

**Minutes for the Meeting of
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E**

June 3, 2013

Georgetown Visitation School, 35th and Volta Place, Heritage Room

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Commissioner Lewis, Chair. Commissioners Starrels, Solomon, Lewis, Prindiville, Jones, Birch, and Cassey present, constituting a quorum.

Administrative

Approval of June 3, 2013, ANC 2E Public Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Solomon moved to approve the agenda of the June 3, 2013 ANC 2E public meeting. Commissioner Starrels seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

Approval of April 29, 2013, Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Solomon moved to approve the minutes of the April 29, 2012 ANC 2E public meeting. Commissioner Prindiville seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

Financial Report

Commissioner Jones reported that ANC2E finances are in order.

Commissioner Solomon moved to approve the financial report. Commissioner Birch seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

Public Safety Report

Lieutenant Hedgecock of the Metropolitan Police Department reported on public safety matters in the neighborhood. Traffic concerns were the most common in the last month.

Transportation Report

Commissioner Lewis discussed the recent DDOT meeting regarding parking and congestion in the Georgetown and Burleith communities.

Department of Public Works Report

Commissioners Jones discussed Environmental Crime Unit of DPW.

Community Comment

Update on Dumbarton Oaks Park

Rebecca Trafton, co-founder and president of the Dumbarton Oaks Park Conservancy, discussed the formation of a new organization to support Dumbarton Oaks Park.

New Business

DC Water presentation on planning for the Potomac River Combined Sewer Overflow Project

A representative from DC Water presented on the proposed Potomac River Combined Sewer Overflow Project and its impact on the Georgetown neighborhood.

Request by Georgetown Presbyterian Church for a picnic permit for Volta Park on September 29

Commissioner Lewis made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Prindiville. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

ANC2E endorses the request by the Georgetown Presbyterian Church for a picnic in Volta Park on September 29.

Request by Westside Club for picnic permits for Volta Park on July 4 and Labor Day

Commissioner Lewis made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Solomon. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

ANC2E endorses the request by Westside Club of Georgetown for picnics in Volta Park on July 4 and Labor Day.

ABC

The Graham, 1075 Thomas Jefferson Street, NW, ABRA-089867, license renewal application

Commissioner Birch made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Starrels. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0.

ANC2E protests the renewal of the liquor license for The Graham, 1075 Thomas Jefferson Street, NW, ABRA-089867 based on concerns of peace, order, and quiet.

Old Georgetown Board

Commissioner Birch chaired the meeting for consideration of the following OGB-related matters. Commissioner Lewis did not participate in the discussion or vote regarding any of these matters.

Regular Calendar

Private Projects

SMD 05, 1115 30th Street, NW, OG 13-163 (HPA 13-286) Commercial, Alterations, sign, roof deck, Concept – revised design

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Jones. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

ANC2E likes the revisions, but maintains concerns regarding the size and sightlines of the roof deck.

SMD 05, 3299 M Street, NW, OG 13-214 (HPA 13-370) Commercial, Alterations to storefront, new openings, replacement windows, Concept

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Cassey. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

ANC2E supports the revisions to the building, but has some concern in regard to the front entrance with the floor-to-ceiling windows. We would appreciate OGB's discussion of these windows.

SMD 05, 3401 M Street, NW, OG 13-202 (HPA 13-358) Commercial, Alterations to rear, enclose second floor porch, Concept

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Solomon. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

ANC2E has no objection as presented.

SMD 05, 3401 Water Street, NW, OG 13-193 (HPA 13-345) Commercial, Door surround, light fixture, sign for "Gypsy Sally's" on second floor, rooftop equipment, Permit

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Solomon. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

ANC2E would like OGB to pay attention to the project. ANC2E does have objection to the Gypsy Salley sign which has objectionable dimensions. We defer to OGB's judgement.

SMD 05, 3401 Water Street, NW, OG 13-205 (HPA 13-361) Commercial, Mural, sign for "Malmaison", alterations to garage doors, light fixtures, cameras, exposed conduits – existing, Permit – revision to permit

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Solomon. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

ANC2E has no objections, but does request that OGB evaluate the conduits on the exterior of the building.

SMD 05, 1218 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, OG 13-199 (HPA 13-355) Commercial, Blade sign for "El Centro D.F.," Concept

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Prindiville. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

ANC2E opposes the blade sign as proposed.

SMD 06, 1354 27th Street, NW, OG 13-192 (HPA 13-344) Residence, Rear addition at fourth floor, Concept

Commissioner Birch made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Jones. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

ANC2E has no objection as proposed.

SMD 06, 2734 P Street, NW (also 1417 28th Street, NW) OG 13-147 (HPA 13-246) Residence, Demolition of rear and new 3-story addition plus basement, site work, concept

Commissioner Birch made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Prindiville. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

ANC2E approaches the proposal of an addition at this address with a number of concerns: we call to the attention of the OGB questions regarding 1. The appropriateness of proposed demolition; 2. The appropriateness of the scale and massing of the addition relative to the historic structure keeping in mind that an addition to an historic building should not render the historic building subservient; 3. Questions regarding the compatibility of the design to its neighborhood; and 4. Questions regarding privacy concerns with the extensive use of glass. We demand the conservation of the three specimen Magnolia trees at the rear of the property and call the attention of the OGB to the safety to birds and other wildlife due to the glass of this expansive addition. Finally, we reflect that a neighbor to the east has requested a change to the fence between the two properties to maintain an historic open structure and, second, to consider a pitched roof on the proposed car port to mitigate visual concerns to neighbors living on Poplar St.

SMD 02, 1632 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, OG 13-211 (HPA 13-367) Commercial, Replacement door, blade sign for “Lovely,” Permit

Commissioner Birch made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Jones. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

ANC2E has no objection to the project as presented.

SMD 03, 1335 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, OG 13-185 (HPA-310) Commercial, Free-standing ATM on public space, Concept

Commissioner Birch made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Starrels. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

ANC2E opposes the proposal placing a free-standing ATM at this location.

SMD 03, 1344 Wisconsin Avenue, NW (also 1340 Wisconsin Avenue, NW), OG 13-137 (HPA 13-236) Commercial, Alterations to storefronts, rooftop mechanical equipment, Concept – revised design

Commissioner Jones made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Birch. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

ANC2E has no objection to the proposal as presented.

SMD 03, 1422 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, OG 13-204 (HPA 13-360) Commercial, Repair slate roof, alterations to rear after collapse of rear addition, Permit

Commissioner Jones made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Solomon. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

ANC2E has no objection to the proposal as presented.

At 9:37 p.m., with no further matters on the agenda, Commissioner Lewis moved to adjourn the public meeting session of ANC 2E. Commissioner Prindiville seconded the motion. With a vote of 7-0, the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Prindiville
Secretary, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E