

ANC 2F | Regular Monthly Public Meeting

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY
JULY 5, 2017

7:00 P.M.

NATIONAL CITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH
5 THOMAS CIRCLE, NW

Attendance

PRESENT

Jason Forman (2F01)
John Guggenmos (2F02)
John Fanning (2F04)
Ron Rubin (2F05)
Kevin Sylvester (2F07)
Kevin Deeley (2F08)

ABSENT

Alex Graham (2F03)
Charlie Bengel (2F06)

GUESTS AND PRESENTERS

Cpt. David Augustine, MPD 3rd District
Sherri Kimbel, Councilmember Evans' office
Jerry Chapin, Ward 2 Liaison (Mayor's office)
Matt Bruce & Gerry Coates, "Best in Shaw"

**denotes Commissioner not present for all votes*

Meeting **called to order** by Commissioner John Fanning at **7:07 p.m.**

Commissioner Announcements

1. Commissioner Fanning shared there are flyers for trash compacting program available on the back table.

Community Forum

Report from Metropolitan Police Department PSA 307

Captain Augustine

Captain Augustine shared the monthly crime report, which compared crime statistics from June. Violent crime is down 33% and property crime is down by 24%. The PSA continues to have issues with prostitution (six arrests in the last month). The police will be providing outreach to prostitutes. Illegal fireworks were an issue over the 4th of July holiday but residents commended the police force on a job well done.

Report from Councilmember Jack Evans' office

Sherri Kimbel, Constituent Services Director

Sherri Kimbel shared four updates from Councilmember Evans' office: 1) Grant funding is available for trash compactors; 2) the Chancellor's parent cabinet is looking for volunteers; 3) resident's are encouraged to sign up for Councilmember Evans' newsletters; 4) Ward 2 will be hosting several social events this summer, including Night at the Nats game on July 26, Shakespeare in August, and Breakfast at the Building Museum in August.

Report from Executive Office of the Mayor

Jerry Chapin, Ward 2 Liaison

Jerry Chapin shared three updates from the Mayor's office: 1) the Mayor's Back to Basics Initiative includes anti-graffiti efforts; 2) residents are encouraged to sign up for the Mayor's newsletter; 3) in response to Commissioner Guggenmos noting the increase in homelessness in Logan Circle park, Chapin encouraged residents to report homeless individuals to the Department of Health Services and the Department of Behavioral Health.

Community Announcements

1. Barbara Hemlick, Director of Programs for DC Vote, provided an update on the vote for DC Statehood.

BUSINESS MEETING

Commissioner Fanning noted there was quorum to conduct the business portion of the meeting (six 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 Fanning moved to adopt the draft meeting agenda with one modification: addition of a New Business item to consider supporting the “Best in Shaw” dog show. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Vote: 6-0 (unanimous)

Approval of minutes for June 7, 2017 regular monthly public meeting

Fanning moved to approve the June 7, 2017 draft meeting minutes without modification; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Vote: 6-0 (unanimous)

Committee Reports

ABRA Policy Committee

Commissioner Graham, Chair

Commissioner Fanning gave the June 21st APC report in Commissioner Graham’s absence.

Benito’s Place at 1437 11th St, NW

Fanning moved that ANC 2F protest the New Class “C” Restaurant license for Benito’s Place pending successful negotiation of a Settlement Agreement with the Applicant; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Vote: 7-0 (unanimous)

Resolution to request creation of a new ABRA license class for beer gardens

Committee member Morgan Finkelstein Morgan shared that the APC had drafted a resolution for the Commission’s review, approval, and remittance to Chairman McDuffy. Fanning moved that ANC 2F adopt the APC’s resolution and send it to Chairman McDuffy; the motion was seconded but Fanning declined to call the question after Commissioner Deeley suggested the Commission postpone its vote on this matter until after the pending ABRA license for Dacha Beer Garden has been settled. Fanning postponed vote on the matter to the August meeting.

No action taken

Community Development Committee

Commissioner Deeley, Chair

Commissioner Deeley presented the CDC’s one recommendation from its June 24 meeting regarding 1312 13th St, NW.

1312 13th St, NW (2F04)

Deeley reported that the CDC did not think the proposed project design fit with the historical context (while noting the split 5-4 Committee vote) and recommended that the ANC send a letter to HPRB in opposition of the application. Numerous residents from the adjoining property, Solo Piazza, shared their opposition to the project due to the fact that the proposal calls for blocking the

Solo Piazza's at-risk windows. After much discussion about the at-risk windows, Deeley moved that ANC 2F send a letter to the HPRB opposing the project for the following reasons:

- Opposition to two design elements (floating windows and lack of horizontal relationship between neighboring buildings);
- The front façade design does not contribute to or reflect historic preservation;
- Opposition to reclassification of the building as non-historic;
- Opposition to the proposed massing at the rear and on top of the project.

The motion was seconded and approved by the Commission.

Vote: 5-1

Education Committee

Commissioner Forman and Pepin Tuma, Co-Chairs

No Committee report.

Old Business

[none]

New Business

Request for support of "Best in Shaw" dog show Matt Bruce & Gary Coates, organizers

Bruce and Coates, Shaw residents, requested the Commission's support for the inaugural "Best in Shaw" dog show on September 16th in partnership with Bethany Baptist Church with proceeds going to Pets DC. Commissioner Fanning moved that ANC 2F send a letter to Bethany Baptist Church in general support of the concept of the inaugural dog show; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Vote: 6-0 (unanimous)

Bill 22-0315 to exempt owner-occupied single family homes with accessory dwellings from TOPA

Commissioner Fanning moved that ANC 2F send a letter to the D.C. Council in support of the proposed legislation; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Vote: 6-0 (unanimous)

Treasurer's Report

Approval of Expenses

Commissioner Graham

In Commissioner Graham's absence, Commissioner Guggenmos moved for approval of the following expenditures:

1. Check #1327 in the amount of \$770.00, payable to Executive Director Adam Beebe, for June 2017 salary;
2. Check #1328 in the amount of \$1,424.76, payable to the U.S. Treasury, for the 941 quarterly filing for 2017 Q2 (Apr-Jun 2017);
3. Check #1329 in the amount of \$78.84, payable to D.C. DOES, for the UC-30 quarterly filing for 2017 Q2 (Apr-Jun 2017).

Total expenses: \$2,273.60

Guggenmos' motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission.

Vote: 7-0 (unanimous)

Commissioner Fanning moved to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously by the Commission. Meeting adjourned at **9:37 p.m.**