

ANC 2D

Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2012

Our Lady Queen of the Americas
2200 California Street

1. The Meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM.
2. A quorum was established: Present 2 Commissioners and 35 Residents/Guests.
3. Agenda was **approved** as published.
4. The Minutes of the May 21, 2012, Meeting were **approved** as published and distributed.
5. Administrative/Financial Matters
 - 5.1 Treasurer's Report...
 - 5.1.1 The current fund balance is \$3754.00.
 - 5.1.2 Commissioner Lamar summarized the applications received from the Community Not-for-Profit organizations and recommended that the following organizations be awarded 2012 Grants: 1. Views; 2. Friends of Mitchell Park; 3. Restore Mass. Ave.; 4. S-K Call Boxes; 5. Spanish Steps; 6. Language Etc.; 7. SKHA; and 8. Textile Museum. Each grant will be for \$450.00; totaling \$3,600.00. Motion was seconded and **approved** (The Grant program was established on January 23, 2012, with the approval of the ANC 2D 2012 Budget)
 - 5.1.3 Commissioner Lamar moved and it was seconded that the Quarterly Report for Jan/March 2012 be approved as published. Motion was **approved**.
6. DC Govt. Reports
 - 6.1 MPD (PSA 208)...Should you have further questions or concerns to be brought to the attention of MPD, you can contact Lieutenant McDonald at JohnC.McDonald@DC.Gov. Lieutenant reported that crime is down in S-K. He urged all residents to report to 911 all crimes regardless how small they may appear to be to you.
 - 6.2 Mayor's Office (James Bulger)...You can reach James at James.Bulger@dc.com
 - 6.3 Council Member's Office (Sarina Loy)...You can contact Sarina at sloy@dccouncil.us Ms. Loy informed the group that Councilmember

Evans' staff continue to work on the issues raised regarding the temporary buildings at the Mosque as well as several concerns which have been raised over neglected properties.

7. Neighborhood Groups

7.1 SKHA...Kindy French...No report

7.2 SKNC...Chris Chapin...No report

7.3 Friends of Mitchell Park...Pierre Wagner...Films in the Field will be shown on Thursdays June 21, July 19 and August 16. A fund-raising gala will be held at the Portuguese Embassy on October 4th. The Annual Mitchell Park Fall Fun Day is scheduled for Sunday October 28th. FOMP is looking for volunteers to assist with various activities in the Park. If interested, contact FriendsofMitchellPark@gmail.com.

Commissioner Lamar moved and it was seconded that a permit to hold the film in the park program be approved. **Approved**

7.4 Call Boxes...Phil Baker...The Call Box on Belmont Road has received repeated vandalism which has been reported to MPD. Four more boxes have been refurbished.

7.5 Language ETC...Phil Baker...The program has had over 700 students enrolled this year. He announced that he had resigned from the Board directors.

7.6 Restore Mass Ave...RMA is looking for volunteers, should you be interested please contact Deborah Shapley restoremassave@yahoo.com

7.7Views from S-K...Saone Crocker...

7.8 Spanish Steps...David Bender...Jackie Stanley, Consumer Outreach Coordinator, Department of General Services, announced that Kadcon Construction had been awarded the contract to do the restoration work. Work will begin on July 7th lasting approximately 10 to 12 weeks. Throughout this time access to the STEPS will be limited. The scope of the work is to refresh the area, upgrade the drainage system, regrade the land surface, plant new landscaping and ensure the working condition of the fountain.

8. Old Business:

8.1 Update on Chinese Embassy Project...Remediation of 2310 (the old building) has been completed and 2300 is about a third done. Completion date for all remediation work is early July. At this time the facade supports will be erected and the demo will commence shortly thereafter.

9. New Business:

9.1 Department of General Services...Jackie Stanley....Consumer Outreach Coordinator, Department of General Services provided an overview of the mission of the newly created Department. The Department is responsible for making repairs and replacement equipment in parks, schools, recreation centers and fire stations. This agency is now responsible for the maintenance of both Mitchell Park and The Spanish Steps.

9.2 2130 Bancroft....Adjustment for Variance Relief (Goulston and Storrs.....Following an overview provided by Allison Prince, Attorney, and James Mark, Architect, comments were made regarding the merits of the project. In Prince's introductory remarks she stated that they were not seeking action at this ANC meeting but were rather wanting to hear comments. Five neighbors and a representative from the SKHA expressed a series of concerns ranging from quality of life issues to legal issues. No positive comments were made.

9.3 1901 24th Street....Christian Zapatka...Following an overview of the project [to install a parapet around the roof top air conditioning condenser units], comments were received from the owner of the adjacent property at 2337 California Street and SKHA (who opposes the project), a motion was moved by Commissioner Bender and it was seconded that the ANC support the installation of a 3 sided parapet (leaving the back side along the adjacent property open) which enables light and air to past through the to-be-erected surround.

Approved

10. Open Comments:

10.1 James Pepper (POGS) reported on the organizations efforts on preserving green space in Sheridan-Kalorama. He closed in urging all interested residents to make a donation in support of this neighborhood project.

11. Next Meetings–September 10, 2012 and October 22, 2012

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

DDOT is seeking the public's cooperation in using a new **Property Damage Only Crash Form** to enable the agency to better identify crash locations. The form should be used only in non-injury fender-bender incidents where minor crashes occur and are not typically reported by the MPD. Residents can obtain the Property Damage Only

Crash Form from an MPD officer and DDOT urges drivers to keep the forms in their vehicle's glove compartment. The form will be available online on the DDOT and MPD websites.

On Tuesday, May 29, 2012, The Mayor's Advisory Neighborhood Commission Chair's Roundtable met. The program began with an overview of the FY2013 Budget and a discussion of its approval process. Deputy Mayor Victor Hoskins provided an overview of the recent ICSC Global Retail Real Estate Convention which City Officials attended in Las Vegas. The purpose of the meeting was to inform corporations and businesses the merits/benefits of doing business in DC. Jennifer Greene, Director of the Office of Unified Communications, spoke of the recently installed 311 App issue reporting mechanism. Three service provider (Pepco, Washington Gas and DC Water) representatives made presentations regarding their utility.

12. Meeting was adjourned at 8:54 PM.

David R. Bender, Secretary/Chair

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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2D meets the third Monday of the month unless otherwise announced. There is an open forum at each meeting for discussion of relevant issues not on the regular agenda. For additional information go to the ANC website at ANC2D.org.