

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

September 3, 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, Lewis, Prindiville, Jones, Cassey, and Eason present, constituting a quorum.

**Administrative**

***Approval of September 3, 2013, ANC 2E Public Meeting Agenda***

Commissioner Starrels moved to approve the agenda of the June 3, 2013 ANC 2E public meeting. Commissioner Prindiville seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 8-0.

***Approval of July 1, 2013, Meeting Minutes***

Commissioner Prindiville moved to approve the minutes of the April 29, 2013 ANC 2E public meeting. Commissioner Starrels seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 8-0.

***Public Safety Report***

Lieutenant Hedgecock of the Metropolitan Police Department reported on public safety matters in the neighborhood. The summer is precipitating burglaries, with 25 burglaries in Georgetown since June 1.

***Financial Report***

Commissioner Jones submitted the quarterly report for ANC2E. The checking and savings reports remain secure.

Commissioner Jones moved to approve the quarterly report of ANC2E. Commissioner Starrels seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 8-0.

***Transportation Report***

Commissioner Lewis discussed continued concerns with traffic lane reconfiguration in Glover Park.

***Department of Public Works Report***

Commissioners Jones discussed trash issues in our community and the District's 311 system.

**Community Comment**

**West Heating Plant**

Commissioner Lewis discussed the recent GSA sale of the West Heating Plant development.

**Duke Ellington School Renovation**

Commissioner Lewis discussed District of Columbia Public Schools efforts to renovate Duke Ellington School. The school will remain as a school for the arts with a similar number of students.

### **Georgetown Community Partnership Cookout**

Commissioner Birch discussed the Georgetown Community Partnership Cookout on Saturday, October 12.

### **New Business**

#### **DDOT proposed regulations for visitor parking**

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

ANC 2E respectfully requests that DDOT defer implementing any new visitor parking pass (VPP) arrangement within the boundaries of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E (Georgetown and Burleith) at this time.

We join with the Citizens Association of Georgetown and the Burleith Citizens Association in conveying our strong interest in working with DDOT to create and implement VPP arrangements within ANC 2E that are appropriate for our circumstances, provide adequate, convenient and flexible VPP arrangements, and do not risk worsening parking congestion in our area.

We share the concerns expressed by our major civic associations and by many residents in our area that a permanent visitor-parking pass per household could add so many cars parking on our streets that parking availability for our residents and visitors alike could actually be worsened.

Instead, we urge DDOT to continue the productive work from the past year with our community toward developing a more comprehensive and tailored parking program that takes into account the congested nature of our parking availability and explores, in addition to examining in detail, the type of program described in the proposed regulations, a broader range of creative solutions to VPP including options developed in other cities.

#### **DDOT/UFA Female Ginko Removal Policy**

Commissioner Eason discussed DDOT's ginkgo tree removal policy.

### **ABC Issues**

#### **El Centro (formerly Third Edition), 1216 Wisconsin Avenue, proposed Settlement Agreement**

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

ANC2E supports and seeks approval of the revised settlement agreement dated September 3 between the applicant and this ANC.

### **Zoning**

**Halcyon Georgetown LLC, 3400 – 3410 Prospect Street, NW, BZA No. 18604, Application for a special exception to establish a non-profit, Hearing September 10, 2013**

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

During the past several weeks, community members and ANC 2E commissioners have participated in very productive and collegial discussions with representatives of the applicant.

We are pleased to report that the applicant has responded positively to our concerns about the type, number, hours and size of events; the use of outdoor space for events; and parking and loading for events.

At our public meeting on September 3, 2013, the applicant presented a revised set of proposed conditions aimed at operating harmoniously with the community in this dense residential neighborhood. The revised conditions significantly decrease the number, type and size of events; limit hours and noise; and provide better transportation management with more adequate off-street parking arrangements for the applicant's guests and visitors.

We accept the applicant's revised conditions as necessary and appropriate.

Based on the applicant's assurance at our public meeting that it will present these revised conditions to the Board, abide by them, and withdraw any prior inconsistent materials, we withdraw our earlier objection, endorse the agreed-upon proposed conditions, and look forward to welcoming the applicant's nonprofit organization to the Halcyon House location.

**Back Alley LLC and Ellsworth T. Simpson Trust, 1063 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, BZA Appeal No. 18610, Appeal for a variance from the nonresidential floor area ratio restrictions to subdivide and use all of the existing buildings on the property for nonresidential uses, Hearing September 17, 2013**

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

ANC2E has no objection to BZA Appeal No. 18610, Appeal for a variance from the nonresidential floor area ratio restrictions to subdivide and use all of the existing buildings on the property for nonresidential uses.

**3128 P Street, NW, BZA No. 18645, Application for special exception relief to construct an addition to the building which will extend the currently nonconforming lot occupancy, Hearing September 24, 2013**

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

ANC2E does not oppose the applicant's request for a special exception. The proposal calls for a very slight increase in lot occupancy due to the proposed construction of a bay window and we find there is no effective change for the existing situation, including no substantial adverse impacts to any adjacent properties.

## **Old Georgetown Board**

### ***Regular Calendar***

#### **Private Projects**

##### **SMD 07, 1644 31<sup>st</sup> Street, NW, OG 13-295 (HPA 13-517) Tudor Place, Alterations to west entrance, fence and sliding gate, Concept**

Commissioner Birch made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Jones. The motion carried with a vote of 7-0. Commissioner Lewis did not participate in the review or vote regarding this project.

ANC2E supports the proposed gate for the 32<sup>nd</sup> Street entrance at Tudor Place.

##### **SMD 03, 3338 Volta Place, NW, OG 13-293 (HPA 13-515) Residence, Extension of front wing, Concept**

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

ANC2E supports the proposal as presented.

##### **SMD 05, 3213 M Street, NW, OG 13-301 (HPA 13-523) Commercial, Alterations to storefront, awnings, signs for “Pandora,” Concept**

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

ANC2E appreciates the design as presented. We specifically encourage OGB to use the knee-wall design option. ANC2E appreciates the awnings, but we do not support the use of logos or branding on these awnings. We ask that OGB addresses these logos. We support the proposed entry option for the door.

##### **SMD 05, 3206 Grace Street, NW, OG 13-318 (HPA 13-541) Commercial, Roof top addition, alterations, replacement windows, awnings, blade sign, flagpole, Concept**

Commissioner Starrels made the following motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Starrels. The motion carried with a vote of 6-2 (Commissioner Prindiville and Cassey voting no).

ANC2E welcomes Dog Tag Bakery to Georgetown and we welcome the renovation of 3206 Grace St. NW. ANC2E does not have objection to a flag on the building, but ANC2E has reservations regarding the roof due to the additional structure and adding an additional level to the historic building. We would like to keep the scale of the building. We ask the applicant and OGB to find an alternative way to place a flagpole on this property. We ask OGB to pay attention to the scaling of the windows on this building.

##### **SMD 05, 3104 M Street, NW, OG 13-306 (HPA 13-528) Commercial, Rear addition, Concept**

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

ANC2E appreciates the concept's role in livening the alleyway and we appreciate the concept as presented. We have concerns regarding the height of the residential building in the back and its impact on the scale of the alleyway. We also have concerns regarding sightlines from M St. NW to the north and 31<sup>st</sup> St to the east.

**SMD 06, 3009 M Street, NW, OG 13-305 (HPA 13-527) Mixed use, Rear addition, Concept**

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

ANC2E supports the concept for the restoration and addition for the property at 3009 M St. NW. We have no objection to the demolition of the garage and we note that the existing garage is not visible from either 30<sup>th</sup> St or the entrance to the alley.

**At 9:30 p.m., with no further matters on the agenda, Commissioner Prindiville moved to adjourn the public meeting session of ANC 2E. Commissioner Starrels seconded the motion. With a vote of 8-0, the motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Peter Prindiville  
Secretary, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E