



## ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 1A

SMD 1A01 – Valerie Baron  
SMD 1A04 – Sadaf Mortezaei  
SMD 1A07 – Sharon Farmer  
SMD 1A10 – Rashida Brown

SMD 1A02 – Vickey A. Wright-Smith  
SMD 1A05 – Christine Miller  
SMD 1A08 – Kent C. Boese  
SMD 1A11 – Dotti Love Wade

SMD 1A03 – Zach Rybarczyk  
SMD 1A06 – Vacant  
SMD 1A09 – Bobby Holmes  
SMD 1A12 – Margaret Hundley

### **Minutes of the November 2017 ANC 1A Regular Meeting**

Held on November 8, 2017 at Tubman Elementary School, Washington, D.C.

Chairperson Kent Boese called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Commissioners in attendance were: Valerie Baron (1A01), Zach Rybarczyk (1A03), Christine Miller (1A05), Sharon Farmer (1A07), Kent C. Boese (1A08), Dotti Love Wade (1A11), and Margaret Hundley (1A12).

Approximately 30 persons attended the meeting. Commissioner Baron left before roll call. A quorum was declared and determined by roll call, with 6 of the 11 seated commissioners present.

### **Community Announcements**

Several Commissioners, community members and government representatives made announcements, which include the following:

- Commissioner Boese shared an upcoming meeting on November 9 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. related to the 16<sup>th</sup> Street NW bus project, to be held at the Mount Pleasant Library; also, the development team behind the Old Hebrew Home redevelopment project will hold a public meeting sometime in early December.
- Commissioner Miller shared that there will be a Christmas tree sale to benefit Bancroft Elementary on December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. along Mount Pleasant Street.
- Commissioner Wade shared updates related to DC Water construction already happening along the 1300 blocks of Columbia, Harvard, and Irving Streets. Commissioner Boese shared the DC Office on Aging has been proactive and responsive related to sidewalk repair.
- Brianne Dornbush of District Bridges shared details related to the Columbia Heights Tree Lighting Extravaganza and Community Happy Hour, to be held the evening of December 1.
- A local resident shared information on an upcoming meeting happening November 9 related to the NEAR Act, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Petworth Library, and preparations for the MLK Jr. Peace Walk and Parade.
- John Hillegass, Constituent Services Coordinator for Councilmember Brianne Nadeau shared that soil sampling will begin at Bruce Monroe. Amy McHale shared that this work will begin November 14 through 22, including work on Saturday, November 17. More information was available on flyers distributed in the back of the gymnasium.
- Local resident Jordana Merran shared her ideas for a Columbia Heights Spring Cleanup Event, to be held tentatively on the day before Earth Day 2018 (April 21, 2018). Please contact Jordana at [jordana.merran@gmail.com](mailto:jordana.merran@gmail.com) with any ideas or if you are interesting in helping plan the event.
- Sayra Molina, Ward 1 MOCRS (Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services) shared updates on Alleypalooza 6 which has started, and directed residents to the DDOT website for more information (including the repaving of the alley between Columbia and Harvard). Sayra also shared information about the Students Ride Free transportation program, the 311 app/text/email system, and reminded the community about the security camera rebate program, the start of leaf collection and DC Healthlink open enrollment, and DPR fall programming.

### **Committee Reports**

Commissioner Miller shared updates from the Education and Recreation committee, including the start of the FY19 budget priorities planning process, updates related to DGS permitting procedures, and a planned update of recreation equipment and space at Powell Park, with a public meeting in the works for late November. Minutes and notes of the last Education Committee meeting will be available on the ANC 1A website.

Commissioner Rybarczyk and Commissioner Wade will plan to host a Transportation Committee meeting tentatively scheduled for January 2018.

### **Presentations**

- District Department of Transportation (DDOT) representatives A. Wasim Raja and George Branyan updated the community on the state of traffic and transportation in and around the 14<sup>th</sup> Street NW corridor.
- Charles Bergen of Charles Bergen Studios shared renderings for a community art installation at St. Stephen and the Incarnation Episcopal Church.
- Representatives from Pepco shared updates related to the Harvard Street NW substation development.

### **ANC Administrative Matters**

Commissioner Boese introduced and moved to approve November's agenda.

- Motion was approved by voice vote, 6 Commissioners voting "Yes"; 0 voting "No"; 0 Abstaining.

### **Consent Agenda**

The November 2017 Consent Agenda included the following:

- Approval of the Prior Minutes (October 2017)
  - Commissioner Rybarczyk requested to amend the minutes to include Commissioner Miller's addition as a signatory to the ANC 1A bank account as Treasurer of ANC 1A.
- Letter of Support for a new bench on 14th Street NW, sponsored by Commissioner Miller.

Commissioner Boese introduced and Commissioner Wade moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the aforementioned changes.

- Motion was approved by voice vote, 6 Commissioners voting "Yes"; 0 voting "No"; 0 Abstaining.

### **Official Business**

Commissioner Boese introduced and Commissioner Wade moved to approve a Letter of Support for sponsoring the Columbia Heights Tree Lighting on the Civic Plaza for the amount of \$500.

- Motion was approved by voice vote, 6 Commissioners voting "Yes"; 0 voting "No"; 0 Abstaining.

Commissioner Boese introduced and moved to approve a Settlement Agreement Amendment for Park Market to allow for wine tastings at the location with proper ABRA permits.

- Motion was approved by voice vote, 6 Commissioners voting "Yes"; 0 voting "No"; 0 Abstaining.

Commissioner Wade introduced and Commissioner Miller moved to approve an Updated Grant Application for Project GiveBack, increasing the amount from \$2,000 to \$2,500 to purchase boxes for distribution.

- Motion was approved by voice vote, 6 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 0 Abstaining.

Commissioner Boese introduced and Commissioner Miller moved to support a stipulated ABRA license for Caribbean Kitchen (1400 Meridian PI NW, Washington, DC 20010) pending all paperwork is filed and its ABRA license number is located, due to ANC 1A’s winter schedule that does not align with the restaurant’s opening.

- Motion was approved by voice vote, 6 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 0 Abstaining.

Commissioner Boese introduced and Commissioner Wade moved to approve a Resolution in Support of Zoning Case 19647, Potomac Electric Power Company Harvard Substation at premises 1001 Harvard Street NW (Square 2852, Lots 33, and 807).

- Details of the resolution: pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 9, for special exceptions under Subtitle X § 900.3 to expand an utility use, and under Subtitle A § 207.2 in order to extend the MU-4 Zone regulations to a 35 foot portion of the site zoned RF-1 and pursuant to Subtitle X, Chapter 10, for variances from the vehicle parking requirements of Subtitle C § 701.5, the bicycle parking requirements of Subtitle C § 802.1, the loading requirements of Subtitle C § 901.1, and from the previous surface requirements of Subtitle E § 204.1 to modernize and expand the existing electrical substation in the MU-4 and RF-1 Zones at premises 1001 Harvard Street NW (Square 2852, Lots 33, and 807).
- Motion was approved by voice vote, 6 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 0 Abstaining.

Commissioner Miller introduced and Commissioner Hundley moved to support a request for a special general meeting on December 13, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Tubman Elementary Gymnasium to allow for votes on education-related resolutions and any other pressing matters.

- Motion was approved by voice vote, 6 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 0 Abstaining.

### **Adjournment**

Chairperson Boese moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 p.m.