

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2C

Monthly Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2013

MLK Memorial Library, A 3

Washington, DC

Call to order:

Introduction

All Commissioners were present. Meeting had a full quorum.

Kevin Wilsey, ANC2C03, Chair

Harold Closter, ANC2C02, Treasurer

John Tinpe, ANC2C01, Secretary

Approval of Agenda

Agenda for November's ANC meeting, motion was approved, by 3 out 3 votes.

Approval of Minutes from October meeting

Correction was made to October minutes to reflect that "\$500, Expense for sound system. Motion was approved, by 3 out of 3 votes."

October meeting minutes were approved, by 3 out of 3 votes.

Treasurer's report

Current balance as of October 31, 2013 was \$25,176.01. This includes allocation from the District of \$1,541.59. Treasurer's report was approved, by 3 out of 3 votes.

Business matters

Adoption of Budget: Previously approved (by 3 out 3) audio equipment expense, \$500 was insufficient. The new recommended amount was \$1000. Decision: To be further explored.

Community Announcement

Ms. Bea Jones presented Horizon, an alternate source vendor for energy.

Planning, Zoning and Environment

1. 808-810 5th St NW New submission to HPA,

Presented by Gary Schlager, Principal, Rock Creek Property Group, and the architect firm of Martinez and Johnson.

The plan previously approved by ANC2C in September was rejected by the Historic Preservation Review Board.

The new modified plan included 4 changes: reduced height, set back further, removed half of the eight floor, and from glass to brick exterior. HPRB recommended a “softer and quieter” version.

To be presented again before the HPRB, for approval, on December 5, 2013, at Office of Zoning. Motion approved for the new plan, by 3 out of 3 votes.

2. Zoning Regulation Review

Presented by Jo-Ann Neuhaus, resident, Ventana condominium and Elizabeth Miller, resident, Gallery Place condominium.

The Zoning Regulation Re-write included provision to eliminate minimum required parking for downtown developments. Residents will like to see residents rights protected, 24 hour access for loading in mixed use neighborhoods. Zone 2 parking permits for residents in Ward 2.

“Overwhelming support by residents is needed,” said Ms. Miller.

Ms. Miller is to prepare a document on behalf of residents to be presented on December 9, 2013.

Brief Community Announcement and Presentation

Fire Chief Ellerbe,

“When you hear sirens, or encounter a fire engine, please move to the right!”

Contact info. DC Fire (202) 673-3320

Email: kbe@dc.gov

Alcoholic Beverage Licensing

1. Ultra Bar, 911 F St NW, ABRA 074767 Class C Night Club License Renewal

Commentary was made by Jo-Ann Neuhaus, and Jill Hershey, residents of Ventana condominium. Issues concerned were noise, cleanliness, littering, public nuisance, such as fighting and urination in the alley. Commentary made by Jamie Harris, resident of Artisan condominium, 916 E St NW, “Noise in the alley from Ultra Bar and Living Social.”

Steps taken by Ultra Bar include: 3 blocs of cleaning, removing food trucks, employing 22 security personnel, base noise to be kept low, door to be kept closed at all times, especially when smoking outside, exchanging phone numbers and contact information to keep communication, between residents and business, taking an extra hour for staggering closing.

Decision by ANC: To take no action.

2. Bo Dogs, 614 E St NW Jeff Jackson, (Absent.)

Transportation and Public Space

1. Greater New Hope Baptist Church, 8th St NW
Presented by Charles Hicks: "The Church has been around for 57 years,"
Far East Bus Co. of NY paid for the reservation of 5 public parking spaces, in front of the church.
This has caused traffic congestion and fewer parking spaces on 8th St.
ANC approval was not obtained in reserving parking spaces.
To be explored with DDOT.
2. District Taco, 1309 F St NW, DDOT Tracking number 85385
Side walk café: 2 tables, 8 chairs.
Motion was approved, by 3 out of 3 votes.

Local Events Impacting Community

1. Jingle All The Way 8K Sunday, December 8, 2013
Funds raised from race will be used to help the homeless in the area.
Motion was approved, by 3 out of 3 votes.
2. St. Patrick's Day 8K Sunday, March 9, 2014
Motion was approved, by 3 out of 3 votes.

Next meeting: Monday, December 9, 2013. MLK Library, A 3.

Meeting adjourned.

