

Minutes of the September 2017 ANC 1A Regular Meeting

Held on September 13, 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), Vickey A. Wright-Smith (1A02), Zach Rybarczyk (1A03), Christine Miller (1A05), Richard DuBeshter (1A06), Sharon Farmer (1A07), Kent C. Boese (1A08), Bobby Holmes (1A09), Rashida Brown (1A10), Dotti Love Wade (1A11), and Margaret Hundley (1A12).

Approximately 40 persons attended the meeting. Commissioner Mortezaei left before roll call at 7:30 p.m, and Commissioner Love Wade left during Official Business at 9:15 p.m. A quorum was declared and determined by roll call.

Community Announcements

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

- Commissioner Miller shared details regarding a community engagement event on the Columbia Heights Civic Plaza on Saturday, September 23, 2017 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Commissioner Boese shared details regarding the ongoing Halloween costume drive being organized by Georgia Avenue THRIVE; the Park Morton block party taking place on Saturday, September 23, 2017 from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and a community movie being shown at the Park View Recreation Center on Saturday, September 16, 2017.
- Commissioner Rybarczyk invited community members to join him and neighbors for a quick litter pickup and walkthrough on Sunday, September 17, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. near the Columbia and 14th Street bus stop.
- Sayra Molina, Ward 1 MOCRS (Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services) shared updates including details on the H Street Festival happening the weekend of Saturday, September 16, 2017, information about the Every Day Counts initiative, Microsoft certification training, and the Mayor's 30-Month Progress Report.
- John Hillegass, Constituent Services Coordinator from Councilmember Nadeau's office shared a news regarding the upcoming Brienne on Your Block event at Coffy Café, and the recent birth of the Councilmember's daughter.
- Commissioner Love Wade encouraged community members to watch an informational program on child hunger in the District, set to air on Thursday, September 14, 2017.
- Tony Donaldson, Jr., from My Brother's Keeper DC, shared information on his crime and violence prevention program happening in Ward 1.

Committee Reports

Commissioner Rybarczyk shared updates from the transportation committee, including details from the August 2017 walk through of 14th Street with DDOT representatives, and a call for neighbors who use 16th Street public transportation to review DDOT's proposed design changes related to the 16th Street bus project, available online at 16thstreetnbus.com or by contacting Spring Worth at DDOT before October 3, 2017. Representatives from DDOT will present other updates, including a report on the Barnes Dance, at the October 2017 ANC 1A meeting.

Presentations

Artist Jay Coleman, presented a mural proposal for Bernice Fonteneau Senior Wellness Center.

Ben Somberg from the Chesapeake Climate Action Network (CCAN) presented information on the Climate and Community Reinvestment Act of DC.

A preliminary presentation for community and Commission feedback was made regarding BZA Case 19603: request for a special exception under Subtitle E § 5203.3 from the rooftop architectural element restrictions in Subtitle E § 206.1, to remove an existing bay window in an existing one-family dwelling in the RF-1 Zone at premises 435 Park Road N.W. (Square 3036, Lot 17)

ANC Administrative Matters

Commissioner Boese requested that the Resolution in Support of the Ann Hughes Hargrove Park Designation Act of 2017 (B22-0292) be moved to the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner DuBeshter requested to move DDOT #10457547 Public Space Permit for Odd Provisions Enclosed Sidewalk and BZA Case 10-26D: Request for Two Year Extension on Consolidated PUD at 3321-3335 Georgia Avenue, NW up in the Consent Agenda to assist with the presenters' schedules.

Commissioner Rybarczyk stated that he will recuse himself from BZA Case 10-26D: Request for Two Year Extension on Consolidated PUD at 3321-3335 Georgia Avenue, NW.

Commissioner Wright-Smith requested time for a presentation related to the Letter of Support for St. Stephen and the Incarnation Episcopal Church's Grant Application for Trash Improvements after a vote on the FY 2018 ANC 1A budget.

Commissioner Boese introduced and Commissioner Love Wade moved to approve September's agenda with the aforementioned changes.

- Motion was approved by voice vote, 11 Commissioners voting "Yes"; 0 voting "No"; 0 Abstaining.

Commissioner Boese introduced and moved to approve the ANC 1A budget for FY 2018 following the FY 2017 budget structure, which can be reallocated as needed in the future.

- Motion was approved by voice vote, 11 Commissioners voting "Yes"; 0 voting "No"; 0 Abstaining.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Boese introduced and moved to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes the following:

Approval of the Prior Minutes (July 2017)

Letter of Support for Use of Park View Recreation Center Pavilion/Fieldhouse for Birthday Celebration

Letter of Support for Mural at the Bernice Fonteneau Senior Wellness Center

Letter of Support for Use of the Columbia Heights Civic Plaza as Part of Community Engagement and Music Event

Letter of Support for St. Stephen and the Incarnation Episcopal Church's Grant Application for Trash Improvements

Letter of Support of Standard of Care for Animals Amendment Act (B22-0392)

Resolution in Support of the Ann Hughes Hargrove Park Designation Act of 2017 (B22-0292) (Boese)

- Motion was approved by voice vote, 9 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 0 Abstaining.

Official Business

Commissioner DuBeshter introduced and moved to support the Grant Application for the Luray-Warder Neighborhood Association Block Party.

- Commissioner Love Wade requested to change the grant amount to \$605.00 so only approved purchases are funded.
- Motion was approved by voice vote, 11 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 0 Abstaining. Commissioner Brown recused herself from the vote.

Commissioner DuBueshter introduced and moved to support a Grant Application for the Civic Plaza Partners (CPP) Fall Concert Series.

- Commissioner Love Wade requested to change the grant amount to \$300.00 so only approved purchases are funded.
- Motion was approved by voice vote, 10 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 1 Abstaining.

Commissioner Boese introduced and Commissioner Love Wade moved to support a Grant Application for Friends of the Soldiers Home's Fall Fun Fest at the Armed Forces Retirement Home for \$900 to cover the cost of table, chair and tent rental.

- Motion was approved by voice vote, 10 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 1 Abstaining.

Commissioner DuBeshter introduced and then requested and Commissioner Boese moved that a Letter of Support for a Friends of the Park Group at the Monroe/Park/New Hampshire/Sherman Triangle Park be tabled to the October 2017 ANC 1A meeting.

- Motion was approved by voice vote, 11 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 0 Abstaining.

Commissioner DuBeshter introduced DDOT #10457547 Public Space Permit for Odd Provisions Enclosed Sidewalk.

- Commissioner Baron moved to support the Permit with the stipulation that Odd Provisions provides signage on the property that Odd Provisions’ patio is open to the public.
- Commissioner Farmer moved to vote via roll call.
- Motion to vote via roll call was approved by a voice vote, 7 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 1 Abstaining.
- Commissioner Baron moved to support the Permit with the stipulation that Odd Provisions provides signage on the property that Odd Provisions’ patio is open to the public.
- Motion was approved by roll call, 8 Commissioners voting “Yes” (Baron, Rybarczyk, Miller, Brown, Boese, Holmes, DuBeshter, Hundley); 3 voting “No” (Wright-Smith, Farmer, Love Wade); 0 Abstaining.

Commissioner Boese introduced and Commissioner Brown moved to support BZA Case 10-26D: Request for Two Year Extension on Consolidated PUD at 3321-3335 Georgia Avenue, NW.

- Motion was approved by a voice vote, 9 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 0 Abstaining; 1 Recused (Rybarczyk).

Commissioner Boese introduced and Commissioner Miller moved to support a Resolution Requesting a Review of DCPS/DGS School Athletic Field Permitting Process and 30-Day Notice of Closings

- Motion was approved by a voice vote, 9 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 0 Abstaining; 1 Recused (Brown).

Commissioner Boese introduced and moved to support a Resolution to Repave Columbia Road

- Commissioner Brown requested to be added as a cosponsor to the Resolution.
- Motion was approved by a voice vote, 10 Commissioners voting “Yes”; 0 voting “No”; 0 Abstaining.

Adjournment

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