

ANC 2E Meeting Minutes June 1, 2015

Minutes for the Meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Commissioner Lewis, Chair. Commissioners Solomon, Lewis, Howard, Starrels, Birch, Clausen and Roaché were present, constituting a quorum.

Administrative

Approval of June 1, 2015 ANC 2E Public Meeting Agenda

Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the agenda of the June 1, 2015 ANC 2E public meeting. The motion was seconded and carried 6-0.

Commissioner Lewis moved to approve the March 30th and May 4, 2015 Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and carried 6-0.

Public Safety Report

MPD Lt. Hoyle gave a report on year-to-date crime activity in 2D compared to same time last year. Crime overall is down in the past thirty days versus the same time last year. In the cases of two armed robberies arrests were made. Burglaries in general are down from 18 last year to 15. Car theft was down from 79-63 (Jan-June) but many of the thefts are people who can't remember where the cars were parked and later they are found.

Financial Report

Commissioner Lewis makes a motion to approve the ANC 2E 2nd quarter Financial Report. The motion is seconded and carries 6-0.

DDOT Deputy Director Greer Gillis introduces Sr. Traffic engineer Raja Wasim (wasim.raja@dc.gov) who explains which areas are contributing to the current 34th St. backup (Key Bridge, M St. and Canal Road as well as Whitehurst freeway traffic). First reported to DDOT in April 2014, when traffic control officers were deployed on a test basis, it was determined that his measure did not help to speed up traffic. Commissioner Lewis asks about a "No right turn on 34th St" sign and is met with support from DDOT and the community. Director Greer comments that DDOT was not aware that the community was willing to consider "radical measures".

Community Comment

Ruth Warner from DC Councilman Jack Evans' office gives an update on the dedication of the Rose Park tennis courts.

New Business

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion:

ANC 2E once again endorses Nation's Triathlon on September 13, 2015 and wants to be sure that they adhere to their schedule and that the Key Bridge is open at all times.

The motion was seconded and carries 6-0.

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion:

ANC 2E is in support of Georgetown Business Improvement District's temporary weekend sidewalk widening program in conjunction with the free Circulator bus trips and reduced parking rates.

The motion was seconded and carries 6-0.

ABC

Commissioner Birch made the following motion:

ANC 2E supports a stipulated change in the hours of operation for After Peacock Room ABRA-095964, at 2622 P ST NW, with an amendment to the Settlement Agreement replacing the current paragraph 2 "Hours of Operation" to read as follows: "Hours of Operation. The hours of operation shall be Sunday-Wednesday: 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. , and Thursday-Saturday: 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m."

The motion was seconded and carried 6-0.

Old Georgetown Board

Commissioner Birch chaired the OGB portion of the agenda.

Commissioner Jones made the following resolution:

With regard to 3219 O St., NW. Hyde-Addison:

ANC 2E has no objection to the proposed design changes for fence and gates on the O Street side of Hyde-Addison Elementary School. We urge the Department of General Services to take steps to expedite its process for design review and approval, as well as aggressive activity in obtaining all permits needed to start construction work by June 2016.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Jones made the following motion:

With regard to 1405 34th St., NW:

In the interest of maintaining and respecting the historic character and presence of the house at 1405 34th Street NW, ANC 2E urges the Old Georgetown Board to consider the minimum number and least obtrusive security cameras proposed for installation on the building's exterior.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion:

With regard to 1063 Wisconsin Avenue, NW:

In view of our long-stated policy in opposition to blade signs on Wisconsin and M streets, and our presumption that those existing already on this block are un-permitted, we support the front sign but not the blade sign.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Roaché made the following motion:

With regard to 2703 P St., NW:

ANC 2E fully supports the proposed site work, replacement stairs and masonry garden wall.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

At 10:02 with no further business on the agenda Commissioner Lewis moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded and carries 7-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie Maysak
ANC 2E