

**Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E
Virtual Public Meeting
Thursday, July 31, 2025**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. with a quorum of 7 out of 8 Commissioners present.

Present:

Ahmad Abu-Khalaf, Chair, ANC 6E05
Sam Alhadeff, ANC 6E01
Chrystal J. Watts, ANC 6E02
Kevin Rogers, ANC 6E03
Nate Coffman, ANC 6E06
Davina Carson, Treasurer, ANC 6E07
Dale Prince, Secretary, ANC 6E08
Ritanch Hans, Vice Chair, ANC 6E09

Absent:

None

*ANC 6E04 Vacant

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: The Commission APPROVED (7 yeas - 0 nays – 0 abstentions) the agenda as submitted (Motion by Commissioner Abu-Khalaf, Second by Commissioner Hans).

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: The Commission APPROVED (7 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions) the Minutes of the May 29, 2025 ANC 6E Virtual Public Meeting as submitted. (Motion by Commissioner Abu-Khalaf, Second by Commissioner Hans).

MOTION: The Commission APPROVED (6 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstention [Commissioner Prince]) the Meeting Notes of the June 26, 2025 ANC 6E Virtual Public Meeting as submitted. (Motion by Commissioner Abu-Khalaf, Second by Commissioner Rogers).

4. UPDATE FROM WARD 6 COUNCILMEMBER ALLEN'S OFFICE

POC: Jeanne Mattison, Constituent Services Coordinator,
jmattison@dccouncil.gov; 202-724-8072

Did not join the call.

**5. UPDATE FROM MAYOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND SERVICES (MOCRS) –
Noah Glasgow, Ward 6 Liaison**

Did not join the call.

6. PSA REPORT: METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT 1ST DISTRICT

Did not join the call.

**7. PSA REPORT: METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT 5TH DISTRICT
Sgt. Leake**

Sgt. Leake reported on crime at 5th and K, M Street, West Virginia Avenue and the NoMa area and steps being taken to combat crime in those areas, including neighborhood walks and safety classes to increase community awareness. A question-and-answer period followed.

**8. PRESENTATION ON RACE TO END WOMEN'S CANCER
POC: Kerry Lynn Bohen**

Kerry Lynn Bohen provided details and route information for the Race to End Women's Cancer to be held on Sunday, September 14, 2025 from 7:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., <https://foundationforwomenscancer.org>. A free educational seminar will be held on Saturday, September 13, 2025 at the Hotel Washington. A question-and-answer period followed.

9. PRESENTATION FROM AND Q&A WITH BETH MELLEN, ASSISTANT DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL, SENIOR COUNSEL FOR HOUSING PROTECTION & AFFORDABILITY, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Beth Mellen provided a slide presentation on the OAG's Public Advocacy Division and its different sections (Antitrust and Nonprofit, Civil Rights & Elder Justice, Consumer Protection, Housing & Environmental Justice, Workers' Rights & Antifraud, Equitable Land Use). OAG Mediation tries to resolve consumer and tenant complaints without the need to go to court; it is a free service. She also noted they are able to bring lawsuits against landlords and provided some examples. Contact info: 202-442-9828, email: consumer.protection@dc.gov, <https://oag.dc.gov/complaint>. A question-and-answer period followed.

[The Chair noticed that Commissioner Watts had joined the meeting around 7:04 p.m.]

**10. DISCUSS LEGAL AGREEMENT/SUPPORT FOR ABCA LICENSE AT 433 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE NW
Marcus Jennings**

MOTION: The Commission APPROVED (8 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions) the Settlement Agreement between ANC 6E and Relva for their Medical Cannabis ABCA license and that this be conveyed to ABCA. (Motion by Commissioner Hans, Second by Commissioner Prince).

11. REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION AND AREA VARIANCE (471-473 H STREET NW)

Zach Williams, Venable, LLP
Mark Freeman
Howard Bongam, Developer

MOTION: The Commission voted to APPROVE (7 yeas – 0 nays – 1 abstention [Commissioner Watts]) a resolution conveying to the DC Board of Zoning Adjustment ANC 6E's support for the application for special exception and area variance for 471-473 H Street NW. (Motion by Commissioner Abu-Khalaf, Second by Commissioner Hans).

12. PEPSCO UPDATE ON MOUNT VERNON SUBSTATION

A Pepco representative provided an update on the Mount Vernon Substation and stated construction was completed in 2023 and the substation was energized last year. Other features to be added to the site will include an artistic fence called "Illuminated Legacy" that will feature prominent figures who have had a significant impact across the District as well as artistic murals to be painted on the front of the substation after community feedback is received via a survey. He also provided details regarding Pepco's Customer Relief Fund to help residents with rising energy costs. A question-and-answer period followed.

13. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE FAIR HOUSING PRACTICES AMENDMENT ACT OF 2025

MOTION: The Commission voted to APPROVE (6 yeas – 0 nays – 2 abstentions [Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner Hans]) ANC 6E's support for a resolution that calls on the DC Council to pass the Fair Housing Practices Amendment Act of 2025 after amending the definition of the term "utility" to include internet services in common spaces. (Motion by Commissioner Abu-Khalaf, Second by Commissioner Alhadeff).

14. ZONING APPLICATION TO AMEND PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT AT 450 5TH STREET NW – Case No. 78-17A (Judiciary Plaza, LLC)

MOTION: The Commission voted to APPROVE (8 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions) a resolution that conveys to the Zoning Commission ANC 6E's support for approving the zoning application to amend the Planned Unit Development at 450 5th Street NW, while encouraging the developer to explore opportunities to increase the share of affordable housing in the proposed development project. (Motion by Commissioner Abu-Khalaf, Second by Commissioner Prince).

15. REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR PROPOSED ART INSTALLATION – 200 BLOCK OF K STREET NW [6E01]

MOTION: The Commission voted to APPROVE (8 yeas – 0 nays – 0 abstentions) a resolution that conveys ANC 6E's support for the Mount Vernon Triangle Community Improvement District's proposed art installation application to the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities for funding through its Public Arts Building Communities Grant Program. (Motion by Commissioner Alhadeff, Second by Commissioner Carson).

16. VOTE ON FY25 Q3 FINANCIAL REPORT

MOTION: The Commission APPROVED (8 yeas - 0 nays – 0 abstentions) the FY25 Q3 Financial Report for as submitted (Motion by Commissioner Carson, Second by Commissioner Hans).

17. OPEN FORUM

No comments were presented.

18. NEXT MEETING: Thursday, September 25, 2025, 6:30 p.m. (No Meeting in August).

[Commissioners Carson and Watts drop from the call.]

19. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: The Commission AGREED (6 yeas - 0 nays – 0 abstentions) to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m. (Motion by Commissioner Hans, Second by Commissioner Prince).

Prepared by: Karen Jehle, Minute Taker
(Transcribed from Recording)

Approved on: _____

Attest:

Secretary
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6E