



Government of the District of Columbia, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2C
John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Room G-9
Monday, July 10, 2017, 6:30 PM

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

- Commissioner John Tinpe called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

Quorum

- Commissioners John Tinpe, Chairman, Theresa Harrison and Kevin Wilsey were present at the meeting confirming a quorum.

Agenda and Minutes

- Commissioner Tinpe made a motion to approve the July 2017 meeting agenda. The motion was approved.
- Commissioner Tinpe made a motion to approve the June 2017 meeting minutes. The motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report

- Commissioner Wilsey, Treasurer and Vice Chairman, announced that the ANC 2C opening balance for the budget in June was \$41,905.74. Our second quarter allotment was received and one outstanding check was cleared. The closing balance for the month was \$41,810.78. Our quarterly reports are being filed on time. There were no questions about the budget. Commissioner Tinpe made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. The motion was approved.

Secretary's Report

- Commissioner Harrison, Secretary, announced that time allocation for speakers will continue for this meeting with presenters either having five or 10 minutes to present. Community members will have one minute to speak and may only be called upon once during a presentation. Commissioner Harrison introduced Peter Sacco to show and review the new ANC 2C website. The website is located at <https://anc2c.us>.

Brief Community Announcements and Presentations

1. Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) update for ANC 2C. Sergeant Joshua Strassman (Joshua.strassman@dc.gov) discussed that crime continues to be on the decline overall. The First Districts is seeing a small increase in assaults with weapons and many of these incidents



are tied to domestic defense issues. Robbery and burglaries are down yet theft from automobiles continue to be an issue.

Commissioner Tinpe asked about crowd control in the Chinatown area and said that sometimes people are not able to walk by the crowds on the sidewalks. Sgt Strassman stated the MPD does monitor the area and tries to keep the sidewalks as passable as possible.

2. National Symphony Orchestra (NSO), “National Dance Day” Sunday, July 29, 2017 at the Kennedy Center for Performing Arts; and January 2018 at the Smithsonian National Museum of American Art. Warren Williams, Manager of Community Relations (wgwilliams@kennedy-center.org) discussed the new changes at the NSO including the introduction of a new conductor. In January 2018, the NSO will return to Penn-Quarter for a week of free performances – the orchestra will perform two free concerts at the Smithsonian and smaller orchestras will perform throughout the neighborhoods. Military families are invited to a free concert at Veterans Day and in December they are invited to a Thank You concert. Keep a look out for other new activities.

Local Events Impacting Community

1. National Triathlon, Sunday, September 10, 2017. Diane Romo-Thomas (dianeromothomas@hotmail.com) provided an overview of the race: distance: 1500 swim, 40k bike, 10k run. The race runs the same course as the prior year and touches the boundary of ANC 2C at 14th St and Independence Avenue SW. Commissioner Wilsey made a motion to approve. The motion was approved.

District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT)

1. Proposed westward expansion of streetcar from H Street to Georgetown. Haley Peckett (haley.peckett@dc.gov) discussed the desire to expand the streetcar.

Commissioner Tinpe asked if this project will compete with WMATA repairs? Haley said that not really due to how funds are allocated from various sources (they are looking at grant programs). Commissioner Tinpe asked when they expect to begin the work and how long will it take? Haley said it depends on when they get funding for the project and budget delays.

Finally, Commissioner Tinpe asked, looking back, what lessons have you learned and how do you plan to do this differently? Haley said that they are planners speaking w/ the community and trying to think about this project holistically by meeting with groups around city, understanding budgeting and talking to community members. The Commissioners said they would like additional information before taking further action.

2. DDOT Penn Quarter/Chinatown Multimodal Value Pricing Pilot Project. Stephanie Dock, DDOT (Stephanie.Dock@dc.gov) provided a presentation on the changes in pricing and discussed that this is the third parking meter rate adjustment in our area. The area is bounded by 3rd and 11th Street NW, E and H Street NW. The pilot aims to reduce time needed to find parking, improve



turnover of spaces in high demand areas, offer incentives to use parking space in low demand areas, reduce congestion and encourage the use of other modes of transportation. The new rate ranges from \$1/hour- \$4/hour.

Commissioner Tinpe asked if there will be a fourth price increase Stephanie said yes and they may be looking for a fifth price increase. Commissioner Tinpe asked when they expect the project to conclude? Stephanie said that they are looking at end of December. Finally, Commissioner Tinpe asked about concerns with deliveries and how are they affected by the plans. Stephanie said that DDOT's freight planner is working with shippers and others on how they can make this program work for everyone involved.

3. The Growth of new Bike Sharing Stations in ANC 2C. Zan Frackelton, Bike Sharing Program, DDOT, (Alexander.Frackelton@dc.gov) presented and update on the expansion of bike lanes. DDOT is in the midst of a three-year expansion of capital bike share system.

Commissioner Wilsey asked if the capital bike share location in his neighborhood (approximately D and 8 Sts, NW) could be moved off the street to another area. Zan said she will look into it.

4. Third Street Tunnel Development Progress Report, 300 Massachusetts Avenue NW. Minor modification to the roofs in the north block. Sean Cahill, VP & Project Manager (scahill@pgp.us.com) requested a minor modification of the PUD to occupy the roofs w/ a slightly different layout than what was approved to include an enclosed space. The request is due to a recent change the zoning laws.

Commissioner Tinpe asked how PGP is planning to use the roof space given the new zoning requirements. Sean said they intend to use them as meeting spaces for the occupants, which could be an amenity and option for tenants who move to the top floor.

Commissioner Harrison asked what was originally planned for that space. Sean said that it was planned as out outdoor terrace area. Commissioner Harrison asked if they are planning to use a combination of outdoor of closed space on the roof. Sean said they plan to keep some of the terrace space so that there is a combination of indoor/outdoor accommodations on the roof. Commissioner Harrison made a motion to send a letter of support. The motion was approved.

Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs

1. Application to renovate interior office space during off-hours. AARP, 601 E Street NW. Ally Cardamone (acardamone@hitt-gc.com), from HITT, presented on the project at AARP. The off-hours work, from 6:00pm – 3:00am for three to four weeks, is to complete the demolition portion of this project. After the demolition work is complete the proposed work schedule is from 6:00am to 3:00pm for the next 36 weeks.



Commissioner Wilsey asked if there is a door that will close behind the trucks when they back into the garage. Ally said yes, the garage door will close after the vehicle enters. Commissioner Wilsey then asked why isn't HITT starting at the required DCRA start time of 7:00am? Ally said they are trying to get work done before employees start their day and they are trying to pull the trucks before the traffic starts. Commissioner Wilsey said that HITT appears to have taken necessary precautions for the work however he is not okay with a work start time of earlier than 7:00am just because it is convenient to HITT. Commissioner Harrison agreed. Commissioner Wilsey made a motion to send a letter of support for work hours from 6:00pm to 3:00am; and a letter of support for work hours of 7:00am to 7:00pm. The motion was approved.

District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority (DC Water)

1. Lower Area Trunk Sewer Rehabilitation Project and Water Meter Replacement Project. DC Water and Sewer Authority. Tanya Hedgepeth, (Tanya.Hedgepeth@dc.water.com) and April Bingham (april.bingham@dcwater.com).

Tanya explained that the sewer rehabilitation project is part of Capital Improvement Program. DC Water will be performing sewer rehabilitation projects throughout the city. The project involves rehabilitation of the Lower Area Trunk Sewer, a 42 inch diameter brick and concrete pipe constructed in 1906 which extends from 13th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue NW to 2nd Street and Tingey Street SE. The rehabilitation includes approximately 12,000 feet (2.27 miles) of 30 inch through 42 inch sewer using cured pipe lining and the repair of 33 sewer manholes. The work is scheduled from January 2018 – January 2020, Monday to Friday, from 9:00pm – 5:00am.

Commissioner Wilsey stated that there are at least three major residential buildings that will not be pleased with this work and asked why the work is not being done during the day. Tanya explained that DDOT requested the work to occur during the evenings. Commissioner Wilsey said he would like to learn more about the project, and specifically the bypasses and where they are located.

April discussed the automatic meter replacement system, which is occurring across the city. Residents with old meters received estimated bills. Now that new meters are being installed, residents are receiving bills for actual water usage. Close to 17,000 residents were receiving estimated water bills.

Commissioner Wilsey asked if larger meters are being replaced. April stated that three inch and larger meters are not being addressed right now however DC Water and Sewer is starting to look at a replacement plan for those devices.

Commissioners Harrison, Wilsey, Tinpe asked about the price adjustment to an accurate bill and how is that affecting residents. April said that the estimate bills were based on previous usage and the



water company is working with residents to resolve billing questions. She further said that the change in billing is not meant to bring an impact to the customers.

The meeting adjourned at 8:58pm.

Next meeting:

Monday, August 14, 2017 at 6:30pm

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Proposed items for August 2017 meeting:

1. A New Campaign to Advance Washington, DC's Autonomy and Achieve Statehood. To form the District of Columbia into the new U.S. Congressional District 435. By Elias Benda, DC
VOTE ebenda@dcvot.org
2. Application submitted to the Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia for a Merger between Alta Gas Ltd., WGL Holdings Inc., and Washington Gas Light Company. Canadian Hold Co, Alta Gas Services Inc., Alta Gas Utility Holdings Inc., Wrangler 1 LLC and SPE Hold Co LLC, all of these companies will become affiliates of Washington Gas post-Merger and controlled by Alta Gas. Alta Gas was founded in 1994 and maintains its corporate headquarters at 1700 355 4 Avenue SW Calgary, Alberta, Canada. Washington Gas has been in business since 1848 and headquartered at 101 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC. Marcellous Frye, Jr. Vice President, Business Services & Public Policy MarcellousFrye@wasggas.com 703.750.4499 For further questions the Public Service Commission maybe contacted, www.dcps.org 202.626.5120

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