



Government of the District of Columbia, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2C
John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Room G-9
Monday, June 12, 2017, 6:30 PM

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

- Commissioner John Tinpe called the meeting to order at 6:28pm

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

Treasure's Report

- Commissioner Wilsey, Treasurer and Vice Chairman, announced that the ANC 2C opening balance for the budget, in May was \$41,947.72. Two checks were issued and the closing balance for the month was \$41,812.78. 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 also said the new ANC 2C website is under construction and will be available to the public by the July 2017 meeting.

Brief Community Announcements and Presentations

1. The State of Ward 2. Honorable Jack Evans, Council Member, Ward 2; Chair of Committee on Finance and Revenue; and Chairman of Metro (jevans@dccouncil.us) provided an update on Ward 2 including growth in the area and how systemic urban problems are being addressed. He commented on the progress of the DC Government budget. Council Member Evans also spoke about the state of Metro including changes being implemented throughout the system and systemic fixes that need to be addressed.



2. Mayor Community Liaison for Ward 2 Announcements. Richard Livingstone (Richard.Livingstone@dc.gov) discussed the following:

- Shelters across the city will be open as cooling centers when the heat reaches 95 degrees or higher.
- Graffiti removal efforts across the city are in force
- Chinatown park will hold a movie night on Wednesday, June 14, at 8:15pm.
- Pride month continues during June and ANC 2C welcomed thousands of people with no incidents during the weekend festivities.

3. Crime and Peace in ANC 2C. Sergeant Zachary Lynch (Zachary.lynch@dc.gov) and Officer Hope Di Bartolo (hope.Dibartolo@dc.gov), Metropolitan Police Department, (MPD) provided an update on crime in ANC 2C. While crime continues to be down overall, theft from autos remains a large issue. MPD is seeing a decrease in theft from autos parked on streets and an increase in thefts from autos parked in parking garages. MPD has begun to patrol parking garages. They will also provide theft from auto prevention tips to the community, which will begin with fliers on automobiles. Please do not leave valuables in your vehicle.

4. PEPCO, Capital Grid Project. Linda Greenan, External Affairs Manager, PEPCO/Government Affairs & Public Policy (linda.greenan@pepco.com), Travoris Culpepper, Public Affairs Manager (tculpepper@pepco.com) and Stephen Hoskins, Engineer 1 Underground Transmission (shoskins@pepco.com) discussed the proposed plan to install 10 miles of underground transmission lines throughout the city over the next several years. The work will include upgrading three existing substations and building a new substation in Mount Vernon Triangle neighborhood.

Commissioner Tinpe asked if there would be a rate hike. Linda mentioned that a rate increase could be possible but that would not be determined until PEPCO made a presentation before the Public Service Commission at some point in the future.

Commissioner Wilsey shared his thanks with Linda and PEPCO for meeting at the substation on 8th St to see if it can have a face lift.

Commissioner Tinpe made motion to send a letter of support. The motion was approved.

DC Commission on Fine Arts & Humanities, “Art in Public Space in ANC 2C”

1. Marion Barry Jr. Sculpture at John A. Wilson Building. Lauren Glover, Public Art Manager, DC Commission on Arts and Humanities (lauren.glover@dc.gov) and Steven Weitzman (Sculpture) spoke about the proposed plan to install a bronze statue of the longest serving mayor of the District of Columbia in the flowerbed at 13 ½ Street & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. The statue is sponsored by the Executive Office of the Mayor and the DC Commission on Arts and Humanities.

Commissioner Tinpe made motion to send a letter of support. The motion was approved.

2. New York Avenue Sculpture Project. Kathryn Wat, Chief Curator, National Museum of Women in the Arts (kwat@nmwa.org) spoke about a proposed sculpture installation in the 1200-1400 block of New York



Avenue by artist Betsabee Romero. Kathryn requested a letter of support for a grant, which would support the sculpture installation.

Commissioner Tinpe asked when the sculptures will be installed, what was the cost of the last outside installation that the museum did, and if plaques about the artist would be installed. Kathryn replied that they hope the Romero exhibit would be installed in April 2018 and remain in place for two years; the last outside exhibit they oversaw cost approximately \$40,000 for the installation; and descriptions of the artist and her work would accompany the exhibit.

Commissioner Tinpe made motion to send a letter of support. The motion was approved.

Local Events Impacting Community

1. Race for Every Child 5K Run/Walk. George Banker (George.r.banker2.naf@mail.mil), outlined race details for the Saturday, October 21, 2017, race at Freedom Plaza to benefit the Children's National Hospital.

Commissioner Wilsey stated that this is well run event and we've never received any complaints.

Commissioner Tinpe made motion to send a letter of support. The motion was approved.

Alcohol Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA)

1. Karma. ABRA-106319, Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant. 611 I Street NW. Hardeep Grover, Counsel (703.362.4886) and Sachin Mahajan, Karma Managing Partner (sachinmahajan6@gmail.com) outlined plans for the restaurant to tentatively open in early October 2017. Total Occupancy 200 with a Summer Garden of 30. Hours of operation of Summer Garden: Sunday-Thursday 11 am-11 pm, Friday-Saturday 11 am- 12 am.

Commissioner Tinpe made motion to send a letter of support. The motion was approved.

2. Bantam King. ABRA-100622, Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant. 501 G Street NW. Jeff Jackson (jeffjackson02@verizon.net), discussed the request for a proposed sidewalk café on G street. Proposed hours of operation of alcoholic beverage sales/serve/consumption for the sidewalk café are Sunday-Saturday 11 am- 11 pm.

Commissioner Tinpe made motion to send a letter of support. The motion was approved.

3. Tokyo Express. Stipulated license. Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant. 815 7th Street NW. Eugene Mark (Eugene.Mark@verizon.net) discussed the restaurant, which is already open, and the stipulated license for alcohol sales. There is currently no proposed sidewalk café at this location.

Commissioner Tinpe made motion to send a letter of support for a stipulated license. The motion was approved.

District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT)

1. DDOT Tracking Number 204547. Application to occupy public space for the purpose of parking on the 500-599 block of I Street NW. Linda Wong of the Chinese Community Church (linda@cccdc.com)



discussed the issues the church has experienced with parking. They tried to have sign installed but it was not the correct type of parking sign. Linda is requesting reserved parking for three spaces in front of the church.

The commissioners agreed that they need to visit the space and understand where the parking spaces are proposed and how the parking will be enforced before taking further action.

2. DDOT Tracking Number 201900. Application to occupy public space for the purpose of paving: curb, gutters, driveways; fixtures: bike racks, bike share station, trash receptacles; landscaping: tree fences and tree planting at Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library. 901 G Street NW. Tom Johnston (tjohnson@mjarchitecture.com), reviewed plans for the library including public space changes.

The Commissioners questioned exactly what part of the sidewalks will be closed and that the developers be mindful of accessibility for disabled individuals along the construction site.

Commissioner Tinpe made motion to send a letter of support. The motion was approved.

3. DDOT request for approval of street closure for USDA Farmers Market. 12th St between Independence Avenue and Jefferson Drive, SW. Leslie Burks, Sustainability & People's Garden Project Manager, USDA (Leslie.Burks@dm.usda.gov) discussed the Farmers Market and requested support for occasional street closure as needed to support education initiatives during the Farmers Market.

Commissioner Tinpe asked about the duration of the season and Leslie stated it began the first weekend in May and will end in last Friday in October.

Commissioner Harrison asked about the hours and if street closures are every week. Leslie shared that the hours for the Farmers Market are 9:30am to 2:00pm. The requested street closures will be from 7:00am to 4:00pm however the street will not be closed every week. In 2016, they only closed the street three times during the Farmers Market season.

Commissioner Tinpe made motion to send a letter of support. The motion was approved.

4. DDOT Proposed plan for new LED lights and request to use more healthful lights. Delores Bushlong, DC Street Light Task Force (citizen organization) (deloresbushlong@hotmail.com) spoke about the following:

"D.C. Department of Transportation is about to begin a major retrofit of all the District's street lights, converting them to energy-efficient LEDs. While this new technology has many wonderful attributes, concerns have been raised about the color of light they emit. So far, DDOT has only installed cool-white LEDs that have a strong blue-wavelength component and produce a harsh, bluish-white light. The American Medical Association has warned that blue-rich LED street lights cause hazardous glare and are potentially harmful to human health because of their disruptive effect on circadian sleep cycles. The AMA recommends that cities install warm-white LEDs that produce the "lowest emission of blue light possible." Commissioner Tinpe made motion to send a letter of support. The motion was approved.



The meeting adjourned at 9:58pm.

Next meeting:

Monday, July 10, 2017 at 6:30pm
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Proposed items for July 2017 meeting:

1. DDOT Penn Quarter/Chinatown Multimodal Value Pricing Pilot Project: Third parking meter rate adjustment. Area bounded by 3rd and 11th Street NW, E and H Street NW. The pilot aims to reduce time need to find parking, improve turnover of spaces in high demand, offer incentive to use parking space in low demand, reduce congestion and encourage to use other modes of transportation. The new rate ranges from \$1/hour- \$4/hour. Soumya Dey, Assoc Director, DDOT, Soumya.Dey@dc.gov 202.671.1369
2. Veteran's Day Parade: Fran Ventura and Diane Hines, FVentura@globalema.com, Diane@globalema.com
3. National Symphony Orchestra in ANC 2C. Sunday, July 29, 2017 at the National Mall and January 2018 at the Smithsonian National Museum of American Art. Warren Williams, Community Relations, wwilliams@kennedy-center.org 202.416.8112

Questions:

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