

**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E  
Public Meeting  
Tuesday, June 5, 2018**

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E convened at the Watha T. Daniel/Shaw Library, 1630 7<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Washington, DC, on Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Alex Marriott, Chair, ANC 6E05  
Frank S. Wiggins, Vice Chair/Treasurer, ANC 6E03  
Alexander M. Padro, ANC 6E01  
Kevin M. Rogers, ANC 6E07  
Anthony Brown, ANC 6E02  
Alvin Judd, ANC 6E06

Absent:

David Jaffe, Secretary, ANC 6E04

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Chair Marriott called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. The presence of a quorum was noted.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

**III. PSA REPORTS – 1D, 3D, 5D**

Crime statistics for the indicated periods are as follows:

<b>Crime stats for 1D Police District (PSA 103)</b>	<b>Number of crimes reported between:</b>		
Crime Type	5/1/17-5/31/17	5/1/18-5/31/18	Change
Homicide	0	0	↔
Sex Abuse	2	0	↓
Robbery Excluding Gun	2	3	↑
Robbery With Gun	0	1	↑
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Excluding Gun	0	1	↑
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Gun	1	0	↓
<b>Total Violent Crime</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	↔

<b>Crime stats for 1D Police District (PSA 103)</b>	<b>Number of crimes reported between:</b>		
Burglary	1	0	↓
Theft	25	16	↓
Theft F/Auto	21	18	↓
Stolen Auto	4	2	↓
Arson	0	0	↔
<b>Total Property Crime</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>36</b>	↓
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>41</b>	↓

<b>Crime stats for 3D Police District (PSA 308)</b>	<b>Number of crimes reported between:</b>		
Crime Type	5/1/17-5/31/17	5/1/18-5/31/18	Change
Homicide	0	0	↔
Sex Abuse	1	0	↓
Robbery Excluding Gun	1	0	↓
Robbery With Gun	0	1	↑
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Excluding Gun	2	0	↓
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Gun	0	0	↔
<b>Total Violent Crime</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	↓
Burglary	1	3	↑
Theft	15	11	↓
Theft F/Auto	17	13	↓
Stolen Auto	2	0	↓
Arson	0	0	↔
<b>Total Property Crime</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>27</b>	↓
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>28</b>	↓

<b>Crime stats for 5D Police District (PSA 501)</b>	<b>Number of crimes reported between:</b>		
Crime Type	5/1/17-5/31/17	5/1/18-5/31/18	Change
Homicide	0	0	↔
Sex Abuse	1	1	↔
Robbery Excluding Gun	0	1	↑
Robbery With Gun	1	1	↔
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Excluding Gun	2	1	↓
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Gun	0	1	↑
<b>Total Violent Crime</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	↑
Burglary	4	0	↓
Theft	31	23	↓
Theft F/Auto	40	33	↓
Stolen Auto	9	5	↓
Arson	0	0	↔
<b>Total Property Crime</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>61</b>	↓
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>66</b>	↓

**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 focused on Thefts from Auto, Thefts from Auto within condos (cars piggybacking through garage door), bike rack locks, and individuals targeting package rooms.

**3D (PSA 308) – Lieutenant T. H. Smith** stated that, compared to the same period last year, Crime is down 39 to 28; Violent Crime is down 4 to 1; and Property Crime is down 35 to 27. Commissioners raised questions regarding the following: (1) a shooting over Memorial Day Weekend at Kennedy Playground; (2) will there be any increase in targeted patrols; and (3) the parking situation at the Kipp School.

**5D (PSA 501) – Officer Fawzi** did not present a formal report, but made himself available to answer questions.

**IV. 476 K STREET, NW (CLOAKROOM): REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR RENEWAL OF CLASS “C” NIGHTCLUB ABRA LICENSE [6E05]**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Marriott moved and Commissioner Brown seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support from Cloakroom, 476 K Street, NW, for renewal of its Class “C” Nightclub ABRA license and that said support be communicated in writing to the ABC Board and ABRA. The Motion **passed**, 5 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Judd, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 1 abstention (Commissioner Wiggins).

**V. 446 RHODE ISLAND AVENUE, NW (GUILFORD LIQUOR): REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR RENEWAL OF CLASS A RETAIL LIQUOR STORE ABRA LICENSE [6E02]**

Commissioner Padro stated Guilford Liquor has been in business over ten (10) years. There has been recent activity related to sales to minors, but personnel changes have been made. The licensee appeared before the ANC 6E ABC Licensing Committee and the Committee recommended support for renewal.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brown moved and Commissioner Judd seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support from Guilford Liquor, 446 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, for renewal of its Class “A” Retail Liquor Store ABRA license and that said support be communicated in writing to the ABC Board and ABRA. The Motion **passed**, 5 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Judd, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 1 abstention (Commissioner Wiggins).

**VI. PUT A PRICE ON IT COALITION (REPRESENTED BY JONNY BEHRENS) – REQUESTING SUPPORT FOR A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CLIMATE AND COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ACT OF DC AND REQUESTING LEGISLATION SUPPORTING A CARBON FREE AND REBATE PROGRAM IN THE DISTRICT**

Jonny Behrens of Put a Price on It DC requested ANC 6E support for a resolution supporting proposed legislation that will put a “price” on DC carbon emissions and rebate the overwhelming majority of the revenue back to DC residents. The carbon tax will be applied to natural gas and oil providers, public transportation will be exempt, and gas stations would have no fee levied against them.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Marriott moved and Commissioner Brown seconded that the ANC 6E pass a resolution in support of the concept for the DC City Council to introduce legislation supporting a carbon fee and rebate program in the District of Columbia and that said support be communicated in writing to the Mayor, the DC City Council, and published on the website. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Judd, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

**VII. SPECIAL GUEST: RESTAURANT OPPORTUNITIES CENTER, WASHINGTON, DC (ROC-DC): PROVIDING INFORMATION IN SUPPORT OF INITIATIVE 77**

Jessica Winter Martin spoke in support of Initiative #77 which calls for employers to pay all their workers the same minimum wage of \$15.00 plus tips by 2025. She believes restaurant professionals deserve professional wages plus tips and urged DC voters to vote **for** Initiative #77 on June 19, 2018.

**VIII. “SAVE OUR TIPS” – REQUESTING SUPPORT FOR A RESOLUTION OPPOSING INITIATIVE 77**

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 June 19, 2018 Primary Election and is threatening to change a system that works and could reduce pay for servers and bartenders in DC if it passes. 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 and \$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. He requested ANC 6E support for a resolution in support of protecting tipped employees by preserving their ability to continue to receive tipped wages.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Marriott seconded that the ANC 6E support the resolution in support of protecting tipped employees and that said support be communicated in writing to the Mayor of the District of Columbia. The Motion *passed* unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Judd, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

**IX. 400 K STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR AN UNENCLOSED SIDEWALK CAFÉ [6E05]**

Did not appear.

**X. 1735-1737 10<sup>TH</sup> STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR A BZA APPLICATION FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION [6E01]**

Architect Charles Warren and Owner Marc Laurent spoke in regard to their request for ANC 6E support for their BZA application for new construction at 1735-1737 10<sup>th</sup> Street, NW. There will be a total of four flats, two of which will meet the 120% MFI (Median Family Income) requirements of the “Vacant to Vibrant” program and are required to be three-bedroom units. The properties are twin lots of 1,037 square feet in lot area. The applicant is seeking variance relief from: parking requirements, occupancy requirements, minimum rear yard requirement, and minimum side yard requirements.

Commissioner Brown advised that the ANC 6E Development and Zoning Committee met with the applicant and unanimously supported the relief requested. Commissioner Padro stated that the Zoning Committee wants a restriction on owners of the units to have RPP. He will also ask Councilmember Charles Allen to hold a meeting about the nearby alley that is in deplorable condition.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Brown seconded that ANC 6E support the BZA application of 1735-1737 10<sup>th</sup> Street, NW and the variance relief requested, and that said support be communicated in writing to the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA). The Motion *passed* unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Judd, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

**XI. 606 FLORIDA AVENUE, NW (RITO LOCO): REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR INCREASED SEATING CAPACITY FOR ABRA LICENSE [6E02]**

Louie Hankins of Rito Loco spoke regarding an occupancy load change to their roof deck, increasing the seating capacity to 79.

Commissioner Padro stated the ANC 6E ABC Licensing Committee met with the applicant, discussed their request, and recommended support for the change in occupancy for their ABRA license. Now there will be a total of 97 occupants between the first floor and roof deck.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brown moved and Commissioner Padro seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support from Rito Loco, 606 Florida Avenue, NW, to increase the restaurant's total licensed capacity from 49 to 97, and that said support be communicated to the ABC Board and ABRA. The Motion **passed**, 5 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Judd, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 1 abstention (Commissioner Wiggins).

**XII. 1801 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR NEW RESIDENTIAL DRIVEWAY AND LEAD WALK WITH STAIRS IN PUBLIC SPACE [6E02]**

The applicant stated that the City is requiring him to have off street parking. He would like to put back a rod iron fence with a knee wall and a curb cut.

Commissioner Brown stated the ABC Development & Zoning Committee met and supported the application. Commissioner Padro stated that the Committee recommended support for the Public Space in the BZA application, but not to support the curb cut for a parking space because it believes a strong case can be made for grandfathering the parking relief. In his view, this is a net loss to parking.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brown moved and Commissioner Wiggins seconded that ANC 6E **support** the application of 1801 6<sup>th</sup> Street, NW for a new residential driveway and lead walk and that said support be communicated in writing to the Public Space Committee of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT). The Motion **passed**, 5 yeas (Commissioners Wiggins, Judd, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 1 nay (Commissioner Padro) – 0 abstentions.

**XIII. 303-317 K STREET, NW: MODIFICATION TO PREVIOUSLY APPROVED PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT FOR NEW HOTEL [6E07]**

Meridith Moldenhauer of Cozen O'Conner spoke on behalf of 303-317 K Street, NW and their Modification Request to Planned Unit Development for a new hotel that BZA had previously approved in 2016. The hotel will have 247 units and no residential. The relief sought in the Modification Request is for: (1) Two (2) 30' Loading Berths, and (2) Special Exception for 14% driveway grade.

A resident raised concern about rat abatement. Ms. Moldenhauer responded that there will be an internal trash room in the hotel.

Commissioner Brown advised the ANC 6E Development and Zoning Committee met and supported the applicant's Modification Request.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Rogers moved and Commissioner Marriott seconded that ANC 6E support the Modification Request to BZA of 303-317 K Street, NW and the variance relief requested and that said support be communicated in writing to the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA). The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Judd, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

**XIV. 1110 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR DESIGN CONCEPT FOR HPRB APPLICATION [6E02]**

The applicant stated that this is a blighted property formerly used as a hostel. The historic façade will be kept and five (5) condo units will be built in the building with a penthouse on top. The penthouse will be set back and not be visible from the street in front. The building has a rather unique feature in that it has a basement below the basement. They have appeared before HPRB and are requesting ANC 6E support for their design concept. The applicant has also received a letter of support from the neighbors.

Commissioner Brown stated the ANC 6E Development & Zoning Committee met and supported the application.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brown moved and Commissioner Wiggins seconded that ANC 6E support the design concept of 1110 6<sup>th</sup> Street, NW and that said support be communicated in writing to HPRB, contingent upon verification that the mockup cannot be seen from the 6<sup>th</sup> Street viewpoints but that there might be partial views from the south, however with potential construction, those views will not be a reason not to support the application. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Judd, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

**XV. OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

**WILTBERGER STREET PROPOSAL TO MOVE PARKING FROM EAST SIDE TO WEST SIDE**

Commissioner Brown spoke on behalf of the owners and residents of Wiltberger Street, NW who requested that the residential parking now on the east side of the block be moved to the west side for the following reasons: (1) the owners of the 7 properties are the only residents at the moment on Wiltberger Street; (2) the block of 7 small row houses on the east side of Wiltberger Street has an extremely narrow sidewalk; (3) parking on the west side of the street would increase the total number of parking places; (4) parking on the west side of the street would reduce the noise of cars parking on the street, a particular problem with Howard Theatre attendees and nightlife revelers; (5) future plans along the eastern side of Wiltberger Street (65+9 condominiums, offices and retail, many of these opening on Wiltberger Street) make it more urgent to move parking to the west side of Wiltberger Street.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brown moved and Commissioner Marriott seconded that ANC 6E support the Wiltberger Street proposal that the residential parking now on the east side of Wiltberger Street be moved to the west side for the reasons outlined in their proposal and that said support be communicated in writing to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT). The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Judd, Marriott, Brown, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

## **XVI. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **XVII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF ANC 6E 5/1/18 PUBLIC MEETING**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brown moved and Commissioner Marriott seconded that the Minutes of the **ANC 6E Public Meeting of May 1, 2018** be approved as submitted. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Marriott, Rogers, Brown, and Judd) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

## **XVIII. APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT**

Commissioner Wiggins advised that the balance in the checking account as of April 30, 2018 is \$52,289.44.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Wiggins moved and Commissioner Marriott seconded that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Marriott, Rogers, Brown, and Judd) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

## **XIX. APPROVAL OF EXPENSES**

- A. MOTION:** Commissioner Wiggins moved and Commissioner Marriott 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 Judd) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.
- B. MOTION:** Commissioner Wiggins moved and Commissioner Judd seconded that Commissioner Jaffe be reimbursed in the amount of \$58.37 for copying expenses of a flyer. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 6 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Rogers, Brown, Wiggins, Marriott, and Judd) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

## **XX. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A.** Commissioner Wiggins stated that early voting for the upcoming DC Primary Election is from June 4-15, 2018 from 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- B.** Commissioner Padro stated that Shaw Main Streets Spring Open House will be held on June 16, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



**XXI. NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, July 3, 2018, Watha T. Daniel/Shaw Neighborhood Library, 1630 7<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, 6:30 p.m.

**XXII. 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 Judd) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.