

ANC 2F | Regular Monthly Public Meeting

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY
JANUARY 7, 2016

7:00 P.M.

WASHINGTON PLAZA HOTEL
10 THOMAS CIRCLE, NW

Attendance

PRESENT

Kate Gordon (2F01)
Karin Berry (2F02)
Pepin Tuma (2F03)
John Fanning (2F04)
Jim Lamare (2F05)
Charlie Bengel (2F06)
Kevin Sylvester (2F07)
Kevin Deeley (2F08)

ABSENT

[None]

GUESTS AND PRESENTERS

Sgt. David Terestre, PSA 307, MPD
Officer Fritz, PSA 307, MPD
Officer Solomon, PSA 307, MPD
Officer Werner, PSA 307, MPD
Sherri Kimbel, Councilmember Evans' office

Meeting **called to order** by ANC 2F Chairman, Commissioner John Fanning, at **7:09 p.m.**

Commissioner Announcements

[None]

Community Forum

Metropolitan Police Department PSA 307 Update

Sgt. David Terestre;
Officers Fritz, Solomon & Werner

Sergeant Terestre of PSA 307 shared the monthly crime report. Over the past month total crime is up (as compared to the same time period in 2015) by a count of fifteen, due to increase in theft and theft from autos (violent crime is the same). Terestre shared that theft from auto is a big problem in PSA 307 as well as citywide. In response to his uptick, MPD has dispatched more foot officers, Segway officers, and bike officers. Terestre introduced Officers Fritz, Solomon, and Werner to the community.

Report from Councilmember Jack Evans' office

Sherri Kimbel

Sherri Kimbel from Councilmember Jack Evans' office shared three updates: 1) Councilmember Mary Cheh, who is the Chair of the Council's Transportation Committee, is having a hearing tomorrow at 10am on "Vision Zero" to stop automobile deaths in the District; 2) DDOT will be closing Massachusetts Ave, NW traffic around and under Thomas Circle daily for about two weeks to conduct a traffic study; 3) demolition and construction at the Washington Post building site has begun.

Report from Executive Office of the Mayor

Eva Lewis, Ward 2 Liaison

Lewis not present; no report.

Community Announcements

1. Community member Abraham Muhim shared details about a winter coat and potato giveaway this Saturday;
2. David Garber, who is running the D.C. Council At-Large, introduced himself to the community.

BUSINESS MEETING

Fanning noted there was quorum to conduct the business portion of the meeting (eight Commissioners present out of the required five), and instructed that a copy of the meeting minutes be filed with the meeting notice.

Election of Officers and Appointment of Committee Chairs

Commissioner Tuma moved that the Commission re-elect each of the Commissioners who served as Officers in 2015, and re-appoint each of the Commissioners who served as Committee Chairs in 2015 to their same positions; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

Approval of Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Fanning moved to approve the meeting agenda without modification; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

Approval of Minutes for December 2, 2015 Regular Monthly Public Meeting

Commissioner Gordon moved to approve the December 2, 2015 draft meeting minutes without modification; the motion was seconded and approved by the Commission.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

Committee Reports

ABRA Policy Committee (APC)

Commissioner Kate Gordon, Chair

Committee Report

Commissioner Gordon shared that there was not a December 2015 Committee meeting, due to a lack of business items. Gordon shared updates on Naylor Stables, LCC (license application withdrawal); and Draffhouse Comedy, Jinya Ramen, and The Bird (all three to be reviewed at January 2016 APC meeting).

Draffhouse Comedy (1100 13th St, NW) new retailer's Class "CX" multipurpose license

In order to maintain standing in the related ABRA hearings, Gordon moved that the Commission protest Arlington Cinema's (dba Draffhouse Comedy) Class "CX" license request on the effect of the establishment on peace, order, and quiet, including the noise and litter provisions; the effect of the establishment on real property values; and, the effect of the establishment upon residential parking needs and vehicular and pedestrian safety. Gordon's motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

Community Development Committee (CDC)

Commissioner Kevin Deeley, Chair

Committee Report

Commissioner Deeley shared that there was not a December 2015 Committee meeting, due to a lack of business items. Deeley raised two Committee procedural elements with the Commission, related to the Committee's and Commission's upcoming review of 1) the Planned Unit Development Application at 1126 9th St, NW, and 2) final review of the HPRB case for 1001 O St, NW.

Crime and Public Safety Committee (CPSC)

Commissioner Charlie Bengel, Chair

Commissioner Charlie Bengel shared the following Committee updates:

1. He has reached out to neighboring ANCs to inquire about collaborative Committee participation on shared interests and issues related to crime;
2. Crime statistics demonstrating the significant uptick in homicides in the District from 2014 to 2015, as well as during a longer period from 2012 to 2015.

Education Committee

Commissioner Pepin Tuma, Chair

Commissioner Pepin Tuma shared the following Committee updates:

1. The Committee and community continue their active involvement in the Garrison modernization project, which is on track to break ground in June 2016;
2. On January 30 at 10:30 am at the National City Christian Church, Brian Pick, Deputy Chancellor of Education, will meet with neighbors to discuss issues of teacher training and retention, curriculum resource improvement, and more;
3. Evelyn Boyd Simmons was recently elected by the DCPS Head Start Parent Policy Council to represent Ward 2.

Old Business

[none]

New Business

Approval of FY16 Budget

Commissioner Berry, ANC 2F Treasurer, presented a proposed budget for FY16 (Oct 2015 – Sep 2016). Commissioner Gordon moved that the Commission approve the proposed budget with the following modifications: zero out the budget line for grants, and increase the Executive Director's monthly salary by 5% (\$60 per month). The motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

After subsequent conversation among the Commissioners about adopted budget, Gordon moved to reconsider her previous motion and re-open the issue of adoption of the FY16 budget; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

After additional conversation among the Commission, Gordon once again moved that the Commission approve the proposed budget with the following modifications: zero out the budget line for grants, and increase the Executive Director's monthly salary by 5% (\$60 per month). The motion was seconded and approved by the Commission.

Vote: 7-1

Treasurer's Report

ANC Security Fund

Commissioner Berry moved that the Commission contribute \$25 to and participate in the 2016 ANC Security Fund, which provides bonding for officers acting in the interest of the ANC; the motion was seconded and approved by the Commission.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

Approval of Expenditures

Commissioner Berry presented the following expenditures for approval:

1. Check #1279 in the amount of \$940.39, payable to Executive Director Adam Beebe, for December 2015 salary;
2. Check #1280 in the amount of \$899.23, payable to the U.S. Treasury, for quarterly federal tax return (Form 941 for 2015 Q4);
3. Check #1281 in the amount of \$660.00, payable to D.C. DOES, for annual employee income tax withholding for 2015 (Form 900-A);
4. Check #1282 in the amount of \$25.00, payable to the ANC Security Fund, for participation in the ANC Security Fund for 2016.

Total expenses: \$2,514.62

Berry moved for approval of total expenses in the amount of \$2,514.62; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)

Commissioner Gordon moved to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission. Meeting adjourned at **8:48 p.m.**