

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

October 31, 2012

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

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

Administrative

Approval of October 29, 2012 ANC 2E Public Meeting Agenda

The agenda for the September 4th, 2012 ANC 2E public meeting was approved on a motion by Commissioner Jones (Commissioner Starrels seconded) by a vote of 6-0.

Approval of October 1, 2012 Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the July 2nd, 2012 ANC 2E public meeting were approved on a motion by Commissioner Lewis (Commissioner Sticka seconded) by a vote of 6-0.

Financial Report

The 4th quarter financial report was approved on a motion by Commissioner Solomon (Commissioner Starrels seconded) by a vote of 6-0.

The following resolution was adopted on a motion by Commissioner Solomon (Commissioner Starrels seconded) by a vote of 6-0:

ANC 2E approves effective November 1, 2012, payment of consulting compensation of \$50 per month to Larae Marsh of Marsh Bookkeeping Service, for independent consulting services relating to accounting and bookkeeping for employment taxes, for an at-will period as determined in the discretion of ANC 2E from time to time, of up to one year. The first payment in the amount of \$100.00 will be made on November 1, 2012, for the first two months of such services consisting of November and December 2012, and thereafter payments of \$150.00 will be made quarterly beginning January 1, 2013, with a maximum of \$600.00 for the total of such payments in any twelve-month period.

A motion by Commissioner Solomon (Commissioner Jones seconded) to approve a revised FY 2013 budget for the Commission, as attached to these minutes, was approved by a vote of 6-0.

Public Safety Report

Commissioner Solomon reported that there is a significant Metropolitan Police Department presence in Georgetown for Halloween. Commissioner Solomon also cautioned community members to keep packages indoors as the holiday season approaches.

Transportation Report

Commissioner Starrels reported progress on ensuring that SmartMeters for parking are present with appropriate signage in Georgetown. Commissioner Sticka reported that the G-2 bus will not be running west of Wisconsin Avenue until mid-December.

Commissioner Lewis reported that the District Department of Transportation had been proactive in its Hurricane Sandy response. Commissioner Lewis also reported that the Citizens Association of Georgetown and the Burlieth Citizens Association are planning on holding a community meeting with the District Department of Transportation to discuss parking issues in our community.

Commissioner Lewis proposed the following resolution (Commissioner Jones seconded), which passed 6-0:

ANC 2E is authorized to sponsor a community meeting regarding parking with members of the District Department of Transportation along with the Citizens Association of Georgetown and the Burlieth Citizens Association.

Department of Public Works Report

Commissioner Jones reported that the Department of Public Works has been working rapidly with the District Department of Transportation and other city agencies to clean up debris from Hurricane Sandy. Commissioner Jones also encouraged residents to help the Department of Public Works with leaf collection.

2013 ANC 2E Public Meeting Dates

Commissioner Lewis announced that the proposed 2013 ANC 2E meeting dates have been posted on the ANC 2E website and said that they will be voted upon at the next meeting.

Community Comment

Peter Prindiville, a candidate for ANC 2E Single Member District 08, introduced himself to the community and spoke about the campaign that he has been running.

Joe Sternlieb, the new Chief Executive Officer of the Georgetown Business Improvement District, spoke to the community about his new role with the BID.

Commissioner Lewis announced that the new boundaries for ANC 2E's districts are now posted on the ANC 2E website.

New Business

Nomination by CAG of the District Department of Transportation's O and P Streets restoration project for an award for excellence in historic preservation

Pam Moore from the Citizens Association of Georgetown announced that CAG was nominating the District Department of Transportation's O and P Street restoration project for a national award for excellence in historic preservation.

Commissioner Birch made the following resolution (Commissioner Jones seconded), which passed 6-0:

Whereas, ANC 2E and the Georgetown community have worked closely with the D.C. Department of Transportation (DDOT) to restore the historic blocks of O and P Streets starting with the concept of preserving the trolley tracks and the granite street pavers through to the successful completion of the project; and

Whereas, the scope of work for this project was complex and detailed and included, in addition to the restoration of the trolley tracks and the street pavers, the reconstruction of the brick sidewalks, wheelchair ramps, driveways, and tree boxes, and improvements in the utilities and street lighting in the project; and

Whereas, DDOT and the individuals involved in the work of the project were continually cooperative with the community and clearly shared our concern about the character of historic Georgetown and the quality of the work and brought special attention and skill to the restoration, saving an important example of transportation history and setting a high standard for the execution of a public works project;

Therefore, ANC2E supports the nomination of the DC Department of Transportation (DDOT) for a 2013 District of Columbia Award for Excellence in Historic Preservation for its work rehabilitating O and P Streets between 37th Street and Wisconsin Avenue in Georgetown.

Capital Bikeshare station relocation on Wisconsin Avenue, NW

Commissioner Starrels explained that the Capital Bikeshare station currently on Wisconsin Avenue must move due to the commencement of construction for a new condominium project. After discussion regarding possible new locations, it was decided to remove three parking spaces to install the station.

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion (Commissioner Solomon seconded), which passed by a vote of 6-0:

ANC 2E approves the District Department of Transportation's (DDOT) request to relocate the Capital Bikeshare station currently located at 1045 31st, NW to the parking lane at 1041 Wisconsin Avenue, NW. The station will be 60 feet in length and will accommodate 23 bikes. Three of the four parking spaces will be eliminated along with the meters associated with them. A single parking space with a single meter will be located just south of the Capital Bikeshare station to serve as a buffer for northbound traffic. Additionally, DDOT will install a multi-space parking meter on the west side of the street. DDOT will also eliminate the loading zone single space on the west side. The multiple-space meter will be for the 1000 block of Wisconsin Avenue, NW from approximately South Alley, NW to K Street, NW.

Comcast boxes on sidewalks in Georgetown

Commissioners Lewis and Birch reported the Comcast has begun installing large, green boxes onto the streets of Georgetown, despite historic-preservation rules requiring advance review and approval in the Georgetown Historic District. Commissioner Birch also reported that the installation of these boxes has been accompanied by construction at inappropriate times and the use of inappropriate residential areas for construction staging.

ABC

3401 K Street, NW, Gypsy Sally's Acoustic Tavern, LLC, License No. ABRA-090582,

application for license

A representative from Gypsy Sally's Acoustic Tavern presented on their concept for a restaurant and music venue on K Street. Commissioner Starrels and the applicant discussed the need for a voluntary agreement for this location. In order for this to occur, it was decided that ANC 2E would protest the application.

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion (Commissioner Birch seconded), which passed by a vote of 6-0:

ANC 2E is working with the Citizens Association of Georgetown, the applicant, and neighbors near the location, including residents at 3003 Water Street, NW. ANC 2E is hopeful that voluntary agreement can be agreed to. At this point in time, ANC 2E protests the above application based on the adverse impacts the license would have on the "peace, order, and quiet" and parking conditions of the surrounding area.

3299 M Street, NW, Grill Kabob of Georgetown Inc. t/a Red Fire Grill Kabob & Lounge, License No. ABRA-090419, application for liquor license

Commissioners Birch and Starrels presented on a meeting that they had with representatives from Grill Kabob of Georgetown, Inc. The license is for 11am to 11pm with the number of seats meeting the capacity of the restaurant. Commissioner Starrels made the following motion (Commissioner Solomon seconded), which passed by a vote of 6-0:

ANC 2E does not protest the license at 3299 M Street, NW, ABRA-090419, with the hours of alcohol service as stated in the license (11am to 11pm).

Community involvement in Voluntary Agreements

Commissioner Birch stated that he and Commissioner Starrels have been in discussions with others in the community regarding Councilmember Graham's proposed changes to the law governing Voluntary Agreements.

After discussion, Commissioner Birch made the following motion (Commissioner Starrels seconded), which passed by a vote of 6-0:

WHEREAS, Bill 19-824, the Omnibus Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Amendment Act of 2012, would limit the participation of a community's residents in the licensing process through various provisions of the legislation including:

- 1) a proposed reduction in the area in which a protestant must reside in order to participate,
- 2) a requirement that a civic association must provide an opportunity at a hearing or other forum for an applicant to address the association's voting body,
- 3) the elimination of the protest of individuals when an ANC signs off on a voluntary agreement, and
- 4) a limitation on the scope of provisions addressed by a voluntary agreement, and

WHEREAS, ANC2E endorses a policy of full community participation in the licensing process to best include those most directly affected by the operations of the establishment,

THEREFORE, ANC2E opposes those provisions in the legislation that would restrict

residents and their associations from full, unfettered participation in ABC affairs.

Old Georgetown Board

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

Regular Calendar

Private Projects

With regard to 3251 M Street, NW, OG 12-354 (HPA 12-589):

A representative from the property spoke about their proposed replacement windows for a commercial establishment. Commissioner Starrels made the following resolution (Commissioner Solomon seconded), which passed by a vote of 5-0:

ANC 2E has no objection to the proposal as presented as long as the windows adhere to the historic nature of M Street, NW and Georgetown in general.

With regard to 3320 M Street, NW, OG 13-006 (HPA 13-009):

A representative from the property spoke about their proposal for a sign scheme at “Maxalto” and “Boffi”. After discussion, Commissioner Starrels made the following motion (Commissioner Birch seconded), which passed by a vote of 5-0:

ANC 2E has no objection to the plans as proposed and will allow the Old Georgetown Board to use their expertise to determine if the sign is appropriate given the size and historic nature of the location.

With regard to 1510 31st Street, NW, OG 13-013 (HPA 13-016):

A representative from the property presented on their proposal for the addition of a second floor. Commissioner Solomon made the following motion (Commissioner Jones seconded), which passed by a vote of 5-0:

ANC 2E has no objection to the plans as proposed.

With regard to 1645 31st Street, NW, OG 12-356 (HPA 12-591):

A representative from the property spoke about their proposal for fencing and landscaping for the Williams-Addison House. Commissioner Birch made the following motion (Commissioner Solomon seconded), which passed by a vote of 5-0:

ANC 2E has no objection to the proposal as presented.

With regard to 3321 N Street, NW, OG 12-358 (HPA 12-593):

A representative from the property spoke about their proposed alterations and a one-floor side addition. After extended discussion, Commissioner Jones made the following motion (Commissioner Birch seconded), which passed by a vote of 5-0:

ANC 2E has no objection to the proposal as presented.

1424 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, OG 12-340 (HPA 12-557):

A representative from the property spoke about their proposal to reconstruct a collapsed building and add a third floor. After discussion, Commissioner Birch made the following motion (Commissioner Solomon seconded), which passed by a vote of 4-0:

In the interest of preserving the historic two-story sightline of this two-story building façade and its relationship to its neighbors on Wisconsin Avenue, ANC 2E has no objection to the third-story addition conditional to it being setback to the rear and condition to it not being a contributing building.

At 9:09 p.m., with no further matters on the agenda, Commissioner Lewis moved (Commissioner Starrels seconded) to adjourn this public session of ANC 2E. The motion passed unanimously.

Submitted for the approval of ANC 2E,

Jake Sticka
Secretary, ANC 2E

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E

**Revised FY 2013 Budget (October 31, 2012 ANC 2E public meeting)
October 1, 2012 – September 30, 2013**

<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>FY 2012</u>
District Allotment	\$18,381
Interest	20
Miscellaneous	0

TOTAL REVENUE	\$18,381

EXPENSES

Administrative

Salary and Wages

Salary of Executive Director \$15,250

Payroll Taxes 5,156

Professional Services 1,050

ANC Security Fund	25
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,000
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TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$22,481
NET SURPLUS (LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS	\$ (4,100)
Capital (Non-Recurring) Expenses	0
TOTAL NET SURPLUS (LOSS)	\$ (4,100)