

# ANC 2F | Regular Monthly Public Meeting

## MINUTES

WEDNESDAY  
APRIL 6, 2016

7:00 P.M.

WASHINGTON PLAZA HOTEL  
10 THOMAS CIRCLE, NW

### Attendance

#### PRESENT

Maurice Dorsey (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  
Sherri Kimbel, Councilmember Evans' office  
Eva Lewis, Ward 2 Liaison  
Sheila Alexander Reed, Mayor's Office  
Lateefah Williams, DC Office of Atty. General  
Ziad Elias, Architect for 1534 14th St, NW

*\*denotes Commissioner not present for all votes*

Meeting **called to order** by ANC 2F Chairman, Commissioner John Fanning, at **7:04 p.m.**

### Commissioner Announcements

1. Commissioner Tuma reminded everyone that Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton would attend the May regular monthly meeting as part of her ongoing effort to stay abreast of neighborhood issues and concerns.
2. Commissioner Tuma shared that Councilmembers Bonds and Grosso introduced a bill to revamp how ANCs function. The same bill would also increase the accountability of city agencies in responding to ANCs and in considering ANCs' "great weight."

### Community Forum

#### Metropolitan Police Department PSA 307 Update

Sgt. David Terestre, Third District

Sergeant Terestre of PSA 307 shared the monthly crime report, which compared crime statistics over the past thirty day period with the same period in 2015. Terestre said the good news was that violent crime was down significantly, including crime against the person, sexual abuse, and robbery with a weapon. The bad news was that property crime was up significantly, including burglary and theft; theft from auto has been the primary contributor to the increase in property crime incidences.

#### Report from Councilmember Jack Evans' office

Sherri Kimbel

Sherri Kimbel from Councilmember Jack Evans' office shared five updates: 1) Councilmember Evans is not supportive of the aforementioned bill introduced by Councilmembers Grosso and Bonds because the bill would require ANCs with fewer than five Commissioners to consolidate; 2) Evans will be in attendance at the LCCA meeting on Tuesday; 3) Dogs are not permitted in the inner circle of Logan Circle, and park rangers will patrol the area and possibly ticket owners whose dogs are off leash; 4) City offices will be closed and there will be no trash pick-up on Friday because it is Emancipation Day (there will also be a rally for statehood in Freedom Plaza); 5) The Council voted yesterday to list Bernie Sanders on the D.C. ballot for the primary election.

**Report from Executive Office of the Mayor**

Sheila Alexander Reed, Director of LGBTQ Affairs for the Mayor's Office, shared that much of her focus this past year was on transgender discrimination and homeless LGBTQ youth. This year, Reed will focus on discrimination issues faced by LGBTQ community members vis-a-vis the local business community.

Eva Lewis, Ward 2 Liaison for the Mayor's Office, provided five updates: 1) The District budget is now available on mayor.dc.gov; 2) It's the season of "potholepalooza," so call 311 or go online to report potholes; 3) Also call 311 for any streetlights that need to be changed; 4) In the Mayor's upcoming State of the District address, she will be fighting for a \$15 minimum wage by 2020; 5) the Emancipation Day parade will be April 16.

**Presentation from D.C. Office of the Attorney General**

Lateefah Williams of the D.C. Office of the Attorney General provided an annual update to ANC 2F, sharing that the office's key areas of focus last year were juvenile justice, consumer protection, affordable housing, and honest governance. Williams detailed the office's accomplishments in 2015, and asked for general support of the office's request for funding to continue its mission. Sherri Kimbel urged Williams to have the Attorney General review the flight routes over Ward 2.

**Community Announcements**

[none]

**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.

**Approval of Meeting Agenda**

Commissioner Tuma 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 March 9, 2016 Regular Monthly Public Meeting**

Commissioner Berry moved to approve the March 9, 2016 draft meeting minutes without modification; the motion was seconded and approved by the Commission.

**Vote: 7-0 (unanimous; Tuma not present)**

**Committee Reports**

**ABRA Policy Committee (APC)**

*Committee Report*

Commissioner Sylvester presented and moved to adopt the APC recommendations included in the Committee Report from the APC's March 2016 meeting, including:

- Recommendation to protest the Class "C" Restaurant license renewal for Table at 903 N St,

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- NW, until such time ANC 2F has entered into a Settlement Agreement with the applicant;
  - Recommendation to protest the four ABC license requests before the Commission with May 2, 2016 ABRA Petition dates in order to maintain standing in these cases, should the APC decide to recommend further action to the full Commission;

Sylvester's motion was seconded and approved by the Commission.

**Vote: 7-1**

*Request to allow summer garden at TG Cigar at 1118 9th St, NW*

As a separate matter, Sylvester then moved that the Commission send a letter to ABRA requesting that the endorsement for a summer garden at TG Cigar not be approved until such time that the Committee and community have had time to meet with the applicant and address potential noise issues; the motion was seconded and approved by the Commission.

**Vote: 7-0-1**

**Community Development Committee (CDC)**

Commissioner Kevin Deeley, Chair

*Committee Report*

Commissioner Deeley presented and moved to adopt the one unanimous recommendation included in the Committee Report from the CDC's March meeting: a request for the Commission's endorsement of the CDC's plan to explore both the process and procedural implications of further defining the historic district guidelines for ANC 2F, with Committee members Helen Kramer and Commissioner Sylvester leading the exploratory effort. Deeley's motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

**Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)**

Deeley then presented the following five Committee business items for separate votes:

*HPRB concept, massing, and design for concept/rear and roof addition at 1534 14th St, NW*

Deeley explained that although the CDC unanimously recommended support of the project, the Committee subsequently learned that several surrounding neighbors had not actually been contacted by the applicant, as the latter had affirmed at the CDC meeting. Deeley gave Ziad Elias, architect for the project, an opportunity to provide an update on the applicant's outreach to neighbors. Community members thereafter detailed their history of failed attempts to communicate with the applicant, and their desire for further dialogue before ANC 2F supports the project. Deeley moved that the Commission send a letter to HPRB opposing the project until such time that the applicant has sufficiently addressed community concerns; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

**Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)**

*Removal of WMATA bus stop at 1336 14th St, NW*

Commissioner Tuma moved that the Commission request that DDOT remove the existing bus stop shelter at 1336 14th St, NW in order to curtail ongoing litter problems and misuse of the shelter; the motion was seconded and approved by the Commission.

**Vote: 6-1-1**

*HPRB permit level plans for concept/one story addition atop garage at 1317 Naylor Ct, NW*

Deeley moved that the Commission send a letter to HPO recommending approval of the final permit review for the project; the motion was seconded and approved by the Commission.

**Vote: 7-0-1**

*Planned Unit Development at 1126 9th St, NW*

Deeley moved that the Commission enter into a community benefits package agreement with the applicant as part of the Commission's support of the PUD; the motion was seconded and approved by the Commission.

**Vote: 7-0-1**

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*HPRB final permit review for 1001 O St, NW*

After sharing the Committee's determination that the applicant had failed to address a number of the design-related concerns expressed to HPO in the recent letter from ANC 2F, Deeley moved that Commission make ten specific design change requests (as delineated by Commissioner Sylvester) to HPO and object to the application for final permit review until the Commission's design-related concerns are sufficiently addressed; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

**Vote: 8-0**

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**Crime and Public Safety Committee (CPSC)**

Commissioner Charlie Bengel, Chair

No Committee report.

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**Education Committee**

Commissioner Pepin Tuma, Chair

Commissioner Pepin Tuma shared that the School Board passed changes allowing for greater flexibility in students' graduation requirements, while still maintaining high standards. Tuma also shared that although the Mayor's State of the District address will include \$200 million for school modernizations, Garrison Elementary is not one of the listed beneficiaries. Tuma vowed to advocate for Garrison Elementary's inclusion in the list of beneficiaries.

**Old Business**

[none]

**New Business**

[none]

**Treasurer's Report**

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**Approval of Expenditures**

Commissioner Berry presented the following expenditures for approval:

1. Check #1286 in the amount of \$1,150.00, payable to Executive Director Adam Beebe, for March 2016 salary;
2. Check #1287 in the amount of \$959.88, payable to the U.S. Treasury, for 2016 Q1 IRS Form 941 quarterly federal tax return.
3. Check #1288 in the amount of \$70.56, payable to D.C. DOES, for 2016 Q1 UC-30 Employers quarterly contribution;
4. Check #1289 in the amount of \$51.59, payable to Digi Quick Print, for business cards for Commissioner Dorsey;
5. Check #1290 in the amount of \$82.99, payable to Adam Beebe, as reimbursement for the two-year server upgrade for the ANC 2F website.

**Total expenses: \$2,315.02**

Berry's motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

**Vote: 8-0 (unanimous)**

Commissioner Berry moved to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission. Meeting adjourned at **9:22 p.m.**