



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E

Representing the communities of Burleith, Georgetown, and Hillandale

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Mr. Delano Hunter  
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### RE: Jelleff Recreation Center Renovation Project

Dear Director Hunter,

On November 1, 2021 ANC 2E held its regularly scheduled public meeting, which was properly noticed and attended by five commissioners, constituting a quorum. At this meeting the Commission adopted the following resolution by a vote of (5-0-0) with regard to the above-referenced matter:

ANC 2E's community, unlike most others in DC, has been lacking vibrant public indoor spaces for community functions, gatherings, performances, and physical exercise and sports competition. In October, \$21 million was added to the \$7 million budget to renovate the Jelleff Recreation Center, bringing the total renovation budget to \$28.188 million. The Georgetown and Burleith communities look forward to embarking on this important, much needed, and long overdue project with a significant and more realistic budget. This is the first step toward creating a vibrant community center for the Georgetown and Burleith communities. The important four-fold budget increase to the Jelleff Recreation Center renovation project that was passed this year will give the community the public indoor spaces they have been lacking for so long.

As a reminder ANC 2E's community priorities can be found on the ANC website [here](#).

ANC 2E writes to respectfully request that the project kick off in earnest within the month, as funds are now available and the need for a modern, renovated recreation center in Georgetown and Burleith is critical.

ANC 2E requests that the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) do the following:

#### COMMISSIONERS:

Kishan Putta, District 1    Jenny Mitchell, District 2    Rick Murphy, District 3  
Lisa Palmer, District 5    Gwendolyn Lohse, District 6  
Elizabeth Miller, District 7

- hire a project management contractor by December 1, 2021,
- hold a minimum of three community meetings during the initial planning phase,
- have a Community Input Team (CIT), similar to DC Public Schools' School Improvement Team (SIT), that meets monthly,
- distribute a public survey with survey input from the CIT to avoid the confusion found in the Jelleff Feasibility Study survey,
- publish comments from the chats at the three community meetings on the construction website, and
- consider the Jelleff Feasibility Study as a guide but not a final plan.

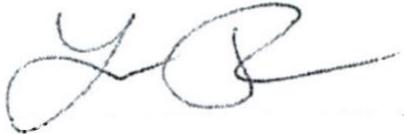
In addition, ANC 2E suggests the following timeline for the project:

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| • December 2021 | Hire project management contractor |
| • January 2022  | First community meeting            |
| • February 2022 | Second community meeting           |
| • February 2022 | Community survey                   |
| • March 2022    | Third community meeting            |
| • May 2022      | Design complete                    |
| • July 2022     | Construction start                 |
| • July 2023     | Construction end                   |

ANC 2E looks forward to working closely with DPR and thanks the agency for its continued partnership.

Commissioners Elizabeth Miller ([2E07@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2E07@anc.dc.gov)) and Lisa Palmer ([2E05@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2E05@anc.dc.gov)) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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