

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

January 2, 2013  
Georgetown Visitation School, 35<sup>th</sup> and Volta Place, Heritage Room

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

**Administrative**

***Approval of January 2, 2013 Agenda***

Commissioner Birch moved to approve the agenda of the January 2, 2013 ANC 2E public meeting. Commissioner Prindiville seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 8-0.

***Approval of the December 3, 2012 Minutes***

Commissioner Prindiville moved to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2012 ANC 2E public meeting. Commissioner Starrels seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 8-0.

***Officers***

Commissioner Birch moved that the following slate of officers be approved for the 2013-2014 year. Commissioner Starrels seconded the motion, which carried with a vote of 8-0.

Chair: Commissioner Lewis

Vice Chair: Commissioner Starrels

Treasurer: Commissioner Jones

Secretary: Commissioner Prindiville

***Public Safety Report***

Lieutenant Hedgecock of the Metropolitan Police Department reported on public safety matters in the neighborhood. Metropolitan Police Department's computer system is still down, which affects online crime map availability. The second district is seeing many traffic issues.

***Financial Report***

ANC2E received its third allotment of \$4,339.75 from the District Government. Commissioner Solomon, treasurer, reported that ANC 2E's savings and checking accounts remain secure.

***Transportation Report***

There is a large amount of traffic through residential streets due to traffic congestion on Wisconsin Avenue NW. Commissioners Solomon and Lewis appreciate public comment on these issues.

***Department of Public Works Report***

The combined sewer overflow project is the planning stages. It affects the ANC2E area. Commissioner Jones is leading a group to the Blue Plain's Water Treatment Facility to discuss the project. Residents in ANC2E should contact Commissioner Jones if they are interested in attending.

***2013 ANC2E Public Meeting Dates***

Commissioner Lewis moved to adopt the following slate of public meeting dates for 2013. Commissioner Prindiville seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 8-0.

January 2 (Wednesday)  
February 4  
March 4  
April 1  
April 29  
June 3

July 1  
September 3 (Tuesday)  
September 30  
November 4  
December 2

***ANC Security Fund***

Commissioner Lewis moved that ANC2E adopt the following motion, Commissioner Solomon seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 8-0.

Resolved, that this Commission approves the ANC’s participation in the Advisory Neighborhood Commission Security Fund and authorizes the Treasurer to pay the \$25 fee for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013. The Chair and Secretary are authorized to execute the requisite agreement.

***Areas of Particular Interest for ANC 2E commissioners for 2013***

Commissioners Bill Starrels and Tom Birch to be Liaisons for ABC (Alcoholic Beverage Control) matters;

Commissioner Ed Solomon to be Liaison for Public Safety matters;

Commissioners Tom Birch, Jeff Jones and Peter Prindiville to be Liaisons for Historic Preservation and Zoning matters;

Commissioners Ron Lewis and Bill Starrels to be Liaisons for Transportation matters;

Commissioner Charles Eason to be Liaison for WASA matters;

Commissioner Jeff Jones to be Liaison for DPW matters;

Commissioners Ed Solomon, Craig Cassey, Peter Prindiville, Jeff Jones, Ron Lewis and Bill Starrels to be Liaisons for community and university relations;

Commissioners Charles Eason and Ron Lewis to be Liaisons for Library matters

Commissioner Bill Starrels to be the ANC2E-designated nonvoting member of the board of directors of the Georgetown Business Improvement District;

Commissioners Bill Starrels and Charles Eason, as alternate, to be Liaisons to the Georgetown Business Association; and

Commissioners Charles Eason and Tom Birch to be Liaisons to Tudor Place.

**Community Comment**

DDOT is meeting with local representative to talk about parking management in the area. A public meeting, cosponsored by BCA, CAG, and the Georgetown BID and ANC2E, will address local public parking issues. It is scheduled for January 16, 2013 at 6:30pm at Hardy Middle School. Snow date is one week later.

**New Business**

**Relocation of Capital Bike Share station in the 1000 block of Wisconsin Avenue, NW**

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Birch. With a vote of 8-0, the motion carried.

ANC2E endorses moving the Capital BikeShare Station on the 1000 block of Wisconsin Ave NW from the street to a sidewalk location as proposed by the District Department of Transportation.

### **Zoning**

#### **3222 M Street, NW, BZA Application No. 18486, Georgetown Park Holding I LLC, Application for a special exception to allow a bowling alley (Hearing date Tuesday, January 15, 2013)**

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Birch. The motion carried with a vote of 8-0.

In the absence of an agreement between the applicant and the board of directors of the Georgetown Park Condominium Association located in the same property, ANC2E opposes this application for a special exception.

The risks are simply too great that without effective protections, objectionable impacts will occur from the bowling operations, the attendant special events for large numbers of people, and the proposed inclusion of outdoor activity spaces. We are especially concerned because of the unusual combination of bowling and party activities in such close proximity to residential units. The applicant has acknowledged that at the applicant's other venues, there are no residences located in the same building and above the applicant's bowling/event business.

We have urged the applicant and the condominium association to reach agreement if at all possible on a proposal that will assure that noise from these activities will not be heard nor will vibration be felt in the condominiums, with an enforceable mechanism to ensure compliance. We believe that residents living in this building are entitled to these protections and we urge the Board to protect the residents against these impacts. We think it is not beyond reach in this context for common ground to be found between the applicant and the association providing workable protections against noise, vibration and other objectionable impacts, and we urge the parties to reach an agreement if at all possible.

Separately, we oppose the use of a patio so close to and fronting on the C&O Canal National Park. Not only would this intrude on the quiet enjoyment of the residential units in the building, but also on the enjoyment of this important national park by its many visitors.

### **ABC**

#### **3401 K Street, NW, Gypsy Sally's Acoustic Tavern, LCC, License No. ABRA-090582, application for license, consideration of possible Voluntary Agreement**

Commissioner Lewis made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Starrels. The motion carried with a vote of 8-0.

Accepts the ABC Board's decision to strike the provision on periodic meetings from the Voluntary Agreement and accepts the applicant's letter committing to adhere to that provision in any event;

Ratifies our request for reconsideration by the ABC Board of the Board's initial decision to strike the provision on notification of an intent to change ownership of the ABC license;

Accepts the letter from the applicant with regard to the change-of-ownership provision; and

Ultimately, if the Board refuses to reconsider, will accept the Voluntary Agreement as so amended, in light of the applicant's letter.

**3251 Prospect Street, NW, Café Milano – request for extra hours during Inauguration week**

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Birch. The motion carried with a vote of 8-0.

ANC2E has no objection to requests by the Café Milano and Kafe Leopold/L2 for an extension of special hours for the Inaugural period.

**3315 Cady's Alley, Kafe Leopold – request for extra hours during New Year's**

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Birch. The motion carried with a vote of 8-0.

ANC2E approves and ratifies the recommendation by the ANC2E liaisons on ABC matters to accept the requests of Café Milano and Kafe Leopold/L2 for additional hours as permitted by the ABC statute over New Year's.

**2807-2809 M Street, NW, Taj of India, ABRA-060065, application for substantial change to license (Petition Date Jan. 7, 2013, Hearing Date Jan. 22, 2013)**

Commissioner Birch made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Eason. The motion carried with a vote of 8-0.

ANC2E objects to the application for a substantial change to the applicants license based on issues of peace, order and quiet in regard to the proposed summer garden on M Street in front of the establishment.

**Old Georgetown Board**

Commissioner Birch chaired the meeting for consideration of the following OGB-related matters.

***Regular Calendar***

**Private Projects**

**With regard to 1201 28<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, OG 13-027 (HPA 13-047):**

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion (Commissioner Birch seconded), which passed by a vote of 7-0:

ANC2E urges the Old Georgetown Board to apply the appropriate signage requirements and standards to the applicants at Das Restaurant.

**With regard to 1624 30<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, OG 13-018 (HPA 13-031):**

Commissioner Eason presented the following motion, with Commissioner Prindiville seconding the motion. With a vote of 7-0, the motion carried.

The Commission regrets the Applicant constructed the subject project without legally required design review and required permits; the Commission takes no position on proposed design, deferring to the Old Georgetown Board and the Historic Preservation Review Board; the Commission takes no position at this time on the use of public space or any other issue not covered by the above-referenced design review.

**With regard to 1645 31<sup>st</sup> Street, NW, OG 12-356 (HPA 12-591):**

Commissioner Eason presented the following motion, with Commissioner Solomon seconding the motion. With a vote of 7-0, the motion carried.

ANC2E has no objection to the concept proposal as presented.

**With regard to 3019 Dent Place, NW, OG 13-056 (HPA 13-083):**

Commissioner Eason presented the following motion, with Commissioner Prindiville seconding the motion. With a vote of 6-0-1, with Commissioner Jones abstaining, the motion carried.

ANC2E has no objection to the overall concept, but concerns with massing of the proposed addition and consistency with the adjacent buildings.

**With regard to 3270 S Street, NW, OG 13-039 (HPA 13-060):**

Commissioner Birch presented the following motion, with Commissioner Prindiville seconding the motion. With a vote of 6-0, the motion carried.

ANC2E has no objection to the blade sign.

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

Commissioner Jones presented the following motion, with Commissioner Birch seconding the motion. With a vote of 6-0, the motion carried.

ANC2E does not object to the proposals as presented and prefers option B over option A because it is a smaller addition.

**With regard to 1424 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, OG 13-054 (HPA 13-081):**

Commissioner Jones presented the following motion, with Commissioner Starrels seconding the motion. With a vote of 6-0, the motion carried.

ANC2E objects to the application, especially due to the glazing on the east façade and on the doors., ANC2E prefers that these doors are returned to the original condition prior to the 1964 structure. ANC2E requests that the applicant look at the material used in the signboard. ANC2E prefers that the second-floor windows are 1 over 1 or 2 over 1, whichever is consistent with historical design

**With regard to 3700 O Street, NW, OG 13-050 (HPA 13-077), Georgetown University – New South Hall Student Center:**

Commissioner Cassey presented the following motion, with Commissioner Prindiville seconding the motion. With a vote of 6-0, the motion carried.

ANC2E supports the application and has no objections.

**With regard to 1025 Thomas Jefferson Street, NW, OG 13-057 (HPA 13-084):**

Commissioner Starrels presented the following motion, with Commissioner Eason seconding the motion. With a vote of 6-0, the motion carried.

ANC2E appreciates the design as presented and thinks that it is a positive change. ANC2E appreciates the use of glass and the new color scheme. ANC2E has no objection to the project as presented.

**At 10:32 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 8-0, the motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Prindiville  
Secretary, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E