

**ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 2F REGULAR MONTHLY  
PUBLIC MEETING**

Wednesday, December 2, 2009 – 7:00 PM  
WASHINGTON PLAZA HOTEL  
10 THOMAS CIRCLE, NW

**Present:** Charles Reed (2F01) (Chairman), Mike Benardo (2F06) (Vice Chairman), Andrew Warth (2F02), Brian Vargas (2F03), Matt Raymond (2F04), Dustin Cole (2F05-Treasurer)

**COMMUNITY FORUM**

**Commissioner Announcements and Monthly Government Reports**

**Commissioner Vargas** announced the Logan Circle Community Association House Tour on December 6, 2009 starting at 1:00 PM. This year's homes represent a mix of historical tradition and a modern style of living. More than a dozen unique properties ranging from ultra-modern penthouse condos to a fully restored 1887 Victorian home are on the tour this year. Several properties also feature mixed-use development spaces that incorporate retail, offices, arts spaces, and residences in a single building. The self-guided tour concludes with a Wassail reception at the Studio Theatre at 14th and P Streets, NW from 3:30 until 5:30pm the day of the event. Contact Logan Circle Community Association for more information [www.logancircle.org](http://www.logancircle.org)

The Coalition for Franklin School proposes a search for desirable educational and cultural uses for the Historic Franklin School Building, located at 13th and K Streets, NW in downtown Washington, DC. A walk-through will be held on Thursday morning, December 3, 2009 as the City tries to sort out the best public use for this property. For more information about the property visit <http://www.franklinschooldc.org/>

**Commissioner Benardo** announced the Mount Vernon Square District Project Public Open House on December 9, 2009 from 6-8PM at the Carnegie Library Building. Preliminary recommendations and design options will be discussed.

**Commissioner Warth** announced the joint ANC TPPA Truck Project on December 3, 2009 at Reeves Center 7:00 pm- this is a public meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to introduce and discuss the District-wide Truck route system.

**Executive Office of the Mayor**

**Francisco Fimbres**, Outreach Specialist is available anytime to answer questions or to listen to community concerns. Mr. Fimbres can be reached at 202-727-9223 (office), 202-664-6119 (cell) or [Francisco.fimbres@dc.gov](mailto:Francisco.fimbres@dc.gov).

**PSA 307 Report – Lt. Vanessa Moore**

**Lieutenant Moore** announced that overall crime is down 43% from this same time last year, with violent crime down 7% same time as last month. Twenty people have been identified in such crimes and the police will help take these guys in to arrest. 50% decrease in violent crime has occurred from the same time as last year. Lt Moore reported that the Men’s Club is still closed. The club has no Certificate of Occupancy, the use violates zoning, and the business is not registered with the City. Incident report for this matter is 09142515.

**Commissioner Vargas** thanked PSA 307 for its hard work and keeping the Logan Circle community safe.

**Brian Bray** is handling prostitution cases. Bray can be reached at [brian.bray@dc.gov](mailto:brian.bray@dc.gov). Please feel free to email him with prostitution problems. Lt. Vanessa Moore Lt. Moore can be reached at 202-553-9247 or by email at [vanessa.moore@dc.gov](mailto:vanessa.moore@dc.gov)

- 10 Minute Recess -

**BUSINESS MEETING**

**Approval of Agenda**

Upon motion by **Warth**, seconded by **Vargas** and after further discussion, the agenda was approved with the following amendments and a direction that a copy be filed with the minutes and posted on the ANC 2F website:

Add: DDOT Space permit 1400 block of P 1400 Block of 14<sup>th</sup> Telephone

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

**Approval of ANC 2F Minutes of Meeting of November 4, 2009**

Minutes of the meeting of November 4, 2009, were presented for approval. Upon motion by **Benardo** seconded by **Reed** and after further discussion, the minutes were approved with direction to the Executive Director to post the same on the ANC 2F website.

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

**DDOT**

Space permit 1400 block of south side of P and 1400 Block of 14<sup>th</sup> street on the west side pay telephones

Upon motion by **Raymond**, seconded by **Vargas**, and after further discussion, it was,

**RESOLVED**, That ANC 2F advise DDOT not to grant the space permit for the public pay telephones at said location.

**Vote: (4-2)**

**ABRA**

*Credo, LLC Class “CR” license application, 1530 14<sup>th</sup> St. NW*

Lofts 11 board president **Mark Dimunation** is currently in negotiations with the owner of Credo, **Mark Kuller** in the form of a Good Neighbor Agreement. Several residents of Lofts 11 spoke out against the restaurant because of several concerns like, noise, parking, rodents, trash removal, venting of smells, etc. **Reed** presented a form of voluntary agreement which has been discussed with **Kuller** and residents, including Mr. Dimunation. The agreement in its present form has not been accepted by all parties, but negotiations are continuing.

Upon motion by **Reed**, seconded by **Raymond**, and after further discussion, it was,

**RESOLVED**, That the ANC 2F enter into a Voluntary Agreement as presented to this meeting subject to further provisions which are consistent with the ANC’s published policies on such agreements and agreeable to the parties, and that such Agreement be delivered to the Alcohol Beverage Control Board (“ABC Board”) with the request that the pending protest be withdrawn subject to acceptance of the Voluntary Agreement by the ABC Board and applicant’s continued compliance with the Agreement.

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

*Cork & Fork, 1522 14<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Class B License (beer/wine only) (ratification of Voluntary Agreement and Side Agreement relating to single sales)*

Upon motion by **Reed**, seconded by **Raymond**, and after further discussion, it was,

**RESOLVED**, That the ANC 2F ratify the Voluntary Agreement and Side Agreement relating to single sales which was presented to the ANC.

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

*ACKC, 1529 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Class “DT” license liquor application*

Upon motion by **Reed**, seconded by **Vargas**, and after further discussion, it was,

**RESOLVED**, That the ANC 2F enter into a Voluntary Agreement as presented to this meeting subject and that such Agreement be delivered to the Alcohol Beverage Control Board (“ABC Board”) with the advice that it be accepted and that the pending application of ACKC for a Class “DT” liquor license be granted, subject to continued compliance with the Voluntary Agreement/

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

Upon motion by **Reed**, seconded by **Benardo**, and after further discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, That the ANC2f advise ABRA to support a Stipulated License to ACKC

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

*Commissary, 1443 P Street, NW, Class "R", second amended and restated voluntary agreement to change hours of sidewalk café to allow breakfast*

Upon motion by **Reed**, seconded by **Raymond**, and after further discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, That ANC 2F enter into a second amended and restated voluntary agreement with Logan Grill, LLC, *t/a* Commissary to authorize the establishment to open its sidewalk café at 8:00am, and that the appropriate officers of the ANC be and are hereby authorized and directed to implement this resolution and to transmit such agreement to the Alcohol Beverage Control Board ("ABC Board") with the advice of this Commission that the same be approved by the ABC Board, subject to applicant's continued compliance with the Agreement.

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

**Community Development Committee**

*1002 M Street, NW- Vacant Property Exemption Appeal*

Upon motion by **Vargas**, seconded by **Cole**, and after further discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, That ANC 2F recommend to DCRA Office of Vacant Property to grant the vacant property exemption appeal for 1002 M Street, NW, for tax year 2008

**Vote: (3-3) Motion Failed for Lack of Majority**

*ANC 2F Arts Overlay Review Committee's Economic Development Recommendations Part 2*

Upon motion by **Benardo**, seconded **Warth** by and after further discussion, it was **RESOLVED**, That ANC 2F accept the recommendations of the CDC and recommend approval of the ANC2F Arts Overlay Review Committee's Economic Development Recommendations Part 2.

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

**New Business**

*2010 ANC Meeting Schedule*

Upon motion by **Vargas**, seconded by **Reed**, and after further discussion, it was,

**RESOLVED**, That the ANC 2F adopt the 2010 ANC and CDC meeting schedule as follows:

**ANC (1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month; no meeting in August)**

January 6	July 7
February 3	August – no meeting
March 3	September 1
April 7	October 6
May 5	November 3
June 2	December 1

**CDC (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month; no meeting July/December)**

January 27	
February 24	
March 24	August 25
April 28	September 22
May 26	October 27
June 23	November 17 (moved up one week)

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

*18-76 Bill- check web site city surplus of property disposal*

Bill 18-76 is The Public Land Surplus Standards Amendment Act of 2009. This Bill creates badly needed reform to DC's public property "surplusing" process. It creates transparency, community input and proper planning, and helps DC identify its own facilities needs before making public land available to developers.

Upon motion by **Reed**, seconded by **Vargas**, and after further discussion, it was,

**RESOLVED**, That the ANC 2F advise City Counsel to adopt a Bill 18-76 and the appropriate officers of this Commission be and are hereby authorized and directed to testify in favor of this bill, and to convey the advice herein adopted.

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

*Franklin School RFP*

Upon motion by **Vargas**, seconded by **Warth**, and after further discussion, it was,

**RESOLVED**, That the ANC 2F write a letter to the Deputy Mayor advising to include ANC2F and contiguous ANC's in the RFP process.

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

*Proposal to revoke vacant property real estate tax relief to Vermont Avenue Baptist Church for failure to meet conditions.*

A proposal was presented to the ANC to advise revocation of the exemption granted Vermont Avenue Baptist Church from vacant property taxes, on grounds that the Church failed to meet the conditions and representations specified in the original resolution of this Commission in supporting the exemption. Upon motion by **Reed**, seconded by **Benardo** and after further discussion, it was

**RESOLVED**, That ANC 2F recommend to DCRA Office of Vacant Property the ANC2f withdraws its support to grant tax relief and advise DCRA to rescind the vacant property exemption appeal on the grounds that they have failed to meet the representations made to this ANC.

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

**Treasurer's Report (Dustin Cole, Treasurer)**

Upon motion by **Reed**, seconded by **Vargas** and after further discussion, the following expenses were approved:

Cynthia Cota .....	\$938.45
Verizon .....	\$60.12
DC Treasurer.....	\$54.00
Brian Vargas.....	\$15.84

**Vote: (6-0) Unanimous**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned at 10:15 PM.