arts and Culture District, and the need for follow-up conversations with Ward 8 stakeholders.

- 4. MPD Sixth District: Commander Jerron Hickman presented data for the 6D portion of ANC 8A, noting that overall violent crime was slightly down compared with the same point last year. He reported reductions in burglaries, motor vehicle thefts, and thefts from auto, while theft was up. He also reported increased arrests, particularly along the Minnesota Avenue corridor, and emphasized that domestic violence was a significant driver of assault with dangerous weapon incidents and felony strangulation cases. MPD described follow-up outreach for family disturbance reports and domestic violence-related calls.**

V. Major Discussion Topics

- 1. Domestic violence and public safety: Commissioners and MPD discussed recent domestic violence-related incidents, shootings, strangulation cases, victim services, witness cooperation, outreach needs, and the importance of both prevention and accountability.**
- 2. Affordable housing concentration and accountability: Commissioners and community members expressed concern about the concentration of deeply affordable and voucher-supported housing in Ward 8, the need for balanced growth, housing-related services, tenant support, accountability, and equitable distribution of affordable housing across the city.**
- 3. Economic development: Discussion focused on the need for long-term economic development in Ward 8, commercial corridor support, workforce training, adult literacy, business retention, food access investments, business stabilization, and public-private financing models for Anacostia businesses.**
- 4. Education funding: Commissioner Donohue raised concerns about funding following students when schools such as Boone Elementary and Kramer Middle School receive students after the October count date. Councilmember Frumin acknowledged the issue and emphasized the need to prepare schools for mid-year enrollment changes.**
- 5. Recreation center maintenance and access: Commissioner Moore raised concerns about the Anacostia Recreation Center at Ketcham, including broken accessibility doors, overflowing trash, inadequate restroom cleaning, limited staffing, insufficient programming for young children, and lack of accessibility supports for deaf, hard-of-hearing, blind, or low-vision community members.**
- 6. Transportation and parking impacts: Community members raised concerns about DDOT decisions affecting parking and business access in Historic Anacostia, including bus lane implementation, enforcement, parking loss, and ticketing impacts on customers.**
- 7. Bridge safety incident: Commander Hickman discussed the ongoing incident involving an individual on the bridge arch, safety concerns, prior response history, and the need for long-term prevention measures.**

VI. Motions and Votes

- 1. Agenda approval: Commissioner Davis moved to approve the agenda with the addition of a Teachers' Appreciation Resolution. Commissioner Donohue seconded. The motion passed by voice vote.**
- 2. Tom Donohue moved a motion to honor Mother Lilian Adkins Brown for being a longtime resident of the 19th Street SE community in Fairlawn for Decades and all her dedication and support to the community. Commissioner Davis seconded.**

The motion passed 4-1-0

Approved

**Commissioner Davis
Commissioner Donohue
Commissioner White
Commissioner Foreman**

Abstained

Commissioner Moore

- 3. Tom Donohue moved to approve a resolution honoring Ward 8 teachers for Teacher Appreciation Week. Commissioner Davis noted that the agenda item was not properly noticed. The motion did not receive the required support to proceed to a vote.**

VII. Follow-Up Items

- 1. DC Water to share the lead service line mapping/status tool and respond to Commissioner Davis regarding specific blocks and restoration questions.**
- 2. MPD Seventh District to share Lieutenant Mumtaz's contact information and coordinate community walk locations.**
- 3. MPD Seventh District to follow up with Commissioner Moore regarding the March 30 incident near 16th and W Streets.**

4. **Commissioners to follow up with Councilmember Frumin after the budget process regarding workforce development, adult literacy, DHS, DMPED, and Ward 8 economic development needs.**
5. **Kristina Noell to provide Councilmember Frumin with details on BID baseline funding, Anacostia Arts and Culture District funding, Metro station renaming concepts, and business stabilization proposals.**
6. **MPD Sixth District to continue coordination with Commissioner Donohue regarding traffic, parking enforcement, open containers, and activity along the 2200 block of Minnesota Avenue near Boone.**
7. **ANC 8A to continue discussions with DDOT regarding Pennsylvania Avenue, bus lanes, parking impacts, and business corridor access.**
8. **Commissioners to monitor maintenance, staffing, programming, and accessibility issues at the Anacostia Recreation Center at Ketcham and elevate issues to appropriate agencies.**

VIII. Adjournment

Commissioner White adjourned the meeting at 10:17 p.m. The next ANC General Meeting was announced for June 2 at 7:00 p.m., with the meeting expected to be held virtually unless an in-person space is secured.

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Approved on: [September 8, 2026]

Attested by: /s/ [Andrea Davis]