

**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E
 Public Meeting
 Tuesday, April 7, 2020**

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E convened via Video Conference and/or telephone on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

- Alexander M. Padro, ANC 6E01
- Michael J. Brown, Secretary, ANC 6E02
- Frank S. Wiggins, Vice Chair, ANC 6E03
- Rachelle Nigro, Chair, ANC 6E04
- Alex Marriott, Treasurer, ANC 6E05
- Alvin Judd, ANC 6E06
- Kevin M. Rogers, ANC 6E07

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Chair Rachelle Nigro with a quorum present.



II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA















MOTION: Commissioner Wiggins moved and Commissioner Marriott seconded that the Agenda be approved as submitted. The Motion *passed* unanimously, 7 yeas (Commissioners Nigro, Padro, Wiggins, Brown, Marriott, Judd, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

III. PSA REPORTS – 1D, 3D

Crime statistics for the indicated periods are as follows:

Crime Type	Number of crimes reported between:		
	3/1/19-3/31/19	3/1/20-3/31/20	Change
Homicide	0	0	↔
Sex Abuse	0	0	↔
Robbery Excluding Gun	1	0	↓
Robbery With Gun	0	0	↔
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Excluding Gun	1	1	↔
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Gun	1	0	↓
Total Violent Crime	3	1	↑
Burglary	1	0	↔
Theft	8	7	↑
Theft F/Auto	22	7	↓
Stolen Auto	1	0	↓

Total Property Crime	32	14	
Total Crime	35	15	

Crime Stats for 3D Police District (PSA 308)			
		Number of crimes reported between:	
Crime Type	3/1/19-3/31/19	3/1/20-3/31/20	Change
Homicide	0	1	
Sex Abuse	1	1	
Robbery Excluding Gun	3	5	
Robbery With Gun	5	2	
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Excluding Gun	2	2	
Assault Dangerous Weapon (ADW) Gun	0	1	
Total Violent Crime	11	12	
Burglary	3	2	
Theft	33	20	
Theft F/Auto	18	10	
Stolen Auto	2	2	
Arson	0	0	
Total Property Crime	56	34	
Total Crime	67	46	

1D (PSA 103): Captain Dorrough stated MPD is still seeing some activity in Sursum Corda. There were some incidents when Covid-19 started – gunshots fired. Violent Crime: 6 in 1D vs. 3 the year before. Domestic violence incidents; 1 robbery at 6th & E; increase in domestic violence (double from what they usually see). Property Crime – mixed bag – lower numbers.

Commissioner Marriott asked what residents should do to report domestic violence. Captain Dorrough responded they should call the DC Victim Hotline: 844-443-5732.

Commissioner Judd stated there is very poor lighting on the unit block of New York Avenue at night.

3D (PSA 308): Captain Han Kim reported the following: **(1)** there was a shooting on 3/26/20 in the 1300 block of 5th Street – male victim; BOLO for vehicle involved; vehicle located and suspect arrested; **(2)** robbery 600 block of Rhode Island Avenue, NW on 3/14/20 – purse snatching – suspect located and arrested; **(3)** robbery outside of 6E - silver vehicle located at 200 block of Morgan Street; **(4)** narcotics unit: 4/3/20 – 600 block of N Street, NW – arrest for distribution of cocaine; 3/5/20 – 1900 block of 7th Street, NW -- two arrests for distribution of heroin; **(5)** From YTD to today, numbers looking pretty good – Robberies down – decrease of 78%; other side of 7th street – 35%; Violent Crime down; Thefts from Auto 35%; 30% in 308; recovered 39 illegal guns; trying to get residents to cooperate with social distancing.

Commissioner Wiggins asked if there was any additional information about the shooting in the alley at 600 S Street, NW. Captain Kim responded that MPD has some pretty good leads;

Commissioner Padro stated – **(1)** in the 600 block of Rhode Island Avenue, NW, he is getting reports of Saturday night marijuana parties again on the empty lot – any progress in reaching out to the property owner? Captain Kim responded he will check it out; **(2)** thanks to Captain Kim and his team for the visibility in the neighborhood; kudos to officers for turning on their P/A

systems in the 1900 block of 7th Street to get crowds to disperse; **(3)** however, he is less than pleased with the response to social distancing violations at 8th & O Streets, NW.

A question and answer period followed. Jacqueline Beathea, Community Outreach Coordinator for MPD's Third District, stated that if residents have any concerns, they may contact her at: Jacqueline.beathea@dc.gov or 202-365-1117. Richard Lake stated he has been observing significant illegal activities at the parking lot at 8th & O Streets, NW before and during the Covid-19 pandemic and that MPD needs to be more vigilant. Captain Kim responded he will follow up with Captain Judith Mack.

IV. REMARKS OF COUNCILMEMBER CHARLES ALLEN

Councilmember Charles Allen stated the following: **(1)** this is a very difficult time right now and he wishes everyone well; **(2)** the Mayor and Council are trying to move emergency relief per the following: **(a)** creating a \$25 million emergency relief fund for businesses and non-profits; **(b)** creating a massive expansion of the unemployment insurance program (there have been 50,000 applications so far); **(c)** continuing to expand testing; results can be gotten in 1-2 days from the Department of Health; **(d)** passed legislation today to expand unemployment insurance benefits; create relief for both residential and business tenants – 90 day deferral on mortgages for residential and commercial properties; **(e)** continued monitoring of health status – there will be an increase in cases in DC with a peak in June or early July. Staying at home is very important; **(f)** the city is planning what our recovery will look like. Everyone in District government is teleworking. The city from a financial standpoint will take a massive hit to the budget, but he is also optimistic.

A question and answer period followed. Commissioner Rogers asked where the testing sites are in the NW area. Councilmember Allen responded: **(1)** United Medical Center (UMC) in Ward 8; **(2)** Children's Hospital; **(3)** George Washington University Hospital. Hospitals will have tests and walk-up sites.

Kristin Frontiera asked about social distancing guidelines. Councilmember Allen responded he is looking into how residential streets can be closed off from vehicular traffic and used for walking and biking.

Councilmember Allen announced he will be hosting a Live Ward 6 Facebook Town Hall tonight at 8:30 p.m. where he will run through the Council's latest emergency legislation and answer as many questions as possible. Details: [Facebook.com/CM Charles Allen](https://www.facebook.com/CMCharlesAllen)

V. 485 K STREET, NW (RASA MVT LLC): REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR NEW RETAILER'S CLASS "C" RESTAURANT ABRA LICENSE [6E05]

Tabled. For further information, go to: <https://abra.dc.gov/page/deadline-extensions-service-modifications>

Deadline Extensions

The ABC Board has determined to extend the following deadlines:

- [Annual License Payments](#) | Extended from March 31, 2020 to June 1.
- [Alcohol License Expirations](#) | Alcohol licenses that expire March 16 - May 31 are now valid through June 1.
- **Fines** | Fines due March 16 - May 31 are now due June 1.
- [Q1 Statements](#) | Extended from April 30 to June 1.
- **Protest Petition Deadlines** | All protest deadlines scheduled for March 23 - May 4 have been extended. The new Protest Petition Deadline and Roll Call Hearing dates for all five (5) affected filing dates during this period are now June 1 and June 15 at 10:00 a.m. respectively. Establishments will not be re-placarded with the updated deadline.
- **Protest Status Hearings and Protest Hearings** | Hearings scheduled through April 22 have been postponed. New dates and times will be announced at a later date.
- **Notice of Public Hearings** | ABRA continues to accept and process new applications. However, the placarding of a new establishment has been suspended. When placarding does resume, the 45-day protest petition period will also resume.

Additionally, under current law, a licensee that ceases operations or closes its premises for 21 or more days is required to place their ABC license in safekeeping. The ABC Board has delayed the tolling of the 21-day period until the public health emergency has ended.

VI. 476 K STREET, NW (THE CLOAKROOM): REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR A SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE TO ITS RETAILER'S CLASS "C" TAVERN ABRA LICENSE REQUEST TO CHANGE HOURS OF OPERATION INSIDE PREMISES [6E05]

Tabled – See Section V.

VII. 601 K STREET, NW (JEMAL'S EAST 451, LLC): REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR NEW RETAILER'S CLASS "C" HOTEL ABRA LICENSE. ESTABLISHMENT WILL HAVE SUMMER GARDEN WITH 60 SEATS. LICENSEE IS REQUESTING TO HAVE AN ENTERTAINMENT ENDORSEMENT INCLUDING DANCING INSIDE AND OUTSIDE [6E05]

Tabled – See Section V.

VIII. 1331 8TH STREET, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR PROPOSED EMERGENCY LEGISLATION TO CLOSE ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY [6E03]

Commissioner Padro stated that Councilmember Charles Allen has asked that ANC 6E submit a letter of support for legislation he will be introducing to extend the time for Roadside Development to close on the city-owned parcel at 8th & O Streets, NW, as the original authority has expired. The terms will be the same as the previous approval.

Richard Lake of Roadside Development stated the parcel consists of mixed-use residential over retail development, consisting of approximately 79 residential condominium units and approximately 5,400 square feet of retail space. There will be 55 Market Rate Housing Units and 24 Affordable Housing Units. Of the 24 Affordable Housing Units, 12 will be up to 80% AMI and the other 12 up to 50% AMI. The project is on its fifth DMPED project manager. Roadside Development would like to close on this as soon as possible. They have the equity approved.

MOTION: Commissioner Wiggins moved and Commissioner Marriott seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support of 1331 8th Street, NW for proposed emergency legislation to close on city-owned property at 8th & O Street, NW and that said support be communicated in writing to the DC City Council, the Mayor, and the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED). The Motion **passed** unanimously, 7 yeas (Commissioners Nigro, Padro, Wiggins, Brown, Marriott, Judd, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

IX. 111 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, NW: REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR EXTENSION OF PUD [6E07]

Drew Turner, Development and Project Manager, Douglas Development Corporation, spoke regarding their request for support for an extension of their PUD. Douglas Development has the GSA as a tenant in their building at 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW. Due to GSA's new building project in Prince George's County being delayed, Douglas Development has extended their lease until December 31, 2020, which would allow Douglas Development to commence work in 2021.

MOTION: Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Rogers seconded that ANC 6E **support** the request for support of 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW for an extension of their PUD that was set to expire in May of this year and that said support be communicated in writing to the Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 7 yeas (Commissioners Nigro, Padro, Wiggins, Brown, Marriott, Judd, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

X. REQUEST FOR A TRAFFIC SAFETY ASSESSMENT AND TURN HARDENING AT THE INTERSECTION OF RHODE ISLAND AVENUE AND Q STREET, NW (SOUTHEAST CORNER) [ANC 6E TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE]

Alex Lopez, Chair of ANC 6E's Transportation Advisory Committee, spoke regarding the Committee's request for a traffic safety assessment and turn hardening at the intersection of Rhode Island Avenue and Q Street, NW.

MOTION: Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Marriott seconded that ANC 6E request that DDOT conduct a traffic safety assessment for the intersection of Rhode Island Avenue and Q Street, NW; further that ANC 6E request that DDOT implement turn hardening interventions, including bulb outs, that slow vehicles turning right from Rhode Island Avenue, NW onto Q Street, NW and reduce pedestrian crossing distance at the Q Street, NW crosswalk, and that such interventions accommodate and help protect bicycle traffic on the Q Street, NW bike lane; and that the foregoing requests be communicated in writing to the Director of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT). The

Motion **passed** unanimously, 7 yeas (Commissioners Nigro, Padro, Wiggins, Brown, Marriott, Judd, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XI. REQUEST FOR A STUDY OF TRAFFIC SAFETY AND PARKING IMPACTS RELATED TO THE FUTURE BANNEKER HIGH SCHOOL [ANC 6E TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE]

Alex Lopez, Chair of ANC 6E’s Transportation Advisory Committee, spoke regarding the Committee’s request for a study of traffic safety and parking impacts related to the future Banneker High School.

MOTION: Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Wiggins seconded that ANC 6E request that DDOT conduct a traffic safety assessment for the area around the future Banneker High School to identify current traffic safety issues and predict issues that are likely to occur due to the changing traffic patterns created by the Banneker High School, and that the scope of this traffic safety assessment also include the 900 Block of French Street, NW; further that ANC 6E requests that DDOT assess the current and future availability and utilization of on-street parking, including student pick-up/drop-off and on-street parking by Banneker staff, parents, volunteers, and visitors, including event attendees, in the area around the future Banneker High School, and that the foregoing requests be communicated in writing to the Director of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT). The Motion **passed** unanimously, 7 yeas (Commissioners Nigro, Padro, Wiggins, Brown, Marriott, Judd, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XII. REINSTATEMENT OF THE CONVENTION CENTER-SW WATERFRONT CIRCULATOR BUS LINE [ANC 6E TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE]

Alex Lopez, Chair of ANC 6E’s Transportation Advisory Committee, spoke regarding the Committee’s request for a reinstatement of the Convention Center-SW Waterfront Circulator Bus Line.

MOTION: Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Marriott seconded that ANC 6E request DDOT to reinstate the Convention Center-SW Waterfront Circulator Line and that the circulator line extend north to Florida Avenue, NW to serve the Shaw and U Street/Howard University communities, and that this request be communicated in writing to the Director of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) and to Ward 6 Councilmember Charles Allen. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 7 yeas (Commissioners Nigro, Padro, Wiggins, Brown, Marriott, Judd, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

In light of the Covid-19 Pandemic, Chair Nigro discussed making the ANC 6E Grant Application more visible on ANC 6E’s website.

XIV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE 3/3/2020 MEETING

MOTION: Commissioner Padro moved and Commissioner Wiggins seconded that the Minutes of the **March 3, 2020** ANC 6E Public Meeting be approved as amended. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 7 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Marriott, Brown, Nigro, Judd, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XV. APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT

Commissioner Marriott stated that as of March 31, 2020, the balance in the checking account is \$45,545.52.

MOTION: Commissioner Marriott moved and Commissioner Padro seconded that the Treasurer's Report be approved. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 7 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Wiggins, Marriott, Brown, Nigro, Judd, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XVI. APPROVAL OF EXPENSES

- A. MOTION:** Commissioner Marriott moved and Commissioner Padro seconded that Commissioner Nigro be reimbursed in the amount of \$68.89 for payment of the invoice submitted by Zoom Video Communications, Inc. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 7 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Brown, Wiggins, Marriott, Nigro, Judd, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.
- B. MOTION:** Commissioner Marriott moved and Commissioner Padro seconded that the invoice submitted by Karen Jehle in the amount of \$250.00 for recording services for the **ANC 6E April 7, 2020 Public Meeting** and website maintenance be approved. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 7 yeas (Commissioners Padro, Brown, Wiggins, Marriott, Nigro, Judd, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

XVII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A.** Commissioner Padro stated that the 2020 Census is now live and on-line: <https://2020census.gov/> Each commissioner is urged to encourage his/her constituents to respond.
- B.** Commissioner Marriott stated he is working with the DC Mutual Aid Network, the Mount Vernon CID, and Douglas Development Corporation to organize a supply drive for seniors. Individuals can make donations of non-perishable food items.
- C.** Nancee Lyons, CPM, Public Affairs Specialist/MuralsDC Coordinator, Department of Public Works, stated that MuralsDC is in discussion with the owner of the multi-unit dwelling located at 26 New York Avenue, NW, which has expressed interest in having a mural painted on the alley facing wall. No decision has been made yet, but MuralsDC wanted to take the opportunity to notify the community. Residents are invited to share any key words, adjectives or thoughts regarding their community the artist may want to consider when creating concepts. Comments can be sent to: murals.dc@dc.gov

- D. Mikaela Ferrill, Ward 6 Liaison, for the Mayor's Office of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS) provided the following resources that residents can contact during the Covid-19 Pandemic: **(1)** Visit coronavirus.dc.gov; **(2)** DC has set up a testing site at United Medical Center (UMC). Call 855-363-0333 for an appointment for testing; **(3)** Unemployment: Contact Department of Employment Services (DOES) by visiting their website (<https://does.dc.gov/>) or calling 202-724-7000; **(4)** Volunteering: Visit coronavirus.dc.gov or <https://dchealth.dc.gov/>
- E. Commissioner Padro stated that Shaw bars and restaurants are offering takeout of food and alcohol beverages. For more information, visit: <https://www.shawmainstreets.org/>
- F. Commissioner Nigro thanked Marcus Whitaker and Ed Andersen for serving as co-hosts of the Zoom Videoconference for tonight's ANC 6E Public Meeting.

XVIII. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, May 5, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: There being no further business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Nigro moved and Commissioner Marriott seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The Motion **passed** unanimously, 7 yeas (Commissioners Nigro, Padro, Wiggins, Brown, Marriott, Judd, Rogers) – 0 nays – 0 abstentions.

Respectfully submitted,

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