

ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 6E

455 Massachusetts Ave., NW #147, Washington, DC 20001

July 25, 2023

Mr. Delano Hunter
Acting Director
Department of General Services
3924 Minnesota Avenue NE 6th Floor
Washington, DC 20019

RE: Resolution in Support of District of Columbia Department of General Services property acquisition for use by DHS at 25 E St. NW

Dear Department of General Services:

On July 11, 2023, at a duly noticed and regularly scheduled meeting of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E ("ANC 6E" or "Commission") conducted virtually via videoconference and with a quorum of 5 out of 8 Commissioners and the public present, ANC 6E approved the following resolution by a vote of 5 for, 0 against, and 0 abstentions:

WHEREAS, the Duties and Responsibilities of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission Act of 1975 grants ANC 6E the responsibility to advise the Council of the District of Columbia, the Mayor, and each executive agency and all independent agencies, boards, and commissions of the government of the District of Columbia with respect to all matters of District government policy, including decisions regarding planning, streets, recreation, social services programs, education, health, safety, and sanitation which affect the ANC 6E area;¹

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2023, the District of Columbia Department of General Services provided a Notice pursuant to DC Official Code Section 1-309.10 for the acquisition of real property for use by the Department of Human Services at 25 E St. NW for the purpose of a non-congregate shelter.

WHEREAS, 25 E street NW is located within the jurisdictional boundaries of ANC 6E in Single Member District 6E07;

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services presented to the commission on the plans for operation of the non-congregate shelter to ANC 6E at its meeting on July 11, 2023;

WHEREAS, the District of COlumbia is facing a homelessness crisis that requires effective solutions to address and make homelessness rare, brief, and non-recurring;

WHEREAS, the non-congregate shelter model is more effective than low barrier shelters because non-congregate shelters offer more privacy for residents, provide more comprehensive services for residents

¹ D.C. Law 1-21; D.C. Official Code § 1-309.01 et seq.



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with chronic medical conditions, ensure that residents have access to case management services, and serve all genders, including adult couples;

WHEREAS, in reviewing the 25 E St. NW Project, ANC 6E expressed no concerns with the location or operation of the shelter;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ANC 6E supports the DGS's acquisition of 25 E St. NW for purpose of non-congregate shelter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

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Sincerely,

Chris Hart,

Chair