

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

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

Commissioner John Tinpe called the meeting to order at 6:29 PM.

Quorum

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

Brief Community Announcements and Presentations

- 1. US Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton. Congresswoman Holmes Norton spoke about the work she has done through the years, and continues to do, for her constituents.
 - Commission Tinpe asked about the DC Tag program. Congresswoman Holmes
 Norton spoke about the success of the program in that it keeps residents of the
 District of Columbia while college age students are able to attend state colleges in
 other states as if they were an in-state student.
- 2. Mayor's Community Liaison's Report. Richard Livingstone, Mayor's Community Liaison for Ward 2, (Richard.Livingstone@dc.gov) share the following topics:
 - ➤ The Mayor's State of District address is Thursday, March 15 at 6:00 PM at UDC. All are welcome to attend, or you can listen online.
 - ➤ The March for Life is happening on March 24 in ANC 2C and will occur on Pennsylvania Ave. This will be impactful for Penn Quarter Neighborhood. Richard is setting up a call w/ the Commissioners to further discuss.
 - Office of Unified Communications (3-1-1 and 9-1-1) is offering an open house or March 22, at 6:30 PM. All are welcome to attend.
- 3. Metropolitan Police Department Report. Captain Jonathan Dorrough, First District, Metropolitan Police Department (Jonathan.Dorrough@dc.gov) spoke about a slight spike in robberies in Chinatown and surrounding neighborhoods. Some of the robberies are domestic violence related while others are snatch robberies that occur to pedestrians on the street primarily from juvenile groups.
 - Captain Dorrough encouraged community members to sign up for the Yahoo MPD 1D list serve where you can get an idea of activities in the area.



- Dealing w/ juveniles is a challenge as the video cannot be released to the public.
- > The First District has implemented another crime patrol unit that is responsible for contacting suspicious persons in the area. The goal is to help combat the minor spike in crime we are seeing.
- Other crime statistics are showing a decrease in some areas, remain static, or show a slight spike in other areas such as car and retail robberies.
- > The MPD will be on full deployment for the March for our Lives rally on March 24...
 - Commissioner Tinpe mentioned that we (Commissioners Tinpe and Harrison and Richard Livingstone) met w/ a member of the DC Housing Authority and management of Judiciary House as a result of the January / February public safety incidents at the building.
 - Commissioner Tinpe mentioned parking at Ventana and asked for additional enforcement in the area since it appears that people are ignoring the parking signs. Captain Dorrough said this is a difficult challenge to focus on parking enforcement during rush hours and explained that DPW is the primary organization for parking enforcement. Commissioner Tinpe suggested residents take a picture of the sign/car violations and report them to 311.
- 4. Parking Enforcement, Ventana Condominium, 912 F St NW. Brooks Minnick (Brooks.Minnick@gmail.com) discussed issues with parking violations in front of the Ventana.
 - Commissioner Tinpe stated that public space permits are for sidewalk cafes, not necessarily for parking. He suggested the Commissioners could send something to committee for public space and see if this particular location could be addressed.
 - Commissioner Harrison asked for clarification about "no special parking permits" that
 Brooks mentioned. Brooks said the concept was just for the Ventana.
 - Commissioner Wilsey asked if there are there other parking spaces around? Brooks said not really. Commissioner Wilsey stated that it was his understanding that you are paying to use the space all day long when you get public space permits. It sounds like the permits are not being used correctly and the permits are only for metered spaces.
 - Commissioner Tinpe asked if the vendors (food trucks and other entertainment vehicles)
 are serving alcohol? If yes then they should have a permit and the Commissioners could
 address the issue through ABRA. Brooks said yes. Commissioner Wilsey said they may
 be using a catering license.



- Commissioner Wilsey stated that whoever issues parking permits needs to see how they are being abused and red-flag how the permits are being addressed.
- All commissioners agreed the next step is to arrange for a separate meeting w/ DDOT and the neighbors to discuss.
- 5. DC Reinvest Coalition (DCRI), Sam Sheline (Sam.Sheline@gmail.com), Resident, Lansburgh Apartments, discussed reasons why he would like the City of DC to no longer to do business with Wells Fargo.
 - o Commissioner Tinpe asked who would the group suggest as a financial institution in lieu of Wells Fargo? DCRI said they are ok w/ some of the other large banks but only as an intermediary goal as we'd like to see the City work with a medium size bank.
 - Commissioner Harrison asked who else would you recommend the City to bank with?
 DCRI said they don't have an answer and they could answer this question later.
 - Commissioner Tinpe asked what other responses has DCRI received from Council members? There a bill that co-introduced and has had good support but the bill is being held up in Finance Committee.
 - Commissioner Harrison asked when DCRI started their initiative. They said a year ago.
 There was a prior organization that focused on divestment and DCRI's organization is about investment.
 - Commissioner Wilsey said he would be interested in seeing a feasibility study before he provided support of resolution.
 - Commissioner Harrison said she commended the group's efforts and initiative however she would not support a withdraw of Wells Fargo until there is additional research to review.
 - Commissioner Tinpe said we will review and further discuss with our constituents.

Local Events Impacting Community

- Cherry Blossom Ten Mile Run 2018, Saturday, April 7, 2018, in ANC 2C, at Independence Avenue SW. George Banker (<u>George.R.Banker2.naf@mail.mil</u>). George discussed the details of the race.
 - Commissioner Tinpe asked how many years has this been going on? George said since
 2002 with Credit Union and 46 years w/ the Cherry Blossom Festival.
 - Commissioner Tinpe made a motion to send a letter or support. The motion was approved.



- 2. Army 10 Miler, Sunday, October 7, 2018, in ANC 2C, at Independence Avenue SW. George Banker (George.R.Banker2.naf@mail.mil) George discussed the details of the race.
 - Commissioner Tinpe made a motion to send a letter or support. The motion was approved.
- 3. Girls On The Run 5K, Sunday, June 3, 2018, Freedom Plaza. Race is along the recommended route along Pennsylvania Ave NW. Kristin Komlosy, Executive Director (Kristin@gotrdc.com) discussed the details of the race and program.
 - Commissioner Tinpe made a motion to send a letter or support. The motion was approved.
- 4. Race for Hope 5K, Sunday, May 6, 2018, Freedom Plaza. Race is along the recommended route on Pennsylvania Avenue NW. Mindy Hoff (Mindy.Hoff@abc2.org) discussed the details of the race.
 - o Commissioner Harrison asked what is the set up time? Mindy said the stage will be set up the night before, but also at 4:00 AM on the day of the race.
 - Commissioner Tinpe asked how many runners and participants are they expecting?
 Mindy said approximately 10,000.
 - Commissioner Tinpe made a motion to send a letter or support. The motion was approved.
- 5. ASCRS Run for Sight 5K & 1 Mile Run, Sunday, April 15, 2018, 6:30 AM, to benefit American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery, Pennsylvania Avenue between 3rd & 9th Street NW. Fred Treseler (treseler@trcs.net) discussed the details of the race and program. This is not an annual event and it is associated w/ a convention.
 - Commissioner Tinpe asked when was the last time ASCRS had this race in DC? Fred said the last time was October 25, 2014 and we worked with an adjoining race. We have also been in DC in 2008, 2006, 2005.
 - Commissioner Tinpe made a motion to send a letter or support. The motion was approved.

Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA)

Punjab Grill at 1001 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, ABRA-109216, Retailer's Class "C" Restaurant, 427 11th Street NW. New Class C Restaurant serving Indian cuisine. Seating Capacity of 150. Total Occupancy Load of 199. Sidewalk Café with 50 seats. The License will include an Entertainment Endorsement to provide Live Entertainment. Hours of Operation and Alcoholic Beverage Sales, Service and Consumption Inside Premises and for Sidewalk Café: Sunday through Thursday 10 am – 2 am, and Friday and Saturday 10:00 AM – 3:00 AM. Hours of Live



Entertainment Indoor Only: Sunday through Thursday 10:00 AM – 2:00 AM; Friday and Saturday 10:00 AM – 3:00 AM. Petition Protest Deadline: April 23, 2018. Matt Minora (mminora@malliosobrien.com) of Mallios O'Brien discussed the ABRA license request.

- Commissioner Harrison asked what are the hours they are asking for? Matt said they are asking for later garden closing hours due to other restaurants in the area having similar hours.
- Commissioner Tinpe commented that this ANC likes uniformity so that there is no discrepancy for businesses.
- Commissioner Wilsey said the Commissioners can take proximity of a residence into consideration.
- Commissioner Tinpe asked what about the Trump hotel. Matt said they have extended hours
- Commissioner Harrison said we would like uniformity among the restaurants in the area;
 the other restaurants mentioned Harry's Bar, Central received their liquor licenses
 before these Commissioners were seated.
- Commissioner Tinpe again reiterated we would like uniformity across ANC 2C.
- Commissioner Wilsey commented that Penn Social has extended hours due to an ABRA overrule.
- Commissioner Tinpe commented that we believe patrons should be able to continue w/ drinking and socializing at restaurants, but it should be inside. Matt and team stated that if they serve someone at 9:45 PM, then they have to move them inside in the midst of their dining experience. They suggested they the hours be extended and then in a year's time after the business has been operational that the ANC could review the hours.
- Commissioner Harrison suggested that they do the reverse and start w/ lesser hours, and establish their business in the neighborhood, and when the license is up for renewal then possibly ask for extended hours. Commissioner Harrison also mentioned another restaurant, that came before this ANC within the last year, that is located amongst office buildings, and the hours were not extended for that location.
- Commissioner Tinpe commented that we would like to continue working with uniformity of the businesses in the area.
- Commissioner Tinpe made a motion to send a letter of support w/ hours recommended by ANC (Sunday to Thursday until 11:00 PM; Friday and Saturday until 12:00 AM). The motion was approved.

Department Of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA)

- Application for Signage at Georgetown University School of Continuing Education, 640
 Massachusetts Avenue NW. Regina Bleck (rmb93@georgetown.edu) discussed the new address numbering above the buildings front doors that they are proposing to help with an identity issue with the school.
 - o Commissioner Wilsey made a motion to write a letter of support. The motion was approved.



Agenda and Minutes

- Commissioner Tinpe made a motion to approve the March agenda. The motion was approved.
- Commissioner Wilsey made a motion approve the February 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 February was \$44,658.02. There was one expense paid. The closing balance for February was \$44,555.72.

Secretary's Report

• Commissioner Harrison, Secretary, did not anything to report at this time given that announcements were held at the end of the meeting.

Additional Announcements

US Congressman, DC (Shadow) Franklin Garcia (<u>franklin.garcia@dc.gov</u>) discussed the District of Columbia's goal of becoming the 51st state.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Questions:

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