

**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E
Public Meeting
Tuesday, May 1, 2018**

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E convened at the Watha T. Daniel/Shaw Library, 1630 7th Street, NW, Washington, DC, on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Alex Marriott, Chair, ANC 6E05
Frank S. Wiggins, Vice Chair/Treasurer, ANC 6E03
David Jaffe, Secretary, ANC 6E04
Alexander M. Padro, ANC 6E01
Kevin M. Rogers, ANC 6E07
Anthony Brown, ANC 6E02

Absent:

Alvin Judd, ANC 6E06

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Marriott called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The presence of a quorum was noted.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Marriott moved and Commissioner Jaffe seconded that the Agenda be approved as amended. The Motion *passed* unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Jaffe, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

III. PSA REPORTS – 1D, 3D, 5D

Crime statistics for the indicated periods are as follows:

Crime stats for 1D Police District (PSA 103)	Number of crimes reported between:		
Crime Type	4/1/17-4/30/17	4/1/18-4/30/18	Change
Homicide	0	0	↔
Sex Abuse	0	0	↔
Robbery Excluding Gun	3	2	↓
Robbery With Gun	0	0	↔
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Excluding Gun	1	2	↑
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Gun	1	0	↓
Total Violent Crime	5	4	↓

Crime stats for 1D Police District (PSA 103)	Number of crimes reported between:		
Burglary	0	1	↑
Theft	17	27	↑
Theft F/Auto	13	8	↓
Stolen Auto	7	2	↓
Arson	0	0	↔
Total Property Crime	37	38	↑
Total Crime	42	42	↔

Crime stats for 3D Police District (PSA 308)	Number of crimes reported between:		
Crime Type	4/1/17-4/30/17	4/1/18-4/30/18	Change
Homicide	0	0	↔
Sex Abuse	0	0	↔
Robbery Excluding Gun	2	2	↔
Robbery With Gun	0	1	↑
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Excluding Gun	1	0	↓
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Gun	3	0	↓
Total Violent Crime	6	3	↓
Burglary	0	0	↔
Theft	16	16	↔
Theft F/Auto	8	11	↑
Stolen Auto	5	2	↓
Arson	0	0	↔
Total Property Crime	29	29	↔
Total Crime	35	32	↓

Crime stats for 5D Police District (PSA 501)	Number of crimes reported between:		
Crime Type	4/1/17-4/30/17	4/1/18-4/30/18	Change
Homicide	0	0	↔
Sex Abuse	0	0	↔
Robbery Excluding Gun	1	2	↑
Robbery With Gun	6	0	↓
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Excluding Gun	3	4	↑
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Gun	1	2	↑
Total Violent Crime	11	8	↓
Burglary	1	1	↔
Theft	31	38	↑
Theft F/Auto	15	22	↑
Stolen Auto	1	1	↔
Arson	0	0	↔
Total Property Crime	48	62	↑
Total Crime	59	70	↑

1D (PSA 103) – Lt. W. C. Steinhilber reported MPD has a new tool for exploring crime data called “DC Crime Cards” (crimecards.dc.gov). He stated that for the last 30 days, Property Crime and Thefts from Auto are up as well as package thefts. He noted that these are crimes of opportunity and urged residents to be watchful. A question and answer period followed. Commissioner Jaffe reported hearing gunshots near Sursum Corda.

3D (PSA 308) – Lieutenant T. H. Smith stated that compared to the same period last year Total Crime is down and Property Crime stayed the same. He introduced a member of the 3D mountain bike unit. She stated the unit is comprised of six members and that the biggest percentage of crime is package thefts and Thefts from Autos. Their email is: 3dbiketac@gmail.com

5D (PSA 501) – No representative present.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENT - CAMERON WINDHAM – OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL

Cameron Windham, Community Engagement Specialist, Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, made a brief announcement in which he stated he was leaving copies of the Attorney General’s Annual Report for residents of Ward 6.

V. ANNOUNCEMENT – ROGER KEMP – U. S. ATTORNEY’S OFFICE FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Roger Kemp, 3rd District Community Prosecutor, announced that Jessie K. Liu, new U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, will be a guest at the MPD 3rd District (1620 V Street, NW) Citizens Advisory Council on May 24, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

VI. SPECIAL GUEST: INCUMBENT CANDIDATE FOR WARD 6 COUNCILMEMBER, CHARLES ALLEN

Councilmember Charles Allen stated he is running for re-election after having served as the Ward 6 Councilmember for the past three years. He reviewed a number of his accomplishments per the following: **(1) Affordable Housing:** He helped create new affordable housing (1,500 new homes), with another 2,000 in the pipeline; **(2) Schools and Education:** Allocated \$2 million to modernization of schools; “Books from Birth” program where a book is mailed each month to each child in the District every month from birth through age five, while also working to connect families with the full range of DC Public Library resources; **(3) Seniors** – “Safe at Home” program; **(4) Local and Small Businesses:** His focus has been on neighborhood growth and small business growth.

A question and answer period followed. **(1)** Commissioner Padro raised the matter of the Mayor’s initiative to establish city-wide high school at the Shaw Middle School site and he would like to see a middle school at this site. The

Councilmember agreed; Commissioner Padro also asked about the status of the Cycle Track and whether it will be on 6th or 9th Streets; **(2)** Commissioner Marriott raised the matter of green space in Mount Vernon Triangle area, specifically Cobb Park. The Councilmember responded there is several hundred thousand dollars to invest in Cobb Park; **(3)** Commissioner Jaffe stated that there was a meeting with the DDOT last week to close alley traffic at New York Avenue and I-395 corridor and he felt more study needs to be done; **(4)** Commissioner Wiggins raised the issue of the lack of sidewalk repairs when residents call 311; **(5)** Former Commissioner Rachelle Nigro raised the issue of parking on Sunday; **(6)** a member of the audience asked about concealed carry reciprocity. The Councilmember responded by referring to the “Hands Off DC” initiative.

VII. SPECIAL GUEST: “SAVE OUR TIPS”

A representative spoke regarding the “Save our Tips” initiative. Under the current system, tipped employees have a great earning potential in the District of Columbia. Initiative #77 is on the ballot of the upcoming Primary Election that will be held on June 19, 2018 and is threatening to change a system that works and could reduce pay for servers and bartenders in DC if it passes in June. Under the current system, the tip credit guarantees that servers and bartenders receive the minimum wage, but enables tipped employees to earn well above the minimum wage, somewhere between \$20-\$40 an hour. Ballot Initiative #77 would *eliminate the tip credit* and upend the system, harming servers and bartenders. He urged residents to vote *against* Ballot Initiative #77. More information can be found at: <https://saveourtips.com>

VIII. LOGAN CIRCLE LIQUORS, 1018 RHODE ISLAND AVENUE, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR ABC LICENSE RENEWAL AND SUNDAY HOURS [6E01]

Amrik Singh stated they have been at their location for five (5) years. They are seeking support for their ABC License Renewal and Sunday hours (10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.). Commissioner Padro stated that the applicant has had no infractions. ANC 6E’s ABC Licensing Committee met, heard the applicant’s request for Sunday hours, and recommended support of the license renewal. Also, residents had no objections.

MOTION: Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Jaffe seconded that ANC 6E *support* the request for support of Logan Circle Liquors, 1018 Rhode Island Avenue, NW for ABC License Renewal and Sunday Hours (10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.) and that said support be communicated in writing to the ABC Board and ABRA. The Motion *passed*, 5 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Jaffe, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 1 abstention (Commissioner Wiggins).

IX. ABC GROCERY, 1401 6TH STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR RENEWAL OF ABC LICENSE [6E02]

No representative was present. There were two instances of no owner on premises. A fine of \$250 was paid. There was one sale to a minor resulting in a \$4,350 fine. ANC 6E's ABC Licensing Committee met and did recommend support for renewal.

MOTION: Commissioner Brown moved and Commissioner Padro seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support of ABC Grocery, 1401 6th Street, NW, of for renewal of its ABC License and that said support be communicated in writing to the ABC Board and ABRA. The Motion **passed**, 4 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Jaffe, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 2 abstentions (Commissioner Wiggins, Commissioner Marriott).

X. SANE WINE & SPIRITS 1201 5TH STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR RENEWAL OF ABC LICENSE [6E04]

Amara Awoke stated they have been in business for six months. It was noted that the applicant has no history, so ANC 6E's ABC Licensing Committee recommended support.

MOTION: Commissioner Jaffe moved and Commissioner Padro seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support of Sane Wine & Spirits, 1201 5th Street, NW for ABC License Renewal and that said support be communicated in writing to the ABC Board and ABRA. The Motion **passed**, 5 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Jaffe, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 1 abstention (Commissioner Wiggins).

XI. 1618 VARIETY MARKET, 1618 8TH STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR RENEWAL OF ABC LICENSE [6E01]

Medha Nie Weldeldeg was represented. Since the last renewal, there were three citations, two were dismissed, and one violation of the Settlement Agreement regarding control of litter. There were two separate Settlement Agreements. The 2016 Settlement Agreement required that the building exterior be painted and signage did not meet HPRB guidelines. Now, trash is being placed in the basement and there have been some streetscape improvements. ANC 6E's ABC Licensing Committee met and recommended that ANC 6E protest the license renewal.

MOTION: Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Brown seconded that ANC 6E **protest** the ABC License Renewal of 1618 Variety Market, 1618 8th Street, NW, and that said protest be communicated in writing to the ABC Board and ABRA. Further, that Commissioner Padro be recognized as ANC 6E's representative before the ABRA Hearing. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Jaffe, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XII. 10TH STREET MARKET, 1000 S STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR RENEWAL OF ABC LICENSE [6E01]

The applicant had two instances of no ABC Manager on premises and two sales to minors where fines were imposed. However, this location serves as a delivery point for packages and the civic association recommended approval along with ANC 6E's ABC Licensing Committee.

MOTION: Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Jaffe seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support of 10th Street Market, 1000 S Street, NW, for renewal of its ABC License and that said support be communicated in writing to the ABC Board and ABRA. The Motion **passed**, 4 years (Commissioners Padro, Jaffe, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 2 abstentions (Commissioner Wiggins, Commissioner Marriott).

XIII. GRAND CATA, 1560 7TH STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR RENEWAL OF ABC LICENSE [6E01]

Representatives Julio Robledo and Pedro Rodriguez were present. There is no investigative history. They have been at this location for two years and want to continue to make a positive impact. ANC 6E's ABC Licensing Committee met and recommended support for their ABC License Renewal.

MOTION: Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Jaffe seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support of Grand Cata, 1560 7th Street, NW for renewal of its ABC License and that said support be communicated in writing to the ABC Board and ABRA. The Motion **passed**, 5 years (Commissioners Padro, Jaffe, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 1 abstention (Commissioner Wiggins).

XIV. EYE STREET CELLARS, 425 I STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR RENEWAL OF ABC LICENSE [6E05]

No representative was present. There is no investigative history. ANC 6E's ABC Licensing Committee met and recommended support for renewal.

MOTION: Commissioner Marriott moved and Commissioner Padro seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support of Eye Street Cellars, 425 I Street, NW for renewal of its ABC License and that said support be communicated in writing to the ABC Board and ABRA. The Motion **passed**, 5 years (Commissioners Padro, Jaffe, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 1 abstention (Commissioner Wiggins).

XV. ANGELS SHARE WINE & LIQUORS, 1748 7TH STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR RENEWAL OF ABC LICENSE [6E01]

No representative was present. There is no investigative history. The space has been renovated. ANC 6E's ABC Licensing Committee met and recommended support for renewal.

MOTION: Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Brown seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support of Angels Share Wine & Liquors, 1748 7th Street, NW for renewal of its ABC License and that said support be communicated in writing to the ABC Board and ABRA. The Motion **passed, 5** yeas (Commissioners Padro, Jaffe, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 1 abstention (Commissioner Wiggins).

XVI. SOL MEXICAN GRILL, 655 K STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR A PUBLIC SPACE PERMIT FOR PATIO SEATING [6E05]

Chris Briscoe spoke in regard to the request for support of 655 K Street, NW for a Public Space Permit for Patio seating. The patio seating will have 14 seats, 7 tables, and 3 umbrellas. There will be handicapped seating for one and there will be a removable barrier. They appeared before ANC 6E's Development and Zoning Committee and reduced their space. The Committee recommended support.

MOTION: Commissioner Marriott moved and Commissioner Jaffe seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support of Sol Mexican Grill, 655 K Street, NW, for a Public Space Permit for patio seating and that said support be communicated in writing to the Public Space Committee and DDOT. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Jaffe, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XVII. ALLEYWAY OF 400 BLOCK OF M STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR OFFICIALLY NAMING THE ALLEYWAY [6E04]

At the March ANC 6E Public Meeting, Commissioner Padro suggested that further investigation should be done first by contacting EHT Traceries, Inc. to determine if the alley may have already been named in the past.

At the April ANC 6E Public Meeting, Commissioner Jaffe advised that EHT Traceries, Inc. was contacted and provided findings that suggested additional community outreach was necessary before deciding on a name for the alley.

Update 5/1/18: Commissioner Jaffe advised that EHT Traceries, Inc. was engaged and outreach was done to the community to come up with a name that respects the history of the alley. Rabbi Marcus L. Carr, Pastor, First Tabernacle Beth-El Church of God and Saints of Christ, provided a history of Pastor William Saunders Crowdy, who purchased the then-named Fletcher Chapel, 401 New York Avenue, NW, on August 22, 1906. Since then, the building has been renovated, restored, expanded and was re-dedicated in May 2001. Today, it is over 150 years old and is one of the oldest buildings in the Nation's Capital. The building eventually became an historical gem not only for the Church of God and Saints of Christ, but the entire U.S., as it is now registered both locally and nationally as an historic landmark. Subsequently, the Yale Steam Laundry and the Shaw Neighborhood became historic as well.

MOTION: Commissioner Jaffe moved and Commissioner Wiggins seconded that ANC 6E send a letter of support to Councilmember Charles Allen requesting that he introduce legislation to officially name the alleyway of the 400 block of M Street, NW “**Crowdy Court**” in honor of Pastor William Saunders Crowdy. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Jaffe, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XVIII. ALLEYWAY OF 400 BLOCK OF M STREET, NW: RESOLUTION IN REFERENCE TO DDOT NOTICE OF INTENT (NOI) TO CLOSE M STREET ENTRANCE AS A RESULT OF TRAFFIC CALMING STUDY

Commissioner Jaffe stated that DDOT has recommended closing the alley of the 400 block of M Street, NW as a result of a traffic calming study.

MOTION: Commissioner Jaffe moved and Commissioner Wiggins seconded that ANC 6E **not support** the resolution for closing the alley, but instead utilize relief measures such as more speed signs and increased enforcement, that DDOT do a larger study in regard to the I-395 entrance, and that said letter of non-support be sent to the Mayor, Councilmember Charles Allen, and DDOT. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Jaffe, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XIX. SPRINGFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH, 508 P STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR EVENT AT KENNEDY RECREATION CENTER PLAYGROUND

James Poindexter spoke regarding the request for support of Springfield Baptist Church to hold an event at Kennedy Center Playground on July 22, 2018 from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Other churches in the area will also be participating. There will be a picnic and 300 backpacks will be given to kids in need.

MOTION: Commissioner Brown moved and Commissioner Padro seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support of Springfield Baptist Church to hold an event at Kennedy Recreation Center Playground and that said support be communicated in writing to the DC Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR). The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Jaffe, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XX. OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None.

XXI. OLD BUSINESS

None.

XXII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF ANC 6E 4/3/18 PUBLIC MEETING

MOTION: Commissioner Marriott moved and Commissioner Jaffe seconded that the Minutes of the **ANC 6E Public Meeting of April 3, 2018** be approved as submitted. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Marriott, Rogers, Brown, and Jaffe) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XXIII. APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

No report.

XXIV. APPROVAL OF EXPENSES

MOTION: Commissioner Wiggins moved and Commissioner Jaffe seconded that the invoice submitted by Karen Jehle in the amount of \$250.00 for recording services for the **ANC 6E Public Meeting of May 1, 2018** and development of the website be approved for payment. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Rogers, Brown, Wiggins, Marriott, and Jaffe) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XXV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

XXVI. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, June 5, 2018, Watha T. Daniel/Shaw Neighborhood Library, 1630 7th Street, NW, 6:30 p.m.

XXVII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Brown seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Brown, Marriott, Rogers, and Jaffe) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.